Message from the Chairman of the History Department

In his 1978-1979 annual report to the Board of Visitors, President Graves quoted a graduating senior woman who described her four years at William and Mary as "the best of times and the worst of times." Although the academic year just past was spared the upheavals so movingly described by Charles Dickens and others who have attempted to analyze and interpret the French Revolution, it was not free from contention. Once again we faced the problem of how to allocate the university’s financial resources, which are, at best, marginally adequate. Faculty salaries continue to remain an area of great concern, although the successful completion of the Campaign for the College and the administration’s reasoned presentation of William and Mary’s needs to a generally receptive legislature give renewed hope for future improvement. Increased funds are crucial if Swem Library is to maintain its present position; additional monies are needed for graduate student aid. To comment further on the plans to double the seating capacity of Cary Field would be pointless.

On balance, however, I would argue that 1978-1979 was a good year. Quantitative proof of this assertion is readily available. I need only cite the figures for declaration of concentration in history, the number of students graduating in our discipline in May 1979, the many excellent jobs, fellowships, and internships garnered by our graduates, the high scores on the Graduate Record Examinations attained by our entering graduate students, or the overall excellent quality of senior honor’s papers, M.A. theses, and Ph.D. dissertations.

In addition to the “countable” achievements of 1978-1979, I would like to stress the less easily measured qualitative accomplishments of the past year. The congenial relationship between teacher and student, and the life-long commitment to learning and excellence evidenced by our graduates, reflect the time, care, and patience that members of the faculty invest in their classroom teaching, their research, and their publications. Quality cannot be measured, but its presence can be felt.

The department was very pleased this year when Craig Canning was promoted to associate professor. Since he came in 1973, Craig has been a valued member of the department and of the university. In addition to his regular duties, Craig has been very active in Asia House and was responsible for introducing the study of Chinese on the campus.

The tenure of Gordon Wright as James Pinckney Harrison Professor of History in 1978-1979, the tenth year of this endowed chair, was as successful as it was enjoyable. Both Gordon and Louise participated to the fullest in the activities of town and gown; they set a hectic pace and their colleagues and friends scrambled to keep up. The Harrison professor for the spring 1980 semester will be William A. Williams, Professor of History at Oregon State University. Looking ahead a bit, George Rude (Concordia University, Montreal) will be with us for the 1980-81 session. The generosity of the Harrison family and the recent gift of the United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company of Baltimore in honor of Mr. William E. Pullen, a former chief executive of the company (see story elsewhere in the Historian), have truly aided us in building an outstanding faculty.

Remembering that what’s past is prologue, I wish you all–members of the class of 1979 and less recent graduates alike–only the best of times in the year to come.

Thomas F. Sheppard

The James Pinckney Harrison Chair of History

Professor Gordon Wright, Professor of History Emeritus of Stanford University was the 1978-79 Harrison Professor. A former president of the American Historical Association and specialist in French history, Professor Wright entitled his lecture series “The Individual in History: Some French Examples, Ordinary and Extraordinary.” The three lectures, delivered in March, examined several individual careers in three key periods of French history: the French Revolution, World War I, and World War II. The appreciative audience received a vivid glimpse of historical periods as revealed through the personal choices made by individuals. Undergraduate and graduate students had an opportunity to benefit more fully from Professor Wright’s perceptive interpretations of history in two courses, one on European socialisms and one on war in the twentieth century.

Louise Wright, who accompanied her husband to Williamsburg, also won the hearts and respect of College and community with her interest in and enthusiasm for various civic projects; Ms. Wright is the author of “Mid-Peninsula Sorcery,” a handbook of community resources in the San Francisco Bay area and took an active interest in sources, groups, and projects in the Williamsburg area.
Our thanks go to both of them for sharing their knowledge and enthusiasm with us for a year.

The James Pinckney Harrison Professor for 1979-80 will be William Appleman Williams, who will come to us from Oregon State University. Williams, an expert on U.S. diplomatic history, has taught at Washington and Jefferson College, Ohio State, the University of Oregon, the University of Wisconsin, and Bard College. His graduate work was done at the University of Wisconsin, where he received his Ph.D. in history and social psychology. He has published over 100 articles and is known for a number of major books, including: THE TRAGEDY OF AMERICAN DIPLOMACY; THE ROOTS OF MODERN AMERICAN EMPIRE; HISTORY AS A WAY OF LEARNING; THE U.S., CUBA, AND CASTRO; and AMERICA CONFRONTS A REVOLUTIONARY WORLD; 1776-1976. In 1977, he was a Distinguished Fulbright Scholar at the University of Melbourne in Australia, and he will be the 1980-81 president of the Organization of American Historians. He is now working on an interpretative history of American foreign relations, tentatively entitled “Empire as a Way of Life,” and a research project on marine and maritime history. He will offer two courses in the spring, both of which will deal with maritime history and the diplomacy of maritime cultures, including the United States. Professor Williams is also an accomplished photographer whose photographs have won prizes in various exhibitions.

William and Mary History Faculty

Ludwell Johnson

The William F. Pullen Chair of American History

Ludwell H. Johnson, Ill has been named the first holder of the newly endowed William F. Pullen Chair of American History. The endowment, established by a gift to the College from the United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company of Baltimore, honors a former Chief Executive Officer of the company, William Pullen. Mr. Pullen, a native of White Hall, Virginia, attended William and Mary in the 1920s and subsequently received a law degree from Indiana University. He worked for forty years in the insurance industry, concluding his career as president of U.S. Fidelity and Guaranty.

The award is to be made to a professor of American history in the Department, in recognition of scholarship and high reputation in the historical profession. Ludwell Johnson received his A.B. and Ph.D. from the Johns Hopkins University, has been a member of the William and Mary History Department since 1955, and has been a former chairman of the Department. The author of about twenty articles and books, Professor Johnson recently published DIVISION AND REUNION: AMERICA 1848-1877 (John Wiley, 1978) and has a forthcoming article in the Journal of Mississippi History, “Jefferson Davis as War President.” He has presented talks to the National Congress of Civil War Round Tables, the Richmond Civil War Round Table, other scholarly societies, and numerous College and local groups. His course, “The U.S., 1815-1877,” is an exploration of the origins, development, and outcome of the struggle between the North and the South and is highly popular with students as is his guided lecture tour of Civil War battlefields. Professor Johnson has also been active in the graduate program of the Department and has directed numerous M.A. theses and doctoral dissertations. Also known for his interest in
College and community issues, Professor Johnson has devoted nearly four years to conducting an investigation of the asbestos fire insulation in various College buildings; his work with the State Health Department, Environmental Protection Agency, the Environmental Sciences Lab at Mt. Sinai Hospital in New York, and various College agencies has secured a recognition of the problem and an assurance that the asbestos will be removed when funds are available. Professor Johnson is presently at work on a manuscript concerning the trade between the North and South during the Civil War and is working with C. Vann Woodward on an edition of Mary Boykins Chesnut’s diaries.

Teaching: New Courses and Techniques
Several William and Mary historians have organized new courses or have received recognition for excellence in teaching this year. Dale Hoak won the Alumni Society Award for Teaching in October and has had his proposal, “History, Art, and Teaching,” accepted for presentation at the annual convention of the American Historical Association in December, 1979; at the AHA, he will demonstrate his method of teaching social history through art, a technique which he has developed at William and Mary. Carl Beyer planned a workshop on creativity and its application to teaching for fourteen faculty members last summer; he then taught a tutorial in Project Plus on “Innovation in Higher Education” during the spring semester. The Project Plus theme for 1978-79 was “Creativity.” Cam Walker taught a freshman seminar on “The Southern Woman in Fact and Fiction: 1607 to the Present,” a topic which was new to many freshmen. Jim McCord prepared a new course for the William and Mary Summer Program in Cambridge (Summer, 1979): the course, “The English Country House: A Social History,” will include slide presentations, guest speakers, and visits to some of the houses being studied. Finally, Jim Whittenburg has set his graduate seminar to an ongoing project in collective biography; this year’s class in his quantitative methods research seminar began compiling biographical information on William and Mary students, faculty, and boards of visitors up to about the time of the Civil War. Whittenburg hopes that, after several years, the project will yield several volumes of brief sketches of William and Mary people along the lines of Sibley’s famous collection of Harvard graduates, as well as a volume of collective biography.

Research and Publication
Four professors received grants for research in the summer of 1979. Jim Axtell received a College Alumni Summer Grant to continue work on his multi-volume project entitled “The Invasion Within: the Contest of Cultures in Colonial North America.” Axtell also edited a documentary collection, Native Man and Woman in the East, which will be published by Oxford University Press and coedited with James Ronda, a book, Indian Missions: A Critical Bibliography. He maintains a keen interest in teaching viewpoints and methods as evidenced by two forthcoming articles: “A North American Perspective for Colonial History” (The History Teacher, August, 1979) and “Ethnohistory: An Historian’s Viewpoint” (Ethnohistory, forthcoming). Ed Crapol also received a summer grant from the College to work on his manuscript entitled “Preserving the Union Southern Style: Tyler’s Foreign Policy, 1841-1845.” Crapol’s article, “John Quincy Adams and the Monroe Doctrine: Some New Evidence,” appeared in the August, 1979, edition of the Pacific Historical Review. Tom Sheppard’s College Alumni Summer Grant will enable him to continue work on “The Family during the Ancien Régime and the Revolution,” a study which will be a chapter in his social history of the Touraine in the eighteenth century and the Revolution. Another chapter from that work in progress, “The Clergy in the Touraine at the Time of the French Revolution,” was delivered as a paper at the Consortium on Revolutionary Europe in Charleston, S.C., in March, 1979. Professor Sheppard also found time to review for The Journal of Economic History the volume work by Guy Cabourdin: Terre et hommes en Lorraine, 1550-1635: Toulous et Comte de Vaudemont. Finally, Professor George Strong received a College summer research grant to continue work on his book, “The Habsburg Commonwealth during the Era of Franz Joseph I: A Study in Integration and Disintegration, 1848-1918.” Professor Strong has used archives in Austria and England, among other places, in researching his topic, and his project is nearing completion.

Other William and Mary historians have also had a productive year in scholarly activity. Craig Canning, in addition to preparing several book reviews for Choice, attended the annual meeting of the Association for Asian Studies, held in Los Angeles. He has been much in demand to discuss relations between the U.S. and China since the U.S. diplomatic recognition of the People’s Republic of China; WWBT, a Richmond television station, invited Professor Canning to discuss China on one of their public affairs programs.


Anthony Esler has finished his bibliography of generational studies, and a theoretical study entitled “Generations in History: An Introduction to the Concept” is looking for a publisher. His fourth historical novel, For Love of a Pirate, was published by William Morrow in 1978.

Judith Ewell published a chapter entitled “The Caribbean and the Law of the Sea: New Occasion for Discord” in The Restless Caribbean: Changing Patterns of International Relations, edited by Richard Millett and W. Marvin Will. She presented a paper which touched on similar themes to the annual meeting of the South Eastern Council of Latin American Studies in April; the paper examined domestic influences on the development of maritime diplomacy in the Caribbean. In December, 1978, she attended the American Historical Association’s annual meeting and discussed recent Venezuelan historiography on a panel whose subject was “The Grancolombian Historical Community.”

Dale Hoak presented a paper on “Rehabilitation of the Duke of Northumberland, 1549-1553” to the Mid-Atlantic Renaissance Reformation Seminar at the University of Virginia in October, 1978. His slide lecture, “Witch Hunting and Women in the Renaissance,” proved popular on campus and for community groups throughout the year.
Dick Sherman is researching the origins of the Bureau of Investigation during the presidencies of Theodore Roosevelt and W. H. Taft. He also served as a reader consultant for the University Press of Virginia on two manuscripts; one covered the Progressive Era and the other treated Republican Party politics during the New Deal.

Thad Tate and David Ammerman (Visiting Editor of Publications, Institute of Early American History and Culture, Spring, 1979) have edited The Chesapeake in the Seventeenth Century: Essays on Anglo-American Society, which will be published in the fall of 1979 by the Institute through the University of North Carolina Press. Tate contributed the opening essay to the volume, "The Seventeenth Century Chesapeake and Its Modern Historians."


Jim Whittenburg and Carter Hudgins (Ph.D. candidate) presented a demographic study based on untranslated material from the Moravian Archives in Winston-Salem, N.C., at the annual meeting of the Virginia Social Science Association. Whittenburg also served as a critic on a panel at the American Historical Association's Pacific Coast Branch meeting in August, 1978. His book on the Regulators of North Carolina is nearing completion, and he will present some of the results of his research to the annual meetings of the Southern Historical Association and the American Historical Association in 1979.

## College and Community Service

Historians became involved in a wide range of College and community issues and activities this year. Richard Sherman and Helen Cam Walker joined other faculty and community members to raise and discuss the issues involved in expanding the varsity athletic program. Professor Walker has also been a spokesperson for the newly formed William and Mary Faculty Women's Caucus, which has discussed items of particular concern to Women faculty, students, and staff at the College. Jim McCord still holds his elected position on the Williamsburg City Council and has been appointed to the Legislative Committee of the Virginia Municipal League; the Committee is responsible for making recommendations to the General Assembly and the U.S. Congress on legislative policies affecting Virginia towns. Ed Crapol reviewed an NEH proposal for a television program on "The Cold War," and Carl Beyer has served on the state Rhodes Scholar Selection Committee.

The evidence also seems to be in to suggest that historians can communicate with an interested public at any level. Jim Axtell was quite in demand with the third graders at Matthew Whaley, the Cub Scouts, and the Cooperative Nursery School to give illustrated slide and artifact talks on Indians and the fur trade. Moreover, representing the historical Greek-Roman ideal of a sound body, George Strong served the Williamsburg Soccer League as a Division II Soccer Commissioner. Around the College, our history faculty continued to serve on committees and to participate in faculty and College governance. Dale Hoak chaired the Research Committee; Judith Ewell chaired the Ad Hoc Committee to Review the Undergraduate Curriculum; and Jim McCord was elected to chair the Educational Policy Committee for 1979-80. Thad Tate is chairing a committee which will arrange the program for the 1980 Charter Day; the program will include a special symposium on education in the liberal arts.

## Changes

Craig Canning was promoted from Assistant to Associate Professor.

Charles Cullen, who has been with us for a number of years as Editor of the John Marshall Papers, will move to Princeton University in September. There, he will work with Julian Boyd in editing the Papers of Thomas Jefferson. The Department has enjoyed its association with Professor Cullen, who has taught a popular undergraduate course on "Law and Constitution in America" and has directed several Honors Theses and Master's Theses. Cullen is also a member of the Board of Directors of the American Society for Legal History.

Cullen's position as Editor of the Marshall Papers will be assumed by Charles F. Hobson. Prof. Hobson received his B.A. from Brown, his M.A. and Ph.D. from Emory University. He has taught at Emory, at Georgia State University, and has been an editor of the Papers of James Madison at the University of Virginia from 1972 until the present; he has been responsible for the publication of Volumes 9 through 12 of the Madison Papers. In 1976, he was given the Hamer Award for Outstanding Junior Editor by the Society of American Archivists.

## Undergraduate Organizations and Activities

A lecture/film series, a history T-shirt sale, and various social activities filled the 1978-79 calendar of the History Students Organization (HSO). President Jeff Patton led the group in organizing a lecture series which included a number of history professors who spoke about their own particular specialties:

- **Oct. 10** -- Boyd Coyner, "The South: Myths and Realities"
- **Oct. 26** -- James J. Thompson, "Confessions of an Ex-Jeffersonian"
- **Nov. 9** -- Ludwell H. Johnson, "The Battles of Fredericksburg, Chancellorsville and the Wilderness"
- **Nov. 30** -- Dale Hoak, "Witchcraft in Renaissance Society"
- **Feb. 22** -- Craig Canning, "The U.S. Recognition of the People's Republic of China"
- **March 1** -- James Axten, "The Unkindest Cut of All, or, Who Invented Scalping?"
- **March 15** -- Judith Ewell, "The Venezuelan Watergate: The Trial of President Marcos Perez Jimenez, 1959-1968"
- **April 17** -- Thad Tate, "The Making of the Colonial Williamsburg Film: Story of a Patriot"

The Vietnam War film "Of Hearts and Minds" supplemented the lecture series. On the lighter side, the HSO and the history faculty worked together to put on a History Christmas Party in the Wren Great Hall and, later, an
end-of-year picnic at Lake Matoaka on April 25. Intermingled with the lectures and socializing, HSO members created the slogan, "Love an historian; we have past experience" to fit the T-shirts of their extended history T-shirt campaign. Vice President Richard III coordinated the HSO spring activities and will preside over the election of new officers in the fall.

Sponsoring the annual regional conference of Phi Alpha Theta was the main event of 1978-79 for the College's chapter of the international history honor society. W&M's Phi Alpha Theta club hosted undergraduate and graduate students and professors as they came to give and review history papers of different topics. Paper topics ranged from "Popular Reaction to George Whitefield in the Colonies" by Benton Gates to "The Development of English Coffeehouses in the Seventeenth Century" by Robin Anderson, and were given by students from William and Mary, Old Dominion University, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and S.U., and the University of Richmond. Two history faculty members, Thad Tate and James P. Whittenburg, acted as co-directors of the conference with other history faculty serving as session commentators. Dr. Whittenburg oversaw the presentation of papers while Dr. Tate presided over a panel discussion on "Non-teaching Careers for History Majors." New president of Phi Alpha Theta, Marjorie Wall, hopes that next year will be as successful as this past one.

**HONORS AND AWARDS**

Graduating from William and Mary with highest honors in history is no small accomplishment. Janet E. Steele did just that, an endeavor which won her the 1978-79 William Elbert Fraley Award. The History Department gives the Fraley Award annually to the student who writes the best history honors thesis. Ms. Steele, also a member of Phi Beta Kappa, wrote her thesis on "Two Rabukes to the Modern World: The Southern Agrarian and Catholic Worker Movements in the 1930s" under the direction of Professor James J. Thompson, Jr. The award, established in 1969 in honor of an alumnus, carries a gift of $500 which Ms. Steele plans to use in graduate school. She is working in Washington, D.C. for the summer and will attend Johns Hopkins University this fall to work on a Ph.D. in American intellectual history. Johns Hopkins has awarded Ms. Steele a scholarship to support her graduate work.

The other 1978-79 award-winner of the History Department was Nancy B. Shelton, recipient of the Richard Lee Morton Scholarship Award. The Morton Award is given to the history concentrator who has the highest grade point average combined with the qualities of potential and character; this year it included a gift of $269. A group of history concentrators initiated the scholarship in 1960 to honor Dr. Morton for his distinguished, forty-year teaching career at the College. Dr. Morton was considered not only a fine teacher and scholar, but also an advisor and friend to many students who knew him. Ms. Shelton served as an active member of the Honor Council and Kappa Kappa Gamma, who on Residence Hall Staff for one year and was elected to Phi Beta Kappa. Ms. Shelton comments, "I am postponing graduate school until I decide which career I want to pursue." Meanwhile she is working for Xerox Corporation in Virginia Beach, Virginia.

Other history concentrators who were elected to Phi Beta Kappa this year were Felicia M. Boyd; Karen H. Galbreath; Elizabeth A. Galloway; Benton E. Gates; Neil R. Kingsley; and Christina M. Mason.

Other students who chose the challenge of writing a senior Honors Thesis and who graduated with Honors in History are:

Rohland Collins, "Red Pepper: The Fate of Florida's New Deal Liberal," directed by Helen C. Walker (Honors)

Charles Franzen, "In His Own Image: The Life and Writings of Hamilton Bass," directed by Helen C. Walker (Honors)

Jennifer Hall, "The Chickamauga Campaign," directed by Ludwell H. Johnson (High Honors)

Peter Morrison, "Indian and Black Slavery in Early South Carolina," directed by Thad W. Tate (Honors)

Jeffrey R. Patton, "An Investigation of Antifederalist Thought," directed by Edward P. Crapol (High Honors)

Brooks Savage, "The American Home Missionary Society in Kentucky, 1826-1861," directed by Boyd Coyner (Honors)

Jeffrey Thomson, "Woodrow Wilson's Decision to Intervene in Siberia," directed by Edward P. Crapol (High Honors)

Denise M. Doverspike
News from the Director of Graduate Studies

During the past year the Department authorized some slight modifications in the master's program. The revisions, which become effective in 1979-80, are intended to allow students to finish their theses and receive their degrees more quickly. History 601-602, a two semester historiography course entitled "The Literature of American History," has been compressed to a single semester. By reducing the historiography requirement, the Department wishes to encourage master's students to place more emphasis on the research seminar and accelerate the completion of M.A. theses. In this same spirit, the Department agreed to provide more supervision and direction of theses, stressing quality over quantity.

Another revision in the M.A. program applied exclusively to Historical Sites apprentices. They will be permitted to submit a shorter M.A. thesis, but also will be required to submit, during the second year of their program, an acceptable project or report in museology. The museology project will be directed and supervised by the Colonial Williamsburg staff. Final evaluations of the museology project will be conducted by a committee composed of Colonial Williamsburg staff and one member of the History Department. With this modification of the thesis requirement, which has the full endorsement of the Colonial Williamsburg staff, the recently instituted Historical Sites apprenticeship should become a first-rate program.

DEGREES GRANTED

One scholar will receive the Ph.D. in August, 1979, and three students are expected to receive the Ph.D. in January, 1980. Paul B. Henley, presently Archivist at Mariner's Museum in Newport News, has completed his dissertation entitled "An Eighteenth-Century World Not Quite Lost: The Social and Economic Structure of a Northern New York Town, 1819-1860," and will be awarded the degree in August. Philip J. Funigiello directed the dissertation. The anticipated recipients of January degrees, their dissertation titles and dissertation directors are as follows:

Paul M. Pruitt, Jr.: "Joseph C. Manning: A Rebel Against the Solid South," directed by Cam Walker.

Four Master's degrees were awarded in May, 1979; the recipients, their thesis titles, and their thesis directors are:


The following students expect to receive the M.A. degree in August, 1979:


GRADUATES

The past year has been a fairly good one for jobs for our graduate students. Bob Lemire, a doctoral candidate, has accepted a position at Virginia Commonwealth University for 1979-80. He will teach the U.S. survey and an American social history course. Another Ph.D. candidate, Paul Pruitt, has accepted a position at the Episcopal School of Acadia in Lafayette, Louisiana. At the M.A. level, Doris Sturzenberger has taken a position with the American Jewish Archives in Cincinnati and Karen Stuart is Assistant Manuscripts Librarian at the Maryland Historical Society. Carole Johnson will be Associate Editor of Publications at the National Center for State Courts in Williamsburg. Marcia Winkleman is presently working in the Research Department at Colonial Williamsburg. Two of the Historical Sites Apprentices, Mary Hoffschwelle and Liza Pitzer, who recently completed the second year of their apprenticeship, have been offered positions as Fellows at Colonial Williamsburg under the Rockefeller Brothers Fund/Palace Refurbishing grant.

It has been a rather productive year for graduate publications as well. Donald Swig's article, "A Capital on the Potomac: A 1789 Broadside and Alexandria's Attempts to Capture the Cherished Prize," appeared in the February, 1979 issue of the Virginia Magazine of History and Biography. Anne Chapman has two articles forthcoming: "The Inadequacies of the 1848 Charleston Census," which will appear in the South Carolina Magazine of History; and "Graduation - 1850s Style," which is scheduled for a future issue of the William and Mary Alumni Gazette. John Crowell is the co-editor of The Responsibility of Mind in a Civilizations of Machines: Essays by Perry Miller, which will be published by the University of Massachusetts Press in December, 1979. Crowell also has co-authored an article entitled "Perry Miller: Mind in a Civilization of Machines," which is forthcoming in Massachusetts Historical Society, Proceedings.
ADMISSIONS

The Department received 89 applications for the M.A. program for 1979-80. Of that number, 23 were judged acceptable and 10 accepted admissions as follows: 3 Editing Apprentices, 1 Archives and Manuscripts Apprentice, 4 Historical Sites Apprentices, and 2 in the regular M.A. program. The geographical distribution of incoming M.A. students remains diverse, although the number of Virginia students (3) represents just under a third of the new group.

Twenty-two Ph.D. applications were received and 6 were offered admission, four of whom are expected to enroll. Of the four, three will be in the regular Ph.D. program and one will be an Historical Sites Apprentice. The research interests of all four are evenly divided, two in early American history and two in U.S. history since 1815.

Edward P. Crapol

News of Alumni

SUSAN AHERON (B.A., 1972) was recently appointed by Governor Dalton as Assistant Director of the Virginia Liaison Office in Washington.

CATHARINE ALLEN (B.A., 1979) is working in the Arts and Industry Division of the Smithsonian Institution in Washington.

DONALD D. ANDERSON (B.A., 1972) is Probation Counselor for the 24th Judicial District Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court Service Unit for the City of Waynesboro, Virginia. In 1977, he was designated Domestic Relations Counselor; in 1978, supervisor for Waynesboro Family Group Homes. He hopes to enter law school this fall.

Sherry Babitt (M.A. CANDIDATE) is working in the Publications Department of the Philadelphia Museum of Art.

MEREDITH BEAN (B.A., 1979) is working for the Fairfax Park Authority at the Tavern Historical Site in Dranesville.

Dr. Robert L. Bidwell (M.A., 1948), before his death on Oct. 17, 1977, was the pre-theology adviser for East Texas State University. Dr. Bidwell had also been a faculty member of the University of the Americas in Mexico City.

Warren M. Billings (B.A., 1962), professor of history at the University of New Orleans, has published an essay, "The Transfer of English Law to Virginia, 1606-1650," in P.E.H. Hair et al. eds., The Westward Enterprise: Essays in Honor of D. B. Quinn. He is presently working on a study of Francis Howard, the last Stuart Governor of Virginia.

Pam Black (B.A., 1979) attended Catherine Gibbs School for an eight week course before embarking on a publishing career in Washington, D.C.

Carol Curtis (M.A. CANDIDATE) earned her Master's in library science from Columbia University. She is working at the Smith College Development Office, while continuing to work on her thesis.

Irene Drozda (B.A., 1979) worked for a while in New York before going to graduate school.

Joan Fabrizio (B.A., 1979) joined Merrill Lynch's Programmer Training Program.


Alice Ford (B.A., 1979) is teaching Latin in high school.

Gail Geddies (B.A., 1977) has completed her first year of law school at Yale Law School.

Allison Giglio (B.A., 1976) has taught English in Togo, West Africa, as a member of the Peace Corps. She is currently studying Russian and East European History at the University of Washington. Her future plans include a semester in Leningrad to study language and culture.

Rick Gildorf (B.A., 1973) is working at the Center of Brazilian Studies of the Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies. He is also taking graduate courses at the Johns Hopkins University.

Judd Harmon (Ph.D., 1977) is presently employed as historian for the National Park Service, Division of Publications in Harpers Ferry, West Virginia. He is working on an article about a Missouri River steamboat for Early Man and the historical text on World War II naval ships for Leawards Publications. He has recently presented a paper based on his dissertation to the Fourth Naval History Symposium at the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis.

Paul Hensley (M.A., 1970; Ph.D., 1979) is the archivist at the Mariner's Museum at Newport News, Virginia.

Jeanne Hognson (M.A., 1973) is the Director of Activities and assistant professor of history at California State, San Bernardino.

Debbie Holland (B.A., 1979) is working for Xerox in Norfolk.

Janet Housley (B.A., 1978) hopes to find a job in public relations or sales promotion with a firm that has markets in Latin America.

Sarah Hughes (Ph.D., 1975) has recently served as a consultant in black history at Colonial Williamsburg. She has also been awarded the Berkshire Prize for the best article written by or about a woman. Her work, entitled "Slaves for Hire: The Allocation of Black Labor in Elizabeth County, Virginia, 1782 to 1810," appeared in the April 1978 edition of The William and Mary Quarterly.

Rick Johnson (B.A., 1975), after managing a restaurant in Ocean City, landed a job with the Marriott Corporation.

Cecilia Jones (B.A., 1979) is working in Charlottesville.

Sarah Joyner (B.A., 1979) is teaching social studies in high school.

Jeanette Kinde (B.A., 1979) spent the summer studying at the University of Oslo.

Bruce Lincoln (B.A., 1960), associate professor of history at Northern Illinois University, has published "N.A. Miiciitun and the Emancipation of the Polish Peasants," in the Journal of European Studies, VII (1977) and "Peter Simonov's Journey to the Celestial Mountains," in History Today (March, 1978). He has been the senior research fellow at the Russian Institute, Columbia University and has been nominated to
participate in the exchange of senior American faculty with the Soviet Academy of Sciences. He also recently received a Fulbright-Hays Faculty Research grant.

WILLIAM LOWE (B.A., 1969) is teaching English history at Marshall University in Huntington, West Virginia.

BETSY AUGUST MCCLURE (M.A., 1976) has been working as a supervisor in the Department of Rare Books and Special Collections at the University of Michigan Graduate Library.

JAMES MCCLURE (M.A., 1977) is working as a teaching assistant while he continues his doctoral work in history at the University of Michigan.

BILL MIMS (B.A., 1979) is working for his Master’s degree in Government at William and Mary.

BECKY MITCHELL (M.A. CANDIDATE) has entered the Ph.D. program at the University of California in Berkeley.


DAVID NULL (M.A., 1978) has earned his Master’s degree in Library Science at the University of Chicago. He is now an Assistant Social Science Librarian at Miami University in Oxford, Ohio.

JAMES M. O’TOOLE (M.A., 1973) has become Archivist of the Roman Catholic Archdiocese in Boston.


SUSAN PATTERSON (M.A., 1974) has moved to Chicago to become managing editor of the Journal of Infectious Diseases.

EDWIN PERKINS (B.A., 1961) is the Acting Editor of the Pacific Historical Review. He received his M.A. and Ph.D. from Johns Hopkins University and he now teaches business history at the University of Southern California.

MARY PRESCOTT-METZGER (B.A., 1974) is an English and reading teacher in a parochial school in a suburb of Birmingham.

STANTON PROVENCE (B.A., 1978), after participating in the training program at Readak Educational Services, has taught study skills and developmental reading at various preparatory schools.

PAUL PRUITT (Ph.D. CANDIDATE) now teaches at a high school in Louisiana.

JIM ROBERTSON (B.A., 1976) has entered Emory Law School.

PENNY SANDER (B.A., 1976) is now Assistant Curator of Decorative Arts in the High Museum in Atlanta, Georgia, where she gives lectures and sets up exhibits. She also is planning to begin work on her Master’s degree in history.

NANCY SHELTON (B.A., 1979) is working for the Xerox Corporation in Virginia Beach.

REBECCA SHIFTER (B.A., 1979) is at Cornell working for her Master’s degree in architecture and urban history.

RENEE SIEMBELDA (B.A., 1979) is working for his Master’s in Health Care and Engineering at Temple University. He has received a plaque of appreciation for his services at the Delaware Memorial Hospital.

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