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**LUNCHEON** Putting aside typewriters, notebooks and the traditional urge to kill, 36 CW secretaries gathered at the Lodge for luncheon recently, dined on fruit cup and other non-fattening foods, and heard Jane Carson, (standing), of the Institute of Early American History and Culture staff, give a talk on the book, "Keys to Etiquette for the Business Girl."

## CW Getting Ready For Queen Mother

CW is getting ready to receive its fourth royal guest within two years. Elizabeth, Queen Mother of England, will arrive for a two-day visit on November 10.

While here, she will tour the restored area in horse-drawn coaches, visit the Palace, the Palace Gardens, the Wythe House, Bruton Parish Church and the Craft Shops.

Festivities in her honor will include a party at the Raleigh Tavern and a reception and dinner at the Inn, followed by a candlelight concert at the Palace.

A special and appropriate gift will be presented by CW to the Mother of England's pretty young Monarch, Elizabeth II.

### Other Royalty Here

CW's other royal visitors in the past two years have been Akihito, Crown Prince of Japan, and King Paul and Queen Frederika of Greece.

The Queen mother herself expressed a personal desire to visit Williamsburg when the trip to the United States was being arranged. Washington and New York are the only other places she will visit for any length of time on the trip. On the afternoon of November 12, she will board a plane at Newport News and fly to one of her Dominions, Canada.

### Britisher Would Swap India For Williamsburg

F. J. (Jim) Barnes, former alumni secretary and director of public information for the College of William and Mary, recently sent along a clipping from a column in the New York Journal Americas written by gossip columnist Cholly Knickerbocker. Jim suggests it as the "quote of the week," and we agree.

**Quote of the Week:** By Lady Hood, wife of General Sir Alexander Hood, Governor of Bermuda, after visiting Williamsburg, Virginia: "Oh, Alec, why didn't we keep this and give them India?"

Jim is now Commissioner of Advertising and Public Relations for the State Department of Conservation and Development in Richmond.

### Concerts, Play Opened For Fall Entertainment

CW's program of 18th century entertainments got underway for the fall season last week.

The Palace candlelight concert series opened September 23 and will continue weekly on Thursday evenings through November 4. The 18th century musical comedy "The Highland Reel" opened September 24 on the Reception Center stage for a run of Friday night performances ending November 5.

The Palace concerts in the ballroom of the Governor's Palace feature the costumed Palace orchestra under the direction of Cary McMurrin. The concerts begin at 8:45 p. m. each Thursday with advance sale of tickets handled at the Reception Center.

### Bowlers — See Bert Koch

CW Bowling League is now planning its fall schedule, President Bert Koch has announced. Divisions or offices interested in forming teams, or individual players, should notify him, or Chuck Loomis at the Personnel Office, by September 30. Individual players will be assigned to teams by the League.

### Passenger Increase Noted

Bus passengers and carriage ride patrons have both increased over the past year. A 17% increase in bus riders and a 20% increase in carriage rides has been noted.

## Employees To Get Free 'Flu Shots' — Get Yours & Live

Shots of influenza preventive are being offered again this year free of charge to all CW employees. From October 1 until October 15, CWers who wish to take advantage of this first line of defense against the misery of winter "flu" may do so by going to Bell Hospital, the Medical Center Clinic or the Tucker Clinic during the following hours, Monday through Saturday:

**Bell Hospital.** From 9 a. m. until 11 a. m.; 2 p. m. until 3 p. m. (except Monday); and from 7 to 8 p. m.

**Medical Center Clinic.** From 8 a. m. until 3 p. m.; and from 6 p. m. until 8 p. m.

**Tucker Clinic.** From 9 a. m. until 11 a. m.; 2 p. m. until 4 p. m.; and from 7 to 8 p. m. (except Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday).

The service is also available to members of employees' families, but not at company expense. While no exaggerated claims have been made, local doctors unanimously endorse the preventive step. Health-wise employees who have taken advantage of the free shots in the past have reported good results in many cases. In one office last year, eight of 10 took the shot. The result: No "flu" among the eight, while the two who did not have the inoculation came down with the all-too-familiar aches, pains and general misery.

## The Big Pay-Off Comes To Four CW Employees

One good way of beating the high cost of medical care was demonstrated by four CW employees last month. The four, who had hospitalization claims for themselves or dependents, netted settlements totaling over \$1500 under CW's group hospitalization plan.

### Starts October 9 . . .

## New Golf Cup Tourney Set

The 1954 President's Cup Golf Tournament for CW employees will be played Saturday and Sunday, October 9th and 10th. For the first time, both men and women will compete for the cup together in this year's play, and a new system of competition has been worked out. Instead of qualifying rounds, players will be handicapped according to the Calloway System Automatic Handicap deductions. Handicaps are determined by the first 18 holes and then applied to both the first and second rounds.

Matches will be played in four-

somes, insofar as possible. Those interested in forming foursomes should indicate this on their entry blanks, as well as their preferred starting time.

### No Entry Fee

Entry blanks, obtainable either at the Golf Shop or the Personnel Relations Office, must be submitted at one of those points by Wednesday, October 6. Interested golfers are reminded that there is no entry or green fee.

The Cup and one dozen golf balls will be awarded for the lowest score, and one dozen golf balls for the low gross score.

## CW Friends Say 'Well Done' To Retiring Kocher, Beebe

Two CW employees who did much to shape the look of the restored area retired this month. Henry O. Beebe, Assistant Vice President, Division of Architecture, Construction and Maintenance, retired on September 17, and A. Lawrence Kocher on September 1. Each had been with CW for the past ten years.

At a small luncheon, Henry's friends presented him with a photographic album covering his life and work in Williamsburg, while Lawrence's associates in the organization honored him with a surprise party at Market Square Tavern and presented him with a gift. Coinciding with his retirement, he was awarded a ten-year service pin.

### Long Island Native

A native of Long Island, Henry Beebe came to Williamsburg in 1944 after an extensive career in the construction and engineering industry in the Northeast. He held posts as Advisory Consulting Engineer, City of New York; Advisory Consulting Engineer, Department of Parks, New York; and was associated with Columbia University in connection with national education research in public school planning and development. In World War I he was a consulting engineer for the Bureau of Yards and Docks, and in World War II he was a member of the Advisory

Board, U. S. Engineers, Supply Depots and Air Fields.

He was a graduate of Rutgers University with the degree of Civil Engineer, and studied architecture at Columbia University, as well as doing post graduate work in engineering and architecture at both Georgia Tech and the University of Chicago.

Highlights of his career with CW include the building of the King's Arms Tavern, and additions to the Inn and Lodge. The King's Arms has been praised widely as an expert blending of 18th century authenticity with modern equipment

and conveniences needed in a food operation.

Lawrence Kocher, Architectural Records Editor, actively associated with CW for 10 years, was one of the original members of the Advisory Committee of Architects who played an important part in formulating CW's architectural policies when the project was first started.

He is a graduate of Stanford University and Massachusetts Institute of Technology. In the course of his career as an architect, editor and teacher, he has held various positions which have

taken him all over the U. S.

He was Director of the School of Architecture at the University of Virginia, and head of the School of Architecture and Fine Arts at Pennsylvania State University. Before coming to CW, he was editor of the Architectural Record, the journal for his profession, for 10 years.

### On Many Committees

He has been associated with several outstanding committees, having been chairman of the Committee on Preservation of Historic Monuments for the American Institute of Architects, and was a member of the Committee on Registration of Architects and Engineers for Virginia, as well as the Virginia Art Commission.

He is the author of "Early Architecture of Pennsylvania," and co-author with CW's Howard Dearnstye of the books, "Colonial Williamsburg, Its Buildings and Gardens," and "Shadows in Silver," a photographic record of the social life of the South, recently published by Scribners.

Lawrence will continue to reside in Williamsburg and will conduct classes in architectural design at the College of William and Mary, while Henry will go to the Virgin Islands to be associated with the extensive rehabilitation program being carried on there by Lawrence Rockefeller.



Lawrence Kocher



Henry O. Beebe



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## News & Comments

SEVERAL incidents recently have brought forcibly to CW's attention a prevalent and dangerous misconception: Williamsburg is rapidly getting the reputation of being a town that is always "completely booked."

Although at first glance, this might seem to be a complimentary reputation, it has been dramatically illustrated that it causes many prospective visitors to seek accommodations elsewhere, or not visit here at all, even when accommodations in Williamsburg are available.

We all know that there are certain days of the year when the town is, indeed, "completely booked." The number of days when this is true would not add up to two weeks out of the 52 in the year, however. Williamsburg is not "completely booked," at all times by any means. A recent radio broadcast to this effect on a holiday week end resulted in many people from the Washington area going elsewhere. Although our hotels were largely full, there were plenty of first class accommodations in town. Such misinformation hurts the entire community and it is important for each and every employee to do all in his power to spread the true facts.

First, each of us should make certain that prospective visitors receive courteous and helpful service in securing rooms in town if the hotels are temporarily full. The Chamber of Commerce runs an efficient Placement Service, and should be telephoned and used to get accommodations for visitors.

Second, we must be certain that we do not — by actions or words — continue to build up this impression in the mind of visitors or prospective visitors. It is easy to fall into this habit, since we are proud of Williamsburg's popularity. However, statements such as, "You have to have reservations six weeks in advance," or "It's best to avoid Williamsburg in the spring and fall because they're always full," or "They won't hold the room for you, they're so crowded," build up a false impression in many minds. When the word spreads — and spread it does — people avoid Williamsburg, and every employee can be affected by such a happening.

Several new motor courts are under construction or planned in the near future. CW itself is planning the construction of the Williamsburg Motor House with 155 rooms to be ready for occupancy about the fall of 1956.

Accordingly, even during those few days in the year when the town can now truly be said to be "completely booked," we can expect, in the future, to have adequate room accommodations.

### SPECIAL NOTICES

**FOR SALE** — Nesco Electric Roaster, almost new for \$30.00. Call Miss Molnar, Extension 328.

**WANTED** — Car pool or ride for myself and two children between Goodwin Building and vicinity of Hayes Store, Gloucester County. Till end of October only. Call Tom Ford, Interpretation Division.

**Missing from the Goodwin Projection Room:**

One portable motion picture screen.

One soldering iron.

The return of these items by anyone who may have borrowed them will be greatly appreciated.

## Service Awards



Fannie Lou Stryker reached her twentieth anniversary as a hostess here on August 1. As wife of Dr. H. M. Stryker, Mayor of Williamsburg, it is certainly fitting that she should be an official hostess for CW.

After graduating from Columbia University, Fannie Lou taught home economics at the College of William and Mary for five years. She is one of the charter members of the Williamsburg Chapter of the American Association of University Women, a member of the Williamsburg Baptist Church, and has served as a member of the Church's Official Board. Her charm and natural love of Williamsburg have contributed much to the welcoming hospitality of CW.



Rosa B. Taylor, supervisor of CW's gracious hostesses, reached her fifteenth anniversary on September 2. As an escort, hostess, and finally in her present position, she has added much to Williamsburg's reputation for hospitality.

CW is a family affair in the case of Mrs. Taylor. Her husband, L. Jennings Taylor, had his fifteenth anniversary sometime ago and is superintendent of the Automotive Shop. Mrs. Taylor is most interested in art, and occasional fishing trips, but only when her five grandchildren are not around. She would rather spend her spare time as hostess to them.

Frank S. Jacobs, Sr., painting foreman for AC&M, observed his twentieth anniversary at CW on August 15. Frank is the man responsible for keeping the whole restored area looking spic and span.

Before coming to CW as a painter, Mr. Jacobs worked for Todd and Brown in the same capacity, and in 1940 took over his present position. A perfectionist, he is not satisfied with just supervising and often labors right along with the crews.

The family Jacobs is well known to CW people. Frank, Jr., oldest of four children, is one of our carpenters and his wife Betty is the receptionist at the Goodwin Building. All Frank's family have remained in Williamsburg, one son with the Fire Department, the other a local contractor, and his daughter is a junior at Matthew Whaley High. When he has time at home, Frank tends the flowers and sizeable kitchen garden — and touches up the paint.

Frank's picture will appear in the News when his award is presented to him this fall.

Eight of the 11 principal buildings of restored Williamsburg are original structures.



### LANDSCAPE — C&M

IRVING WRIGHT is the proud owner of a new Ford. New employees joining the Landscape Section include HERMAN JONES, a former employee, HAROLD ALLEN, WILLIAM RUSSELL, NORMAN PLAMER, MORRIS JACKSON; and FRED MOORE, HEZEKIAH FRAZIER, BERNARD JOHNSON and JOHN MOORE working part time in connection with their training at Bruton Heights School.

— Dick Mahone

### RESEARCH

JUDY CARTER has replaced Virginia Kirby who is attending Radford College this year.

LYNETTE ADCOCK and MARY STEPHENSON enjoyed a trip to Nantucket in August and en route home toured the Winterthur Museum in Delaware. COL. LEONARD is back with us after a summer in New Hampshire.

John Hemphill sailed for England aboard the United States on September 17 for a year's study under the Fulbright program.

— Martha Warburton

### MERCHANDISING

We welcome JO PECK who is replacing Jean Hare as secretary to JACK UPSHUR and HAROLD SPARKS. Jo transferred from Publications.

HELEN BECK has changed her address from Warwick to Williamsburg, and is as "busy as a bee" unpacking and arranging furniture in the Blaikley-Durfey kitchen where she has taken up residence. We all wish her luck in her new surroundings. By the way, Mrs. Beck, when did you say the house-warming was?

JEAN GIESELMANN has just returned from San Francisco. The plane on which Jean returned flew from San Francisco to Chicago in four hours and 36 minutes, breaking all previous records.

— Marcia Ryan

### BUILDING — C&M

Pity the plight of CLYDE JONES who is one of "AUGIE" BLOCKSTON's mainstays. Clyde was happily eating his lunch when a large hornet was attracted to his sandwich. You guessed it! Clyde took a bite of his sandwich and a very surprised hornet took a bite of Clyde's lip. Net result was one mangled hornet and one swollen lower lip that hid Clyde's collar for two days.

Comfortably settled in their new homes are the PETERS, HARDYS and BROWNS. "Pete" and his family have the Jackson House while BRUCE and his family are located on Old Jamestown Road, and ROY and his family are at home at the Palace Farms.

Uncle Sam claimed ED COSBY for the Army on Sept. 20. Ed has been one of BILL McPHERSON's most loyal custodians in the Palace.

Two new field engineers joined RANDY "GRASSHOPPER" CARTER'S forces this month. Welcome to SID BRIDGEFORTH and CARROLL TILLER. CARROLL joins REED ROBBINS as "co-op" student from V. P. I.

Congratulations to JACK BAILEY who completed four years as a Bricklayer Apprentice under the supervision of "RED" VAUGHAN, and has graduated to a Bricklayer Journeyman.

— Tom Russell

### HOSTESS SECTION

JUNE BOCOCK has returned from a wonderful two weeks in the mountains of North Carolina; other N. C. visitors included BARBARA and MARY LEWIS BROWN and family who spent the week end at Nags Head, and HARLAN REYNOLDS taught in Manteo during June and July.

A real exodus of vacationists — KATHLEEN JONES who took off for Akron, Ohio; PHIL THORPE, BOB McFAYDEN, and JESSE BERY, all visiting friends and families; and CRATA POPULAR and family to the mountains of Virginia.

A warm welcome home to our adventuresome NANCY BOZARTH and MURIEL SPENCER who had a thrilling flight to Cuba. We'd all like to hear more about that trip, girls. LUCY SNEED, another air-minded hostess flew to visit her brother in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

We're sorry to hear Evelyn Stryker Peyton is a patient in Bethesda, Md. The STRYKERS and PEYTONS are "sharing" little Tom.

ELSIE MAY CORMACK is home from Duke University Hospital after a successful eye operation.

Ask ALMA NEWBURY and ESTHER RUFFIN about their marvelous summer in Europe. MAY THOMPSON spent a week in Illinois, with her daughter, Jean Hicks, and family.

ELLA RHODES had a grand week with her sons, Gary and Reed, and their families at her home on the York River.

We lose and gain again — ELIZABETH CALLIS is now with Training. We miss you, Elizabeth, but lots of good luck. KATHLEEN HORNE will devote her time to portraiture at her new home — "Point Pleasant" — An old Surry County plantation. Mr. Washington has lost an ardent champion.

A cordial welcome to MRS. GEORGE (ALICE) AUSTIN from Virginia Beach, now staying with Crata Popular.

— Hallie Wermuth

### RECEPTION CENTER

VASHTI and DICK ROGERS are vacationing at Saranac Lake, N. Y. and Princeton, N. J. They will be visiting Dick's folks and doing some fishing.

We welcome SUSAN JOERNDT and ANNE DENNIS to our staff.

— Betty Toler

### NEW YORK OFFICE

With the permanent departure of two of its members, DOROTHY SIEGFRIED and JO POKORNEY, and all others taking vacation, this office has been the scene of much coming and going these past few weeks. Dorothy left for Flensburg, Germany, on August 15 where she has a contract with an opera company for the coming season, while Jo, not venturing so far from home, took up new duties elsewhere in New York early in September. We welcome SUSAN VAN KLEECK from Princeton, N. J., as Dorothy's successor.

— Utha Conrad

## Service Awards

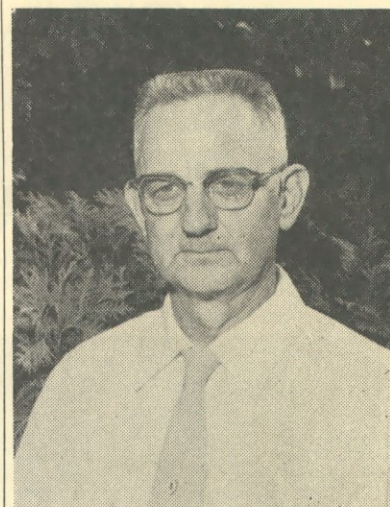
Lelia Smith observed her tenth anniversary with the Lodge Coffee Shop on August 8. Lelia first came to the Lodge as a counter girl and in a few months was made waitress, the position she still holds.

Born in Georgia, she moved to Williamsburg in 1944 and was hired by CW the very next day. Lelia's husband is employed at the Naval Mine Depot in Yorktown and she commutes from there every day. The Smiths enjoy fishing, boating, and the excellent crabbing nearby — and so does their adopted daughter, Margaret. Lelia is away at present so her picture could not be taken for the News.

Mary Stephenson, research assistant for Interpretation, celebrated her tenth anniversary at CW on September 13. First employed as a typist for the Virginia Gazette Indexing Grant, her talent for research was soon appreciated.

Before coming to Williamsburg, Mary did extensive genealogical research in the old records of Surry and adjoining counties, and in 1941 her book, "Old Homes in Surry and Sussex" was published by Dietz Press, Richmond. At CW she has prepared a major portion of the histories of Williamsburg homes. Somehow she finds time for extensive general reading — and, of course, antique collecting.

## Service Awards



Leslie Wilson, "Keeper of the Keys" at the Lodge, had his tenth anniversary at CW on September 6. As storekeeper there since 1945, Leslie has met the increasing pressure of his job with enthusiasm and good humor.

Born at Saint Stephens Church, Mr. Wilson owns the 175-acre farm where his birthplace still stands, and you may be sure it is in the same apple-pie order as the store-rooms of the Lodge. His hobby is historic — if not 18th century. Six shining Model-A Fords, his pride and joy, take many hours of expert tinkering, and he will probably make it a baker's dozen someday.



Alma Lee Rowe celebrated her twentieth anniversary with the Public Relations Department on September 10. She came to CW with the promise she would spend just one year because she was sure her lively interest in national and international events and travel would make her pack her bags again.

Before coming to Williamsburg, Alma Lee had traveled extensively in Europe and taught for five years in Turkey. As assistant for the Publicity Department, her enthusiasm carried her through the department to assistant to the director, and finally to her present position, administrative assistant to the Director of Public Relations. Alma Lee's tact, foresight, and great personal charm have done much to build this division. The success of the Garden Symposium and Antiques Forum owes much to her personal interest as registrar. When she retires this spring and goes home to Richmond, CW will feel a great loss. But after all, we did get her to spend more than a year!

John H. Guthrie, assistant chief plant engineer, reached his tenth anniversary on September 26. One of his services at the Inn maintenance shop most appreciated by CW families during the summer is his water treatment of the pool.

He first came to CW as a plant engineer and attained his present position in 1949. When John has time, he takes a busman's holiday to work on his own grounds and gardens and act as master chef at his outdoor fireplace. But during football season he is more apt to be found in the bleachers rooting for William and Mary.

### Plantation Tickets Sold

With the cooperation of the owners of four plantations in nearby Charles City County, a block ticket for touring the old estates is being sold at the Travel Office. The cost of \$4 a ticket includes tax and entitles the bearer to see Westover, Berkeley, Shirley, and Evelynton.



## Hear Ye!

### AUDITING

Early in August the sounds of "Oh" and "Ah" rang out in the Projection Room. The beautiful slides, taken by BOB and Lorraine EVANS, convinced us that we too should tour the west on a vacation some day.

Anyone looking for GENE SHELDON will find him at the Griffin Saltz House on Tazewell Hall Avenue, where Gene and his family are finally getting settled in their new home.

Just a few weeks ago MARGARET NEWTON, PAT MOYER, BARBARA LEE and your reporter spent part of their vacation together at "Shenandoah Acres," Stuart's Draft, Va. The four of us had a wonderful time swimming, eating, and relaxing.

— Elsie Ellis

### MECHANICAL OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

Since our last writing we have several new men on the maintenance force: EARL TURMAN from Perry Point, (Md.) V. A. Hospital, B. L. ROGERS, a former employee, and R. J. WORST from the Chamberlin Hotel. We hope they will be as happy to be with us as we are to have them.

FRED DICKERSON has gone to the Medical College Hospital for another check-up. Fred had a rough time of it and is glad to be on his feet again. CECIL HALL is now convalescing from an operation and hopes to be back in good shape soon.

R. R. McCONNELL has just returned from the Maryland State Fire School on Fire Fighting. I'm sure we have the right man with us now. Next, he expects to see the World Series.

— Emily S. Hall

### TRAVEL OFFICE

JOHN ELLSWORTH is taking a well-earned rest for a week in Detroit. On the way back he will stop off for a week end at his home in Bethesda, Md., before returning for graduate work at W&M and his job here.

HARRIET McCREARY and her daughter, Harriet Brady, had a very exciting week in New York City.

— Nancy Foster

### AUDIO-VISUAL

ART SMITH took two vacations to New England in 6 weeks (after all these years), visiting former CW'ers Bev Chaney and Dick Showman en route. He will soon leave for California to investigate new wide-screen developments and production techniques being employed in the filming of "Oklahoma!"

FRANCES DAYTON and JO MANN are very much absorbed these days with construction details for the new homes they are building on Newport Avenue and James Terrace respectively.

— Barbara Dearstyne

### INN HOUSEKEEPING

VIRGINIA FRAZIER is happy about her new son-in-law and MAUDE WOOD about her third grandson. Looks like somebody is working for Uncle Sam.

We welcome to our staff two new maids: JUANITA WASHINGTON and WILLIE MORRIS.

— Helen Sherman

### INN PANTRY

We have lots of vacation news: LORETHO JOHNSON spent some of hers visiting in Boston. BRANSON JUNIOR visited in Florida. Chef CRAWFORD rested mostly and took a few week end trips. REBECCA DANIELS stayed home and tried to stay cool. EVELYN DAVIS reports that she spent hers resting and visiting friends. WILLIAM WALLACE spent his vacation working around the house and resting.

We want to welcome a newcomer to the Inn Pantry: THEODORE BUTLER.

— Pauline Brooks

### ACCOUNTING

Jane Blackwell, widow of "Blackie" Blackwell, gave birth to an 8 lb. daughter, Jane Emmerson, on August 20.

GLADE SEARS and JOAN BRENEGAN, new CW'ers, are replacing MARYLYN FISHER and WESTWOOD LEACH. Joan's father has returned home from the hospital where he was treated for injuries suffered in an automobile accident on Route 168 while checking radar. We are glad to report he is better.

Congratulations to ANNE SHERMAN's husband! He was selected "Soldier of the Month" at Fort Bragg, N. C.

— Bernice Hudson

### INN & LODGE

We would like to welcome BARBARA COLVIN to the reservation office. JACK PLACE has left us to continue his schooling and VERNON BRAME has taken his place. TOM CHAPMAN and DICK HARPER have returned to college; NELSON EDEN and DELORES FARIS have taken over for them. A party was given for Tom and Dick in the Lodge ballroom. (A gay time was had by all!) MARSHALL GRANT has left us and we welcome EVELYN DIGBY in his place.

### INN BELL FORCE

With the return of our former Bellman, GEORGE WILLIAMS, our bell staff seems to be complete. Welcome back, George!

NAT REID, our Bell Captain, enjoyed a delightful week end recently with friends in Richmond. Doorman GEORGE REID spent three delightful weeks touring Canada and nearby cities.

— Wendell Wright



Irving Reid celebrated his fifteenth anniversary of service to CW on August 14. As a bus boy at the Inn, Lodge waiter, later at Chownings, and finally at his present station as waiter at the Inn, Irving has served continually, except for a tour of service with Uncle Sam in 1945.

He is a member of the Union Baptist Church and the Masonic Lodge at Lightfoot. A quiet game of checkers or chess is his meat, but his six children see that he spends more time at his favorite sports, fishing, baseball and football.



James Adkins, of Operating Services, celebrated his tenth service anniversary on September 20. As Head Custodian of the George Wythe House, he takes great pride in keeping it Williamsburg's most distinguished residence.

His appreciation of fine houses and beautiful furnishings comes naturally. For 12 years James took the same painstaking care of one of Virginia's most famous homes, Westover, where he served as house-boy and butler. He is a member of the First Baptist Church of Williamsburg, an enthusiastic gardener — 18th or 20th century — and an avid fisherman.

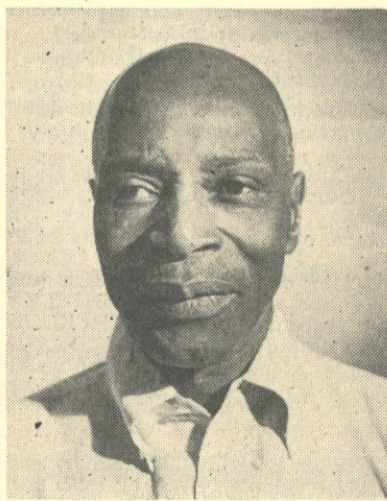


**BOWLING ON THE GREEN** got under way the other evening on Market Square, near Chowning's Tavern. CW's own "Three B's" — bakers, bootmakers and blacksmith — gave a brief demonstration according to 18th century rules. Top: Nick Payne, apprentice blacksmith, bowls as Parker Crutchfield, baker; Bob Reveille, apprentice baker; and Gene Truitt, apprentice bootmaker, figure his chances. Below: Parker Crutchfield and John Allgood, blacksmith, (kneeling) point out the distance of their bowls from the jack — the small white ball which serves as target — as Nick Payne, Bob Reveille, Gene Truitt, and Raymond Townsend, bootmaker, stand in judgment. Final score: bakers 11, blacksmith 9. This popular gentlemen's sport may have a regularly scheduled revival at CW as part of the 18th century activities.

## Nolly Wyatt Marks 25th Year With CW Employees Offered Folders For Mailing

Nolly Wyatt of the Division of Architecture, Construction and Maintenance, will receive his silver bowl for 25 years service at the Board Meeting here this fall. Nolly celebrated his silver anniversary of caring for CW on August 9.

He worked five years as a laborer for Todd and Brown before coming to CW in the same capacity. Much of the restored area has come to life under his capable hands, and last year he was made utility man. The fine appearance of the business section of Duke of Gloucester Street is largely due to his tireless efforts. Nolly recently married Emma Green Wyatt who will soon celebrate her tenth anniversary as janitress in the Goodwin Building. They live on Greenspring Road near Williamsburg.



Nolly Wyatt

Copies of the Winter edition of "This Season in Williamsburg" will be given to employees who would like to send the folder to friends. The attractive, illustrated pamphlet, which lists all the festivities and events for the Christmas and Winter season here, is particularly appropriate for mailing with Christmas cards.

As part of the promotional program of the Division of Development, "This Season in Williamsburg" is distributed four times a year to travel agencies, transportation companies, hotels, reservation offices and those who request information on Williamsburg activities.

Call Miss Patton, extension 284, Goodwin Building, for any copies you wish to send.

## Firemen To Inspect Homes For Fire Peril

An opportunity for all Williamsburgers to have their homes inspected for fire hazards will be offered during Fire Prevention Week, October 4-10.

This inspection will take the place of the annual Fire Demonstration and Prevention Show that has been held for the past four years at the Harwood Tract during Fire Prevention Week, Marshall Elliot Jayne said.

Jayne emphasized that an inspection would be made only with the express consent of the tenant, and that the Fire Department was solely interested in potential fire hazards and discussion of any fire hazard a tenant may have. Jayne further stated that only basements, kitchens, living rooms, fuse panel boxes, and possibly attics and garages would be inspected. "These are the places where the

majority of fires start," Jayne said, "but of course, we will be more than happy to inspect the whole house if the tenant so desires."

## Antiques Forum Themes Set For 1955 Session

Old World influences on the New and the outgrowth of an American heritage will be shown in the two themes of CW's seventh annual Antiques Forum.

"The Old World in the New" will be the theme of the first session of the Forum to be held January 24-28. The second session, January 31 to February 4, will discuss "The American Tradition." "Antiques" Magazine co-sponsors the Forum with CW.

## Suggestion Awards

The following employees have been awarded cash prizes for practical and helpful suggestions of a constructive nature:

Fleming Brown (AC&M), Peter G. Matson (Presentation), Virginia Holmies (Presentation), Mary Shelby (VA), Clark E. Kern (VA), James P. Holler (VA), George G. Robinson (VA), Leslie L. Wilson (VA), and Ilda Bernard (Presentation).

Also, John R. Williams (VA), Bud Gilchrist (VA), Donald Glover (VA), Rochester R. Harris (VA), Mildred Sprinkle (AC&M), and Robert B. Sprouse.

The persons who submitted suggestions numbered 8410, 8640, 8695, and 7931, are requested to call at the personnel office so that the disposition of their suggestions can be explained.



## Hear Ye!

### PROMOTION

Promotion recently enjoyed the hospitality of TOM and Leah McCASKEY at their new home on Burns Lane. Commanding a lovely hillside, the rambling ranch-style house combines great beauty with utilitarian convenience. During the festivities, Tom and Leah were presented with a Craft House serving tray in celebration of their good fortune.

CHRIS GILLESPIE, GENEVIEVE PATTON and Tom McCaskey recently returned from their respective vacations. Chris spent two months in England with her family, her first visit home in nearly four years. Genevieve visited her home town in West Virginia, and Tom spent a week in Williamsburg putting finishing touches on his new home.

— Wilma Hoovler

### TREASURER'S DIVISION

Since the last CW News, ANNE and BILL BIPPUS have at last moved into their new home on Route 5. They still have some finishing touches to put on, but are very happy to be in their very own home.

The six weeks that were looked forward to for so long by ROD JONES and his family have come and gone. Rod's 20th anniversary six-week vacation spent at J.Y. Ranch in Wyoming was a wonderful experience for the whole family. Rod returned ready to tackle anything, including Budget time, which is fast approaching.

— Elizabeth Stubbs

### ARCHITECTURAL

Several new employees have joined our staff since last the NEWS appeared. JOSEPH BENTHALL and SANDY MORSE at the Archaeological Lab; MRS. DONNA SHARPE replacing SUE LEATHERWOOD in the Secretary's office; CHARLES M. JOO as Mechanical Draftsman; and W. D. FRAZER has returned to us as Architectural Draftsman. We're so happy to welcome our new co-workers, even though belatedly.

We're sorry to report, and wish to extend our heartfelt sympathies to, KATIE JENKINS who lost her father, and to Patty Drewry, TOM's wife, who lost her mother — both in August.

— Aleda A. Hartman

### CURATOR'S

We would like to welcome JEAN C. KILDAY to this department. By the time this reaches you BETTY JO FLETCHER will be Mrs. JACK LILES. Lots of luck Betty and Jack.

— Louise Nuttall

### CHAUFFEUR - MESSENGERS

SELBY MITCHELL has returned from the hospital after having an operation on his eye. We are happy to know that the operation was a success and he has returned to work.

RUDOLPH HOLMES has joined Office Manager. We wish to welcome him aboard.

— John Minkins

### OFFICE MANAGER'S

Vacations and holiday trips make up our news this time. MAYLON HAMILTON spent an enjoyable two weeks in Florida. MARGARET NEWTON just returned from a week in Shenandoah Acres where she claims she found "Happy Days and Lonely Nights." NANCY RAMSEUR spent a week of her vacation in July visiting UTHA CONRAD in New York.

Carl and JEAN BESECKER made a hurried trip to Jamestown, N. Y., over Labor Day week end. Their three children, who have been visiting grandparents there, returned home with them. Del and AUDREY DEL MASTRO spent Labor Day week end "back home in Connecticut" visiting friends and relatives. Angie Cowles has returned from Davidson, N. C., after entering her son Carter in Davidson College.

Your reporter and her husband have been busy entertaining guests from Petersburg and Crewe for the past three week ends.

— Betty Jacobs

### PERSONNEL RELATIONS

JEANE SHEETZ has joined the Personnel staff. ELOISE AGEE has joined the commuting group from Warwick to Williamsburg. Joe has accepted a position with the Warwick High School and they are making their home there.

VIRGINIA MARSTON BATTS has now gone into her new apartment on Richmond Road and is enjoying the dual role of homemaker and career girl.

Your reporter's sister finally arrived in Williamsburg. She has been enjoying the sightseeing plus the hot weather, and says she is not looking forward to going back to a cold winter in Scotland.

— Marion Graham

### LODGE KITCHEN AND COFFEE SHOP

BLANCH ADCOCK's husband is back from the veterans' hospital in Charlottesville where he made a remarkable recovery from his illness after surgery.

MRS. OWENS is back from her 15th anniversary bonus vacation. CLYDE DEAN and his wife, driving home the other night, accidentally struck a deer on the highway. Dean says the steak will cost him about a dollar a pound because of the extensive damage to his car.

We welcome to the Coffee Shop staff MARY CAMPBELL and MARGARET MILLS, waitresses. We are sorry to lose SHIRLEY BANKS, who has returned to Randolph Macon; LORETTA WHEEDON who has returned to Denver College in Colorado; and VIVIAN BEAUCHAMP, who is staying with her family. One of our former waitresses, Nancy Brengan is the mother of a new baby girl.

— Norma Bamman

### LODGE KITCHEN

We welcome to the Kitchen new CW'ers ROBERT JOHNSON and THURMAN GOODMAN and to the Coffee Shop STEWART POE and FRED NELSON. A welcome also to new Dish Room employees CHARLES ARMSTEAD, JOHN HARRIS, LEWIS ALLEN and WILLIAM WINBORNE. A special welcome to JAMES EDWARDS, new CWer in the Dish Room, who is handicapped by being without sight. He is doing an excellent job and we hope he enjoys his work.

Coffee Shop personnel who have left us to return to school are LEVI STEVENS and HERBERT CHEESEMAN, both students at Hampton Institute; ERNEST WALLACE who returns to A&T College in Greensboro, N. C.; and HARRY ASHLOCK who has gone back to Bruton Heights School.

— Alma Wallace

### GAOL—GUARDHOUSE

JOHN YOUNG is on his vacation and BURTON WILLIAMS has just returned from his. Your reporter's mother, who has been visiting him, has returned to her home in Miami.

— Ashley Norwood

### GOVERNOR'S PALACE

We extend our sympathy to DOROTHY ASHBY on the recent death of her brother-in-law, James Ashby, in Richmond.

We all will miss EDWARD COSBY who leaves soon for the Army. We hope he will return soon. WILLIAM KILLY has been transferred to the Governor's Palace to take Ed's place.

TEARUSSELL BURRELL's sister and family have returned home from overseas and are now at home with her mother, Mrs. Betty Burrell, on Penniman Road.

— Cornelia Taylor



STEAK NUMBER, 10,000 was served "on the house" at Chowning's Tavern last month to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Alden of Columbus, Ohio. Tavern Host John Young, Manager Ev Withee and Waiter Captain John Bailey watch the happy couple receive their free steak dinner complete with wine.

## Milestones

During June, July and August, 75 employees celebrated the following service anniversaries:

### FIVE YEARS

**Division of Architecture, Construction and Maintenance**—Donald H. Parker, Architecture; Royce Cottingham, Mechanical Operations and Maintenance; Ralph R. Mills, Carl Dotson, Building C & M; Abraham L. White, Landscape C & M.

**Division of Presentation**—William D. Geiger, Planning; Herbert O. Clark, Crafts; William Truell, Exhibitions.

**Division of Visitor Accommodations**—Cue H. Willis, Jr., Inn Dining Room; Cecil Lewis, Hotel Services; Elizabeth Ashby, Laundry; Mary A. Ashlock, Jane R. Williams, Lodge Housekeeping.

### ONE YEAR

**Division of Architecture, Construction and Maintenance**—William Jacobs; Orin Bullock, Fusae Takei, William Ross Taylor, Architecture; Richard Banks, Charles Brown, James Burnett, Charlie Bowman, Herman Field, Clarence Jones, Don Kennedy, Chandler Taylor, Building C & M; Joseph Gusta, Thomas R. Hazelwood, Mechanical Operations and Maintenance; Emanuel Bailey, John Banks, Bonnie Hanrahan, Robert Waltrip, Sr., Robert Waltrip, Jr., Operating Services; Fred Anderson, Jr., Bernard Bishop, Randolph Minds, Fred D. White, Landscape C & M.

**Division of Corporate Relations**—Eloise B. Agee, Personnel Relations.

**Curator**—Edward H. Ross.

**Division of Interpretation**—Thomas Schlesinger.

**Division of Presentation**—Mitchell A. Wilder; Alice D. Reitz, Exhibitions; Robert Reveille, William DeMatteo, Crafts.

**Publications**—Vidette Bass.

**Division of Treasurer-Comptroller**—Margaret Newton, Harry Oliver, Office Manager.

**Public Relations**—E. Kidder Meade, Jr., Joan Fekas.

**Division of Visitor Accommodations**—Mary T. Brown, William Weathers, Dorothy Cheeseman, Lodge Coffee Shop; Alice Givens, Lodge Dining Room; Mary Green, Alfonso Hawkins, Mae Ella Pritchett, Peter Brown, Amie Conner, Lodge Kitchen; Willie Mae Lawson, Hazel Rutley, Lodge Housekeeping; Luther Armstead, Lillian Glaser, Marjorie Nilsen, Inn Kitchen; Pernell Reid, Inn Dining Room; Eliza Johnson, Maggie Johnson, Inn Housekeeping; James Jennings, Inn Storeroom; Garland H. Lee, Julia Johnson, Chowning's; Mary Morgart, James Brame, Hotel Services; Erna General, King's Arms; Earl Vaughan, Laundry.

## CW'ers Help To Open Vast Western Beauty To Public

Way out west at the foot of America's Matterhorn is a hotel operation — a sort of distant cousin to CW — where John Green traveled some 3,500 miles in six weeks just going between the various units.

And he reports that the Jackson Hole development had a booming season this summer, serving 116,955 persons and posting a record 53,282 guest days. This was Teton Lodge (75 rooms), Jenny Lake Lodge (50 rooms), Jackson Lake Lodge (250 rooms), and the Square G Ranch (30 rooms) — all set in the lee of the majestic Grand Teton range of mountains in Wyoming.

This \$6,000,000 development being financed by Mr. Rockefeller, Jr., has many things in common with CW. Kenneth Chorley serves as president of the operating company, the Grand Teton Lodge, and Transportation Company, and Vanderbilt Webb and Horace Albright, also members of CW's board, are members of the board of directors along with John Green. John was called out in July to take over temporary direction of the hotel operation while Ray Lillie, its general manager, was recuperating from an illness.

John says that 50 rooms in the new lodge were in use this summer and that the modern building with vast, picture windows overlooking Jackson Lake and the Tetons is expected to be finished in time for next summer's three-month season. Bud Odell also was called out in August and spent three weeks consulting on the complex mechanical and electrical installations in the handsome new structure which is of concrete and of functional lines in contrast to the log cabins of the other lodges. In addition to its total of 300 rooms, it will have a large lounge, coffee shop seating 400, and a fountain room.

The area, part of Grand Teton

National Park, is just south of Yellowstone National Park in the farthest corner of Wyoming. The park includes more than a dozen towering peaks dominated by Grand Teton, 13,766 feet high and rim of the picturesque Jackson Hole valley, 400 square miles in area. Here the world's largest herd of elk is found, as well as moose, bighorn sheep, and bear.

Mr. Rockefeller's interest in Jackson Hole began about the same time as it did in Williamsburg and he began acquiring the lands to protect its natural beauty. In 1949, he turned over to the government as a natural park the 33,562 acres of Teton-Jackson Hole area. The hotel development, as a park concession, is run on a non-profit principle similar to that in Williamsburg to provide adequate and comfortable accommodations for the park visitors. It is on leased ground in the park, some 35 miles from Jackson, Wyoming, (pop. 1,046), the nearest town. Mr. Rockefeller's JY ranch is near Jackson.

## Proud Parents

**Laura Lee Townsend**, born July 20, 1954, weight, 10 lbs. 3 oz. Father, Raymond Townsend, Craft Shops.

**John William Larson**, born August 23, 1954, weight 8 lbs. 10 oz. Father, Wayne Larson, Building Construction and Maintenance.

**Harold Alan Berkley**, born August 31, 1954, weight 7 lbs. 8 oz. Father, Robert L. Berkley, Landscape Construction and Maintenance.

**Janette Denise Dandridge**, born September 3, 1954, weight 7 lbs. 7 oz. Father, Howard Dandridge, Inn Dining Room.

**Richard Alan Anderson**, born July 4, 1954, weight 6 lbs. 15 oz. Father, George L. Anderson, Mechanical Operations and Maintenance (A, C&M).

**Stephen Jolly Forrest**, born July 20, 1954, weight 9 lbs. 2½ oz. Mother, Ruth Jolly Forrest, Development.

**Ivan McKinly Tabb**, born July 24, 1954, weight 6 lbs. 9 oz. Father, George W. Tabb, Lodge (V.A.)

**Prince Oliver Christian**, born August 18, 1954, weight 3 lbs. 8 oz. Father, James Christian, Building Construction and Maintenance (A, C&M)

**Rita Odelle Mitchell**, 5 lbs. 11 oz.; **Anita Odelle Mitchell**, 5 lbs. 8 oz., TWINS! Born August 15, 1954. Father, Vaughan J. Mitchell, Lodge (V.A.)

**Frank Nuttall, III**, born July 19, 1954, weight 7 lbs. 3 oz. Mother, Louise Nuttall, Curator.

## Sympathies

The News joins CW employees in extending sympathy to the following fellow employees who have experienced sorrow recently:

Charles H. Smith, Plant Engineer, whose father died July 30th in Shenandoah, Virginia.

Kate Jenkins, Accounting, whose father died August 14th in Taneytown, Maryland.

Carrie Sweeney, Lodge Housekeeping, whose mother died August 21st in Toano.

Armond Campbell, Laundry, whose mother died September 5th in Washington, D. C.

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