

Virginia:

Here is the ID on the Virginia CG chip.

J.B. Griswold,
109 W. 17th St.,
Norfolk, Va.

"CG"
Large, gold
one side.



600 Red Hub Checks	\$1.00	other side	
300 Chocolate "	5.00	"	"
100 Green "	20.00	"	"

200 Red - 5/15/34

NEWARK 5/25/33

Mason & Co.

CG-5hubs

I need this one. Cough it up if you have a trader.

JB Griswold

109 W. 17th St.

Norfolk VA

600 Red \$1's

300 Cho \$5's

100 \$20 Green

Three different colors including a \$20.00 dark green.

5/25/33

Enter a "Friend Of The Hobby."

CG

John Brace Griswold, a Virginia native, died 1945 Dade County, Florida age 65. 109 W. 17th St. was his residential address.

In 1910 Griswold was living in Norfolk and listed his occupation as "solicitor for gambling house."

Not sure what he was doing in 1933; sent a city directory look-up request to the Norfolk library.

In the 20's he and his wife operated a place called Griswold Cottage (maybe CG backwards?).

He also operated a grocery store in the 20's and was involved with a sea food restaurant in the late 30's.

One week later:

Got the copies of the Norfolk city directories. They sent me 1933 and 1934.

John B. Griswold doesn't show-up in either. His wife and his son John B., Jr. (born 1909) are both listed.

1933

Rowland av
Grisseth Merietta (c) r1034 Rowland av
Grissom Rebecca slswn r1304 Llewellyn av apt 6
" Reuben R (Kathleen) slsmn R J Reynolds Tob
Co r919 Lafayette av (SoN)
Griswold Annie M L Mrs h322 W Ocean View av
(WS)
" Inez L sten Sou Ins Agcy Inc
" Walter C sheetmetalwkr r1700 Willoughby av
Grizzard David T br mgr Peoples Service Drug
Stores r2918 Nottaway
" Sidney K clk Nfk Natl Bank of Commerce &
Trusts h501 Dunmore apt 11
Groh Geo R (Blanche) office in charge of

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1934

Rebecca slswn r1034 Rowland av apt 6
" Reuben E (Kathleen) slsmn R J Reynolds Tob
Co r919 Lafayette av (SoN)
Griswold Annie M L (wid John B) h322 W Ocean
View av (WS)
" Coppersmith R A Burroughs & Co r520 Con-
necticut av
" Inez L Mrs sten Sou Ins Agcy Inc h520 Con-
necticut av
" John B jr restr 101 W Ocean View av (OV) r322
W Ocean View av (WS)
" Louis W (Inez L) coppersmith R A Burroughs
& Co h520 Connecticut av
" Walter C sheet metal wkr r1700 Willoughby av
Grizzard David T (Grace E) br mgr Peoples Service

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It's curious that Annie Griswold is listed as a widow of John B. I know for a fact that her husband was not dead. Sometime in the late 1920's he leaves Norfolk and when he returns, around the time the chips were ordered, he's got a new wife.

My notes:

Lots more questions than answers but no Club name I feel I can put to it. Being a purist I do not feel comfortable with Griswold Cottage. Years are not close enough for me and the wife says he is dead in 1933-34. <g>

What is a "solicitor for gambling house" 1910, In Norfolk, Virginia?

Why is his wife a widow? Maybe wishful thinking. <g> Maybe she had a "Hit" out on him. <g>

Illegal's are big fun and sometimes mysteries forever. <g>