Members of William and Mary's women's field hockey team visited 104-year-old Miss Constance Applebee, one of the great ladies of sport, during their 3-game tour of England over the Spring break. Miss Applebee, who introduced field hockey to the United States in 1901, has been an energetic booster of the College since the 1920s when she held a hockey camp in Pennsylvania in which several William and Mary women participated. Miss Applebee lives in the English village of Burley. (Photo by Sharra Kelly '80).
Hall of Fame Taps Six

Henning, Hornsby, Mann, Luzins, Light and Applebee Set for Induction Dec. 6

Four men and two women, including a 107-year-old non-alumna who founded the sport of field hockey in the United States, have been tapped for the William and Mary Athletic Hall of Fame.

The six are Dan Henning '64, quarter-back coach for the Miami Dolphins; Robert F. Hornsby '41, '49 BCI, a former football and golf star at William and Mary; Peggy L. Mann '41, who participated in field hockey, basketball, tennis, and lacrosse at William and Mary; Juris Luzins '70, a former AAU national track champion; Harry Light '30, a football and basketball standout, and Constance M. K. Applebee, who introduced field hockey in the United States at Harvard in 1901.

Henning, who played quarterback for William and Mary for three years, set several single season passing records during the 1963 campaign including the most passes attempted (182), most passes completed (100), and most passing yardage (1,333). Although those marks have been broken, he still holds the record for the longest pass completion of 87 yards against Navy in 1961. Henning played professionally for the Norfolk Neptunes, the Oakland Raiders and the San Diego Chargers before entering the collegiate coaching ranks in 1968 as an assistant at Florida State. He coached professional football with the Houston Oilers in 1973, but returned to college coaching at Virginia Tech and Florida State before going into the professional ranks again with the New York Jets (1976-78) and the

Light, a resident of Garrison, N.Y., led the basketball team to a state championship at William and Mary in 1927-28. He won all-state honors at guard in 1930 and was considered one of the top defensive players in the state. A member of the Order of the White Jacket, Light has been active with the Society of the Alumni. He coached football for four years at Rutgers before entering the textile industry.

He is president and chief executive officer of Crestwood Fabrics, Inc.

Miss Applebee, a resident of Hampshire, England, introduced the game of field hockey at Harvard and later at Vassar, Bryn Mawr, Wellesley, Smith, Mount Holyoke and Radcliffe. She founded the United States Field Hockey Association in 1922 and the Mt. Pocono field hockey camp in 1923 where she met the late Martha Elizabeth Barksdale '21, with whom she subsequently helped coach field hockey at William and Mary. She spent considerable time in Williamsburg during World War II. She received the Association of Intercollegiate Athletics for Women Award of Merit this year.

Official induction of the new Hall of Famers will take place Dec. 6 at halftime of the William and Mary-University of Virginia game in Williamsburg.

'Guarded' Optimism

Parkhill Prepares for Tough Schedule With a Solid, Excited Team

"I really think we can be very good this year. If we can stay healthy and the seniors provide the leadership we need it could be quite a season"... Bruce Parkhill, Head Coach

Head Coach Bruce Parkhill and his staff have molded what could be, just might be, one of the best William and Mary basketball teams in years.

It will have to be to meet the challenges of an unbelievable schedule which features home engagements with Virginia, North Carolina, Virginia Tech, South Carolina, VCU and Old Dominion.

One very important ingredient in the success formula for 1980-81 is the leadership of the Tribe's experienced senior foursome of Scott Whiteley, Guy Courage, Tim Wagner and Rich Veres.

"Win" has been the team's

Rich Veres nods in agreement. "The seniors are the ones who are supposed to respond to that pressure. Overcome it, I have every confidence we will," says Veres.

The lightning quick guard from Akron, Ohio, describes this year's squad as "a close knit group which has improved in every phase of the game."

"The coaches stress positive thinking. This year we really have it and every player is committed to doing what he has to, for the team to attain success," said Veres.

-- Bob Sheean '67
New York Jets (1976-78) and the Dolphins.

Hornsby, a past president of the Society of the Alumni (1960-62) and now a member of the Board of Visitors, played football and was captain of the 1941 golf team, as well as president of Phi Kappa Alpha fraternity and the IFC at William and Mary. A Williamsburg real estate developer, he is a 1970 recipient of the Alumni Medallion, has served on the President's Council with his wife and is associated with Campus Ministries United. He has been active in his support of the College and its athletic program for many years.

Mrs. Mann, who received her M.A. from Columbia University, played on the William and Mary varsity field hockey team from 1937 to 1941 and served as captain of the 1940 Southeast Field Hockey team. She played on the basketball and tennis teams and started the women's lacrosse team at William and Mary. Since 1963, she has served as the women's tennis coach at State University of New York at Albany.

Luzins, who is presently an architect in Gainesville, Fla., was ranked as the nation's top half miler in 1969 and 1971. He set William and Mary records in the 800 meters (1969) and the indoor 1,000 yard run (1969). In 1970, he was the AAU indoor 1,000-yard champion and the outdoor 800 title holder. He ran for the United States track team in Europe and the Soviet Union in 1969 and set the American 1,000 yard indoor record in 1969. A Marine Corps veteran, Luzins ran track professionally before entering the field of architecture.
Miss Applebee Remembered

Portrait Hung in Adair At Special Ceremony

A special ceremony was held April 10 in Adair Gymnasium which recalled the warm affection that the First Lady of American Field Hockey felt for the College. A portrait of the late Constance M. K. Applebee, who bequeathed the college to the College, was formally hung in Adair gymnasium. The portrait, by Ben Schwarz, pictures Miss Applebee holding a silver cup presented to her by a group of American woman's colleges commemorating the 50th anniversary of her introduction of field hockey to the United States.

Dr. Elizabeth Burger Jackson '34, a member of the W&M Athletic Hall of Fame; Nancy Porter-Engman, field hockey coach 1974-80, and James S. Kelly '51, assistant to the president, gave remarks at the ceremony, tracing Miss Applebee's association with the College.

The address of welcome was made by Mildred B. West, director of women's athletics, and the invocation and benediction were offered by the Rev. Thom Blair of Bruton Parish Church.

According to Jackson, who was coached by Miss Applebee as a member of the United States Field Hockey Squad for eight years, Miss Applebee never claimed that she started field hockey in the United States. But she did first demonstrate the game at Harvard in 1901, when hockey was considered by many to be too violent an exercise for young ladies. A native of England, she stayed on in the United States serving as Director of Outdoor Sports at Bryn Mawr from 1904-1929, helping found the United States Field Hockey Association, and starting a hockey camp at Mt. Pocono, Pennsylvania in 1923.

Miss Applebee first became acquainted with William and Mary when Martha Barksdale '23, Marguerite Wynne-Roberts '31, and her sister, Edna Clements, attended her Mt. Pocono camp in 1925. Afterwards, Miss Applebee spent considerable time in Williamsburg helping Miss Barksdale develop the hockey program at the College, and following her retirement from Bryn Mawr spent many winters in Williamsburg where the College's origins and British associations appealed to her.

After her retirement at age 90 to her home in Burley, near Richmond, England, she stayed in touch with friends in America. The William and Mary women's field hockey team visited her at her home during a tour of England in the spring of 1978, and among Miss Applebee's most prized possessions was a set of Jefferson cups, each decorated with the William and Mary coat of arms, which were a gift from the William and Mary Women's Athletic Association.

When the College established the Martha Barksdale Scholarship, Miss Applebee was a major contributor to the fund, and in the fall of 1980 she was inducted into the W&M Athletic Hall of Fame. Upon her death at age 107 in January, 1981, Miss Applebee designated part of her estate towards establishing a scholarship fund at William and Mary with scholarships "on a first priority for deserving students enrolled in physical education courses for women." This scholarship will ensure that her influence will continue at William and Mary for many years to come.

Present at the ceremony to hang Miss Applebee's portrait in Adair Hall were (left to right) Laurie McAvoy '82, field hockey captain; Millie West, women's athletic director; Jim Kelly '51, assistant to the president; Nancy Porter-Engman, former field hockey coach; Dr. Elizabeth Burger Jackson '34, and the Rev. Thom Blair of Bruton Parish Church.