



# GAT Management NEWSLETTER

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A REMINDER of the Open House for Goodyear Atomic employees and retirees plus their families scheduled for Sunday, September 18 from 1:00 to 6:00 p.m. is in order. The Open House, commemorating the 25th Anniversary of GAT, marks the first time families of GAT employees have been permitted inside cleared areas of the plant. Very careful adherence to security rules and regulations will be a must for everyone attending. Coordinating the many facets of the celebration, including the Blimp "America" visit, press conference, Open House, and the commemorative medallion, is W. DEE HUGHES.

AN OFFICE of Carbon Dioxide Environmental Effects Research is being established by ERDA. The office will organize and direct the agency's effort to assess the potential hazard of carbon dioxide increases in the atmosphere and will be the central point of contact for other Government agencies and for the international scientific community. The carbon dioxide levels have increased in the earth's atmosphere since the industrial revolution began. In recent years, scientists have expressed concern that the amount accumulated might reach a point where it could cause serious changes in the earth's climate, particularly if more coal is used.

AUTO TIRE PRODUCTION at the Goodyear Tire & Rubber Los Angeles plant may be phased out this year, depending on the results of feasibility studies. Half of the employees could be affected as the truck tire manufacturing portion will continue. The auto tires are of the bias-ply construction and the equipment cannot be converted to the radial type at reasonable costs. One of Goodyear's oldest, the plant was built in 1920.

THE ATOMIC EMPLOYEES' CREDIT UNION, chartered in December 1955, reached over \$1 million in assets eleven years later. There is a good possibility it will pass the \$6 million mark yet this year.

NUCLEAR POWER GENERATORS provided by ERDA will make possible the longest space mission ever planned--a 10-year voyage starting with closeup television pictures of Jupiter and Saturn--then perhaps a look at our Sun's distant planets, Uranus and Neptune. The spacecrafts are being launched in August and September.

THE BLIMP "AMERICA" carries with it 23 men plus a ground crew bus, a large tractor-trailer rig and a station wagon. The crew includes 5 pilots, 17 ground crewmen and a public relations representative. The ship spends seven months traveling around the U.S. and five months at its base in Houston, Texas. Surprisingly, even with the amount of travel encountered each year, there is not a great deal of turnover among the crew; the least amount of service is three years. Each year, many applications are received to pilot the four blimps owned by Goodyear.

MEETINGS to provide additional information about proposed safeguards contingency plans for nuclear facilities and upgrade physical protection of special nuclear materials were held by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission on August 23-25. Representatives of licensees of fuel-cycle facilities and carrier agents who transport special nuclear material were invited.

BILL JUSTICE, a member of our Office Services Department, was responsible for the layout work of the GAT 25th Anniversary Medallion. His talented contribution was inadvertently omitted from a previous article concerning the upcoming Anniversary Celebration.

RURAL HOUSING in the U.S. is generally newer than urban by about five years. Median age of rural housing is now 19 years as compared to 24 years for urban units, reflecting continued migration of Americans to the outer fringes of the suburbs and to the countryside according to a recent census.

## WHO'S WHO IN MANAGEMENT

NATHAN H. HURT, JR., is the newly appointed General Manager of Goodyear Atomic Corporation. In his new capacity, he will report to Charles J. Pilliod, Jr., Chairman of the Board of GT&R.

Nate was born in Clifton Hill, Missouri, but was reared in the Denver, Colorado area. He joined Goodyear in June 1947 as a factory-office trainee after obtaining a B.S. degree in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Colorado. When GAT was created in 1952, he was the first employee to set up an office as Superintendent of Staff Engineering. In 1956 he returned to GT&R as Plant Manager of the Logan, Ohio Plant. In 1968 he became Manager of the Plant Engineering and Maintenance Division at GAT. He was promoted to Deputy General Manager in 1972 and also served as Manager of the GCMT Team during that period.



Hurt is a member of several national professional engineering organizations and fraternities. He also is a member of local Chambers of Commerce, the Chillicothe Rotary Club and the GAT Foremen's Club. His outside interests revolve around golfing and snow skiing.

He and his wife, Lucretia, plan to relocate in Chillicothe. They have two married sons, Steven and Mark, plus two grandchildren.

## GAT NAMES AND FACES IN THE NEWS



D. J. BLANTON



J. ARMSTRONG



P. DANIEL



B. J. RUMBLE



C. O. LANGEBRAKE

D. J. BLANTON and JIM ARMSTRONG combined to give a science demonstration and employment information program to the Ross County Summer Program for Economically Disadvantaged Youth. Armstrong also was the coordinator of the 1976-77 GAT Science Demonstration Program. Nine GAT employees participated and over 1100 students and adults viewed the demonstrations.

PHIL DANIEL was elected Secretary-Treasurer of the Columbus area Electrochemical Society of America.

BONNIE J. RUMBLE authored an article, "Environmental Protection at the Southern Ohio Uranium Enrichment Plant." It will appear in the upcoming Cincinnati Engineer and Scientist, a quarterly publication.

CLAIR O. LANGEBRAKE was the speaker at the August Pike County Chamber of Commerce meeting. His presentation was entitled "Possible Usage of Waste Heat at Gaseous Diffusion Facilities."