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The Deepening Chasm

IN THE LAST issue we discussed the "polarization" in the country between the minority which sees only doom and the majority which is inclined to find things generally satisfactory. After that, this polarization was interestingly illustrated in a newspaper column by Tom Wicker and replies in the Letter Column of the Richmond Times-Dispatch.

Mr. Wicker found the glory departed from and "little honor due" the nation in the second year of Nixon's administration. Prior to Nixon's inauguration, I had found Wicker's columns literate, informative and enlightened, and he seemed more a liberal-minded objective observer than an orthodox or knee-jerk Liberal. But his version for Nixon seems to have made him (at least, in his columns) paranoid on the subject, and as hysterical and repetitive as Westbrook Pegler got to be on the Roosevelts. About the war in Southeast Asia he has become as infallibly and self-righteously messianic as any Savonarola, and on the subject of integration he has become as simplistic and as zealously accusatory as any of those ex-Southerners (he is from North Carolina) who go to extremes in protesting that they are not as other Southerners. In Wicker's current phase, as illustrated in his intemperate column, he serves as an example of those extremists among the Cassandras—although, in his unphilosophical and paranoid approach, he attributes most of the nation's ills to the current president.

Among those who replied to Wicker's column was Mrs. Joyce H. Sydnor, whose tone was a model of restraint compared to Wicker's. She made the very sound point that Wicker "reflects the intellectual trap that sophisticated analysts fall into: the failure to recognize that most Americans are not sophisticated." Not only are most Americans not intellectually sophisticated: they distrust intellectual sophistication or even intellectuality. The fare on television, accepted by millions, provides some sort of index to both to the unsophisticated mental tastes of most Americans and their desire for opiates. Thus, even the temperate "sophisticated analysts," who regard the present with apprehension or even alarm, cannot reach the majority.

Mrs. Sydnor, speaking for this majority, revealed its antagonism to the intellectual. "In the long haul," she wrote, "we do the ordinary and uncomplicated—we keep the nation moving after the handwringing, wailing and cries of politicians, columnists and abstract intellectuals over environment, race and political issues wind everything into an incomprehensible knot." Significantly Mrs. Sydnor makes no mention of the countless thoughtless books and essays, as well as the "wailing" of columnists, on such fundamental subjects of national concern as the affect on human values and, indeed, human lives of continual technological innovation; as the decline in "the quality of life," which is manifested in student unrest; as the decay of cities; and as the destructive dominance of the automobile in political thinking and transportation planning. No intellectual is required to wind those problems "into an incomprehensible knot." They are present and worsening.

In Mrs. Sydnor's fine feelings about her country, (Continued on page 54)
Forty-five years ago a group of independent building material dealers in Virginia formed the Virginia Building Material Association.

In the early days of the Association the members handled mostly lumber. The Association was actually chartered in 1926. The automobile and truck had just begun to find their role in American industry. Prior to that time horse-drawn wagons delivered the lumber to the builder's site; lumber which came mainly from trees grown in Virginia and nearby states. Today there are still many lumber storage bins in use that were built as labor saving devices by the dealers of those early years. Without the modern forklift those storage bins were built using the terrain of the land to save labor by being able to go to various levels of the building to store and distribute the different sizes of lumber. Many of the lumber dealers in the early days had their own sawmills from which they received their supply of lumber for distribution. A few today still have sawmills that supply a limited amount. As Virginia grew the need for additional lumber exceeded the production in the state. The use of river boats and railroads brought in the needed supply. Forty-five years later the railroads play an important role, bringing lumber from the west coast in 12-16 days. In early days it might have taken this long merely to bring hardwood from the western part of Virginia to the eastern area under various weather conditions.

The building material dealer realizing the need to furnish the contractor and home builders with complete materials for home and industrial jobs expanded rapidly to furnish hardware, paints, roofing and other items in the early days.

There was also a need to supply the builder with special architectural wood work. Many dealers developed their own
millwork departments to produce special cabinets, winding stairway rails, and special interior projects such as churches. Many of the dealers today through their millwork departments are meeting the architectural needs of the ’70s.

In the early days the basic materials were lumber, brick, and concrete. The building material center today carries hundreds of items of which many have appeared since World War II.

The need for inventory control and storage is most important as many new items appear each year on the market. The dealer must keep abreast of these changes and be prepared to meet the needs of the builders. Product knowledge among the employees is most important. Manufacturers, wholesalers, and distributors assist the dealer’s employees through educational programs and product meetings so that they may be prepared to advise the builder and consumer of the ever changing types of materials, their sizes and applications.

Today many citizens call upon the dealer for advice in the preliminary planning of their new home or additions. Questions directed are, for instance, whether to use wood or tile flooring, or what type of flooring is needed if they use carpeting. In the dealer showrooms they may see the samples so that they can study and determine what they want long before the work commences, eliminating costly delays and changes after construction begins.

In the ever expanding dealer showrooms customers may review, for example, sample bricks provided by the brick manufacturers. The brick manufacturer has played an important role in recent years in giving buyers many more choices of color and types of brick from the conventional brick of 45 years ago. The samples range from the still handmade types to those that fit the needs of the modern design building of the ’70s.

Over the years the dealer and his buyers have been able to see new products at the Building Materials Annual Exposition in conjunction with their Annual Convention. This past year at the 44th Annual Convention and Exhibition the manufacturers, wholesalers, and distributors displayed their new products. Many times comments were heard from the many visitors as they viewed the exhibits such as, “its amazing how far we have come in developing new building materials.”

Elwood Boyce, Jr., President of Boyce Lumber Company of Portsmouth, is president of the Association as it approaches its 45th anniversary. Boyce a long time leader in the Association has emphasized the need of constant changes by the dealer to meet the needs of a changing industry. At his recent Management Conference, Boyce provided speakers who were experts in their field of modular building. The dealers see an important role in the future development of modular homes and apartments. Better Living, Inc., formerly Charlottesville Lumber Company and a charter member of the Association has done much research along with James River Building Supply Company of Sandston as well as other dealers in modular construction.

For a number of years the dealer has been aware of the housing units that will need to be built to meet the population growth by 1975 and the year 2000. The recent low start of housing units in Virginia and the nation makes it more difficult to meet the housing requirement. The Association through its National Association has been in support of the
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home builders to get action from congress for more mortgage and interest rate adjustments. The next 45 years no doubt will find many methods and materials of today obsolete. There will be many factors governing the changes. The population increase versus the land cost that is needed for housing will be an important factor. The future of conventional sub-divisions for homes means extending ever further from the center of the cities. The cost of land renovation in the innermost part of our cities will be questionable. The advisability of satellite communities out from our major cities with rapid transportation and air lift will be some of the factors that will govern our future needs and types of building material.

Our basic materials such as lumber, brick, concrete, and aluminum may not become obsolete themselves as much as the method in which they are handled and utilized in the ever changing construction of the future. The horse and wagon may not find a future as history repeats. The river boat may play an important role again in the future in delivering materials for recreational and community sites of the future not only for homes but the retired horse barns also.

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Fall Beckons Visitors To The Old Dominion

By PAT BRYANT

IS THAT summer vacation just a fond memory? Or, worse yet, is a vacation still a dream of things to come? Don’t fret. Virginia is getting ready to put on some of her gayest raiments to welcome what is to some the most glorious of seasons in the Old Dominion—Fall.

Virginia long has been known for her Springtimes, when seemingly without warning flowers burst into bloom and trees are covered with gentle green leaves that frame historic homes and vistas long beloved by Americans.

Summer sees the Commonwealth turned into a playground of swimmers and campers, tourists and fishermen. Families by the carloads and busloads of pleasure seekers come to see where his nation all began.

Winter finds the state often blanketed by snow—a welcome sight to skiers and katers—or her fields and woodlands and trails teaming with hunters determined to acquire their quota by day’s end. This is the time, too, for theatergoing and museum prowling, for concerts and indoor sporting events, for planning and dreaming ahead.

But fall, that’s when Virginians relax a bit from their summer sun-filled days of entertaining visitors, growing crops, doing all the things that make the summer weeks whiz by. Come fall, there is time to think of things to do or a weekend jaunt not too far from home, a football team to cheer on—with all the sound and color and hot dog aroma that you can’t get in front of the TV set. It’s the time to applaud beautiful float in a parade or a prettiest girl about to be crowned Miss Successful Harvest for 1970. Fall is as big as the State Fair or the Tobacco Festival or as warmly homelike as a Peanuts, a product for which Virginia long has been known for her farm output, especially peanuts.

Emporia and Greensville County are at least in part economically dependent, will reign supreme on September 26 when the 8th annual Peanut Festival is staged in Emporia. On the schedule are a gala parade, a beauty pageant and the coronation of a queen.

Abingdon will hold its 20th Annual Burley Tobacco Festival and Farm Show October 8-10. The Old Dominion’s “Mountain Empire” will welcome visitors to the festivities marking the end of the tobacco season with fun and frolic coming fast on the heels of the beginning of fall.

Another end-of-summer festival is planned on October 3 at South Hill. Here the 17th Annual Harvest Festival will herald fall and the end of the harvest with a country music show, float parade and harvest dance.

Up in Highland County, which justly earns its nickname “Little Switzerland” because of its mountainous scenic beauty, two weekends are set aside for the county’s annual Fall Foliage Festival at Monterey. This county has the nation’s southern-most maple festival in early spring and the maple sugar or- 

chards plus the abundance of beautiful hardwoods make this an especially scenic area in fall. Awaiting visitors are breathtaking drives, homemade mountain foods and special displays of local arts and crafts October 3-4 and 10-11.

Urbanna sets aside November 6-7 for its 12th Annual Oyster Festival. Located on the Rappahannock River just
Scenes of attractions such as the midway and its rides (above). Gene Holter and his animals (left) and the JM Demolition Derby (below) should entice "youngsters" of all ages to come to the Fair!
cert, art show and sale, rooster crowing contest, salute to the armed forces and Appaloosa horse show.

An event in mid-October that has gained national recognition and which attracts thousands of Virginians and out-of-state visitors to Richmond is the National Tobacco Festival. This year's festival will open Saturday, October 17 with the Grand Ball and selection of the official hostess. The ball will begin at 9 p.m. in The Arena with music by the Les and Larry Elgart Orchestra directed by Larry Elgart.

The following day the National Drag Race will start at 12:30 p.m. at the Richmond Dragway at Sandston.

Monday through Friday, tours of tobacco factories in Richmond and of the Petersburg Tobacco Market will be featured for visitors. Tuesday, October 20, the Richmond Tennis Patrons Association will sponsor a Junior Tennis Clinic at the Byrd Park Courts at 3:30 p.m.

Excitement will begin to mount on Wednesday with the first appearance of the Queen of Tobaccoland and her princesses. This will be the Lion's Club luncheon in their honor with the president's reception planned for 7 that evening. The Princesses' Fashion Show is planned for noon of October 22 in Miller & Rhoads while another luncheon in their honor will be held October 23 in Thalhimer's. Thursday night will be the Festival Showcase in the Mosque with a line-up of name entertainers to be announced later.

Friday will find the emphasis turned to the outdoors. The Ferko Wonder Bread String Band will present its annual concert in Capitol Plaza at noon. That night, the bandmen in their heavily decorated costumes will participate in the Grand Illuminated Parade at 7 p.m., marching with many other bands, floats, princesses and military units from downtown Richmond to Parker Field for a Parade Show.

Saturday will see the University of Richmond meet East Carolina University in the Tobacco Bowl in City Stadium. Many of the parade units will participate in the pre-game show at 12:30 p.m. and a new Queen of Tobaccoland will be crowned at halftime. The climax to the festival will come during the Tobacco Ball in the John Marshall Hotel at 9 p.m. Saturday with music by Meyer Davis.

There are many football events in the Old Dominion in the fall, including some traditional meetings that are as much a part of the Virginia scene as the State Capitol. One that is in that category is the annual Oyster Bowl in Norfolk sponsored by the Shriners for benefit of crippled children. A parade and pageantry will precede the game between teams from the University of Maryland and North Carolina State University.

For many men—and women—Fall is the time for individual participation in sporting events. Cheering the old alma mater on from the 50-yard line is fine but they'd much rather be heading for field or stream. And Virginia is ready and waiting to supply the sportsman with his desires. There are boat races, horse shows, field trials and hunting and fishing galore. Seasons for various species of game vary and it is best to seek exact information about the open and closing dates and the bag limits on game to be hunted in the desired locale.

At Virginia Beach, the third annual Winter National Virginia Striped Bass Derby, November 15-December 3, will be a feature of the fall sportsmen's season. This is being coordinated by the Salt Water Sport Fishing Association of Virginia.

September is a lovely time for boating and in Tappahannock, Labor Day weekend will see the Family Boat Races Regatta on September 7. All types of family boats such as runabouts, sailboats, inboards, etc. will race on this long weekend of the summer-into-fall season that brings so many visitors to the water's edge for a final outing.

September also will see two horse shows of interest to Virginians and non-Virginians. The Warrenton Horse Show is planned for September 5-7 in the heart of Virginia's horse country. This show was started in 1898 and traditionally has attracted the outstanding hunters and jumpers from throughout the nation. The show is known for its many coveted championships and is the scene of the Virginia Horse Show's Hunter Seat Equitation Finals. There are many diversified classes.

The horse show set's attention will be focused on Chatham on September 25-27 for the sixth year. Hundreds of entries are expected in the various classes. One entire evening will be devoted to local pleasure horses and Sunday afternoon will be given over to hunter-type horses. There are overnight camping grounds and stable facilities.

Orangie will be the scene of two major dog events in November. The first will be the Virginia Amateur Field Trial Association Meet on November 9-11. Dog owners from east of the Mississippi bring their dogs of all ages to compete over special courses for coveted trophies. The meet is held
on Hawfield Estate in the licart of the Virginia hunt country.

Each year on the Monday following Thanksgiving, U. S. dog owners gather at Hawfield Estate for the National Open Dog Shooting Championship. This year's event is scheduled for November 30 and there will be beautiful silver trophies and a rich cash purse for winners of this professional event.

Fall is the time for gentler pursuits, for remembering events of centuries past, for learning about and discussing and acquiring the arts and crafts that enrich our lives, for leisurely viewing of the natural beauties for which Virginia is so famous. It's a time to visit old homes and antiques shows, to see how holidays were observed by our ancestors and even to do some toe-tapping to the tune of a fiddle and guitar. For Virginia is as down-to-earth as a country music festival and as cultured and sophisticated as a concert or theatrical production.

One of the biggest musical events in the Old Dominion is the annual Virginia Folk Music Festival, now in its 24th year. What started as a one-day get-together has now grown to such proportions that there are two sections: bluegrass bands playing in Chase City on September 13 and regular bands tuning up in Crewe on the 20th. Hundreds of musicians and thousands of their fans turn out for these programs, to hear the music, see the performers and pretty girls and state championship contests and to watch a beauty pageant and parade. The festival traces its history back to its beginning in Blackstone with subsequent one day meets in South Hill, Farmville, Crewe, Oak Leaf Park in Luray and Martinsville before it became so big that all the performers still hadn't appeared when programming time came. That's when it became a two-day affair.

Another side of the entertainment coin will be viewed at Middletown, located 14 miles south of Winchester. Here is located the Wayside Theatre, where there will be drama workshops for preteens, teens and adults during October and November. Each workshop will culminate with a theatrical production. The workshops have been made possible through a grant recently awarded to the Wayside Foundation for the Arts. The classes will be built around theater games, a technique of improvisational theater developed by Viola Spolin. Mrs. Spolin is responsible for the training of such stars as Mike Nichols, Elaine May and Barbara Harris.

The emphasis in all the workshops will be on individual growth. Each student will be given individual attention so that his imagination and creativity develop as much as possible. The course will work toward the development of self-confidence and poise and will enable the student to express himself in front of a group. Gerald Slavet is artistic director of the theater.

The search for antiquity and things historic is a prime avocation for many Virginians and their visitors — just look at the crowds that turn out for antiques fairs and for house tours and arts and crafts shows, of which there are many.

Three of the larger antiques shows will be held in the Virginia Beach
Convention Center, October 25 and 26, in the convention center at Boar’s Head Inn in Charlottesville, November 10-13, and the Richmond Arena will be the site of a Soroptomist sponsored antiques show November 4 through 7. All will have leading antiques dealers in attendance.

Always a favorite with visitors are events in Fredericksburg and Leesburg areas.

Harking back to the days of early colonists is the annual Fredericksburg Dog Mart. The mart began in 1698 at the close of the Colonial-Indian campaigns. As part of the peace plan, the Colonials agreed with the Indians to have marts and fairs in exchange for goods and the trading of dogs and furs. To this day, descendants of that powerful Pamunkey tribe come and participate in the dog mart each year. On the program will be a parade, dog show, dog auction, hog calling, fox horn blowing, old fiddlers and archery contests and demonstrations. There also will be Indian dances and dog trick acts. This is a colorful and unique event staged in a city famed for its close associations with Washington and its preservation of many historic buildings and sites.

The same week end, October 2-4, will see the annual Waterford Homes Tour and Crafts Exhibit at Waterford, near Leesburg, and of the Lceburg Cart Mart to be held on Saturday, October 3. Proceeds from the cart mart or flea market have been earmarked for restoration projects in Loudoun County, the first of which is the preservation of a log cabin built by the earliest recorded silversmith in Leesburg.
An opening night (right) at the Wayside Theater (left) is a gala occasion for everyone.

At left & above—Historic Stoner's Store in Fredericksburg.

Old Homes and Antiques in Leesburg
The Waterford Craft and Home Tour will be held from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on the three tour days. Each year thousands of visitors come to the tour to visit the 18th and early 19th century homes which have been restored and to watch the artisans and members of craft guilds from Loudoun and adjacent counties in Virginia, Maryland and West Virginia. The crafts may be offered for sale. In addition an art show is planned. Waterford is a mill town that dates from the 18th century—a mill was built here about 1740, across the stream from the present mill which is the craft shop now operated by the Waterford Foundation. Next to be built were a house, a smithy and a log-house, then a meeting house followed by more houses, including the Dorsey House built in 1804 and still in existence. By 1934 this was a flourishing little village containing about 70 houses, a tannery, chair factory, boot and shoe manufacturer and a population of 400 persons.

Yet another arts and crafts show will be stated in New Market September 26-27. A widely popular event, it should attract even more visitors this year as a result of the recent opening of the building commemorating the valor of the Virginia Military Institute Cadets during the Civil War.

Tours of old homes, often accompanied with arts and crafts sales, lure many a visitor to the highways and byways throughout the year. Several Virginia communities hold their uniquely special tours in the fall, such as Alexandria, Lexington and two Eastern Shore communities. The Alexandria tour will be on October 3 under sponsorship of the Auxiliary Board of the Alexandria Hospital. Additional information can be obtained from the Alexandria Tourist Council.

The Lexington tour is sponsored by the Historic Lexington Foundation with proceeds to be used for purchasing and restoring historic buildings. This year's tour is planned for Saturday, October 24 and bus transportation for the tour can be reserved until October 15. On the tour are Washington Hall, built in 1824 on the Washington and Lee University campus; Lee Chapel, built under the direction of Gen. Robert E. Lee when he was president of W & L and where he is buried; and the President's House, built in 1869 after designs of General Lee.

Also included is the Alexander-Withrow House, built in 1790 and one of the few to survive a fire that leveled much of Lexington in 1796; Blandome, built in 1850 in the Italian-

Fox Horn Blowing at the Fredericksburg Dog Mart

The Rising Sun Tavern—Fredericksburg

Hill, built about 1824; and Marlbrook, built about 1777 by David Greenlee whose mother was said to be “the first white woman to settle west of the Blue Ridge.”

On the Eastern Shore, the Accomack County Soroptimist Club will have its annual House Tour on Oct.
25, featuring four Accomack County homes—two historic and two modern.

On Nov. 14-16 the 17th Fall Antiques Show sponsored by the Woman's Auxiliary to the Northampton-Accomack Memorial Hospital will be held at the Armory at Onancock. Meals will be served and there will be an antiques show and door prizes.

Fall just isn't fall without a leisurely ride through the countryside to see the brilliant foliage. If you decide to go by car, make it between October 10 and 20 when the leaves are expected to be at their most extravagant opulence. In the mountains and valleys will be the breathtaking vistas for which the Old Dominion is famous. Particularly spectacular are Skyline Drive, Blue Ridge Parkway and the areas of George Washington National Forest, the Jefferson National Forest and Shenandoah National Park. The nature trails in Seashore State Park in Virginia Beach share in the beautiful array of autumn color.

Just to be sure that train buffs get their chance to see the fall foliage, the Old Dominion Chapter of the National Railway Historical Society will sponsor two Autumn Leaf Special excursion trains on Saturday and Sunday, October 17 and 18. Additional trains will be added if possible, according to a spokesman for the sponsor. Both runs will originate at Richmond's old Main Street Station at 8 a.m. and will ramble for 200 miles up the historic James River Valley giving passengers a look at cut stone locks, dams and watercourses of George Washington's massive Kanawha Canal. The train will proceed to Rainbow Pass at Iron Gate, stop for a while at Clifton Forge, head up through the high country into the
Shenandoah Valley and cross the Blue Ridge at sunset before heading home-ward via Charlottesville and a return to Richmond at 8:30 p.m. Passengers will ride in regular air-conditioned cars or such special equipment as open-top observation cars for picture-taking, restored vintage passenger cars from the society's own collection and a "baggage-buffet" combine-coach serving snacks and beverages. Information about trips and tickets may be obtained with a post card request to: Autumn Leaf Special, Box 8583, Richmond, Va., 23226.

A major attention-getter in Southwest Virginia is the Southeastern Band Festival, this year celebrating its 20th anniversary in Bristol with a week-long program of festivities climaxing on Saturday, October 3. With a registration limited to 70 bands, this festival draws hundreds of high school musicians from seven southeastern states to play and march and compare uniforms. The theme for this year is Americanism. The event attracts thousands of band boosters and band music enthusiasts in addition to the young people who participate.

Bands participate and are judged in four school enrollment categories, ranging from less than 450 students to more than 825. The October 3 schedule starts with parade formation at 7:30 a.m., followed by the parade in Bristol. An 11:30 a.m. luncheon for band directors, band boosters, officials, school officials, wives and adjudicators will be followed by judging of the two smaller classifications of bands. The afternoon will see a rehearsal for the mass band concert followed by the concert at 6:45 p.m. In the evening,
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the two larger classifications of bands will be judged. Trophies will be awarded on the basis of competition against a standard, not with other bands.

Judges for this year’s event are Paul V. Yoder, composer and conductor; Nilo W. Hovey, educational director of H. & A. Selmer, Inc. and lecturer, clinician, adjudicator and guest conductor in the United States and Canada; and Forrest L. McAllister, editor and publisher of The School Musician Director and Teacher and a music educator.

Others will be Oliver W. Helmrich, associate professor of educational psychology at Indiana University of Pennsylvania and head of a company that manufactures baton specialty equipment; John W. Stover, inspecting officer, Major, USMCR, and Bristol's Chief of Police and Coordinator of Civil Defense; and Peter P. Mitrush, inspecting officer, Major, USMCR and a life insurance executive.

An historically significant event will take place October 19 when the surrender of Lord Cornwallis to General Washington is commemorated at Yorktown. This will mark the 189th anniversary of the surrender. The ceremonies are sponsored each year by one of nine member groups of the Yorktown Day Association—American Friends of Lafayette; Comte De Grasse Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution; National Society Children of the American Revolution, National Society Daughters of the American Colonists, Society of the Cincinnati in the State of Virginia, Virginia Society Sons of the American Revolution, Sons of the Revolution in the State of Virginia, Colonial National Historical Park and Trustees of the Town of York.

There will be a memorial program at the Yorktown Victory Monument, erected by the United States to commemorate the French alliance and the victory over Cornwallis. On the program will be a parade and patriotic exercises. Also to be seen by visitors are the Yorktown Battlefield and remains of the British earthworks of 1781, and several houses and other structures of Colonial times.

Hampton offers a widely diverse program of activities for the fall visitor, including the popular bus and boat tours and the Hampton Roads Coliseum, one of the most beautiful sports, entertainment and convention centers in the east. It seats more than 11,000 persons and presents some of the leading entertainment and sporting events available. Many activities...
This Red British double-decker bus tours Langley—NASA research center on the Hampton Tour. (photo by Haycox Photomarin, Inc.)

are planned for the coliseum during the fall months.

The double-decker English bus takes visitors on tours to NASA's Langley Research Center and Langley Air Force Base, originating at the Hampton Information Center on Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday through October 4. The boat tour departs from the city-owned pier at Joseph Healy Jr. Memorial Park on Bridge Street in downtown Hampton on Saturday and Sunday only through October 4.

Hampton also commemorates an early settlers' event on December 18 with special activities and feasts of foods probably eaten by the settlers. This observance recalls December, 1608 when a sizeable party from Jamestown, while visiting the Kecoughtan Indians on the site roughly that of the present day Hampton, were held in the Indian village by a week-long winter storm. They reportedly held the first Christmas feasts in the New World then.

Christmas and Thanksgiving are traditionally advantageous times to visit the Old Dominion, so visitors can see how these holidays were observed in the yesteryear and how they are commemorated today.

America's First Thanksgiving holds the spotlight in the Richmond area when the Thanksgiving Festival is held November 22-26. A major event of the festival of ceremonies and pageantry, parades and other activities is the observance of the First Official Thanksgiving in America—held December 4, 1619 at Berkeley Plantation on the banks of the James River. This followed a decree that the day of arrival of settlers who arrived from Bristol on the ship Margaret under leadership of Capt. John Woodlief should be set aside as a "day of thanksgiving to Almighty God." The ship touched land on November 30, 1619 at what is now Hampton and proceeded up the James River arriving at its destination, Berkeley Grant, on December 4 closely corresponding on the old calendar to today's November 25. Then the first officially recorded Thanksgiving in America was celebrated by the ship's company. An especially-written historical play will be presented in an amphitheater at Berkeley Plantation and will be open to the public with tickets to go on sale in the fall.

Elsewhere, a Thanksgiving Hunt Weekend is planned in Charlottesville. Here, in the heart of Virginia's hunt country, visitors will attend a "blessing of the hounds" in addition to participating in special evening entertainment, traditional activities and a Thanksgiving dinner at Boar's Head Inn.

"Snow Goose Open House" will be held November 21-28 on the Chincoteague National Wildlife Refuge. A delightful time of year on the Eastern Shore. The Thanksgiving weekend usually finds the snow geese flocking to the refuge by the thousands. Trails will be opened for visitors during the daylight hours.

And on December 13, five Eastern Shore homes decorated for Christmas is the treat presented by the Women's Club of Accomack County.

Christmas activities begin early in December in Virginia, starting with a Christmas Walk in Historic Alexandria. This is a two-day event, December 4 and 5, to bring back to today's busy world some of the special holiday events of "Washington's Home Town" in the days of George Washington and our founding fathers. There will be exhibits and displays, ceremonies and church services, arts and crafts and foods to see and purchase.

December 5 and 6 will see Big Stony Gap welcoming visitors to its eighth Christmas House. The June Tolliver House is the site for traditional Christmas customs and events. Planned are carol singing, a flower show, big Christmas trees trimmed by children, a nativity scene and tea served both days from 2 to 6 p.m. Of special interest will be six trees in separate

Impregnable Ft. Monroe, Hampton, a thorn in the side of the Confederacy and later Jefferson Davis' prison.
rooms, each decorated for Christmas in a different land.

A panorama of Christmas customs, spanning the centuries, will be held in Norfolk during the Yule season. Included will be "The Largest Yule Candle in the World," at the Gardens-By-The-Sea. Christmas music concerts, the lighting of the Yule Log, homes and buildings decorated for the season and ships at the Norfolk Naval Base lighted in a decorama of festive Christmas lights. In addition, special holiday arrangements are being made in one of Norfolk's finest hotels for Christmas itself with receptions, special dinners and other traditional activities planned.

Charlottesville also will beckon visitors to an old English holiday December 24-28 where in the Boar's Head Inn, visitors will enjoy wassailing, the Yule Log, bringing in the ceremonious Boar's Head, caroling and outdoor bonfires.

December 19-January 1 will see the recreation of one of the brightest of Virginia Christmas observances—Christmas With the Elks in Bedford. There at the Elks' National Home, the famous lighting display that attracts upwards of 80,000 people from all points of the state and outside Virginia will be held. There will be some 50 Christmas scenes arranged over 10 acres, utilizing 10,000 lights. The scenes are arranged on the front lawn of the home and cars move around the circle drive between 5:30 and 11 p.m. In lights, the Christmas story is depicted, along with children's scenes and traditional home-type scenes such as houses and churches. The celebration began in 1955 and each year, new scenes are added and old ones deleted with work begun in early November by the home's maintenance crew. The home is the retirement residence for many members of the BPO Elks and the holiday scenes have contributed toward Bedford's reputation as "Christmas Capital of Virginia."

Williamsburg never seems to run down the curtain on its presentations.
From early Fall through the many Christmas festivities Virginia beckons travellers to see her at her best.

of things historical and of interest to the visitor. In fact, fall is just as full of the drama of our nation's beginnings as any season in the old capital. September sees the resumption of the candlelight concerts in the Governor's Palace with performances on the 10th, 17th and 24th as well as October 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29. For these, 20th Century musicians perform by candlelight in the 18th Century costumes and setting of historic Williamsburg.

Throughout the season there are tours of private homes and public buildings, some of them on a specially arranged basis, as well as to the tiny craft shops and exhibition buildings. Special feasting is on tap at King's Arms, Campbell's and Chowning's, 18th century taverns of Williamsburg on Thanksgiving Day.

In early December, the emphasis swings to Christmas and its earliest observances. December 18-19 are the time of the Christmas Prelude when the Grand Illumination of the City, a torchlight parade and beginning of the famous "white lighting" of the city are staged. A special Holiday Weekend, underscoring the Christmas season in Virginia's Colonial Capital is planned for December 20-21. Christmas in Williamsburg will continue then through January 3 with the observance of colorful customs and contemporary events that capture the gaiety and tradition of Colonial times. Many special activities are planned, including tours and Colonial dining.

Still bemoaning the lack of a vacation in summer? Don't — pack your suitcase or picnic basket or camping gear and take off. Virginia beckons most enticingly come fall, from sandy beaches to brilliantly hued mountainside. And everyone knows the welcome will be warm. After all, who's more hospitable than Virginians
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tell the Virginia Story
The Virginia Branch, A. G. C., was pleased to have a large number of Congressional delegates present at their luncheon, held in Washington, D. C. Wednesday, April 29th. The Virginia Congressional delegation included: Thomas N. Downing (D), Newport News; G. W. Whitehurst (R), Norfolk; W. C. Daniel (D), Danville; Richard H. Poff (R), Radford; John O. Marsh (D), Strasburg; William L. Scott (R), Fairfax; William C. Wampler (R), Bristol; and Joel T. Broyhill (R), Arlington. Wade Isaacs, Administrative Assistant to Congressman David E. Satterfield III, and Wilbur Walker, Administrative Assistant to Congressman W. C. Daniel were also present.

This is an annual event. However, this year must be considered one of the finest, particularly in terms of attendance, with over 70 people present. Something new was added this year by James F. Duekhardt, Executive Director of the Virginia Branch. Mr. Duekhardt arranged to have the tables set up so that the Congressmen would be seated with men from their districts, therefore adding to the general atmosphere of harmony and spirit of cooperation.

President of the Virginia Branch, J. A. (Buddy) Kessler’s remarks were very well received and most appropriate for the occasion. Representative John Marsh, speaking for the Congressional delegation, thanked President Kessler for his offer of professional assistance and advice on legislative matters pertaining to the construction industry that come before Congress.

An unexpected pleasure at the luncheon was the arrival of L. P. (Pete) Gilvin of Amarillo, Texas, President of the Associated General Contractors of America. Other distinguished guests included H. Douglas Hamner, Jr., Director of Engineering and Buildings, Commonwealth of Virginia; John E. Wilson, President, Virginia Chapter, American Institute of Architects; Roger L. Pendleton, President, Virginia Society of Professional Engineers; John R. Williams, representing Consulting Engineers Council of Virginia; Richard O. Carden, Executive Secretary, Virginia Society of Professional Engineers; James M. Sprouse, Assistant Executive Director, Associated General Contractors of America and James Davis, Jr., Associate Editor, Construction Magazine.

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On May 13, 1970, at the Westwood Racquet Club in Richmond, Virginia, the AIA-VSPE-AGC Joint Cooperative Committee met for the first time since September, 1968. The three organizations—Virginia Chapter, AIA (American Institute of Architects), VSPE (Virginia Society of Professional Engineers), and Virginia Branch AGC (Associated General Contractors)—represent all phases of the construction industry. It was felt by the leaders of the participating associations that it was vital to reactivate this committee to promote an atmosphere of cooperation and joint effort in solving the many problems facing the construction industry today.

Each Association presently has six members on the committee. The chairmanship rotates between the three.

The first order of business at the meeting was the election of officers as follows: R. E. Lee, Chairman; H. B. Dickenson, Vice-Chairman; D. W. Hardwicke, Secretary-Treasurer. James F. Duckhardt was appointed Recording Secretary.

The present committee felt that the CEC (Consulting Engineers Council of Va.) should be represented on the committee and voted to invite them to join. Mr. Lee has written to W. A. Thompson of Wise, President of the CEC, and issued the invitation. With the CEC as a part of the Joint Committee, it was felt that the group could adequately and effectively represent the entire construction team in all areas of industry and government.

A Legislative Sub-Committee will be formed to promote and encourage a positive legislative program prior to the 1972 Session of the Virginia General Assembly.

In discussing the overall purposes of the committee, it was felt that the original "Statement of Purpose" published in 1954 was still very applicable (see boxed "statement").

The Presidents of the three organizations plan Joint Cooperative Committee meeting. Left to Right: Roger L. Pendleton, President, Virginia Society of Professional Engineers, Practicing Engineer, Springfield, Va.; John E. Wilson, President, Virginia Chapter, American Institute of Architects, Partner, Rawlings N Wilton, Richmond, Va.; and J. A. Kessler, Jr., President, Virginia Branch, Associated General Contractors, President, R. E. Lee & Son, Inc., Charlottesville, Va.

AIA-VSPE-AGC Joint Committee

"Statement of Purpose"

On December 3, 1954, in Richmond, Virginia, representatives of the following three organizations met:

1. American Institute of Architects (Virginia Chapter)
2. Virginia Society of Professional Engineers
3. Associated General Contractors (Virginia Branch)

Out of this meeting came agreements to form a Joint Committee of the respective organizations, and their ultimate goals can best be described by quoting in part from a letter written by one of the charter members of this group to the President of the AGC:

"...if this cooperating group of architects, engineers and contractors, can bring about productive deliberations, they will have rendered a great public service to the people of Virginia, which should resound to the credit of the three societies."

This then, is the creed of the Joint Committee. "To render a service to the people of Virginia."

Since its founding, no restrictions, no guidelines, no bars, have been placed on the backs of its participants. Discussion is frank, but steeped in mutual respect. Deliberations are firm, but seasoned with compassion. Debate is forceful, but leavened with understanding.

For architects, for engineers, and for contractors, the AIA-VSPE-AGC Joint Committee is a sounding board.
WORK AND PLAY COMBINE FOR SUCCESS AT AGC BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING AND WORKSHOP

By

NICKIE ARNOLD

The Virginia Branch, A. G. C., had their annual Board of Directors Meeting and Workshop at The Tides Inn, Irvington, July 9th, 10th and 11th.

The Executive Committee Meeting was held at 8:30 P.M., July 9th with President J. A. Kessler, Jr., presiding. Those in attendance were: J. A. Kessler, Jr., N. D. Kjellstrom, A. S. Bass, Jr., J. W. Creech, S. H. Shrum, J. R. Dobyns, James F. Duckhardt and Thomas G. Booker. At the conclusion of the meeting, there was dancing in the Chesapeake Club.

The Virginia Branch annual workshop was held on Friday morning, July 10th. Those invited to attend this workshop were: state officers and directors, state committee chairmen and district presidents.

The overall purpose of the workshop is to improve the effectiveness of the AGC and make membership meaningful to its members. The workshop devoted its efforts to the areas of statewide branch activities and programs with an eye to better and more effective programs held on a state-wide basis such as conventions, seminars, etc. They discussed ways and means to encourage the various state committees to be more active and assume more responsibilities.

Also, it is desirable to promote the formation and action of district committees. They also went over means of increasing individual participation by attending district meetings, serving on committees, attending state functions, etc.

The workshop discussed and reviewed the activities as reported from the various parts of the state, at which time the difficulties and problems which resulted in new ideas and policies were solved for many.

President Kessler called to order the Board of Directors Meeting at 1:00 P.M., Friday, July 10th, with the following members attending: J. A. Kessler, Jr., N. D. Kjellstrom, J. W. Creech, A. Alexander, J. R. Dobyns, L. B. Duke, S. L. Lionberger, Jr., R. G. Montgomery, J. E. Poindexter, S. H. Shrum, J. R. Houck, R. W. Lynch and R. E. Lee. James F. Duckhardt, Executive Director and Thomas G. Booker represented the Virginia Branch staff. Mr. Duckhardt gave his report on membership, and the financial report. Also discussed was a proposed trip to Frankfort Germany in November 1971, with France considered as an alternate.

After a discussion of certain changes and additions to the Policy Manual, Samuel H. Shrum (Immediate Past President) moved that the Policy Manual be adopted as amended. J. W. Creech seconded and the motion was passed.

While the Board of Directors were having their meeting, the District Presidents had a conference in the East Cove Room. Messrs. Richard Phillippi, Jr., Southwark District; Robert Dunville, Sr., Richmond District; Sam Lionberger, Jr., Roanoke District; Don Feagans, Central District; M. R. Welch, Tidewater District and Robin Lee, Piedmont District attended this meeting with J. L. Rosenbaum of the Richmond District and Tom Booker of the Virginia Branch staff as guests. At this meeting it was agreed that every district should have a Construction Day sometime during the next school year.

Reports on the Norfolk and Richmond Construction Days were given and discussed. The group also went over program ideas for the districts. Every District President was requested to send
the names of four contractor prospects and a like number of associate prospects to the Virginia Branch office. With regard to District Seminars, Bob Dunville discussed the Richmond District’s seminar which will be on Communication and will be conducted by Dr. John Lang in Richmond on October 24th. Mr. Dunville said that the Richmond District is expecting over 200 people to participate. The District Presidents were also alerted to the fact that the I.A.C.P. program (Industrial Arts Curriculum Project) may be used in their local areas and were urged to cooperate with the local school officials in any way possible to help them implement this program.

The ladies were invited to enjoy the luncheon cruise aboard the Miss Anne, which normally runs for about two hours. However, due to the overcast weather conditions only Mrs. Joe Rosenbaum (Joyce) and Mrs. Nickie Duckhardt braved the wind and rain. It could best be described as a very wet and interesting trip (but fun)!

Someone must have put in a good word with the weatherman, because the weather cleared up in time for the Hawaiian Luau. The cocktails were exhilarating, the food superb and the company delightful. The Tides Inn’s spareribs were again the hit of the evening.

It was back to work for the men at 9:00 A.M., Saturday morning with a General Membership Meeting in the West Cove Room. At this time President Kessler presented the new proposed by-laws to the meeting. He stated that they had been approved by the Board of Directors and reviewed the major changes. It was moved and seconded that they be approved. The new proposed Articles of Amendment, Amending and Restating the Articles of Incorporation were also presented and approved. In discussing the location for the Mid-Year Board of Directors meeting next year, Jim Duckhardt was requested to check into the Hotel Roanoke, Roanoke; Boar’s Head Inn, Charlottesville; the Mariner, Virginia Beach and the Marriott, in Alexandria.

President J. A. Kessler, Jr., gave a report on plans for the Virginia Branch, A. G. C., to assist in the formation of the Virginia Construction Users’ Anti-Inflation Roundtable. This was the conclusion of the business meetings.

Cornelia and Bob Dobyns, Linda and Dick Phillippi, Jr., Rindy and Sam Lionberger, Jr., Connie and Walter Conrad, Jr., as well as Nickie and Jim Duckhardt enjoyed a beautiful moon-light cruise on the Miss Anne Saturday night. Can you think of a more pleasant way to end a meeting?
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While the central portion of the building is of normal type construction, the two wings of the building use 'space-grid' construction. Twin bus loading canopies are provided, on a turn-around paved bus drive and parking area. A large parking area is located adjacent to one end of the building, on the access road, to serve staff and patrons.

Roof-mounted air-handling units will provide heating, cooling and ventilating for the entire structure. All administrative and instructional areas are to be carpeted, with acoustic ceilings throughout. The 'team teaching' concept envisioned in this school, while not new, is nevertheless new to this area. The School Board, Principal and staff are actively engaged in planning and preparing for use of this new facility, scheduled to be ready for occupancy in the Fall of 1971.

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Other Virginia firms were: Wise Concrete Corp., Big Stone Gap, concrete; Industrial Decking & Roofing Co., Inc., Bristol, roofing; Engineering Sales Corp., Bristol, windows; Byrd's Terrazzo & Tile Co., Inc., Roanoke, ceramic tile, terrazzo; Roanoke Engineering Sales Co., Inc., Roanoke, steel doors & bucks; Harvest Electric Shop, Norton, lighting fixtures & electrical work; Daniels Plumbing & Heating, Inc., Norton, plumbing fixtures, plumbing, air conditioning, heating & ventilating.

Other firms were: from Tennessee, Tauscher Roof Deck Co., Bristol, roof deck, steel roof deck; Bristol Glass & Mirror Co., Bristol, glazing; B. J. Church Co., Inc., Johnson City, painting; K. W. Jackson Co., Kingsport, plaster; ARC Tile, Johnson City, resilient tile; City Lumber Co., Inc., Knoxville, millwork; and Trimble Co., Inc., Johnson City, hardware supplier. Space-grid system was by Butler Manufacturing Co. of Kansas City.
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Firms in addition to general contractor, Montgomery Construction Co., Inc. were: Anderson & Shorter, Inc., excavation, stone; Altavista Concrete Products Co., Altavista, concrete; Fred M. Stinnette & Co., Madison Heights, masonry; Piedmont Co., miscellaneous metals; Woodall, Lang & Neas, Inc., roofing, sheet metal & waterproofing; General Builders Co. of Lynchburg, Inc., seamless floors; G. C. Scott & Sons, painting; Williams Electric Co., Inc., electrical; Southern Air, Inc., water system piping, filter plant equipment & pumping equipment; Valley Steel Corp., reinforcing steel.

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Firms in addition to general contractor, Montgomery Construction Co., Inc. were: Piedmont Co., structural steel, joist & miscellaneous metals; Dickinson & Cole, Buena Vista, plumbing, heating & ventilating; Bat Masonry Co., Inc., masonry work; Williams Electric Co., Inc., electrical; T. B. Dornin-Adams Co., roofing, sheet metal, flashing & waterproofing; Lewis Bocock Tile Co., Greenville, Va., quarry tile & base work; J. E. Sears & Co., Inc., Appomattox, millwork; Bryant Plastering Contractor, Buena Vista, lathing, plastering & stucco work; Manson & Utley, Inc., acoustical ceiling, foil faced insulation & resilient floors; G. C. Scott & Sons, painting.

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All exterior wood columns and beams are of heart cedar.

The interior colors were selected to continue the Spanish motif, sand-textured plastered walls, acoustical suspended ceilings and carpet in the dining area as well as the lighting fixtures and restaurant equipment. Wrought iron separates the dining area from the take out area.

All floors are terrazzo: sales area, kitchen, hallways, storage area and rest rooms. The interior of the kitchen and counter area are polar white marlile. Rest room walls are marlile in "Gold Lace."

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To further extend its services to the seven-county area it serves the extended care facility was planned. Its opening day was a Red Letter Day not only for the officials and staff of the hospital, and/or the Medical Group Foundation, parent organization of the hospital, but for the people of Essex, Middlesex, King and Queen, Richmond, Westmoreland, Lancaster and Northumberland counties. It provides fifteen beds for long term patients and adds twelve beds for acute hospital cases. It has the potential for doubling the original hospital at whatever time the second story of the new wing is furnished. While no date has been set for using the upper floor, it is intact, is a replica of the first floor which is opening and it will, no doubt be equipped and furnished as demand justifies.

This addition is the only section of the hospital having three stories. The ground level and upper floor are for patients, while the basement houses the kitchen, the cafeteria, a recreation room, an occupational therapy room, a beauty parlor and barber shop, a private dining room, the laundry and other necessary utilitarian areas.

Tidewater Memorial is a private hospital for which no public funds were used. But it is not the usual private hospital, for it had the financial support of the people of the area who donated nearly $100,000 toward the new wing. The remainder of the half-million dollar project was financed by the Medical Group Foundation. The people of the area had previously contributed to erection of the hospital.

The facility was officially opened by Governor Linwood Holton. Several hundred persons heard the Governor's address, toured the new wing and attended the reception which followed.

Mr. Fenton Froom, Sr., president of the Potomac Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, Master of Ceremonies, presented a number of distinguished guests including Sen. and Mrs. Leslie B. Campbell, Sen. and Mrs. Paul W. Manns, Del. and Mrs. Walther P. Fidler, Del. Julien Mason, Mayor George C. Clanton, Chairman of Essex Supervisors A. Jack Andrews and Mrs. Andrews, Dr. and Mrs. W. E. Malin, Sr., Dr. and Mrs. Paul Fisher, Dr. and Mrs. Niels Oster.

Mr. Froom served in pastoral ministry for 30 years before being elected president of the Potomac Conference which covers Virginia, Washington, D. C. and two counties of Maryland. He holds a BA degree and a MA degree from Andrews University. He served as pastor in Staunton, Va., in Florida, Georgia, Washington, California and Maryland and now resides in Staunton where he had his first pastoral assignment.

The program consisted of a band concert rendered by the Washington and Lee Band of Westmoreland county, Presentation of Colors by the Northern Neck Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars, No. 7167, the pledge of allegiance led by Nathan Parker, Jr., the National Anthem rendered by the W&L band, a prayer of dedication by Elder Cameron A. Carter, introduction of guests by the Master of Ceremonies, Welcome by Dr. Paul Fisher, Address by Dr. W. E. Malin, introduction of the Governor by Del. Walther B. Fidler and the Governor's address.

Following the program the Governor cut the ribbons to the new wing and the guests then were shown the wing by members of the hospital auxiliary.

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DOUBLING the size of the Byrd Field Terminal has been a lengthy and demanding project for all concerned. Maintenance of traffic for 40 airline flights per day with the attendant personnel flow has been the key problem. This has been accomplished by compartmentalizing the work and completing a phase before beginning the next. Detailed work schedules and flexible traffic pattern arrangements have served to bring the major increments of work to virtual completion.

The original project envisioned four phases. Phase one involved adding 50,000 square feet of floor space to the existing terminal to house the airline ticket counters, offices, concessions, a very attractive restaurant. Also included was an extensive remodeling program for the old terminal.

Phase two built the south concourse to the plane embarkation area with extensive paving and service loading docks for the air freight operations.

Phase three for the north concourse has not yet been funded by the City of Richmond, but bids are in for phase four which will construct the driveway covers at the front entrances.

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Others were: Matthews Conveyor Co., Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Turner Advertising Co.; Greendale Ornamental Iron Co.
New Staff Appointments At Norfolk Federal

- William J. Fannen, President of Norfolk Federal Savings and Loan Association, has announced two new staff appointments.

Troy G. Swindell, former manager of the association's Portsmouth office, has been elevated to assistant secretary-treasurer and promoted to the Mortgage Loan Department at the association's main office.

Eugene W. McNeal, who recently joined the Norfolk Federal staff, has been appointed assistant secretary and manager of the association's Portsmouth office. Mr. McNeal, a Portsmouth resident, has been associated in a managerial capacity with mortgage banking activity in the Tidewater area for some twelve years.

Architects, Contractors Announce Two Documents Vital to Building Industry

- The American Institute of Architects and the Associated General Contractors of America have announced publication of a revised General Conditions of the Contract for Construction and a new Instructions to Bidders.

The two documents are expected to be widely used in the nation's $90 billion construction industry.

Rex Whitaker Allen, FAIA, of San Francisco, AIA President, and L. P. Gilvin of Amarillo, Tex., President of the AGC, announced availability of the documents and noted they help establish the basis for contracts between building owners and contractors and set forth many of their rights, responsibilities and duties.


The revised "General Conditions of the Contract" is based on deliberations between the 24,000-member AIA...
and the 9,000-member AGC to clarify legal responsibilities of the contractor and the duties of the architect as the owner's representative.

“This represents a significant achievement in cooperation between the two organizations and will be of benefit to the entire construction industry and the public,” said Allen. “Consistency of language in standard construction documents helps eliminate confusion, and this should result in lower bids since the contractor does not have to include a cost factor for unexpected contractual contingencies,” he added.

The General Conditions document covers such subjects as work execution, payment, methods for change orders, handling disputes, protection of persons and property, insurance, subcontracting, correction of work and termination of the contract. Using the document as a base, an individual contract is suggested for each building project.

The architect is not a party to the contract but does help prepare it and undertakes duties assigned to him by it as the owner's representative.

The Associated General Contractors at its New Orleans Convention in March endorsed use of the two documents by its membership.

Virginia Contractors To Attend National A. G. C. Board of Directors Meeting

The nation’s leading general contractors will gather in Minneapolis, September 18th through the 22nd for the annual Midyear Board Meeting of the Associated General Contractors of America. Representing Virginia will be Messrs. R. E. Lee, A. J. Conner, and B. F. Parrott, Sr., National Directors; and Joseph W. Creech and Samuel H. Shrum, National Committeemen. James F. Duckhardt, Executive Director of the Virginia Branch will also attend.

They are expected to consider many of the current problems facing construction such as cutbacks in federal spending, excessive union wage demands, and the acceleration of minority workers into the construction industry. AGC activities and policies will also be reviewed.

The Associated General Contractors is a national trade organization representing more than 9000 general contractors throughout the country. About 1200 contractors and their wives are expected to attend the board meeting. The AGC of Minnesota will serve as host chapter.

AGC committees will spend three days in separate work sessions prior to the meeting’s official opening September 21st.

AGC President L. P. Gilvin, a highway and heavy contractor will preside over the meeting. Mr. Gilvin is from Amarillo, Texas.

At the closing session on September 22nd, nominations will be made for president, senior vice president, vice president and treasurer for 1971. The new officers will be elected by mail ballot of the membership in December and will be installed at the closing session of the AGC’s 52nd Annual Convention in San Diego in March 1971.
Reynolds International, Inc., a subsidiary of Reynolds Metals Company, has announced that construction is underway on the company’s plastics plant near Liege, Belgium.

The $3 million plant is tentatively scheduled for completion in the summer of 1971 and will produce Reynolon polyvinyl chloride special purpose and shrink films for European sales. The plant will be operated by the Reynolon Division of Reynolds Aluminium Europe.

J. Louis Reynolds, chairman of Reynolds International, said the new plant would enable the company’s Reynolon Division to be competitive in the fast growing overseas plastics market.

"Liege is a central location with a population of 1.5 million in a radius of 800 miles," he said. "In addition, since Belgium is a member of the Common Market, the new plant will be able to supply Germany, Holland, France, Italy and Luxemburg duty free."

The plastics plant is designed to produce approximately six million pounds of plastic annually and will have about 250 employees. It is the first Reynolds plastic plant to be located outside the United States, however, the company has bauxite mining, aluminum production and fabricating plants in 19 countries.

Reynolds is the world’s third largest aluminum producer.
Environmental Education

In Nation's Schools Is Urged by AIA Architects

The American Institute of Architects has announced the publication of a “Guidebook for Education on Environmental Awareness” to encourage architects to work with educators in establishing classroom instruction on the environment in the nation’s schools. The objective is to make young people aware of the many facets of the city in which they live and the role they and their parents can play in shaping the city and the environment.

The guide, and a supplementary bibliography and list of resource materials for educators, describes environmental instruction efforts underway in 20 cities, according to James R. Pratt, AIA, of Dallas. He is chairman of AIA’s Public Education Committee. The guide will be used by AIA’s 172 chapters in consultation with school and community leaders. It is not available for general distribution to the public, it was pointed out.

Already, the AIA guidebook reports these accomplishments:

* * * Philadelphia architects and teachers have published a book used by seventh graders in that city and others which includes punch-out pages to help show scale and use of space. The book is part of a $30,000 national program to show that change in cities is continuous and how citizens can help control or direct it.

* Portland, Oregon, architect Mrs. Marjorie Wintermute, AIA, charted a neighborhood “treasure hunt” which takes Campfire Girls and other students in a search for patterns, shapes, density, views, obstructions, historic buildings, functions. The journey ends with the traveler “leaving a treasure for the future.”

* Arkansas AIA Chapter has installed a 1,300-square-foot walk-through exhibit called “We—City—?” at Little Rock’s Arkansas Art Center. Using three slide-show machines and other devices, the exhibit “shows how the city is put together and raises our responsibility for what happens to it.” The exhibit may be moved permanently to a local college and will be described in the second edition of the guidebook.

* Corpus Christi architects have a 100-slide presentation called Cityscape which they take to schools, along with a question period, to heighten a child’s sense of concern for living qualities of his city. San Diego and Bristol, Pa., architects have similar shows.

* Testing of new lesson plans and teaching outlines on the man-made environment is underway or set in San Rafael, Calif., Houston, Dallas, Clifton, N.J., Pasadena, Calif., and other cities.

“Every place in America needs protection and care,” explained Pratt.

“Our salvation is the enlightenment that comes with education,” noted Arthur Rigolo, FAIA, of Clifton, N.J., chairman of AIA’s Task Force in Elementary and Secondary Schools. All citizens are decision-makers on the environment, Rigolo said, since they choose officials who will build or control the building of others.

“Our report in what some architects and teachers have done to advance this awareness is imperfect, but it shows precedents and where materials can be obtained. Each city should take this material and develop its own program,” said Pratt. “We deliberately stayed away in this report from stating just one model to follow,” he said, “because different locations have different problems.”

However, the guidebook stresses these common threads and objectives:

1. “Start small with a pilot activity and allow for flexibility and change . . .”

2. Contact between architects and other design professionals and schools trying to define how to teach environmental awareness will start with confusion. One way to break this is to concentrate on local problems as case studies.

3. A true appreciation for the environment should be based on the links between what man does and the cycles of nature. The two are interdependent: to ignore one is disastrous.

4. Pollution is caused by sterile buildings and bad land use as well as industrial wastes, garbage, sewage, and leaking machines.

5. Teamwork by professionals supporting citizens is the force necessary to arrest environmental perils.

Pratt said his concern for the lack of environmental awareness education in most schools was stirred by his three children. “It seemed to me there was nothing for them in this whole vital field,” he explained.

“The field is open,” he noted. Now in the Greenhill School in Dallas, Pratt reported, a former teacher is working with architects, a psychiatrist, a chemist, a landscape architect, and others to assemble classroom materials. Architects lead field trips for teachers who then apply in the classroom what they’ve learned.

AIA, with its 24,200 members, is urging its chapters to develop and sponsor similar ventures, Pratt added. Educators interested in the program are encouraged to consult with their local or state AIA chapters, listed in telephone directories, or to contact Gordon Phillips, AIA, Director of AIA Education Programs, 1755 New York Avenue N.W., Washington, D.C. 20006.
The Duranodic bronze finish on the aluminum tubing.

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she represents an attitude which, at its extreme, is as simplistic as Wicker's laments. She asks, "Taking 194 years of some stumbling, some merit, some progress by a nation of people with varied intellectual abilities, diverse goals and standards, should just a 10-year thrust of dissent from social reform and a muddled war make anyone less a believer in the other 184 years?" Then she adds, "We're not that abstract, Mr. Wicker."

The point is that no gift for abstractions is required to recognize the past decade as only the climax of the effects of half-a-century of fundamental and often drastic change in the nature of the United States. The crack-up of the old power structure of Europe, which occurred during World War I, was slow in revealing its full effects on the Western World—such as shoving a bewildered and reluctant America into a position of world power. Then, as traced in the last issue, this country went through the rebellion and renaissance of the 'twenties, the Depression and the change of the government's role in the nation's economy in the 'thirties, a disruptive and disenchanting world war in the 'forties, followed by the governmental drift toward socialization, its heavy-handed political-oriented entry into the bog of racial relationships, the rise of the great corporations and the Gross National Product standard of living which reduced America's citizens to the status of consumers on a treadmill, all within the context of continual change in the role of the church, the universities, the family and the "identity crisis" of individuals caused by the rapid technological changes.

What the pessimists perceive, as apparently the optimistic majority do not, is that these changes are continuing at a rate beyond the capacity of human beings to adapt. In a highly praised new book released by Random House, *Future Shock* by Alvin Toffler, the author states that, "Change is avalanching toward us and most of us are utterly unprepared to cope with it."

Toffler, not among the doom-criers, simply assumes the fragmenting effects of what he calls the "Super-Industrial Revolution," and the purpose of his book is to list methods of coping with the change. As evidently only the intellectuals seem to be concerned with our obsolete system of education, Toffler addresses himself specifically to new conceptions and new structuring in the educational system.

Since, as was mentioned in the last
issue, the concerned intellectuals (whether temperate or Wicker-ish extremists) and the satisfied majority cannot talk across the chasm separating them, our need does seem to be for New Voices who will be heard and (hopefully) trusted by both sides. Ideally those New Voices would be in political leadership, such as was Virginia's political leadership in its "golden age" before and during the Revolution and during the formative years of the Republic.

Before the Revolution, the majority of Americans did not comprehend the need of separating from Great Britain. As an example, Benjamin Harrison, who represented his Charles City County constituents in the House of Burgesses, was approached by a group of his neighbors as he prepared to attend to the First Continental Congress in Philadelphia. They questioned him about the colonies' grievances against the Mother Country and about the leading Virginians' reasons for considering separation. After Harrison answered them affably and fully, their leader said, "We do not pretend to understand all these points at issue, but we trust you, and will follow where you lead."

The difference between their day and ours is very significant. In their day political leaders were not "politicians" who made a career of serving a variety of special interests among their constituents. They were superior citizens—the richest, most influential, the best educated—who had been trained to assume political responsibility. Some of them, as best exemplified by Thomas Jefferson, were actually "intellectuals"—though not of the arrogant doctrinaire variety of the extremists today—and many of them were scholarly, contemplative men who translated ideas into political action. There was, in brief, no split between the mental-type and the politicians, and no distrust of the "sophisticated" among the majority. The people expected to be led by their superior citizens, who had been educated in leadership.

Today the intellectual element feels superior to the average political personality; and, judged by the inaction or inaction of our political bodies on problems fundamental to the future well-being of the nation, their feeling of superiority is justified. But today the intellectual, the man of ideas, is not trained to translate his ideas into political action. Also, the dogmatic self-righteousness of the intellectual extremists is so offensive to everybody except themselves that even the sound ideas—the honest probing and con-
censored evaluations—among thoughtful observers tend to be obscured or ignored.

On the other hand, the politician is a technician in the technology of politics and, certainly in the deeper meaning of the word, apt to be devoid of ideas. With “consensus” his guide, the purpose of his technique is to provide assurance to the majority. And the majority definitely prefer to listen to reassurances, and/or to television soporifics, than to the analyses of humanists who are alarmed about the condition of Western man in a world of change beyond our present capacity to handle.

As for the doctrinaire intellectual “joiner”—with his cult-badge of anti-Viet Nam War and simplistic racial reforms—I find him as objectionable as does the next person. But among the quieter thinkers, the non-joiners who make less noise and attract less attention, are men and women whose intelligent concern for and analyses of the spiritual distortions in the nation can be dismissed only at a loss to the whole. One of those, who does no public wel­ling, is Ruth Nanda Anshen, editor of the WORLD PERSPECTIVES series of thoughtful books. In the introduc­tion of one of those she wrote of “spiritual and intellectual leaders of our epoch” who “are aware of the truth that beyond the divisiveness among men there exists a primordial unitive power, since we are all bound together by a common humanity more fundamental than any unity of dogma…”

I think that, in the present polariza­tion, we forget that we are “all boun­ted together by a common humanity,” and think the concern of the true intellec­tual leaders (not the pundits of a daily newspaper or the half-baked aca­demicians courting cheap popularity with students) is with the fate of our humanity in a technological society. But even they do not constitute the New Voices which the majority will listen to, and since the majority won’t, the politicians won’t. For the politician only reflect the majority; they do not pretend to lead it.

If we are to produce leaders with New Voices, who will be listened to re­sponsively by all the people, it will not happen under our present system. The system will have to be changed, gradu­ally, from within by rising generation —by those who accept without arg­ument the obsolence of much of our machinery of government and structure of society, but who wish to preserve democratic order for free people. Since I am neither a politician nor an in­tellectual nor a member of the young generation, I have no certain prescrip­tions. But I do have these certainties: fundamentally beneficial re-structuring will require a new humanity, which in­cludes a steadfast purpose to con­trol and not be controlled by technol­ogy and it will have to evolve: it will be evolutionary, not instant. And, as the Virginians of two centuries ago were, basically a new breed on earth, I thin­k the evolutionary process will require a new breed of Americans in leadership.
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