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5th Forum Opens; European Effect On Crafts Traced

Over 300 registrants from 28 states were on hand last week when the fifth annual Antiques Forum, co-sponsored by CW and Antiques, opened for the first of two similar five-day sessions.

An invitation to attend the morning sessions of the Forum has been extended to employees who are able to arrange with supervisors to be absent from work. Employees and their wives or husbands may attend all of the night meetings with the exception of the Palace concert. The second session of the Forum began this week. The theme of this year's Forum covers English and European influences on American architecture, furniture, portraiture and needlework.

In the opening session, Dr. Richard H. Howland, chairman of the art department of Johns Hopkins University, traced with slides the characteristics which Colonial buildings owed to the various settlers in the new land—the Swedish, Dutch, English, German and French.

Victorian Changes Shown

How the Victorians "fixed up" simple, old houses and made them fancy was described by Charles E. Peterson, resident architect with the Independence National Park Project.

Other highlights of the series of lectures and discussions by experts from the U. S. and abroad were:

Although Chippendale has become a byword for 18th century furniture, there are actually very few authenticated Chippendale pieces, Stuart M. Shaw, Metropolitan Museum of Art lecturer, said. "Chippendale gets the credit for many things he had nothing to do with because he is the most famous and did some of the most magnificent pieces."

Queen Anne and Chippendale are merely convenient terms to classify furniture styles, said Joseph Downs, Curator of the Winterthur Museum. No piece of Queen Anne furniture, he said, was actually made in America during the reign of Queen Anne, and American Chippendale was made after Chippendale had started working in the classical tradition first popularized by Robert Adam. Downs stressed the great individuality and unique quality of American furniture which developed in the 18th century.

Pierce Middleton Speaks

CW's own Research Director Pierce Middleton, said that few fine pieces of textile or silver were ever crafted in the southern colonies before the Revolutionary period. Philadelphia, New York and New England areas, however, were thriving with craftsmen turning out some of the finest work of the 18th century, he said. Virginia and Maryland imported from England most of their manufactured articles, partly because of the ease with which ships from abroad could travel through Chesapeake waterways and partly because of a fashionable preference for English-made products. Sterling credits in Britain from colonial tobacco exports was also an important stimulus to the import of goods, Pierce pointed out.

John Graham, CW's Curator, and Alice Winchester, Antiques editor, are presiding over the discussion sessions. Other CW members who are participating in the sessions include: Ed Kendrew, Vice-President, Director, Division of Architecture, Construction and Maintenance; Eleanor Duncan, Assistant Curator, and Minor Wine Thomas, Craft Shops Director.



JUST BEFORE SIGNING the new hospital and surgical care insurance policy contract, Duncan Coker, Vice President-Director of Corporate Relations (center) and Dick Tally, Director of Personnel Relations (left), read over the terms. Mr. Thomas Evans of the Life Insurance Company of Virginia, goes over the contract with them.

CW's First Report to the Public is Published . . .

Chorley Calls CW Educational Adventure, A Monument To Employees Who Created It

Colonial Williamsburg this month published an historic document . . . its first public review and financial accounting. It is called "Colonial Williamsburg, The First Twenty-Five Years. A Report by the President." Copies have been made available to all employees of Colonial Williamsburg, Incorporated and Williamsburg Restoration, Incorporated. Copies were sent to every daily newspaper in the United States and, in addition, to some 12,000 distinguished men and women in government, education and other important fields.

Widespread public attention has already been given to this first report. Editorials praising the work of the Restoration and its decision to make a report have appeared in leading newspapers.

"The decision of the Trustees to publish such a review and accounting," Mr. Chorley told Colonial Williamsburg News, "reflects their feeling that the Restoration exists for the American people and in that sense belongs to them. It seemed to the Board that sooner or later Colonial Williamsburg, at the appropriate time, should adopt a policy of publicly reporting its affairs; that the end of the first quarter-century was an especially appropriate time to begin. Strictly speaking, Colonial Williamsburg has no obligation to provide an accounting since it has been financed entirely from private funds. But the Trustees have taken the broader view that public reporting is good citizenship."

Reminds of CW's Role

"Since the Report was prepared for widespread distribution and therefore contains a substantial amount of information which is very well known to all of us within the organization, I am very glad to accept the invitation of the editors of Colonial Williamsburg News to underscore some of the things

which I think we here should all remember.

"Certainly we should continually remind ourselves that Colonial Williamsburg exists 'that the present and future generations may more vividly appreciate the contribution of these early Americans to the ideals and culture of our country.' These words of the Board of Trustees are an eternal reminder that we are an educational institution. Since we are an unusual kind of educational institution, I think it is appropriate to say that Colonial Williamsburg is 'an adventure in education.' We have a great deal to learn about our opportunities and potentialities.

Many Meanings Cited

"I believe that we should recognize that Colonial Williamsburg aims at education chiefly through experience . . . through a direct encounter with another environment. Colonial Williamsburg is not a dusty message, but a living voice. Furthermore, we should remind ourselves that it speaks to different people in different tongues. What people take away with them depends in some measure on what they bring with them. To the school child it may be a sudden awakening to the reality of history . . . a first awareness of the dimensions of a time and

place seen before only in dimly understood words. To the thoughtful citizen it may provide a new call to the sense of responsibility which marked the revolutionary leaders of Virginia, and a reminder that government can be a noble calling. To the student it has become one of the outstanding places to study 18th-century America. To the archaeologist it offers a new wealth of data on the life of a colonial capital city in a plantation society. To the architect it is a unique professional experience. To many people its appeal is aesthetic and cultural. To the casual vacationist it is not only a delightful place, but at least a glimpse of something rarely seen . . . another era. Let us never underestimate the broad base of its influence or the many tongues with which it speaks.

Integrity Is Characteristic

"I do not need to emphasize to anyone within the organization the high importance which we have attached to the integrity of our work. It is, however, so important a factor in all of our thinking that I do not want to comment on the Report without mentioning it. As we look ahead we must never lose sight of this significant characteristic of the Restoration.

"I would also not want to discuss this report . . . particularly here at home . . . without calling attention to the impact of the Restoration on the community of Williamsburg and the remarkable extent to which we have been able to bring about revolutionary changes within a community with what seems to me to be a minimum of heartache and friction. However much we cherish the Restoration and however much we may take satisfaction in the many contributions it has made to the development of a vigorous local economy, we must always remember that revolutionary

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New Plan Offers Greater Benefits For Hospital Care

Of prime interest to CW employees with a troubled eye on rising medical costs is the announcement of a new hospitalization and surgical care insurance program carrying substantially larger benefits to participants—with Colonial Williamsburg continuing to pay half the cost of the insurance as it has done in the past.

Under the new program, participants will be eligible for payments of \$8 per day toward the cost of a hospital room when they, or their dependents, are hospitalized; up to \$120 for miscellaneous charges by the hospital for special services, and up to \$200 for surgical operations, depending on the nature of the operation.

Benefits At A Glance

For Hospital Confinement by Insured Employee or Dependent:

1. Payment for Hospital Room — Up to \$8.00 per day.
2. Payment for Miscellaneous Medical Expenses — Up to \$120.00.
3. Payment for Surgical Operations — Up to \$200.00.
4. Payment for Doctors Visits in Hospital (non-surgical) — Up to \$93.00.

The new program will be offered starting February 15, according to Dick Tally, Director of Personnel Relations. Details of the plan were worked out following a survey of the hospitals in the Williamsburg-Richmond-Newport News area last Fall by Bill Reynolds, Assistant Director of Personnel Relations, as part of CW's continuing effort to provide a well-balanced employee benefit program.

Under the present plan, employees received \$5.50 daily for room charges; up to \$55 as payment for miscellaneous expenses, and up to \$150 for surgical operations, which the survey showed were not adequate protection in view of increased hospital costs. The new benefits were determined after considering actual charges by hospitals in this area. The plan was then presented to the Board of Directors and Trustees of CW and approved.

New Policy Features

A special feature of the new policy is an allowance for charges made by doctors when a patient is confined to the hospital for an illness of non-surgery or non-maternity causes. This new benefit will allow up to \$93 for payment on the cost of this type of expense.

Another new feature is a provision permitting an employed wife to carry her husband as a dependent for the purpose of insurance. Up until now this was not allowed.

The new plan will be financed on a participating basis, with CW carrying half the cost, as in the past. The new monthly rates, effective as of February 15, will be \$1 for an employee to insure himself alone and \$3 for himself, spouse and children. This represents approximately half the total cost of the insurance. The remaining cost—about \$21,000 during 1953 is being paid by Colonial Williamsburg.

Although maternity benefits under the new policy will not be available until nine months after the effective date of the policy, employees who have been covered under the present policy may

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Copies For Employees

Employees who would like to send the recently-published President's Report on CW's first twenty-five years to friends or family members may obtain copies of the Report free of charge by coming to the Personnel Relations office on Duke of Gloucester Street.

The review and financial accounting of CW's first quarter century was sent to employees and others throughout the world early this month.

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Service Awards



Michael C. O'Riordan, timekeeper-watchman at the Inn, will complete ten years of service with CW January 27.

First employed November 18, 1942 in the storeroom at the Lodge, Mike has since worked as houseman at both the Inn and Lodge, and at one time served as head houseman at the Inn. He assumed his present position in February, 1946.

Born August 15, 1886, Mike is past the retirement age, but his retirement has been deferred until August of this year. He is a native of Ireland, and now maintains bachelor quarters on Duke of Gloucester Street.



Thomas G. McCaskey, Director of Promotion, observed his twentieth service anniversary as an employee of CW on January 13.

Employed as first manager of the theater when it opened in January, 1933, Tom served in that capacity until his return from military service in 1946, when he was appointed Director of Special Activities. He became Assistant Public Relations in 1949, acting Director of Public Information in 1952, and was appointed to his present position under the recent reorganization.

A native of Norfolk, Va., Tom now makes his home with his wife and son on South England Street.

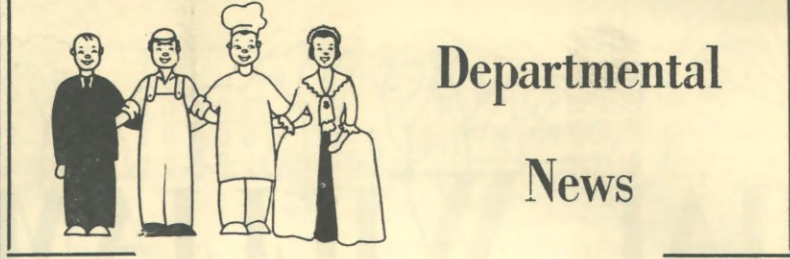


Helen Westfield, maid at the Imperial Club, completed her tenth year with the organization on January 1.

First employed on January 1, 1943, Helen served for a number of years as a cleaner at the club before assuming her present duties there with CW. She is an enthusiastic worker, and is considered an asset to her division.

Outside of the organization, Helen is active in the interests of both her church and its Sunday School. She lives with her daughter on Scotland Street here in Williamsburg.

The word "office" in colonial days was applied to any small subsidiary building not otherwise designed as to use.



Departmental News

HOSTESS SECTION

New Year's Greetings — With the advent of the month of Janus the hostesses are still looking over their shoulders at the departing year and all the lovely Christmas activities, but also looking forward to the interesting programs of the New Year. Already much boning is being done for the Antiques Forum and the Garden Symposium. This has been a month of family visiting which is one of the greatest of joys. JUNE BOCOCCO spent the month with her daughter and family in Cambridge, Mass. DOROTHY WING and her husband spent a week with relatives in Opelika, Ala. Other visitors to the South were DALE CARTER, visiting friends in Aniston, Ala., and CHRISTINE COCKE, who visited her sister, Mrs. N. Roush, in Cochran, Ga. FLOSSIE TAYLOR and Dr. Taylor spent the holidays with their son, Maj. Guilford Taylor and family in Bloomington, Ind. They also entertained members of the college faculty at a tea before the holidays. LUCY SNEED recently visited her daughter and sons in Roanoke. PAGE GREY, now attending Mary Baldwin, spent the holidays here with her parents. HELEN WOODS' son was here with her from New Orleans, while ELLA RHODES' son and family came from Savannah, Ga., to spend the holidays with her. MILDRED ADOLPH and ANGIE KOCH have been on a two-week cruise to the Caribbean, stopping at a number of ports in that area. NANCY BEAMER and MARTHA RAY also went voyaging, but on the sea of matrimony. They are now, respectively, Mrs. Dill and Mrs. Mahoney. MINNIE PATE's Christmas was dampened by the illness of Dr. Pate, but he was able to be at home for the holidays. It was all joy for ROSE TAYLOR, however, with news that her son, Worthington, had been promoted to captain. He is stationed with the Air Force at Fort Benning, Ga. Charles Carter, a student at Duke, spent Christmas with his mother, MARY CARTER. Mary's sister and her husband were also here for the holidays. MAY THOMPSON visited at the homes of her daughters recently, while VIRGINIA HOLMES was host to her children home from college, and a sister visiting from Hampton. MAUD PHILHOWER held an open house in honor of her daughter and her husband, Maj. and Mrs. Arthur. ELIZABETH CALLIS recently entertained the UDC, and MAY and Tom FLETCHER were hosts to friends from Hampton. IMOGENE and Jean ETHERIDGE also entertained a large group of relatives here. HALLIE WERMUTH had her grandson as a guest at Acorn Lodge for several days, entertaining other relatives from Richmond during the period. POLLY PEYTON held a coffee hour for the hostesses assisting at the Raleigh Tavern Christmas Day, and the Hostess group was entertained regally by NOUVELLE GREEN, CATHERINE JONES, and ILDA BERNARD at the latter's home on New Year's Eve and New Year's night. TILLY NELSON held open house for three consecutive nights during the holidays.

INN & LODGE

We are happy to welcome DENIS RYAN to the Lodge as our new assistant manager. We also want to welcome LARRY O'SHIELDS as desk clerk at the Inn and DICK ROGERS as desk clerk at the Lodge. MARGARET and ALAN MacMILLAN have returned from their honeymoon and are busy fixing up their apartment at 217 Harrison Avenue. MARY ROSSEAU has moved into Repiton Kitchen. DAVID BARRETT has returned from a very enjoyable vacation in Florida. ELSIE EVANS recently vacationed in Wisconsin, and ANN STUBBS is visiting with her family and friends in Colorado during her vacation. BARBARA PROWS has returned from a vacation with her family in Cincinnati, Ohio. ERNEST LEE spent Christmas vacation in Northeast, Maryland. JOHN MILLIGAN visited his family in Philadelphia during the holidays, while NORMA COTTINGHAM's family from Buffalo visited her during Christmas. GRANT WASHBURN is now settled in his new office at the Inn. FRED EIFERT has transferred to the Engineering Department. ELI CANADY has returned from work after a two week vacation. And RUTH JONES is back from a trip to Camp Gordon where she visited her husband, a former cook at the Lodge, stationed there. RAYMOND BURPEE, out for the past two months because of illness, has returned to his post at the Lodge. CHARLES SPEIGHT will complete his vacation after the return of FRED EPPS, now on vacation.

C & M

RANDY CARTER, president of the Virginia Association of Surveyors has been busily working on its fifth annual meeting which will take place at the Lodge January 31. He has an excellent program planned with outstanding speakers including J. Temple Waddill who made the 1929 Survey for Colonial Williamsburg and General Anderson, State Commissioner of Highways. From all reports the hunting season has been highly successful for members of Building Construction & Maintenance. TOM RUSSELL and DICK MAHONEY are spending their spare time practicing and playing basketball for Bud Grady's All-Stars. Tom Russell and TOMMY BRUMMER took flying trips home for Christmas to California and to New York, respectively. We are all sorry that SID BENTON and ARCHABLE CAMPBELL are sick, hoping they will be well and back on the job soon. It is good to see JOHN HINES back and feeling much better. RITA MENTZER has recently joined us as a secretary. We welcome the following other employees to our organization: GEORGE JACOBSON as blacksmith assisting ELDRIDGE CHEATHAM; DURWARD CLEMMONS and ROLAND L. PEARMAN in the paint section, and ERNEST TYLER as a laborer under NORMAN HARMON. HORACE OTEY was in Richmond recently for his Army physical. IVAN JOHNSON has joined the ranks of employees bed-ridden with the flu, while JOHN PALMER must be looking forward to colder weather. He is spending a part of his vacation cutting wood.

ARCHITECTURAL

The Architect's office is happy to welcome NANCY WARD of Washington to its staff. Nan's husband, Stanley, is a student at W&M, and they live on Jamestown Road. ERNIE FRANK and HOWARD and BARBARA DEARSTYNE attended the School of Design at North Carolina State College in Raleigh January 14. Ernie and Howard were speakers at the meeting. BERT KOCH has been a bachelor recently, while his wife, ANGIE, has been on a southern cruise. We are happy to report DRU WARR well on the way to recovery from a recent illness. ROGER PITTS of Richmond has recently joined the staff as an architectural draftsman, and JOHN HENDERSON is away enjoying an accumulated vacation. Sympathies are extended to SING MOOREHEAD, who recently attended the funeral of an uncle, Bernard Young, in Circleville, Ohio. JACK WOLCOTT leaves this month to assume a post in Philadelphia. DICK and Betty ANDREWS recently entertained his brother-in-law and wife, Ensign and Mrs. Roy M. Martin. Ensign Martin is being transferred to Lakehurst, N. J. And our apologies to BOB TAYLOR for not reporting his recent trip to Florida.

PROMOTION

BILL BIPPUS, who for the past year has been CW's liaison to the community, has become ambassador at large to the Virginia-North Carolina-Maryland area. He is contacting organizations in the travel field, and getting things lined up for routine visitors from the whole area into Williamsburg. TOM McCASKEY and family spent a recent vacation in Charleston, South Carolina. ALLSTON BOYER and family have moved into their new home on Long Island, which now offers sufficient shed space to house his collection of antique autos. ALMA LEE ROWE now boasts 42 dogwood trees in the backyard of her house on Griffin Avenue. VIRGINIA ARMINGTON and husband spent two weeks at home in Cleveland, Ohio, during the holidays.

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Service Award

Humphrey Lee, timekeeper-watchman at the Inn, completed his tenth year of service with the organization on January 18.

Employed temporarily in 1934, and again in 1937, Humphrey began his formal employment with CW January 18, 1943, as a truck driver for the laundry. He assumed his present post October 28, 1951. A heart ailment has kept him on the disabled list since November, but he is expected to resume his duties early next month. Because of his illness it was not possible to get Humphrey's photograph for this issue of the News.

Suggestion Awards

James W. Trautman, (C&M), \$5. That a sand urn for cigarette disposal be placed in the basement of the Williamsburg Inn.

Lula B. Lee, (Curator's), \$10. That covered waste cans be provided for hostess lunch rooms.

Walter Martin, Jr., (C&M), \$10. That a pedestrian crosswalk and metal discs be placed at Lodge-Reception Center corner.

Hester Blount, (Exhib. Bldgs.), \$10. That a lantern be installed at steps to Wythe House basement.

Martha Jones, (Exhib. Bldgs.), \$10. That additional benches be placed in front of the Raleigh Tavern.

Lola Larson, (Visitor Accommodations). That additional storage space be provided for flowers at hotels.

Francis Fox, (Corp. Rel.), \$10. That more adequate lighting be provided at the intersection of Francis and South England Streets.

Gladys D. Pratt, (Crafts), \$10. That additional ashtrays be provided at Travel Office and Craft House.

Mary Hinkson, (Exhib. Bldgs.), \$5. That measurements of the beds at the Palace, Wythe House, and Brush House be obtained so that hostesses may correctly inform visitors of their size.

Crata T. Popular, (Exhib. Bldgs.), \$10. That Capitol paths be widened wherever possible.

Mary J. Daniel, (Exhib. Bldgs.), \$5. That the price of pamphlets sold in the Exhibition Buildings be made more uniform.

William T. Reinecke, (C&M), \$5. That the grade be altered at the entrance of the west necessary house at Palace Garden.

Esther Levorsen, (Visitor Accommodations), \$10. That the price be removed from souvenir packet of postal cards.

James G. Driver, (Exhib. Bldgs.), \$10. That a sign be placed at the Capitol directing visitors to the Gaol.

Louise B. Fisher, (Curator's), \$5. That keyboard be installed in future buildings wherever advisable.

Milestones

The following employees have accrued years of service with Colonial Williamsburg as indicated below during December 1952:

FIVE YEARS

Division of Presentation—Mary M. Peyton, Exhibitions; Bonnie Brown, Exhibitions.

Division of Architecture, Construction and Maintenance—Estie M. Hooker, Building, C. and M.; John W. Mormon, Building, C. and M.; Lyman L. Peters, Building, C. and M.

ONE YEAR

Division of Architecture, Construction and Maintenance—Clifton Conyers, Landscape Construction and Maintenance; Frank W. Trautman, Operating Services.

Division of Visitor Accommodations—Elnora Washington, Laundry.

Proud Parents

To John D. Clothier, Jr. (V. A.), Daughter, Juliette Dale, December 20, 1952.

To Thomas A. Moyles (V. A.), Son, Michael O'Connor, December 26, 1952.

To Wendell Wright (V. A.), Daughter, Deborah Shyerl, December 27, 1952.

To Charles H. Jackson (V. A.), Son, Charles Henry, Jr., January 10, 1953.

News & Comment

With the belief "that the future will learn from the past," Colonial Williamsburg employees, their families, and friends are being asked to lend financial support to the annual "March of Dimes" campaign to fight polio.

Inspired by the late President Franklin D. Roosevelt, the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, in less than 20 years of existence, has succeeded in partially curtailing the effects of infantile paralysis, but it has had little or no success in halting the spread of the dread disease. In 1952 some 50,000 persons were stricken, surpassing by more than 8,000 the record of 42,000 cases in 1949.

Great strides have been taken in the development of the iron lung, in training skilled technicians and in the use of gamma globulin, but research funds are being exhausted by the increasing occurrence and the number of patients carried over from year to year. Last year, alone, there were some 46,000 patients brought forward from the previous year.

Only through unified contributions can the battle against polio be won. How can your dime help? Take a dime, add another a second day, then double your daily total of dimes each day for thirty days at the end of a month you would have \$53,687,095.20. That is a graphic explanation of how our dimes can mount up.

Give today. At the same time, new hope for polio victims is flowing into thousands of Red Cross blood bottles across the nation. The Red Cross has undertaken a dramatic expansion of its blood collection to make available for prevention of paralysis from polio all the gamma globulin that can be obtained from limited present processing facilities.

Recent experiments sponsored by the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis and using globulin provided by the Red Cross have demonstrated that gamma globulin, produced from the pooled blood of many persons, contains antibodies that attack one or more of the three strains of polio virus so far discovered. A dose of the serum, which requires approximately one pint of blood to produce, protects against the paralyzing effect of polio for about a 1 to 5-week period.

The Red Cross also must continue to collect blood to meet the needs of civilian hospitals, of the Korean-wounded, and of the nation's plasma reserve. The total program will require approximately 500,000 pints of blood and will cost the Red Cross about \$18,000,000 next year.

So when the bloodmobile comes to Williamsburg, won't you help?

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CRAFTS

GUS KLAPPER had his runaway apprentice, KENDALL JONES, back at this shop for a week during the Christmas holidays. BILL GEIGER was in Chicago during the early part of January, and JOHN ALLGOOD is back after a week's vacation in South Carolina with his family. LOU BULLMAN and BONNIE BROWN are back in their respective shops again after brief stays in the hospital. RAY TOWNSEND and his wife have moved from the Raleigh Tavern Quarter to the Marshall Lodge Kitchen. Anyone desiring to rid himself of peculent humors during this winter season of agnes will find NORMAN MARSHALL willing to oblige at the Apothecary Shop. Norman has recently secured about twelve live leeches and will gladly demonstrate their value to any who are interested. We are glad to welcome CLEMENT SAMFORD to the Craft Shops. He will serve as a book-binder, practicing his trade at the Printing Office. Clement and his wife will live on Route 168 just beyond the Camp Peary entrance.

PRESENTATION

ELAINE and JIMMY DAVIDSON visited Jimmy's sister in Ashland, Va., several weeks ago. RAN RUFFIN, busy currently with the program of the Antiques Forum, and getting settled in his new office, has added to these the problem of building a new home, here.

MERCHANDISING

Mr. and Mrs. Hensleigh Wedgwood and Bill Robinson of Josiah Wedgwood and Sons will attend the second session of the Antiques Forum. CAROLINA COCHRAN had as recent week end guests Miss Ann Chenery and Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Chewing of Richmond. DAVID JOHNSON will be leaving Craft House soon to take another position locally. ROSALINE MINKINS has returned to work after being out sick for about a week. MARY BRANCH SAUNDERS is now making plans to join her husband in Casablanca soon. LENA FENNELL is planning her vacation the first week in February. JACK UPSHUR and his wife are now enjoying a few weeks' vacation in Florida.

RESEARCH

MARY STEPHENSON has returned from a recent vacation trip to California, where she visited relatives. Meanwhile JOHN HEMPHILL has been in New England doing research on 18th century craftsmen.

INSTITUTE

PEG MADSEN took the matrimonial step January 3, and she and her husband, James G. Card, stationed with the Navy at Yorktown, are spending their honeymoon in the Midwest. They will live in Yorktown. PAGE and Eloise SMITH left recently for California, where he will take up new duties as an instructor in Colonial History at UCLA. LYMAN BUTTERFIELD spoke recently at the Virginia Historical Society meeting in Richmond. His topic was "Jubilee of Independence: The Fourth of July, 1826, in Virginia, Massachusetts, and in the Nation." Members of the staff attended the annual meeting of the American Historical Association in Washington in December.

LAUNDRY

ARMOND and MARY CAMPBELL spent a recent week end in Washington visiting his mother, who had undergone an operation. Our sympathies go to VIOLA MELVIN, who recently lost her father, Sampson Melvin. We are happy to report, however, that MARION PARKER is improving. She is in the hospital in Washington. Wedding bells rang recently for ELENORA WASHINGTON, now Mrs. Phil Martin. ROSA DAVIS and BESSIE FLOOD were holiday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Bowman. And we welcome LUCY SCHAUMBERG, who transferred from the Lodge, and BESSIE BROWN, a supervisor, to our staff.

AUDIO-VISUAL

FRANCES DAYTON is having a one-man display of her paintings at Phi Beta Kappa Hall. JACK TURNER, TOM WILLIAMS and JIM MAYS attended the recent Virginia Press Photographers convention held here earlier in the month. Jim was co-chairman of the convention. MURRAY OKEN was in New York recently for a special showing of "The Colonial Printer" there. BILL and BETSY MYERS spent a week in Ithaca, N. Y., this month too, where Betsy hoped to get her first glimpse of "real snow." CHRIS GILLESPIE was in Philadelphia attending a Branch conference of the English-Speaking Union. Stopping in Washington to meet her mother on the way home, Chris arrived just after the recent train wreck. RAY MARTIN went for an Army physical, and is now waiting for his new classification. LOUISE KNOTT flew home to New York State, and JIM SCHAADT was in Massachusetts for the holidays.

PUBLICATIONS

PARKE ROUSE was in New York recently to meet with a number of publishers. He will leave soon for Jacksonville for a two-week reserve training stint with the Navy. Parke spent the holidays in Richmond and Newport News. JANE HUBBARD went home to visit friends and relatives during Christmas. Visitors to the office recently have included Richard Scully, who is working on a current revision of the Guide Book, and Walter Sackett, of a Chicago printing firm, here for consultation.

GAOL—GUARDHOUSE

JOHN YOUNG is back at work after a recent vacation. He was in Florida during his trip. ASHLEY NORWOOD has obtained a new car, replacing one wrecked in an accident recently at the intersection of Route 168.

ACCOUNTING

GILLY GRATTAN has moved into his new home on Goodwin Street. JEANNE BENTLEY has returned to work after being sick for a few days. GLORIA BERRYHILL spent a week recently at her home in Charlotte, N. C., while ELIZABETH STUBBS spent Christmas with her mother in Norfolk, Va., and PATRICIA MAURIZI visited her sister in Maryland during the holidays. BILL ETCHBERGER's Doris, returned home from Bell Hospital last Thursday. BESS McCOURT motored to Mississippi for a week at Christmas. MARY LOU HAZELWOOD has been on vacation recently.

CURATOR'S

SUE BROWN has returned to work after a two week vacation, while BEATRICE BANKS recently visited an uncle in Newport News who has been ill. FLOYD CARY recently went to Seven Pines with his church choir to participate in a service there. TEARUSSELL BURREALL is back at work after a week's vacation. MARY HILTON entertained her niece and husband of Philadelphia during the holidays, while CORNELIA TAYLOR, now on vacation, entertained a cousin from Camden, N. J.

PUBLIC RELATIONS

PATSY MILLIGAN, secretary to BOB HOKE, resigned to return home after her husband was transferred early in the month. SELMA ENGEL spent two days in New York in order to make contacts with the New York press for coverage on the Antiques Forum. Bob and Ellen Hoke are currently taking turns at spells with the flu, while VAN MACNAIR and family have made room for a new addition at their home—a TV set.

THEATRE

We welcome BETTY RUTH CODDINGTON and HERB BUTT of Williamsburg, and MURRAY FOSTER of Roanoke to the staff of the theater. Betty is a cashier, while Herb and Murray join the corps of ushers. DODIE DIGGS visited her grandparents in Portsmouth during the holidays. TOM STEVENS, a W&M senior, is in Maine on leave of absence. He is working there as part of an Accounting Internship Program, sponsored by the college in an effort to better place its students.



SYMBOL OF AUTHORITY represented by the mace is explained by Hostess May Thompson to a group from the hotels who recently were taken on a tour of the Restored Area. They are (left to right) Lee Denton, Morton Miles, Queen Epps, and Robert Bradshaw.



EMPLOYEES' SPECIAL is loaded for the third section of the 150 hotel employees who took part in the annual tour program. The tour is designed to familiarize public contact employees with key portions of Colonial Williamsburg as an aid to them in making the stay of visitors here more enjoyable.

CW Office Moves Finished This Month

Moving day is over. After a series of coordinated shifts, several members of the CW family are now settled down in new rooms—and in some cases they are newly-built or renovated quarters.

Three new spaces have been created to absorb four parts of the organization. Quarters newly-built or renovated are: the space formerly occupied by Colonial Stores (Pender's uptown) on Duke of Gloucester Street; the space over the Craft House formerly containing the Walcott exhibit of 18th century tools; and brand new quarters built in the basement of the Goodwin Building.

As reported in a previous issue of the News, Personnel Relations has moved into the Pender's Store building, where the new Central Employment Office is in operation along with other expanded Personnel activities.

Merchandising Moves

Jack Upshur and the Merchandising staff have moved into the rooms formerly housing the Walcott collection, leaving the third floor of the Goodwin building, where they used to be housed, to Audio-Visual.

Publications and the Curator's office share the newly-created, pastel-colored space in the Goodwin Building basement.

Formerly located on the second floor of the Goodwin Building, both units have left space for occupancy by other offices. A. E. Kendrew, Henry Beebe, and secretaries will occupy the space vacated by Publications, while the Central Payroll Office has moved into the office left by the Curator.

Other Moves

Other moves resulting from the general reshuffling find C&M Payroll and Accounting moved to the rooms formerly occupied by Central Payroll; the Presentation Division now located in the space formerly occupied by Personnel Relations and C&M Accounting; the Auditing Procedures Assistant has taken the room formerly used by Minor Wine Thomas and Bill Geiger; and Van MacNair has moved into the office adjoining Public Relations formerly occupied by Ran Ruffin.

In the C&M offices, Charley Hackett has taken the office formerly used by Henry Beebe, and the Superintendent of Construction and Industrial Engineer now occupy the office vacated by Charley Hackett. Changes in the Architectural office find Mario Campioli in the office formerly used by his and Ed Kendrew's secretaries; Ernest Frank and the chief Draftsman occupying the office vacated by Mario; and Alden Hopkins and Tom Drewry occupying space formerly used as a secretary's room, leaving space for additional men in the drafting room.

Insurance Plan

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expect full maternity coverage under that plan until November 15, 1953.

Three-Fourths Must Sign

In order for the new program to become effective, three-fourths of all eligible employees must sign for the insurance. A new booklet is being prepared for distribution explaining the benefits under the new program in detail.

All employees who have completed six months service will be contacted by a representative of the Personnel Relations Department and be invited to participate in the new insurance plan whether or not he is insured under the current plan.

In negotiating the new policy, Dick Talley explained, proposals from several insurance companies, including Aetna Life, the present underwriting firm, were studied. The proposal of the Life Insurance Company of Virginia of Richmond was considered the most favorable and the contract was signed with them.

Commenting on the new policy, Dick Talley said, "I hope that every employee will take the opportunity to guard himself and his family against the burden of hospital and surgical expense. In the feeling of mental security alone this protection provides dividends to participants far beyond the paycheck."

Craftsmen Take Lead In Bowling Competition

The Craftsmen, paced by John Fox and Ray Townsend, have taken a commanding lead in the second half of bowling league play, now sporting an 8 and 1 record.

Leading the Destructors, tied for the title with the Eradicators in first half play, by one-half game last week, the Craftsmen dropped them two out of three to increase their lead to two full games.

The Pencil Pushers moved into a second place tie with a 6-3 record by virtue of a three-game forfeit by the Pintails last week, while the Eradicators dropped back into fourth place as they took two out of three games from the Inn and Lodge unit. The Rinky Dinks, idle last week, are in fifth place tied with the Inn and Lodge at 1-5, while the Pintails rest in the cellar with a 0-8 record.

Employment Office Seeks Information From CWer's

CW employees having friends or relatives seeking work and qualified for one of the many jobs within the organization are encouraged to refer such prospective employees to the employment office, located in the Personnel Relations office on Duke of Gloucester Street.

Hotels Carry Out Changes Outlined In Reorganization

Several new employees have joined the Division of Visitor Accommodations, and some realignments of administrative procedure have taken place in line with recommendations under the reorganization plan submitted in October by the management consultant firm of Cresap, McCormick and Paget.

The revamped division, formerly known as the Williamsburg Inn and Lodge Division, continues under the guidance of John D. Green, while both hotels retain the same manager, Tommy Moyles at the Inn, and Bill Batchelder at the Lodge.

Assistant managers for both hotels have been added in place of the former system, under which one assistant manager served both Inn and Lodge. The housekeeping duties have been similarly divided under two full-time managers.

Bares Joins Organization

In addition to these changes, a new Hotel Services section has been added to the division, which will co-ordinate activities within the hotel organization formerly handled through the director's office.

Randolph Bares of Cresap, McCormick and Paget, who worked on the survey team, has been appointed Director of Hotel Services, the new unit, and will assume his duties this month. He will also serve as an administrative assistant to the director.

New assistant managers have been appointed at each hotel. Denis Ryan, formerly associated with the Cavalier Hotel at Virginia Beach, has assumed these duties at the Lodge, while Joseph Edward Fennel, former clerk at the Inn, has been promoted to fill this post there.

Housekeeping Changes Made

In the housekeeping sections, Mary Van Buren has taken charge of this office at the Inn and cottages, while Shirley Bailey has been appointed to serve as housekeeper for the Lodge and Taverns.

Grant Washburn, Sales Manager of the two hotels, will continue to serve in this capacity, but his administrative alignment has been transferred to the Division of Development. He will, however, continue to maintain an office at the Inn, where he will conduct this phase of the operation.

Other changes in the operation of the hotel facilities include the appointment of Donald E. Hart, as an assistant to Catering Manager John Egan; the employment of Paul E. Smith as kitchen supervisor at the Inn, and the appointments of Lawrence O'Shield's and Dick Rogers as room clerks at the Inn and Lodge, respectively.

John Green Is Elected A Tavern Club Member

John D. Green, Vice-President and Director of the Division of Visitor Accommodations, was recently elected to membership in the Tavern Club of New York. Established some 35 years ago, the Tavern Club is a social organization composed of hotelmen, who get together for a dinner twice annually. Its present membership totals thirty two, most of whom are New York operators.

The club was conceived at a dinner given for prominent New York City hotelmen by John Green's father, Thomas D. Green, when he was President of the Hotel Association of New York City. In addition to Mr. Green, Sr., who is president of the Club for life, others in the founding group included the late E. M. Statler, founder of the Statler system, and John McE. Bowman, founder of the Biltmore Hotels.

Others elected to membership at the December meeting were Arthur Douglas, President of the Statler Hotel Corp.; Thomas F. Troy, Managing Director of the



THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT GOES OUT — In the CW mailing room Harvey Kelley feeds the stamping machine, Arthur Buie stacks the reports, and John Minkins gets them ready for the postoffice.

Street Signs Go Up In Few Key Places

Street signs have recently been put up in a limited number of key intersections within the restored area. The signs, designed by Don Parker of Landscape Construction and Maintenance, do not represent authentic reproductions of signs of the 18th century, but are designed to keep the character of that period. They are the result of extensive research on signs, old and new, throughout the United States and Europe.

Since it is CW's aim to reduce 20th century intrusions into the historic section to the barest minimum compatible with necessary convenience, the signs have been placed in only a few key spots for the assistance of visitors unfamiliar with Williamsburg.

The follow-through map sign system, put into effect last year, the addition of a map on the back of the "This Week in Williamsburg" folder, and other steps have been taken to help the visitor find his way around without confusion. But possibly the single most important aid to strangers is the courtesy and cooperation of employees and members of the community. The cheerful giving of information, a sincere desire to help will go a long way toward making the visitor's stay smooth and satisfactory.

Chorley Salutes Employees In Report On First 25 Years

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changes are never entirely painless. I cannot believe that a change of this magnitude has taken place very often in any community with greater good will and understanding, and I think it is a high tribute to the good sense, hospitality and faith of the people of Williamsburg and the State of Virginia.

A Look At The Future

"I believe that the section of the Report which should most interest us here is the section we call 'A Look Ahead.' I would like to emphasize that we are stewards of the Restoration and have a responsibility to guard and cherish it. But we also have a responsibility to meet the changing conditions of our times and to help Colonial Williamsburg increasingly to perform its inspirational function well.

"Our problems are substantial enough to challenge any organization. Our aim must be to increase rather than to diminish the opportunity for people to be alone with the 18th century. How to isolate the Restored Area is a basic problem. As one voice urges that more and more people be brought to Colonial Williamsburg and we develop plans to expand the accommodations which we can offer, another voice reminds us that only so many people daily can be guided through the Exhibition Buildings under the most favorable conditions.

"As we look ahead, we recognize the need for a more effective reception center through which the 20th century mind may pass in order that it may be prepared to hear the message of this 18th century capital of Virginia. As we look ahead we must ask ourselves how Colonial Williamsburg can reach out to millions of people who may never have an opportunity to visit it.

Employees' Contribution Hailed

"The Trustees and Directors of Colonial Williamsburg, Inc., and Williamsburg Restoration, Inc., asked me to express in the Report their deeply felt appreciation for the devotion of the 1400 men and women who now comprise the Staff of Colonial Williamsburg. I was most happy to do so.

"There is much I should have liked to have said not only about their devotion but also about

their contribution. This project could never have been accomplished without the superb cooperation, interest and teamwork shown by everyone in the organization. I have devoted a large part of my life—a quarter of a century in fact—to Colonial Williamsburg. It has been one of the most stimulating and satisfactory experiences one could have; it has been a privilege to have been associated with so many others in creating this restoration. I sincerely hope that every employee feels the same way about it. After all, Colonial Williamsburg stands as the monument all employees helped to create.

"I would like to end my comments here as I did in the Report itself by reminding all of those associated in any way with the Restoration that it has always outrun our imaginations and I have no doubt at all that Colonial Williamsburg is still a far bigger vision than any of us realizes, even today."

Financial Figures Given

The first Report of the President . . . which is to be followed by annual reports . . . shows that Colonial Williamsburg has received gifts from Mr. John D. Rockefeller, Jr., in the amount of \$34,518,741.20; payments from trusts established by him of \$8,351,074.32; income from securities in the amount of \$5,054,644.17; and gifts of securities from Mr. Rockefeller 3rd, for special educational purposes totaling \$533,188. In all, these funds amount to \$48,475,647.69. In its first 25 years Colonial Williamsburg spent \$29,044,574.92, and at the end of the period covered, had a general capital fund at book value amounting to \$18,929,247.81.

Gifts to the College of William and Mary of \$561,600.59 for the restoration of the Wren Building, the President's House and the Brafferton Building are listed, as well as \$519,789.03 to the City of Williamsburg for undergrounding all overhead wires and repaving the Duke of Gloucester Street. A further capital outlay of 15 million dollars over the next ten years is foreseen.

Bids Sought On Building

The building known as Raleigh Tavern Servants Quarters on Nicholson Street at the rear of the Raleigh Tavern is to be sold to the highest bidder for demolition. Complete information as to bid dates and special conditions may be obtained by employees from Lyman L. Peters, C. & M., Goodwin Building, Phone extension 250, through February 2, 1953.

J. B. Herndon Dies; Loss Of Director Of WRI Mourned

J. B. Herndon, Jr., a member of the Board of Directors of Williamsburg Restoration, Inc., died on January 5 in Memorial Hospital, New York, after an illness of six months.

Mr. Herndon was a hotel executive of wide experience, being at the time of his death vice-president of the Hilton Hotels Corporation, treasurer of the Waldorf-Astoria Corporation and chairman of the board of the American Hotel Association.

Although he had been a director of WRI for less than a year, his extensive knowledge and sound judgment in his field were of real value in helping to chart the course of Colonial Williamsburg's hotel operations.

An editorial entitled "The Industry Loses a Leader" in the *Hotel World-Review*, an influential magazine of the hotel industry, paid tribute to Mr. Herndon as follows:

"The tragic death of J. B. Herndon Jr., just when he was at the height of his career and just when his leadership showed great strength, represents a loss to the hotel industry which will be deeply felt. Always interested in anything which would make for better hotel operation, Herndon had, in the last three years as vice president, president and chairman of the board of the A.H.A., assumed a stature in the industry which few men have attained. His advice and counsel were eagerly sought by hotel operators from coast to coast.

"Born in Texas 54 years ago, Herndon grew up in New Mexico and entered the banking profession upon his graduation from the University of New Mexico. This training served him in good stead when he first joined the Hilton Hotels Co., in 1929, as secretary-treasurer and the training also contributed to his rapid advancement in that organization.

Applied Modern Methods

"But it was in the field of operation that Herndon made his greatest contributions to the industry. He was one of the first to apply industrial methods to the hotel business. He saw no reason why hotels should not take advantage of buying, pre-costing, personnel and production ideas which had been worked out successfully in other industries. He worked out these ideas and put them into operation in his own chain as the Hilton Development Program. He made these ideas the subject of many of his talks before hotel associations and other groups and tried to impress upon hotel operators the profitable advantages in adopting such techniques.

"Interested always in the food end of hotels, Herndon was not only the possessor of a large and valuable collection of cook books, but he was one of the first in the industry to realize the necessity of more and better training schools for cooks and chefs if the standard of hotel cooking in this country was to be maintained at anything like the level it had attained during the era when a plentiful supply of European-trained chefs was available.

"While thoroughly in sympathy with the work being done in Cornell and other leading hotel schools, Herndon felt that the greatest need was for schools which would concentrate on the turning out of capable cooks, such as the Culinary Institute of America at New Haven, Conn., to which he lent hearty support. It was his belief that only through such schools could the rapid deterioration of food in American hotels be stopped. With his passing the cause of food education receives a severe setback.

"In his personal relations with other hotel men Herndon was always courteous and friendly. Everyone who knew him personally, even if they had only met him casually, will, we know, feel that they have lost a real friend. It was the way he made you feel. J. B. will be missed by thousands and it will be a long time before anyone will quite fill the void he has left."

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