

# virginia



*"the noblest motive is the public good"*

*....John Milton (1608-1674)*





In 1347 six BURGHERS OF CALAIS offered their lives to save their city from destruction by Edward III during the Hundred Year's War.

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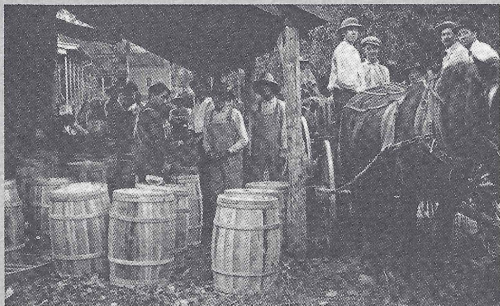
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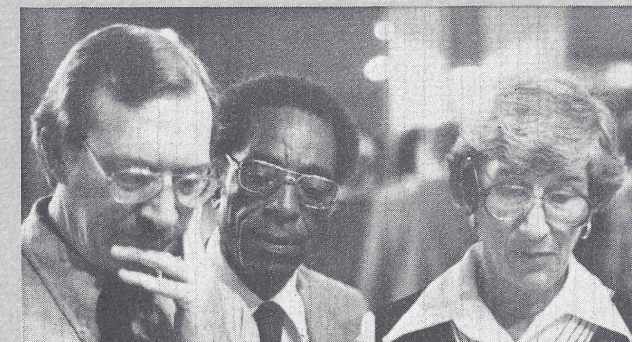
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