



# COLONIAL WILLIAMSBURG NEWS

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## Night Openings Being Planned For Craft House

In answer to public demand, the Craft House is planning to remain open until 9:00 p. m., five days a week, as soon as necessary personnel can be employed and trained. The new hours will be: Tuesdays through Saturdays—9:00 a. m. to 9:00 p. m.; Mondays—9:00 a. m. to 5:00 p. m.; Sundays—closed all day.

Jack Upshur, Director of Merchandising, states that the new schedule can be put into effect early in May.

Since the exhibition buildings claim the greater part of the average visitor's day, these new evening hours are designed to provide a convenient time to view the Craft House displays of approved reproductions from the Exhibition Buildings.

The idea behind the new schedule is not only to promote sales but also to provide visitors with another evening activity.

Because it places emphasis on actual reproductions and offers visitors tangible reminders of the Williamsburg story, Craft House is an invaluable phase of restoration work. Each item that finds its way into a home is a lasting spokesman for the Williamsburg story.

## Carpenters Strike Affects Work Here

Activity on Colonial Williamsburg construction jobs has been slowing down gradually since April 20, as a result of the general strike of union carpenters which is affecting the whole Eastern area of Virginia. This strike grew out of failure of the Eastern District Council of Carpenters and of Contractors to reach an agreement on wage rates and working conditions after several months of negotiation. Colonial Williamsburg has, as a matter of practice, paid the carpenters rate established through negotiations between area contractors and the carpenters union, in accordance with its announced policy to pay wages prevailing in the area.

On April 16, CW was first advised by the business agent of the union that carpenters would not continue work on our jobs unless Colonial Williamsburg individually agreed to meet the union demands. Colonial Williamsburg advised this union representative that in accordance with its policy it was prepared to pay the prevailing wage rate of the area, but that it did not consider the union proposal as reflecting the prevailing rate in the absence of an understanding between the union and the contractors' association.

On April 20, the business agent advised Mr. Hackett that union carpenters would be ordered off Colonial Williamsburg construction jobs at noon that day. After receipt of this information, Mr. Hackett met with the CW carpenters and advised them of the company's position, namely: that it expected to pay the prevailing rate and that it would be glad to have the carpenters continue work at the existing rate pending a settlement of the controversy.

At 12:00 noon, April 20, carpentry work on Colonial Williamsburg jobs was brought to a halt when union carpenters left in accordance with instructions from the business agent. Despite every effort to keep other work underway, this work stoppage has already affected...

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## Winthrop Rockefeller Named To Succeed Board Chairman John D. Rockefeller III



Winthrop Rockefeller

At a meeting of the Board of Trustees of Colonial Williamsburg, Inc., and the Board of Directors of Williamsburg Restoration, Inc., held in New York on Monday, April 20th, Winthrop Rockefeller was elected chairman of both boards. He succeeds his brother, John D. Rockefeller 3rd, who had been chairman since November 1939.

The new chairman was first elected a member of the Board of Directors of Williamsburg Restoration, Inc. in 1937, and a Trustee of Colonial Williamsburg, Inc. in 1952. He is chairman of the Executive Committee

of both Boards and chairman of the Finance Committee of Colonial Williamsburg, Inc.

Winthrop Rockefeller is also Chairman of the Board of New York University-Bellevue Medical Center and of IBEC Housing Corporation. In addition to his work with these organizations, he has been active in the educational field, particularly in the field of medical education.

In accepting his resignation, the Boards unanimously passed a joint resolution thanking



John D. Rockefeller III

John D. Rockefeller, 3rd, for his many years of service and for his leadership during one of the most important stages of development of the restoration.

"I know I do not need to tell you that I leave the chairmanship with the greatest reluctance and regret," said Mr. Rockefeller. "My nearly fourteen years association with Williamsburg in that capacity have meant much to me and I believe as strongly as ever that Williamsburg can make a very real contribution to our country and the world, particularly in these troubled times."

## May 2 College Fete To Change Campus Into Colonial Fair

The students of William and Mary are staging a "Colonial Festival" in the College Yard on the afternoon of May 2. The event, which replaces the usual May Day celebrations, is open to the public, and everyone is invited to join in the fun. An admission fee of 25 cents will be charged at the gate.

Reminiscent of the fairs held during the "Publick Times" in 18th century Williamsburg, the festival will feature "many curious diversions"—lawn bowling, jugglers, madrigal singers and others "too tedious to mention," according to handbills advertising the festival.

Festival goers will be given the chance to test their skill at archery, pie eating and the handling of a greased pig. There will even be a contest of "yawning and grinning." Prizes will be awarded to "those proving themselves worthy."

Band concerts at 1:30 and 3:30 p. m. by Bill Clements and his orchestra will be the only contemporary events of the afternoon.

The festival gaiety will be highlighted at 2:00 p. m. by the crowning of the Festival Queen, who is to be chosen by the students from seven senior class finalists. The remaining six girls will attend the Queen at her court.

"Colonial Festival" is a step toward the realization of many local desires to revive "Publick Times" and the colonial spirit of "St. George's Day." The College hopes that in the future the festival will become to W&M and to Williamsburg what the "Winter Carnival" is to Dartmouth.

## 'Hear Ye!' Winner In CW News Contest; Jeanne Ann Cogle, Joe Jenkins Take Prizes

"Hear Ye!"—the cry of the 18th century town crier will henceforth summon News readers to the columns devoted to employee activities. For that was the title selected by judges to replace the former name, Departmental News, in the contest sponsored by the News.

Pleased winners of the contest were Architecture's Joe Jenkins and Jeanne Ann Cogle, Secretary to Bill Batchelder, Manager of the Lodge, who each submitted the winning title separately. Duplicate prizes of 15 dollars each were awarded.

The contest, announced in the March issue of the News, drew nearly 100 entries, and the race was tight down to the final decision. Judges in the contest were CW officers Edwin A. Kendrick, John D. Green, Duncan M. Cocke, E. P. Alexander, and I. L. Jones, Jr.

When presented with the prize checks, neither winner would divulge any plans for spending the money, although Jeanne Ann, smiling, hinted it might go into the sock set aside for vacation finances.

WANTED — Softball players to play on the CW Men's Team, the CW Women's Team, the Inn Men's Team, and the Lodge Men's Team. All those interested should call or see Chuck Loomis at the Personnel Relations Office, ext. 227.



CONTEST WINNERS receive their checks. Jeanne Ann Cogle gets hers from Jack MacBean, News managing editor, while Joe Jenkins collects from Van MacNair, News editor.

## Chorley, Williams To Receive First CW 25-Year Award

The first 25-year service awards to be made by Colonial Williamsburg will be presented to Kenneth Chorley, President, and Monier Williams, Director of Operating Services, at a meeting of all employees on Wednesday, May 13. The awards—silver bowls—will be presented in recognition of a quarter-century's service to CW by Mr. Winthrop Rockefeller, recently-named Chairman of the Board of Trustees.

Scheduled for 8:15 p. m. in the Matthew Whaley School auditorium, the meeting will be attended by the Trustees of Colonial Williamsburg, Inc., and the Directors of Williamsburg Restoration, Inc., in addition to the employees and their wives and husbands.

Designed to last approximately an hour, the evening's program will be highlighted by the presentation of the 25-year awards by Mr. Rockefeller and the response by CW's President, whose association with the organization dates from November 27, 1926, making him the only employee whose service spans the entire era of Colonial Williamsburg's history, for it was on that date that Mr. John D. Rockefeller, Jr. authorized Dr. W. A. R. Goodwin, Rector of Bruton Parish Church, to take the first positive steps toward the restoration of Williamsburg.

Kenneth Chorley came to Williamsburg as assistant to Colonel Arthur Woods, first President of organization which is now Colonial Williamsburg, with whom he had been associated since 1923. In 1930 he was named Vice President and a Trustee of Colonial Williamsburg, Inc., and Vice President and a Director of Williamsburg Restoration, Inc. In addition, from 1934 to 1937, he served as Treasurer of the two organizations. He has been President and a Trustee of Colonial Williamsburg since 1935.

Monier Williams, second in length of service, joined Todd and Brown, Inc., the organization which was engaged in CW's earliest building program, on May 2, 1928. Since then he has progressed through a variety of jobs, including those of timekeeper, paymaster, Administrative Assistant to the Director of Construction and Maintenance, to his present position as Director of Operating Services.

## Easter Visitors Here Break Previous Records

The Easter week end crowds generally succeeded in surpassing all estimates. Attendance at the exhibition buildings on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, April 3-5 showed an increase of 27.21 per cent over the same period in 1952:

	1953	1952
Friday .....	1,808	1,345
Saturday .....	2,298	1,963
Sunday .....	2,107	1,576
Total .....	6,213	4,884

The Craft Shops managed to accommodate their heaviest attendance in history without bursting their seams.

Approximately 1,200 to 1,500 people went through the Printing Office alone on Easter Sunday.

Blacksmith John Allgood made 84 souvenir horseshoes in one day at the Deane Forge. When interviewed after the rush period, he remarked, "As soon as I get this crick out of my neck, I'll be back making more."

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News & Comment

ABILITY and energy are not qualities to be confined to the organization alone, for community service is an occupation that does not begin and end with business hours.

Two CW employees who adhere to this belief were recently chosen to fill key positions in recognition of their interest in and efforts toward public welfare.

Parke Rouse, Jr., Director of Publications, was designated a member of the State Hospital Board, which is the governing body for state mental hospitals in Virginia. The appointment was made by Governor Battle.

The Board consists of seven members and its function is to formulate policy and exercise general admission supervision. Parke was named to succeed the late Vernon Geddy, who was at one time Executive Vice President and Counsel for Colonial Williamsburg. The Eastern State Hospital is one of the institutions over which the Board has supervision.

Parke states that he got interested in the needs of state hospitals when he was writing editorials and doing research for the *Richmond Times-Dispatch*. A native of Smithfield, Virginia, Parke attended the public schools of Newport News and was an honor student at Washington & Lee University.

John Egan, Catering Manager, was elected President of the local Junior Chamber of Commerce at the Jaycees' annual election of officers. He has been an active member of the Williamsburg group for the past four years.

The local Jaycees, who recently had a member elected National President, sponsor such civic projects as the Teen Age Road-e-o, which was staged here on April 25. The Road-e-o is a national contest to measure teen age driving ability. Prizes are awarded for outstanding safety and efficiency records.

John, a native of Syracuse, N. Y., came to Williamsburg in October, 1948. He attended Mercerburg Academy and, in 1943, received a Bachelor of Science degree in Hotel Administration from Cornell University.

In its 19th edition of auto safety booklets, The Travelers Insurance Company reports the startling figures that tell at a glance the accident story of 1952. They add up to the worst traffic toll in history.

37,600 deaths  
2,090,000 injuries  
274,080 pedestrian casualties  
415,720 drivers under 25 involved in serious accidents.

Service Awards



Duncan Cocke reached his fifteenth anniversary with CW on April 18, 1953.

While he was attending college, Duncan first worked with CW as a part time assistant at the archaeological museum. He was employed, full time, on April 18, 1938, as a Legal Assistant, a position he held until March 4, 1942, when he began four years of service with the Marine Corps.

On May 5, 1947, he was appointed Vice President of WRI, the position he now holds.

Duncan is married to the former Minnie Cole Savage and has a fifteen year old son, Hughes.



Langon J. Gordon, Dry Cleaner at the Laundry, completed ten years with the organization on April 22.

Langon was first employed on April 22, 1943, as Assistant Superintendent of the Laundry. After attending a three month course at the National Institute of Cleaning and Dyeing, he became Dry Cleaner on April 1, 1951.

An ex-serviceman, Langon was on military leave from December 16, 1943, until April 27, 1946, when he was discharged from the Army as a Staff Sergeant. Langon is married and lives at 107 Hitchens Street. He is an ardent sports fan, being particularly interested in football, basketball and baseball.



Mary Sue Williams, Assistant Chef at King's Arms, reached her tenth service anniversary on April 1.

Since being employed as a pantrywoman at Travis House on April 1, 1943, Sue has worked as Cook and Chef at Travis House and as a cook at King's Arms before assuming her present position. Sue is especially famous for her scalloped oysters, which have helped to make the King's Arms famous.

Sue is single, and her mailing address is Box 1382, Williamsburg. Her chief interest, outside of her love for preparing good food, is watching TV.



AUDIO-VISUAL

This has been a busy and newsworthy month for those in the third floor, basement and Tarpley areas of Audio-Visual.

First of all, our best wishes go to ART SMITH's former secretary, MARY LOU HENRITZE, who was married at St. Bede's Church on April 25. Several members of the department went to the wedding and the reception which followed the ceremony. Various parents have been visiting this month; they include LOUISE KNOTT's, JIM SCHAADT's and MARGIE OKEN's. The latter arranged their visit around MURRAY's birthday.

BILL and BETSY MYERS are the proud new owners of a neat little job in the form of a 1951, green, Nash Rambler stationwagon. The new "Susie" replaces the old grey "Susie" — a Plymouth, vintage 1941.

In the shuffle of jobs going on at present, we have lost CLARA AUMACK from the Photo Section. We are very sorry to see her go, but we wish her lots of luck in her new job with C&M. In her place we welcome MARLENE BUTLER to the fold as Assignment Clerk. Another new addition to the Section is JO MANN who will be the slide and print librarian.

JIM MAYS has done it again. He won first prize in the color division at the Southern Short Course in Press Photography, which JACK TURNER also attended. The big scoop, however, is that Jim, who will be a regional delegate to the NPPA Convention in Galveston, Texas, at the beginning of May, will be given the NPPA Award of Merit. A great distinction and another trophy to be added to the many he has already. Congratulations.

As we go to press, Jim and Murray Oken are planning to take some aerial pictures of Williamsburg, so if a low-flying plane was seen recently, it contained our two adventurers. The pictures should be of interest to all when developed, since the bird's eye view of Williamsburg is only available to the birds at present.

RAY MARTIN recently received "Greetings" from Uncle Sam and will be leaving us in May. We shall be sorry to see him go as we shall lose a conscientious, able and very nice fellow employee.

ART SMITH was in New York last week recording the narration and music for "Decision at Williamsburg" which is now nearing completion. He also visited Sturbridge Village, Massachusetts, and the Showman family, now established residents of the Village for some four months.

On the general side of the picture several of us were to be seen on the golf course this month qualifying for the golf tournament; we were also among those who sang the Brahms German Requiem at Bruton on the 19th. So, on the whole, we have been anything but inactive this month.

INN & LODGE

CHARLES JACKSON, JAMES PERTHON and JAMES JACKSON drove to Newport News on Sunday, April 19, to see the wonderful baseball game between the Newport Royals and the Indianapolis Clowns. (The Clowns won by a score of 2 to 1.)

SARAH MORRIS and MARY E. JONES are back at work after a leave of absence during the winter months. INELL SHEARIN has resumed her duties with the Maid force, and MARY TABB has returned after a week's illness. SALLY GARNER is off on a well-earned vacation.

Two new housemen have been added to the housekeeping staff: GEORGE JOYNER and EDWARD BURRELL. We welcome them.

New employees in the Lodge kitchen are GEORGE ROBINSON, SR., JOHN O'NEIL, WILLIAM A. WALLACE and LEROY ELLIS (on the range) and NANNIE HARRIS, ETHEL COOK and CELESTINE BUTLER (in the pantry). The roster of kitchen helpers now includes MILTON COOK, BENJAMIN ROBINSON, HUBERT LAWRENCE, GEORGE WHITING, JAMES FIELDS, ANNIE JONES, ALONZO HAWKINS, MAGDALENE GREENE, ERNEST JONES, ALONZO RODMAN, MYRTLE TYLER and EVERUTE TRAVIS.

VIOLA GRANDEL has returned after her recent illness. LULA JEFFERSON is still confined to her home, but we hope to see her back soon. ISAAC PRITCHETT is moving his family into his new home in Highland Park.

We are happy to learn that FRANCIS COLE's son James, who broke his arm on the school playground, is now able to resume his studies at Bruton Height's High School. We hope JANE WILLIAMS will soon recuperate from her bad cold and be back with us soon; we miss her.

Here's wishing ALICE VAUGHAN a pleasant summer at the swimming pool and ELSIE CREW a nice visit in Philadelphia, where she has gone on vacation. MARY BOGERTY's sister, Myra Harris, from Connecticut spent Easter week end with her at Grove's, Mary's home.

We wish to welcome VIRGINIA ROSEBERG as RUDY BARES new secretary. RALPH MOODY is now on a short leave of absence due to ill health. We hope he will be back with us very soon. DORIS KRESKE, also on the sick list, is at home recuperating from an operation. Our best wishes for a speedy recovery.

ELSIE EVANS has left to join her husband, Sgt. Evans, who is stationed in Memphis, Tennessee. JO ANN FERGUSON is returning to her home in Dallas, Texas, while her husband, Lt. Ferguson, is on a temporary overseas assignment. ANN STUBBS has her daughter and children, Mrs. D. D. Christian, of Colorado, visiting her until she is able to join her husband, Lt. Christian, in Germany.

ARCHITECTURAL

Spring is here — Br-r-r-r! We're rather afraid it hasn't sprung quite far enough for us to enjoy it yet. The cool weather doesn't seem to deter our dauntless golfers, though. The Architects' Office will be well represented in the coming tournament, and we're expecting some really fine results.

We're happy to welcome another local boy to CW. ROGERS WHITING joined the Architects staff on April 15th, as Office Clerk.

ROGER and SHIRLEY PITTS announce the first birthday of their daughter, SHIRLEY ANNE. It was celebrated on April 15th, party and all. Hope the kids had on their woolies!

BETTY ANDREWS is now serving as a hostess at the Capitol. DICK reports that she likes the work very much. NAN and STANLEY WARD report recent week end visits with their respective families in Washington and Norfolk.

ALDEN HOPKINS was host during the week end of April 18th to the Potomac Chapter of the American Society of Landscape Architects. He took the group on a tour of the surrounding gardens as part of their program here in Williamsburg. Alden also reports a coming visit by his cousins, Robert Hopkins and family from Rhode Island. His aunt, Miss Hopkins, will be returning north with them for the summer months.

Professor and Mrs. James Robertson are to arrive in Williamsburg on April 22nd, as guests of the DON PARKERS. Professor Robertson is a former instructor of Don's and is now Professor of Architecture at Carnegie Tech in Pittsburgh. He is making a tour of various colleges and universities in the South, doing research in architectural design and drawing. We are happy to welcome him and his wife to Williamsburg. Don and Ella Mae are to be hosts also to Don's aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hibsher of Auburndale, Mass. They plan to spend a week here, beginning April 22nd.

We're afraid we'll have to leave it up to the robins to dig up anything more for now—they're probably a little harder than we are!

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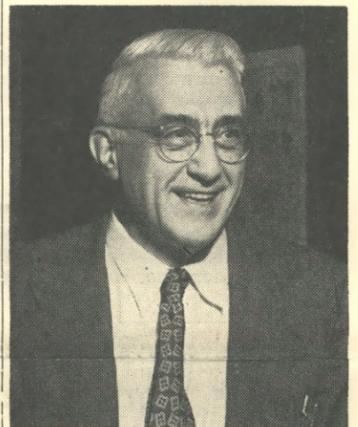
Service Award



Page Folk, Saleslady at the Craft House, reached her fifteenth service anniversary on March 1. A recent illness postponed the presentation of her award until April 7.

Page has worked in her present position ever since coming to CW on March 1, 1938. Her husband, Harry B. Folk, was the Stockroom Manager at Craft House before his death in May 1949.

A visit to Page's home at 100 Ludwell Apartments reveals that she has completely sold herself on Williamsburg reproductions. That Page has been able to sell others as well as herself is proved by the large number of visitors who write or come back to Craft House and ask for her.



Frederick Tozier, Night Manager in the Division of Visitor Accommodations, completed ten years with CW on April 9.

First employed on April 9, 1943, as a night auditor, Fred became Assistant Night Manager on October 16, 1943. Last year, on June 16, he assumed his present position.

Fred was born in Du Bois, Pennsylvania. He is not married, and his only relatives are his mother and sister who reside in Williamsport, Pennsylvania.

Suggestion Awards

Lorraine Evans (Public Relations) \$10. That lifetime passes be granted to husbands and wives of employees who have served the organization for five or more years or to widows or widowers of employees who served the organization for five or more years.

Fleming Brown (Operating Services) \$10. That additional ventilation be provided for rest rooms at the Palace.

Ed Buse (Visitor Acc.) \$10. That additional lighting be provided in area of Inn terrace walk.

Lucy Sneed (Exhibitions) \$25. That a fan with scenes of Williamsburg be sold at the Craft House and Gift Shops.

Geraldine Smith (Visitor Acc.) \$5. That measures be taken to alleviate congestion in area between Gift Shop and Coffee Shop Pantry.

James L. Payne (Visitor Acc.) \$15. That dish racks be raised one inch to prevent plates from touching one another.

Pearl Burnell (Operating Services) \$5. That an additional table be provided for the Hostess Room at Brush-Everard House.

If the persons who submitted Suggestions No. 6966 and No. 7280 will call by the Personnel Office, an explanation of their disposition will be made.

Definition of a gentleman: One who never inflicts pain by word or deed.

# Hear Ye!

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## C & M

It would appear that Building Construction and Maintenance is rapidly becoming the New York Yankees of Colonial Williamsburg athletics. The President's Cup was won last year by CHARLIE HACKETT and MILDRED LANIER with their fine golf, and TOM RUSSELL is proving to be another Sam Snead. This month the Destructors, better known as ROY "WATERBIRD" TAIT, LYMAN "ABRAHAM" PETERS, RALPH "DUSTY" CLARK, EUGENE "RED" SMOOT, JOHN "WRIST" O'NEAL, and JACK "SNEAKY" PEET, won the Fourth Annual CW Bowling League. (See bowling story.)

"AUGIE" BLOCKSTON, J. P. BASS, DICK AUSTIN, BEVERLY BARBOUR, HOWARD KING, JR., CHARLES DAVIS, ZACK TYLER, and BEV CONNOR literally dropped from sight for several days. When they finally re-appeared, a tough job of laying storm drains at the site of the future Warehouse Employees Parking Lot had been completed in the usual, efficient manner.

A big word of congratulations to the Carpentry, Blacksmith and Paint Shops for their beautiful craftsmanship in the new Magazine and Palace cannons. Thanks to LYMAN HALL, FLOYD MARTIN, LYLE BRIGGS and FRED MAYFIELD a fine picnic supper was served at the Carr Hill Club on April 3.

VIVIAN and PETE PANAYOTIS have a new boss: PETE, JR., who weighed in at nine pounds, twelve ounces, on March 23, in Mary Immaculate Hospital, Newport News. RANDY GILLIAM, son of JEAN and DICK, celebrated his second birthday on April 4, with a new cocker spaniel puppy.

Word was received from ARCHIE CAMPBELL that he is feeling much better after a long illness and expects to return to work on May 4. We are sorry D. C. POST has been so sick.

MACK WRIGHT, JAMES SMITH, BERNARD BISHOP, PURCELL MARSH, WILLIAM SAUNDERS, CLARENCE ROBINSON and EARL BROWN are new Landscape Section employees. Congratulations to HERBERT ARMSTEAD, who got married last month. G. D. THOMPSON's son George is now stationed at Fort Eustis. IRVING WRIGHT was discharged from the Army last month and has rejoined BERT HARGRAVE's garden crew. LEMCO TAYLOR and OWEN HARROLD have joined ROBERT JOHNSON and his Golf Course Section. There have been many favorable comments about the new topiary box in Repiton garden.

We wish to express our sympathy to H. O. BEEBE upon the death of his father, Edwin S. Beebe. BRUCE HARDY's son is on the Dean's List at the U.S.M.A., West Point, New York, for the second consecutive month. GRANVILLE PATRICK's son is also on the Dean's List at William and Mary. ERNEST WADE is on vacation. CHARLIE HACKETT has just been re-elected Secretary of the Williamsburg Fire Department. RANDY LEE and PETE PETERS recently helped put on a successful Mardi Gras program for the Cub Scouts in Pack 103. CHARLIE HACKETT, PETE PETERS, PETE TUCKER, TOM RUSSELL, and MILDRED LANIER have entered the President's Cup Golf Tournament and may be the best one win. In the near future, RALPH CLARK expects to use the fishing reel he won for having high game in this year's Bowling League. Early this month, TOMMY BRUMMER ably handled the publicity for Orchestis, dance club at William and Mary. BETTY ANNE ZINGER, new secretary from Cleveland, was married to Richard F. Bandelow of Cheatham Annex, April 18, in the Williamsburg Baptist Church.

## HOSTESS SECTION

The Easter Season with its many church services was a joy and an inspiration. Of course the attendance at the Exhibition Buildings was up to a new level, but there were no casualties among the hostesses. They have an amazing way of rising to any emergency.

There was much visiting this month. DOROTHY WING enjoyed a happy week in Baltimore with her brother, Joe Beason, and sister, Fran Gooch. NOUVELLE GREEN and her daughter Pat (Mrs. Wilson) drove to Oxford, N. C. JEAN ETHERIDGE spent Easter week end with her brother and his family in Plymouth, N. C., and NANCY BOZARTH attended the K K G Convention at Duke University.

RUTH BUTLER and children, Lonnie and Pat, returned from a six weeks visit to Albuquerque, N. M., and reported a marvelous experience. Ruth's mother, Mrs. A. B. Harvey, is with her now. ILDA BERNARD and HELEN WOODS were delighted with Carters Grove. Ilda had a buffet supper for a number of home visitors from Detroit.

HESTER BLOUNT has moved to Key West. We shall miss her friendly and efficient "clarking" at the Capitol. Our best wishes follow you, Hester. HALLIE WERMUTH went with Mr. and Mrs. McArthur on a trip to Bugg Island, Stanton Hill and Red Hill, the burial place of Patrick Henry.

ROBERT MAHAFFY had a wonderful Easter; he and Maxine Stoeck (both students at William & Mary) were married in Wren Chapel.

CRATA POPULAR suffered a painful accident when she slipped and sprained her knee. She has been in Bell Hospital. Hurry up Crata and get well; we need you!

We welcome a number of new hostesses—JEAN CUTLER (her husband, Thomas Cutler, is new manager of C & P Telephone here); ELIZABETH CRUTHER of Swarthmore, Pa.; DORIS HOLMES of London, England, and Detroit (her sister-in-law is VIRGINIA HOLMES).

ELLA RHODES is all smiles since Robert Carter Lambert arrived in the home of his parents, Col. and Mrs. A. G. Lambert of Las Vegas. This is Ella's third grandson. Col. Lambert is stationed at Camp Nellis where, in addition to his regular duties, he is the technical director of *Sabre Jet*, the picture being filmed there.

The Peyton home, "Eight Bells," was very beautiful with its dogwood and beech trees on the Tuesday before Easter, when its mistress and LILA DUNN entertained 60 hostesses at tea.

The entire Hostess Section extends its heartfelt sympathy to GRACE PEACHY, MURIEL SPENCER, ELIZABETH CALLIS and their families. Grace and Muriel recently lost their mother, Mrs. William Bozarth, and Elizabeth's mother, Mrs. Mollie C. Pettus, died at her home, "Avondale," in Drake Branch on Sunday, April 19.

## OPERATIONS

Our best wishes for a speedy recovery go to BEATRICE BANKS's mother, Mrs. Carrie Banks, who is quite ill. FLOYD CARY spent the week end of April 11 with his sister, Mrs. Maggie Jones, in Highland Park. CORNELIA TAYLOR and others attended the anniversary of the Melody Four Quartet, Sunday, April 19, at Bruton Heights School.

PEARL JACKSON wishes to thank all the maids and janitors who took up donations for her when she was confined to her home by illness.

## OFFICE MANAGER'S

Personnel changes seem to be our main activity this month. NANCY RAMSEUR is replacing UTHA CONRAD as secretary to the Office Manager. After a week's vacation starting the first of May, Utha will begin her new job in Public Relations. Replacing Nancy Ramseur of Files is EILEEN LEVY. Speaking of personnel changes, ARTHUR BUIE has been greatly missed by all of us this month.

JOAN MLADEK and husband, Bill, spent April 18th and 19th visiting with relatives in Hillsdale, New Jersey, and Forest Hills, New York. JEAN MILLS, former secretary to Mr. Chorley, spent the week of April 20 in Williamsburg calling on old friends.

## THEATRE

During spring vacation at W&M, April 3-13, all of our college employees headed for home: GERALD GRAVETT was in Kentucky, JOHN WILKINSON in Pennsylvania, and HERB BUTT right here in Williamsburg. GERALD GORDON underwent an operation during his vacation.

BETTY CODDINGTON visited relatives in Fredericksburg, and New York City, and DODIE DIGGS attended the state Methodist Student Movement conference at Natural Bridge, Virginia. TOM HALLIGAN was in Washington, D. C., from April 20 to April 22 booking moving pictures for next month.

We welcome HANK DRESSEL to the ushering staff.

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**VICTORIOUS SMILES** spread across the faces of the Destructors, as Kenneth Chorley presents the Annual Bowling Trophy to Captain Roy Tait. Team members, holding individual prizes, are (l to r) Lincoln Peters, Jack Peet, Ralph Clark, Red Smoot and John O'Neal.

## Printing Office Gets 18th Century Style Type Ornamentals

A series of 26 colonial type ornaments, reproduced by the American Type Founders of Elizabeth, N. J., recently arrived for use in the Printing Office.

Minor Wine Thomas, Director of the Craft Shops, reports that CW now has the largest collection of 18th century ornaments in the country. A few of these are excavated originals.

For several years all of the printing done at the Printing Office was handicapped by a lack of ornament variety. Eighteenth century printers made wide use of these intricate borders and type "flowers" to reduce the monotony of their format. Several examples are used to illustrate this article.



The ornaments which CW selected for reproduction were taken from the books of William Parks, the most illustrious of Williamsburg's early printers, whose work was turned out here from 1730 to 1750. Most of Park's ornaments were of Dutch origin, as was much of the type common to the period.

Craftsmen of the American Type Founders tackled the ticklish job of reproduction with meticulous attention to detail. Over 18 months were required to complete the series.

The process involved cutting an entirely new mold or matrix in brass. The photographs of the originals, from which the craftsmen worked, had to be six inches in width. It was discovered, however, that photographic enlargements this size were too fuzzy for use; so the ornaments were blown up to one or two inches photographically, then enlarged to six inches pantagraphically and retouched by hand.

Possibly the most difficult task was reproducing the irregularities found in 18th century ornaments. Modern duplicating methods tend to turn out near perfect work.



So painstaking was the reproduction process that only one ornament, a crown, passed inspection after the first casting. Most of the ornaments were submitted three times before being accepted. Practically all of the ornaments required slight adjustments to make them fit into the point size measure, now universally used in printing but unknown in the 18th century.

## Carpenters Strike

(Continued from Page 1) fected other employees whose work is dependent on the continuance of carpentry work.

Colonial Williamsburg hopes that an agreement may be reached between the carpenters union and the contractors association very shortly and that the carpenters will return to work and that other employees not directly concerned in the dispute may continue work.



**READY TO ROLL**, the Eradicators and Destructors pose before the March 31 match, which the Destructors won, taking the first half roll-off and bowling championship in one sweep. (l to r) Bob Evans, Gilly Gratton, Jimmy Weeks, "Blackie" Blackwell, Jimmy Davidson, Lincoln Peters, Jack Peet, John O'Neal, Red Smoot, Roy Tait and Ralph Clark.

## Destructors Are Victors In Bowling League Play

Tuesday night is usually bowling night around CW, but on the night of April 14, CW bowlers were absent from the alleys on Scotland Street.

The reason? After a hard-fought, hard-won season, winners and losers alike were treating themselves to their annual "academy awards" banquet in the Game Room of the Lodge.

On hand to enjoy the feast of roast beef were some 42 keggers, a panel of visitors and a sprinkling of proud wives.

After dinner, Bert Koch, president of the bowling league, acknowledged guests, Kenneth Chorley, CW President, and Dick Talley, Personnel Relations Director, and expressed the league's appreciation to the other league officers: Armond Campbell, Vice President; Jimmy Davidson, Secretary, and Ray Townsend, Treasurer.

Then Bert called on "KC" to announce the winners of the 1952-53 bowling competition.

Standing up, KC summoned the Destructors, one by one. Presenting the bowling trophy to Captain Roy Tait, KC told him that in many ways this was also an award for the leadership that a team captain exercises.

## Wives Win Too

Individual prizes of Craft House commemorative plates were awarded to each team member. "Your wives will appreciate these," the winners were told.

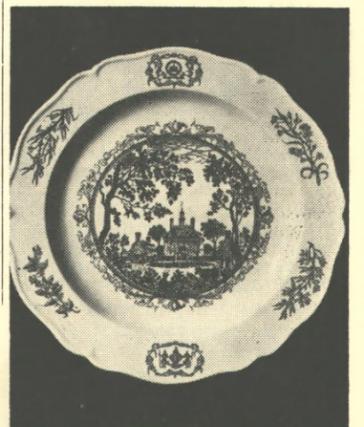
To Pete Tucker went a fine pair of golf shoes for his "high set score." In making the award KC recalled the time (in May 1950) when Pete was photographed for the *News*, laden with three trophies, which he won for individual high game, set and average. Remarkably KC, jokingly, "Tucker, you must be slipping."

For "highest individual game" this season, Ralph Clark received a fishing reel to keep his bowling arm in shape until next fall.

## 15,200 Take Carriages

During the past year approximately 15,200 passengers were carried in CW's 18th century style carriages.

## What's New



## Commemorative Plate

Craft House and the hotel Gift Shops are now offering for sale an individual Commemorative Plate.

The well-known "First Edition" plates were issued in 1950, but these are only sold in complete sets of 12, priced at \$25. Now, for the first time, a single plate is available.

The scene selected is the Governor's Palace. Like the "First Edition" plates, this plate is made by the famous Wedgwood company. The art work was done by the outstanding American artist, Samuel Chamberlain.

These plates represent one of the proudest achievements of the Merchandizing Division. Many persons in CW contributed their judgement and talents during the approximately 12 years that went into the development of the Williamsburg Commemorative Plates.

The individual plate is priced at \$2.50, less the usual 20 per cent employees' discount. No gift from Williamsburg could be more appropriate.

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## MERCHANDISING

April and Spring in Williamsburg have brought to town several of the Reproduction Program's licensed manufacturers—Otto Hausmann and family of Schumacher; Warner Prins, maker of our carriage tiles; Ellis Baker of The Stieff Company; Edwd. T. Caldwell of Edwd. F. Caldwell & Company; and Moira Gibson of Wedgwood.

This month MRS. MITZI DUBIN of Long Island, New York, joined the Merchandising Staff, replacing MARLENE BUTLER, who has transferred to the Photo Lab. Mitzi's husband, Howie, is a student at the College.

BEV, LOUISE and LUC CHANEY donned their best country tweeds to attend the Maryland Hunt Club in Baltimore on the week end of April 25. CLARA OLIVER, accompanied by Dr. Oliver, Dr. and Mrs. George Oliver, Jr., and son of Richmond, spent the week end of April 11 visiting Clara's parents on the Eastern Shore of Virginia. Young Jeffries Oliver met his great grandparents for the first time.

RUTH JOLLY spent the week end of April 18 with her parents in South Hill, Virginia, and GLADYS PRATT returned from her two weeks' vacation.

All hands are glad to welcome PAGE FOLK back to Craft House after an absence of several weeks in the hospital. Upon her return, she was presented with her 15 year service award pin.

JACK UPSHUR, JR., who worked at the Lodge Gift Shop during his recent vacation has returned to Yale. The Upshurs spent the week end of April 18 visiting friends in Mathews, Virginia.

## RESEARCH

In preparation for their trip to England, JANE and PIERCE MIDDLETON went on a shopping trip to Washington during the week after Easter.

JOHN HEMPHILL made two recent trips to Charlottesville to do work at the Alderman Library of the University, and MARY GOODWIN and MARY STEPHENSON are spending a week in Chapel Hill and Durham, North Carolina, doing research at the University of North Carolina and Duke University libraries.

FANONA KNOX and her sister, Mrs. George Belk of the College library, spent a delightful week (April 6-10) in Clemson College, South Carolina. While there, they visited many of their old friends in surrounding towns.

## CHOWNING'S TAVERN

JOHN BAILEY was absent a few days this week because of the death of his step-father. Our sympathy goes to John and to his family.

ARTHUR HARTMAN and ALEDA HARTMAN spent the Easter week end with their parents in Roanoke, and HUGH WORNOM, our versatile new comer, spent a recent week end at his home in Poquoson, Virginia. MELVIN MERCER, our new cashier, is fitting in nicely; he's an industrious addition to the staff.

MARIE VASSAR, senior cashier, was confined to her home recently because of illness. GENE CHAMPIGNY, host, is having a lot of fun (and a few headaches) in fixing up his newly acquired "kitchen."

## PRESENTATION

This division is looking forward to having our new director, MITCHELL WILDER with us in June. Incidentally, he is very anxious to obtain a four-bedroom house for his family, so if anyone hears of anything in which he might be interested, please let ED ALEXANDER or WALTER HEACOCK know about it.

ELAINE and JIMMY DAVIDSON have gone on vacation. They will visit Washington and New York, returning by way of the Skyline Drive.

WALTER HEACOCK is driving a brand new Chevrolet. We understand it was a sudden decision and he bought the car in Lexington, Virginia.

## PUBLICATIONS

It seems everyone in the Publications Department has been bitten by the travel bug. PARKE ROUSE just returned from his two week vacation. One week he spent at home working in his garden, and during the other week he traveled through the Virginia Valley to Lynchburg, Lexington and Washington, D. C.

CASEY G. MILLER has left the CW family to further her studies on typography and book design. Here's a gal who will be greatly missed.

ELAINE MCGEEIN was busy during Easter week entertaining her parents, who came down from Toledo, Ohio, to spend the holiday with her and her husband. Over the week end of April 16-19, Elaine and Pat went to New York City to attend the wedding of their best man.

## CRAFTS

JOHN ALLGOOD and family made a quick trip to Georgia over the week end of April 11-12. We are glad to welcome DICK GOODWIN to the craft shops as John's apprentice. Dick started to work on April 4, just in time to help out during the Easter rush.

CLEM SAMFORD is busy assembling tools and equipment and anticipates an early opening of his bindery at GUS KLAPPER's Printing Office. Clem, carrying on in the tradition of Peter Pelham, who combined the occupation of gaoler and organist at Bruton Parish Church, has become the newest member of the Peninsula Symphony Orchestra. Clem plays the violin.

Working full time during his spring vacation, BOB BARRETT helped NORMAN MARSHALL at the Apothecary Shop.



**NOW HEAR THIS!** Headwaiter Alfonzo Pierce holds a meeting similar to his daily line-up, at which instructions are given to the dining room force prior to each evening meal at the Inn.

# 48,599 Meals Are Served By CW's Catering Section

On Easter Day a great many people sat down to dinner as guests in Williamsburg's family circles. It is doubtful, however, that all of the private homes put together entertained as many visitors as John Egan and his catering crew. At the King's Arms, Chowning's, the Inn and Lodge dining rooms and the Lodge Coffee Shop a total of 5,425 meals were served on Sunday.

John Green, Vice-President and Director of Visitor Accommodations, gave credit where credit is due. In a memo directed to "every member of the Division," he wrote:

"The Easter week end was the busiest two days in the history of our hotels and restaurants. This, in itself, is not surprising in view of the current travel boom. The significant thing—was the way in which these unprecedented crowds were handled—I was unable to observe a single instance of disorganization."

Anyone who ate in any one of CW's five dining places during the first two weeks in April should realize the truth of this statement. At times there were unavoidable lines to wait in, and in view of the limited capacity of the King's Arms and Chowning's admittance was sometimes impossible. But once seated at a table, good food, excellently served, followed as a matter of course. The waiters, no matter how rushed, always had a cheerful greeting. Bread girls circulated regularly, and bus boys would appear in a moment's notice to fill an empty water glass.

During the few spare moments when John Egan could hold down his desk, he added up the following figures, which give a sharper picture of the rush period than words could ever convey.

From March 1-12, a relatively normal period, all units served a total of 22,247 meals. For the same period in April, the number of meals skyrocketed to 48,599, an increase of over 118 per cent. If all of the people who ate these meals stood in a single line, it would stretch from the Williamsburg city limits to the Patrick Henry airport—a distance of 15 miles.

During the first 12 days of the month, 6,480 chicken dinners were consumed. Over 3,400 pork chops passed from hand to mouth, and Li'l Abner was no where around.

Probably inspired by the season, visitors rolled 30,540 eggs from plate to palate—surely a record, even for Easter Sunday at the White House. During the peak, from 15,000 to 20,000 pieces

of china and 10,000 pieces of silver were washed at the Lodge in one day. As late as four days after Easter, the dish washing machine at Chowning's, manned by five operators, was still running steadily from 11 a. m. to 5 p. m. If a new dinner plate were used for each serving, instead of washing and re-using dishes, the resulting stack would reach one-half-mile into the sky.

On Saturday, April 4, Chowning's had its first \$1,000 day, and on Easter Sunday, the Division of Visitor Accommodations' biggest day in history, more meals were served in the Lodge coffee shop and dining room than were served in all units combined on the first day of the month.

In only one place were facilities expanded. Every evening for dinner, Bill Batchelder, Lodge Manager, had the Lodge Game Room converted into a dining hall. Whenever the dining room on the first floor filled, the overflow of

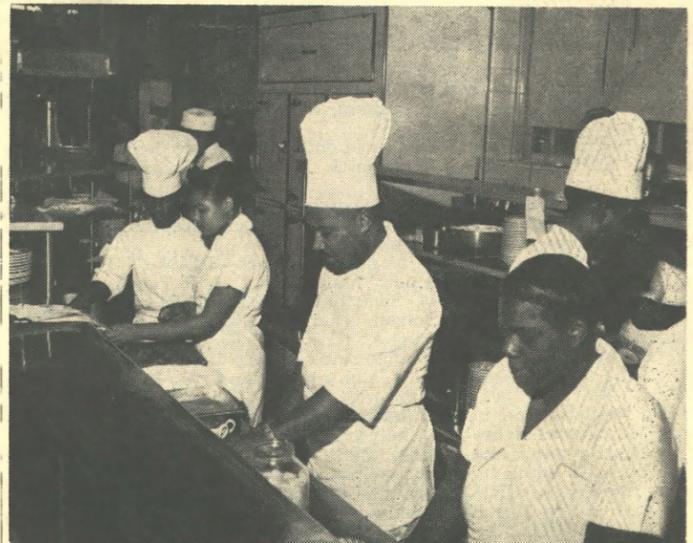
visitors was handled in the "Blue Room," a place of soft candlelight, dinner music, and all the "atmosphere" of a New York supper club.

Comments from long-time employees make significant sounding boards as to the extent of the rush period.

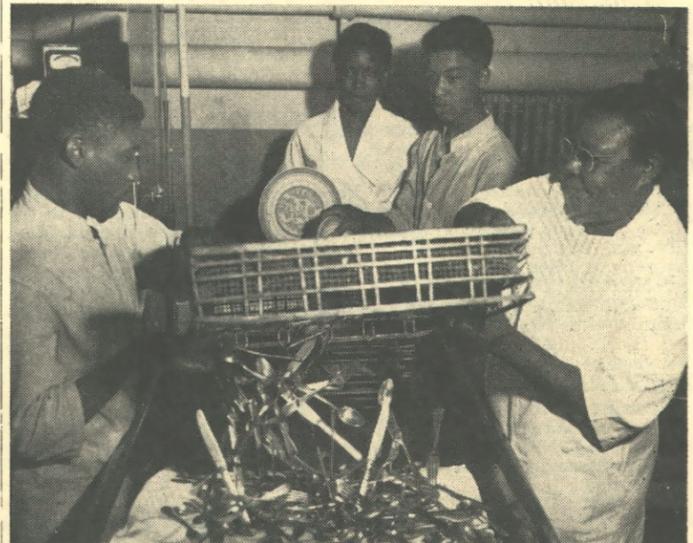
Assistant chef, Melvin Hargus, in the Lodge kitchen, shrugged off the rush period with a casual remark: "It was no trouble at all," he reported, "Everything was just fine."

In the Inn kitchen, Ethel Kelly let out a big sigh and recalled that over 450 salads were made in her section each night. But she reported that "the job was handled smoothly—and with just our regular staff."

Curtis Wallace, who has been with Chowning's for the past five years, remarked that he had worked during the rush season with "the best crew I've ever seen at the Tavern."



**ASSEMBLY LINE**, consisting of Plato Marrow, Celestine Butler, Chef John Williams, Ethel Lightfoot and John Conway, turns out the plates that bring more and more back for more.



**BELOW THE CROWD** at Chowning's, kitchen helpers Lemuel Spence, Ella Melvin, John Morning and Ida Porter prepare silver and dishes for drying.



**AN ADDED ATTRACTION** at the Magazine is this recently installed "six-pounder." Posing before the cannon are (l-r) CW employees Bennett, Lee, Frank, Harmon and Cheatham. Each one of the men contributed his efforts to its construction.

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