

Lawmakers . . .

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cooperatives "have benefited 156,919 rural people in my state through central stations of electric service," he declared.

And he concluded:

The example of electric cooperatives with REA support providing widespread electric service at lowest possible costs in Illinois and elsewhere "has caused the commercial power industry to become more active in serving the needs of the nation."

Gray, Shipley Sponsor Co-op Aid Legislation

Two Illinois congressmen have introduced into the House of Representatives similar bills that would specifically exempt electric cooperatives from Federal Power Commission jurisdiction.

They are Representatives Kenneth J. Gray of West Frankfort and George E. Shipley of Olney. Other bills of a like nature also have been introduced in both the House and Senate.

Sponsors of such legislation have said that FPC regulation of non-profit cooperatives not only is completely uncalled for but also is unnecessary as a protection for the investors and consumers. In the case of the electric cooperatives, the original investor is the United States whose interests are well protected by Rural Electric Administration regulations.

Also in the case of the cooperatives, supporters of this legislation point out, the consumers are actually owners of the cooperatives and these owner-consumers control the cooperative's operations including its rates and service conditions.

Consumer-owners would have no motive to overcharge themselves, supporters emphasize, and if the rates they set produced more than the cost of the service, the consumers ultimately recover these margins in the form of capital credit payments.

REA Administrator Norman M. Clapp in Washington testimony recently pointed out that Congress in-

tended through the Federal Power Act to regulate only those companies which operated for a profit.

"The cooperatives should not be required to carry the burdens of

superfluous commission regulation in addition to the substantial handicaps they face in carrying on the important job of rural electrification," he testified.

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Monroe County Electric News

Monroe County Electric Cooperative

Waterloo, Illinois

Co-op Tracing People Due Capital Credits

We are listing names and addresses of persons to whom capital credit checks have been mailed. The first group was mailed under the date of July 10, 1963, and the second group under the date of September 1964. These persons have never cashed their capital credit checks, or the checks were returned to the cooperative due to an incorrect address. The address we used was the address of these people at the time they received electric service from this cooperative.

If you know the location of any of these former members, or the name and address of the next of kin, we would appreciate your forwarding this information to the cooperative office. Your assistance will be very much appreciated.

Spot Checks Show Meters Being Misread

We have made spot checks with reference to meter readings and have found that some of our members are not reading their meters correctly, but are reading them under the exact amount, therefore lowering the monthly bill.

We have sent bills to numerous members where the meter reading was incorrect. As our check shows that meters are misread we are making a check of our entire system, reading all of our meters. This is rather costly.

We have also found a jumper on a meter. The member removed the meter and placed a jumper across the terminals. In accordance with the policies of the cooperative, members who tamper with the watt hour meters will be disconnected, and they must appear before the board of directors before reconnection can be made.

- J. E. Ahart, Waterloo, Ill.
John Baker, Fufts, Ill.
Mrs. John Baker, 1007 3rd St., Venice, Ill.
George E. Becker, R. 2, New Athens, Ill.
B. H. Bishop, R. 1, Belleville, Ill.
Louis Bonham, 520 Strong St., Collinsville, Ill.
Claude Browne, 88a 88th St., E. St. Louis, Ill.
Charles H. Berneking, Southern Hotel, Waterloo, Ill.
Grace Campise, 3019a North Grand Ave., St. Louis, Mo.
Charley Case, Jondro Place, E. St. Louis, Ill.
W. H. Castiller, 2206 N. 52nd St., E. St. Louis, Ill.
Howard B. Clotfelter, R. 3, Waterloo, Ill.
Charles Cobeck, E. Carondelet, Ill.
Evelyn Cooper, R. 1, Waterloo, Ill.
L. M. Crowder, 413 Mildred St., E. St. Louis, Ill.
Clark W. Davis, R. 3, Waterloo, Ill.
W. F. Davis, 2528 S. Jefferson, St. Louis, Mo.
Jesse Page Eidson, R. 4, Waterloo, Ill.
William Englerth, 1504 S. 54th St., E. St. Louis, Ill.
W. E. Foley, R. 1, E. Carondelet, Ill.
W. G. Forristall, c/o Dupo Theater, Dupo, Ill.
Floyd D. Foster, R. 1, Waterloo, Ill.
George Fudge, R. 1, Fufts, Ill.
William H. Hayden, 1231 Olive St., St. Louis, Mo.
Edward F. Harpole, Waterloo, Ill.
Joseph William Heath, 318 Riverview, Chester, Ill.
Joseph Helfrich, R. 2, Freeburg, Ill.
Charles H. Isselhardt, R. 2, Red Bud, Ill.
George R. Janner, 2736 Bough Ave., E. St. Louis, Ill.
Fred Johnson, 914 Arsenal, St. Louis, Mo.
Milton Johnson, R. 2, Columbia, Ill.
Orville W. Jones, Prairie du Rocher, Ill.
Joseph Kambitch, R. 2, Waterloo, Ill.
Elmer Kannewurf, R. 1, Valmeyer, Ill.
Philip Karbureck, 613 St. Clair, Belleville, Ill.
Mrs. Hy Keller, R. 1, Columbia, Ill.
Frank Kohlenberger, R. 2, Columbia, Ill.
Fred G. Kramer, Waterloo, Ill.
Fred B. Kroger, 422-424 Title Guaranty Bldg., St. Louis, Mo.
Kroger-McLaughlin, 425 Title Guaranty Bldg., St. Louis, Mo.
Fred Lauerman, R. 1, New Athens, Ill.
Harry M. Lewis, E. Carondelet, Ill.
George Ludwig, Millstadt, Ill.
J. E. Lumley, Columbia, Ill.
Bertha Markwordt, Denny Rd., Sappington, Mo.
Bert S. Mason, R. 1, E. Carondelet, Ill.
McVaugh Haynes Co., Waterloo, Ill.
Theodore E. Meyer, 28 South 38th St., Belleville, Ill.
Elizabeth Miller, R. 2, Millstadt, Ill.
Robert F. L. Mohr, R. 1, Dupo, Ill.
Ralph Moore, R. 1, Belleville, Ill.
Elmer P. Mueller, Waterloo, Ill.
John W. Mueller Est., c/o Harvey Mueller, 414 Kunz, Columbia, Ill.
Dolphas Myer, R. 1, Waterloo, Ill.
Nanson Commission Co., Valmeyer, Ill.
Lloyd T. Pabst, Belleville, Ill.
William Pauketat, R. 1, Belleville, Ill.
Cyrus Phillips, Smith-ton, Ill.
S. C. Pickering, 125B North Spanish, Cape Girardeau, Mo.
Milton Piffer, E. Carondelet, Ill.
Harry Powell, Red Bud, Ill.
Robert Powell, 488 Manor Drive, Pacific, Cal.
Eugenia Reichenbacher, 942 Howell, Cahokia, Ill.
Cletus Reichling, R. 1, New Athens, Ill.
M. G. Robins, 8 Catherine St., E. St. Louis, Ill.
Edward Saak, 643 Holly, St. Louis, Mo.
Harry Schaal, 2516a Benton St., St. Louis, Mo.
Edward Schlegel, Waterloo, Ill.
Arthur E. Schlueter, Lakeland, Fla.
William or Lillian Schmidt, 1719 Page, Belleville, Ill.
Oscar Schneider, 2755 Russell, St. Louis, Mo.
C. J. Simmons, 461 State St., E. St. Louis, Ill.
Paul Southard, R. 4, E. St. Louis, Ill.
W. F. Sperry, Red Bud, Ill.
Nick Steppig, Columbia, Ill.
Robert Stumpf, R. 1, Waterloo, Ill.
Shryl D. Thorman, 814 N. Douglas, Belleville, Ill.
A. E. Verbick, 5665 Lake Drive, E. St. Louis, Ill.
Robert H. Voges, Red Bud, Ill.
J. T. Waters, E. Carondelet, Ill.
Wallace Wegner, R. 1, Millstadt, Ill.
Earl Willman, Red Bud, Ill.
C. F. Zuh, R. 2, Fufts, Ill.



Monroe County Electric is building a new office in Waterloo.

Construction Continues On New Headquarters

Progress is being made on the construction of the cooperative's new headquarter facilities. The warehouse, materials mezzanine and garage (at the left in the photo) is of sufficient size for storing all materials as well as providing space for approximately 14 trucks.

The office portion of the building (shown at the right) will have private offices for employes as well as a lobby with a board room, restrooms, linemen's room and a large

vault. There will be a redwood portico in front of the building. There also will be a night depository for the convenience of members.

When do we expect to move? That's the \$64 question. My guess is about Nov. 1, 1965. Much progress has been made on the building since this picture was taken. All brick work is completed on the office and approximately one-third of the brick work is completed on the warehouse. This building will be electrically heated as well as electrically cooled.

Building—Then Consider Electric Heat

We are connecting quite a few new homes to our system. Some of these homes are electrically heated.

We want to advise members who contemplate the construction of a new home that we will be glad to make a layout of your home for

adequate wiring, and also give you an estimate of the cost of heating your home for one year as well as the cost of installing electric heat.

This service is free to our members. We will be happy to give you the names of members who now have electric house heating.

Across the manager's desk

By: C. M. Douglas

We have received letters from some of our members suggesting that the annual meeting be changed from a Saturday afternoon to a weekday evening. Some of our members have never attended our annual meeting as they have a delivery route on a Saturday.

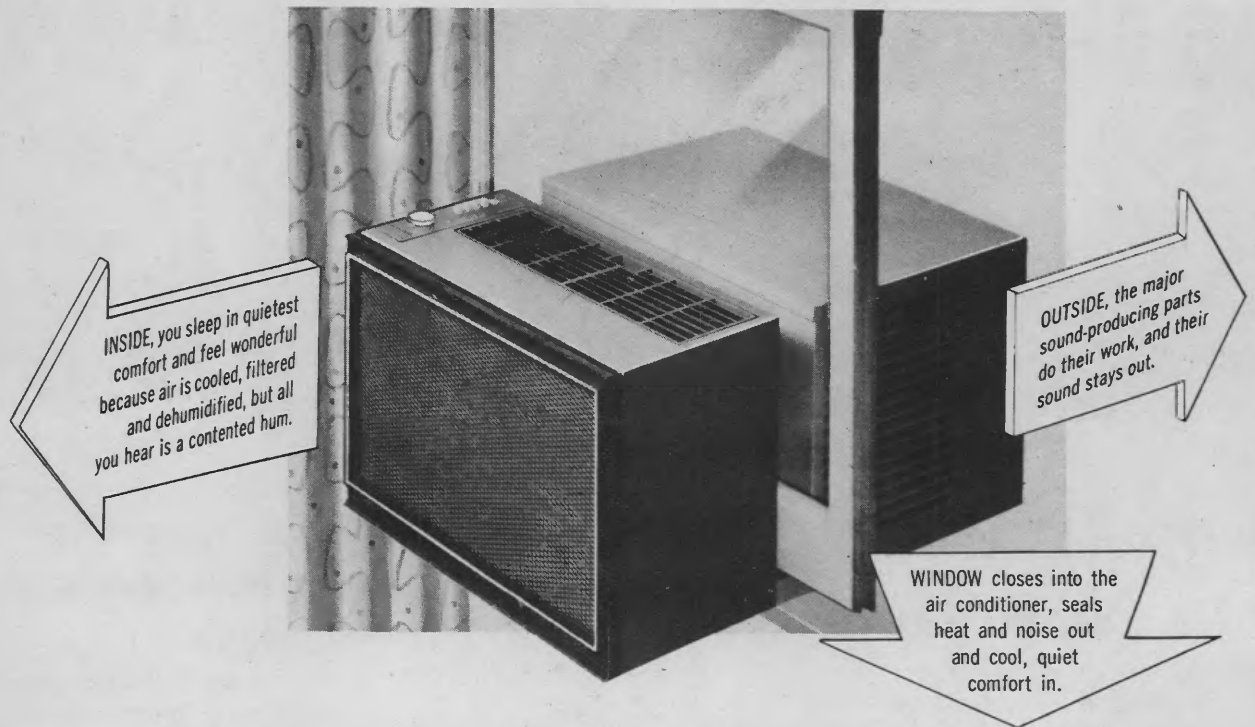


C. M. Douglas
Manager

The board of directors discussed this matter at its last meeting, but did not taken any action. You members who are interested in a change kindly drop the cooperative office a line telling us what you desire—when do you want your annual meeting — what type of annual meeting? We will be glad to hear from you.

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Unique design places major sound-producing parts outside;
Window seals heat and noise out, quiet coolness in;



INSIDE, you sleep in quietest comfort and feel wonderful because air is cooled, filtered and dehumidified, but all you hear is a contented hum.

OUTSIDE, the major sound-producing parts do their work, and their sound stays out.

WINDOW closes into the air conditioner, seals heat and noise out and cool, quiet comfort in.

New Hotpoint Super-Quiet bedroom air conditioner produces the quietest coolness ever! Revolutionary design places major sound-producing parts outside, and uses window to lock noise and heat out and cool, clean, dry comfort in.

What's more, you can install it yourself as easily as a window fan! Simply set it on window sill, level, close window, insert seals and plug in.

The room remains as bright as ever since the Super-Quiet is so compact and is surrounded by window on sides as well as top. No wiring problems either, because the 5,500-BTU Super-Quiet plugs into any 115-volt circuit and draws 7½ amps.

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Problem: How To Use All That Leisure

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DR. RIDINGER swung quickly back to the subject of free time.

"Today one man with machinery and technological equipment and education produces five times as much as a man did in 1850 on a similar job—and in half the time," he said.

"This factor helps explain our prosperity, our great wealth of goods and why we have become a nation of consumers since there is so much to consume. And it begins to show why there is no need to work 10, 12 or 16 hours a day.

"Early in 1900 we were working 60 hours a week—farmers, office and industrial workers. Now this has shrunk by law to 40 hours a week and for many it is 35. Steel workers have been granted, at least those with five years' work records, a 12-week vacation every five years. They have a month's vacation every year.

"Also we're observing more holidays. For almost everyone the total is from seven to 13 holidays.

"Specialists who study these facts have come to realize that today we Americans have ten billion hours more free time than we had as recently as 1940 and it is predicted that by 1980—only 15 years away—we will have not ten billion hours more but a hundred billion hours more.

"The average working American, not an executive, has 121 free days per year—one in every three. No wonder the need for recreational facilities is skyrocketing!"

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS University at Carbondale long has played a leading role in helping develop the natural resources of Southern Illinois and elsewhere, Dr. Ridinger said. That is one reason the institution has taken the lead in development of recreational leadership.

The educator asserted that Southern Illinois particularly is moving into the recreational field, developing its resources and offering fresh, practical inducements for vacation business.

The recreational revolution is in

full swing and because of it, Dr. Ridinger said, far greater prosperity lies ahead not only for Southern Illinois, served by such electric cooperatives as Southern Illinois Electric Cooperative at Dongola, South-

eastern Illinois Electric Cooperative at Eldorado and Egyptian Electric Cooperative Association at Steelville, but also for all of the state. A total of 27 distribution cooperatives serves this great territory.

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Co-ops, Utilities Agree on Bill

The Illinois electric cooperatives through their state association introduced a bill in the House for territorial protection. The utilities introduced a bill in the Senate which would have brought the cooperatives under the Illinois Commerce Commission.

Gov. Otto Kerner called together representatives of both groups of power suppliers—utilities and cooperatives—and asked that they negotiate legislation satisfactory to both sides that would set up machinery through which electric needs of all Illinois citizens could be met in an orderly fashion.

Members of the cooperatives' negotiating committee were Raymond W. Rusteberg, president of the Association of Illinois Electric Cooperatives; Thomas H. Moore, general manager of the state association; S. R. Faris, manager of Illinois Rural Electric Co.; Jack A. Compton, manager of Southwestern Electric Cooperative, Inc.; Joseph H. Heilmann, manager of Clinton County Electric Cooperative, Inc.; Albert J. Cross, director, legal and public affairs department, AIEC; Orville Foreman, general counsel for Western Illinois Power Cooperative, Inc.; and Charles C. Cole, chairman of the AIEC member and public relations committee.

These men met with representa-

tives of the Illinois Power Co., Central Illinois Public Service Co. and Commonwealth Edison Co. For countless hours, day and night, these negotiating teams met in the governor's office. Either Gov. Kerner, his assistant Robert M. Maher, or both, were present every hour that the committee met.

At times it seemed that negotiations would break down. However, upon the insistence of Gov. Kerner negotiations were continued, and finally agreement was reached between the utilities and the cooperatives. The new legislation was introduced on June 2 and 3 and became law recently.

Members of our cooperative who are not informed regarding this bill, we suggest that you read the June or July issue of Illinois Rural Electric News in which the legislation is explained.

We do not believe that this bill will solve all our problems, but it is surely a step in the right direction and it is a great improvement over our past experiences.

Workmen Busy On New Office

In the June issue of Illinois Rural Electric News we had a picture showing progress being made on the new headquarter facilities. We expect the bricklayers to have completed work on the outside walls by the time you read this. They will then start on the partition walls in the office. Practically all concrete has been poured, the roof is being completed on the office portion and immediately thereafter work will be started on the warehouse and garage roof.

All the crafts are up to date in their work, and we are receiving wonderful cooperation from the foreman on the job. We expect the building to be completed on or about Nov. 1. After the partitions are in there is still painting, electrical work, tile to be laid on the floor, landscaping and many other items to be completed.

Across the manager's desk

By: C. M. Douglas

Your manager is interviewing persons interested in the position of power use adviser for this cooperative. For the past three or four years we have not had a power use adviser, but we intend to employ an adviser who will be able to go to work when we move to our new headquarters. This man must be acquainted with electrical work such as laying out plans for new buildings, layouts for house heating, public relations work and editing promotional materials.



C. M. Douglas
Manager

We also are interviewing persons interested in maintenance work at our new building, such as keeping the building clean inside and out, cutting grass and other maintenance duties. This person will be employed as soon as we move to our new headquarters facilities.

NEW FAIRGROUNDS

Work is progressing on the buildings, roads, etc. at the Monroe County Fairgrounds one mile west of Waterloo on State Route 156. The property was purchased from the Kerber estate.

Your cooperative is serving the location with electric service, and is planning to install a number of dusk to dawn lights so that parking and the entire area will be well lighted.

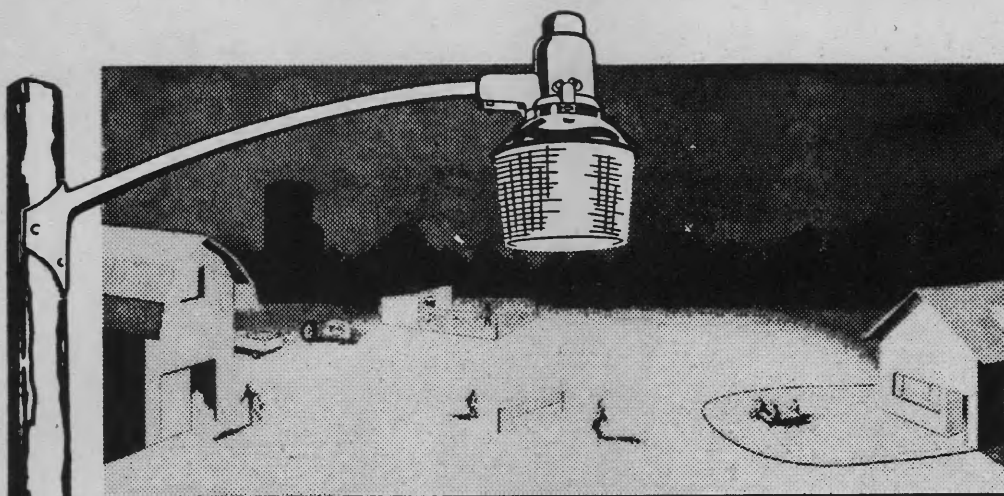
FOR SALE

After the cooperative moves to the new headquarters one mile north of Waterloo, the board of directors will offer for sale our present warehouse which is a quonset type, 40 by 120-foot building with the quarter block of real estate fenced in with cyclone fencing. The office building, a brick structure three stories high at 111-113 W. Mill St. in Waterloo, also will be sold.

Meter Testing Plan Continues

In the June issue of Illinois Rural Electric News we advised that we are making spot checks with reference to meter readings. This program is being continued until we have covered our entire area. Not only have we found that meters are misread, we have found members who have broken the seal on the meter socket, removed the meter, set back the meter setting and inserted jumpers in the meter.

These cases will be brought to the attention of the board of directors, and there is no doubt that the board will take action.



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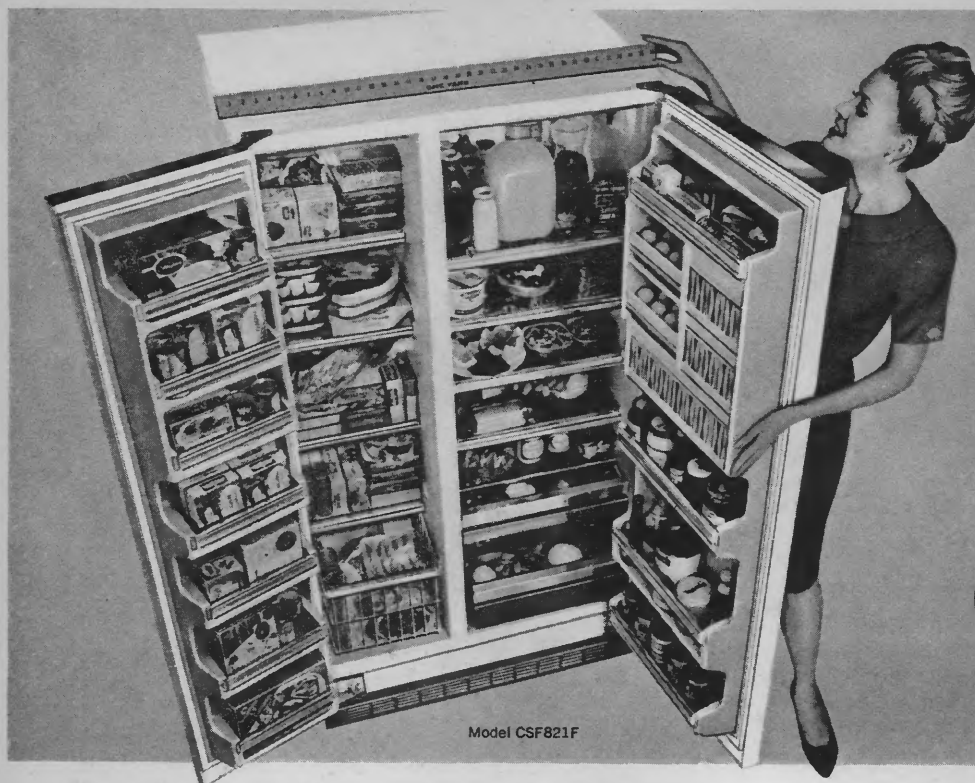
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Lake of Egypt Is Attracting Keen Interest

What's happening at one of Illinois' largest and newest man-made lakes?

President R. S. Holt, Steeleville, president of Southern Illinois Power Cooperative of Marion has a one-word answer: "Plenty."

Lake of Egypt is a sparkling 2,300-acre lake built by the power cooperative to provide cooling water for the 99-megawatt steam generating plant eight miles south of Marion.

THE PLANT is to be dedicated at 1:30 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 29, with Governor Otto Kerner delivering the dedicatory address.

The lake is essential to operation of the plant that will provide power for some 24,000 homes, churches, schools and businesses in the 22 southernmost Illinois counties.

But it is doing more than that. It is providing unexcelled recreational facilities for visitors from several states.

Southern Illinois Power Cooperative, with the enthusiastic support of its 12-member board of directors and L. Thomas Clevenger, its manager, is encouraging recreational use of the lake facilities.

Its clear blue water is highly suitable for fishing, skiing and other sports.

And more than 500 lake front building lots for year-round and seasonal homes already have been sold by private developers to private owners. At least 65 cottages and eight permanent homes have been built and the development program is just getting well under way.

THE BEAUTIFUL lake is located in Williamson and Johnson counties. It has 93 miles of shoreline.

"Cooperative and other area leaders have high hopes for the orderly development of recreational facilities made possible through creation of Lake Egypt," Ora M. Snider, information director and lake development manager for the power cooperative, said in a recent interview.

Members of the power company

board of directors, in addition to Mr. Holt, are K. R. Douglas, Karnak, vice president; Ray Webb, Tunnel Hill, secretary treasurer; R. M. Bahn, Carbondale r.r. 2; W. L. Bradley, Omaha; W. E. Hunt,

Broughton r.r. 2; Roger C. Lentz, Eldorado r.r. 2; Homer D. Miller, McClure; George Pape, Jacob; R. T. Reeves, Dongola; Harry Sickmeyer, Campbell Hill r.r. 1, and Claude Stuart, Olive Branch.

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Annual Meeting Date Changed

During the past months we have received letters from members of this cooperative requesting that the board of directors change the date of the annual meeting. These members said that they have routes in St. Louis on a Saturday afternoon and have never been able to attend an annual meeting of this cooperative because, ever since the cooperative was organized, the annual meetings have been held on a Saturday afternoon starting at 1:00 p.m. and adjourning about 4:00 or 4:30 p.m.

The board of directors has discussed this subject at several of its board meetings. The directors feel that all members should be given the opportunity to attend an annual meeting. At the July 20 board of directors meeting a resolution was adopted changing the annual meeting from a Saturday afternoon to an evening meeting during week days—that is, between Monday and Friday. The date and the starting

time of the meeting will be decided by the board of directors, and the members will be notified.

This change is on a trial basis, and if the attendance is good no doubt will be continued into the future.

At the board of directors meeting on July 20, the board passed a resolution recommending to the members that the bylaws be changed with reference to the number of proxies each member can vote. The bylaws now specify five proxies can be voted by each member. The board recommends that this be changed to two proxies voted by each member.

The change of bylaws, of course, will require a vote of the members at the annual meeting, and this subject will appear in the notice of this year's meeting.

We have attended annual meetings of other cooperatives and find that they usually have a talent show, the entertainers being members of the cooperative or children of cooperative members. It is the thought of the board of directors and management that we try our local talent at our meeting in 1966.

In the very near future you will receive information regarding this talent show for the annual meeting, and we hope that we will have sufficient interest so that we can put on a talent show at our annual meeting. If other cooperatives have this type of talent, we know that we also have good talent throughout the membership of this cooperative.

Co-op Lineman Out of Hospital

Leo Esker, a lineman for the cooperative, returned home from St. Clementine's Hospital in Red Bud on Tuesday, July 27. Mr. Esker was a patient in the hospital for 15 days with an infected knee. He now is convalescing at his home.

Across the manager's desk

By: C. M. Douglas

During the past we have experienced numerous service calls—and most of them after working hours—on low voltage or outages. Upon investigating we found that the member increased his load—that is, he bought additional major appliances such as air conditioners, electric stoves, dryers, etc. — and did not report this to the cooperative office.



We would appreciate your advising the cooperative office when you add major appliances. By our records we know the size transformer and service you have, and we can anticipate the increase in kilowatt usage. If we find that a larger transformer is necessary for good voltage regulation, this transformer will be installed at no cost to the member.

Please cooperate by advising us when you buy major appliances.

The seventh annual workshop for Farmers' Cooperatives was held at the University Center Ballroom at Southern Illinois University on July 14. The workshop was sponsored by the School of Agriculture, Department of Agricultural Industries and the Division of University Extension of Southern Illinois University. This was an all-day meeting with a banquet in the evening.

Thomas H. Moore, general manager of the state association, was chairman of the morning session. Managers of service companies, cooperative managers and power use personnel were on the program.

The president of the cooperative, Raymond Rusteberg, attended the workshop and stated that this was the best workshop he has attended at Southern Illinois University.

State's Public Utilities Tax Rate Increased

We have received notice from the Department of Revenue of the state of Illinois that the Public Utilities Revenue Act increased the rate of tax from three to four per cent effective Aug. 1.

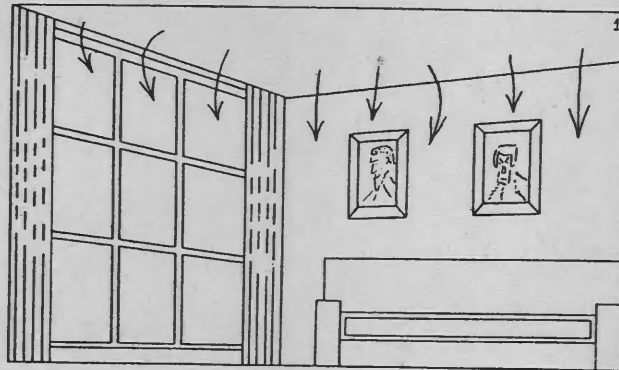
This will change your rate schedule inasmuch as the three per cent tax we are now paying is included in your rate schedule.

The cooperative will not increase your rate to reflect the four per cent level for the remaining months of 1965. However, your meter reading books which will be mailed to you on Jan. 1, 1966, will have a different rate sheet enclosed which will include the four per cent Public Utilities Tax.

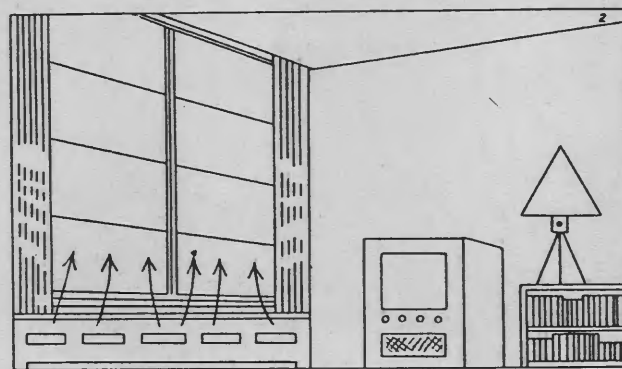
Therefore, your minimum of \$3.35 will be changed to \$3.38. The one per cent increase will be added to all other rate figures.

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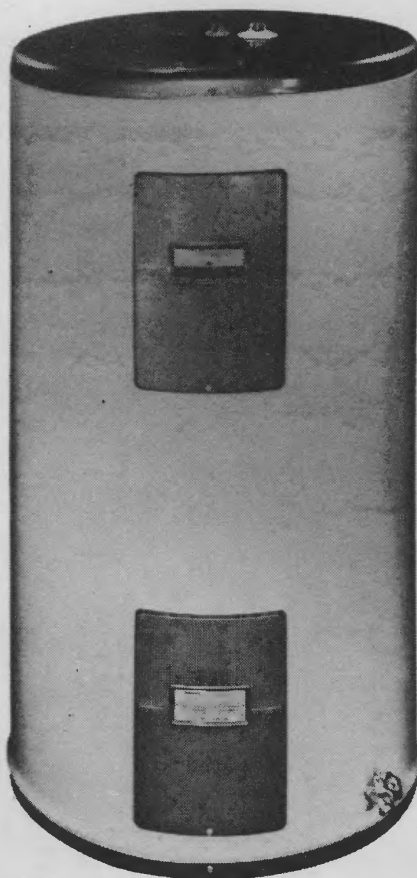
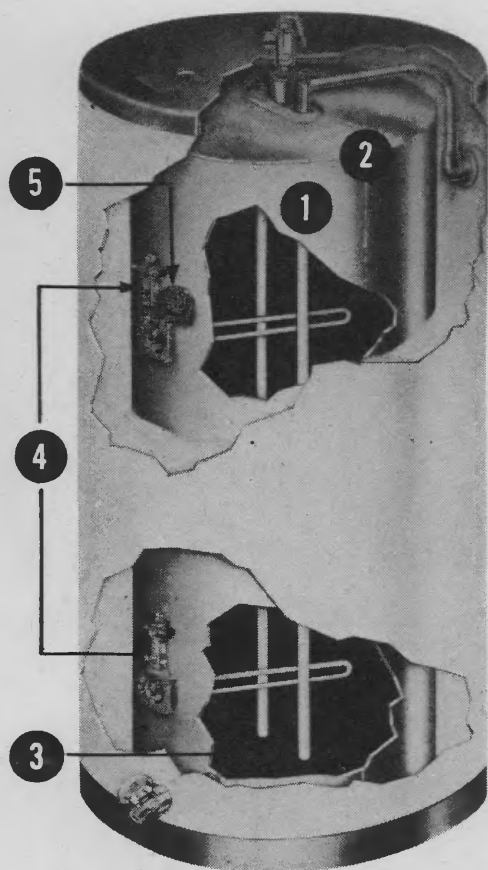
More Living Space— Expensive ducts and pipes are eliminated, and there's no wasted space for a furnace.

Besides, electric heat is safe and noiseless. Also, your home will be much cleaner and you'll save both time and money usually spent in redecorating homes which have other type heating systems.

Contact your Monroe County Electric Cooperative, Inc., for wiring plans and estimated installation and operating costs for an electric heating system designed specifically for your own home. Your cooperative does this with no cost to you, and you're under no obligation.

“Hidden Quality...”

that's what makes Hotpoint water heaters so reliable



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All water heaters look pretty much alike on the outside — it's the *inside* that makes the difference. Let us show you Hotpoint's "Hidden Quality" — all the things Hotpoint does to build high quality, reliability, and long life into these superb water heaters.

HOTPOINT TANKS ARE EXTRA STRONG

Made of special grades of steel **1** to withstand pressures far beyond normal. Arc welding along top, bottom and sides **2** creates a seam as strong as the tank itself. To protect against weak spots caused by the corrosive action of water, the interior of the tank is specially lined, and the metal dip tube **3** used for the cold water inlet is glass-coated and is so designed to provide anti-siphon protection.

HOTPOINT SAFETY CONTROLS PROTECT AGAINST EXCESSIVE HEAT AND PRESSURE

Sensitive thermostats **4** react quickly to water temperature changes. Thermostats and wiring are ruggedly made to carry the electrical load without fusing and deteriorating at the contact points. Over-temperature switch **5** cuts off power to heating units if water temperature exceeds safe limit.

Hotpoint water heaters are available in table-top, round and stow-away models. *See them at your Hotpoint dealer today.*

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New Offices Occupied by State Group

Nearly 300 persons visited new headquarters of the Association of Illinois Electric Cooperatives six miles south of Springfield during a recent open house.

The one-story limestone building contains 4,556 square feet of office and meeting room space on the first floor plus an equal amount in the basement. The later houses chiefly the printing and mailing departments which include the most modern of offset printing facilities and darkroom.

LYLE E. DUNHAM, director, the state associations member service department, described the new headquarters in this way in an article published by Contractors' Electrical Equipment magazine:

"The installation is not spectacular. It is not designed to dazzle. Instead it is intended to be intensely practical, economical and efficient, reliable and satisfactory over a long period of years."

The structure includes the latest ideas in electric heating installed by E. P. Allison Company of Chicago and manufactured by Radiant Electric Heat Company of Centerville, Iowa. Mr. Dunham worked with Radiant Electric in designing the system.

"We regard this installation as highly practical for office buildings of all kinds, plus hotels, motels, senior citizens' homes and similar structures," a company spokesman said.

"This will stand the test of time and the wisdom of the electric heating plan will become increasingly apparent as the trouble-free years pass."

RAYMOND W. RUSTEBERG, Valmeyer, president of the state organization, said of the new building:

"We believe it will prove of considerable interest to builders and others concerned with planning and construction of similar structures.

Our estimates indicate heating costs will be less than \$600 annually."

Mr. Rusteburg said cost of the building and three-acre site was around \$140,000.

Members of the building commit-

tee are Walter Johnston, chairman; Owen Chaney, Paul Deisher, L. C. Groat, Loyd Pickard and W. L. Walker.

Ralph N. Morrisett, Springfield, was the architect.

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New Office Work Progresses

Questions asked cooperative associates very frequently are, "When will you move into your new headquarters?" and, "How large an office building and garage are you building?"

No doubt the board of directors will authorize an open house day after the building is all completed and the office furniture, etc., has been moved in. All the members and the public will then have a chance to inspect our new headquarters.

As to when we expect to move, that is the sixty-four dollar question although we must say that the contractor is making splendid progress. Our guess is sometime in November. The manager's guess is about the last week in November.

LET US FILL you in on the progress. The roof is all completed, the portico is just completed and the roofers should have been finished with that roof sometime during the week of Aug. 23.

The contractor expected to do the grading around the property sometime during the same week. As soon as grading is completed the firm which will put down the asphalt road and parking lot will start its work. The equipment is now on the premises.

ALL THE PARTITION work in the office is completed as is all partition work in the garage. The four large double doors for truck entrances are up, the electrician is making good progress, the heating plant which is an electric boiler is installed, the cooling system which is a Chrysler Temp unit is being installed by the heating and plumbing people, the plasterer has all the metal lathing up and no doubt will finish plastering about the first week in September, the concrete block partitions are all painted, the people who are installing the drop ceiling are working on that at the present time and all the windows and doors

are in the office portion. The big job is hanging lighting fixtures and installing the covering on the concrete floor.

THE VAULT, which is located in the center of the office building, is completed. It is definitely fireproof with a large fireproof door.

As we stated before, the contractor is making good progress. He is on time. We cannot complain as he has kept his crafts on the job.

The building is located on a 17-acre tract which belongs to your cooperative. However, a portion on the north and on the south side will not be used by the cooperative at the present time, and one of the neighboring farmers will plow this portion. It is understood that he will put alfalfa in both portions.

The center portion around the building and the warehouse will be graded and a portion blacktopped for parking. The circle drive coming in from State Route 3 also will be blacktopped.

AT OUR PRESENT headquarters we do not have a large vault in which to store documents and papers which are valuable to the cooperative. At the new building we have a large vault, and all of this material will be placed in the fireproof vault.

We also have a night depository in which the members can drop their monthly bills if they so desire. These envelopes will drop into a small fireproof safe which is located inside of the building.

The entire building is modern and fireproof and has sufficient space for expansion. The architects, Weisenstein, Rogers & Hausmann, have done a splendid job in the designing, and the contractor, Buckley Construction Co., is doing a good job of construction. We know that everyone concerned will be pleased after the building is completed and we occupy it.

Across the manager's desk

By: C. M. Douglas

As stated in the August issue of Rural Electric News the board of directors has changed your annual meeting from a Saturday afternoon to an evening. This was done so



that some of the members who could never attend an annual meeting due to the time that it was being held will have the opportunity to be present.

Don't forget that we are having local talent for entertainment. In a future issue of REN we will give full details with reference to the local talent. This is not just for youngsters. Anyone who is talented in singing or playing instruments, or a comedian, is welcome to participate in the program. More about this later.

On Aug. 25 we mailed capital credits in the amount of \$28,975.52 to members who received electric service from this cooperative during the year 1949. This amount represents the difference between the revenue for that particular year and the expenditures for the year 1949. This difference is being returned to the members who received electric service during that period so that they are receiving their electric service at cost price. What other organization besides REA co-ops can make this statement? "Electricity at cost price."

Interruptions to electric service have been few during the year 1965. However, it is impossible to eliminate all interruptions because we have no way of stopping lightning from hitting our distribution lines, breaking insulators, damaging poles, etc. Our other big enemy on which we have not experienced outages lately is ice storms.

Co-op Sending Bumper Stickers To Its Members

Each month your cooperative has an ad in one of the newspapers serving our area. Our state organization—the Association of Illinois Electric Cooperatives — also places ads monthly in the daily newspapers, and our national organization—the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association—places ads in magazines.

Why does an electric cooperative advertise? Our answer is to educate and inform its membership and to counteract false impressions about cooperatives and the REA loan program.

SPEAKING OF advertising, each member of this cooperative will receive sometime during the month of September a bumper sticker. This sticker will state that this person is a member of the Monroe County Electric Cooperative and is receiving electricity at cost.

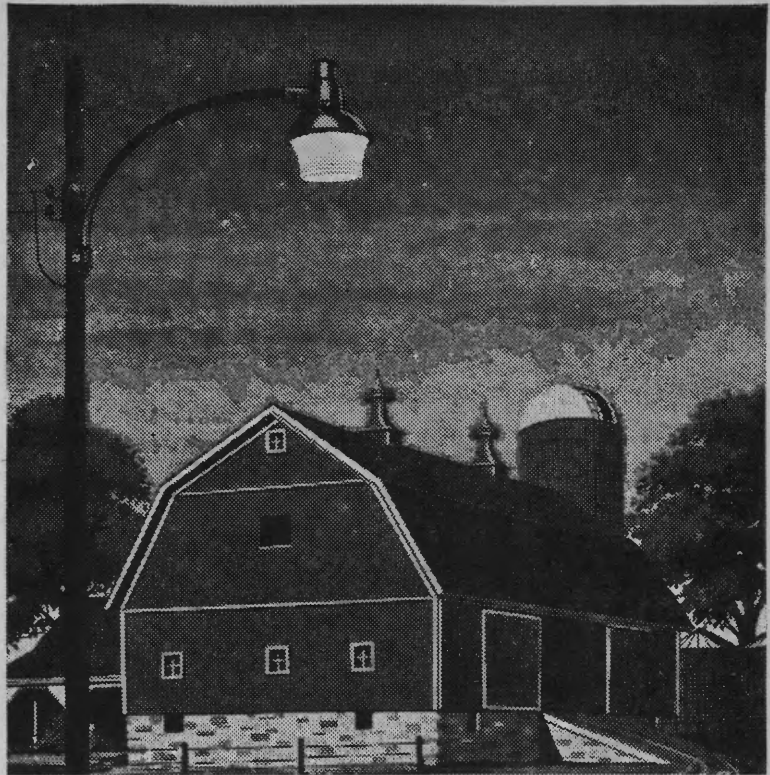
We would appreciate each member placing this sticker on the bumper of his or her automobile. We believe that you should be proud to be a member of an organization which is giving you electric service at cost price.

How can we say this? We are paying capital credits, and capital credits is the difference between the revenue received and the actual expenditures for that particular year. Therefore, you are receiving electric service at cost price.

PLEASE PUT the sticker on your bumper. We have just a little less than 3,000 members so we would like to see about 2,950 bumper stickers throughout the area which we serve.

With the bumper sticker you will receive a litter bag. We are told that it costs the state of Illinois something like a half-million dollars to keep the highways clean — that is picking up litter along the highways.

We believe that by giving our members these litter bags we are doing a public service and community good will. Please use the litter bag in your car. Place the litter in the bag instead of opening the window and throwing it along the highway.



Safety & Sight With a Security Lite For Pennies A Night!

That's right, for just a few cents a night you can have this beautiful Line Material Suburbanaire installed on your property. You don't have to buy it. We will install and maintain this light for \$3.25 per month.

The Suburbanaire is equipped with a built-in photo control to operate the light automatically. It turns on at dusk and off at dawn. The light is designed and built by Line Material Industries, one of the nation's leading manufacturers of street and airport lighting.

Consider how this low-cost illumination can transform your present surroundings:

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Model LW650

Model LB670

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† Blower, blower clamp, thermostat, motor, centrifugal switch, dryer drum electrical heat coil.

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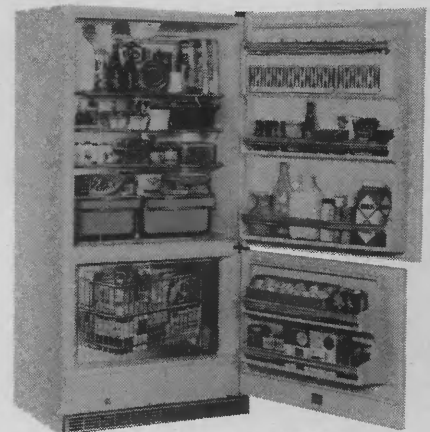
Hotpoint range with removable Teflon-coated oven walls

New low price for this range with Hotpoint's patented no-scour oven—far less than for most hard-to-clean ranges! Just slide out the oven walls, wipe them clean at the range or wash them at the sink like dishes. Other deluxe features include automatic oven timer and glass oven door. 40" model RC440 also sale-priced.

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Model RB340



Model CBF515

Hotpoint No-Frost refrigerator-freezer rolls out on wheels

Deluxe 14.8 cu. ft., 2-door model has adjustable sliding shelf, 2 plain enamel slide-out crispers, separate cheese keeper...swinging basket in big freezer below. And no defrosting, ever. Loads of storage, lots of other extras. Just roll it out for easy cleaning, sweeping, waxing. Buy now and save. **\$329**

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