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#### Introduction

This collection consists of the personal papers of Hobart G. Cawood which predominantly document the period when he was the Superintendent of Independence National Historical Park, 1971-1991.

Hobart Cawood donated his papers to Clemson University in 1991. There are no restrictions on the use of this collection beyond those of Special Collections. The collection was processed and the register completed by Laurie Varenhorst in 2008. The collection consists of accession 91-68.

## **Biographical Note**

Hobart ("Hobie") Guy Cawood was born on June 15, 1935 to Stephen George Pope Cawood and Eula Annette Graham Cawood in Jonesville, Lee County, Virginia. He received a Bachelor of Art degree in history from Emory & Henry College in Emory, Virginia in 1957. From 1958 to 1959 he served in the U.S. Army, attaining the rank of Lieutenant. Cawood worked as a general insurance agent who owned and operated his own insurance company in Middlesboro, Kentucky from 1957 to 1958. In 1958 he began his career with the National Park Service as a park historian at Cumberland Gap National Historical Park, Middlesboro, Kentucky. In 1960 he took a position as historian at Fort Frederica National Monument, St. Simons Island, Georgia. From 1961 to 1962 Cawood served as supervisory park historian at Fort Sumter National Monument, Charleston, South Carolina. In 1962 he made a lateral move to Castillo de San Marcos National Monument, St. Augustine, Florida. Cawood was promoted to chief historian at Chickamauga and Chattanooga National Military Park, Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia in 1963. In 1967 he became historian-planner in the Resource Planning Office of the National Park Service's Washington Planning and Service Center in Arlington, Virginia. In 1969 he moved to Richmond National Battlefield Park, Virginia to serve as its superintendent. In 1971 he became the superintendent of Independence National Historical Park. Cawood retired from the National Park Service on April 20, 1991.

After his retirement from the National Park Service, Cawood served as president of Old Salem, Inc., a restored Moravian Congregation town near Winston-Salem, North Carolina, and now serves as president emeritus. In 2008 he wrote a book entitled *Celebrations! A Personal Memoir Commemorating America's Bicentennial Era:* 1971-1991.

Cawood has actively participated as a member in a variety of organizations during his lifetime. He was a member of numerous boards of directors, including the Greater Philadelphia Cultural Alliance, Old St. George's Methodist Church, Flagship Olympia Association, the Upsala Foundation, the Philadelphia Convention & Visitors Bureau, the National Constitution Center,

and the English Speaking Union. In addition, Cawood was chairman of "We the People 200" and the Mayor's Advisory Committee on the Bicentennial of the United States Constitution. Currently, he serves on the Boards of Trustees of the Blue Ridge Parkway Foundation (2006-present) and Emory & Henry College (2006-present).

Cawood received numerous awards for his long, distinguished career with the National Park Service. Some of the awards include U.S. Department of the Interior Unit Award for Excellence of Service (1971); Carpenters' Company 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Medal (1976); Cardinal Dougherty K of C Award "for outstanding service to the American people" (1976); Federal Service Award – Certificate of nomination for significant contribution to Federal Service (1976); Chestnut Street Association Man of the Year Award (1976); The Chapel of the Four Chaplains Legion of Honor (1976); Citation from the Pennsylvania Legislature for assistance with visit by President of France (1976); Historic St. George's Gold Medal Award (1976); Pennsylvania Society Daughters of the American Revolution Bicentennial Award (1976); U.S. Department of the Interior Unit Award for Excellence of Service (1977); Colonial Philadelphia Historical Society, Philadelphia Book Award (1977); Emory & Henry College Alumnus of the Year (1977); U.S. Department of the Interior Honor Award for Meritorious Service (1977); The Bicentennial Council of the Original 13 States Great American Achievements Award (1977); Philadelphia Flag Day Association Distinguished Service Award (1978); and Philadelphia Public Relations Association Gold Medal Award (1986). In addition, Cawood has received honorary Doctor of Law degrees from Drexel University and Thomas Jefferson University in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania in 1987.

Hobart Cawood married his college sweetheart, Shirley Flannery. They had one son, Stephen A. Cawood, born on January 22, 1968 in Washington, D.C. The couple divorced around 1976. He married Adelaide ("Addie Lou") Wahlert on September 10, 1977 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

## **Scope and Content**

The Hobart G. Cawood Papers contains appointment books, articles, brochures, charts, clippings, correspondence, job descriptions, memoranda, pamphlets, press releases, reports, speeches and testimonies. Also included in the collection are photographs and oversize materials.

Materials in this collection cover the period 1957 to 1991. The bulk of the materials dates from 1971 to 1989, and documents Hobart Cawood's long career with the National Park Service.

The Cawood Papers are arranged alphabetically by folder title, and chronologically within each folder. The photographs are arranged by chronological dates first and then by alphabetically by individual and subject matter.

This collection emphasizes Cawood's tenure as the Superintendent of Independence National Historical Park, especially during the bicentennial celebration era of the United States. It also contains materials relating to his other National Park Service assignments. In addition, the papers reflect Cawood's interest in American history.

The majority of the correspondence filed in the collection is appreciatory, laudatory and congratulatory letters. Other topics covered in the correspondence include the American Civil

Liberties Union's objection to the National Park Service's regulation allowing the Park Service the right to deny permits for public meetings if they present a clear and present danger to the public's health or safety; the possible visit of Prince Charles to Philadelphia during the Bicentennial of the U.S. Constitution; the National Park Service's study of the Pine Barrens area and the historic village of Batsto in New Jersey; exhibit cases for the South Carolina Tricentennial Year 1970; Cawood's evaluation of the 1967 Seminar for Historical Administrations; and an oral history project in Chattanooga. Also included are letters recommending that Cawood be considered as William J. Whalen's replacement as Director of the National Park Service, and a copy of a report on the Congress in Philadelphia from 1790 to 1800.

Memoranda filed in the collection cover such topics as the Chattanooga Battlefield Prospectus, the Living History Interpretation Report about the Chickamauga and Chattanooga National Military Park, the Leasing of Historical Property for Appropriate Use Task Force Report, Black History Month activities, and participating in National Park Service training courses and programs.

There are a number of items relating to Independence National Historical Park and the bicentennial celebrations of the United States in this collection. There is background information about the Liberty Bell and the buildings that make up Independence National Historical Park, as well as memoranda, drafts of legislative bills, an annual operating requirements report, figures about protection and visitor service requirements, testimonies regarding the proposed additions of Independence Mall and Washington Square to the park, and information about Carpenters' Hall where the First Continental met in 1774, Jefferson House, Old City Hall and City Tavern. In addition, reports about Independence National Historical Park's possible participation in the bicentennial anniversaries and the critical issues that the park was facing in 1989; a proposal for the National Commission of the Bicentennial of the United States Constitution to participate in the celebrations in Philadelphia; histories of the legislation relating to Independence National Historical Park and day by day activities of the Constitutional Convention; a listing of the ages of the delegates to the Constitutional Convention; a schedule of events and a briefing paper about the celebration as well as staffing rosters, an annual operating requirements report, and correspondence relating to the Magna Carta Exhibit at Old City Hall and materials about other exhibits can be found in this collection.

Other well-documented areas in the collection relate to We the People 200 and The Friends of Independence National Historical Park. Appointed by W. Wilson Goode, Mayor of Philadelphia, in 1984, We the People 200 was charged with the responsibility to develop a program for the commemoration of the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the U.S. Constitution, as well as serve as the coordinating body for the events in and emanating from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania in 1986-1987 under the name of "We the People 200." Cawood served as chairman of the steering committee. The files contain an index of committee members, listings of members of the National Advisory Committee and participating institutions, a blueprint for the celebration, a calendar of events, press releases, activity record of events, newspaper clippings, and an organizational chart. Also included are correspondence, memoranda, a briefing packet about costs and other information regarding ceremonies, exhibits, and other events of the celebration, as well as a draft report by Cawood about continuing the celebration beyond 1987. In addition, there is a notebook, a meeting agenda and background information about projects and programs.

Finally, there is a Memorandum and Order, dated July 10, 1987, regarding *Pledge of Resistance*, *et al. v. We the People 200, Inc., et al.* which concerns the denial of First Amendment rights to protestors to peacefully demonstrate during public functions in Independence National Historical Park during the Bicentennial Celebration of the U.S. Constitution, as well as infringement of their constitutional rights through alleged improper surveillance and undercover infiltration of their meetings.

The Friends of Independence National Historical Park, officially incorporated on September 17, 1972, is a independent non-profit organization whose purpose is to create an endowment for the annual support of Independence National Historical Park's extension interpretative activities and the acquisition of significant works of art and artifacts for which government funds are not available. The files contain drafts of the proposal, the memorandum of understanding, the bylaws, and the articles of incorporation, as well as minutes of the meetings. In addition, there are listings of the Board of Directors, the Advisory Committee, companies and foundations that showed past interest in INHP, museum accessions for INHP through the "Friends of INHP." a pamphlet and organizational chart about the organization, as well as some information about fund-raising and a pamphlet about the National Trust for Historic Preservation.

Newspaper clippings can be found in the collection documenting topics such as the moving of the historic Liberty Bell from Independence Hall to a new \$800,000 federally financed steel-and-glass pavilion on Independence Mall to mark the opening of the Philadelphia Bicentennial year 1976; the final restoration stage of Independence National Historical Park in preparation for the Bicentennial Year 1976; the visits of President Gerald R. Ford, Queen Elizabeth II and Prince Phillip, and the Dalai Lama to Independence National Historical Park; the firing of William J. Whalen as Director of the National Park Service; the court settlement protestors received because they were denied the right to hold protest rallies on Independence Mall during Vice President George H.W. Bush's speech for the Bicentennial Celebration of the U.S. Constitution; Independence National Historical Park facing decay and financial cutbacks; and setting up the Independence Hall Preservation Fund, a private funded trust which would ensure that major repairs to the complex were done.

Other information relating to Cawood's career in the National Park Service in the collection include his personnel files containing federal job applications, and job descriptions; memoranda and correspondence dealing with the eligibility to work for the federal government, promotions, training, and other job-related topics; and reports relating to performance ratings, time and attendance, and summaries of the progress of the work. Also included are historical reports by Cawood which cover such topics as the Cubo Line (the wall around St. Augustine), Cumberland Gap, the combat history of Fort Sumter, and the ironclad gunboat *Cairo*. Speeches by Cawood, as well as one by George B. Hartzog, Jr. about preserving our natural and cultural heritage, are filed here as well. There is little information pertaining to the other parks where Cawood was posted early in his career aside from a few brochures. A small group of photographs can be found in the collection. The majority of the photographs show Cawood involved in various activities as the Superintendent of Independent National Historical Park. Also included are photographs showing some of the famous personalities who visited the park: Presidents Gerald R. Ford and Ronald Reagan; First Lady Betty Ford; U.S. Supreme Court Justices William J. Brennan, Jr., William H. Rehnquist, Bryon R. White and Sandra Day O'Connor; U.S. Secretaries

of the Interior Roger C.B. Morton and James Watt; Directors of the National Park Service Ron Walker and William J. Whalen; Lech Walesa; and Archbishop Desmond Tu Tu. In addition, photographs of the buildings of the Independent National Historical Park can be found here, including the move of the historic Liberty Bell to its new pavilion.

This collection is indexed under the following terms in the University Libraries' online catalog. Researchers desiring materials about related topics, persons or places should search the catalog using these headings.

## **Subjects**:

American Revolution Bicentennial, 1976
Cawood, Hobart G., 1935Friends of Independence National Historical Park
Heritage resources management
Historic sites—Conservation and restoration—United States
Independence National Historical Park (Philadelphia, Pa.)
Independence National Historical Park (Philadelphia, Pa.)—Management
United States Constitution Bicentennial, 1987-1991
United States. National Park Service
United States. National Park Service—Officials and employees
We the People 200

## Form/Genre:

Appointment books Photographs Speeches Testimonies

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<u>Box</u>	<u>Folder</u>	<u>Title</u>
1	1	[Annual Report of the Director of the National Park Service to the
		Secretary of the Interior] – 1959
	2	American Independence Collection – 1982
	3	[Appointment Book] – 1972
		[Appointment Books]
	4	1981-1982
	5	1984, 1986
	6	1987-1988
2	1	1989-1990
	2	Awards, Certificates, and Honors – 1959-1989
	3	["The Bicentennial and Independence National Historical Park" by Hobart
		Cawood] – 1976
	4	Bicentennial Bell – 1973-1977
		Bicentennial of the Constitution of the United States
	5	1982-1984
	6	1985-1986
	7	[Briefing Paper] – 1985
	8	Carpenters' Hall – 1973-1977, 1981
		[Cawood, Hobart]
	9	[Drexel University Honorary Doctor of Law] – 1987
	10	[Thomas Jefferson University Honorary Doctor of Law] – 1987
		[Personnel Records]
3	1	1957-1961
	2	1962-1965
	3	1966-1973
	4	1974-1979
	5	1980-1991
	6	[Philadelphia Public Relations Association Gold Medal Award] – 1986
	7	[Chickamauga and Chattanooga National Military Park] – [c. 1964]
	8	City Tavern – 1979, 1981, [n.d.]
	9	Constitution Heritage Act of 1988 – 1988
		Correspondence
	10	1967-1978
4	1	1979-1991
	2	Thank-you Letters – 1960-1990
	3	["The Cubo Line" by Hobart G. Cawood] – 1963
	4	["Cumberland Gap" by Hobart Cawood] – 1960
	5	[Cumberland Gap National Historical Park] – [c. 1958]
	6	[Federal Bicentennial Celebration, Independence National Historical Park, 1974-1977] – [c. 1973]
	7	[Fort Frederica National Monument] – [c. 1960]
		[Fort Sumter National Monument]
	8	1965
	9	[Combat History 1863-1865] – 1962
		Friends of Independence National Historical Park
	10	March-November 1972

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4	11	December 1972-October 1973
	12	November 1973-June 1975
5	1	July 1975-1987, [n.d.]
	2	[Great American Achievements Program Commemorative Program] –
		1977
	3	[Hartzog, George B., Jr. "Preserving Our Natural and Cultural Heritage"
		Speech] –1971
	4	[Independence Day Speech] – [c. 1989]
	5	Independence Desert Storm – 1989, 1991
		Independence National Historical Park
	6	1951, 1968-1991
	7	Development – 1969, 1972-1973, 1990
	8	Interview Transcripts – 1977-1979
	9	Invitations – 1959-1991
	10	Jefferson House Restoration – 1969
	11	["Leasing of Historical Property for Appropriate Use" Task Force Report]
		- 1980
	12	[Maloumian Customer Newsletter] – 1988
6	1	Mall Legislation – 1970-[c. 1976]
	2	[Maryland's Ratification Day Speech] – 1988
	3	National Park Service: 65th Anniversary – 1981
	4	[New Hampshire Ratification Speech] – 1988
	5	Newsletters – 1970-1991
	6	Newspaper Clippings – 1960-[c. 1991], [n.d.]
	7	Old City Hall – 1971-[c. 1972]
	8	Pageant of Flags – 1985
	9	[News Release] – 1971
	10	["Preservation, Display, Interpretation of the Ironclad Gunboat Cairo" by
		Hobart Cawood] – 1967
	11	[Quotes: Natural Beauty, National Parks, Conservation, National Park
		Service] – [1966]
	12	["Restoration in Independence Hall" by Lee H. Nelson, Antiques] – 1966
	13	[Seminar for Historical Administrators, Colonial Williamsburg] – 1967-
		1968
	14	Speeches by Cawood – 1971-1975, [n.d.]
	15	[State Society of the Cincinnati of Pennsylvania] – 1988-1990
	16	Washington Square – 1954, 1983-1990, [n.d.]
		[We the People 200]
	17	[c. 1981], 1985-1986
7	1	1987-1988
	2	[Executive Committee Meeting] – 1986
	3	[Notebook] – [c. 1985]
	4	We the People 2000 [Committee] – 1989

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## **Photos**

<u>Box</u>	<u>Folder</u>	<u>Title</u>		
1	1	1958-[c 1960s]		
1	2	1972-1979, [c. 1970s]		
	3	1980-1989, [c. 1980s]		
	4	1990		
	5	[American Independence Collection] – 1982		
	6	[Cawood, Hobart G.] – [c. 1975]-1987		
	7	[Cawood, Hobart. Philadelphia Public Relations Gold Medal Award] – 1986		
	8	[Constitution Bicentennial Event, Ratification Convention, State Capitol, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania] – 1987		
	9	[Ford, President Gerald R., and Hobart Cawood, Superintendent of the Independence National Historical Park, Inspect the Liberty Bell] – 1974		
	10	The Federal Bicentennial Celebration, Independence National Historical Park, 1974-1977] – [c. 1973]		
	11	[Hartzog, George B., Jr. Director of the National Park Service, 1964-1972] - 1964-1972		
	12	[Independence National Historical Park] – [c. 1970s]		
	13	[Liberty Bell in Its New Pavilion] – 1976		
	14	[Schmidt, Helmut. Member of the German Parliament] – [c. 1974]		
Compact Discs				
	15	[Scrapbook Images (jpg)] – [1967] (For Patrons' Use)		
	16	[Scrapbook Images (tiff)] – [1967] (NOT for Patrons' Use)		

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## **Oversize List**

## Folder 1

One 11" x 87/8" red scrapbook of photos given to Cawood by his coworkers as a memento of his time at Chickamauga and Chattanooga National Military Park, [1967].

#### Folder 2

One 12" x 14 ½" paper with "1776 / small image of the Liberty Bell /1976 / July 4 / We, Too, Are Summoned" in blue, red, and brown letters on the left side. Charles Lee's poem, We, Too, Are Summoned, is right below this titled and printed in brown letters. On the poem is a copy of an image from "The Adoption of the Declaration" painting by John Trumbull. On the right side of the paper is a brown copy of the Declaration of Independence with Bicentennial Signer(s): "Signed for Hobart Cawood / Charles Lee / 8/3/77." Beneath the Declaration of Independence image is © 1976 Spot-O-Gold Corp., Phila., Pa.

### Folder 3

One 18 3/8" x 52 1/8" blueprint for a cast bronze plaque which reads: "THIS BELL, A FAITHFUL REPLICA OF THE HISTORIC 'LIBERTY BELL' / HOUSED IN PHILADELPHIA'S INDEPENDENCE MALL, BECAME PART / OF AMERICAN HISTORY ON SEPTEMBER 17, 1987, WHEN IT WAS / INTRODUCED BY HOBART G. CAWOOD, SUPERINTENDENT OF / INDEPENDENCE NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK, AND RUNG BY / CHIEF JUSTICE WARREN E. BURGER, TO USHER IN THE 200TH / ANNIVERSARY OF THE SIGNING OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE / UNITED STATES OF AMERICA." At the bottom on the left side of the blueprint it reads "Spencer Industries, Inc. / 1508 N. Mascher St., Philadelphia, Pa. 19122 / (215) 634-2700" in capital letters. Underneath this, printed in script, it reads" COPERNICUS SOC'Y / FT.WASHINGTON PA / CAS BRONZE PLAGUES / 4 Feb. 1988 / EB."

Three 36 ¾" x 21 ½" yellow charts showing financial figures for Fiscal Years 1971-1976 for Independence National Historical Park Development Program.