

Daily Newsletter

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The following is reprinted from George R. Stewart's Names on the Land at the request of R.C. Brackney:

"Two brothers named Newce came there to make a plantation. Once before, in Ireland, they had founded a town naming it Newcetown, where it still stands. So now to their second settlement they gave the name New, and since it had an anchorage, they called it Port, and it became New Port Newce. The brothers were unfortunate, and men forgot them soon; but men remembered Captain Newport, who had done much to found Virginia. So they began to think and write Newport's Newce, perhaps even to confuse the second part with Neuse River. Then in trying to make sense they wrote Newport News, and so it remained. Thus with men and names, as with fishes in the sea, the greater often swallow up the smaller.

When the Virginians took an English name, it was usually not from a place, as in New England, but from a member of the royal family, or some nobleman. So they named a town in Greek form Henricopolis from Prince Henry, though it was soon shortened to Henrico. Some of them indeed even tried to replace the Indian names of the rivers with royal names, changing Rappahannock to Queen's and Potomac to Elizabeth.

When the first counties were formed in 1634, they took the names of settlements already existing. These in turn had come chiefly from the royal family, but Accawmack and Warrosquyoake were Indian, and Warwick River used indirectly the name of a nobleman.

As the counties show, Virginia kept Indian names for the settlements a little more than New England did, but there was definite feeling against them. In 1619, the inhabitants of Kiccowtan petitioned the House of Burgesses 'to change the savage name,' and the settlement was accordingly called Elizabeth City. Warrosquyoake County took a plantation-name and became Isle of Wight after only three years. Accawmack shifted to Northampton in 1643, but a section of it was restored as Accomac twenty years later."

Meetings:

There will be a meeting of the Architectural Subcommittee of the Faculty Library Committee on Tuesday, May 2, at 12:15 in the librarian's office.

Urban Analysis Steering Committee, 3:00 P.M., May 1, L. B. Wood's Office

Computer Workshop, Wednesday, May 3, 3-5PM, N107

Delete one of the P.E. 212 courses on page 4 of Faculty Meeting Agenda making a total of six P.E. courses for Certification.

H.M.B.

Reminder from Captain John: The deadline for turning in faculty book requests to your faculty-library coordinator is May 22, 1972.

Reminder for faculty-library coordinators: Division book requests must be turned in to the librarian by May 26.

Hampton Roads Friends of Music in Concert Debut:

On Friday evening, May 12 at 8:00 P.M. The Hampton Roads Friends of Music assisted by a 15 piece wind ensemble from Langley Air Force Band will present the Mass in E Minor of Anton Bruckner under the direction of George Bayley in St. Andrew's Church, Hilton Village, Newport News.

In addition, the wind ensemble will present music for wind instruments under the direction of Jerry Amend. Completing the program will be several short a cappella compositions of Bruckner to be sung by The Friends of Music. This is your golden opportunity to hear rarely performed music of unusual beauty.

A few of the members of the choir, whom you might know, are: Marshall Booker, Nancy Ramseur, Jane Pillow, Mary Thompson, Jane Bryne, Vic Thompson (TNCC), Rick Berlin (HI), and Bill Holmes (HI).

May 13 is Jamestown Day at the College of William and Mary. In celebration, the National Shakespearean Company will perform "Twelfth Night" in Blow Gymnasium at dusk.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS			
May 1 Monday	History Club (Speaker)	N110	Noon
	Patrick Henry Forum (Q and A)		
	S.G.A. Election	W103	Noon
	Equality Club meeting	N202	Noon
	Collegiate Civitan Club meeting	G205	Noon
	Student Activities Committee Meeting	N106	Noon
	Museum Without Walls	G101	8 pm
May 2 Tuesday	Campus Christian Fellowship	G207	12:15
	Golf Match VCU ODU	Home	1 pm
	Christopher Newport Biological Socy.	G200	12:15
	I.D. Pictures taken	N105	1-3 pm
	Visitation by Soc. Sec. for Srs.	G201	9-3pm
May 3 Wednesday	Senior Class Meeting	N110	noon
	Pi Kappa Sigma	N208	Noon
	SGA Exec. Council meeting	G213	Noon
	Black Students Union	N203	Noon
	Campus Christian Fellowship	G207	Noon
	Christian Science Organ.	N202	Noon
	President's Staff Briefing	G101	3-4 pm
	Biology Seminar	G101	5 pm
	SGA Elections	SL	8:30-3pm