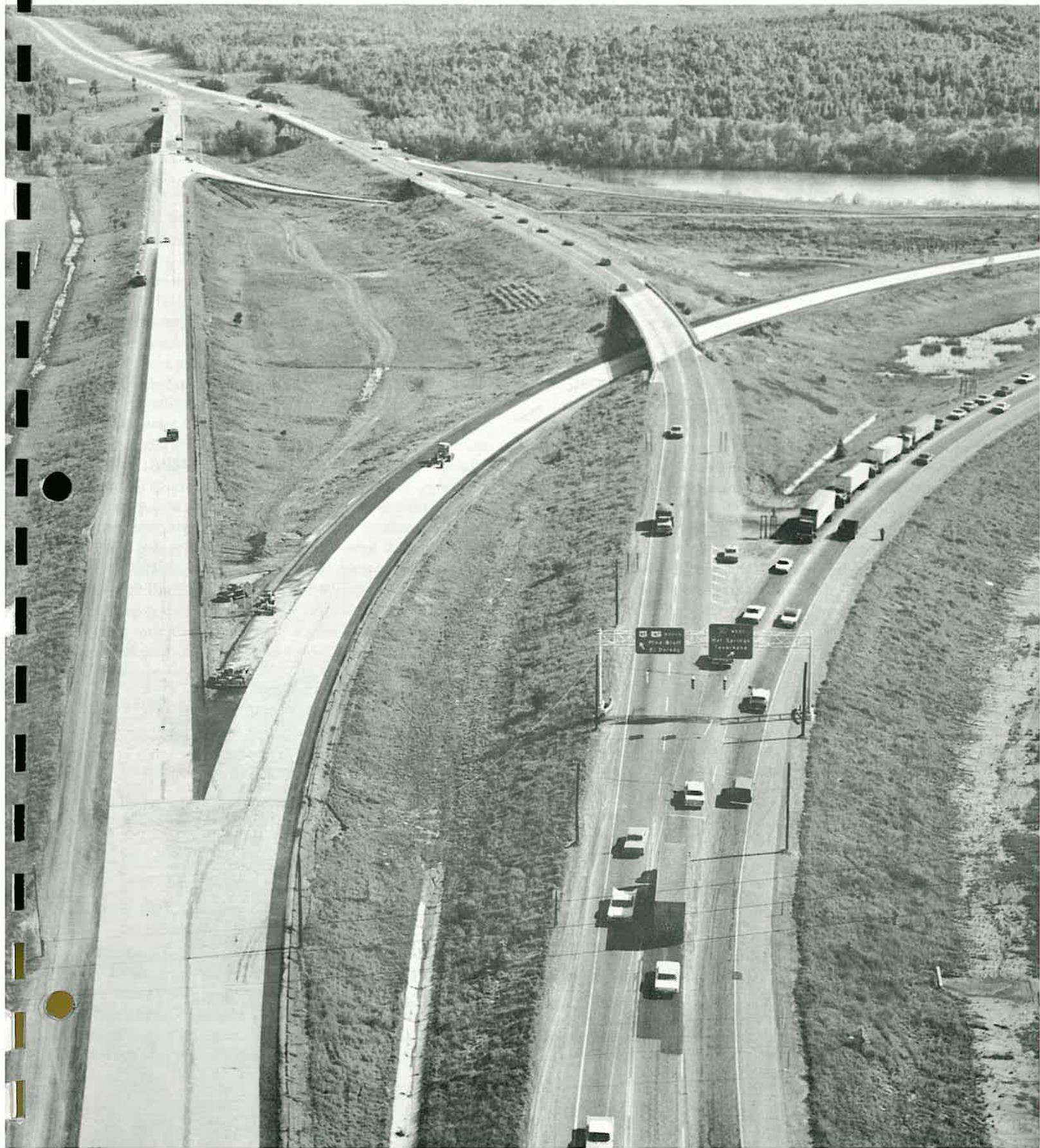


ARKANSAS HIGHWAYS

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FOUR EMPLOYEES RECEIVE SERVICE AWARDS

A 30-year veteran and three 25-year veterans of the Highway Department were presented service pins and certificates of merit April 27 by the Highway Commission.

Clyde Nast, the 30-year man, retired on the eve of his anniversary with the Department. The 25-year men who received pins were Custer Ervin Davis, District 1 assistant maintenance superintendent; Guy Garfield Golden, a crew leader in District 7, and William Thomas Newman, area foreman in Sharp County.

NAST, a native of Missouri, was educated in Oklahoma and Arkansas. He came to the Highway Department as a laborer at the age of 22. He worked intermittently the next few years as he operated his own business and worked for Uncle Sam performing defense work during World War II. He returned in 1946 and worked continuously as a mechanic in District 5, the position he held at the time of his retirement. He married the former Miss Zelma Allen of Batesville in 1932.

DAVIS, better known as "Skinny," left farming in 1925 to assist in maintaining our roads. His talents have been used from the beginning as a motor patrol operator, job superintendent, maintenance superintendent, and his present job. He was

born on a large plantation at Gregory, in Woodruff County. He is a member of the Wynne Baptist Church and, according to his wife, the former Miss Mamie Smith, a charter member of the "Big Chair Club,"—his favorite chair in the living room. The Davises have a son, Edmon, and a granddaughter, Debra.

GOLDEN was born in Arkadelphia, his present home. Guy also gave up farming to become associated with the Department in 1941. His services have been uninterrupted. His vast knowledge in the operation of our equipment is utilized daily, and his leadership ability is recognized by many. He and Mrs. Golden, the former Miss Katie Francis, have two children and five grandchildren. He spends his spare moments hunting and fishing.

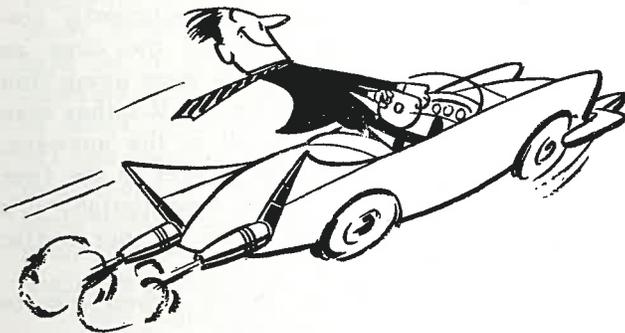
NEWMAN was born at Williford in Sharp County. He came to the Department in 1941 as a motor patrol operator, bringing with him the experience of maintaining roads while working for the WPA. Blading, ditching, and keeping the roads in Sharp County in good condition takes the best in men and equipment, and Newman is no exception. His present assignment is area foreman in Sharp County. In 1925, he married the former Miss Irma Wilson, also of Williford. They have two children whom they enjoy visiting as often as possible.



Holding their certificates of merit are: William Newman, Skinny Davis, Clyde Nast, and Guy Golden. In the back are Highway Commissioners Hampton, Baker, Director Walter Hicks, Highway Commissioners Harch and Taylor, Deputy Director and Chief Engineer Ward Goodman.

DRIVING IS NO JOKE

Safety Section - AHD



When you get behind the wheel of any vehicle your influence on the lives of others is vastly expanded. Your responsibility is accordingly increased. Even in terms of physical contact you are bigger and more powerful. Your normal reach, within which you can strike and injure anyone, has increased from about 30 inches to the distance in which you can stop your moving vehicle to as much as several hundred feet.

You must realize the burden of this expanded responsibility and not interpret it as increased personal power. You should not become dangerous to yourself and others by exchanging your ordinary ways for conceited, intemperate, and inconsiderate dangerous habits.

You are expected to become familiar with and follow sound driving practices.

The six basic practices of sound driving are:

1. Avoid taking foolish chances.
2. Develop skill in handling a vehicle.
3. Learn what you can expect of your vehicle.
4. Have regard for the rights of other highway users.
5. Watch for the mistakes of other and compensate for them to the best of your ability.
6. Signal your intentions to persons who may be affected by your acts.

These six aims mean a great deal. Collectively they mean acquiring good judgment. Becoming a better driver will help you to keep your vehicle constantly under control. You will realize the limitations of your vehicle, know that it will not "stop on a dime." You will see that foolish chance-taking

is a violation of some law or regulations and is always a violation of sound driving practices. You must appreciate that you are obligated to do what you can to protect another driver from his own mistakes, however foolish or illegal. In fact, courts have developed a doctrine called "last clear chance"; when a collision occurs, it is the fault of the person who had the last clear chance to avoid it. The other driver may do something wrong, but if you still have a reasonable chance to avoid a collision and fail to do so, a court may find you at fault.

You may know everything in this article and yet be a driving menace to yourself and to everyone else unless you know and use it at the right time. You should be **ALERT** and **CONCENTRATE ON YOUR DRIVING WHENEVER YOU OPERATE A VEHICLE.**

Bear in mind that there is nothing new in this message - just plain common sense. Remember that it is yours and not the other fellow's job to keep your location free of motor vehicle accidents. Never forget "*accidents don't happen, they are caused.*"

HIGHWAY SWEEPSTAKES

"They're off!"

These familiar words might describe many of the motorists who get underway late Friday afternoon on week end motor trips. Some of them, from the moment they break from the starting gate - beg pardon, from the moment they leave their driveways - race and jockey for position, regardless of the other fellow and, apparently, totally unconcerned with the risk involved.

"As they enter the clubhouse turn, it's Early Foot and Pugnacious on top, with Tempestuous and Thundercloud running third and fourth." This time honored phrase brings to mind those drivers who scramble madly for an advantageous position as they shift into second, then into high - and maneuver desperately to get in front.

"And now, as they enter the backstretch, it's Crossbones moving up rapidly on the outside. Malicious, Heedless, and In-And-Out move into contention!

"Going into the far turn...Oh, Oh, there's a mixup! Three horses are down - Heedless, Variable, and Uncertain!

"The rest of the field swings wide and now they make the turn for home. Here comes Old Reliable, slowly and steadily making up ground - fourth now and gaining with every stride!

"Here they come, driving for the wire! On the rail, it's Headlong, tiring badly - in the middle of the track Impetuous, gradually dropping back. And here comes Old Reliable, moving easily to the front - steady, sure, pulling away to win by several lengths.

"The unofficial result: The winner: Old Reliable - Good Nature closed fast to pick up place money - and Take Your Time sneaked through on the rail to show!"

CLINIC FOR SAFETY

Washington State Is Having Success With A Pilot Project In Which Traffic Violators Talk Things Over Amongst Themselves

By Charles M. LeSueur

IT WAS almost 7 o'clock when a man of about 40 popped his head into the classroom and hesitatingly asked if this was where the Driver Improvement Clinic was being held. Several members of the class loudly assured him that he was in the right place, and he walked self-consciously to one of the desks that had been arranged into a semicircle.

Two others came in behind him and trudged over to the few remaining seats. About 25 adults were in attendance. Some were chatting nervously, others sat silently watching the late comers arrive. All of them, however, kept a wary eye on the instructor as he made a few last minute adjustments on the tape recorder located near the center of the room.

At 7 sharp a hush drew over the room as the instructor walked over to the tape recorder and turned it on. He introduced himself to the group and explained that he would be their group leader for the next three class sessions. He went on to say that the tape recorder was for his own self-improvement and that no attempt would be made to link together names and voices. The instructor indicated to the group that he was in no way connected with law enforcement and that during the forthcoming discussions they should speak freely and openly about their feelings. He encouraged them to express their honest views toward law enforcement, and government in general. He assured them that the objective of the meetings was to prevent accidents, not personal reprisal.

Ground Rules. The clinic participants listened intently as he went on to cover some of the ground rules for the impending discussions. When this had been accomplished, the group leader smiled, and very casually asked how they felt about having to attend these sessions. A long silence came over the group and then someone said that he "didn't like it!" "What is this all about?" The group leader reflected what had been asked and said, "You're not too happy about being here, and you're wondering what it's all about?"

Another man picked this up and wanted to know why they had been selected for this clinic.

The group leader asked, "Can anyone answer this question?"

A woman in the group exploded, "We're been asking questions but we're not getting any answers—why?" Before the group leader could respond, a man in the center of the semicircle answered, "I think this is a form of psychology and we're all going to be analyzed or something."

Upon hearing this a young man said that he thought only "nuts" were put through this type of treatment. A scholarly looking man indignantly corrected him by stating this was not the case as educators as well as psychologists were using this method to get a group to think for itself rather than having an instructor give them all of the answers.

Someone else interrupted in answer to the first man's question. He said, "We're here tonight—it's simple; we're being punished again for our traffic violations."

Explanation. The group leader asked him to explain what he meant by "again?"

"Well, we've already had to pay a fine, isn't that enough punishment?" The others obviously agreed with him. Another lady moaned that these were not the only punishments inflicted because of her violations — how about her husband who wouldn't let her forget the \$20 it had cost her! At this, the group along with the group leader laughed heartily and almost miraculously some of the tension was lifted. Others went on to express their opinions and gripes.

For the most part, other than to encourage or to reflect feelings, the group leader had remained silent. He consciously encouraged the participants to come up with their own conclusions as to why they were in attendance and what they thought might be accomplished. He did not answer directly any questions posed to him by the group. A long range objective of the program is to cause violators to leave the meetings unsettled, off guard, unsure of what was going on in the class. If everything were neatly summed up and answered for them by the group leader then they would be more likely to leave happy and content, and they would probably continue to drive in a dangerous and reckless manner. The longer that they mulled over what actually took place in class, the longer that they tried to fill in the unanswered questions, the better they drove.

Pilot Program. The scenes described represent the first of six hours that this group would have together during a three week period in a project known as the Pierce County Pilot Program in Driver Improvement sponsored by the Washington State Department of Motor Vehicles under the directorship of Douglas Toms.

This project recently completed its first year operation. During that period of time 2,000 negligent drivers were processed through six hours of non-directive group therapy. A statistical analysis has

indicated that this type of treatment is an effective tool in reducing subsequent traffic violations.

Interestingly, the youngest group, 21 through 25 years of age, and the oldest group, 51 through 55 years of age, profited most from the experience. The analysis also indicated that women profited more than men.

The Washington State Joint Committee on Highways is pleased enough with the results of this study to provide additional money to expand this type of driver improvement activity into other counties in the State of Washington. The Department of Motor Vehicles, under whose guidance the project has operated for the past year, is convinced that this is one of the most effective driver improvement tools available to them. They hope that the day will soon come when this program can be offered to every negligent driver in the State.

One might say that the State of Washington is doing more than just talking about traffic safety. They are letting people talk themselves out of having accidents.



HIGHWAY DAMES

On April 28 sixteen of our members made the bus trip to Hot Springs to visit the Rehabilitation Center. This was a very interesting and enlightening experience. The personnel of the Center were most courteous in guiding the visitors through the Center. Everyone was impressed with the facilities and the services being rendered by this institution. The members were guests at a luncheon at which a wonderful meal was served.

At the business session held aboard the bus on the return to Little Rock, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Mrs. J. R. Chaney; Vice President, Mrs. L. M. Elledge; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Billy K. Cooper; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Robert H. Hall; Treasurer, Mrs. Johnny Gray; Parliamentarian, Mrs. Bert Rownd; Historian, Mrs. J. C. Longcoy.

The last meeting of the Arkansas Highway Dames for the year 1965-66 will be held at 11:00 o'clock Thursday morning, May 26 at the home of our President, Mrs. J. T. Pendergrass. The new officers will be installed and a potluck picnic luncheon will be served. Since this will be the last meeting until September, it is hoped that all members will be present.

- Myrtle Woolsey

ARKANSAS HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT Little Rock, Arkansas

Dear Sirs:

I griped about the trash which is thrown along your highway, but now I have something better to say:

Saturday, April 30, I went from Waterloo, Ark., to Stephens and was caught in a terrible rainstorm - being forced to stop for two hours at Vaughn's store where the road goes to Stephens and later near Stephens.

The water was roaring down on each side of the road, big and dangerous and I thought "What a wonderful job of engineering that it did not go over the road or make travel hazardous, except for the rain."

Sincerely,
Mrs. Chloe M. Whitmer



Miss Sharon Hughes a 'senior in North Little Rock High School, was a guest of the Highway Department in April as part of the High School's "Career Days." The activities are co-sponsored by the North Little Rock Chamber of Commerce and the School's Business Department. Sharon is "taking dictation" from our Director, W. E. Hicks.

SAVE YOUR NYLONS FOR A FOG BROOM

Nylon stockings, it seems, have other uses besides covering milady's limbs. They are being used in an experiment to tackle fog on the New Jersey roadways.

The New Jersey Highway Department is experimenting with what it terms a fog broom - large pieces of nylon thread on wooden frames - that converts fog into water.

Last year, someone in the Department's Research and Evaluation Division read about a town in Chile - Antofagasta to be exact - where the land is dry and the fog is dense. By erecting stationary wood frames and stringing them with nylon, the Chileans were able to trap the frequent fogs mists and turn them into usable water.

So, the research division built itself a similar contraption and tested it in a small laboratory at Highway Department headquarters here.

Exciting Results

"The exciting result of the first two tests was that the room which had been fogged to the saturation point was visually clear in six minutes," a Highway Department spokesman said today. Actually, the fog began to dissipate after three minutes of rotating the broom.

Meanwhile research engineers tried to figure out why the water collected on the fog broom. One theory was that friction with the nylon created static electricity which forced the fog to cling to the broom. The other explanation was that as the fog passed through the fine nylon threads, it was compressed into larger water particles. No one seems sure which answer is correct.

Consider Test

But either way, the Highway Department is considering a full-scale test of the device on a fog bound highway. Several fog brooms would be mounted on a low flat-bed trailer. Just like a snow plow, the truck, hopefully, will be able to plow away the fog as it moves along the highway.

Before the test is conducted, the department wants to continue experimenting with different forms and shapes of fog brooms.

In addition, the researchers are also probing other forms of arsenal for fog warfare. Among the possibilities: radar to determine the roadscape, television cameras to see into the fog where the human eye can't, heated highway surfaces, special reflectors and sound waves.

Apparently ingenious researchers are coming up with various materials to combat the elements which endanger our highways. The article in the next column tells about a metal screen to slow winds.

SCREEN TO CURB DEVILISH WIND

A screen of woven metal to slow the roaring winds endangering motorists on Interstate 8 at Devil's Canyon is expected to be completed by mid-summer.

Devil's Canyon is on the eastern edge of San Diego County. It slashes through the rocky Jacumba Mountains and is a spawning ground for trouble for motorists, particularly truckers and those pulling trailers.

At least two loads of hay have been blown from trucks into the 110-foot chasm. Trucks and trailers have side-swiped the concrete parapet and steel guard rail during windstorms. So far, no vehicles have been swept over the side but California Highway Patrolmen have had to close the road many times because of high winds.

At times the wind reaches 100 miles an hour, highway officials say. There is a gauge for patrolmen to check wind velocity across the Devil's Canyon in California is expected to be completed by mid-summer.

Construction is expected to start within a month on an 8-foot high chain link fence laced with steel webs. It will be installed atop the guard rail and form a wind barrier nearly 10 feet above the roadbed.

It's only the westbound lane of the widely divided Interstate 8 at that point which is causing trouble, according to Glenn Carver, resident engineer for the windbreak project under the bridge department of the state. The windbreak will be on the west side of the bridge only.

A Los Angeles firm offered to build the windbreak for \$15,747. If the bid is accepted and approved, construction is expected to start near the end of this month.

The bridge is 679-feet long and is for westbound traffic only. It is on an upgrade section of the highway.

FILIPINOS BUILD SUPERHIGHWAY

A superhighway, now under construction in the Philippines, will permit travelers to drive from the northern tip of Luzon to the southeastern tip of Mindanao.

Running the length of the archipelago, the road calls for new bridges over waterways, interchanges around large cities, tunnels through mountain ranges. A portion of the highway now exists in the south. The government plans to complete all vital sections of the road system over the next four years.

ERZATZ GERMAN-AMERICAN HIGHWAY TERMS

(Editor's Note: This very funny glossary of highway terms, in *Erzatz German*, was printed in "Arkansas Highways" in the March 1958 issue and made a hit with most readers. For the benefit of new employees, we're printing it again. Hope you like it.)

ACCOUNTING - Der dedukshunaden, fingergekouten und alles keepen time mistaken mitout schmiln grupe.

ADMINISTRATION - Das is der schnooty uppercrusten alles der answer knowen grupe.

CASHIER - Das ein mint furen checkgecashen und koin kollektin schweinhunds.

CHIEF ACCOUNTANT - Ein fingerkounter mit twisten debits and kredit. Ein eargeschplitten laudenholler mit schappen and schnarlen. Ein fire-breather mit hornsensjammer.

CONSTRUCTION - Das dirtenmoven und alles holdenup der trafik mit waven flagen grupen.

HIGHWAY PATROL - Das sirenskreechen ticket schribblen grupen.

LABORATORY - Das mudenpie gebaken und evil-schmelen asphalten getesten grupen.

LEGAL - Das laudentalken und wordgeschplitten mitout opinion komiten grupen.

MAINTENANCE - Das weedkutten and holefillen pickenup der beerkans grupen.

PURCHASING - Das bid prokuren pencil geschplitten and rubbenout grupen.

RIGHT OF WAY - Das landenhagglers mit akseskontrol holdenup der roadwerken.

ROADWAY DESIGN - Das wisen kiddes gedrawren grupen mit kut und fillin.

TRAFFIC SERVICES - Der shtopund-go mit fenderschmashen schtripen krew und paint allen ober der-asphalt grupen.

BRIDGE DESIGN - Das schmartn numberskirbblen-pipen schmoken mitout jokenkrakken grupen.



Ed Turner, an employee in the District 7 shops at Camden, killed this 20-pound gobbler in Nevada County, during the turkey season.



R. A. Gilbert, an employee in Greene County, came upon this 6'3" snake while picking up trash on the right-of-way. The species of the snake was not determined, but it was believed to be non-poisonous. Even at that, it probably caused considerable trepidation on the part of Gilbert.

Maryland will be the first state in the nation to provide a test section of its freeway system with a highway emergency locator program called H.E.L.P. Motorists will be able to activate radio boxes along 42 miles of the John F. Kennedy Highway when in trouble. The box will signal main control section and a state trooper will respond to the box location.

COURSES HELD FOR CONSTRUCTION INSPECTORS

A basic materials course for construction inspectors was held in each of the 10 districts recently. Jim Little assistant Construction Division engineer, was the instructor for the courses.

Little used a truck which was rigged with a complete set of lab equipment, which was used in running various tests. Jim equated the actual lab work with lectures to the men. Approximately 18 men were in each class. The courses, which were covered in about six and one-half days, included inspection of basic materials used in construction work - earthwork, aggregates, and concrete.

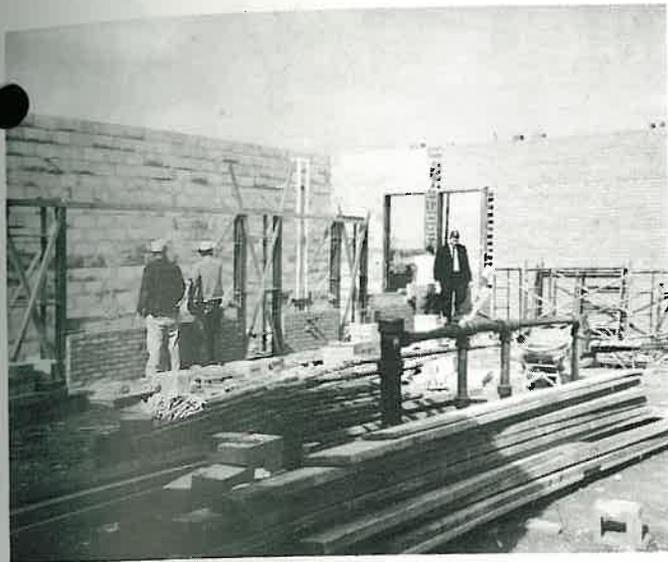
The courses are the first of what it is hoped will be a continuous thing for inspectors. Jim said they will be resumed in the fall and continue as long as there is a demand, and that he is working towards the possibility of holding advanced courses in specialized fields and that they too will begin in the fall, if possible.



Jim Little figuring the maximum density on earthwork during a lecture.



Inspectors in District 7 at Camden, are shown testing some of the materials.



Junior Wycoff is inspecting the construction on the new District 10 headquarters at Paragould.

B. K. Benson, who works with Resident Engineer M. C. Peevy, District 4, will graduate from the Arkansas Military Academy at Camp Robinson July 2. He will receive a commission as a Second Lieutenant in the Arkansas National Guard. B. K. is likely to be No. 1 in the class, though this is not definite at this time. Good luck to him, and congratulations.

HORSE POWER

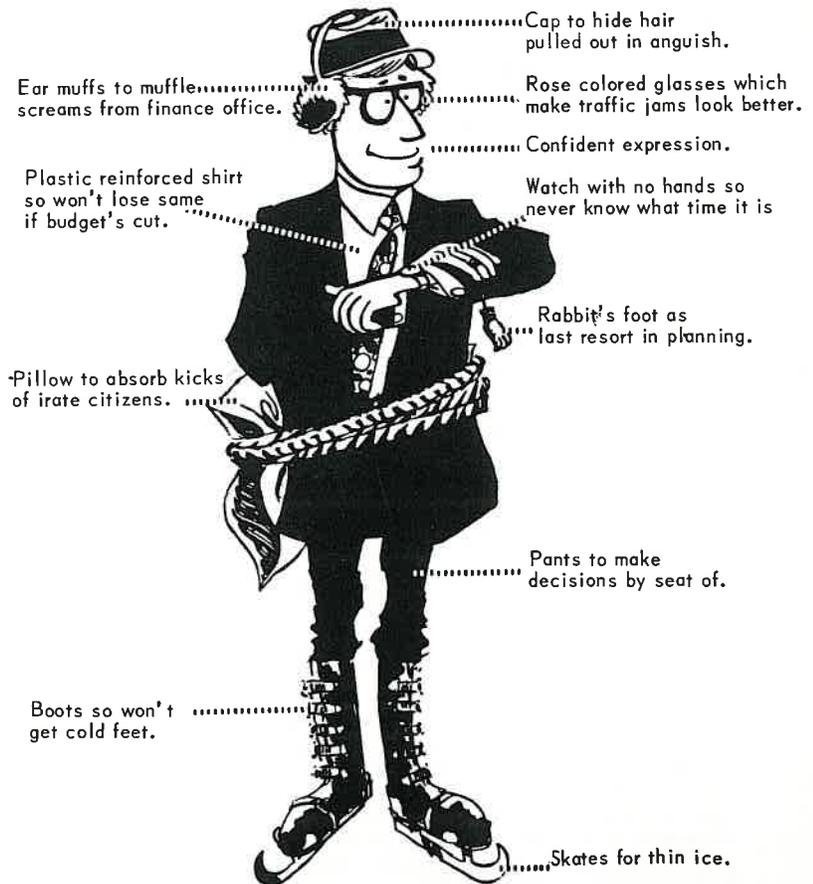
In the early days in Pennsylvania, the angry farmers formed an Anti-Automobile Society and drew up some fancy rules. Any motorist driving along a country road at night was obliged to stop every mile, send up a signal rocket, wait ten minutes for the road to be cleared, and then proceed with caution.

Any motorist who sighted a team of horses coming towards him had to pull well off the road, cover his car with a blanket or canvass that blended with the surrounding countryside, and let the horses pass. If the horses were skittish and wouldn't pass, the motorist had to take his car apart piece by piece and hide the pieces under the nearest bush.

THE SPEED THAT THRILLS IS THE SPEED THAT KILLS



This is the latest picture taken of the central office building under construction off the New Benton Highway.

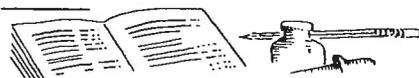


- Cap to hide hair pulled out in anguish.
- Rose colored glasses which make traffic jams look better.
- Confident expression.
- Watch with no hands so never know what time it is
- Rabbit's foot as last resort in planning.
- Pants to make decisions by seat of.
- Skates for thin ice.
- Boots so won't get cold feet.
- Pillow to absorb kicks of irate citizens.
- Plastic reinforced shirt so won't lose same if budget's cut.
- Ear muffs to muffle screams from finance office.

WHAT THE WELL-DRESSED TRAFFIC ENGINEER WILL WEAR

As Designed by *Joe Peavey*

AROUND the DEPARTMENT



ACCOUNTING DIVISION

Mildred Harness

The Accounting Division extends a big welcome to our two new employees: David Marsh and Billie Bain. David wouldn't give out much information except he lives at 400 North University. Guess he wants to keep 'em guessing...Billie, who works on Retirement, lives at 1000 Booker with husband Lonnie, who works as a superintendent with Pickens and Bond Construction. They have three sons: Jay, 19, in the U.S. Marines; Schuyler, 17, a student at Columbia Military Academy, and Jan, 13, a student at West Side. Her hobbies are reading and attending the sports events in which her sons participate. Bless you, Billie. That's a nice family life and there's nothing like it.



Vivian Kinder, our cashier, and her little son Donnie, three years old. Pretty, isn't she?

Cindy Wagner, daughter of Lee, did it again. She made the honor roll at St. Mary's for the seventh straight week, and that's going some. Lee's son, Mark, is "making smoke" with the Scouts having attended the Pioneer District Camporee at Lake Coulter April 8.

Bonnie Hill (Miss Bonnie) had a birthday April 28. She received lots of good wishes and cute cards, and for all you at Jacksonville, we love her too, so there.

We thank Jim Meredith so much for so kindly coming by to tell each of us

goodbye. There were some wet eyes. We wish you the very best.

Helen Adcock's little 4-year-old daughter Debbie, accompanied by Helen's mother, Mrs. Childers, visited us for a short time recently. Too short, in fact, so please come again.

You'd better believe it: Spring has sprung for the wet weather springs are still running and the "Poke sallet" is up. So, happy springtime to all of you from all of us.



COUNTY PROGRAM

Barbara Oldham

Everybody in the County Program Division enjoyed having Linda Young from the Personnel Division with them in April while your reporter was on vacation. Linda, come visit us anytime.

Your reporter and husband Jim visited New Orleans. On the trip home, we went through a real southern plantation house called "Rosedown." It is located in St. Francisville, La. We also traveled by way of the Lake Ponchartrain Causeway. Needless to say we had a wonderful time and now Jim is completing basic Army training at Fort Bliss, Tex., near El Paso.

Mary and Max Hall were among a group of 47 couples that flew to Cape Coral, on April 17, for a three-day vacation in the "Land of Sunshine." It was a special tour sponsored by Travel Guild of America and every minute of the time was pre-planned with such activities as boating, fishing, swimming, sight-seeing, tours, dancing, eating, etc. It was a very enjoyable three days and two nights at what the natives there call the "Water-front Wonderland."

We enjoyed a visit from Harry Wright in April....Come to see us anytime. Bye 'til next time.....



DATA PROCESSING

Pauline Mormon

Erma Jotton recently returned to work after taking a two-week vacation. Erma and husband Robert spent a few days in Tennessee visiting Robert's mother. While they were there, a most enjoyable evening was spent at Reelfoot Lake. The rest of the time was spent at their cabin on Lake Conway.

Speaking of vacations, Carolyn Reddin and family will be leaving in May to spend a few days with relatives in Houston, Tex.

Peggy Hardin is jumping for joy. Work has been started on her dream house at Redfield. Peggy and her husband are also planning to have a large garden and lots of fruit trees. We can all understand why Peggy is so happy. She says they have waited 18 years for this wonderful event.



EQUIPMENT

Sally Crook

The Equipment Division personnel enjoyed the 1966 Highway Film "Arkansas Highways for Commerce, Work and Play" which was shown in the Equipment Office by Johnnie Gray on March 30. We especially enjoyed the sequence of Mr. Hayes fishing and humming. Johnnie seems to exceed each film with the next one so we are all looking forward to next year's presentation.

We welcome the following new employees: Charles Mikel, Preston Harness, Raymond Odom, Lance Spiller and Harry Bass (who is now operating the coffee shop).

Pvt. Robert L. Padgett left Sunday, April 24 for 6 months' training at Ft. Polk, La. He is a member of the 212 Signal Corps of the National Guard. Bobby is the son of Avalee Padgett, secretary to C. Don Hayes.

James E. Harcastle, mechanic in Central Shop, is understandably proud of his 25-year old son Jimmy who has earned his "Green Beret" with the Special Forces Group. Jimmy is stationed at Ft. Bragg, N.C.

Carl Colver is sporting a light blue Ford pickup equipped with a camper. Congratulations.

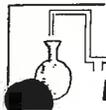
We wish a speedy recovery to L. E. Harper who is recuperating from surgery at this time. Hope he will soon be back at work.

Sue Fuller's 4-year old daughter, Susan, is scheduled to appear on KATV-Channel 7 on "Romper Room" May 2 through 6. Susan is reported to be looking forward to the experience with great enthusiasm.

We extend our sympathy to W. E. Ripberger on the loss of his brother.

Among the changing months,
May stands confest
The sweetest, and in fairest
colors dressed.

THOMSON— On May



MATERIALS AND TESTS

Julia Halliburton

Congratulations to Henry Hart, received his 5 year pin and certificate.

Your reporter attended the dedication of the remodeled First Baptist Church in Des Arc recently where I was a member many, many years ago. The pastor in 1932 Bro. Clyde Hankins now of Forrest City preached the sermon.

Several of our employees have been on the sick list but all are improving.

H. W. Schneider, Joe Magness, Allen Holmes, J.L. Briley, Troy Laha and Jim Baird attended the short course in Fayetteville.

Welcome to Charlene McClain, started working March 21 in our office.

R.M. Newsom was made grandfather again when a son was born to his daughter and son-in-law Mr. & Mrs. Wayne Ward of Hot Springs, name Patrick Wayne.

April 1 being our boss' birthday we surprised him with cake and coffee, and had as guests J. T. Pendergrass, E.E. Hurley and J.R. Henderson. Many more happy birthdays Mr. Schneider. The table was beautifully decorated and a delicious cake with Happy Birthday Boss on it.



PERSONNEL

Dorothy Lehman

"Take me out to the ball game" time is here and Fay Sullivan's boys are in there pitching. Sixteen-year-old Danny is entering the Babe Ruth League this season and Roy, nine, will complete his third year in the Tiny League. These games are played at Burns Park so if you enjoy a good baseball game, watch the papers for time schedule and have fun watching these young teams.

Recently Jane and Gerald Greenlee's younger son, Mitch, received his Cub Scout Bear Badge with gold and silver arrows. His brother, Johnny, plays clarinet in Southwest Junior High band and attended the State Band Festival in Hot Springs on April 22. Gerald has a real helpmate there, as Jane has been doing a man-size job - painting their home.

Sibble Cox and Sibyl Maddox went to Hot Springs two days before the races ended. Sib enjoyed a telephone visit with Dora Davis, who used to work in Maintenance, radio section.

Sibble and Robert Cox have surely been enjoying their newly-acquired farm at Beebe. If Sib had lived up there during the winter, I'm afraid she would have had those cows in warming by the fire. Sib says she's going to take a few days rest in May. Betcha she'll go fishing!

On Friday, April 15, Mr. Davison presented Jackie Wallace with a 20-year service award. Looking at Jackie, it hardly seems possible she could have been with AHD for that period of time. She was honored with many visitors throughout the day. We served a variety of desserts, candies, Nachos and a delicious dip. Martha Adams and Jay Ehrhom of Magazine helped in serving.

The Dale Davisons had a brief visit in New Orleans the latter part of April.

Linda Young was one of six bridesmaids in a school friend's wedding held in Bearden early in April. Linda worked in County Roads the last week in April while Barbara Oldham was on vacation.

We, from Personnel, and several from other offices enjoyed celebrating Pat Koonce's April birthday at the Farm Bureau Restaurant. I don't think I'd be far wrong to say there were twenty of us.

Charles, Ron, Peggy and I traveled to Waco, Texas at Eastertime and enjoyed a relaxing week end with my mother, sister and nephew.



PLANNING AND RESEARCH

Billie Whiteside



This was a "sneak" P&R shot and shows a "Highway Needs Study" being produced. Clockwise are Bill Looney, W. K. Bartleson, J. L. Vandenberg, Marshall Reed (ASF), and Pat Patton, hard at work.

We know M. L. Beckett is justly proud of his sons. Allen was made an honoree for the month of April by the Pulaski Heights Jr. High newspaper, being featured in the "Hall of Fame." He has been on the Scholarship and Citizenship Honor Rolls and has been president of his home room, among numerous activities.

His twin brother, Lewis, has also done well.

Jay and Wilma Hensley became the parents of a baby boy, Gregory Wayne, on April 5. At birth, Greg weighed 4 pounds 14 ounces, but he is now a heavyweight and is at home with the Hensleys.

John L. Vandenberg has a brand new grandson, his first, named Scott Harvey Colvert.

We missed Pete Powell, Pat Howell, Don Mount, and Libby Mills while they were working in the Revenue Building for about four weeks.

Have you seen Don Mount's house lately? It's really beautiful, gleaming white. He installed aluminum siding, aluminum screens, and had a paint job.

RECENT LUNCH HOUR TREATS: A group of us enjoyed the buffet lunch at Holiday Inn, just down the road; the Mexican lunch at the Alamo Plaza was fine; and Pogo's new hamburger-hotdog restaurant, practically nextdoor to us, is very good.

Springtime shopping expeditions are also being made to the shopping centers. On April 18, some of us had occasion to make a trip downtown for a special purchase and went by way of Roosevelt Road, rather than the freeway. The lights were green all the way, and the traffic was light. Believe it or not, we turned onto Main Street at 12:15, had no trouble parking, and accomplished our mission with time to spare.

Janet Smith has acquired a pretty white 1963 Chevrolet Impala.

Participants in a week end fishing trip were the following: Lester Jester, M. L. Beckett, Jim Barnett, Bill Cooper (Roadway Design), Lee Gibbons, Gary Whittington, Marc Gross, Bob Faulkner, and Mayo White. The group went to Choctaw Landing at Greers Ferry and report a good time, despite the fact that for awhile it rained so hard the fish were nearly drowned; they ran trot lines anyhow.

Neill Morehead, one of the best-liked men in this Division, retired at the end of April, quietly and without fanfare as he wished it. We will really miss him. He had been with the Department nine years. P&R presented him with a gift.



Shirley Childress

The largest part of our news this month is about the people we lost and the two new ones we gained. In the Acquisition Section we lost Donna Barbee, who left to join her husband stationed at Shepards Air Force Base in Wichita Falls, Tex....In the Appraisal Section we lost Pluty Scruggs (our poetic appraiser) to the Corps of Engineers in Little Rock, and in the Administrative Section we lost Harriet Gresham when she moved back to her home town.

Donna had been with us four years and will be missed by everyone. The girls took her to lunch at Island X before she left and the Acquisition Section gave her a party and she was presented with a piece of luggage.

Pluty had also been with us about four years and to show his fellow employees how much he thought of them, he made out a will in which he listed several treasured mememtos and to whom they were to go. To the girls he left a bag of bubble gum. The will was read by "Administrator of the Estate," Zack Mashburn at a party given for Pluty. He was presented a gift of hunting apparel. Coffee and cake were served to the guests, which included Pluty's wife, Abra. We wish Pluty much success and happiness on his new job.



Marilyn Padgett (top) and Ina Dunn

Harriet was only here for about three months but we became fond of her and wish her the best in whatever she decides to do in the future. We took Harriet to lunch at Granoff's before she left. Marilyn Padgett in replacing Donna as Mr. Luton's secretary. Marilyn is no stranger as she worked in the Appraisal Section over two years before resigning in March 1965 to await her 10-month-old daughter. The Padgetts reside in Benton.

Ina Dunn took Harriet's place in the supply room. Ina is married and she and Jerry, her husband, just bought a home in the Merrivale Addition. Welcome to the Right-of-Way family, Ina.

Fred Williams came down with mumps April 22 and was off over two weeks. He had a rough time of it, having learned from his experience, that in adults, mumps are no laughing matter.

Carl Keehn made a speedy recovery from his surgery and has been back at work for several weeks, for which we are glad.

Alton Van Patten's two young daughters, Brenda, 4, and Tamara, 6, both had mumps during April.

Frank Wiggins spent three days at Ellington Air Force Base in Houston with the Army National Guard the last weekend in April. They studied maneuver problems but Frank said it was a war on paper.

Charlie Scott and wife Allena visited relatives in Houston, Tex. during April and while there they attended a baseball game between the Astros and the Minnesota Twins at the Astrodome.

Zack Mashburn and wife Christine attended the dedication of a new pathology wing to the Methodist Hospital in Memphis, where their son, Dr. Don Mashburn, is head of the Pathology Department.

Terry Griffin, son of Retha, was one of five delegates from Henderson State College attending the Young Democrats Convention in Little Rock. He is vice president of the Henderson Club and served as vice chairman of the Henderson delegation to the convention. He was elected delegate-at-large for the State of Arkansas, which carries with it a vote on the Executive Council. These young politicians made their headquarters at Retha's apartment. Retha moved out for the week end and said "never again."

We were all saddened to hear about the death of George Lewis April 28. George was an engineering technician for many years in Right-of-Way and retired two and one-half years ago. Our sympathies to George's family.

Sympathies also to Charlie Scott and wife Allena in the loss of her brother, George Wiley, Jr., April 24 at West Monore, La.

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There is nothing wrong with a good political joke — unless it gets elected.



ROADWAY DESIGN

Virginia Ashlin

April has been a month full of parties for us. Our first one had a note of sadness, however, as it was to say farewell to E. E. "Babe" Williams who retired this month. We had cake and coffee and Babe was presented with a \$35.00 gift certificate. Babe has been with us so long that this place just doesn't seem the same without him, but we wish him every happiness in his retirement. The Williamses are living in Wausau, Wis. where he plans to do a lot of fishing. We had a card from him saying they had made the trip fine and to give everyone here his regards.

Then, on April 17, Roadway Design employees were guests of the B. K. Coopers for an open house at their home on N. Mellon. They have a lovely home and everyone enjoyed themselves immensely. We were served punch, coffee, sandwiches, cookies, nuts, etc. From all of us in Roadway, thanks for a very enjoyable afternoon.

Congratulations are in order to Glenn Trammel on receiving his 20-year pin and service award; and Brooks Nichols and Paul Haydon, who both received their 10-year pins and service awards. We celebrated this occasion on our morning coffee break April 28 with cake and coffee and a very impressive speech about each honoree by Mr. Cooper.

While we are congratulating people, congratulations are again in order for our talented John Hicks who just won first place in the Arts Festival for his story "The Razorback Hog — Origin and History." This is not the first time John has walked away with top honors and we're sure it won't be the last. They have pictures on display in the lobby of the State Capitol.

Jim Finch has resigned and is now working for the Corps of Engineers. We hated to see him leave and hope he will drop by to say hello every now and then. Jim is still playing at Club Luau on the Conway Highway and I hear they have a real swinging band.

Chuck and I have just become the proud owners of a new home at 9724 Woodford Drive. One of the most appealing things about the house is the view from the back yard — the new Highway Building. Maybe now I can sleep a little later and still get to work on time.

Welcome back to Bill Duncan who has been on a 6-month active duty with the Army.

Travis Orton has just returned from a vacation in Miami Beach, Fla. On the second day he drove up to Lake Okeechobee, then the next two days he spent fishing with E. L. Wales, former highway employee. Trav said they caught several that weighed around 8 and 10 pounds. He also saw a Marineland show at Ft.

Meyers and then started home through Tallahasee. Pretty busy week, huh.

I'd like to thank the someone for the pretty flowers left on my desk the morning of April 27. They were lovely, whoever-you-are.

If I've overlooked or forgotten something, think nothing of it. It happens all the time.



DISTRICT



Janet McElduff

The biggest news we've had this month is that C. E. "Skinny" Davis, Assistant Maintenance Superintendent, received his 25 year pin at the Commission Meeting April 27. All of us did our best to get someone, ANYone, to say he could go too, but no luck. Besides that, Skinny had his best girl, Mamie, with him, and I tell you, they were a handsome couple when they left here that morning. Ralph Vickers, J. E. "Red" Smith, and Mr. C. M. Matthews went along, so Skinny had plenty of moral support.

Not much news. . . oh, we did have a fish fry on April 13. The area foremen had to come in for a meeting that morning and afternoon, too, so good ol' Ralph and Red cooked fish for all of us. Our Commissioner, Maurice Smith, came by and had lunch with us. There were several things the girls had to speak to Mr. Smith about, like 7 new lounges, and some kitchen facilities, but Mr. Matthews and the fish pretty well kept him occupied, and we didn't have the opportunity.

Mrs. Rich, that is Tippy Wilkins, is the only one among us who has had a vacation yet. She went to Greer's Ferry the week end of the 23rd and had a scrumptious time. She assured us that she thought about the working folk while languishing around Eden Isle.

Gosh, more important than Tippy's trip is the fact that Alfred Crumley has become a grandpa. First time, too. James Vinson Crumley is the young man's name. He arrived April 19, weighing 7 pounds 5 ounces, and his granddaddy is so proud of him.

Virgil Parr is still on the sick list, but has been by to see us and looks so much better. Brown Altman is back on the job too, and we hope by the time this is in print that he will have his wife home after a long, long, siege in the hospital.

We welcomed the auditing team of Miller and Morgan to our office during April, and especially enjoyed talking with Mr. Morgan on one of his apparent favorite subjects - music.

I want to thank Buck Wilkins, area foreman for Cross County, for bringing in some snapshots on two of his Betterment Projects in Cross County. One of the projects is particularly pretty in that it winds up through the hills, Crowleys Ridge, to be exact, east of Wynne, and when they get through with the grading and surfacing, it will be a beautiful ride.

This is one of the county roads that was taken into the system in the last few years.

Oh, I forgot to tell you that Red Smith has moved into his new trailer home out on Cathey's Lake near Wynne. We haven't been formally invited out yet, but we've been hinting and perhaps by next issue I can give you a detailed description of life in a trailer.

That's it! Come see us.



A motor patrol working on S.H. 284 West in Cross County, on the Betterment Project in District 1.



DISTRICT



Leslie Long

"Promoting Safety" and "Accident Prevention" have been the topics of discussion for a series of safety meetings conducted this month at Area Headquarters at Monticello, Star City, Rison, DeWitt, and Pine Bluff.

Jerry F. Smith and Don C. Scogin of Monticello attended the training in the Materials & Tests Central Laboratory conducted March 28 thru April 8.

Russell Gaddy says even tho the rains came while he was on vacation, the lakes were more fishable and enjoyable than ever. And, he did catch some fish.

Elbert Martin and wife are enthusiastic boosters of Lake Wallace. Mrs. Martin caught the largest of their string of 22, a 14-inch long, 8-inch wide crappie. No scales were on hand to weigh the beauty.

Troy Lee Chambliss and family of Star City motored to Anderson, Ala. to attend the wedding of their son, who is

in the Armed Services. They report a most enjoyable trip.

Billy Edmonds, Lincoln County foreman, suffered a heart attack and has been relaxing at the Jefferson Hospital at Pine Bluff for about three weeks. We are glad he has been allowed to return home and hope he can return to work soon.

Mrs. Inez Royston has been steadily improving but is still calling the hospital her headquarters for a while longer.

Havis Laminack is still on our sick list even tho he is doing most of his recuperating at home. We hope you will soon be able to come by and see us.

Roosevelt Williams, an employee with the Department in Desha County for twelve years has retired due to a heart condition. The Desha County crew presented him with gifts expressing their appreciation of his loyal services and are really going to miss him. We are happy also that he has been presented with a certificate as an Ambassador of Goodwill for the Department.

Cleveland County crew is entertaining for Elva Orso Jones, who is retiring this month. May your retirement bring you much happiness and the fulfillment of many hopes and plans.

Service awards this month were presented to Owen Sam Benning and James Ray Minchew for 15 years, Mack Lee Waller and Herbert Hampton Burks for 10 years, and O. Z. McGee, and McCoy Judkins for 5 years. Congratulations to all of you.

Our sympathies are extended to J. R. LaGrone in the death of his father.

Our sympathies also go to D. Allison in the loss of his mother.



DISTRICT



Bailey & Lewallen

Sam Huckabee's wife, Dortha Faye, bought a half partnership in Faught's Florist here in Hope. She is presently employed with the telephone company but will be working at her florist business full-time in the near future. We wish her the best of luck in her new venture.

Mr. Mattox bought a new Chevrolet Caprice and it is really smart looking - steel grey with a black vinyl top and black upholstery.

Congratulations are in order for Wayne Dull and his wife. They are the proud new parents of a baby girl named Jennifer Lynelle, born April 3, weighing 7 pounds 8 ounces. Wayne is a rodman at the DeQueen construction office.

Betty Penny and her husband have bought a new home in Perrytown, Arkansas' newest town. I haven't had time to see it yet, but I have heard that it is real nice. All of us wish them the best of everything in their new home.

We have had a few anniversaries this month that I know of. Ted Maryman and his wife, Lena, celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on April 5. We all

had free coffee, compliments of Olive Jackson. Edna Lewallen celebrated her 13th year with the Department on April 14, I celebrated 1 year on March 29, which leaves me with only 37 more to go before retiring.

Jack Lockeby, one of our truck drivers in Pike County, was off work due to illness but we are happy to say that he is back to work now.

Floyd L. Taylor, was injured on the job in October and has been off work ever since. He was able to return to his job April 4.

Service awards were given to Harlan A. Grimes for 15 years and Hosey L. Myrick for 10 years. Congratulations from all of us.

Our sympathies are extended to the C.O. Adam's family in the death of his father-in-law, L. B. Delaney.



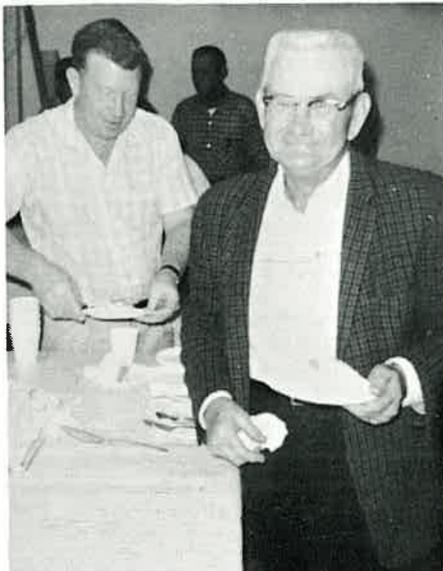
DISTRICT



GeorgeAnn

We haven't reported in a couple of months so now we'll try to bring you up date. Congratulations are in order for our boss, E. E. Hurley, and W. A. Hardin, area foreman at Lonoke, Mr. Hurley received his 35-year pin and "Woody" has 25 years with the Department. And we all enjoyed coffee and cake.

Several others have received service pins in our district: Ted Hurst, 20 years; J. O. Burcham and J. B. Mabry, 15 years; R. J. Johnson, 10 years; Carolyn Wise, D. M. Snow and C. L. Kight, 5 year pins. Congratulations!



Cecil Sisson is shown at a farewell party given in his honor at the Hazen field office upon his retirement after 20 years' service with AHD. Everyone enjoyed a snack of coffee and cake. Don Cahoonney, resident engineer, is at left. Good luck to Cecil.

The tornado that struck near Sheridan on April 12, demolished the home and automobile of one of our Sheridan crew, Raymond Turner. They have lots to be grateful for, even with all the damage, none of the family was injured.

Ricky McAllester is sporting a new car - copper color convertible - line forms on the right, Girls!

Congratulations are also in order to B. C. Burrow, the "proud papa" of a 7 pound, 8 ounce girl.

Wedding bells have been ringing - Gene Caple and Phyllis Carolyn Palmer were married in Metropolis, Ill. on April 26.

W. T. Jeter and his wife attended the wedding of their son, Ed, in Hurst, Tex. Then they flew to Providence, R. I. to return daughter Nancy, whose husband had been assigned to sea duty on a destroyer. On the return trip, they spent two days in Washington sight-seeing. As if all this is not enough, he's planning to attend the Memorial Day 500 races in Indianapolis again this year. We nominate him for "gad-about" of the month.



DISTRICT



McCoy and Howell

The Van Buren County crew held its annual party April 22 at the area headquarters building at Clinton. The food, consisting of fried chicken and all the trimmings, was served to approximately 150 persons from the various counties in the District. Special guests included Mr. and Mrs. Armit Taylor, Truman Baker, and Frank O'Donell. A nice time was had by all.

We are happy to have Elmer Pellham back on the job after having spent a few days in the hospital.

Roy Hollabaugh and wife Mildred spent a few days this month visiting with Mildred's son James and family in New Orleans. From the looks of some pictures Roy has been showing, it seems as though they had a very nice trip.



DISTRICT



Shirley Morton

Carroll Mathis is recuperating at his home following surgery at the Boone County Hospital. We are looking forward to Carroll returning to work this month.

Edris and Joy Braswell are moving into their new brick home in Green Forest. When's the housewarming, Edris??

Minnie Shinn is the proud owner of a 1966 Buick - her favorite color, Blue!

Arnold Billings suffered a broken leg in an accident near the Flippin asphalt plant in April. We hope his broken bones

will mend fast and that he will soon be back with us.

Tom Hudson was the victim of an accident near Fayetteville. We hope the injury to his back is not too serious and won't prevent him from returning to work soon.

We were glad to have Clarence Page visiting in District 9 recently. Also, we were glad to see two of our retired employees, Wade Foley and B. I. Wade, who stopped by for a chat. Come back again soon, fellas!

Our fishermen have been reporting all kinds of good luck, but they haven't produced any proof yet. How about it, John, Paul, and Marion?



DISTRICT



Isabelle Psalmonds

We had a real treat one day this month when Mrs. Alfred White, wife of one of our truck drivers, sent a delicious chocolate cake for our coffee break. It sure hit the spot and this is not the first time she has done this. All of us in the shop and office say a great big "thank you, Winifred."

C. C. Cook, area foreman in Randolph County, and H. O. McFall, mechanic, have been among those on the sick list and were hospitalized. They are both on the mend and back at their jobs.

John Price, former District 10 engineer, stopped by one afternoon recently and visited for a few minutes. It was good to see him...Another visitor was Henry Coe, former assistant maintenance superintendent, who now lives in Rogers. He said he keeps busy.

Work is progressing on the new headquarters building - very slowly though, it seems to all of us, but perhaps that is because we're so anxious to move in. The rain we have had slowed up the work some.

Bertha Wood, clerk at Osceola, is taking a six months' leave awaiting the stork.

The semi-annual safety meeting was held in Paragould April 29. Frank O'Donell, assistant Safety officer, attended the meeting and gave an interesting talk on various areas of safety.

We wish to express our deepest sympathies to C. J. Banks, crane operator, and his family, whose young son was killed when he was struck by a truck as he was crossing the highway. Also to Loyd White and his family on the death of his father-in-law, Mr. Stephens April 27.

One reason the big apples are always on top of the basket is that there are always a lot of little ones holding them up there.

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PIGEONS

If we're going to have a lot of boozed up pigeons flying around, I think I'll come to work equipped with an umbrella - not only to work, but any time I hit the streets.

Read someplace the other day where the pests can be eliminated by feeding them alcohol, soaked in bread. Whoever wrote the article probably got a lot of indignant letters from irate pigeon lovers. If so, I suggest he write each of them offering them an opportunity to house all the drunken birds they want.

Now I don't want the pigeons to become extinct. Even I'm not that hard-hearted. I just think it would be an excellent idea if about a fifth of the pigeon population were wiped out...That would leave about one trillion we wouldn't have to worry about.

The pigeons have become so bad in some areas, especially larger cities, they actually dive-bomb you. I'm not nearly so worried about them defacing the buildings as I am about them defacing people. Once, while on a visit in Memphis, I was walking down Main Street, minding my own business when, to my horror, the pigeons began swooping down on me. Normally my reaction would have been to emit a loud scream and start scaling the nearest wall, but fortunately I was with a friend who whistled me down and comforted me. They know a phobia when they see one.

So far, I have had experiences with only sober pigeons, but I don't plan to stand around and make a survey of the drunken ones, if it comes to that. But I don't think they like me any more than I like them. I think they hold conferences and discuss my comings and goings. Then, having synchronized their watches, they lie in wait on their dirty little sills and await my march down the street.

Pigeons should be cold sober - preferably labeled "squab," and served under glass.

M. Adams

This'll Kill Ya!



One of the most unnerving things happened at the airport last week. The pilot of my flight was in line ahead of me at the flight insurance counter.

Two Texas farmers were always trying to out do each other regarding crops. One day the first farmer said to his son, "Go over to see Ezra and borrow his crosscut saw. Tell him I want to cut a watermelon." On returning the boy said, "Ezra says he can't let you have his saw until this afternoon. He's only halfway through a cucumber!"

Patient: "I'm so full of penicillin that if I sneeze I'll cure somebody."

A couple called a neighbor to extend birthday greetings. They dialed his number and then sang "Happy Birthday" into the telephone. But when they had finished their off-key rendition, they discovered they had the wrong number.

"Don't let it bother you," said the stranger, "you folks sure can use the practice."

Interviewer: "What made you a multimillionaire?"

Multimillionaire: "My wife."

Interviewer: "Was it her loyal help?"

Multimillionaire: "No, no. I was simply curious to know if there was any income she couldn't live beyond."

A small boy from the city was visiting us on the farm for the first time. All the animals and sounds were very intriguing to him, especially the little kitten which he could cuddle.

One day the kitten was curled sleepily in his lap when he said, "Listen, he's saying his purrs."

A woman being interviewed on the secret of her successful marriage, insisted, "My husband is The Boss. I believe in letting the man make all important decisions."

"Who made the decision that he was to be The Boss" she was asked. "Why, naturally, I did," was the reply.

My friend who had been forced to take a day off from work for court in answer to a minor traffic summons, grew increasingly restless as he waited hour after hour for his case to be heard. When his name was finally called late in the afternoon, he stood before the judge only to hear that court was to be adjourned for the day and he would have to return the next day. Irritated by the long hours of waiting, he blurted to the judge, "What for?"

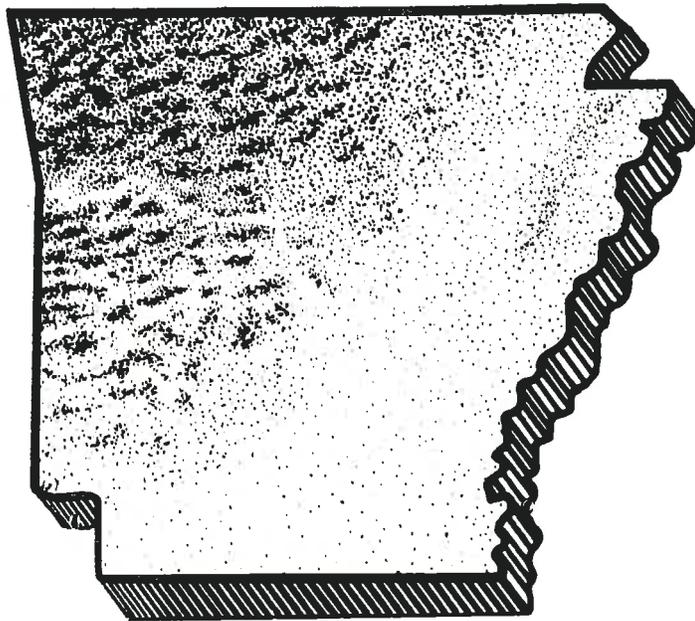
His Honor, equally irritated by the long day and the snappish reply, roared, "Twenty dollars-contempt of court. That's why!" Noticing my friend was checking his wallet, the judge eased his manner a bit by saying, "That's all right, young man. You don't have to pay the fine right now."

My friend, ever the rebel, replied, "I'm just seeing if I have enough to say two more words."



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Cover: On March 14, the Highway Department began concreting 1.961 miles of Interstate 30 towards Pine Bluff and Hot Springs. The work necessitated switching traffic from one roadway to the other while the work was being done. Phase 1, at left, has been completed. Work on Phase 2 has begun and should be completed in July, after which traffic will return to normal.