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CW AND "ANTIQUES" PLAN FORUM FOR EARLY 1949

One of CW's most important projects in the 1949 calendar is the First Williamsburg Antiques and Decorations Forum, which we are sponsoring jointly with The Magazine Antiques. Such forums not only enable CW to do a more effective educational job, but bring visitors to Williamsburg at a time of year when we can accommodate them most easily. This particular forum has long been in the blueprint stage, and was scheduled for 1949 at the suggestion of Earl Newsom and Company, which took a leading part in arranging its sponsorship and is working closely with CW in developing its promotion.

Outstanding authorities in the fields of ceramics, furniture, glass, metals, and textiles will participate. The first session will be held from January 24 through January 28 and the second from January 31 through February 4. James Cogar, former Curator and present consultant for CW, has been active in arranging the program. In addition to Mr. Cogar, authorities who are expected to be in Williamsburg for the Forum include:

Marshall Davidson, Editor of Publications, Metropolitan Museum
Ruth Davidson, Research Editor, The Magazine Antiques
Joseph Downs, Curator of the American Wing, Metropolitan Museum of Art
Nina Fletcher Little, Author, Lecturer, and Collector
Charles F. Montgomery, Specialist on Americana
John Marshall Phillips, Director of the Gallery of Fine Arts, Yale
University, and Curator of the Mabel Brady Garvan Collection
Percy E. Raymond, President of the Pewter Collectors Club of America
Franco Scalamandr , President, Scalamandr  Silks, Inc.
Charles Messer Stow, Antiques Editor, New York Sun
Minor Wine Thomas, Director of the Archaeological Museum, Colonial
Williamsburg
Malcolm Watkins, Associate Curator, United States National Museum,
Smithsonian Institution
Hensleigh Wedgwood, President, Wedgwood of America, Incorporated
Alice Winchester, Editor, The Magazine Antiques

A registration fee of \$15. has been established, and all-expense rates which include meals and lodging at the Inn or Lodge have been worked out for the convenience of visitors. These special rates (which include the registration fee) range from \$60. to \$95. for the five-day period.

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NEWS AND COMMENT

COLONIAL WILLIAMSBURG'S BIRTHDATE

On November 27 Colonial Williamsburg officially becomes 22 years old. CW's Trustees are thus commemorating the memorable conversation between Dr. Goodwin and Mr. Rockefeller when the latter first contemplated the restoration of Williamsburg. This conversation took place at the dinner on the day when Phi Beta Kappa Memorial Hall was dedicated. The infant project was soon born, and has moved rapidly toward maturity. On its anniversary date its original and abiding purpose may properly be recalled and underscored:

"The purpose of Colonial Williamsburg is to re-create accurately the environment of the men and women of eighteenth-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."

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BUILDING PROGRAM

The next two pages offer scattered evidence of CW's postwar building program - designed both to add to our hotel accommodations and facilities and to bring nearer to completion the restoration of the chief colonial areas of Williamsburg. Considerable funds have been allocated for construction work which will be carried on in the future as conditions permit.

Shortly after this issue of the News is distributed, ground will be broken for the new wing of the Inn, with extensive interior renovations at the Inn already under way. Air-conditioning will now be installed in all units except those on the third floor, while the lobby will be revised to permit more check-room and office space. The new plans also provide for several more employees' rooms. When both the present Inn and Lodge additions are completed, 96 more guest rooms will be available.

On the colonial scene, several dwellings are being reconstructed - including the Lightfoot Kitchen, the Russell House, the William Randolph Lodgings, and the Orrell Kitchen - which will serve as a guest house for the Inn. The lonely chimney diagonally across Francis Street from the Quarter will become part of its parent Lewis House. The Guard House nears completion, with the opening of the Magazine just around the calendar corner.

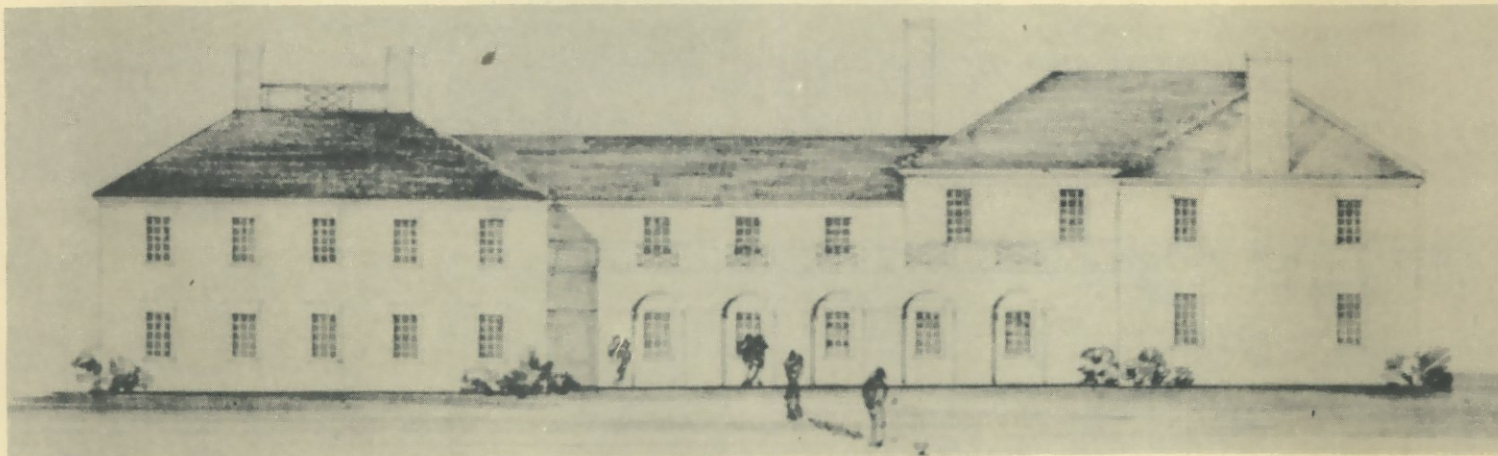
And - down by the Warehouse - the new Laundry with its remarkable functional layout should be ready for use by June.

The two pages which follow show only a few of the reasons why our Architectural and Construction & Maintenance Departments are so busy these days - but the component parts will together make up a more educationally significant Williamsburg, and one in which many more visitors can be accommodated more easily and in greater comfort.

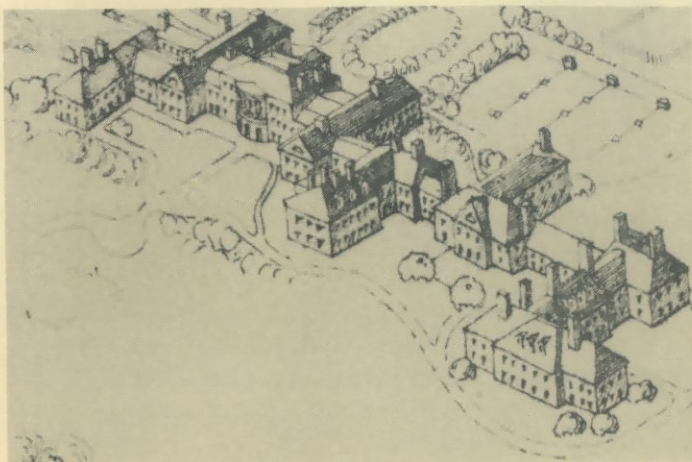
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NEW WING OF WILLIAMSBURG INN



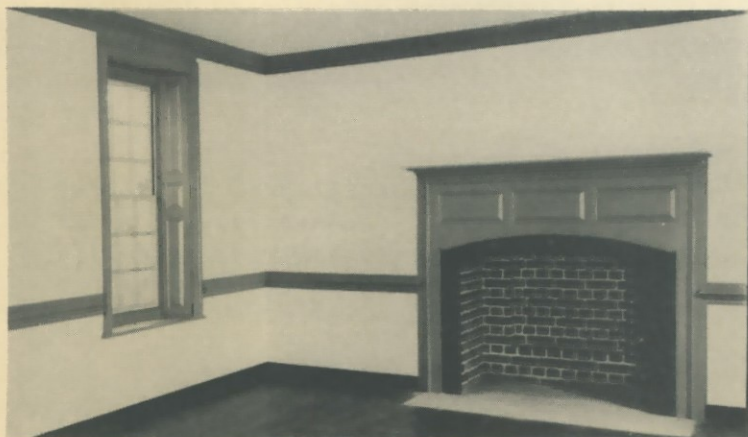
Ground will be broken soon for a new wing of the Inn to contain forty more air-conditioned rooms, a large lounge with Williamsburg's only circular staircase, and many additional employee and service rooms. The top elevation shows the new wing from the front, while the lower elevation is a view from the opposite (golf course) side.



Left, the ultimate planned layout for Williamsburg Inn. Meanwhile, the Lodge also grows, with its new wing scheduled for completion early in 1949.

CW'S Postwar Construction Program in Full Swing

Three views of the kind of work which has kept our draftsmen and the C&M Department so busy -- Unit B of the Lodge, the Lightfoot Kitchen, and a sample of the wizardry of our construction experts in restoring the interior of the Greenhow-Repiton Brick Office.



GIDEON STIEFF: BALTIMORE'S PAUL REVERE

Boston's Paul Revere, although immortalized by Longfellow for his famous ride, won his real place in history as one of the premier silversmiths of colonial America. His present-day counterpart happens to live in Baltimore, prefers custom-built cars to horses and has fashioned Williamsburg Restoration Sterling Silver Reproductions since 1939. His name is Gideon N. Stieff, and he is president of Stieff and Company.

If you visit Craft House and inspect Stieff silver at first hand, you will find further evidence of the craftsmanship and authenticity which marks all articles manufactured under the Craft Program. Here may be found such holloware as a teapot copied from a colonial original by the artisan Jacob Hurd; and flatware including pistol-handled knives, three-tined forks, and rat-tailed spoons. The coffee spoon was fashioned after an original unearthed during excavation at the Raleigh Tavern site, and one of the teaspoons is carefully modeled after one wrought by Paul Revere himself.

Colonial silver has always been of special interest to Williamsburg visitors, whether in its reproduced form in Craft House or in its original state in the exhibition buildings. Reproductions have only recently been available in any quantity: at the outbreak of war, the Stieff plant was converted for the manufacture of machine tools, and had to be reconverted before the large backlog of orders could be tackled. Along with Craft House, more than 300 selected

dealers who carry Stieff's silver have been clamoring for the WR Silver Reproduction. Expansion of the Stieff plant on Baltimore's Wyman Park Driveway is under way and will speed future production. Meanwhile, Jack Upshur hopes that Gideon Stieff will soon be able to add several new pieces to the silver line, including

new candlesticks, a silver mug, a ladle, a letter opener, and other attractive pieces.

The Stieff family is of German ancestry, although for five generations resident in Baltimore. The Stieffs have always had musical interests: Mr. Stieff's paternal grandfather manufactured Stieff pianos, designing a special model for General Robert E. Lee which now stands in Lee Memorial Chapel at Washington and Lee University. Mr.

Stieff's father turned from piano-making to silversmithing, and established The Stieff Company in 1892: young Gideon Stieff started work here at eighteen as craftsman and designer and became president at twenty-one.

Stieff silver is recognized internationally. The King of England and Japan's Emperor have Stieff silver. One complete dinner set was made for Admiral Schley, and another for the late Cardinal Gibbons - the latter a special order bearing an applied coat of arms with initials in 14K gold. Among the most elaborate sets designed at the Stieff Company were three pre-war 18K gold coffee sets, each of which sold for ten thousand dollars.

Mr. Stieff has many hobbies - including music, specially built high-powered motor-cars, duckpins, yachting, and photography. Perhaps Colonial Williamsburg comes under the heading of hobby as well as business, for he is a long-time Williamsburg "fan"

Gift suggestions in silver.
Special Price* to CW employees.

Sterling coffee
(or Baby) spoon \$1.44

Sterling serving spoon
(excellent wedding,
anniversary, or
Christmas gift) \$6.44

Sterling card tray
or butter plate \$8.16

* Includes 20% Federal tax.

as well as a valued member of the Craft Program family of licensed manufacturers.

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SUGGESTION AWARDS.....

F. Meredith Dietz (\$10) - That a box similar to a mail box, be placed outside of Craft House into which visitors who come there after closing hours or on Sunday might deposit requests for information and leave their names and addresses.

Nell T. East (\$5) - That single admission tickets to the exhibition buildings be punched by hostesses to eliminate doubt as to date of purchase or by whom purchased.

Benjamin D. Fields (\$5) - That slides be added to the first part of Reception Center program describing portion of program which follows intermission so that guests will not be confused and leave during the break.

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CW ADVERTISING

This autumn a stepped-up advertising program was agreed upon to point out the advantages of off-season visits to Williamsburg. Early reports indicate that the program is bringing definite results, and is helping to ease the usual decline in CW's revenue during winter months.

Employees may have noted our new copy in the New York Times or Tribune, or in the New Yorker magazine. Many papers in the northeast area are carrying this copy, which stresses not only the comforts and conveniences of our hotels and guest houses, but the opportunity to study an exciting chapter in America's past for all those who will "turn back the clock and visit historic Williamsburg."

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TO ALL COLORED EMPLOYEES

Colonial Williamsburg is planning to offer for sale certain lots in the Highland Park Development. Any employee interested in these lots call Mr. Spratley or Mrs. Williams in the Goodwin Building.

RECIPE OF THE MONTH - NO. 4

Escalloped Tomatoes en Casserole - Prepared under the supervision of Sue Williams for Travis House guests:

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| 1 #2½ can tomatoes | 2 green peppers - chopped |
| 2 medium-sized onions - chopped | 1 garlic bud |

Boil above ingredients together 15 minutes. Salt and pepper to taste. Add one tablespoon Lea and Perrins, one tablespoon sugar, and one cup coarse bread crumbs. Put in greased casserole, sprinkle with bread crumbs, and butter and bake in moderate oven.

SPECIAL CHRISTMAS BOOK SALE!!!!

November 26 until Christmas

CW's annual publications sale again offers relief for those budget headaches which develop from Christmas shopping. This year new titles are available and even more drastic price reductions have been made.

Call at the Goodwin Building any weekday between 8:30 and 5:00 to inspect the books listed below and make your selection:

<u>Title</u>	<u>Usual Price</u>	<u>Special Sale Price</u>
Colonial Williamsburg Coloring Book	\$.65	\$.40
John Paradise and Lucy Ludwell	4.00	1.65
Colonial Yorktown	3.00	1.05
Records of Bruton Parish Church	3.00	1.20
Stay Young and Live	.50	.15
Wm. Byrd's Natural History of Virginia	3.00	1.05
Littling of Gaywood	2.50	.90
John Norton & Sons	2.75	1.05
Williamsburg, Virginia, in Photographs (boards)	2.00	1.20
Williamsburg in Virginia (leather binding)	5.00	3.00
Williamsburg in Virginia (bound in boards)	1.00	.60
Williamsburg Art of Cookery (leather binding)	4.00	3.00
Williamsburg Art of Cookery (bound in boards)	2.50	1.50
Restoration of Williamsburg in Virginia	2.50	1.50
America's Williamsburg	.60	.40
Present State of Virginia and the College	2.75	1.65
Robert Carter	4.00	2.40
American Folk Art Catalogue	.35	.25
Fithian's Journal	4.00	2.40
Sports of Colonial Williamsburg	1.00	.60
Williamsburg in Colonial Times	3.00	1.80
Williamsburg Scrapbook	2.00	1.20
Colonial Justice in Virginia	2.00	1.20

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TRAVIS HOUSE NEWS.....

Lynne DREXLER recently joined the Travis House staff as hostess. Originally from Hampton, Lynne has made her home in Williamsburg for the past year.... Evelyn WHITE, the former Evelyn Carey, has returned to the Travis House after a lapse of two years. She is newly married to one of our former W & M waiters, Harry White. Who says there isn't romance at the TH! Evelyn will serve as Kitchen Supervisor.... Richard BETHARDS, on the bar, played a leading role in "The Great Campaign" given by the W & M Players in October. Dick gave a brilliant performance as usual, living up to his dramatic reputation.... Inez HOPKINS, pantry girl, has just completed a week's vacation in Washington.... Sue WILLIAMS, TH's head chef, left this week for a vacation in Lynchburg.

--Sue Williams

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NEWS FROM OUR HOSTESSES.....

The first chill breezes started a procession to Lucile Foster's domain. Cool flowered prints went into winter quarters and out came the capes, a sure sign that winter is just around the corner.

Slowly the crowds are dwindling. At the Palace, between trips, we make a hasty trip to the garden to look for a moment at the vanishing loveliness of summer.

Much of the news this time is of homecoming visitors.... Fannie Lou STRYKER had a house full of young folks. Daughter Evelyn with a group of friends flew home from New York for the W & M Homecoming celebration.... Minnie PATE had as guests daughter Marian, Mrs. James Macon, with her husband and little son, James Barbour Macon.... Florence TAYLOR and her husband welcomed home their son, Captain Guilford Taylor of Washington, D. C.,

with his wife and small son.... Hallie WERMUTH entertained her brother Mr. William Attkisson, and his wife, of Richmond.... Mae FLETCHER joined her husband in a trip to New York, where Mr. Fletcher attended the National Hardware Show, and then to Bristol, Connecticut, to enjoy the autumn beauty of the Connecticut hills.... Jo Anne ELLERT is recovering from an indisposition which has forced her to limit her activities for a while.... Mary CARTER is convalescing from a severe attack of flu and we hope to see her back at work before long.... June BOCOCK and Mary DANIEL took a trip to West Hartford, Connecticut, where June visited her cousin, Mrs. Hobart Haviland, and Mary visited her daughter, Mrs. Frank Saliske. June went on to Boston to stay for a while with her daughter, Mrs. Albert Guerard.... The former Mina Matthews, now Mrs. W. M. Mahone, has joined her husband at San Morros, Texas, where he is stationed at the pilot school. Lt. Mahone is the son of Rosa TAYLOR.... Grace PEACHY is a patient at Medical College Hospital in Richmond. Grace's sister, Mrs. Ed SPENCER, accompanied her to Richmond.... Polly Turner with her daughters, Sidney and Mary, recently visited her parents, Commodore PEYTON and Mrs. PEYTON, in Indian Springs.... Annette WATTLES reports that Captain Wattles, who has been a patient in a hospital in Boston, Mass., for some weeks, is making satisfactory progress.... Caroline LEE entertained Mr. and Mrs. Larry Brigham of Waynesboro and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wilson of Arlington, Va., over the Homecoming weekend.... Lily NELSON has returned from a visit with her son, Philip, and his wife in Warrenton, Va.... Gwendolyn HALLER, of City Point, Hopewell, Va., brought a group of friends to visit the buildings recently. Gwendolyn is one of the summer hostesses.... Pat BEAL, a former hostess, was warmly greeted when she dropped into the buildings while here for Homecoming. The Beals, Frank and Pat, moved to Pennsylvania a year or so ago. Frank, Jr. is now the big

interest in Pat's life.

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GOODWIN BUILDING NEWS.....

"Trudy" MONSON of the Architectural Department left October 23 for Delray Beach, Florida, where she has accepted a position with the Delray Beach Hotel..... Miriam SHEA joined our organization October 11 as secretary to Lawrence Kocher.....Ed KENDREW spent a few days in Boston and New York recently.....Alden HOPKINS attended the formal opening of the restored Hammond-Harwood House at Annapolis, Maryland.....Terry DEWS of Newport News has joined the Architectural Department as Junior Draftsman.....Vernon GEDDY and his wife spent a few days with their son at Princeton.....Ed ALEXANDER, Wanda CASTLE, Luta SEWELL, Lester CAPPON, and Ernie PRIEST attended the annual meeting of the American Association for State and Local History in joint session with the Society of American Archivists in Raleigh, N. C., October 27 through 30. They also attended meetings at Duke University and the University of North Carolina. Dr. Alexander is Vice President of the American Association for State and Local History and Dr. Cappon is acting as Chairman of the Meeting on Collectors and Historical Depositories.... Wanda CASTLE has moved to her new apartment at Camp Peary.....Mary STEPHENSON has returned from a month's vacation in California.....Monie PRICE spent her vacation in Miami, Florida, visiting her aunt and uncle.....Jane and Kemp BOOT of York, Pa., both former employees of CW, were in Williamsburg for Homecoming weekend..... Adelaide HOFFMAN, (nee Richardson), has returned to her duties in the Public Information Department following her honeymoon.....Bob HOKE attended a meeting of the American Society of Travel Agents in Savannah, Georgia, recently.....Bernice HUDSON was on vacation during October and

went to New York and Philadelphia..... Ruth JOLLY, Lois CHURCHILL, and Jane SEGNITZ attended the W&M-NC game on November 6 in Chapel Hill.

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CRAFT HOUSE BRIEFS.....

Football enthusiasts are Caroline COCHRAN who attended the VMI-Virginia game and Clara OLIVER who was accompanied by her husband (of the W & M faculty) and her son, Dr. George Oliver, Jr., of Richmond to the W & M-University of N. C. game..... Page FOLK spent a weekend with relatives in Orlando, N. C., and in her beloved Smithfield, Va.....Catherine DORRIER and Anne READ have settled snugly for the winter in their new apartment in the Thelma Brown House at 409 Francis Street.... Mazie Henderson SAUNDERS continues to make farewell appearances (a la Schumann-Heink) but she is still with us, although she and Bill are insisting that they will say au revoir on November 22, since Bill must report at Keesler Field in Biloxi, Miss., on November 25.....Robert D. McCREARY, nationally known for his herb-growing, is now working at Craft House. He says he's coaxing the herbs at dawn and dusk.....Russell McGHEE has made a "record": on September 17 he was with Craft House three years with only one day's absence - made up on Sunday!..... Meredith DIETZ gave two lectures the last week in October before women's clubs in Richmond; talked on the "President's Day" program at a Baltimore, Md., woman's club; is heading for Welch, W. Va., to talk on "Ghosts and Aromas of Colonial Kitchens" and exhibit a couple of quaint Craft House items. Her book, "Let's Talk Turkey: Adventures and Recipes of The White Turkey Inn" is off the Dietz press.

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C & M ITEMS.....

David and Paul DEAN, the farmers from New Kent County, report a good yield in the peanut crop this year on their plantation near Barhamsville, Virginia..... Granville PATRICK has been driving his old Stanley No. 19 Crosley Pick-up while his car was under the doctor's care. F.F. BOELT performed the "operation" of installing a new motor. Granville loves to drive the Crosley - just ask him!..... Thanks to the generosity of Harry T. PEOPLES, the Warehouse Section now has a refrigerator in which to keep drinks, etc. Harry donated his old GE refrigerator for this purpose, and the Electrical Department made repairs from salvaged materials.....Floyd MARTIN, Jr., with his family, and Fred MAYFIELD and his wife have moved to the Leaky residence on York Street.....C. D. ONLEY reported for duty as an addition to the force of plant engineers in Blocks 15 and 23 on October 19. He has been employed by Eastern State Hospital for twenty years, the Army at Fort Eustis for two-and-a-half years, and the Navy at Cheatham Annex for three years. We hope that his stay will be a long and pleasant one.....Davis Estie Hooker, weighing 7½ pounds, made his debut at Bell Hospital at 4:30 a.m. on October 25. At the latest report his father, Estie, an engineer in the business area, was still talking to himself. Except for this temporary defect he was in as good condition as could be expected. Mrs. Hooker and son reported to be getting along nicely.....Linwood WILLIAMS has been congratulated on completing fifteen years of service with CW on October 13.....Dews McPHERSON and Monier WILLIAMS spent the weekend of October 23 in the Valley of Virginia searching for coach horses to replace the grays which were recently retired. They were successful in finding two bay horses which they believe will be satisfactory.

The following C & M'ers enjoyed vaca-

tions during October:

Sully Braxton	Harry T. Peoples
D. M. Dean	Victor Petersen
Wm. Hall, Sr.	D. C. Post
Orval E. Hopkins	J. H. Robertson
Isham Johnson	Frank E. Smith
Willie Meekins	Ben Spraggins
Horace Morecock	Harry Sutton
Edgar Myers	S. D. Towler

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WILLIAMSBURG THEATER BRIEFS.....

Nothing much is happening at the local cinema except the usual good pictures (plug) but Tom McCORMICK, head doorman, proved himself too fast for the gleeful college frosh on Saturday. After the game they tried a 'rush' on the theater, but Tom was quick enough to close the doors first and fast.....Mary COLE has decided to give up her career in the cashier's cage and has left to join her husband in New York. He is stationed at Fort Thomas.... Betty DAVIS from the College is taking over Mary's duties at the keyboard.....Raymie (Nature Boy) PECHAN, jovial Chief of Service, was in his element last week, causing an uproar among the local telephone operators. Seems as if folks would call up and ask, "What's playing today." The answer would be, "Sorry, Wrong Number." After a couple of attempts the frustrated patrons started calling the telephone office to complain about wrong numbers. Fact was the picture that day was "Sorry, Wrong Number" starring Barbara Stanwyck..... Catherine HANRAHAN, senior cashier, was pledged to the Kappa Delta sorority recently.....The twin Toms, McCASKEY and HALLIGAN went to Washington on election day to book pictures. They report that the town was quiet when they arrived but in an uproar when they left. We trust they mean in an uproar over Harry.....Pat BUCHANAN and his wife spent a sober weekend in North Carolina seeing the Indians known N. C. from the unbeaten-untied list. Pat says that "we was robbed."

NEWS BRIEFS.....

The Craft House has a few slightly damaged articles, which it offers for sale to CW employees at greatly reduced prices - as long as they last.....Remember also the special Christmas book sale - a list of titles and the special Christmas prices is given on page 5.....The Williamsburg Inn golf team, organized by Bob CONKEY, has had a rough season but a good time, losing twice to both Hampton and Langley Field in a home-and-home schedule. Peyton MASSIE and ex-pro Harbor put together a spectacular best-ball of 69 on the tricky Hampton course in the last match, but State Amateur champion Wynsol Spencer and his partner turned in a 65. Harold SPARKS and his partner managed a best ball in the middle 70s, but was trounced by low-scoring opponents at Hampton. Colonel (Lefty) WHEAT also was edged. CW's ace Charlie HACKETT was unable to play in the last match.....One of the most successful displays at Williamsburg's Community Night was the CW exhibit, prepared under the direction of Dick SHOWMAN, aided and abetted by Minor Wine THOMAS, Tom WILLIAMS, Bob HOKE, Casey MILLER, Jack TURNER, Ralph BOWERS, W&M artist C. W. Smith, and visiting Newsom consultant Kirk BURBANK. Six panels were built around the theme "Colonial Williamsburg: Its Place in the Community," with special displays reminding townspeople of CW's own history, its growing attraction for visitors, its expanding interpretation program, and its sizeable roster of employees. Anyone who missed it at Community Night will be able to see it soon in the Goodwin Building or in Casey's show-windows.....Kirk BURBANK, incidentally, will be in Williamsburg most of the autumn, helping to develop CW's new promotional program on the spot. A Yale graduate, he is married and has two children, is building a house near Greenwich, Connecticut, and had his own public

relations firm before joining Earl Newsom and Company. For four years he worked with Fox studios in New York and Hollywood.....The Inn-Lodge Oyster Roasts promise to be top-flight tourist attractions. Details were worked out jointly by Tom McCASKEY and John GREEN. At present, Lake Matoaka is the site of the roasts, where guests for three dollars can consume as many raw or roasted oysters as they wish, plus king-sized hamburgers and steaming hot coffee. The Inn's quintet leads the singing around the fire. Everyone is handed a big apron before the feast and can attack a stack of oysters without fear of reprisal.....Vernon SPRATLEY, Jr., acting for CW's rent board, has been negotiating small voluntary rent increases to help meet mounting fuel costs.....December, January, and February promise to bring more revenue this year than last, but are still the lean months which devour any earnings which pile up from spring to fall. Every employee is urged to make a special effort to keep costs down during this period, and supervisors are boning up on possible cost short-cuts.....The newest item sponsored by CW's Publications Fund is an attractive box of correspondence cards in color, featuring Williamsburg scenes. There are two cards each of six different views, reproduced from water colors by the New York artist Virginia Carleton, with the twelve-card box selling for \$1. Publisher is F. S. Lincoln and his Corinthian Press of NYC.....Williamsburg Inn is now featuring table d'hote dinners along with the a la carte fare.....This year's Christmas Program is being worked out by Bob HOKE and Tom McCASKEY, with 10,000 special circulars already printed. CW's own activities are being co-ordinated with the community's program, as arranged by Williamsburg's active Jaycees. Ed ALEXANDER spoke recently at an A.A.U.W. meeting about his European trip this summer. Wanda CASTLE is the local A.A.U.W. president.....Bela NORTON docked in New York November 14, and CW's Executive Vice-

President will soon be back at his desk - and Williamsburg can get some firsthand news on darkest Africa.....The Southern Historical Association has chosen Williamsburg for its next annual convention in November, 1949. Coincidentally, this is also the home of its new president, CW's Lester CAPPON. Some 400 historians are expected to gather for the sessions...Special rates for school groups started in November. During the first week of the month, 1,057 school children swelled Williamsburg's visitors, as compared with 668 for the same period last year. The school program is thus paying off financially as well as educationally....Distinguished visitors of the month included Victor Ratner, CBS Vice-President, and Walter Teague, nationally known industrial designer. Both came down to consult with CW officials....One of the nation's top publishing houses is debating a historical novel about Williamsburg, by a "big name" author....Chowning's Tavern closes November 28. Proprietor "Bones" Carpenter plans to leave CW for warmer climes. Off-premises beer will be sold at a 50-cent-per-case reduction until the closing (as long as the supply lasts)....New employees include Ernest B. LUND, who succeeds Walter WIEGAND as Resident Mechanical Engineer. Born in Norway, Mr. Lund came to the U. S. in 1924, studied at Pacific College in Portland, Oregon, and Chicago's Armour Institute of Technology, and has recently been engineer-designer for the Dixie Steel Company of Memphis, Tenn....E. John EGAN, formerly of the Hotel Syracuse in Syracuse, New York, has been appointed Assistant Catering Manager of Williamsburg Inn and Lodge. A graduate of Cornell's Hotel School, Mr. Egan was an officer in the Fifth Armored Division during the war, winning the Purple Heart and the Bronze Star with cluster. He will be top aide to Harold LOUGHRIE..... Williamsburg's Red Cross Gray Ladies, including many wives of CWers, were

featured in a full-page spread in the Richmond Times-Dispatch for their volunteer work at Eastern State Hospital..... Among several convention groups meeting at our hotels lately was a large delegation from the Industrial Relations Council..... "K.C." and Mrs. Chorley expect to be in Williamsburg until early December..... The General Education Board of the Rockefeller Foundation will meet here shortly.....In December, one of the Chamber of Commerce windows will feature a display of moderately priced Craft House articles.....Plans are shaping up for the twin Garden Symposiums early in March. For news of the brand-new Antiques and Decorations Forum, to be held in late January and early February, see elsewhere in this issue.....In the current issue of "Guinness Time," publication of Britain's world-famed brewery, a special article on CW adds the details of construction of the twelve hogsheads which Guinness presented to CW and which are installed in the Palace basement.....How many CWers have heard all the free evening lectures offered by our experts in the Reception Center?.....Jeff GRAVES, a 20-1 Dewey man who wilted at the election news, received a handsome bouquet in sympathy from some of his colleagues. But Williamsburg went Republican in the presidential election for the first time in recent years.....Many employees and their wives have been interested in the current investigation of Williamsburg's milk supply.....Clerk WING is scheduled to take a special course in Richmond to enable her to teach local groups bandage-wrapping for the Virginia Cancer Society. Chairman of the local Cancer Society's Service Committee is Mrs. H. H. WERMUTH..... Congratulations on service records to: Sing MOOREHEAD and Alonzo VAUGHAN, 20 years; Robert EVANS and Lucy SNEED, 10 years; and Linwood WILLIAMS, /5 years. Compiling a perfect attendance record in the year ending September, 1948, were Arthur BUIE and Selby MITCHELL (Office Services), Matthew CHEESEMAN and Thomas

McCORMICK (Theater), Russell McGEHEE (Crafts), George Cleveland RIPLEY (Police), Loring J. TURNER (Education), Joseph KOBELBAUER, Charlie D. TAYLOR, and William Henry WALLACE (Curator's), Rosa TAYLOR and Mary J. DANIEL (Hostess), Bert Ellis HARGRAVE (C&M), James T. GARRISON (Inn and Lodge).

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INN AND LODGE ITEMS.....

Floyd HONEYCUTT, steward, returned on October 21 from a two-week vacation during which he and Ema HONEYCUTT, hostess in the Coffee Shop, motored to Dallas, Texas.....John EGAN recently became assistant to Mr. Loughrie. Before coming here, he was associated with the hotel administration course at Cornell..... Clinton QUIGLEY and his wife, proud discoverers of an apartment in Williamsburg, celebrated the event by traveling to State College, Pa., to attend the Penn State homecoming festivities.....Butts WILLIAMS and Jack KUEMMERLE recently joined the "back of the house" crew as food checkers. Both are students at W&M.....Norma BAMMAN, Food Director at Williamsburg Inn, was featured in a recent article in the Brooklyn Eagle. The title of the feature story was "Authenticity of Williamsburg Fare Guarded by Lady from Brooklyn".....Mary GRIFFIN returned to work on October 25 after a two-week illness.....Mildred BARNES spent her vacation in Elizabeth City, N. C..... Margaret ZIEGLER joined the Lodge staff as a food supervisor on October 22. She is not new to the Inn and Lodge, however, for she previously served in the Inn kitchen in a similar capacity.....Edna PAYNE returned to work recently after a ten-day illness.....Leslie L. WILSON spent a week in October visiting his old friends and relatives in King and Queen County..... O. D. WEIKEL left October 26 to spend his vacation in West Virginia.....Nat CATES

has joined the range crew as a cook. A native of Norfolk, he was a chef at the Norfolk Division of William and Mary before coming to the Inn.....Oliver TABB, Coffee Shop cook, enjoyed a two-week vacation during October.....Thomas KEARNEY, one of the ten-year men at the Lodge, returned recently from a three-week vacation.....Chef MacWILLIAMS added two new men to his crew: William HARRIS, of Norfolk, and Richard LEWIS, a former Williamsburg resident.....Plato MORROW returned to the Lodge recently after having been at Chowning's and at the Inn during the summer..... Sam JOHNSON missed two weeks of work during October due to a severe attack of influenza.....Also bitten by the flu bug was Mary TYLER.....Charles JACKSON, Warren EPPS, and Nat REID attended the party given on the occasion of George REID'S sixth wedding anniversary.....A. J. VICKERS left the first of November to rejoin the U. S. Air Forces, as an instructor. He has been general cashier at the Lodge for the past year.....Loretha JOHNSON, who is employed in the kitchen and pantry department of the Inn, has recently received a promotion. Loretha came to the hotel division several years ago after studying at Hampton Institute and hopes eventually to complete her training at normal school in Petersburg, Virginia.

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A total of 422 CW employees took advantage of influenza shots given at Company expense during October. This compares very favorably with last year when only 280 of our employees desired this protection.

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AS OTHERS SEE US

Some time ago we came upon an editorial by Louis Spilman, editor of the Waynesboro (Va.) News-Virginian, which was an eloquent statement of the renewed faith in America we hope many visitors may share. It is reprinted here in its entirety:

"Williamsburg should be an inspiration to every man, woman and child in the United States. Here, at this spot on one little peninsula in the eastern part of the country, has been reconstructed a breath of Colonial atmosphere of incomparable authenticity. Here so many important steps were taken that left their imprint on the molding of a new nation from a wild and rugged new world. Here, it can be said, was individual freedom given the impetus that carried it into the fundamental structure of the constitution of this new land.

"The aura of that early struggle is still there. No one, with even a wee spark of imagination, can trod the walks of Williamsburg and visit the buildings that have been restored there, without feeling somewhat the emotion and strain that accompanied the early days of the city. No one, with even a modicum of pride in his country, can help having that pride expanded and strengthened after a visit to Williamsburg. Here men fought for individual rights against centuries of vested interests and special privileges. God grant we will not now, after freedom has been won, waste its glorious privileges through lethargy, fear, smugness and satisfaction.

"But Williamsburg represents even more than a turn-back to the past. Williamsburg represents the vital results obtainable from present-day recognition of public duty and from present-day ability to create unity and singleness of purpose. The millions of John D. Rockefeller, Jr., have been employed to pro-

vide the financial spark-plug to the Williamsburg restoration but these dollars alone could never have accomplished the purpose. There existed an unselfish vision in the hearts and minds of those who could see the full impact of a restored Williamsburg upon the American nation; there existed a tenacity, determination and unquenchable faith.

"How dead and useless is the existence of an individual who refuses to contribute something of value to the community in which he lives! How selfish the life of an individual who strives to live unto himself alone; who refuses to serve others or to contribute to the service of others. There are, of course, some residents of Williamsburg who have given nothing of their energy or enthusiasm to the miraculous reformation of their community, but they are in the minority. They are the unhappy ones; the carping critics, the pessimists.

"Waynesboro possesses none of the historical background of Williamsburg.... yet we have some. Waynesboro possesses no reservoir of Rockefeller millions to tap for unrestricted community development. But surely Waynesboro possesses people; good people. Surely Waynesboro possesses vision, faith and unity. What we need is a generation of all these potential values; we need a new conception of public service; we need a willingness to do for others such as has never lighted our souls before. Waynesboro can become the Waynesboro of the world through unselfish unity. Without this Waynesboro is just another 'Main Street' town."

REMEMBER:

THE SPECIAL CHRISTMAS BOOK SALE

Time: November 26 - Christmas

Place: Goodwin Building, Monday
through Friday, 8:30 - 5

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