# NEWS

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## C&M #3, Banks' Team Take Bowling Leads

Pete Tucker's Team, C&M #3, romped home as the first half champions in the CW Men's Bowling League and cinched a spot in the roll-off with the second half titlist for the League championship in April.

The still-young second half competition was marked in the past two weeks with new and smashed records. First Ralph Bowers set a new high game score of 156:

AVERAGES ON PAGE 6 then last Tuesday, Pete Tucker rolled a blazing 159 to supplant Ralph's mark.

In the Women's League, Wicky Banks' team vaulted from third place into a tie for first when they swept three games from Mary Lee Fitzgerald's outfit. Casey Miller's team holds top spot in the loop.

## WORLD-WIDE TALKS BROADCAST HERE

Williamsburg will be heard round-theworld on Monday, February 27th, when General George C. Marshall, former Secretary of State and wartime Chief-of-Staff, and CW's Board Chairman John D. Rockefeller, 3rd, address the four national winners of the Voice of Democracy contest in the House of Burgesses chamber of the Capitol.

The broadcast of the event, which will be heard from 5 to 5:30 P. M. on Monday, will be carried over the full network of CBS and beamed to the youth of the world over the Voice of America's transmitters.

The historic event will take place at the Capitol at 2 P. M. with the senior classes of Matthew Whaley and Bruton Heights Schools in attendance along with the four national winners and distinguished guests. It will climax a full week-end in the city for the four high school students who won the nationwide Voice of Democracy contest in competition among over a million students throughout the nation. The winners of the contest last year also visited Williamsburg as part of their award trip. The contest is sponsored by the National Association of Broadcasters, the U. S. Jr. Chamber of Commerce and the Radio Manufacturers Association.

The four winners, two boys and two girls, will arrive in Williamsburg on Saturday afternoon after a week of award-winning activities in Washington. They will spend the week-end touring the city and nearby historic places.

NEWS & COMMENT

EWS DOWN AROUND Dave Morton's bustling East Wing addition to the Inn is that the 44-room unit may be pressed into use before there is a chance for a formal opening, such being the gratifying urgency for hotel rooms, hereabouts. You will remember the new Lodge annex was similarly pressed into use right on the heels of Charlie Hackett's forces. It is expected that a number of the new Inn guest rooms will be ready for use after March 1st, but the formal opening will have to be delayed until about March 25 since the lounge is the last portion to be plastered. It is necessary to wait until the plaster is thoroughly dry before applying paint to the walls and ceiling. Most of the new furniture has arrived and draperies are to be hung this week.

So that the new wing with its sparkling white-painted brick doesn't show up the older portion, all exterior brickwork on the north and west sides, including chimneys, will be painted as soon as weather conditions permit.

T COMES AS GOOD NEWS to hear that our Board Chairman, Mr. Rockefeller, 3rd, will, like Kenneth Chorley, have offices in Williamsburg. It indicates longer and more frequent contacts with our Chief Executive Officer and reflects his lively interest in CW.

W. H. "Ping" Ferry of Earl Newsom & Company also is a frequent visitor these days as a result of the retention of the Newsom organization in a continuing, advisory capacity to work closely with the CW staff on public relations problems. One of the chief purposes of the new arrangement will be to give staff members the advantage of advice and assistance in developing specific phases of their work. Newsom & Co. also will work in an advisory capacity with Kerk Burbank and John Goodbody on their special assignment. "task force" has acquired a name - "Special Survey Committee" - and a top-flight helper and secretary, Irma Williams.

#### ARCHAEOLOGY WORK

Jimmy Knight and his staff of diggers have been busy in the past few weeks conducting excavations on the Moir property at the corner of Henry and Duke of Gloucester Streets across from the A&P. Successful results of the digging can be seen in the familiar worn brick foundations unearthed on the lot.

The Frenchman's Map of 1782, reveals that a large rectangular building measuring sixty by twenty feet stood on the lot. It was used for awhile as a shop, then as a residence.

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C&M NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. William Bentien attended the Silver Tea given at Providence Hall on February 7, 1950....Irma and Monier Williams have returned from Florida where they spent a month's vacation. We are sorry to hear that Monier was ill part of this time.

Lucille Cooke is proudly displaying a driver's license which she received a few weeks ago.....Schuyler Roberts, who has been ill, hopes he will be back with us soon. Charles Hackett and Thelma Good have also been out because of sickness.

— Lucille Cooke

HE WINTER, and especially the last month or so, has seemed the busiest ever -- the legislature meeting, Forum, group meetings at the hotels, construction, special projects, etc -- and special credits are due to many persons in too many departments to try to single out any here. The General Assembly Sessions at the Capitol went off without a hitch with all the legislators enjoying the junket to the utmost, the Forum was received as well, if not better, than last year, and the hotels have handled such groups as the International Bank Directors, National Park Supervisors, Retail Clothiers, and the Mutual Insurance Group with their usual aplomb.

## SYMPOSIUM PREPARATIONS SET

Next in line on the winter calendar is the Colonial House and Garden Symposium and arrangements are reported well advanced by the hard working committee which draws talent from virtually every department.

The first week's session is just around the corner, beginning February 27, and the second five-day session will begin on the succeeding Monday. The Symposium this year represents a broadening of the Flower and Garden Symposiums held in past years with the addition of architecture and small homes as subjects for discussion and examination by the registrants from throughout the nation who will be in attendance.

House & Garden Magazine is joining with CW in the sponsorship of the Symposium and members of the staff will participate in the sessions. There will be daily talks by outstanding authorities, special entertainments and Symposium registrants will consee many colonial homes on the tours, such as the James Anderson House where Ed Kendrew lives and the Bryan House where pthe Carrolls live.

Employee attendance at the Symposium sessions will follow the same pattern as set for the Antiques Forum so that no imposition is made on the privileges of paying guests. If an employee has the permission of his department head to be absent from work or the session comes at a time when he (or she) is off-duty, admission at the day sessions at the Reception Center may be gained by presentation of the Employee Pass. Employee admission for the evening sessions will be governed by special tickets to avoid overcrowding and leave enough seats for subscribers. Employees may obtain tickets for themselves and wives or husbands while they last by personally applying at the Reception Center information desk on the day of the session. They will be doled out on the first come, first served basis.

Bela Norton and Albert Kornfeld, editor of House & Garden, will extend greetings at the opening session on Monday, Feb. 27, followed by a talk, "We Are No Longer Colonials," by Joseph Hudnut, Dean of Harvard's Graduate School of Design. Ed Alexander will preside at the opening session. Many of our CW experts will lead discussions, conduct tours and speak during the Symposium sessions.

FORUM CHUCKLES

Not everything attached to the recent Antiques and Decorations Forum was the serious straight-faced things one would associate with aged furniture, paintings and glass. Alma Lee Rowe, major-domo of registrations for the Forum, as well as the forthcoming Symposium, has supplied us with several amusing anecdotes concerning the people who attended. There is the story, for instance, of the lady who registered for the Forum as far back as last May, but cancelled it in December with the terse message, "I have since married, and my husband cares only for modern furniture."

A lady and her daughter from Buffalo attended last year's Forum, and were so enthusiastic they went home and enlisted the interest of what seems to be the whole family; father and mother, son and daughter-in-law, daughter and son-in-law. All registered for the third session this year.

One couple from Clovis, New Mexico, dent their check for last year's Forum, but no space was available, and the fees had to be returned; the letter that accompanied the returned check was dated January 10, 1949. It was saved and sent back to us this year with the date line, January 5, 1950 and a note reading, "You said you would find a place for us this year—so here is our check."

## CW PLAYMAKERS PLAN OLD COMEDY

"Dr. Last in His Chariot," a take-off on hypochondriacs and quack doctors, has been selected for presentation this spring at the Reception Center as part of the Interpretation Division's revival of colonial theatrical life.

The 18th century comedy will be given weekly on Friday nights during April and May beginning Friday, April 7. As during the successful "run" of "The Cheats of Scapin" at the Reception Center last spring and fall, the old play will be given in costume and with numerous reminders of the colonial theater - candelabra, candle footlights, simple sets, etc.

Impresario Dick Showman reports that Director Howard Scammon already has started work with the cast, and other preparations for the dramatic activities of CW life are well underway. The comic Jeep Friedman will head the cast of W&M students for the production. Roger Sherman and his wife, both of the W&M Theatre, will assist in staging the production, and Mrs. Sherman has already started on the costumes.

The play, "Dr. Last in His Chariot," is an 18th century adaptation by Bickerstaff and Foote of a Moliere play, and is in three acts. According to CW researchers, it was popular in England during the 1700's and was given in the colonies. The plot revolves around a man's imaginary ailments and his recourse to a series of doctors.

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#### DAN S. JONES

Daniel Selden Jones, 68, a retired employee of CW, passed away on February 2nd at Buxton Hospital in Newport News. He had approximately six years service with CW and had served as a jailer at the Public Gaol. He was retired from CW in August. 1947.

## CONGRATS FOR LENGTHY SERVICE

Winifred Mackey (Exhib. Bldgs.)
10 years on January 28th
Thomas Potter (WI&L)
10 years on January 26th
Harry T. Peoples (C&M)
15 years on January 24th
Elizabeth Stubbs (Accounting)
20 years in January 28th
Granville Patrick (C&M)
20 years on February 17th

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BULLMAN TAKES OVER AS NEW CABINETMAKER

Louis K. Bullman, of Norfolk, has recently joined the Division of Interpretation, taking over the position of Cabinetmaker recently held by Joseph Kobelbauer. The new cabinetmaker has had a lifetime of experience in his field. and has specialized in the restoration and reproduction of old pieces of furniture. In business in New Jersey for a number of years, his work was very much in demand, but when war broke out, he joined the Seabees and was sent to Norfolk. While there, he acted as instructor in the carpentry schools, and many admirals' offices today contain "desks by Bullman." When the war ended, he opened a shop in Norfolk, from which he came to Colonial Williamsburg early this month.

The Ayscough Shop will be run, as usual, in the typical 18th century style, with master and apprentice turning out furniture made to order. In this case, it will be Louis and assistant Arthur Sedille at work, taking some time out to help Gus Klapper with his nearly completed press.

Ruddy, mustached Louis Bullman is anxious to start producing in his new shop, and is also eager to join the ranks of CW's Bowling League. He plans to have his wife join him in Williamsburg as soon as possible, but meanwhile, he's a Monday through Friday bachelor.

### HOME OWNERS POOL THOUGHTS

After several years of dreaming and watching soaring construction costs, Colonel Leslie Wheat, master-mind of supply for the Goodwin Building, has decided to start building his long-thought-of home on Griffin Avenue. Among other things, one of the major reasons for his immediate decision for dream-realization is the help and counsel he has received from fellow townsfolk through Home Owner's Advisory Council.

As a case in point, the Wheat house provides an excellent example of what the community group, which includes a large number of CWites, is doing to prevent any Mr. Blanding's in Williamsburg. Col. Wheat's house will be the first evidence of a pooling of minds that provides members of the Council with expert advice on architecture, plumbing, furnishings, landscaping, heating, and many other details of home construction.

A Pooling of Building Resources

One of the first such community organizations of its kind, the Home Owner's Advisory Council was formed last fall to provide cooperation in solving homebuilding and furnishing problems. Since housing represents a real problem to many in the city and current high costs of construction pose difficulties of making every dollar count, the founders of the group believed that a pooling of resources of information about building would help them and their neighbors build more wisely and economically.

Members who are painters, for example, advise on kinds and colors of paints, architects help check blueprints, and electricians help plan wiring systems. CW architect Joe Jenkins, who is president of the group, says that membership offers "an opportunity for discussion of matters of mutual interest and for the exchange of advice, ideas, and information."

In addition, members periodically hear speakers in further discussion of homebuilding problems through the educational program developed by the Council. Two of CW's architectural staff, Sing Moorehead and Alden Hopkins, already have addressed the group and other speakers are planned.

Open Membership

The Advisory Council is a non-profit organization and membership is open to anyone interested in building in the near future. Other officers, besides Jenkins, are Col. Wheat, vice-president, and Vernon Knapp, secretary-treasurer. The executive committee is composed of all the chairmen of the permanent committees - Charlie Hackett, Randy Lee, Col. Wheat, W. R. Cosby, Dr. Bare, and Professor Banner.

#### SOCIAL SECURITY DEDUCTIONS

WRI employees probably did a double-take at their paycheck last month and wondered who was lopping off pennies. A white slip included, however, explained that the Federal Social Security Act provided for an increase on January 1, 1950, from 1% to 1½%.

Accordingly, beginning with the January 1 paycheck, WRI employees had a little bigger amount deducted for Social Security than before. For every \$1. deducted last year, \$1.50 must be

deducted this year.

The law also provides that the employer's tax be increased by the same amount. Thus WRI has to pay in the employees' behalf 50% additional tax which together with that paid by employees makes up the Federal old age and survivor benefits granted by law. Last year the company paid \$15,313.00 out of its own funds to help provide these future benefits and the matching funds paid by WRI in 1950 will probably amount to at least \$23,169.

## INDIVIDUAL AVERAGES OF BOTH CW LEAGUES

Standings in the Men's League as of February 15, 1950: (Figures in parentheses indicate games bowled.)

Bullman (31)	113	Parker (54)	96
Tucker (54)	110	Upshaw (51)	96
Bowers (51)	110	Lee, E. J. (48)	96
Evans (54)	106	Goodson (56)	96
			95
White (54)	105	Landon (51)	
Beninato (37)	104	Goodbody (44)	95
Peet (47)	104	Winn (42)	95
Grattan (51)	103	Spratley (46)	95
Kendrew (44)	103	Jackson (57)	95
Sparks (49)	102	Frechette (51)	94
Peters (57)	101	Jones (51)	93
Williams, T. (38)	100	Tait (54)	91
Eaton (51)	98	Frank (38)	91
Cocke (45)	98	Lee, E. R. (53)	91
Smoot (51)	98	Beebe (30)	89
Pagano (27)	98	Buchanan (57)	88
Hackett (27)	98	Campioli (39)	88
Williams, M. (44)	98	Bennett (48)	88
Koch (48)	97	Loughrie (17)	87
	97	Holland (21)	86
Blackwell (54)			86
Williams, R. (53)	97	Clothier (46)	
Townsend (18)	97	Egan (15)	83
Burrage (12)	97	Talley (30)	80

#### LEAGUE STANDINGS (Second Half):

Team	Wo	L.	
Pencil Pushers	12	3	.800
Accounting	10	5	.667
C&M #3	10	5	.667
WI&L	9	6	.600
Rinky Dinks	6	9	.400
C&M #1	5	10	.333
C&M #2	5	10	.333
T Squares	3	12	.200

High Individual Game - Tucker (C&M #3) 159
High Individual Set - Tucker (C&M #3) 394
High Team Game - Pencil Pushers 577
High Team Set - Pencil Pushers 1608

Standings in the Women's League as of February 14, 1950: (Figures in parentheses indicate games bowled.)

Hudson (52)	93.5
Burgess (55)	90.8
Stevens (43)	89.8
King (46)	88.8
	86.9
Boswell (15)	
Miller (58)	86.7
Minor (51)	85.7
McCoy (54)	85.6
Evans (30)	84.7
Tait (21)	84.6
Raiter (58)	84
Callaway (27)	83.6
White (51)	83.3
Good (30)	82.6
Churchill (48)	81.5
Johnson (27)	81.5
Tucker (23)	81.1
Williams (31)	80.4
Crowder (44)	79.9
	79.5
Koch (48)	
Alexander (37)	79.4
Moses (28)	78.5
Hall (19)	76.8
Bippus (21)	76.2
Banks (47)	74.8
Marston (30)	73.8
Bush (42)	73.7
Fitzgerald (46)	72.6
Fletcher (45)	72.3
Goodbody (34)	69.5
Hedgebeth (18)	68.4
Rowe (28)	67.7
Popular (20)	62.1
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#### LEAGUE STANDINGS (Second Half):

#2	Miller	10	5	.666
#4	Banks	10	5	.666
#3	White	8	7	.533
#1	Fitzgerald	2	13	.133

High Individual Game - Miller, 118
High Individual Set - Hudson, 310
High Team Game - #4 & #3, 464
High Team Set - #3, 1300

## QUESTIONNAIRES SHOW GUEST PREFERENCES

Williamsburg is more popular as a rest resort in the cool months of the year than in the late Spring and Summer, according to results of a survey of opinion of visitors at the Inn and Lodge.

Although too few questionnaires have been issued to establish an iron-clad trend, significant fluctuations which would point to such a belief have been noted.

In April and July, 26% of those who filled in the questionnaires at the Inn declared that they came here to rest. In March, 39% gave rest as the reason for their visit, and in the recently-compiled September-October Poll, 34% named that as one of their major reasons.

Although some of the visitors gave rest and sightseeing as combined causes of their coming here, accompanying decreases were noted in the number of patrons at the two hotels who came for sightseeing purposes.

Cause for speculation on the traveling habits of the American public in the various seasons of the year also was pointed up by the polls, with the evidence tending to indicate that travel results far less from advance planning in the summer than in other seasons. Approximately 90% of those who answered the questionnaires in April and the September-October period had selected their hotels before they left home. In July, at the height of the Summer travel season, however, the percentage had fallen below 80%.

In March and September-October, also, 76% and 77%, respectively, indicated they had made their hotel reservations in advance. Only 64% did so in July.

Word-of-mouth advertising (that is, the recommendations of friends and relatives who had been here previously) proved the most effective method of drawing the visitors to Williamsburg, with more than 70% of the visitors in-

#### THEATRE RUNS CONTINUOUS

Happy Halligan's flicker palace, the Williamsburg Theatre, is currently conducting an experiment in continuous programs, beginning at 3 o'clock each afternoon, and running steadily through until 11 p. m.

The trial period of continuous showings was begun last Monday, and will go on for another week. After that, the schedule will revert back to its old program of 4, 7, and 9 o'clock showings, unless the popularity of the continuous program is great enough to justify a permanent change.

The main advantage of the new schedule, Hap says, is in the fact that his clientele can "drop in any time."

dicating that was one of the primary causes of their coming here.

Newspaper and magazine articles contributed to this impact in 27% of those who participated in the poll.

Although 17.5% said they were influenced primarily by CW's advertising program, the participants gave what was perhaps an unwitting endorsement of the program when more than 70% said they had noticed the advertisements and, to back up that statement, 55% were able to tell and correctly - where ads appeared.

Williamsburg's general atmosphere continued to lead as major source of enjoyment to the visitors, although the exhibition buildings and the hotel facilities were close behind.

Something of a seasonal pattern was offered in the number of those making suggestions for improvement of the hotel services and in the number offering unsolicited praise. In the March and September-October periods, the percentages offering suggestions (and such suggestions are solicited in each questionnaire) was about equal to those in praise of the program and facilities. In the April and July periods, however, the percentage offering praise was considerably higher than that making suggestions.

## MR. SCRIVENER KITCHEN

DUKE OF GLOUCESTER STREET WILLIAMSBURG, VA., U.S.A.

Wiesbaden, January 15th, 1950

Dear Mr. Kitchen,

I was really very much surprised to receive such a wonderful gift-package shortly before Christmas and since I was informed that you are the kind donor, I would not miss to express my gratitude. Your gift has enabled me, to celebrate a Christmas, which otherwise would have been a very poor-one, as it was for so many years, since my husband was killed in an concentration-camp.

Please excuse my having written so late, but your act of unselfish friendship has deeply touched me and I was seeking very long to find the right words.

It is a wonderful feeling to know, that there are still people, willing to help others, if necessary, and that feeling has given me new strength. And besides the welcomed material help it is this new strength I am especially grateful for.

God bess you.

With best wishes, also for a Happy New Year, I am, dear Mr. Kitchen

Yours very gratefully

(signed) Wilhelmina Christ 10 Eleonorenstr, Weisbaden Laind Hesse, U.S. Zone, Germany

NOTE: The letter above was received "Mit Luftpost" in reply to the food parcel sent by CW employees through CARE in Mr. Scrivener Kitchen's name. Since Mr. Kitchen is a hypothetical character, created through addressograph mishap, the beautifully expressed and sincere thanks are hereby transmitted to those who contributed for the parcel. Happily, Frau Christ writes a splendid hand of English causing no strain on the translating abilities of the Editors.

#### ACCOUNTING NEWS

Elizabeth Stubb's twentieth year of service was celebrated on January 27 with a party given for her by the department and friends in the organization.

Peggy Fisher's husband, B.A., graduated February 3 from William and Mary and is now employed by Easley Accounting Firm here in Williamsburg....Lillian Bush attended a dinner party at the Chamberlain last week. -Bernice Hudson

#### ARCHIVES AND RESEARCH NEWS

Pierce Middleton's family has returned from a trip to Sarasota, Fla.
His mother has paid him a visit while his father was in the Netherlands....

The first third of the <u>Virginia</u>

<u>Gazette Index</u> has gone to press. The

Index is a project that has gone on for
a long time and as a result of nearing
completion it has moved down into the
Search Room. —Dorothy Schwarz



#### Visitors . . .



Congressman Franklin D. Roosevelt, Jr., and his wife take out a map as typical tourists during their recent stay at the Inn.



Chef Fred Crawford shows Inn kitchen equipment to visiting European inn-keepers brought under the ECA program as John Egan looks on.

### Ledger - men

Keeping a close tab on winter business, Ernie Lee (standing), WI&L accounting mogul, casts an appraising eye at the latest totals as Jack Milligan pens a few more digits. For more details on Ernie see next page.





ACCOUNTANTS AND VISITORS look on as Elizabeth Stubbs receives her 20-year service recognition bin from John D. Rockefeller. 3rd. during appropriate ceremonies this month.

# Accounting by Gee

When you pay for a hamburger, a round of golf or a room in John Green's farflung WI&L empire, Ernie Lee will know about it. From his desk in the Lodge West Wing basement he can tell just what's going on in the many WI&L units from statistics carefully compiled by his able Accounting Office staff.

The hamburger will appear as a meal served, the room under guest occupancy and the round of golf under golf course totals, a column to which Ernie Lee has personally contributed a lot. These and many other daily figures are part of the daily operating procedure of our hotels that puts a pulse-feeling finger on the state of business at any moment.

Reports and Reports

The WI&L Accounting Office, unique in hoteldom because of the large number and variety of units served as well as the amount of business, handles all of the accounting operations for the hotels and supplies CW Treasurer Rod Jones' office with a stream of figures and statistics for integration with the overall CW fiscal picture. Daily reports sent up cover everything from the weather to the number of guests served, laundry done, and rooms rented for each day, the month and the year with comparative figures for the preceding year.

With a staff of approximately 25, Ernie Lee, figuratively speaking, has his finger in every till. General Cashier John Clothier, for example, has cashiers and sub-cashiers for all units such as the Coffee Shop, dining rooms at the Inn and Lodge, Travis House, etc., and daily collects the moneys from these and other points such as the front desks, gift shops, tennis courts, swimming pool, and Travel Office for checking against sales reports and then deposits at the bank. In addition cash amounting at times to \$20,000 must be put out for change purposes. Paymaster Ralph Moody makes up the semi-monthly payroll for the entire WI&L staff numbering roughly 430 persons and then issues the checks after they have been written by Grace Raiter's office uptown. Sports enthusiast Warfield Winn is Ernie's good right arm in the operation of the Accounting Office and keeps an eye on food and beverage control to see that accurate records, translated into dollars and cents, are maintained for the receipt and disbursement of all raw food stuffs, china, silverware, etc. Just for example, the amount of food Lodge Chef John Mack Williams uses for a meal must be checked off so that an accurate count of supplies is up to date at all times and food costs may be computed. Also for purposes of this control,

the timekeepers and watchmen come under Ernie Lee's domain.

Night Auditors

Considerable midnight oil is comsumed by the accountants in the line of business. The corps of night auditors including Fred Tozier, Harold Lyon, Fred Caster and Mabel Duke pour over the day's fiscal activities after 11 p.m. each night placing the proper charges on guest accounts and preparing cumulative reports. (continued on next page)

ACCOUNTING BY LEE (continued from page 9)

The center of this smooth and well-organized accounting operation is in the Lodge West Wing offices where Lelia Frances Winn, Pauline Riley, Elizabeth Marlowe, Jack Milligan, David Holmes, Raymond Townsend and others compute and figure amid plush surroundings. The air conditioning is considered only right for an accountant's life. Just down the basement corridor is Frances Burns' Reservation Office creating more guest days by the minute.

As many as a half million restaurant checks will pass through the Accounting Office for checking each year as well as upwards of 100,000 guest bills and thousands of invoices, checks, vouchers and forms. In the midst of this tall, be-spectacled Ernest J. Lee remains remarkably calm, considering that a misplaced decimal point could take months of searching before the figures would balance again.

He has developed his eye for decimals over years of training, however. Born at the turn of the century in Lawrence, Mass., Ernie traces his clerical and accounting experience back through service with the American Woolen Co., the T. L. Gatewood Co., of New York and thirteen years with the Vanderbilt Hotel Corporation covering the Vanderbilt Hotel in New York and the Bonair in Augusta, Georgia. He is a graduate of the Lawrence, Mass., high school and studied at Boston University and Pace Institute. producer of some of the nation's best dollars and cents men.

This May, Ernie will celebrate his ninth anniversary with CW. He came here in 1941 as assistant to John Byrnes and became head of the WI&L Accounting Office in 1947. Somewhere along his travels, probably in the rolling green grass of Georgia, Ernie picked up a predilection for golf, and as he says, he still "tries to play at. it." His other athletic achievements include a very respectable 96 in league play with the CW bowling outfit.

Ernie, with wife Florence and daughter Barbara, live out at Palace Farms.

Barbara, age 13, is a student at Matthew Whaley.

Generally, things go smoothly among the hotel accountants but occasionally something comes along that calls for a change in the procedure. One such is the handling of registrants for the Antiques Forum and Garden Symposium. Normally the hotels are operated on the European plan in which room and meals are charged for separately. But to accommodate the Forum and Symposium guests, an American plan rate is worked out where one flat charge is made for all meals and room. This calls for a complete and temporary change of nearly the entire system. "It takes a bit of manipulating around, but we manage," says Ernie.

Another related problem is when cancellations of registrations for the two aforementioned events occur. Then the registration fee must be refunded and proper entries made in the proper books.

Like any good accountant, it hurts Ernie to see money going out rather than coming in.

#### BROUWERS TO SPEAK

J. B. Brouwers, landscape superintendent, will speak at a meeting of the Southern Shade Tree conference to be held in Wilmington, N. C., on March 4 in connection with the Azalea Festival. His subject will be "Some Good and Poor Trees for the Middle Atlantic States."

#### ATTENDS LAUNDRY INSTITUTE

Armond Campbell, laundry superintendent, is attending the mid-winter course of the National Institute of Cleaning and Dyeing at Silver Spring, Md. The course continues through March 25 and is considered the outstanding course in dry cleaning in the United States.

#### C & M I TEMS

Bill Keller is currently enjoying his annual vacation plus an additional two weeks for twenty years service.... Recently employed in C&M are field engineers George B. Geddy, Jr., of Williamsburg and John W. Lawson of Newport News.

James W. Hines, construction foreman has returned from a reportedly pleasant vacation.

The new Inn addition is a veritable beehive of workmen. There are plumbers, painters, electricians, carpenters, plasterers, floor coverers, window washers, decorators, housekeepers (yes, already), etc. To the layman confusion reigns, but actually everyone is getting a job done. Dave Morton and his cohorts have this project licked and everything looks swell. Reports indicate guest rooms will be occupied late this month with formal opening in March.

Roy Tait, assistant to Bud Odell, was recently appointed a member of CW Safety Committee....While "Red" Vaughan has been away on vacation, Tommy Holland has been pinch-hitting for him.

Oscar Millard, paint section, has

been confined to his home in Newport
News for several days by illness....
A power hacksaw has been installed in
the blacksmith shop at the warehouse.
This equipment will save many hours of
hand sawing and tourch cutting for
Charlie Peterson and his assistants.

Victor Petersen has returned to work in the paint shop after a prolonged absence due to injury suffered in an automobile accident....Nathan Talcott, Linwood Jones and Calvin Jones are recent vacationers from the landscape section.

David Wallace has the foundation well under way for his new home in Highland Park....Elnorris Taylor and family recently visited friends and relatives in Toano....Bill Williams, Robert Webb's man Friday, has been named for a part in the forthcoming play "No More Peace" at William and Mary Theatre. Production is scheduled for early March.

Roosevelt Harris and family spent the past week-end in Hampton, visiting Mrs. Harris' mother....Among C&M field employees there are thirty-two with a total service of approximately four hundred and seventy-seven years. Small wonder this department is often accused of taking a long time to do a job.

-W. D. McPherson

#### RECIPE OF THE MONTH

#### Williamsburg Inn Claridge Sauce

1/4 Teaspoon Tabasco Sauce

1/8 Tablespoon Onion Juice

1 Teaspoon Worcestershire Sauce

1 Teaspoon Lemon Juice

3/4 Tablespoons Horseradish

1 1/2 Cups Tomato Catsup

1/6 Teaspoon Salt

1 1/2 Cups Mayonnaise

This recipe yields approximately three cups, and may be kept in a closed jar in the refrigerator. The sauce is excellent with shrimp cocktail or crabmeat cocktail.

## HOSTESS BRIEFS

Three sessions of the Forum and a visit of the General Assembly launched the New Year and put January and February in the ranks of the most eventful months. Everyone, in best bib and tucker, has been on the job to welcome and entertain the guests. It was pleasant to see among the arrivals each week so many who had been Forum guests last year - sincere testimony to their enjoyment of the first occasion.

As the week progressed it was evident that the Forum of 1950 would also be an occasion to be remembered with pleasure....At the receptions at the Palace, which concluded each week of events, guests lingered long, reluctant to end their visit.

The House and Garden Symposium is next on the calendar. Increased attendance in the buildings already indicates that spring is in the air, the doldrums past.

Personal news is rather scarce.
There are several welcome newcomers among the hostesses....Crata Popular, who has been living at Camp Peary for some time, and Margaret Grey (who, with her husband, Rev. John Grey, came to Williamsburg recently from Raleigh, N. C.) both donned farthingales in time for the Forum....
Mary Kennedy, who helped at the Wythe House last summer, returned to Williamsburg and again lent a hand.

Annette Wattles, who moved to Berryville, Va. in late December, came back for the Forum, staying with friends and helping in the buildings.....It was good to see Mackie Lane in costume again. She was given a warm welcome when she appeared at the reception at the Palace.
....Herbert Clarke was transplanted from the Magazine to the tap room at the Raleigh for the afternoon hours during the Forum. He confessed that he would have been happier in a tap room not so dry, but he succeeded, nevertheless, in making it most interesting to guests.

June Bocock, who has been visiting her children, first in Allentown, Pa., and now in Cambridge, Mass., reports the arrival of a new little granddaughter, Mary Maclin Guerard, born January 22 at Cambridge to Mr. and Mrs. Albert Guerard.
...Fannie Lou Stryker's daughter, Evelyn, who has been for 2½ years with the firm of Harper Brothers, publishers, in New York, has accepted a position as secretary with Dr. Daniel A. Poling, internationally known religious leader.

"Te" and John Henderson went to Warrenton recently to visit Ruth and Wash Reed....Carrie Lee had a pleasant visit with her son, Ed, and his family in Washington, D. C....On the 28th of January, Winnie Macky passed a milestone, her tenth anniversary as a hostess.

The death of Mr. Frank Adolph brought sadness to all of us. Our deepest sympathy goes out to Mildred in her bereavement.

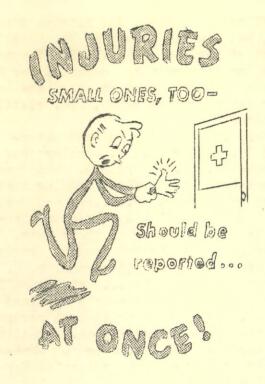
Grace Bozarth, a former hostess, was back to help during the Forum....
"Lib" Kent and May Thompson, former hostesses, joined us again to interpret the Wren Building during the Forum.

-M. Daniel

#### RED-LETTER DATES ON THE WILLIAMSBURG HISTORICAL CALENDAR

March 12, 1773

Committee of Correspondence (consisting of eleven persons, among whom were Peyton Randolph, Edmund Pendleton, Patrick Henry, Dabney Carr, and Thomas Jefferson) appointed by Assembly to communicate with other colonies concerning colonial affairs.



## Interpretation division

On February 1 John Goodbody relinquished his executive's desk and chair to Casey Miller who will serve as acting director of the Publications Department while he is part of the "task force." John has set up an office in the old Planning Office for the time being.

Joan Parry, formerly of Buckinghamshire, England, is working as an editorial associate in the Publications Department temporarily.....Joan and Casey journeyed to Richmond February 6 with the Cappons to hear Arthur Rubenstein.

Johnny Hanford's mother, Mrs. E. J. Hanford of Scarsdale, New York, is visiting him. Jack Turner spent two weeks in Miami during January visiting his mother.

—Frances White

#### CRAFT HOUSE NEWS

Betty Cross has moved from Mimosa Drive to Waller Mill Road....Clara Oliver poured for the DAR Tea which was held at Providence Hall on February 7. This date commemorates the 25th Anniversary of this Chapter in Williamsburg.... Page Folk spent the week-end of the 4th on Eastern Shore visiting relatives....

Clara Charlton has been busy dashing to Norfolk to visit her sister, Mrs. Jack Tucker, who gave birth to a seven pound, fifteen ounce boy, born on February 5.....Sue Harris attended the Dorrier-Hutcheson wedding in Richmond on February 4....Betty Cahall has been up to her elbows in paint as a result of her move to her kitchen on Middle Plantation Hill.

Ann Read and Betty Cahall visited Clark County, Va., en route to Washington where they viewed the Hapsburg Collection at the National Art Galleries in Washington, D. C. Ann flew to New York to motor back with her mother, Mrs. C. Walker Smith, who is to spend the rest of the winter in Williamsburg.....Caroline Cochran returned to Richmond with friends among the General Assembly after the meeting here, and attended a dinner dance at the Commonwealth Club. Caroline had Mrs. Thomas Wattles. formerly of Williamsburg - now of Berryville, Va. - as her guest for a week during the Antiques Forum.

Catharine R. Dorrier is back at work again after having been on vacation. While out of town she visited relatives in Waynesboro, Va., and attended her brother's wedding in Richmond....Arthur London of the Shipping Department moved from 404 to 204 Armistead Ave.....Rosalie Minkins went to Washington, D. C. and Montgomery County in Maryland with the Junior Choir of St. John's Church, which sang at New Hope Baptist Church and the Mandonia Church respectively.....Matthew Howard spent a week's vacation from Craft House, resting in town.

-Edith Odell

SUGGESTION SYSTEM

If the persons who submitted the following suggestions will call at the Personnel Relations office in the Goodwin Building, explanations as to the disposition of their suggestions will be given:

No. 4882 & No. 4888

## ARCHITECTURAL NOTES

Alden Hopkins and Ed Kendrew will appear on television February 24 advertising the Colonial House & Garden Symposium....Sing Moorehead spent the weekend at Charlottesville visiting his mother who is staying at the Farmington Club.

Several strips of old wallpaper were found in the Brush House beneath the cornice molding of the Northeast first floor room. A sample was sent to Katzenbach and Warren Company by Mr. Upshur for examination and tests by their research department. The following report was received: "It is my opinion that this paper is late 18th Century, probably somewhere between 1760 and 1780. I base this opinion on the character of the design, its coloring, printing and the quality of the paper."

The Jensens have moved to their new home, 626 Oakland Avenue, Hilton Village....The Kochers had Harold Shoemaker, landscape architect, as a luncheon guest. Mr. Shoemaker attended the Antiques Forum....The Joe Jenkins entertained Miss Frances Gimbel of Hagerstown, Md....Wilma Joines' husband, Jim, graduated from the College of William and Mary and is now attending Law School there.

Helen Geddy's husband, Chuck, graduated from college, also, and will continue his education at Georgia Tech.... Al Wallace has joined the Architectural Department; he is replacing Oscar Cooke. —Miriam Shea

### WIGL NEWS

Elizabeth Pollok, Inn kitchen supervisor, has gone to Danville, Va. to visit her mother for two weeks....Sam Thomas of the Inn Storeroom has departed for his vacation in North Carolina....Isabella Brayer is in Daytona Beach, Fla. visiting her sister.

Mary Wood and her husband entertained Dr. and Mrs. J. B. Hundley over the week-end....Mr. and Mrs. John Egan will celebrate their first wedding anniversary on February 26....Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Honeycutt are busy these days refinishing the interior of their home.

Letha Booth has returned to Travis
House after visiting Wilmington, N. C.
and Daytona Beach, Fla...Gertrude Ball
is recovering from a recently sprained
foot....Geraldine Smith is home recuperating from a recent operation...Lucille
Smith was in Crewe, Va. over the week-end
visiting her mother who is leaving for
New Orleans.

Kay Meier and her husband were in Norfolk recently visiting their families. .... Sue Williams has been sick a few days from a tooth infection.... Chef John Mack Williams has just returned from his vacation.... Emma and Robert Lockly of the Lodge Kitchen are leaving for their vacations on February 11.... Woodrow Johnson has had several sick children in his family of five boys recently, but they are recovering rapidly.

Pernell Johnson's husband, Clarence, is recovering from a recent operation...

Thomas Wallace and his scout troop recently spent a week-end at camp....Viola Curitan has just returned from a vacation in New Jersey.....George Jones left on February 7 for his vacation....David Whitehead has been confined to his home during the past week with illness.

-Clinton Quigley

Eloise Blackwell and Norma Bamman plan to leave the last of February to spend a week in New York City. They will WI&L (Continued)

go up through the country and visit friends on the way. Much of their time in The City will be given over to attending the latest Broadway hits.....John Green has returned to his office after a three week vacation with his wife in Florida, where they visited Mrs. Green's family.

A new face around the Inn and Lodge is that of Elizabeth Bailey who has recently joined Hattie Lee's staff of PBX Operators. Also of note in this department is the news that Mary Fish, Operator at the Inn, and her husband, have moved into their new home in Magruder Heights.... "Gus" Gustafson, of the Lodge Front Desk, left on the 9th for the north country. He will spend a couple of weeks skiing in the Poconos....Ruth Crowder and Bill Corr are again cashiering at the Lodge after an absence of several months.

Mary Louise Davis has returned to work at the Linen Room of the Inn..... Carpets for the rooms in the new east wing of the Inn arrived recently, and there is great activity preparing this new unit for opening sometime in March.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Lloyd had luncheon at the Travis House on February 3.... Mr. and Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, Jr. were guests at the Inn on February 4. -Julia Alexander

George Vaughn returned to work after spending a desreved two weeks vacation. He and his wife visited his aunt in Brunswick County, Virginia....Percy Sherman, Lodge waiter, motored to Trenton, N. J., Tuesday, January 31, to the burial of his uncle, who died suddenly. He said he is very glad to be back in Virginia because it was very cold in New Jersey.

The members of the Lodge employees staff are in sympathy with Martha Cumber, a former bus girl at the Lodge, who recently lost her husband....We are glad business has picked up at the Lodge. In an effort to give better service, we have

#### FLICKER FLASHES

Tom McCormick, veteran Staff Member, is back at his old stand as full time doorman at the Williamsburg Theatre. Tom originally began his theatre service in that capacity, but later decided to devote more time to outside work. He was then named Chief of Service, on a part-time basis. Now, while his efforts as Chief left nothing to be desired, both Tom Halligan and Pat Buchanan are muchly pleased at having him resume his old stance! As a result of this change, the three part-time W&M student doormen were shifted to various positions: Lloyd Adams fills the vacated post of Chief of Service; Blackie Taylor stays as relief doorman and part-time usher; and Otey Garrison left, via College graduation.

Mary Kay Langan, from the College, fills recently-departed-for-College Stanley Ray's cashiering spot, and Ruth Larson, from town and high school, takes over as Relief Cashier.

Tom Halligan has just returned from another trip to Washington, D. C. in his quest for the best!....Pat Buchanan declares that if constant use is any criterion, his five-week-old Junior has a mighty fine set of lungs!

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The 60-foot Grace Street window of Thalhimers in Richmond is now featuring Williamsburg in a salute to the Symposium. The store is also taking registrations for the Symposium as an extra service calling attention to the importance of the event.

rehired Mary Bowman and John Sheppard, two former bus helpers at the Lodge. We are very glad to have them back with us.

George Washington Jones is on his vacation....David Whitehead has been ill since early February.

-Horace Wallace

## 20 YEARS AGO

ITEMS FROM LOCAL NEWSPAPERS OF FEBRUARY, 1930

Copperplate Found

AN ANCIENT COPPERPLATE made sometime between 1732-1746 showing sketches of
Colonial Williamsburg's Capitol, Governor's Palace and College, has recently been found by Miss Mary F. Goodwin, research worker for the Rockefeller Restoration, in the Bodelian Library, Oxford, England.

Mass Meeting
THE CRAMPTON BILL now before Congress to establish a "Colonial National Monument" area to include Jamestown, part of Williamsburg and Yorktown, will be discussed by Williamsburg citizens at a mass meeting in the school auditorium on February 7.

New Williamsburg Inn
IT IS NOT CERTAIN just when the large
hotel will be built, but action on this
has been postponed, it is said until
the route of the main highway has been
decided upon. Meantime, the opening
of these two public houses (Raleigh
Tavern and the Raleigh Hotel), with
additional quarters in a couple of annexes, will help to take care of the
tourists and travelers who visit Williamsburg.

Paradise House
THE INTERIOR of the Paradise House has been dismantled and excavations made on the premises, preliminary to a thorough restoration of this famous old property.

Wig-Maker's Shop
THE ARCHIBALD BLAIR SHOP (the present Wig-Maker's Shop) is now undergoing restoration.

A & P Founders' Week SALE

Maxwell House COFFEE LB. 37¢

Whole Milk CHEESE LB. 25¢

## SCHEDULE SET

The Garden Club of Virginia has announced the dates of April 22 through 29 as Garden Week in Virginia and the proceeds this year will again go to the restoration of the gardens at University of Virginia. Incidentally, we of Colonial Williamsburg are especially interested in this announcement as Alden Hopkins is the landscape architect for the University of Virginia project.

This year there will be several innovations in the local pilgrimage, sponsored by the Garden Club of Williamsburg
and the Women's Auxiliary of Bruton
Parish Church: on Saturday, April 22,
from 10 a. m. to 5:30 p. m., and on Sunday, April 23, from 2 p. m. to 5:30 p. m.,
"Bel-Mede" (home of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas
E. Thorne), "Amblers-on-the-James" (home
of Mrs. R. B. Watts), and the President's
House, of the College of William and
Mary, will be open at a charge of \$2.

April 22 through 27, three modern info mal gardens will be included in all block tickets - Judge and Mrs. Frank Armistead's, Mr. and Mrs. Charles J. Duke's and Mr. and Mrs. John M. Stetson's.

The Philip Barraud House, Nicholson House, Powell-Hallam House, Robert Waller House and Coke-Garrett Garden will be open at a charge of \$2. on Monday, April 24 and Tuesday. April 25.

In addition to the James Craig House, Russell House, Prentis House, Timson House and Coke-Garrett Garden, the Governor's Palace, George Wythe House, and Raleigh Tavern will be open on Wednesday, April 26, and Thursday, April 27, on a combination ticket costing \$3. All prices include the Federal tax.

The Common Glory amphitheater and picnic area on Matoaka Lake will be open to visitors during the entire period of Garden Week.

Headquarters for Garden Week in Williamsburg is the Williamsburg Inn.