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Rockefeller's Money Restoring
Williamsburg, Va., as in
Early Times

Williamsburg, the seventeenth and eighteenth century capital of the Old Dominion, at last is emerging from a centuries-long sleep in grass and weeds—not to modernize but to don anew the curled wigs and buckled shoes of its forgotten glory.

John D. Rockefeller Jr.'s millions bought the town in virtual entirety, and slowly are transforming it into nation's first indigenous museum—for unlike Henry Ford's Dearborn museum, all of its exhibits will be those of its own old-time life.

With expenditure of \$6,000,000 it is expected that work will be completed in five years.

Prices Are High

Dr. W. A. R. Goodwin, heading the work for Rockefeller, bought up 86 per cent of the property before the inhabitants learned Rockefeller was the moving spirit. Now prices are skyrocketing. One house, purchased by a newcomer for \$1,000 two years ago, is selling for \$20,000.

Some owners have found a gold mine in Rockefeller's undertaking. Forty old houses have to be restored. As many more must be replaced. Seventy-five modern buildings will be razed or moved away. One historic dwelling is being moved two miles from the country so it can be fitted into the architectural scheme.

There is something to be done to almost every building. On the insane asylum—the first built in America by the colonial government of George III—is untouched. Escapes are frequent, but it fits the period, so will not be harmed.

Raze High School

An idea of the cost of the patriotic project is given in the announcement that the new high school which cost \$40,000, is to be razed and rebuilt elsewhere at a cost of \$80,000 in order to make room for a \$500,000 replica of the old capital.

Paved streets will be ripped up and laid out with topsoil as of old.

There will be no more electric lights and old heating methods will be used. Bricks are being specially manufactured by an ancient process from local clay to obtain the yellowish color peculiar to Tidewater Virginia's colonial structures.

Rockefeller first tried to buy up worn brick, but found them too reddish, and installed his own kiln.

Tourists are flocking to the town at the rate of 1,000 a day, taxing the capacity of its small hotel, its hot dog stands and its two restaurants. Norfolk and Portsmouth are handling the overflow. There is an air of finality about the operation which promises, despite the tourists, the early demolition of the hotel and hot dog stands and everything else not strictly historical. The number of regular residents, now 2,000, is dwindling. In five years they will have either to live in the outskirts or move elsewhere.

The prince of Wales has taken up knitting and crocheting according to cable dispatches. Can it be that he doesn't know that the war is over?

**To Open Garage Doors
by Radio, New Device**

Radio research now promises to relieve the automobile driver of the occasional awkward necessity of getting out to open his garage door when he wants to put his car to bed at night.

The commerce department, from its Berne, Switzerland office, is responsible for foreshadowing the possibility of this novel use of electric waves. As the new invention, ascribed to the chief engineer of electrical system of Neuschatel, is described as operating the driver of a car approaching the garage will press a button and the

apparatus on his machine will emit waves reaching a radio aerial affixed to the garage top and these will start a motor which automatically will throw open the doors.

Office boy: Sorry, but the editor won't even read your article.

Embryo writer: But did you tell him that if he read it he would surely accept it?

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It is said that the expedition of Columbus which resulted in the discovery of America cost \$2,115 and any communist will tell you that it wasn't worth it.

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