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Fast-Growing CW To Celebrate 30th Anniversary

Top International Students To Meet Here Next Spring

The Williamsburg International Assembly, a new yearly event, will be inaugurated in June, 1957, bringing together in Williamsburg an outstanding group of American and foreign students and speakers who will discuss and analyze American ideals and realities.

In making the announcement, CW President Kenneth Chorley said: "We propose to invite annually about fifty outstanding students who have been working at the graduate or senior college level to participate in this program. Some of these will be American students who are about to depart for overseas study, but the majority will be foreign students who are terminating their periods of graduate study in this country and are about to return home."

The students will meet in Williamsburg for four days to consider the political, social-economic, and cultural aspects of American democracy. They will be led by ten top authorities in politics, education, and journalism. A highlight will be a speech to the group on June 12, anniversary of the adoption of George Mason's Virginia Declaration of Rights, which will be delivered in the historic House of Burgesses at the Capitol.

The purpose of the Assembly is four-fold: 1) to bring students in contact with some of the concepts that have helped fashion America's tradition of liberty; 2) to enable foreign students who

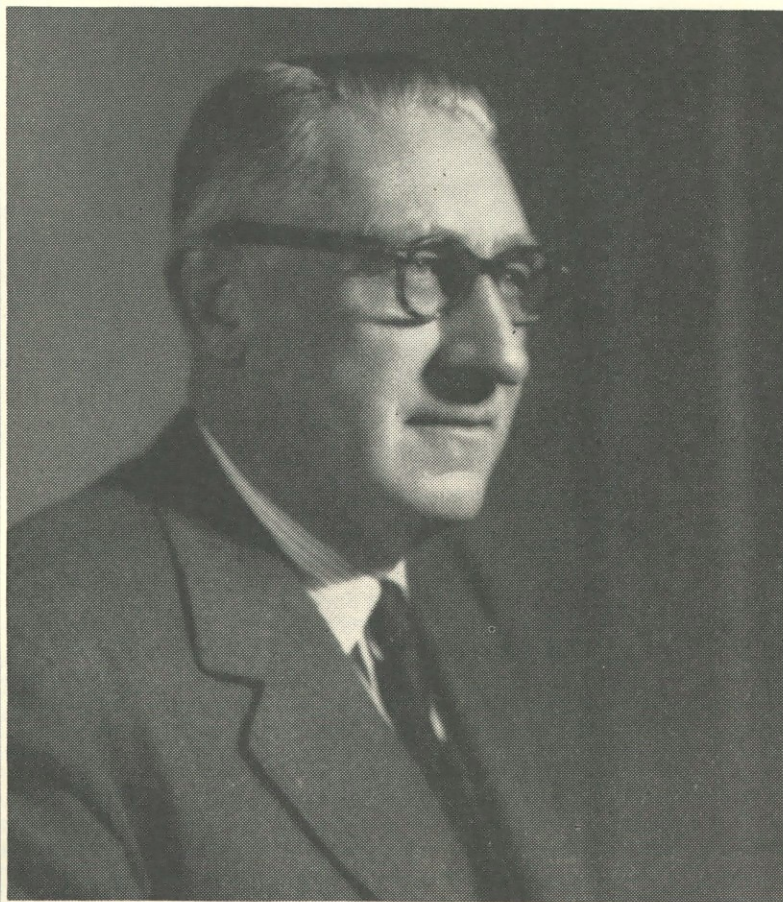
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Chalkley Tops CW Golfers To Annex President's Cup

Hunter Chalkley, Jr., of Architecture, won the President's Cup in the annual CW Golf Tournament last month, with a low net score of 139, composed of 18-hole rounds of 68 and 71. The low net score is the adjusted score using the Calloway automatic handicap system.

Defending champion Vernon Spratley won the low gross prize with an unhandicapped score of 167. He had an adjusted score of 144, very nearly retaining the cup.

Elizabeth Stubbs won the low net prize for women, posting a 136 score under the Calloway system.



President Kenneth Chorley

K. C. Celebrates 30th, Too

President Has Seen CW Grow From Idea To Educational Shrine For All Americans

November 27 has a double meaning in the executive offices of Colonial Williamsburg. Not only is it the 30th anniversary of the organization, but it signifies the 30th year of service to Colonial Williamsburg by its President, Kenneth Chorley.

Looking back over the past 30 years, K. C. says, "The thing that seems to stand out most in my mind is the fact that, in the beginning, no one had any conception of the scope or magnitude that this project would achieve . . . no conception of the impact that it would have . . . no conception of the reception it would receive by the American people."

"I can well remember when the restored area was practically the Duke of Gloucester Street alone. There was no intention at that time of including Francis Street . . . or Nicholson . . . or Waller in the restored area. These developed later, when it became apparent that the project could be so much more effective if the entire 18th-

century portion of the town could be restored.

"Even when we decided to build the Williamsburg Inn, with only 61 rooms, one person commented that Mr. John D. Rockefeller, Jr., would not only have to finance the construction, but that as long as it was in existence he would have to subsidize an operating deficit, because the 61 rooms would never be filled. That turned out to be a prediction, which, happily, has not been fulfilled."

Asked if he ever suspected when he opened an office in Williamsburg on December 2, 1929, with one secretary, that he would see the organization grow until, through October 31, 1956, there were 2,025 employees, K. C. replied, "No — the growth and acceptance of Colonial Williamsburg by the American people has exceeded the fondest dreams of all of us."

K. C. turned his attention to the forces which have brought about

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Historic Rockefeller-Goodwin Discussion On Nov. 27, 1926, Led To Birth Of CW

By Hugh DeSamper

On Nov. 27, the restoration of 18th-century Williamsburg will celebrate its 30th anniversary.

Williamsburg dates its re-birth to that November day in 1926, when the College of William and Mary was host to Phi Beta Kappa members from all over the country on the occasion of the dedication of the new Phi Beta Kappa Hall. It was the new headquarters of the organization, and was to be dedicated in the 150th anniversary year.

Seated together that night at the dedication dinner were two gentlemen who, in addition to high scholarship, had something else in common—their interest in the historic buildings of Williamsburg. Dr. W. A. R. Goodwin, rector of Bruton Parish Church, and Mr. John D. Rockefeller, Jr., talked of the glory that had been Williamsburg, and of the many colonial buildings that had survived the depreciation of time, war and fire.

Colonial Taverns Change Schedules

Colonial Williamsburg's three 18th-century eating places — King's Arms, Campbell's and Chowning's taverns — have gone on a five-day week until mid-March.

During the winter season, it has been decided to close each tavern two days a week rather than close one tavern for the entire period. This was decided because of the nearly equal popularity experienced by each tavern with the visitors.

The schedule is as follows: Campbell's Tavern — open daily except Sunday and Monday; Chowning's Tavern, open daily except Tuesday and Wednesday; King's Arms Tavern, open daily except Thursday and Friday. All three taverns will be open on Saturdays.

Stirring Acts

They talked of the stirring acts that had taken place in the town during the pre-Revolutionary period, and painted mental pictures of the town turned back in time to its heyday, when Williamsburg was capital of the Virginia Colony, containing most of the land west to the Mississippi and north to the Great Lakes. They had talked of it before; this time, Mr. Rockefeller informed Dr. Goodwin that he was sufficiently interested in this idea to finance some preliminary surveys.

Dr. Goodwin was asked to have sketches prepared visualizing his conception of the restoration of Williamsburg, and asked to have additional preliminary sketches made for the restoration of the Christopher Wren Building at the College. Mr. Rockefeller commissioned Dr. Goodwin to select the architect who was to do this work.

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Hear Ye! Hear Ye!

Christmas Sale Set At Craft House

CWers who are thinking of Christmas cards and gifts will find many choice bargains at the annual Christmas sale at Craft House on Monday, Dec. 10.

Realizing that people who live and work in Williamsburg like to remember their out-of-town friends with cards in the colonial motif, Director of Merchandising Harold Sparks has arranged to make available large quantities of the four-card series done by CW artist Frances Dayton. These cards will be sold at cost, and may be purchased in single scenes or four-scene selections.

A special line-up of handsome gifts will also be offered at the sale, which will begin at 7 p. m. and continue as long as merchandise is available.

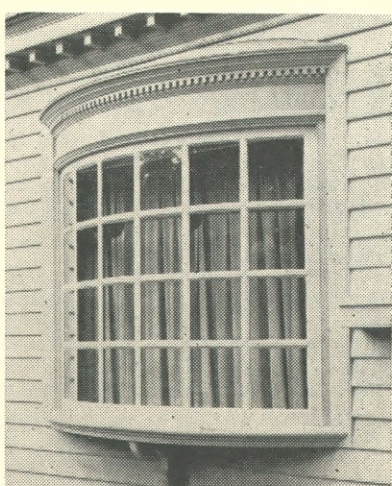
Featured will be Reproductions Program items in brass, pewter, china and wooden accessories. There will also be publications and prints, and the Gift Shops will include a selection of their merchandise for the sale.

Harold pointed out that substantial savings below the normal employee discount may be realized at the annual Christmas sale, as most items will be priced at cost or less.

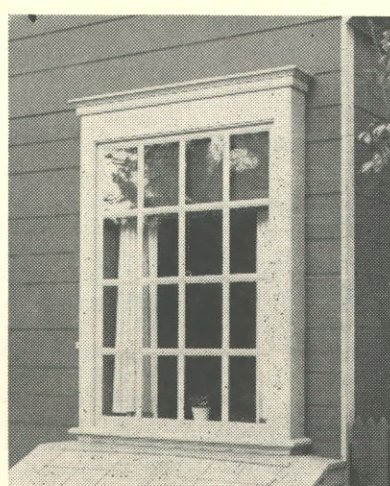
CW Quiz



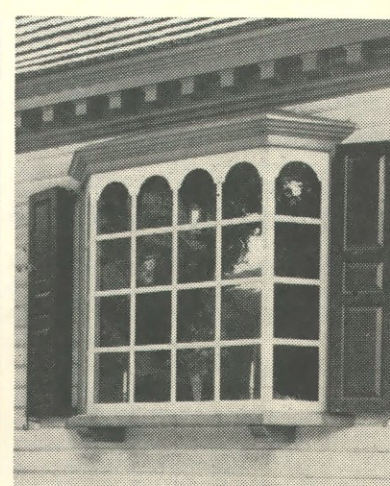
CLUES for those who need them. The owner of this house met a violent death, allegedly murdered by a fellow tradesman.
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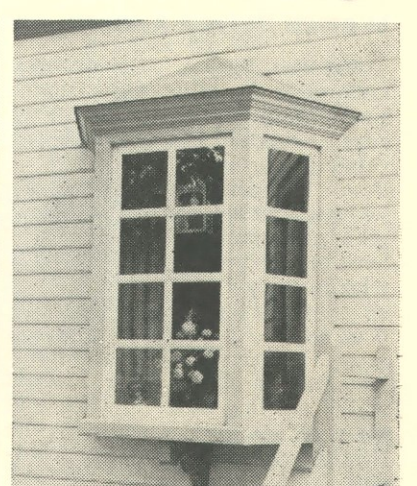
SHOP above was once part of property owned by a printer. The house adjacent to it once was known as a millinery shop.



OWNED by a militiaman who bought it from a tailor, this house was sold at a loss after the capital was removed to Richmond.



FIRE broke out in this building in 1756, and "in less than Half an Hour entirely consumed the same, together with all Medicines, Utensils, &c."



ONCE the home of the secretary to Governor Dinwiddie, this house later served as a tavern and the home of a blacksmith.
Photos by George Beamish

Where Do These Bay Windows Belong?

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Performance

AS PRESIDENT Kenneth Chorley pointed out when he passed it on to the CW News, the letter reprinted below is indicative of "The sort of performance on the part of employees which reflects such great credit on them and on Colonial Williamsburg." The letter was written to K. C. by Joseph A. Barry, *House Beautiful Magazine*.

"Five members of our magazine have just spent one of the most remarkable and stimulating week-ends of our history at Colonial Williamsburg, which should certainly come as no surprise to you. However, I'd like to say for all of us that the people we met on your staff, who presented and interpreted Williamsburg to us, were as fine a group as we've ever had the pleasure of meeting. And, believe me, we don't say this lightly.

"From the time we were met by Mr. Harold Sparks, taken nicely in hand by Mr. Van MacNair — to whom we cannot be too grateful — and thoroughly briefed by Mr. John Goodbody, everyone and everything was superb. Certainly Mr. Orin Bullock, Jr., had a large measure in it. And the devoted wives and assistants also helped bring Williamsburg to life for us.

"You are to be congratulated for their excellence — one and all. They are truly a splendid group, and we were deeply touched by their courtesies and thoughtfulness which went far beyond the ordinary call of daily duty."

Rebel's Roost

CW's newest book, *Rebel's Roost*, was published this month, and promptly named by *Parent's Magazine* as the November selection of its Book Club for Children.

Rebel's Roost was written by Earl Schenck Miers, prominent American historian, and relates, step-by-step, the story of old Williamsburg. It recaptures the spirit of the times, and introduces the reader to the young George Washington, Thomas Jefferson and Patrick Henry, tracing their growth up to the peaks of their careers.

German-born Fritz Kredel, a favorite illustrator for American publishers since his arrival in New York in 1938, prepared the drawings for the book. Design for the book was done by John J. Walklet, Jr., CW Director of Publications, and the Thistle Press, New York, was the printer.

Rebel's Roost contains 132 pages and will sell for \$2.75. John reports that "It has been well received by all in Colonial Williamsburg who have seen it."

Warren Sutton Retires

Warren Sutton, Construction Laborer in Building, Construction and Maintenance, reached retiring age on Nov. 16, and joined the growing number of CWers who have moved into the Golden Age group. Warren had been a CWER only a short while, starting Sept. 6, 1955, and spent all his time working on the N.I.C.A. project. Born in Cordova, N. C., Warren has worked with a number of construction projects, and was employed by the Charles Construction Company in Baltimore before he came to Williamsburg. He is a resident of Dendron, Va.



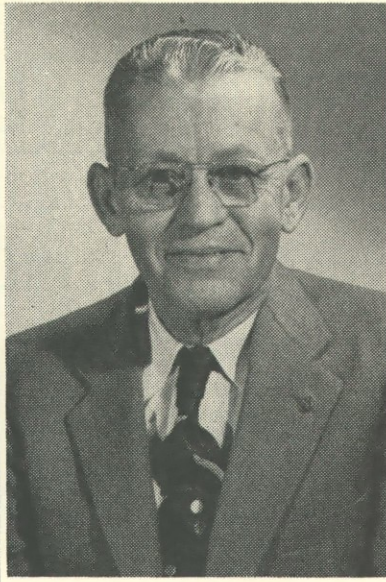
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Elnorice Taylor, Robert E. Parker Complete 25 Years As CW Employees



Elnorice Taylor, Senior Truck Driver in the Department of Operating Services, became a 25-year veteran of Colonial Williamsburg on Nov. 9.

After working several years with Todd and Brown as Truck Driver on the restoration project, he joined CW's force in the same capacity in 1934. He was promoted to Senior Truck Driver in June of this year. Elnorice is married and the father to three children and three step-children. He is active in church affairs, being both a deacon and a trustee of New Zion Baptist Church. He is also a member of the Masonic Lodge. Elnorice likes to spend his leisure time fishing and hunting. He is an early riser, and is out of bed at 5:30 in the morning whether he is coming to work or going out after game.



Robert E. Parker, Maintenance Carpenter in the Department of Mechanical Operations and Maintenance, celebrated his 25th service anniversary as a CWER on Nov. 25.

Bob began with Todd and Brown in the early years of CW, and signed on with Colonial Williamsburg in 1934. He has been a carpenter during his entire career, and in 1946, was assigned to the Inn and Lodge Maintenance Shop, where he stills works. His duties include care of all Inn and Lodge locks, and he manufactures keys for all guest cottages, taverns and other Visitor Accommodations buildings. Bob is married and has two married children, a daughter residing in Williamsburg, and a son currently at sea with the Merchant Marine. His hobbies are baseball and fishing.

Thanksgiving Service

The Protestant Churches of Williamsburg will hold a Union Thanksgiving Service on Thursday, Nov. 22, at 10:30 a. m. in the Williamsburg Methodist Church. The Rev. Cotesworth P. Lewis, Rector of Bruton Parish Church, will deliver the Thanksgiving message.

Proud Parents

Marcus Andrew Crawford, born Aug. 6, 1956; weight, 7 lbs., 7 oz.; father, Fred Crawford, Inn Kitchen.

Calvin Leon Lee, born Aug. 30, 1956; weight, 6 lbs., 7 oz.; father, Junius R. Lee, Food & Beverage.

Evangeline Iola Wynn, born Oct. 27, 1956; weight 7 lbs., 4 oz.; father, Morgan Wynn, Lodge Kitchen.

Edford Tryon Russell, born Aug. 18, 1956; weight, 7 lbs., 11 oz.; father, William Russell, Operating Services.

John W. Haywood, born Oct. 26, 1956; weight 10 lbs., 11 oz.; father, Frank Haywood, BC&M.

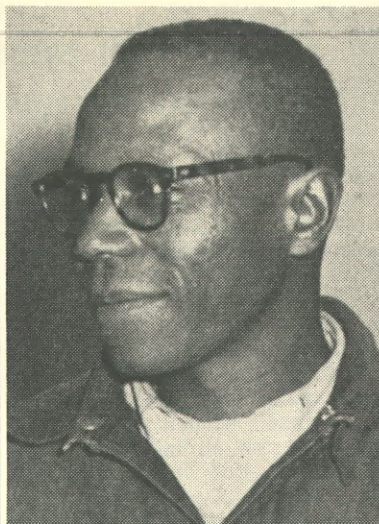
Ronald Edward Springs, born Nov. 4, 1956; weight, 8 lbs., 10 oz.; father, Willie Springs, Landscape.

Sylvia Lucinda Tabb, born Oct. 16, 1956; weight, 4 lbs., 10 oz.; father, James Tabb, Architecture.

George Thomas Russell, born Oct. 16, 1956; weight, 7 lbs.; father, Robert Russell, Landscape.

Wilma Lovelace, born Oct. 7, 1956; weight, 7 lbs., 8 oz.; father, Clyde Lovelace, Operating Services.

Willie Taylor Passes 20th CW Milestone



Willie Taylor, Garden Foreman in the Department of Landscape, Construction and Maintenance, completed 20 years with Colonial Williamsburg on Nov. 20.

He joined CW as a Laborer, working in construction—tearing down old buildings, helping with brick-making, and helping uncover old foundations. In August, 1944 Willie was transferred to Landscape, where he helped plant the gardens at the Palace, Inn and Lodge. He was promoted to Garden Foreman in November, 1950. Willie is married and has three daughters. A member of the New Zion Baptist Church, his favorite hobby is flower and vegetable gardening at home.

Assembly

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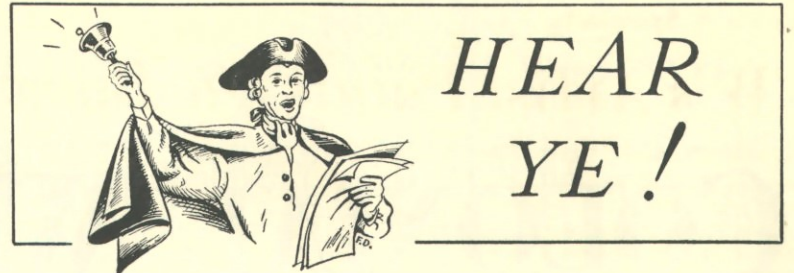
have spent a year or more in various parts of this country to discuss their experiences and reactions with American students, other foreign-born students, and experts in interpreting American ideas; 3) to provide a well-rounded terminal experience for foreign students and also provide significant preparation and orientation for the American students bound for other lands; 4) to provide, as part of Colonial Williamsburg's contribution to international understanding, a continuing method of spreading knowledge of basic American ideals.

Suggestion Awards

Cash awards for suggestions of a helpful and practical nature have been presented to Alice Reitz and Edward Watkins, Jr., both of Presentation.

Quiz Answers

1. Marot's Ordinary
2. Pitt-Dixon Kitchen
3. Isham Goddin House
4. Peter Hay's Shop
5. James Anderson House



NEW YORK OFFICES

Our best wishes for a very bright future to JEAN MURRAY, whose engagement to Robert Branscombe was announced recently. Wedding bells will ring in January. We were very pleased to have Utha Conrad and Dede Hoffman spend a few weeks with us prior to their return to Caneel Bay Plantation. ESTELLE STORCH and her sister, Norma, are very busy these days furnishing their new apartment in Jackson Heights, Long Island. DOLORES MURPHY, LEE GRAY, and your reporter spent a wonderful Columbus Day week end in Williamsburg where we enjoyed true Southern hospitality!

— Ruth Hauptert

OFFICE MANAGERS

All of us were sorry to say goodbye to Margaret Hayes, but were glad to welcome in her place RUTH CLAY. Another welcome addition is ROSE KEYSER, a former employee of CW, who is now our floating secretary. ANGIE COWLES had as a weekend guest her sister from Hanover County, Mrs. R. A. Talley, who was joined on Sunday by her husband and Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Martin and Mr. Alvin Murray. On Nov. 7 Angie had as an overnight guest her other sister, Mrs. O. C. Hancock of Roanoke. ANNA BRIDEWELL and her two sons and PEGGY DAVIS visited the zoo and other places of interest in Washington the weekend of Oct. 19.

— Betty Jacobs

CRAFT SHOPS

Journeyman Bootmaker GENE TRUITT spent his vacation visiting relatives and friends on the Eastern Shore. Baker VICTOR VALENTINE recently visited his parents in Lawrenceville, Va. Welcome to our new employees: SAM JOHNSON, Blacksmith Shop; MARGUERITE ELLINGHAM, Weaving Shop; ALICE WALLACE and LINDA CALL, Millinery Shop; GEORGE LAMB, Printing Office; "BUD" BURNETT, Cabinet Shop and CURTIS SUGGS, now in training.

— Ray Townsend

RECEPTION CENTER

We all miss Betty Cox, now that she has left to follow her husband to Seattle, Wash. Before going to Washington, she is spending a few weeks visiting friends and relatives in New England and the Mid-West.

Also on our absentee list is Ed Watkins, who has left for Ft. Eustis and a tour of duty as an Army lieutenant.

SUE RAY and ROBERTA PRIM came back refreshed, after weekends in New York and Raleigh, N. C., respectively.

KAY OVERMAN has also returned from her trip to Bermuda. We all envied her during the long stretch of rain we had here.

— Gail Bennett

INN HOUSEKEEPERS

Welcome back to work LOUISE HICKMAN after a two-week illness. FRANCES BROWN, is still on the sick list, and we hope she is better soon. Vacationers returning to work are EVELYN RAN-DOLPH, back from New Jersey; IRENE BISHOP, back from a visit with her children and grandchildren in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.; JOSEPHINE LEE, MARY REDCROSS and your reporter, back from quiet and restful vacations.

— Geraldine Wallace

OPERATING SERVICES

Operating Services was conspicuously (we hope) absent last month. Dorothy Sisti had just left, and your reporter has been filling in for the past month. Next month there should be a permanent replacement for Dorothy. We welcome MILDRED GILMORE as our newest custodial supervisor. WILLIAM McPHERSON has returned from a very pleasant vacation motoring through the West. EUDELIA CALDWELL's son, Harold, was injured several weeks ago in an automobile accident. He is still in the Riverside Hospital in Newport News, but doing well. We hope he will continue to improve. CORNELIA TAYLOR is on the sick list and has been greatly missed. CHARLES COSBY recently spent a weekend in New York City. WINSTON E. COSBY has returned from military duty with the United States Army and has rejoined custodial services.

— Reisa Pearl

HOSTESS SECTION

We are missing MARY CARTER, who has been at the Medical College in Richmond, and MATTIE OSBORNE, whose husband has been ill. A speedy recovery to BETTY HENLEY, who has also been on the sick list. Best wishes to Sandra Bevan, who has accepted a position as a stewardess with TWA. CHRISTINE COCKE spent her vacation visiting her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Camden Whitehead, and their four children, of Chatham, Va. GRACE PEACHY has returned from a Cincinnati visit with her sister.

VIVIAN JENSEN and her family have moved into their new home in The Colony. LUCY SNEED recently had as her guest her daughter, Mrs. W. C. Bottger of Roanoke. HALLIE WERMUTH and her grandson, Wayne Cronk, went on a safari through the New England states. They saw the Penn State-Army game at West Point, where Hallie's nephew, Captain Rennie, is a practicing physician.

— Barbara Wilbur

INTERPRETATION

JOHN GOODBODY, Republican Chairman for Williamsburg, had a busy pre-election autumn. Later, in an election postmortem sponsored by the Political Science Club at the College, John and three members of the faculty were joined in a panel by TOM SCHLESINGER, staunch Stevenson campaigner. John has also been elected a Lay Director of the Virginia Cancer Society. ED ALEXANDER reports a very successful meeting of the Southeastern Museum Conference which took place Oct. 24-27 with over 144 registrants. We are all delighted with the news of SYLVIA EVANS' impending marriage to Lt. Donald McRae. The wedding will take place December 1.

— Mary Valentino

MERCHANDISING

We welcome FRANK SHIELDS, our new General Sales Manager. Frank, the father of four children, and a graduate of William and Mary, was employed in Charlotte, N. C., before joining our division in Williamsburg. LUCY GARLAND spent a week vacationing with her family in Amherst, Va., and travelled from there to join her cousin in West Palm Beach, Fla., for another's week's adventure. We expect a sun-tan upon your return, Lucy! EMILY WHALEY enjoyed a whirlwind weekend in the big metropolis recently.

— Marcia Ryan

PUBLIC RELATIONS

The P. R. staff has been "on the spot" with J. P. MacBean during his recent tour of the Continent with his many cards he has sent us. Besides his orientation program at Munich of the Radio Free Europe operations, he visited London, Paris, and Berlin. We all would like to extend a hearty welcome to a newcomer in our department — she's RAN RUFFIN's new secretary, MARY TAIT.

— Joan Forrest

RESERVATION OFFICE

We're all agog with weddings and bridal showers taking place this fall. Bernice Brown, now MRS. GENE BURLESON, became a bride on Oct. 27, with a lovely wedding at the James River Baptist Church. MYRTLE WHEELER is next in line, and will be married at St. Bede's on Nov. 24. JEAN ROANE, also planning marriage, will let us know the date soon, we hope. Welcome to three new members of the office staff: BARBARA RILEE, VIRGINIA HARDY and HARRIET McCREARY.

— Angie Koch

Murals A Specialty

CW's Artist Paints On Busman's Holiday

When Frances Filler Dayton joined CW as staff artist over five years ago, her first project was to paint the mural map for the wall of the Reception Center.

"It almost was my last," she says, now that she can look back on it. "It was a very hot summer, and the College Cafeteria was the only place with enough height to accommodate the job. Since part of the work had to be done on a high scaffold, I had to contend with the collection of heat near the ceiling. It was really 'southern.'"

Went To New York

The mural completed, Frances dove into a new selection of projects, and five years later, her work can be seen all over Williamsburg. She paints posters, illustrates publications and pamphlets, tints photographs for special exhibits, and generally keeps herself busy graphically illustrating CW's varied visual projects.

A native of Cleveland, Frances was graduated from the Cleveland Art Institute, and soon after, went to New York to study at the Art Student's League and Columbia University.

Her first New York position was with the Buttrick Publishing Company, and she then moved on to the art staff of a large department store. By that time, free-lancing looked more interesting.

"I struck out on my own, and free-lanced for all the stores, and gradually moved into advertising



BRUSHING UP—Frances Dayton, versatile CW artist, puts the finishing touches on a colored photograph depicting the arrival of English settlers.

agency work," Frances reports. She did work for several "name" agencies, including J. Walter Thompson and Batten, Barton, Durstine and Osborne, then moved to the staff of the Meyer-Both Co., where she remained for six years.

Her career reads like a "who's who." Illustrated covers and other art work for trade magazines; illustrated and wrote for *Child Life* and *Story Parade*; illustrated a syndicated news column on nationally advertised merchandise that appeared in two metropolitan newspapers and others from South America to Alaska; illustrated books, and even some for an encyclopedia.

She has taught at Hawkins School for Boys in Cleveland; directed arts and crafts at Henry Street Settlement in New York City; taught painting and interior decoration at the Adult Education Center in Teaneck, N. J.; and belonged to the Studio Club, Hackensack Artist's Guild and the Northern Valley Art Club, among others in New York and New Jersey.

Frances has also entered some of her work in exhibitions. She

has won several "firsts" for her water colors, and has had a number of one-man shows, one of which was in Williamsburg in 1953.

Somewhere along the line, she found time to marry and have a son. John was president of the student body at William and Mary in 1950, and is now with the State Department as vice-consul at the U. S. Embassy in Amman, Jordan. He and his wife, Dot, a former CW secretary, are at present home on leave from Amman.

"Am I glad they came home when they did. It was just a couple of days before the Middle East boiled over," Frances exclaimed.

With all the art work she turns out, both for CW and for outside interests, Frances still finds time to paint for pleasure. "Although many might consider it a busman's holiday, I find it a relaxing antidote to the exactions of earning a living."

Ask Frances what her current outside project is, and she'll tell you it's painting a mural for the Jamestown Festival. "Right back where I was five years ago. But it's fun."

Ralph Anderson

The CW NEWS joins all CW employees in extending sympathies to the family and friends of Ralph Anderson, who died at his home Oct. 23. Mr. Anderson was security officer for the hotels, and had been a CW employee since February, 1953.

President

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the acceptance of Colonial Williamsburg by the more than eight million people who have come here. "I think all of this is due to two things," he stated.

"First, it is due to the devotion, faith, leadership and patience of Mr. Rockefeller, Jr. I don't know of any project with which he has ever been associated that he has given more of himself to than the restoration work here.

"It was he who set the standards of authenticity and fidelity at the very beginning, and it was he who instilled in the organization the creed that everything should be done in as perfect and ideal a manner as possible.

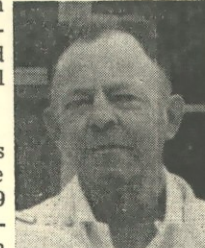
"Second, it is due to the devotion and loyalty of the employees. There are many here today whom I knew in the early stages of the project." He mentioned a few names . . . Kendrew, Patrick, Harmon, Sewell, Moorehead, Stubbs, Lit Parker. "I consider it an achievement of high merit that Colonial Williamsburg has seen 20 employees reach the 25-year mark in service. Furthermore, we have 112 employees who have been with us 15 years or more. This is worthy of mention whenever we stop to consider the forces behind Colonial Williamsburg."

When the subject of the future was mentioned, K. C. pointed out that according to present planning, the major portion of capital construction should be completed by the end of 1957. "Thereafter, the construction work may necessarily be on a very limited basis. The time and effort of personnel who have been largely occupied with the heavy capital program for the past year or two will be devoted principally to maintenance. This, of course, with the greater number of buildings, gardens and installations, will require increasingly larger forces as time passes.

"We still have a challenge — to present Colonial Williamsburg to the people of this country and the world in the most effective light."

Harold McCandlish, CW Painter, Retires

R. Harold McCandlish, Painter in the Division of Architecture, Construction and Maintenance, retired from Colonial Williamsburg on Oct. 25.



Harold was a n employee for over 19 years, first coming to work in 1936, and continuing at intervals as opportunities arose. In April, 1938, he became a permanent employee, and during his lengthy career in the Paint Shop, has had an opportunity to contribute a great deal to the attractiveness of the buildings in the restored area.

A native of Louisa, Harold came to Williamsburg in 1911, and plans to spend his retirement here, doing a little fishing and puttering around his home. He has been in poor health for the past 11 months, but was reported to be feeling much better in the last few weeks. His fellow employees at the Paint Shop joined forces to present him with a handsome reclining lounge chair for use in his leisure years.

Kenneth Chorley is a native of Bournemouth, England, and came to this country at the age of seven. Prior to the start of the restoration project, he worked with Colonel Arthur Woods, an associate of Mr. Rockefeller, Jr., and the first president of Colonial Williamsburg. K. C. has served as Assistant to the President; Vice-President; Vice-President and Treasurer; President and Treasurer; and President of both corporations. He became a Trustee and Director of the corporations on July 3, 1930, and on October 11, 1935, he became President.

During his years of association with Mr. Rockefeller, Jr., K. C. has represented him in a number of his many interests. He is particularly known for his work with Jackson Hole Preserve, Inc., Grand Teton Lodge Co., and Caneel Bay Plantation, Inc. He is active in many organizations in the historical-educational field, and has been awarded trusteeships on boards of numerous museums and educational groups.

K. C. holds an honorary degree of Doctor of Laws, awarded by the College of William and Mary in 1934, and was honored by the French government for his services on the Executive Committee of the Yorktown Sesquicentennial in 1931.

Reservations Post To Mrs. Thompson

Mary R. Thompson has been named Manager of CW's Reservation Office, succeeding Frances A. Burns, who retired on Oct. 31.



An employee of Colonial Williamsburg for over 17 years, Mary has had long experience in the Reservation Office, and since 1946 held the position of Assistant Manager. She has been a resident of Williamsburg since 1927, and joined the CW staff in 1939 as a stenographer in the Reservation Office. She is a former State president of the Woman's Division, Hotel Greeters of America, and is a member of the Gray Ladies.

Colonial Williamsburg Has Become Unique Educational Experience

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He cautioned that this action must not be taken as encouragement of any further cooperation on his part, but that the plans might be of assistance in securing the interest and aid of those who might help to fulfill the dream.

This was to remain in strictest confidence, so architects, builders and engineers mysteriously surveyed the scene, while most of Williamsburg slept. Eventually, their activities became known, but townspeople were still on the "outside" of Dr. Goodwin's secret, "looking in."

Matter Of History

That Mr. Rockefeller became so interested that he financed the full-fledged restoration of a colonial city is now a matter of history. He clearly defined his interest in a letter to his associate, Col. Arthur Woods, a year later, as follows:

"It is my desire and purpose to carry out this enterprise completely and entirely. Such accomplishment involves in general terms the acquiring of substantially all of the property on the Duke of Gloucester Street from the House of Burgesses to the College grounds, the acquiring of much other property, the building of a new inn and of new buildings for business purposes, and the rebuilding of the Sir Christopher Wren Building on the college campus. The purpose of this undertaking is to restore Williamsburg, so far

as it may be possible, to what it was in the old colonial days and to make it a great center for historical study and inspiration.

"The purpose of this letter is to authorize my office to finance this entire program whether it costs three or four, or even five millions of dollars."

Col. Woods eventually became the first president of what is now known as Colonial Williamsburg—an organization that was to spend ten to fifteen times the initial figure proposed by Mr. Rockefeller. For, as the work progressed, the opportunities for even greater fulfillment of the project developed, and finally, Mr. Rockefeller made available a total of 65 millions to finance the project.

First Property

The first acquisition of property for the embryo CW took place in December, 1926, following a telegram received by Dr. Goodwin on Dec. 7. It read: "AUTHORIZE PURCHASE OF ANTIQUE REFERRED TO IN YOUR LONG LETTER OF DECEMBER FOUR AT EIGHT ON BASIS OUTLINED IN SHORTER LETTER OF SAME DATE." The telegram was signed, "David's Father," the name used by Mr. Rockefeller in his early communications. The antique referred to was the Ludwell-Paradise House. Still standing after its construction sometime before 1717, it became the first property of the Restoration.

Dr. Goodwin retained the late Vernon M. Geddy, as legal adviser and title-searcher. They kept at their jobs, purchasing land and buildings in town, until, on June 12, 1928, it was deemed the proper time to tell the town who was financing the purchase of all this land. At a town meeting, Dr. Goodwin named Mr. Rockefeller as the donor of the money to restore Williamsburg. He further defined the philosophy behind the ambitious plans that had been made.

Broader Philosophy

In 1932, the Raleigh Tavern was opened as the first exhibition building. In 1934, the Capitol and Governor's Palace were completed, and President Franklin D. Roosevelt visited the College. He called the Duke of Gloucester Street "The most historic avenue in all America." Slowly, but surely, the architects and builders remoulded the town's face into the Williamsburg of 200 years ago.

Over 600 modern buildings came down, 82 existing colonial buildings were stripped of more recent additions and returned to their 18th-century simplicity, broad greens and gardens re-appeared after an absence of two centuries.

Gradually, CW's philosophy of operation expanded. It was seen that much more could be done with the spirit that hid within the colonial walls and floated about on the night air. World War II strangely enough, contributed a

constructive development in this philosophy. When war came, the nation was just beginning to realize that here was an unusual historic monument. Visitors were beginning to flock to Williamsburg—and the war cut them off. Colonial Williamsburg considered shutting down the restored and reconstructed buildings until the war ended. But it was decided to throw the town open to throngs of soliders and sailors stationed at Ft. Eustis and Camp Peary. It developed into an experiment in a living laboratory of history. The servicemen—62,000 soldiers and 38,000 sailors—were brought here as a phase of their basic training; given introductory lectures; and then dispersed into groups to explore the lessons of history in the town itself. They enjoyed it, and Colonial Williamsburg had a basis for a new program.

Long Range Plans

The program after the war moved forward. There were still many buildings to restore and reconstruct, and the vision of hundreds of thousands of visitors each year prompted CW's officers to prepare a long range plan for proper accommodations for these visitors. The research program, designed to sift out the habits, ideologies, economics and way of life of the colonists from the mass of folklore that had sprung up, turned out scholarly papers on 18th-century life.

In 1951, a celebration of six weeks duration commemorated the prelude to independence in 1776—May 15 to July 4—when many stirring acts in Virginia prompted the other colonies to cast their votes for independence also. Speaking at the celebration was Dr. Samuel Eliot Morison, prominent Harvard historian. Each year thereafter, an outstanding national or international figure has come to Williamsburg to open this celebration. In 1954, U. S. Secretary of State John Foster Dulles was the speaker; in 1956, it was Dag Hammarskjold, Secretary-General of the United Nations.

Purpose Of CW

The Trustees of Colonial Williamsburg have defined the purpose of Colonial Williamsburg as follows:

"To re-create accurately the environment of the men and women of 18th-century Williamsburg and to bring about such an understanding of their lives and times that present and future generations may more vividly appreciate the contribution of these early Americans to the ideals and culture of our country."

Today, the restoration stands some distance short of completion. Thereafter it will have its chosen task of interpreting the ways of life of our founding fathers to the generations of the future, always holding forth its motto, "That the Future may learn from the Past."

At Winrock Farm

Three New WRI Directors Elected At Board Meetings

The Board of Directors of Williamsburg Restoration, Inc., elected three new directors at the semi-annual meeting held Nov. 12-14 at Winrock Farm, 2,400-acre cattle farm of Board Chairman Winthrop Rockefeller, near Little Rock, Ark.

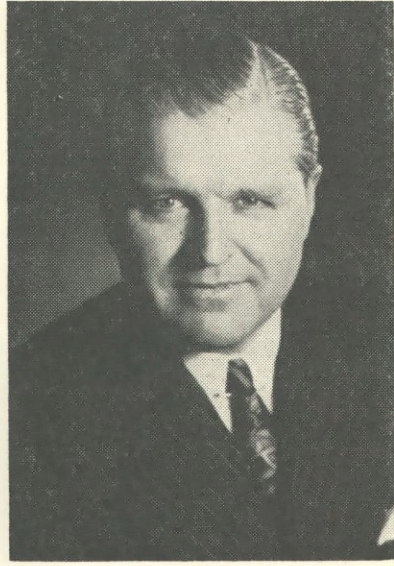
New directors are Stanley C. Hope, president of the Esso Standard Oil Company; Dudley C. Sharp, Assistant Secretary of the Air Force; and Lewis F. Powell, Jr., partner in a Richmond, Va., law firm and a member of the Board of Trustees of Colonial Williamsburg, Inc.

Powell's appointment as a Director of WRI coincided with the announcement that he has been named General Counsel for both corporations. He succeeds the late Vanderbilt Webb, who had been General Counsel at the time of his death on June 17, 1956. Powell has been a Trustee of CWI since May, 1954, and is a director of Miller & Rhoads, Inc., as well as several other Virginia corporations. A native of Suffolk, Va., he is an alumnus of Washington and Lee University and Harvard Law School.

Hope, a native of Springfield, Mass., is also a Director and member of the Executive Committee of Esso Research and Engineering Company. He has been president of two affiliates of Standard Oil Company (New Jersey). He is also a member of the Board of Trustees of the Esso Education Foundation, recently established to provide financial assistance to



Lewis F. Powell, Jr.



Stanley C. Hope

privately-supported colleges and universities.

Sharp, a native of Houston, Tex., has held his Air Force post since 1955. He was formerly associated with Mission Manufacturing Company, serving as vice president from 1927-35; executive vice president from 1935-46; and president from 1946-55. He is a director of Bradshamp and Company and of the Fund Management Association, Inc., both of Houston. He is an alumnus of Princeton University.

The Board of Directors of WRI also named Director Henry C. Turner, Jr., of New York City, to that board's Executive Commit-

tee. Chairman Rockefeller presided over the three-day meeting of the two boards, which were attended by board members from across the country, as well as the administrative officers from Williamsburg. Among the points of interest visited by the board members and administrative officers was the Arkansas Territorial Capitol Restoration at Little Rock.

In the early days of that restoration, CW Vice President Ed Kendrew consulted and advised the founders, carrying on all contact by mail. The trip to the board meetings offered him his first opportunity to visit the project.

Six CWers Observe 10-Year Mark During November

Six CWers reached their 10th service anniversaries with the organization during November.

Cornelia Taylor, Custodian in the Department of Operating Services, passed the 10-year milestone on Nov. 1. She joined the custodial force in 1946, and has been employed in the Governor's Palace since that time. She is active in the Mount Gilead Baptist Church, and also participates in many civic and social organizations in the area. Her husband, Littleton, is also an employee of Colonial Williamsburg, working for Building C&M. They have five children and four grandchildren. Cornelia's home and children are her favorite off-time interests.



Alfred B. Jackson, Bellman at Williamsburg Lodge, became a 10-year man on Nov. 2. He joined the Bell Force in 1946, and is now a familiar face at his post in the Lodge. Jack, as he is called by his fellow employees, is married and has one son. He enjoys his work, principally because he has an opportunity to meet so many guests from other parts of the country. His favorite leisure-time pursuits are hunting and fishing, and he enjoys playing baseball during the summer season.



Kiah Hilton, Gardner in the Department of Landscape, Construction and Maintenance, celebrated his 10th anniversary as a CWer on Nov. 4. He joined the organization as a Laborer in 1946 and a year later was transferred to Landscape. His area of work ranges from the Printing Office to the Courthouse Museum. Kiah is married, and his wife, Mary, is a Custodian in Operating Services, and has over 16 years with CW. An active member of Mount Gilead Baptist Church,



Kiah enjoys hunting and fishing in his leisure hours.

Leslie C. Wheat, Manager of the Stock Room in the Division of Treasurer and Comptroller, completed his 10th year as a CWer on Nov. 5. Known as "Colonel" by his friends, he is a retired colonel and served in the regular army for 31 years. He is an active member of Bruton Parish Church, and participates in a number of civic activities, particularly the Rotary Club. At one time, he was a volunteer member of the Williamsburg Aircraft Ground Observer Corps, organized to set up a network of visual air watches to guard against enemy attack. He is a golf enthusiast and can be found on the Inn golf course on most weekends.



Evelyn Johnson, Pantry Woman at Williamsburg Inn, observed her 10th anniversary as a CWer on Nov. 11. Evelyn joined the Division of Visitor Accommodations in 1946 as Pantry Woman, and has worked in that position except for a one-year period when she served as a Junior Cook. She and her husband have one son, and she is a member of the Union Baptist Church.



William D. Spratley, Houseman at the Williamsburg Lodge completed 10 years service with Colonial Williamsburg on Nov. 26. He has worked as a Houseman at the Lodge since his employment in 1946, and has had several years of perfect attendance. William is a conscientious worker, and has often worked long hours in his job.

Wigmaker Shop Wins

Craftsmen Close Lawn Bowling Season; Championship Decided In Final Contest

Wigmaker Bud Tattershall's team won the championship of the Gild of Colonial Craftsmen Lawn Bowling Club by edging out Bookbinder Clem Samford's Old Hands on Sept. 21 in the final match of the season.

The Wigmakers compiled a 6-4 log, and the Old Hands and Dick Mahone's Landscapers tied for second place with 5-5 marks. The Apprentices, captained by Apprentice Printer Phil Thorp, posted a 4-6 record in the close league race.

The Club opened its season early in May, but then found it necessary to suspend operations until late in June, when the filming of the Information Center movie was completed. The players rolled the weighted wooden "bowls" every Friday evening at 5:15, weather permitting, on Market Square Green.

Competing for the champion Wigmakers, in addition to Captain Tattershall, were Blacksmith John Allgood, Cabinetmaker Jan Heuvel and Bob Reveille, Assistant to the Director of Craft Shops. Clem's team of Old Hands con-

sisted of Apothecary Bert Clarke, Bootmaker Ray Townsend and Craft Shops Director Bill Geiger.

Mahone's Landscapers, a new entry in the Club this season, included Landscape Director Alden Eaton and Supervisor Everett Raynes. Teaming with Phil on the Apprentice team were Apprentice Silversmith Jesse Berry and Apprentice Apothecary Bill Cabell. Apprentice Printer George Lamb and Miller-Blacksmith Nick Payne also filled in on occasion.

This was the second season for the Club, although preliminary experiments were held in 1954.

Dick Mahone won the individual scoring and percentage race, totalling 47 points for a 4.70 average. John Allgood was second in percentage, with a 3.83 average on 23 points, while Phil Thorp took second in total points, 39, and third in average, with 3.54.

Hear Ye!

ARCHITECTURAL

DON PARKER was elected president of the Williamsburg Area Memorial Center last month for a one year term. He has been a member of the Board of Trustees since June, 1956. MIKE MICHELLI and family have moved to a new address — 703 Mosby Drive. All the goblins, ghosts, witches and spooks of Architecture gathered on Sat., Oct. 27, at Norge Community Hall to celebrate Hallowe'en. The orange-and-black decorations with corn stalks and pumpkins created a warm harvest time atmosphere where we enjoyed dancing, singing and socializing. Refreshments included potato chips, pretzels, peanuts and "witches' brew" — a good time was had by all!

Howard Dearstyne has left the Architectural Records Office and will concentrate for the next few months on the writing of his book, **Inside the Bauhaus**, which is to be published by Paul Theobald and Company of Chicago. — Carolyn Hume

MECHANICAL OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

Hunters take notice! PATTY STEWART recently won a turkey at a shooting match and it was the first time she had ever shot a gun! We extend a welcome to CHARLES L. HAZELWOOD, who is a new employee with PETE TUCKER'S group. FRED and MUREL MAYFIELD and daughter, Christine, and your reporter and her husband spent the weekend of Nov. 10-11 in the vicinity of Charlottesville, and attended the University of Virginia-University of North Carolina football game. HORACE MORECOCK's wife is in a hospital in Richmond and will undergo an operation. We hope she will get along nicely. WARD RATCLIFFE has moved into the city limits of Williamsburg from out on the Jamestown Road. The following MOMERS have taken vacations during the month: ROBERT PARKER, F. L. HARPER, H. D. TOOLEY, G. O. BAILEY, HARRY WRIGHT, and PEYTON MASSIE. HOBART RAY recently spent a weekend in New Jersey visiting his daughter and her family. — Mildred Sprinkel

BUILDING — C&M

Our sympathies to ERNEST and ELLA MAE FLEMING, whose 22-month-old baby boy died at Riverside Hospital, Newport News, on Oct. 22. He had been ill since last spring. Best of luck to Bill Leonard, who left us recently to take a new job. — Hank Ertl

ARCHIVES AND RECORDS

MARY KENT CREAMY and her husband drove to Huntington, W. Va., for a pre-Thanksgiving visit with her sister and brother-in-law, Dr. and Mrs. Dorsey Ketchum. — Marge Kocher

LODGE BELL FORCE

Regular reporter ALTON WALLACE has had an operation, and we all wish him a speedy recovery. — Alfred Jackson

LODGE KITCHEN

Illness takes top priority in the Kitchen this month. Among the sick are: ROSA TYLER, MARY ADAMS, ISAAC PRITCHETT and ROBERT CANADY. HARVEY GREEN has just returned after being out sick. We wish all our sick a speedy recovery. JOSEPHINE RANDALL, ALFONSO HAWKINS, ANNIE TAYLOR and JOSEPHINE CLOWER have just returned from vacations. — Alma Wallace

LODGE KITCHEN & COFFEE SHOP

We regret to report that NORMA BAMMAN is out sick. She is in Johnston-Willis Hospital in Richmond for an operation. We are all thinking of her and wishing her a speedy recovery. We welcome to our kitchen a new supervisor, LIRA GROSS. IRIS MITCHELL, from our Coffee Shop, is busy making plans for the December wedding of her daughter, Iris. — Margaret Cushman

LANDSCAPE — C&M

Fall vacationers in the Landscape section include IVAN JOHNSON, WILLIAM RUSSELL, MOSES ARMSTEAD, PERCY WILDER, CHARLES OLIVER, LEMCO TAYLOR, OWEN HARROLD, LEE BAILEY, WYNDHAM KEMP, MORRIS JACKSON, D. C. POST and JIM ROBERTSON. Welcome to new employee LESTER GREGORY, and also ROBERT PRITCHARD, who has transferred from another section. New man in the Tree crew is JOAB WATSON. Report from ARTHUR WILSON is that DONALD SAMSON is good help on the farm, especially at pitching hay. CHARLES JONES has a bumper crop of hogs this fall. He says the price will be right in December. — Dick Mahone

RESEARCH

From letters received from Dr. and Mrs. EDWARD M. RILEY, they seem to be having a wonderful time in Europe.

JOHN HEMPHILL gave a report at the Southern Historical Association in Durham, North Carolina, November 15-17. — Bev Buras

LODGE HOUSEKEEPERS

CARRIE SWEENEY is enjoying a vacation at her home in Toano. Also on vacation are HAZEL RUTLEY, JANE WILLIAMS and MARIAN HAWKINS. We're glad to have LUCY PIGGOTT home from the hospital, where she had been for two weeks. — Lola Larson

INN BELL FORCE

Vacation time is here for the Inn Bellmen; BUD GILCHRIST has headed for his favorite haunt, New Jersey, and JAMES JACKSON is planning his vacation just hunting and trapping. Our new summer uniforms were so well liked by the Bellmen that we were sorry to exchange them for our winter outfits. — Wendell Wright

Milestones

During October, 30 employees reached the following anniversaries:

FIVE YEARS

Division of Architecture, Construction and Maintenance—**Halie D. Tooley, MO&M; James L. Christian, BC&M.**

Division of Development—**Lena W. Fennell, Craft House.**

Division of Treasurer and Comptroller—**Nancy A. Ramseur, Office Management.**

Division of Visitor Accommodations—**Clark E. Kern, Accounting; Pearl E. Lawson, Inn Kitchen.**

Division of Presentation—**Eugenia Thompson, Presentation Services.**

ONE YEAR

Division of Architecture, Construction and Maintenance—**Fred-**

erick W. Smith, MO&M; Charles H. Cowles, James H. Crump, Alvin B. Hockaday, Glen R. Holland, Alonza Lee, Sammie Miller, Paul L. Reid, Oliver E. Wilson, Charles E. Young, BC&M; Frances C. VanSant, Architecture.

Division of Interpretation — **Ralph Veal, Audio-Visual.**

Division of Presentation—**Edna Pennell, Flower Section.**

Division of Visitor Accommodations—**Mary H. Smaltz, Lodge; Alton Bowen, Catherine G. Epperson, Lodge Kitchen; Dorothy E. Cowles, Ella Meekins, Lodge Housekeeping; Vergie Dean, Lodge Coffee Shop; John H. Foster, Elizabeth Marrow, Chownings; Justine Saunders, Hotel Services.**

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