

NRECA Action Urges Reduced Electric Rates

The National Rural Electric Cooperative Association board of directors recently adopted a resolution urging that steps be taken to enable savings of at least \$11 billion for electric consumers by 1980.

The resolution notes that "in order to assure that a major share of these savings will be passed on to consumers through lower rates it will be necessary to retain the federal 'yardstick' wholesale power system as a competitive factor in an industry that will more than double its size by 1980."

By "yardstick" the directors said they mean federal and consumer owned systems that furnish competition by example to private power companies.

The resolution calls for increasing federal power generation to 15 per cent of all power generated in the nation so that a meaningful yardstick can be maintained. The federal systems now produce less than 13 per cent of all power generated.

NOT LESS than 79 million kilowatts of installed power capacity, more than double the present capacity, must be made available to federal power systems by 1980 to achieve the objective of retaining the federal wholesale power system as an effective yardstick, the resolution states.

The NRECA action calls for interconnecting all of the federal wholesale power systems by extra high voltage transmission lines.

The resolution also urges construction of federal steam plants outside the TVA area, the only place they are now permitted to exist.

This would help clear the way for construction of giant mine mouth steam generating plants over coal mines in the Appalachian area. Such facilities, the directors said, would produce low cost wholesale power that could be marketed almost anywhere east of the Mississippi River at prices lower than those of power now being produced in this vast region.

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Across the manager's desk

by H. G. Downey

One problem a rural electric co-op has is to retain its services in an active status. An investment of \$1,000 to serve a home or farm that is not connected is a burden as overhead costs, interest, taxes, depreciation go on without income to offset these costs.

The problem is further complicated when vandals cut down the wires and sell it for scrap. This is now going on in our area. Several years ago, our members cooperated and we nailed the thieves. We ask your help again to immediately call your county sheriff if you note unauthorized persons removing service wires.



H. G. Downey
Manager

Possibly, you have had some thievery on your premises. While we have law enforcement agencies and officers they cannot stand guard on every citizen's property. Your cooperative has something that will help—a security light that we rent to you on a monthly basis. We have a special going that is listed elsewhere in this section.

We're giving everyone who applies for renting a security light between now and March 31 two (2) months free rental. If you've been thinking about it, decide now. See any of our employes or call our office. We will be happy to serve you and you will enjoy the comfort of a security light. (37-24A)

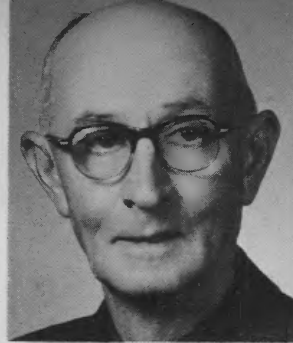
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It's free and open to the public. Farmers, lenders, feed and machinery dealers, vo ag and other groups should attend. (11-2H2)



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Unclaimed Refund Checks

In the December issue, we asked your help in locating about 500 people. They have money coming as a refund on their electric bill for the years 1943 and '44. The cooperative is anxious that they or their heirs be paid.

In December we published a partial list. Thanks to you, some of them were found. Here is more of the list.

If any of you recognize any of these names, we would appreciate any help you can give us.

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Hunter, R. B.	Anderson, C. C., Box 116	Dillman, George, Rt. 2
Miller, Lawrence, Rt. 3	Barnes, Oscar, Box 321	Dillman, R. R.
Piotrowski, Clem, Rt. 1	Barrett, Guy, Rt. 1	Doane, K. R., Rt. 2
Todd, Joseph, Rt. 3	Bassett, C. P.	Dobbs, Earl, Rt. 2
OAKDALE	Beck, Wm., Rt. 2	Dobbs, R. A., Rt. 2
Newingham, C. C.	Bell, James Farries, Rt. 4	Dooley, Harold W., Rt. 1
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Coldasure, John, Rt. 1	Machine Co.	Dursky, George
Gale, Mrs. D. M., Rt. 1	Berry, Lloyd, Rt. 2	Easley, Wm., Rt. 2
Copenhagen, W. J., Rt. 1	Bertram, Lyle, Rt. 2	Eddings, Ernest, Rt. 4
Dorr, Jessie D., Gen. Del.	Blackstock Oil Co., Rt. 2	Emby, Girtham, Rt. 2
Clark, Earl, Gen. Del.	Blain, Sam, Rt. 2	Emmons, Lee, Rt. 2
Goosetree, R. M., Rt. 1	Dorr, Jessie D., Gen. Del.	Endicott, Leo. W., Rt. 2
Hamilton, Ora	Bliss, C. R., Rt. 2	Farrell, Lee, Rt. 1
Harris, Joe, Rt. 1	Box, R. L., Rt. 2	Fields, E.
Ingram, B. F., Rt. 1	Boynton, Wm.	Fescue, Dee, Rt. 2
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Little, Rex, Box 302	Brown, Charles, Rt. 1	Rt. 2
Mercer, Arthur, Rt. 1	Brown, O. E., Gen. Del.	Fox, Edward, Rt. 2
Neeley, Ernest, Rt. 1	Brown, S. Pete, Box 124	Franklin, Roy C.,
Parrish, Mrs. Ethel	Brown, Thomas F.,	Box 448
Potts, Royce, Rt. 1	Box 141	Freeman, E. F., Gen. Del.
Quick, Charles, Rt. 1	Buckley, Dennis, Rt. 2	Fry, E. E., Gen. Del.
Randolph, R. E., Rt. 1	Buckley, George, Rt. 2	Gibson, Ronald F., Rt. 2
Reeser, O. M.	Burkhalter, A. E., Rt. 2	Gilger, Meade R., Rt. 2
Rich, T. A., Gen. Del.	Byard, Fred, Rt. 2	Graves, J. J., Rt. 2
Rush, J. B.	Campbell, O. O., Rt. 2	Greenlee, Perry, Rt. 2
Stanberry, Leonard, Rt. 1	Carder, A. L., Rt. 4	Green, Cecil, Rt. 2
Stanfield, James W., Rt. 1	Cardwell, Mrs. C. R.,	Gregory, Sterlie, Rt. 2
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Terry, J. F., Rt. 1	Carmon, J. R., Rt. 1	Grimes, Herman,
Wallace, E. M., Rt. 1	Caskey, Glenn, Gen. Del.	Gen. Del.
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Case and Company,	Chambers, J. R., Rt. 2	Gwinn, Elbert, Rt. 2
Box 290	Cheatum, Clifford, Rt. 3	Haden, T. C., Rt. 1
OPDYKE	Clutter, James, Rt. 1	Hall, Vance, Rt. 3
Massey, J. W.	Coatsworth, Ralph,	Halliday, Louis M.
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Riddle, Lester, Rt. 3	Cook, Ralph, Gen. Del.	Harness, O. W., Rt. 2
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Adams, Edward H.,	Creal, Dennis, Rt. 1	Harris, Loyd, Rt. 2
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Alexander, Wm., Rt. 2	Croup, Carl D., Rt. 2	Heath, Geo. O., Rt. 2
Allstatt, M. D., Rt. 2	Dailey, W. H., Rt. 2	Henley, B. R., Rt. 1
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- ron, Rt. 2
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- J., Box 143
- J. E., Rt. 2
- J. W., Rt. 1
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- Ruby, Rt. 2
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- H. D., Rt. 2
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- ore, T. D.,
- V. H., Rt. 1
- D., Gen. Del.
- y, Alvin,
- el.
- Nelson, Rt. 1
- G. D., Box 330
- han, V. A., Rt. 2
- n, S. D. & Anna
- l, J. E., Rt. 2
- W. L., Rt. 2
- erge, Rt. 2
- J. C., Rt. 3
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- Newport, S. N., Box 291
- Nichols, Wm.
- Noles, J. P., Rt. 2
- Nolin, M. H., Rt. 2
- Noon, Pat, Rt. 2
- Norris, Fred, Rt. 2
- Oakley, Murel, Rt. 2
- O'Brien, Pat, Box 124
- Oden, John T., Rt. 2
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- Peddicord, Mrs. Irene,
Rt. 2
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Gen. Del.
- Perry & Walker
- Pettit, J. H., Rt. 1
- Phelps, L. A.
- Phillips, Clyde
- Phillips, Herbert O.,
Rt. 2
- Pierce, J. O., Rt. 2
- Pierce, Millard F., Rt. 2
- Pittman, J. W., Rt. 2
- Plunkett, Frank,
Gen. Del.
- Plunkett, Mrs. Irene,
Rt. 2
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Here's One Example of Urgent Territorial Protection Need

R. S. Holt, manager of Egyptian Electric Cooperative Association, Steeleville, recently cited one example of the urgent need for territorial protection legislation such as that now pending in the Illinois House of Representatives.

The case involves costly efforts of the Illinois Power Company to condemn land in Randolph county in order to extend its power lines to a micro-wave tower.

These efforts were vigorously opposed by Egyptian Electric which for years has maintained an electric line immediately adjacent to the micro-wave tower site.

CIRCUIT JUDGE Carl H. Becker at Chester, after extensive and expensive hearings, ruled in favor of the cooperative.



R. S. Holt

"If we had been able to obtain 'Fair Play' territorial protection legislation earlier," Mr. Holt said, "we could actually have settled this difference 'with a tape measure.'"

"Under terms of the proposed legislation the power supplier closest to this site would be entitled to provide the needed service. This is an entirely fair provision. It is fair to commercial suppliers and to electric cooperatives. It would apply to each impartially. And if we had had such legislation everyone involved would have been better off."

THE MICRO-WAVE tower was erected by American Telephone and Telegraph Co. 1½ miles south of Walsh. In order to bring its distant line to the site Illinois Power attempted to force sale of land needed for the line.

The tower was described by the Illinois Commerce Commission as "a

part of one of the main cross-country communication systems operated by A.T. & T."

Egyptian Electric and Mr. Holt maintained the cooperative was "ready and able" to provide the necessary electric service to the micro-wave tower.

But the Illinois Commerce Commission, in an order dated Dec. 19, 1963, held that "there is no other regulated electric service available at the site to be served."

The Commission "ordered and directed" Illinois Power Company to make the line extensions sought by the power company.

JUDGE BECKER, however, ruled that the Illinois Commerce Commission order was "null and void."

The court decided that "there was a clear abuse of the exercise of the power of eminent domain by the Illinois Power Company, its officers and agents, in instituting, presenting and procuring the aforesaid December 19, 1963 order of the Illinois Commerce Commission . . . by willfully withholding and a failure to present in an uncontested proceeding information and evidence then in its possession and files . . ."

The court asserted that this tended to "confuse and mislead an administrative agency, the Illinois Commerce Commission, in an uncontested proceeding concerning the authority of Illinois Power Company under a certificate issued more than 30 years ago."

Judge Becker also ruled "that petitioner, Illinois Power Company, has never had and does not now have the power or authority to institute this proceeding for condemnation and thereby enter upon, take or damage the said properties or interests therein of the aforesaid defendants. . . ."

MR. HOLT termed Judge Becker's ruling "a substantial victory for the public."

"This ruling demonstrates that a commercial power company has no indiscriminate authority to condemn property of individuals merely because such a company may claim the condemnation is in the public interest," he said.

"The people themselves have inalienable rights that are protected by courts. This is of vital importance to every citizen."



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Across the manager's desk

by H. G. Downey

This month we introduce to you a new employe in our member service department, Darrell Decker.

Mr. Decker is married, has a lovely wife and two daughters and lives in an all-electric home east of the Centralia Y.

Mr. Decker has been hired to give the members of the cooperative better service in the fields of wiring, use of electricity and public relations.



H. G. Downey
Manager

In this greedy world, the thought of being of service without charge is possibly repulsive to some, but a cooperative, to carry out its aims and ideals, must be a service organization. This your employes are seriously trying to do, render service to the membership. (38-4B)

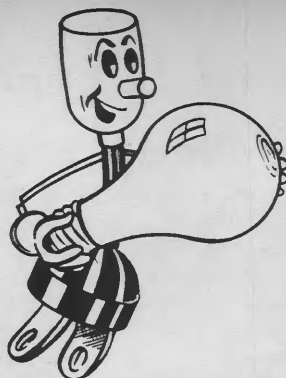
After a a training period, Mr. Decker will be engaged in improving the quality and capacity of electric wiring on consumer premises. All of us believe in electric heat and he will be helping to sell more of our members on the advantages of this modern method of heating.

We want all young people to understand electricity and electric safety and we hope to expand 4-H and vocational classes on electricity with more help available.

We hope you will welcome this expanded service and new employe.



Darrell Decker, your new service representative. Call him on your electrical problems.



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Seeley, A. J., Gen. Del.
Shuler, Omer, Route 4
Skinner, F. H., Route 2
Smith, D. P., Route 2
Smith, Edgar, Route 2
Smith, Oda, 108 N. Pearl
Smith, W. L., Route 1
Soliday, Paul, Route 2
Southard, G. H., Route 4
Southard, S. H., Route 4
Stacey, Howard, Route 2
Steckler, Joe, Route 2
Steder, Howard, Route 3
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Talbert, J. L., Route 2
Taylor, G. M., c/o Central Pipe Line Co., Route 1
Taylor, Lee, Route 2
Taylor, W. E.
Thompson, H. D.
Thompson, Hubert, Route 2
Thompson, S. H., Route 2
Thompson, W. J., Route 2
Tibbetts, J. E., Route 2
Totte, Mrs. Carrie, Route 2
Trexler, Maurice R., Box 448
Villens, Garnet M., Route 2

NAME AND LAST KNOWN ADDRESS

Vincent, Louis R., Route 1
Waggoner, Carroll, Route 2
Wagner, Carroll, Route 2
Wall, R. A., Route 2
Walters, George, Gen. Del.
Watts, R. A., Route 2
Weaver, C. C., Route 1
Weaver, Clarence, Gen. Del.
Weaver, Virgil, Route 1
Weems, W. E., Route 2
Wheeler, Frank E., Route 2
Whitacre, Dale, Route 2
Williamson, G. C., Route 2
Willis, Clyde, Gen. Del.
Wilman, Clifford, Route 2
Wilson, D. A., Box 102
Wilson, Leslie, Route 1
Winget, Marvin
Wohl, Theodore, Route 2
Wolfe, R. O.
SANDOVAL
Hill, J. E.
Hunter, J. D.
Richerd, J. M., Route 1
Southwestern Oil & Gas Co., Box M, Route 2
Thomas, R. J., Route 2
Tibbs, Wm. J., Route 2
SAPUPA, OKLA.
Rollman, Lee, 319 S. Park Street

NAME AND LAST KNOWN ADDRESS

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Fairchild, Clara
Haferkamp, Emmet
Montgomery, Mrs. James
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Adrich, Roy, Route 1
Clark, Roy F.
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Jones, Jewell
Stafford, Emmett, Route 2
Wiggins, Ray
WOODLAWN
Brink, J. E.
Dorris, Troy
Dyer, H.
Fred, George L., Route 2
Modgling, T. L.
Moore, Glenn, Route 2
Nelson, A. L.
Robinson, W. A.
Taylor, Lawrence, Route 2
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Zillifro, Wm. H.
Zinhe, Henry

Dixie Wilson Resigns Job

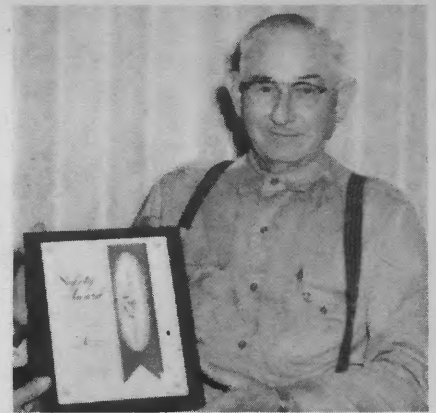
Mrs. Dixie Wilson, consumers account clerk, has resigned from her job at Tri-County Electric Cooperative.

She will be returning to her pre-

vious job at the Mt. Vernon High School.

Mrs. Wilson has been with the cooperative since June 28, 1961, and has established a reputation of being very efficient and loyal.

Tri-County is sorry to see her leave, but hopes she will be happy in her new job.



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Farms Face Fire Threat

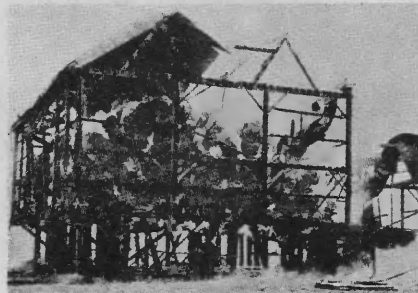
One of the most serious problems the modern farmer faces is the threat of fire. Last year fire destroyed more than \$110 million worth of farm property and killed nearly 3,500 persons.

What's the answer? According to the Water Systems Council, an adequate supply of water could have markedly reduced fire loss. The council says that: (1) Water supply is the critical factor in fighting farm fires; (2) The first few minutes of any fire are the most crucial. What you do BEFORE the fire department comes often means the difference between saving your buildings and total destruction.

How much water does it take to put out a fire? Assuming it is extinguished soon after starting, it may take as little as 100 gallons or so. On the other hand, if unchecked, 60,000-80,000 gallons may be necessary. Many fire prevention authorities suggest a minimum of 3,000 gallons of water on hand at all times. Best bet here is an electric water system which continually supplies water under pressure. A farm pond or swimming pool can double as excellent water reservoirs, often supplying the 60,000-80,000 gallons that could be needed. (39-33E)

AN ADEQUATE water supply is necessary even after the fire department has arrived. The average pumper, for instance, only carries about 300 gallons of water with one-inch hoses. Many companies also have tankers — converted oil trucks — which carry an additional 2,000 gallons. Once this supply has been exhausted though the pumper must couple to a new source.

The Water System Council offers



a number of hints for planning emergency protection:

(1) Do not locate your water supply less than 100 feet from any building which may burn. The average pumper only carries about 20 feet of hard suction hose and must stay within 20 feet of the supply. If the water source is less than 100 feet from a burning building, there may be too much risk of destroying the fire truck.

(2) **THE SOURCE** should be accessible by paved road or driveway to prevent trucks from being mired.

(3) Be sure the pipes from your water supply to the hydrant are located below the frost line to prevent freezing in winter.

(4) Where an electric water system is used to pump water under pressure, make sure that your power source is not located in a building which could catch fire. If the power is cut, your system cannot do its job.

(5) A spray nozzle can perform many times the service in fire fighting than an ordinary jet stream and is a wise investment. A spray nozzle breaks the water stream into millions of tiny particles which are converted to steam when sprayed upon a burning building, often extinguishing it quicker than a jet stream.

AND THERE'S a new trend on the horizon in farm fire fighting. Farmers with large investments in buildings, livestock and equipment are investigating the possibility of complete automatic sprinkler control systems to safeguard their prop-

Co-op Honors Newt Lovin

Newt Lovin, groundman-truck-driver for Tri-County Electric, was recently awarded a beautiful diamond ring and a plaque for 25 years of service with the cooperative. Remarkable also is the fact that during these 25 years he suffered no lost-time accident.

Mr. Lovin started work for Tri-County March 14, 1940, at a time, as Manager Downey pointed out, when jobs weren't plentiful.

Mr. Downey also said — "I am proud that Newt is a part of our organization for he has always been sincere in his work and very dependable." (6-4J)

We are all proud of Mr. Lovin and happy that he is a part of our organization.

Account Numbers

Do you see your account number? It may be in this issue. If you find it, please notify the Tri-County Electric Cooperative office and we will gladly mail you a \$3.00 coupon to apply on your next month's bill.

February issue's winner was — Mrs. Joseph Bible, Iuka.

erty. In case of fire, the heat-sensing mechanism automatically turns on overhead sprinklers to douse the blaze BEFORE it gets started.

Planning for farm fire emergencies is just another example of the old proverb: "An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure." The farmer who plans his water system to take care of any emergency will reap dividends for years to come.

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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.

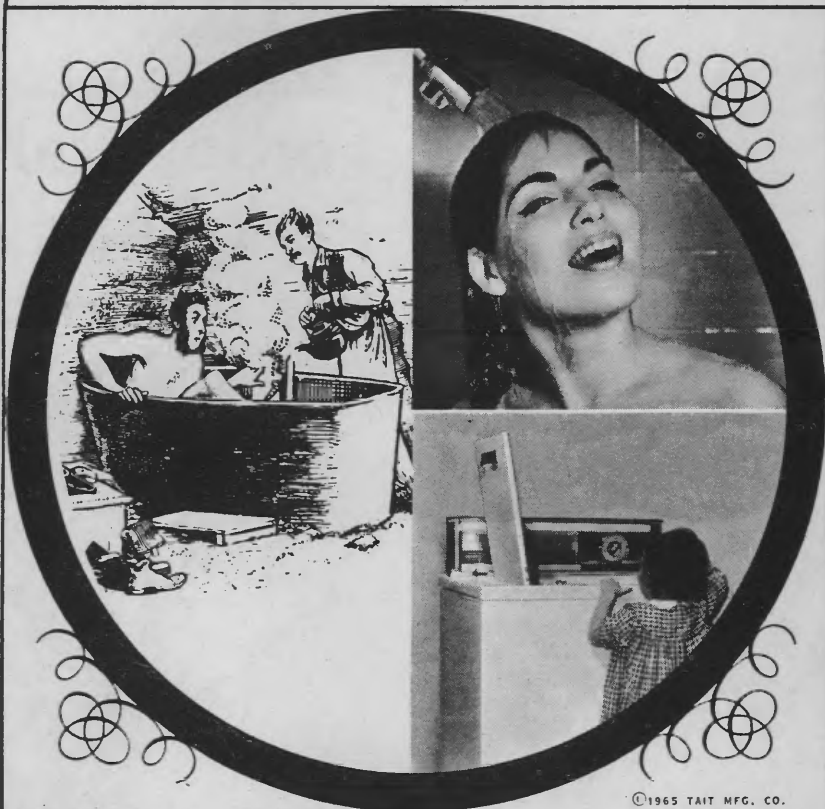
REA Administrator Norman M. Clapp in Washington testimony recently pointed out that Congress in-

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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Across the manager's desk

by H. G. Downey

We express to members of our "Boosters Club" the thanks of the cooperative for their efforts in contacting Illinois senators and representatives during the recent month. How successful cooperatives will be in securing legislation is uncertain at this writing, but hopes are high that substantial progress will be made in 1965.

This effort that has been underway for the past three years is to obtain recognition for the cooperatives as legitimate retailers of electric energy in the state of Illinois.



H. G. Downey
Manager

When our memory goes back to all the attacks on cooperatives the picture becomes clearer that our non-friends want the opinion created that electric cooperatives should be happy to serve just those they originally served and reject any new applicants. This just isn't the American way. Anyone in business wants to grow, to expand, to improve. This is the American way. No one with ambition would be satisfied with less. Our non-friends would be happy if we would say to new prospective members and service applicants, "Sorry, we're not interested — buy your electricity elsewhere."

All of you who might be reading this feeble literary effort are cooperative members. The cooperative way was the first way people got together and accomplished things for themselves. It is still the best way. (11-16 P)

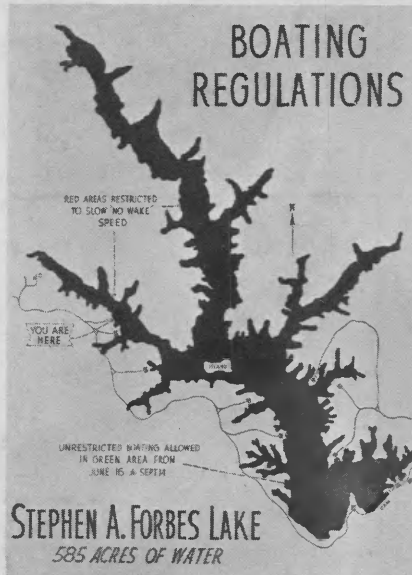
Service to fellow man comes long before profit—it's the best way!

Account Numbers

If you find your account number in this issue, notify the co-op office by Aug. 20 and you will receive a coupon worth \$3.00 on your next power bill.



Forbes State Park Ready For Visitors



Forbes (Omega) State Park in Marion county has come into its own and perhaps 100,000 people will enjoy its facilities this year.

The 600-acre lake is full and early bass fishing was excellent. Also, the experimental season for water skiing opened June 15 (to Sept. 15).

Picnic and overnight camping facilities are available and the concession stand and boat-rental facilities have been open for over a month.



THE DOCK AREA includes 420 feet of permanent dock and facilities for 460 feet of floating dock. Forty boats are available for rent at

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\$1.50 per day (motors can also be rented).

Dwight Sanders is superintendent of the 2,000-acre park. The park is open from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

The lake was stocked a year ago with 200,000 bass. A shocking team tested the lake in September and found the bass averaged 12 to 15 inches. There are also crappie, bullheads and various sunfish, including bluegill.



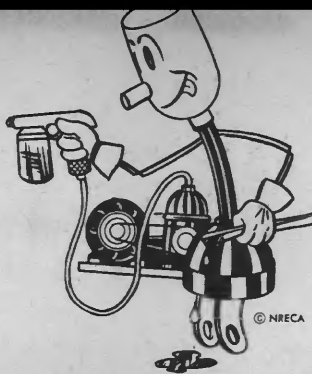
ONE FACTOR expected to swell attendance is the state's decision to permit water skiing. Sam Parr of the Department of Conservation believes that the new Stephen A. Forbes Lake has the qualities to lend itself to multi-purpose recreational water uses.

A plan has been developed to allow a 10 HP limitation the year around and throughout the entire lake. From June 15 to Sept. 15 definite fishing areas have been designated and in the main basin near the dam during this period no maximum horsepower limitation has been assigned. (48-36 C)

The basic funds used in the lake program are from the Game and Fish Fund. No swimming will be allowed.



THE 600-ACRE lake has 48 miles of shoreline and averages eight feet in depth and near the spillway it is 34 feet deep.



Three New Employees Join Staff



Sharon Grothoff

This month we introduce to you three new employees.

Sharon Grothoff began her duties in the billing department on May 10. She replaced Dixie Wilson, who resigned, and will work with the billing records for Marion and Washington counties. Sharon and her husband, Clarence, live on Route 2, Mt. Vernon. She is very friendly and pleasant. We know you will enjoy meeting her.



Jacob Scherer (left) and Richard Neal

Jacob (Jake) Scherer came to work at Tri-County on April 27, as a "groundman." He and his wife, Roberta, are the parents of five children and reside at 209 N. 32nd St. in Mt. Vernon.

Richard (Dick) Neal commenced his duties as an "apprentice line-man" on May 10. He and his wife, Carolyn, and daughter, Lisa, reside at 2716 Logan in Mt. Vernon.

Jake and Dick were hired to increase the outside forces so that your cooperative can continue to render good service. They're both willing workers and we hope you will join us in making them welcome in your organization.

Woodlawn, Odin, Nashville Students Win Essay Contest



Winners of the Washington, D.C., trip were (from left in front row) Susy Wegmann, Don Wooters and Neva Lehde. Alternate winners were (standing, from left) Stan Morrison, Rose Bland and Bill Hawley.

Susy Wegmann, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Wegmann, Woodlawn; Don Wooters, son of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Wooters, Odin, and Neva Lehde, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Art Lehde, Nashville, were judged the winners in this year's essay contest sponsored by your cooperative.

The title of the essays was "The Role of Cooperatives in the Business World." The students told us that the subject proved to be a very difficult assignment and the essays all showed that a great deal of work had been put in them.

STAN MORRISON, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Morrison, Odin; Bill Hawley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hawley, Odin, and Rose Marie Bland, daughter of Mrs. Bobbie Mae Bland, Mt. Vernon, were chosen as first, second and third alternates.

The Tri-County winners met about 50 other students from other electric cooperatives in Illinois at Springfield on June 5. From there they traveled by air conditioned bus to our nation's capital.

In Washington they visited the White House, the U.S. House and Senate, historical monuments and

other points of interest. In addition they had lunch with several of the congressmen and took a scenic boat cruise on the Potomac River before returning to Illinois on June 13.

To show you that the students gained a better understanding of cooperatives, we will quote the opening remarks of the three top essays. (27-17B)

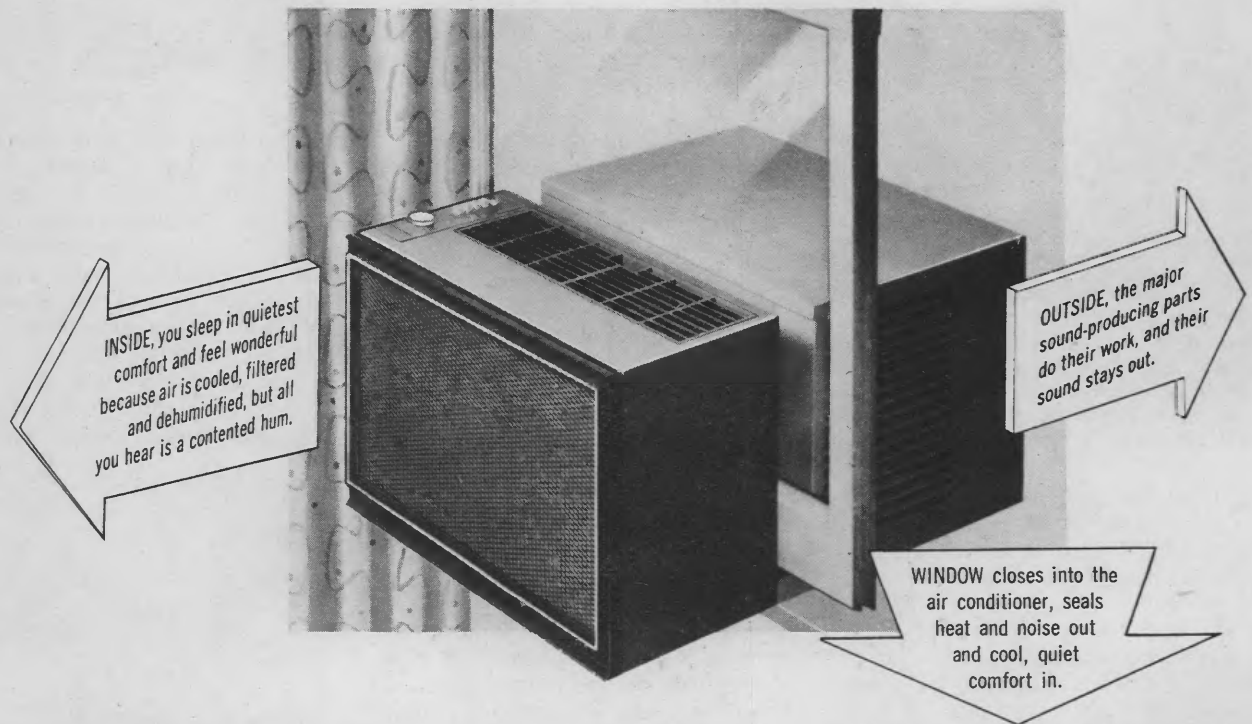
DON WOOTERS said "The cooperative has reached an important level in our economic system. Beginning in 1844 with the Rochdale Society of Equitable Pioneers, cooperatives have assumed increasingly important roles in the United States and abroad."

NEVA LEHDE wrote "With the rise of partnerships and corporations in the American business economy, the individual found himself unable to compete profitably with these enterprises. Soon it became apparent that some other type of organization was needed especially for the farmers wherein the main goal was not private profit but mutual benefits for each member. Thus the cooperative type of business was formed."

SUSY WEGMANN started her essay by saying "Cooperatives play a vital role in the realm of modern business. In this ever changing modern world, business thrives upon the benefits that are rendered through cooperatives. Although cooperatives are basically free from governmental control, the government has, in many instances, laid the foundation for cooperatives. Two instances with which we are all familiar are the Rural Electrification Administration Act passed in 1936 and the Pace Act of 1944. Under the provisions of these acts many farmers and people of rural areas were able to get what city people had had for years, and that is 'area coverage' electrification."

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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.

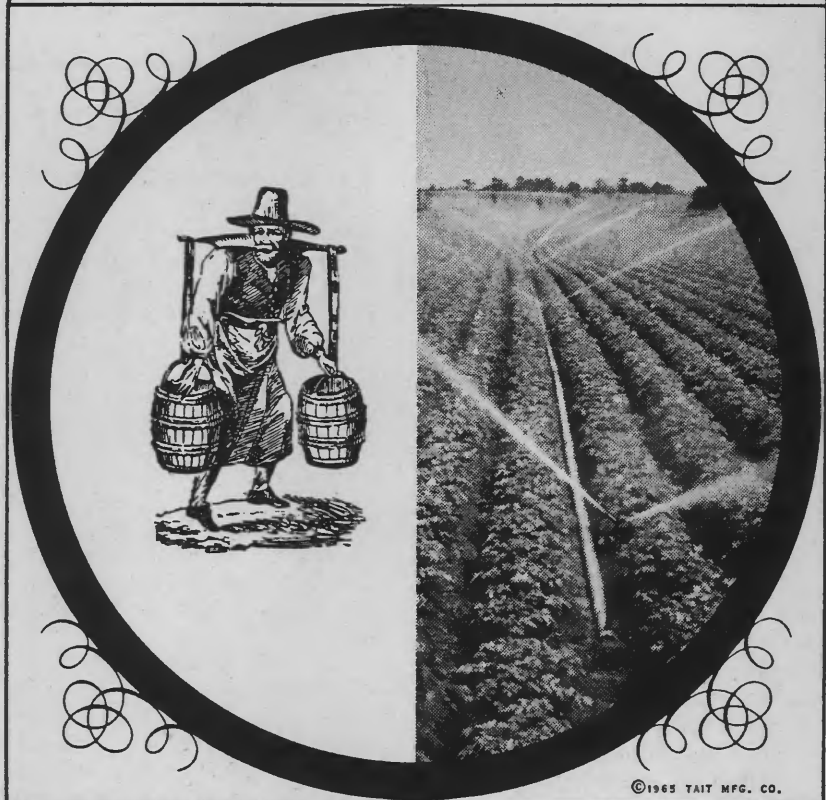
"Cooperative and other area leaders have high hopes for the orderly development of recreational facilities made possible through creation of Lake Egypt," Ora M. Snider, information director and lake development manager for the power cooperative, said in a recent interview.

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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Across the manager's desk

by H. G. Downey

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Each member of this cooperative is receiving service from a transformer, service wire, meter loop and service center deemed adequate for his load by our employees or the wireman making the installation.



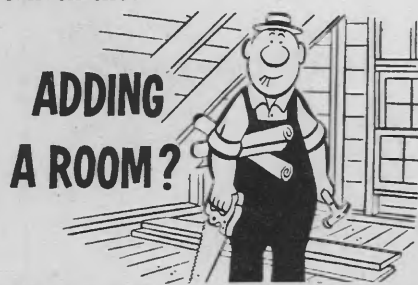
H. G. Downey
Manager

It is human nature not to oversize most everything we do. Although you can buy fuel oil, gas or coal more reasonable in large quantities, how many of us order and store a two years' supply of coal? None do, but planning in electric usage is possible and can result in savings to both supplier and consumer.

It is an obligation of an electric consumer to advise his electric supplier when he increases his electric load. It is to his advantage, too, as planning may prevent inconvenient power outages. When we receive notice of load increases, we check the transformer, service wire and meter loop capacity and make necessary increases in equipment capacities.

Every year when we have a heat wave (and we just had a 30-day dandy) we get calls, find a new air conditioner installed and the poor transformer burned up with oil running down its sides.

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Fall Member Meetings Scheduled

By the time you read this we will be starting our series of fall member meetings. We hope to see all of you at one of the meetings.

For many years we realized that many of you were interested in the growth and well being of your cooperative, but for one reason or another could not attend the annual business meeting. (This year's annual meeting will be held in Mt. Vernon in November.) Therefore, about five years ago we divided the Tri-County territory into 18 "communities" of approximately 400 members each and started a rotating series of fall community meetings.

We hold nine meetings per year and thereby cover the territory every two years. The purpose of the meetings is one of information. We like to hear from you and we hope we can present some material that you're interested in.

We have asked nine Tri-County

families to act as "Host Couples" and help us plan and carry out the meetings. If you have questions or would like a particular subject discussed, please contact them. Drop a note to the member service department of your cooperative, P.O. Box 3, Mt. Vernon. Some questions could involve a little research and we'd appreciate having a few days to get the information together.

The dates and the list of host couples are listed below.

All of the meetings are on Tuesday evenings and start promptly at 8:00 p.m. They will also adjourn promptly at 9:30. (Closed) Every family that attends will receive one of the popular "Willie" nite-lites. In addition there will be other prizes and refreshments at the close of the meetings.

Members living in the area of the monthly meetings will receive invitations about four days ahead of the meeting. However, we want all members and guests to feel welcome to attend any of the meetings.

We hope to meet many of you at one of the meetings listed below.

Aug. 17	Doepke Hall, Stone Church	Mr. & Mrs. Art Shubert
Aug. 24	St. Michael's Church, Radom	Mr. & Mrs. Frank Kasban
Aug. 31	Dodds School	Mr. & Mrs. Wayne Estes
Sept. 7	Woodlawn High School	Mr. & Mrs. Frank Hazlip
Sept. 14	Kinmundy Grade School	Mr. & Mrs. Leon Miller
Sept. 21	Patoka High School	Mr. & Mrs. C. D. Thalman
Sept. 28	Grand Prairie School	Mr. & Mrs. Jack Hartley
Oct. 5	Young School, Salem	Mr. & Mrs. Paul Francis
Oct. 12	Iuka School	Mr. & Mrs. Charles Arnold



Got a Question?

Whatever your problem, electrical speaking, we're ready and willing to help you work it out.

Chances are, some question is on your mind right now which we might have solved with many times . . . and what has worked out successfully for another member could be just the solution to your problem.

That's the co-op way!

So, if you've got a question about an electrical problem, let's get together!

Hi-Lites

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Tri-County and the appliance dealers listed below are cooperating to give you a "\$15.00" gift incentive for buying and installing a new electric range or clothes dryer between now and Oct. 31. (37-35A)

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.....Mt. Vernon
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- Fry HardwareWaltonville
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- Manion Appliance, Inc.
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- Mitchell Home Furnishings
.....Mt. Vernon
- Montgomery Ward ..Mt. Vernon
- Petterson ElectricOkawville
- Ross & Paul Hardware Co.
.....Salem
- Sears Roebuck & Co.Centralia
- Sears Roebuck & Co.
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- Toedte MaytagNashville
- Weeke ElectricNashville
- Weinlein's Hardware ..Nashville
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- Wilke Refri. Electric ..Nashville

This offer is good for Tri-County Electric members only and the appliance must be installed in a home served by Tri-County Electric.

As Your Electrical Wiring Safe to Use

Fortunately, electrical wiring does not wear out like your automobile or farm tractor. If it did, about every five years you would overhaul or replace your wiring much like you do your other equipment.

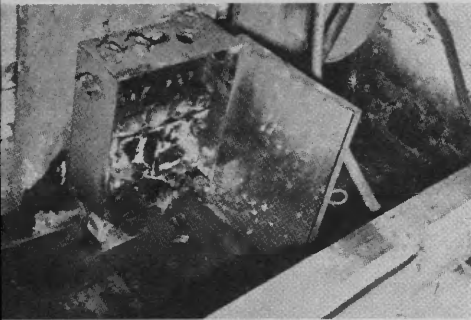
Instead, your wiring continues to do the best job it can even though it may be badly overloaded from delivering large amounts of power to each of the various buildings on your farm.

However, your electrical equipment does send out definite warning signals when your wiring is overloaded. Here are a few that are very obvious:

- FUSES BLOW!
- LIGHTS DIM!
- MOTORS RUN HOT!
- TV PICTURE SHRINKS!

(50-3R)

Have YOU observed any of these danger signals around your farm? Please give your wiring a checkup before it looks like the one pictured below. It was actually on fire when the owners discovered it.



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- Who are courteous and reasonable in calling the office for information about progress of line repairs at times of trouble caused by severe storms.
- Who grant right-of-way for construction of lines to serve your neighbors or tie lines to provide better service to you and others.
- Who are careful when using trucks and farm machinery around poles, lines and guy wires.
- Who read the meter carefully, report the meter reading and pay the bill on time.
- Who keep television antennae, silo filling pipes and other equipment clear of falling distance on all electric lines.
- Who as real sportsmen do not use the insulators and other line equipment as targets.
- Who teach children all the rules of electric safety, both indoors and outdoors. (15-31E)
- Who use extreme care when cutting trees near electric lines.
- Who notify the office when moving so the service can be transferred to the new owner or disconnected if no one will be using power.
- Who report anything that is wrong with the lines such as bad poles, broken guy wires, broken strands of the line conductors and cracked or broken insulators.
- Who keep signs, fence wires, nails and other hazards off the poles for the safety of our linemen.



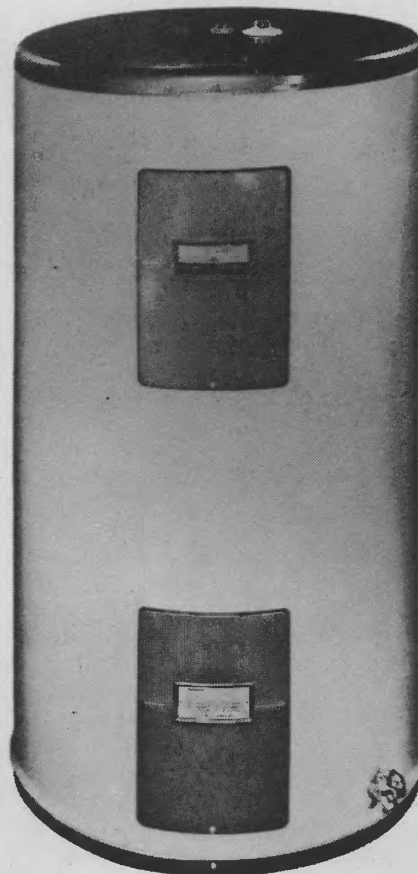
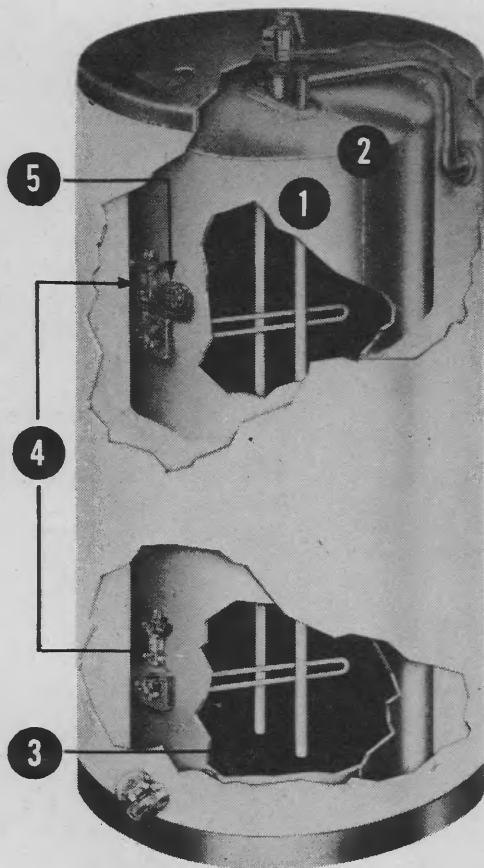
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- If no answer call 242-5446
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Some of the experiences, views and observations of Sid and Barbara Landfield aboard the prize-winning Democrat-Messenger of Mt. Sterling (population 2,262, circulation 3,050) are contained in their just-published book, "The Other Side of the Sheet".

Mr. Landfield, who formerly worked on the Chicago Sun and later the Chicago Sun-Times, is co-publisher with George Davis.

Mrs. Landfield formerly worked for the exacting City News Bureau in Chicago and is the author of hundreds of encyclopedia articles. Her newscolumn appears in the weekly newspaper her husband and Mr. Davis publish.

The new book is a collection of essays, articles and critical commentary on the life and the time, much of it written in a humorous vein.

"The Other Side of the Sheet" may be obtained by writing Mr. Landfield, Mt. Sterling, Ill., 62353, or by ordering from any bookstore or from the publisher, Exposition Press, Inc., 386 Park Ave. South, N. Y., N. Y. 10016. The price is \$4.

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Name _____

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Across the manager's desk

by H. G. Downey

Hope you attended our annual meeting Nov. 6 and received full information about your cooperative. Also, hope you won a turkey to solve what your meat course will be this year.

Here it is Thanksgiving and a change of seasons. People I talked to this summer in California stated the thing they missed most when leaving the middle west was the seasons. Guess it does eliminate much conversation when the weather is so uniform you can't talk about it. 47-8G



H. G. Downey
Manager

Oct. 15 seems to be the date when our fall foliage is at its most beautiful colors. The process is interesting—it isn't that it is fall or colder weather. The longer nights are responsible for the change in chlorophyll in the leaves.

Can we find time to review what we have to be thankful for?

Those of us that have good health or even some health can be thankful—many are in worse shape.

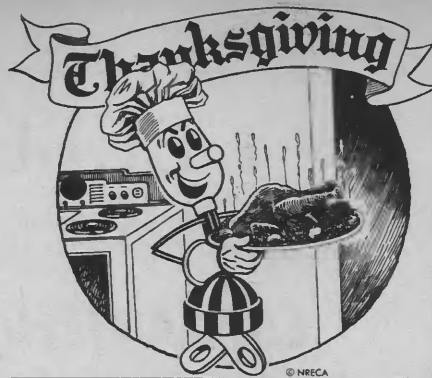
We can practice our religious beliefs in freedom—many cannot.

Our country is holding the line against the spread of communism. While this causes sorrow to many of our people because of deaths of loved ones, we can't back away forever and we don't want to live under a communistic government.

Meat prices are better for those who produce, and alas worse for those who buy.

Our nation is in a great prosperous period. We hope some interest will be shown in the country living within its means. (Make this a Thanksgiving wish.)

A Christmas suggestion — Are your parents living alone in the country? Why not rent a security light for them? It will be appreciated every night all year long.

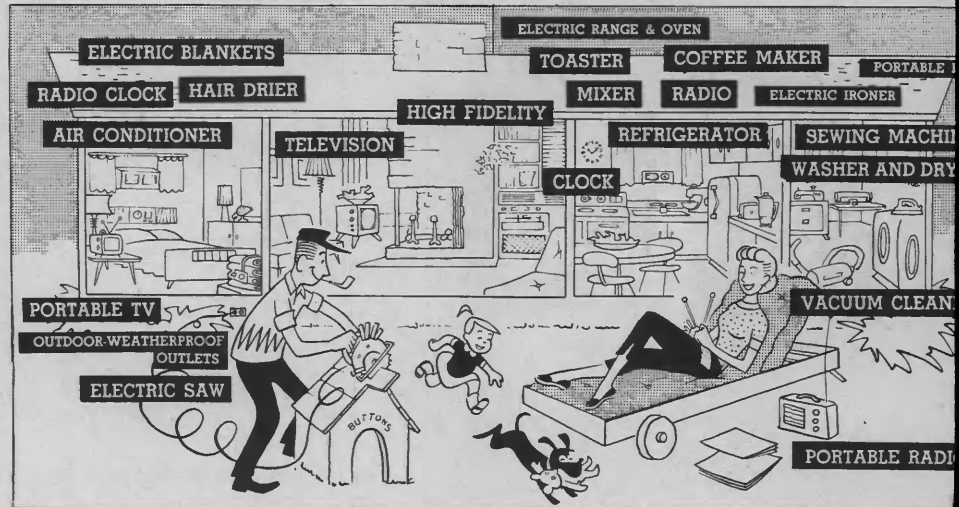


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10 Ways to Reduce Power Bill

It has been estimated that most folks waste about 15 per cent of the electric power they pay for. May we advise you of ways to stop this needless waste?

1. Use large wire to haul the power around your buildings. In small wires, power is wasted trying to crowd through.

2. Oil and clean motors and equipment (but don't use too much oil). The squeaky wheel requires more current.

3. Learn to turn off the units on your range before the food is completely cooked, finishing with the "free heat" left in the unit.

4. Check your wiring and be sure that the "hot" wires do not come in contact with water pipes, lightning rods, the ground or roofs of buildings. These conditions waste elec-

tricity and may cause a shock hazard.

5. Don't leave unnecessary lights burning when you are not at home.

6. Install your water heater as near sink and bathtub as possible to keep the pipes from running short. Insulate the pipes.

7. Stop all pipe leaks, especially in water lines.

8. If fuses blow frequently, find the trouble and correct it right away. Never put a penny behind the fuse unless you want to for a fire.

9. Do not place your refrigerator in sunlight or the blast of your heating system. Make sure that the door latch and gasket fit tightly to prevent air leakage.

10. Attend the church of your choice on Sunday. The church's electric bill won't be any more if there is a crowd—and yours will be less. Put your savings in the pocket and be thankful that you are an American with the freedom of attending church.

Cheapest Hired Hand

When you receive your power bill each time, have you ever stopped to consider all the electric items you have and how many hours they were used? Try this one on your family.

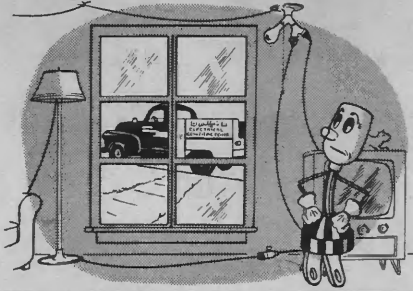
How many electric motors do you have in your home? Remember,

each clock is an electric motor. It might be interesting to have a contest within your family. Take a sheet of paper and write down how many uses you make of electricity. If you haven't done this before, we'll bet that you'll be amazed at the length of the list you have. 44-21C

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Poor Wiring Means Higher Electric Bills

Full Use of Low-Cost Bracket

When you pay your power bill, are you looking at the low-cost brackets? Are you willing to pay for the higher brackets and let the low-cost brackets get away from you? Why not make a list of appliances where you could lower the cost of operating your home by "going all-electric."

There are so many ways of taking advantage of the low cost kilowatt-hours in the last bracket. Supplemental electric heating is one that you should look at for real economy. There are some very fine electric heaters on the market and we can give you some very good information about them. 44A-12D

Outlets Do Wear Out

Did you know that convenience outlets into which you plug lamps and appliances can wear out after many years of good service?

Here are four signs which are symptoms of old age or hard usage, which indicate that it is time for a change.

1. If the lamp or appliance plug slips out, or has to be bent in order to make contact. This is a sign that contacts inside the outlet have worn down or have lost their tension.
2. When the cover plate on the outlet gets uncomfortably hot to the touch (not just warm—this is natural) while it is in use, it is time to replace the outlet.
3. When a wall switch "sparks" as it is turned off, this indicates that the inner workings have outlived their usefulness.
4. If the switch has to be "jiggled" in or-

der to turn the light on, the connections inside are not making a good, clean contact.

It is best to have a competent electrician check the various outlets in your home and make changes he finds necessary. Insist upon best quality outlets with double wipe contacts (there are cheap outlets on the market and we can expect short life from such devices).



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1. To keep membership records on a current basis and to establish responsibility for the account.
2. It is likely that the heirs of the deceased person are eligible for a Patronage Credit refund on his account.
3. To insure proper ownership of credits accumulated since the deceased person's death.

If your electric bill is still coming in the name of a deceased person, please fill in the form below and return it to us. In case you have any questions, please stop by the office and we will be glad to help you with them.

PLEASE PRINT

Date: Account No.:

Deceased Person's Name:

Date of Death: County Lived In:

Name of Administrator or Executor:

Address of Administrator or Executor:

Name of person now living in house and paying bill:

Relation of Deceased:

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