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MRPD's--and Washington D. C.'s-- Ken Graham Retires Today

For the past several years, Ken Graham has been MRPD's manager of GSA (Government Services Administration) sales in Washington, D. C.. Prior to that he was manager of Federal Government Sales, working with every federal agency to whom we sold radios. A headquarters spokesman says of Ken's GE career: *"Over these last 22 years, Ken has contributed much to our success in selling to the Federal Government in Washington and around the world. He was always eager to provide any assistance that any of our field people might require in smoothing over a rough place in customer negotiations whether it be with the Immigration Service in El Paso, Texas or the Bureau of Reclamation somewhere in Montana."*

"When I was a child, an uncle built a crystal set for me, and that started it all--my fascination with radio," Ken Graham tells the *News* in a retirement interview.

Before coming to GE, Ken notes he had already chalked up 15 years of experience in two-way radio.

"After high school, I took a course in radio at Northwestern University, and worked for awhile as a desk clerk and radioman in the Des Plaines, Illinois police department," he says. "From

there I went to a GE competitor, and later to Washington with MRPD sales."

Ken finds it hard to believe that during World War II, police and fire departments were about the only people using two-way radio, and most people thought--and said--the market was flooded, and "everybody who wants one has one!"

He says it's been exciting to be in the Washington area for these past 22 years...and plans to stay there (in Alexandria, Va.) in retire-



ment...as a base for more hunting, fishing, bridge, golf and traveling.

"Evelyn (Mrs. Graham) shares most of these interests," he says. "We do golf together...and yes, we do fuss at the bridge table."

As Ken talked about retirement programs, it was obvious the Grahams had planned well for the future. *"More than 20 years of Savings and Security participation is intact,"* he says. *"I've never had to use any of it. It's all there!"*

STEVE ROGINSKI JOINS QUARTER CENTURY GROUP

In photo, Steve Roginski (right) receives 25-year GE anniversary tie bar and congratulations from Materials Manager Leo Simonetta. Steve, production control manager for personal products at Timberlake, comments, *"It's difficult to find something to say that hasn't been said by other Quarter Century Club members. However, I find once you become a part of such a group, you're inclined to agree with most everything that has been said, and look forward to new challenges and opportunities."*



NOTICE: Bob Tyree, Carrier Current asks that anyone who witnessed his accident Jan. 10, 1977, 4:15PM, on Candler's Mtn. Rd., please contact him this evening at 846-0109.

The GENERAL ELECTRIC WIVES CLUB will hold its regular monthly meeting on Monday, March 6, 1978 at 8 P.M. in the auditorium of the GE plant on Mountain View Road.

Mr. Gerry Bianco will show slides of flowers that grow around the home. He will also show a time lapse film on the Amaryllis.

Members are invited to bring husbands and guests to this meeting.

The NEWS expresses sympathy to Pearl Cyrus in the death of her husband R. T. (Tommy) Cyrus on Saturday. Pearl works at FAB, and Tommy worked in the sheet metal area at MVR.



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Eligibility

Employee automatically covered on first day actively at work. Eligible dependents must be enrolled to be covered. If enrollment of dependents is delayed more than 31 days, after first becoming eligible, the employees will have to give proof of their good health satisfactory to the insurance company before they can become covered.

Cost

No cost for employee coverage. For dependents' medical insurance coverage, employee cost is 2% of annual pay up to \$5,000 — maximum contribution is \$100 a year per family.

Benefits

Three types of non occupational medical expenses are payable on reasonable, necessary and customary basis, for the employee and for covered dependents if employee is enrolled for dependent coverage.

THE THREE TYPES OF MEDICAL EXPENSES COVERED ARE TYPE A-1, TYPE A-2 AND TYPE B. TODAY WE TAKE A LOOK AT TYPE B.

If you have any questions, ask your manager, or contact E&CR Wage & Salary Administrator Jim Curling.

In each calendar year, employee pays

- first \$50 (deductible) of expense for each covered individual (family maximum is \$125 a year)
- deductible expense incurred in 4th quarter applied against deductible in following year.
- one deductible applies to all covered family members in same accident.

Plan pays

- 85% of Type B expenses, except
- 50% for psychiatric treatment of dependent outside hospital, or of employee who is still able to work.

Type B expenses include

- services of physicians, qualified psychologists and other specialists
- registered graduate nurses,
- prescription drugs and medicines, and
- certain other medical expenses not qualifying as Type A-1 or A-2 expenses.