

Business Briefs

Promotion at Meredyth

Susan Meredyth Smith has become vice president of marketing at Meredyth Vineyards in Middleburg, winery President **Archie Smith Jr.**, announced recently.

Susan Smith began work at the family winery in January 1981, after graduating magna cum laude from Brandeis University in Massachusetts. She is also a graduate of Holton Arms School in Maryland.

She worked for a lobbying firm and in data processing in Washington before attending classes at Harvard University and majoring in psychology and philosophy at Brandeis. While in Massachusetts she also worked in real estate and the Harvard student health department.

She has represented Meredyth Vineyards in markets from Boston to Chattanooga, concentrating on Virginia and the metropolitan area.

Appalachian Trail Contract

Bengston, DeBell, Elkin & Titus recently was awarded a contract by the National Park Service to provide surveying and associated services in Virginia and Maryland for approximately 150 miles of the Appalachian Trail, which winds 2,100 miles from Maine to Georgia.

The firm, which provides engineering, surveying, planning and inspection services, has branch offices in Leesburg and Silver Spring, with its headquarters in Centreville.

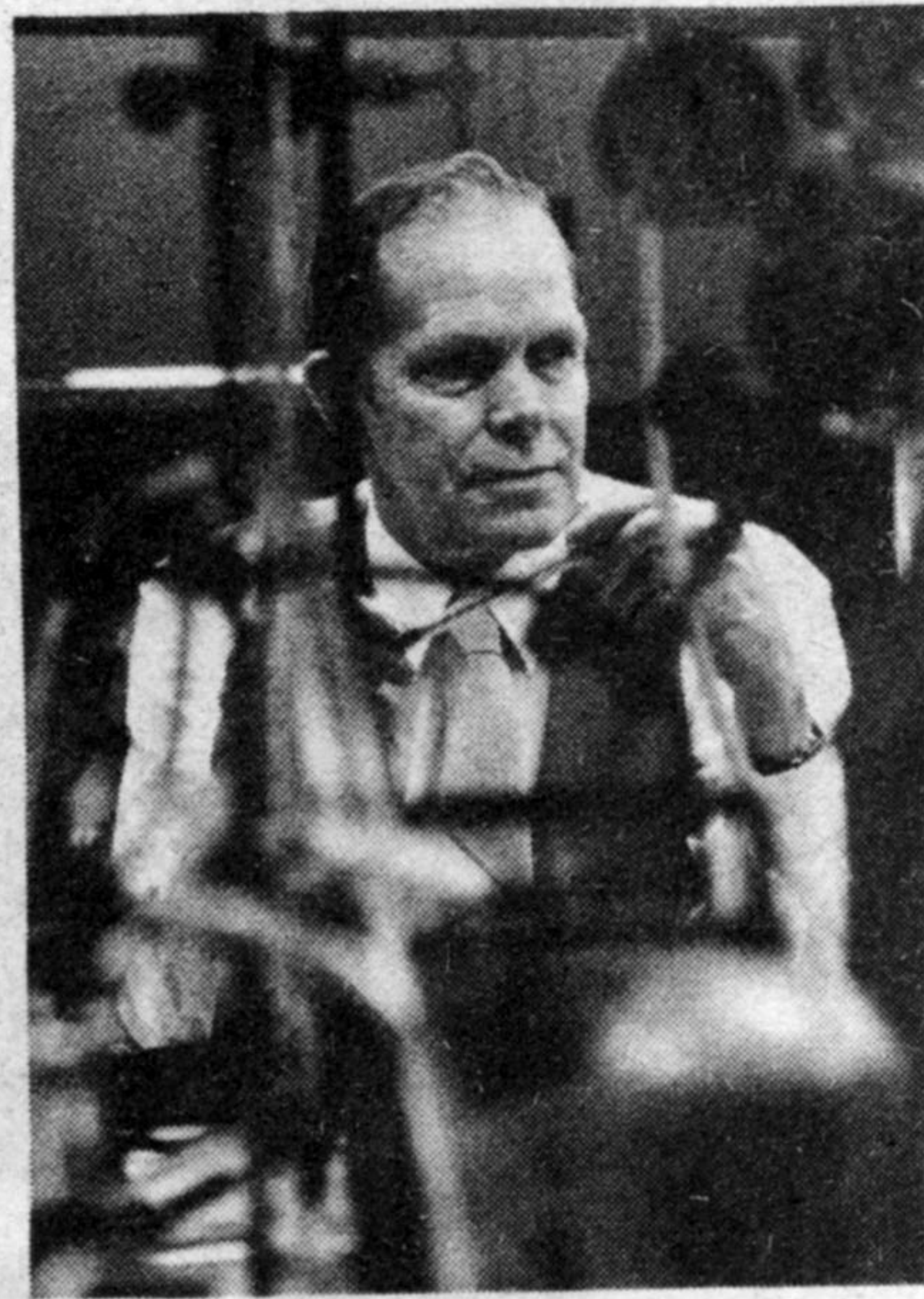
Leesburg Man Featured

Leesburg native **William Hickam** is featured in Westinghouse Electric Corporation's 1982 annual report to stockholders.

The report cites Hickam's research on solid-electrolyte oxygen sensors which made possible a line of oxygen probes developed and marketed by Westinghouse. The probes are used in energy-saving systems which monitor and automatically adjust the oxygen levels in large furnaces and fossil fuel burning power plants to ensure the most fuel-efficient burning process.

Dr. Hickam is a consulting scientist at the Westinghouse Research and Development Center in Pittsburgh. He joined the corporation in 1942, with bachelor degrees and honorary doctor of science degrees from Randolph-Macon College and a masters degree from Virginia Polytechnic Institute.

His work in physics, physical chemistry and inorganic chemistry has earned him 22 U.S. patents. He lives with his wife Marie in Churchill, Pa. they have three daughters



William Hickam