

A Message From The President

Colonial Williamsburg experienced one of the busiest periods of its history during Easter week this month. On Thursday, April 17, over 3000 visitors went through the Governor's Palace for an all-time one-day record. Other buildings and facilities were proportionately overtaxed. We knew from the advance reservations of rooms that it would be a challenging time. The Chamberlin Hotel at Old Point was filled with people the town could not accommodate and many visitors were sent to hotels in Richmond. However, with all the notice, the number of people attracted to Williamsburg during this period far exceeded our expectations.

During the Easter weekend I visited the Reception Center, every exhibition building, every craft shop; I toured all the hotels and went through all our restaurants, kitchens, dish washing rooms. *I was never more proud of the men and women in this organization.* You did a superb job and many of you worked under unusually trying circumstances. I have never seen crowds of people handled as efficiently and as smoothly and with as few bottlenecks as I saw during this busy period. This was brought about in two ways: first, we did a lot of planning and thinking weeks and weeks before the busy period; we tried to anticipate where the bottlenecks would be and how we could handle them; second, all the planning in the world would not have accomplished the results if it had not been for the loyalty, efficiency, and hard work of the people in this organization.

The continuing stream of visitors through the exhibition buildings, plus the opening of the Capitol at night, plus the concerts, plays, etc. brought a strain on the hostesses, gaoles, and escorts under which they stood up beautifully. The great numbers of people who had to be fed caused all of our restaurants to be operated longer hours than usual and this in turn brought longer working hours to the kitchen staffs, bus boys, waiters.

The whole organization pitched in and did a job that is commendable in every way. My heartiest thanks to each one of you for accepting your responsibilities so wholeheartedly, for performing your duties so efficiently, for maintaining under such circumstances cheerfulness and courtesy, and for extending true Virginia hospitality to all of our visitors.

This all reflects great credit on you and in turn, on Colonial Williamsburg.

Kenneth Chorley



Voting Information Furnished CW'ers By Local Registrar

More interest has been forecast for the 1952 presidential election than for any previous election in recent years. Fay LeCompte, local registrar, has supplied the following facts which may be helpful to CW employees wishing to qualify as voters.

1. To vote in any election, citizens must be registered at least thirty days in advance of the election date. The nearest such date is June 10, when ballots will be cast for members of the City Council. This means that anyone wishing to participate in this election must be registered before May 11th. The books will be reopened for registration the day after this election (June 11) and will remain open until thirty days prior to the July primary election (or until June 16). After the July primary, the books will remain open until October 4th, thirty days before the presidential election.

2. Once registered, the voter's name remains on the books until he requests a transfer or dies.

3. But even if properly registered, a citizen may not vote unless his capitation (or poll) tax has been paid. To vote in the City Council election, the tax must have been paid on or before the December 5, 1951 deadline. In the case of the presidential election, this tax must be paid at least six months in advance of the election date, or not later than May 4th.

4. It is required that each citizen wishing to register appear in person before the registrar of his precinct. Those living in the county must check with the registrars of their respective precincts.

5. The general qualifications for voters include a.) one year of residence in the state; b.) six months' residence in the city or county; and c.) being 21 years of age or more.

Time is growing short for the several deadlines outlined above and all CW employees are urged to make sure that they are qualified if they intend to exercise that greatest of liberties—the use of the ballot. If you are not sure about your own situation, check with A. Drewry Jones, treasurer, or Fay LeCompte, local registrar.

Prelude Will Feature Special Exhibition In Court House Of 1770

The final days leading to our Declaration of Independence will be commemorated here from mid-May to July 4 with a graphic exhibit depicting man's struggle for individual liberty and with a gathering of the exiled leaders of ten nations behind the Iron Curtain.

The annual "Prelude to Independence" period will begin May 15, the anniversary of the day when Virginians meeting in Williamsburg issued the dramatic call for the Continental Congress to declare the colonies free and independent. The specially-prepared Declaration of Rights exhibit at the Court House of 1770 is to be opened on that day. The large display will point up the development of the concepts of individual liberty and human rights from the fourth century B. C. to the present day using documents, artifacts and graphic presentations. These will be centered about George Mason, author of Virginia's Declaration of Rights.

On July 12, the anniversary of the day Mason's Declaration of

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Dedication Of George P. Coleman Memorial Bridge Is Set For May 7th

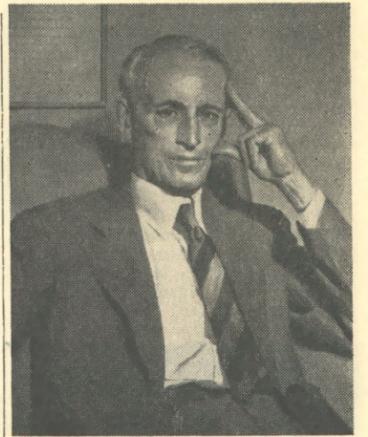
The George P. Coleman Memorial Bridge at Yorktown will be dedicated on May 7th with special ceremonies at the Yorktown end of the bridge, followed by the unveiling of a bronze tablet at the Gloucester end. The ceremonies will include a program in which Governor John S. Battle, General James A. Anderson, State Highway Commissioner, Justice C. Vernon Spratley, of Hampton, and Mrs. George P. Coleman of Williamsburg will participate.

The governors of the 14 Atlantic seaboard states, including the 13 original states, highway officials, members of the General Assembly, the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of the Interior, Park Service officials, and officials of Tidewater cities and counties have been invited to the dedication.

Guests of Governor Battle from outside Virginia will be entertained at a dinner at the Williamsburg Inn on the evening of May 6th. Following the unveiling of the tablet at the Gloucester end of the bridge on May 7th, an official luncheon will be held at the Williamsburg Inn.

Mrs. Coleman and her granddaughter, Cynthia Kimbrough, will take part in the programs unveiling the two memorial tablets.

There will be a parade by Army, Navy and Marine units in Yorktown preceding the cere-



GEORGE P. COLEMAN, the late mayor of Williamsburg and one-time member of the Board of Trustees of Colonial Williamsburg, is the citizen in whose honor the new bridge at Yorktown will be named and dedicated.

monies and Air Force planes will fly overhead as a Navy ship passes under the bridge. After the dedication program has been completed, Governor Battle and other officials will board the ferry at the Gloucester side of the river for its last trip.

Mayor H. M. Stryker and Executive Vice President Bela Norton are members of the Dedication Commission.

Scholarship Set Up By Fanona Knox Of Research Library

Fanona Knox, CW's Research Librarian and former Registrar of Winthrop College, Rock Hill, S. C., has established a \$100 annual scholarship at Winthrop.

The Bettie Hudgens Knox Scholarship, to be awarded for the first time at commencement exercises this year, has been given in memory of her mother, the later Mrs. Fletcher Knox, formerly of Pendleton.

A committee appointed by President Henry R. Sims will award the scholarship annually to "a student who has completed the junior class, who attains a high scholastic record, who is pre-eminent in character and personality, and who shows a promise of future leadership to a high degree."

Fanona's mother, a native of Laurens, died at Williamsburg in January, 1951.

Williamsburg to Hold 'Open House' May 21

Extensive plans for a gala "Open House" to welcome residents of the Gloucester-Mathews area to Williamsburg following the opening of the George P. Coleman Memorial Bridge were announced this week by the Chamber of Commerce. A tentative program for Wednesday, May 21st, will include tours of the city and exhibition buildings, free lunch at the "Common Glory" Amphitheatre, a band concert, a parade by the William - Mary ROTC unit and a baseball game between the University of Virginia and William and Mary.

All visitors from Gloucester-Mathews will receive free annual passes from Colonial Williamsburg, maps and additional helpful literature, Fay LeCompte, Chamber secretary, stated recently. The guests will be invited to make either group or individual tours of the restored area.

Easter Week Lives Up To Expectations; Record Crowds Reported In All Buildings

Easter week-end more than lived up to its advance billing as the busiest period in Williamsburg's history. It grew, in fact, from the conventional two-day week-end into a seven-day giant. In the process it became all things to all Colonial Williamsburg people.

To the hostesses, for instance, it was the challenge of interpreting the buildings to progressively increasing numbers of tourists, day after day. It began on Good Friday with 1,346 visitors to the Palace and ended with a record 3,011 in the Palace on Thursday. All in all, 15,675 people went through the Palace in seven days—an all time high.

Everywhere it was the same story—tourists bustin' out all over in the sunny spring weather. It was record numbers in the Powder Magazine. It was nine and a half thousand tickets sold at the Reception Center. It was the Chamber of Commerce Room Registry Service with a record

number of rooms available as the result of the recent room-registry drive. And it was an overflow crowd fanning out from here to the end of the Peninsula and west to Richmond and beyond. It was the record 31,365 meals served by the Inn, Lodge and Taverns.

All in all, it was, in the words of Bela Norton, O. D. for the week-end, an impressive number of CW people pitching in to help wherever needed. Ed Alexander of Interpretation, Monier Williams of C & M, Exhibition Buildings' Walter Heacock helping unsmnarl traffic, and Lodge Manager Bill Batchelder, with rolled sleeves, tackling a mounting stack of unwashed dishes, to name only a few of those who served in impromptu jobs.

It was a time of trying out new methods and systems to help the visitor get the most out of his stay. At the Reception Center personnel was doubled. A float-

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RECEIVE AWARDS Colonial Williamsburg photographers Jim Mays (left) and Jack Turner (right) receive awards for their entries in the competition at the southern Short Course in Press Photography held this month at Chapel Hill, N. C. Making the presentation is Joe Costa, Photo Director of King Features Syndicate, as Miss Lu Long Ogburn, "Miss North Carolina" of 1951 looks on.

CW Photographers Earn Prizes In Press And International Magazine Competitions

By Howard Dearstyne

The month of April has seen kudos falling like rain on the desks of the Photo Lab. Jim Mays and Jack Turner, riding a bicycle built for two, lapped the field at Chapel Hill, N. C. recently, carrying off three out of seven top prizes as well as a second and a third at the photo competition held in conjunction with the three-day session of the Southern Short Course in Photography. Old master Tom Williams, however, did not go through the month without recognition, though he did not attend the Short

Course. Word was received that he had won top honors in a photographic Christmas card contest sponsored by the editors of "Photography" magazine.

Desks Loaded

The desks of Mays and Turner were a sight to see the morning they returned to work after this breath-taking victory over nearly 300 of the best press photographers in the South. Evidences of their conquest: bronze plaques, ribbons (mostly blue), diplomas, degrees, testimonials, proposals of marriage (Jack's came just too

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News & Comment

LET us assume that you were not involved in a serious accident during 1951, either as a driver or a pedestrian. Lucky you! And here's why we say it. More than 52 million motor vehicles traveled 465 billion miles in the United States last year. This is an all-time record, an achievement we could boast of were it not for an allied record. All those cars, trucks, and buses rolling all those miles killed 37,100 persons and injured nearly two million in 1951. Lucky you. Or perhaps it isn't entirely luck. Perhaps you are the exception. You may be the driver who knows all the rules and obeys them to the letter; whose car is always in perfect condition. You may be the driver who is invariably courteous and who never takes a drink before he drives. You may be the pedestrian who is always alert; who never takes an unsafe short-cut. And with all this, you may be so charmed when you drive or walk that you are never caught by circumstances beyond your control. If you answer this description, you will probably live to be 110. But if you fall short, take an urgent lesson to heart. **How lucky will you be this year?**

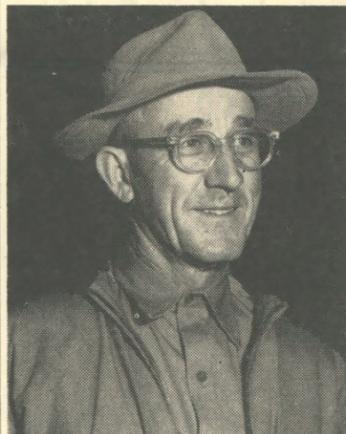
THE State Department of Conservation and Development, in conjunction with the Virginia Travel Council, has undertaken a drive designed to make Virginia "The Friendliest State In the Union." Toward this goal, they point out in a recent brochure, that you, the clerks, bellmen, hostesses, policemen, guides, and all who have daily contact with Mr. Tourist, are the best salesmen Virginia has. They urge all such "salesmen" to be conscientious in a daily effort toward courtesy, good humor, sympathy for the visitor's troubles whatever they may be, and toward a good store of useful and accurate information. The average Mr. Tourist spends \$14.00 a day in your town. Multiply this by Virginia's 29 million visitors last year and you can readily see what an important industry we are in. It's up to us to make the visitor want to stay longer and come more often.

If the person who submitted unsigned suggestion No. 6202 will call at the Personnel Relations Office, an award will be given.

Meet The Staff



Among her many other secretarial virtues, the Architectural Department's Dorothea Wiseman is perhaps the company's best example of a courteous and efficient user of the telephone. All who from time to time have called the "little" drafting room are familiar with her "pleases" and "thank you's". Dottie comes by her position honestly, having graduated as a top student from the National Business College in Roanoke. She became secretary to Alden Hopkins, Resident Landscape Architect, in April, 1951, after a stint as secretary to the Vice President of Dillard Paper Company in Roanoke. Born in Williamson, West Virginia, Dottie attended elementary and high school there. She has been a member of numerous organizations including the Gray Ladies (American Red Cross) who worked in the Veterans Hospital at Roanoke. Her husband, Howard, part-time employee of CW, is a student at William and Mary. Her leading interests include flowers, reading, swimming and dancing.



SAM TOWLER, Landscape Foreman of C & M, accrued 20 years of service with CW on April 10th.

Prelude

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Rights was adopted at the capitol in Williamsburg, premieres, prime ministers, and other leading dignitaries from European nations now behind the Iron Curtain will come here under the auspices of the National Committee for Free Europe for significant ceremonies.

During the entire Prelude to Independence period from May 15 to July 4, Grand Union flags, the same colors raised over the Capitol 176 years ago, will wave along Duke of Gloucester Street and the special Declaration of Rights exhibit at the Court House of 1770 will be open daily and in the evenings without charge to "Prelude" visitors.

The "Prelude to Independence" period is designed to commemorate the dramatic days and the historic actions taken here which led to the Declaration of Independence. In that six weeks period beginning May 15 and prior to the final Declaration at Philadelphia on July 4, Virginia issued the call for independence, enacted the Virginia Declaration of Rights, wrote the first state constitution of a free and independent state, established the Commonwealth and inaugurated Patrick Henry as the first governor of the state of Virginia.

Monier Williams Is No. 2 CW Employee In Lengthy Service

On May 1st, Monier Williams, Assistant to the Director of Construction and Maintenance, will complete his twenty-fourth year with Colonial Williamsburg. Second only to Kenneth Chorley in length of service, Monier "signed on" in 1928 as a truck driver with Todd and Brown, Inc., the organization which was then engaged in the earliest stages of CW's first building program.

Father Was Professor

The son of a professor of modern languages, Monier was born in Roanoke, Virginia, on March 9, 1908. They were not so particular in those days about the recording of vital statistics, so he had no birth certificate.

However, on entering the Seabees during the war, evidence to substantiate his date of birth was required. Recalling the story of his birth, as it had been related to him by his mother, he wrote to the *Roanoke Times* asking that they check the files for the second week of March, 1908, and see if they didn't have a story



Monier Williams

about the Williams baby being delivered on a Pullman car as the train came into Roanoke. Sure enough, they did, and the evidence was more than satisfactory as far as the Navy was concerned.

Monier's father was teaching at Emory and Henry College, near Abingdon, Virginia, at the time and his mother was on her way to the Roanoke hospital when the train got delayed in the railroad yard. Many friends have since suggested that his parents must have named him after the Pullman car, but in reality the name Monier is an old one, of English origin.

Joined Faculty

The Williams family came here in 1918 when Professor Williams joined the faculty at William and Mary. Monier attended the local public schools and spent three years at the College before joining Todd and Brown. He progressed rapidly from his first job, doing stints as timekeeper, payroll clerk, assistant construction superintendent, and construction superintendent. The latter was the position he held when, in 1934, the Construction and Maintenance Department was formed with a large number of the men who had worked for Todd and Brown. Needless to say, Monier had a hand in some of the most challenging of Williamsburg's restoration and reconstruction jobs. Among them: the Capitol, the Palace, the Ayscough Shop and many other jobs in the early years of the construction program.

Married In 1938

The year 1938 found Monier married. Irma Williams had joined CW in 1936 as an employee of Central Files, later became secretary to Executive Vice President Vernon Geddy and retained that position until Mr. Geddy's return to private legal practice three years ago. While she is no longer a full time employee, Irma is likely to show up in almost any
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Departmental News

ACCOUNTING

MILDRED GROGAN and Ned visited her parents in Westminster, South Carolina for a week. HELEN ZUPKO substituted for Mildred while she was away. Bob Starks, Ernie Janson and Don Handville, auditors from Lybrand, Ross Bros. & Montgomery, are here auditing the books for C. W. When they are not giving us the "check" they spend their leisure time at the Golf Course. From all reports they play golf like professionals. Ernie's wife and daughter will visit here before he returns to New York. ELIZABETH STUBBS and Barbara Jones are busy with sewing lessons sponsored by Singer Sewing Machine Company. JERRY and DICK ANDERSON visited Washington, D. C. They have had as guests Dick's parents from California. JOYCE McCOY WATSON and "Chuck" have moved into the Ewing Kitchen. They visited Washington, D. C. over the April 18 week end. JIMMY DAVIDSON spent Easter week end in Chatham, Virginia. AUDREY MULLER and Ernie entertained Ensign and Mrs. Vollmer from Rhode Island while spending their honeymoon in Williamsburg. "BLACKIE" BLACKWELL visited friends and relatives in Northern Neck for a few days. "ROD" and BARBARA JONES attended the Rotary Convention in Virginia Beach. ANNE and BILL BIPPUS accompanied the young people of Bruton Parish Church to Boy's Home in Covington, Virginia. ELIZABETH STUBBS and Barbara Jones will visit the gardens of Eastern Shore during Garden Week. GRACE RAITER attended a birthday party in Gloucester, Virginia.

ARCHITECTURAL

ALDEN HOPKINS addressed the Wilmington Society of Fine Arts at the Delaware Art Center, Wilmington, Delaware, on Tuesday, April 22. His subject was "Design of Small Gardens." He also attended the ceremonies at the University of Virginia on Thursday, April 24, when the restored gardens which Alden designed, following the original plan of Thomas Jefferson, were presented to President Darden for the University. The restoration work has been carried out under the sponsorship of the Garden Club of Virginia. Alden has been working on this project since 1948 when he was commissioned by the Garden Club to do the design. LAWRENCE and MARGE KOCHER played host on Tuesday, April 15, to Dr. John Ely Burchard and Mrs. Burchard, who spent the night with them at the Coke-Garrett House. Burchard is Dean of Humanities and Social Studies at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology at Cambridge. He delivered an important lecture at the College. DON and ELLA MAE PARKER have been busily engaged in cleaning up their new lot in Burns Lane Extension. We're happy to welcome RAYMOND D. MacLEOD to our department. Ray formerly worked in Washington, D. C., but is now residing in Williamsburg with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Donald MacLeod. Congratulations to DICK MacLEOD who recently joined the William and Mary Orchestra! He plays the slide trombone. ALEDA HARTMAN spent Easter week end in Roanoke visiting with relatives. We were sorry to lose NORMAN GOODSON who resigned to accept a position with the Ethyl Corporation in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. BERT and ANGELA KOCH moved into the Benjamin Waller Kitchen on Friday, April 25. BERT states it was really a job and "ain't no fun." Mr. and Mrs. E. Nelson and son, Dick, of Brooklyn, New York, visited in Williamsburg for a few days and were guests of the Kochs. We were sorry to lose JOHN PEDERSEN who resigned to return to his home in Beverly Hills, California. TOM DREWRY and family recently took a two weeks' vacation and visited friends and relatives in Richmond. Congratulations to HOWARD DEARSTYNE who won one of five medals awarded in the Seventh Columbus International Color and Nature Slide Exhibit held in Columbus, Ohio, on April 5th and 6th. The prize-winning transparency, entitled "Sandpiper's Mud Lark" is a picture of bird footprints in soft yellow clay. Howard also has two other slides accepted for exhibition. MARIO CAMPIONI went to Washington, D. C., on Wednesday, April 23, to review the completion of the model of Colonial Williamsburg. On his return to Williamsburg he stopped by Mount Vernon.

AUDIO-VISUAL

The Audio-Visual Department suffered a real loss with the departure of MARY LOU HENRITZE, formerly secretary to ART SMITH. Mary Lou was not too definite about her future plans, but whatever they may be, our best wishes go with her. IRMA WILLIAMS is replacing her temporarily. CHRIS GILLESPIE, newly appointed scribe for this department, is vacationing with friends in New York, Connecticut and Philadelphia. ROSS PATTON's mother, from Montreal, has been visiting him. ART SMITH was in New York last week on a business trip. Art, Ross, and Staff Artist FRANCES DAYTON were judges at the recent student's Spring Photographic Show at William and Mary. LOUISE CHANEY was in New York City recently to be an attendant in a friend's wedding. Louise and Bev plan to journey to Maryland over the week end to attend the Maryland Hunt Club Races. HAZEL JOHNSON is the new assistant librarian in the department. She will work with the print and slide library in the Photo Lab. Hazel comes to CW from the Bureau of the Census in Norfolk. JIM MAYS, JACK TURNER, and TOM WILLIAMS have been kept busy these spring days trying to keep up with the flowers which are blooming in abundance around town. Tom is scheduled to lecture at the Reception Center on April 30. His subjects will be "An Introduction to Williamsburg" and "Plant and Garden Photography."

CRAFTS

CATHARINE DORRIER is spending three weeks vacation at her home in Waynesboro, Virginia. KATIE BRAGG visited in Washington recently and saw the cherry blossoms. Her son, Bobby, received a gold football at a banquet given for the Matthew Whaley team by the Lion's Club. Mr. Joe Eanes of Cabell Eanes, Incorporated in Richmond spent April 18 in Williamsburg making plans with JACK UPSHUR for a new Craft House brochure which will come out this fall. Many new items will be shown in this mail-order promotion. RUTH JOLLY has recently moved into the Mary Stith Shop on Duke of Gloucester Street with VIOLA FISHER. FRANCES SCHWARZ spent Easter week end with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. John Hewlett at Regent, Virginia. GLADYS PRATT has been out ill a couple of days but is back at work now.

CRAFT SHOPS

M. W. THOMAS is on the faculty for the New York Historical Association's Seminar on American culture. The Seminar is held at Cooperstown, New York during the second week in July. He will assist in the department dealing with "Tides of Taste in the American Home, 1650-1900." All of the Craft Shops surpassed attendance records during the Easter week end. Most of the shops averaged between 800-1000 visitors daily during this period. HOMER OWENS, our leatherworker is back at his cobbler's bench after a week's illness. NORMAN MARSHALL and GUS KLAPPER have new apprentices to help them during their rush periods and to keep the Apothecary Shop and Printing Office open on Sundays. ROBERT BARRETT, a pre-medical student at William and Mary aids Norman while FRED CULPEPPER, Superintendent of the Industrial Arts Shop at Matthew Whaley School, assists Gus. JOHN ALLGOOD, despite the fact he has made over 800 miniature horseshoes at his forge during the first 21 days of April, has found time to move to his new home on Scotland Street.

C & M

HOWARD BRINDLE and BOBBY HICKMAN made a two-day trip to Pennsylvania to pick up four unusual trees. ROBERT CRO-
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 department at any time, filling in temporarily when and where needed. At the moment she is working with Art Smith in Audio-Visual.

Called To Duty

Early in 1943 Monier was summoned into duty with the Seabees as a Storekeeper First Class. He had become Superintendent of Maintenance and Assistant to the Director of C & M. The maintenance job, having grown tremendously in the past decade, can no longer be performed in conjunction with anything else and has been placed in the able hands of Granville Patrick.

In addition to the general assistance in many lines which Monier lends to C & M Director Henry Beebe, he is also responsible for a number of specific operations. These include the coaches, buses, and the golf course at the Inn.

Many Activities

Monier's activities, particularly in civic organizations, are many and varied. He is a past president of the Rotary Club, Chairman of the local Selective Service Board, President of the Williamsburg Volunteer Fire Department, a past member of the Community Council, and Alumnus Counselor for the W & M Chapter of Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity. He is a candidate for the City Council in the coming elections (June 10).

Wealth of Experience

A wealth of technical experience and his deep interest in civic affairs make Monier an unusually valuable employee of Colonial Williamsburg and an outstanding citizen of the community.



JOHN SHEPPARD, Coachman-Interpreter in the C & M Department, completed fifteen years' service with CW on April 27th.



GLENNIS MARTIN, Assistant Superintendent of the Laundry, received her 15-year service pin from V. P. Bela Norton on March 27th.

If the person who submitted unsigned suggestion No. 6193 will call at the Personnel Relations Office, an explanation of its disposition will be given.

The CW News will soon carry a photographic feature on employees' children. Send your entries, properly identified, to George Eager at the Goodwin Building. All entries will be returned.

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WELL has left the tree crew to work with his father. ERNEST WADE spent a very quiet vacation this month. DEWITT POST and BILL McPHERSON are making plans for fishing trips in the near future. Congratulations to SAM TOWLER of Landscape on his 20 years' service. WILLARD DISHMAN is back cutting the large green again. Last week ALDEN EATON and BERT HARGRAVE made a business trip to Mount Vernon and visited the gardens. ROBERT and ROSA WEBB have just returned from a three week vacation, of which two were spent in Florida enjoying the sunshine, oranges, peaches, and grapefruit. They visited Robert's sister in Lake Worth, then drove on to Miami and Palm Beach. One week was spent working and painting around the house. JOHN O'NEAL and family left April 12 for El Paso, Texas, and Juarez, Mexico where they will visit Clara's mother. On their return, they expect to visit Dallas, Oklahoma City and other points of interest. We were sorry to hear of the death of PETE TUCKER'S father-in-law, Mr. James D. Fortune. DICK MAHONEY of the Landscape Section has just returned from his vacation. RED VAUGHAN is also just back from his vacation which was spent completing his new house. He expects to move in within the next week. JAMES FOARD spent an equally usefull vacation working around his home. FRED MAYFIELD is expecting to move into his new home on Jamestown Road in the very near future. KEN SLATER is recuperating from an appendectomy at Bell Hospital. We regret to see DAVID HENDERSON leave the organization and hope he will be successful in his new job. NATHANIEL HEDGECOCK is recovering from an illness at St. Elizabeth's Hospital in Richmond. We welcome the following new employees: DAVE WALTRIP, field engineer with RANDY CARTER; NORMAN HAZELWOOD, HARRY WASHINGTON, FRANK CHRISTIAN, GEORGE WASHINGTON, JAMES JONES, WILLIAM TRUPELL in the Landscape Department; with the reopening of the brickyard SAM SCALES and FELIX PEARSON are back with the organization. JOHN HITE has returned to the automotive department. GARRY BAKER who transferred from Inn and Lodge and GROVER MARTIN have joined the paint department; and under WILLIAM BLOCKSTON'S supervision NORTON RICHARDS, ZACK TYLER, ELMER WATERS, ALEXANDER WEST, LEONARD WHITING and ABRAHAM SEGAL have joined the ranks.

CURATOR'S

LOUISE FISHER lectured to the Portsmouth Women's Club on April 21st, and will lecture in Blackstone next month. TOM and ROSE LEATHERBURY have just returned from a two week vacation in Mississippi. Tom departs soon for an assignment in Casablanca. BETSY HALL entertained recently for LOIS and WALLY HARRISON. Airman s/c Clifton G. Montgomery visited his mother, HENRIETTA MONTGOMERY, on the ninth and tenth of April. He is stationed at Atterbury Air Force Base at Columbus, Indiana. EUDELIA CALDWELL spent last week end in Washington. Marion E. Brown, daughter of FLEMING and SUE BROWN, now stationed in St. Louis, Missouri with the Women's Army Corps, has recently been promoted to the rank of Sgt. TEARUSSELL BURRELL spent her vacation in Norfolk, Va. CORNELIA TAYLOR and her husband motored to Kecoughtan Hospital in Hampton, Va. There they spent Easter Sunday chatting with the veterans. Rev. and Mrs. James M. Lee and daughter of Sacramento, California, are spending their vacation here with his mother, LULA LEE. Also visiting her parents, Mrs. James M. Lee, is the daughter of Deacon and Mrs. James Jones Sr. of Centerville. Pfc. Harris Lee Jr., the brother-in-law of ELLA MAE LEE, was home on furlough to see his wife, Mrs. Doris Hawkins Lee. He was also guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harris Lee Sr. CARRIE MOORE and ELLA MAE LEE motored to Richmond on April 22. PEARL JACKSON joined her mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Roberts of Grove, on the evening of March 21. They had the St. John choir to an afternoon tea. MARION ROBERTS and PEARL JACKSON had much fun on the evening of March 30 surprising Marion's husband and Pearl's cousin, Richard Roberts with a television set. ELLA MAE LEE and the members of her chorus were the guests of Mrs. Tyne's program on April 6. There they broadcast over station WHYU. We are glad to welcome in our department CARRIE MOORE, THOMAS WYNN, and ERNEST WALLACE.

HOSTESS SECTION

Enthusiastic crowds through the exhibition buildings in this, the loveliest and busiest of all months in Williamsburg. A number of hostesses have enjoyed little trips in April. LILY NELSON went to Warrenton to see her son, Mr. Philip Nelson, and his family. JEAN ETHERIDGE visited her niece, Mrs. John Hewlett, in Regent, Virginia. MARY J. DANIEL spent some days in Danville with her sister, Mrs. Henry Wood. MAY THOMPSON had two brief trips, one to New York to visit an aunt, and one to Aberdeen, Md., to see her daughter, Mrs. Bruce Hicks. MARY CARTER made her annual visit to Alabama to be with her daughter, Mrs. J. H. Saunders, and also visited her mother, Mrs. W. J. Field in Bristol, Va., for a family reunion at Easter. Mary had an old friend, Mr. H. M. Collins, now of Richmond, spend a day with her here the first of April. ELLA LAMBERT went over to Gloucester to see the daffodils and HALLIE WERMUTH went to Norfolk for the Camellia Show. It is good to report that many who have been indisposed are back at work. Among them are ELIZABETH CALLIS, JUNE BOCOCCO, FANNIE SHIPMAN, MARY BRANCH BROOKS, WINIFRED MACKEY, and LUCILLE FOSTER. Lucille is back at work in her office for a part of each day now which is very good news. FANNIE LOU STRYKER is a patient in the Medical College Hospital in Richmond but is improving. JUNE BOCOCCO'S daughter, Mrs. Albert Guerard of Mass., has been a recent guest of her mother. Mr. Edward M. Lee of Washington, D. C., spent a few days with his mother, CARRIE LEE, about the first of April. NOUVELLE GREEN had guests for the week end of April 20: Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Graham and Miss Pat Wilson, all of Washington. ANNETTE WATTLES came from Milton Valley to assist the hostessing during the Easter season. ANITA ALLEN of Blowing Rock, N. C., who has been a hostess for several months, has left for Evanston, Ill., to be with her daughter until fall. There are four new hostesses working at the Capitol in the evenings: SHIRLEY HENDERSON and PEGGY SANDS of Williamsburg, and MARTHA PARKER and JOAN LORE of the College. We are delighted to have them. ELIZABETH HENDERSON has been selected by CW to train incoming hostesses. While she will be greatly missed in the buildings, her appointment fills a very real need and it is unanimously agreed she is an excellent choice for the new position.

INN & LODGE

We are happy to know that MILTON BETTS is out and around and that he will be back on the job again soon. WENDELL WRIGHT spent three days visiting around Philadelphia several weeks ago. MAUDE WOOD is back at work after being out for quite a while with a broken arm. ILDEAN CRUMP has also returned to work following an operation. SOPHIE HOLZBACH, switchboard operator at the Lodge, has just completed a year with perfect attendance. Congratulations to JERRY MANNEY, former switchboard operator at the Lodge, on the arrival of a baby boy. We want to welcome EMILY HALL who has taken over her duties as secretary to BUD ODELL. Everyone was sorry to see SHIRLEY and JACK HORD resign as cashiers at the Lodge. Jack received his "Greetings" letter and Shirley has returned home until he settles down in one place. MARY VASSAR has returned as cashier in the Coffee Shop. We are happy to have ERNEST LEE back with us after his illness. ROY and NORMA COTTINGHAM have moved into a new home on Centerville Road. ANN STUBBS is rejoicing in the return of her husband, a major, from two years in Korea. To our sorrow, however, he is now to be stationed at Camp Kilmer, New Jersey, so Anne will be leaving Williamsburg shortly. ETHEL MINOR has moved into her new home at Colonial Park. She entertained at her home for Anne Stubbs on April 23rd. We have added two new housemen in the Housekeeping Section, CHARLES COOK and CHARLES REDDICK. Also, we are happy to welcome DAISY WALTRIP as housekeeper.

Photographers

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late), offers from P. T. Barnum and Hollywood. Not the least item in all of this booty was Jim's 24-volume set of *Encyclopaedia Britannica*, which he won for his series of eight shots of GI's embarking at Norfolk for the NATO command in Paris.

Over the Crowd

There's a story connected with Jim's second prize shot of Governor Jimmy Byrnes speaking at the Capitol a couple of months ago. They banned all but one official photographer from the House of Burgesses. Standing outside the door, Jim lifted his camera above the heads of the crowd, waited until a vagrant ray of sun struck the governor full on the bald pate, and snapped his picture. That click of the shutter was heard all the way to North Carolina.

Every Shot A Winner

Jack Turner's recent achievements justify our expecting great



CAROLINE COCHRAN, Sales and Floor Manager at Craft House, accrued ten years' service with the company on March 19th.

things of him. In his first competition here, during the Virginia Press Photographers' convention, he won a second prize. Then, proceeding to Chapel Hill, he won a first with the one and only infra red shot he ever attempted, a view of the Palace from the Mount. Now Jack says—and who can dispute him—that he has won a first prize with every infra red shot he ever took.

Manger Scene Featured

Tom Williams' prize-winning Christmas card, copies of which were received by many employees and local residents, featured a manger scene with Karen Lee, Tom's daughter, in a montage of the printed song "Away in a Manger." Entries in the contest were received from the United States, Canada, Sweden, England, Cuba, Holland, Switzerland, Belgium and Mexico. Tom received a \$25 prize and will have a feature article in the December issue of the magazine.



JOHN LEE, member of the Curator's Department at the Capitol, completed his 15th year with Colonial Williamsburg on April 12th.

DIVISION OF INTERPRETATION

ED ALEXANDER has returned from his two weeks in Florida with a beautiful Florida tan. Attendance at the Palace broke all records on April 17 with an attendance of 3011. All the Exhibition Buildings have been well attended this month. JEAN McGRATH has moved in with CHRIS GILLESPIE at the Carter-Saunders Kitchen and the two are making out very well with their dual housekeeping problems. EUGENIA WILLIAMSON entertained members of the wedding party recently at a dinner party at the Lodge in compliment to Miss Fleet Carney and Mr. Thomas Morgan, whose wedding will take place in Portsmouth on May 3rd. BETSY HALL did a beautiful job of the centerpiece. WALTER HEACOCK now has new curtains for his new home, and from the description they sound very pretty.

OFFICE SERVICES

DENISE BURKE has spent several week ends out of town this spring—ranging from New York to Pinehurst, N. C. She has put in long hours at work, however. Her receptionist job keeps her busy from 8:30 until 5:00, and during the spring rush she has done her hostess costume and done some evening and week end work in the exhibition buildings. ANGIE COWLES and son Carter drove to Roanoke with DOTTIE and HOWARD WISEMAN during HOWARD'S spring vacation. ANGIE visited her sister there. BETTY and FRANK JACOBS plan to spend the week end in Petersburg with friends. Mary Lee (Fitzgerald) LaPrade was surprised on a recent Sunday to have UTHA CONRAD, RUTH JOLLY, and BETTY JO FLETCHER drop in to see her at her home in Charlottesville. Mary Lee's wonderful disposition seems to work in homemaking as well as it did in her work here at Colonial Williamsburg. ARTHUR BUIE and wife entertained friends from Jamaica, Long Island, during the Easter holidays.

PUBLICATIONS

Welcome visitors to the Publications Department this spring have been Clem and Posey Hurd, illustrator and writer respectively of children's books. They occupied an apartment on York Street during March and April while at work on a juvenile, "St. George's Day in Williamsburg," for CW. CASEY MILLER has been busy entertaining. Here recently, at various times, have been her mother, Mrs. Walter S. Miller, of Gilmanton, N. H.; her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Dexter Cooper, of Cambridge, Mass.; and her niece, Carla Cooper. BEV CHANEY will attend sessions of the American Booksellers' Association convention in Washington in May. PARKE ROUSE addressed the recent state conference in Richmond of the Virginia Tuberculosis Association. Betsy Rouse and daughters Sarah and Marshall vacationed at Daytona Beach, Fla., during part of April. BETTY GRAY, our efficient departmental secretary, and her husband, Fred, have had as a recent guest at their Ludwell apartment Fred's mother, Mrs. Fred Gray, of Detroit. The Grays are looking forward to their return to civilian life in June following completion of his duties at Fort Eustis. The Publications Department will regret seeing them go.

RECEPTION CENTER

MARGE KOCHER is working at the Publications Desk during our busy season. We also have CAROL WISE from Chicago with us. Her husband is a lieutenant at Fort Eustis. BARRY WILSON is extremely busy these days. He has a role in "The Miser" as well as one in "The Country Girl." WIDDY FENNELL and CHRIS GILLESPIE will see "Aida" in Richmond on April 30th. PHIL BROWN and two of his fraternity brothers went to Waynesboro for spring vacation. DEAN ROBERTS went to Maine and also visited friends in New Haven and Washington during his vacation. Mrs. Doppler, a registrant at the Antiques Forum several months ago, stopped by on her way to Florida. She presented VASHTI STEINWACHS and BETTY TOLER with gifts of antique pressed glass. Vashti gave a small party for her. JOHN and SIS FOX went to Washington on the week end following Easter. Mr. and Mrs. Walter C. Brooks of Wethersfield, Conn., visited their son and daughter-in-law, DICK and ROSE BROOKS on their way home from Florida.

RESEARCH

PIERCE and JANE MIDDLETON recently returned from a three-week vacation, partially spent in Washington with Pierce's parents. MARY GOODWIN is getting along nicely after her recent operation. We hope that it won't be long before she is back with us.



INFORMAL MEETING Catering Manager John Egan recently called a meeting of his key staff members to discuss changes in prices and government regulations on price control. Clockwise around the table are Chef John Williams, of the Lodge, Forest Griffin, Bill Osborn, Inn Food Director Florence Freer, Egan, King's Arms Manager Letha Booth, Jack Bowman, Inn Chef Fred Crawford, and Chowning's newly appointed manager, Ev Withee. Norma Bamman, Lodge Kitchen Manager was absent on a business trip to New York.

Catering Department Has Chance To Top '51 Record

Statistics Reveal Startling Facts About The Gigantic Task Of Serving Three Quarters Of A Million Meals

Nowhere in our organization is the ebb and flow of visitors more keenly felt than in the Catering Department. The facilities and the personnel of this department have been particularly hard-put during the past few weeks to provide the usual excellent cuisine and service for which the Inn, Lodge, King's Arms and Chowning's are so well known coast to coast. In spite of many thousands more visitors during this period than we have had in preceding springs, a very high standard has been maintained and compliments as well as satisfied customers continue to accumulate.

Successful Year

Last year was the Catering Department's most successful in the history of the Division of Inn and Lodge. The 771,136 meals served at the two hotels, King's Arms and Chowning's would have been sufficient to give one meal apiece to every citizen of Richmond, Roanoke, Norfolk, Newport News, Lynchburg, Portsmouth, Petersburg, Fredericksburg, Danville, Winchester, Charlottesville, Alexandria, Hopewell, Martinsville, and Arlington. In single file, this group of Virginia citizens would stretch from Williamsburg to a point 24 miles the other side of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

Easter Week Vanguard

But the Easter Week vanguard of visitors would seem to herald another big, and perhaps biggest, spring and summer yet recorded in Williamsburg. In the number of meals served through April 18th, the Catering Department shows an increase of 23,260 over the same period in 1951. And 15,587 of this increase took place in the first 2½ weeks of this month. You may wonder how

they can do it. How many people are needed to prepare and serve such a vast quantity of food? How much food does it actually take to feed this annual army of visitors?

Number of Employees

Roughly 275 employees in the four establishments handle the purchasing, storage, preparation, and serving of the veritable mountain of food which each year delights the palates of more than three-quarters of a million customers. This group of customers, to cite a few examples from 1951 figures, consumed 47,367 loaves of bread (more than a million slices), 11 tons of butter, 15,737 gallons of milk, 41,215 chickens, and 42,323 dozens of eggs.

Some Months Slow

Business, however, is not always booming, as the above figures might lead one to believe. The increase from the relatively slow month of January to the "bustling" month of April is quite startling. Last year the meals served in April tripled those served in January, climbing to 96,000 as compared with 32,000.



LODGE DISHROOM Millions of pieces of china, silver and glassware are washed every year in the four restaurants. At work on a few hundred of them are (from foreground) Beulah Jones, Dorothy Jefferson, Edith Randall, and Josephine Randall.

In 1952, it appears that meals served in April may break into six figures for the largest single month ever recorded.

Fried Chicken and Cake

Probably a very small percentage of those who dine in our restaurants give any thought to how that delicious fried chicken or that tempting slice of cake arrived in front of them. They ordered it, of course, and then John, or William, or Horace, or James disappeared into the kitchen and . . . presto . . . the order arrived. If the order pleases them, they may comment favorably on it (and leave a good tip) but if it doesn't please them, they will probably say little or nothing and will leave a tip of about the same dimensions. Not many realize the processes which take place in getting an order in front of them. Few give a thought to the tons of food stuffs purchased and prepared or to the millions of dishes which must be washed when the meal is finished. But if they depart in a happy frame of mind about the meal they have eaten, the Catering Department's job has been well done and accordingly there will never be a shortage of customers at the restaurants.

Great Tribute

That a very large number of visitors are "satisfied customers" of our restaurants is undeniable. This is indeed a great tribute to the employees of the Catering Department, whether in the kitchens, pantries, store rooms, dish rooms, dining rooms or offices. Our hats are off to them . . . while they take a collective bow!



CHOWNING'S TAVERN Service with a smile in the traditional manner of colonial days is dispensed by waiters (l. to r.) James Brown, William Belpree, Clarence Wallace, John Minkins, William Jones, Theodore Redcross, John Bailey, and Curtis Wallace. As recently as 1949-50, Chowning's was closed for several months during the winter because the volume of business did not warrant keeping it in operation during that time. The past two seasons of winter business have proved the merit of year-round operation at this popular establishment.

Suggestion Awards

William T. Perdue (C & M), \$25. That stretcher be adapted for installing Clinton Cloth wire laths.

Floyd B. Martin, Jr. (C & M), \$10. That steps be placed at Museum water cooler.

Shirley Hord (I & L) \$25. That the same type registration and account cards be used at Market Square and Brick House Taverns as are used at the Lodge.

Norman Sawyer (C & M). That a log bumper be installed at the fence behind Tarpley's Store to prevent damage by cars.

Crata T. Popular (E. B.), \$10. That corrective measures be designed to prevent accidents on the steps at the Capitol.

Donald H. Parker (Arch.), \$10. That flags at the Reception Center be rearranged to conform with standard flag etiquette.

Easter Week

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ing information clerk roved the floor and a double ticket booth with two cashiers was set up to speed the crowd flow. Three buses instead of two were used and a streamlined schedule was worked out for the first hour to distribute visitors to the Palace, Capitol and Raleigh Tavern in a more even stream. A bus dispatcher was assigned to the task of keeping in touch with the buildings and diverting buses from places where crowds were piled up.

The buildings themselves came in for their share of innovations. Ten - minute early openings at Capitol and Palace helped in the processing of early arrivals. The Lodge ballroom was opened to diners and more than 400 meals were served there. The Apothecary Shop, the Printing Office and the Wigmaker's Shop were opened on Sundays throughout the month of April.

New map signs, a CW policeman in the Reception Center parking lot, a new parking area on South England Street, increased use of city police on Duke of Gloucester Street, and a uniformed attendant to direct King's Arms patrons to off-street parking were some of the efforts to ease traffic problems.

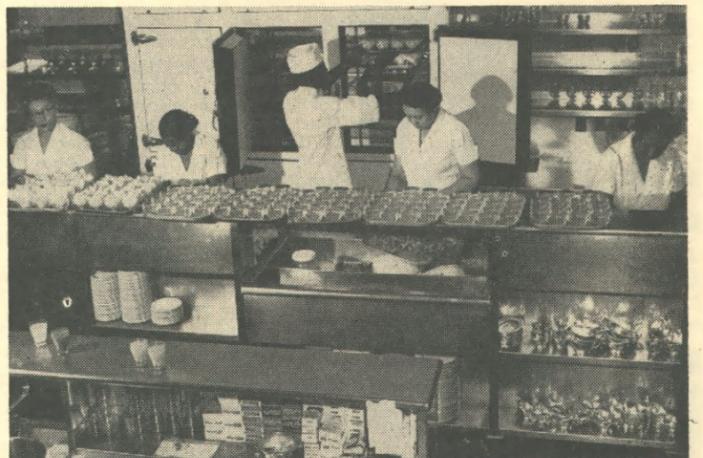


KING'S ARMS Busily preparing a large batch of sandwiches are King's Arms cooks Sue Brown and Roy Banks. Since all of the tavern's waiters work on a part-time basis, 60 college boys are needed to handle the same amount of work as could be accomplished by 15 full time waiters. This, however, has provided work for more than 700 W & M students over a period of years.

Proud Parents

Born:

- to Howard Dandridge (I & L), daughter Linda Henriette, 7 lbs. 11 oz., on March 10.
- to Irvin Reid (I & L), a 6 lb. 11 oz. son, Cecil J., on April 1.
- to Thomas Crump (I & L), a daughter Daryl Laverne, on April 4; weight: 7 lbs. 8 oz.
- to Daisy White (I & L), a 6 lb. 12 oz. boy, Milton Edward, on April 7.
- to Edgar R. Myers (I & L), a girl, Susan Elaine, 7 lbs. 7 oz., on April 9.
- to Charles L. White (I & L), an 8½ lb. son, Charles Nixon, on April 9.



INN PANTRY The preparation of deserts, salads, and appetizers, in tremendous quantities keeps an efficient staff of pantry employees busy most of the day. Shown here are (l. to r.) Mary White, Elizabeth Johnson, James Douglas, Frances Green, and Ethel Kelly.



DISCUSSION Hotel Managers Bill Batchelder (l.) and Tommy Moyles hold a brief pow-wow on wine service with Headwaiters Alphonse Pierce (center), Charles Speight (right), and Catering manager John Egan. While officially members of the Catering Department, waiters at the Inn and Lodge are supervised by the respective hotel managers.

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