

Harry Smith Of Saybrook, Conn., Accepts Position As Edenton's C. Of C. Manager

Expected to Arrive in Edenton January 15 To Begin Duties

Following a recent conference with members of the board of directors of the Edenton Chamber of Commerce, Harry Smith, Jr., of Old Saybrook, Connecticut, this week accepted the position as manager of the Edenton Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Smith and his wife came to Edenton December 6 and both were favorably impressed with Edenton and the possibilities for an active and successful Chamber of Commerce.

During their brief stay in Edenton Mrs. Smith was entertained by Mrs. Gilliam Wood, Mrs. Joe Thorud and Mrs. L. A. Patterson and she expressed her appreciation for the hospitality accorded her and was impressed with the beauty of Edenton. Mr. Smith had lunch with members of the board of directors and he, too, was very favorably impressed, but withheld his decision to come to Edenton until early this week.

According to present plans Mr. Smith expects to arrive in Edenton Wednesday, January 15, to begin his duties as manager of the Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Smith is a graduate of Northeastern Institute for Commercial and Trade Association Executives, Yale University; Pratt School of Business, New York, and served as secretary of the Middlesex County Manufacturers Association. He is married and a member of the Episcopal Church.

From 1934 to 1943 he was assistant to the director of public information, Motion Picture Association of America, New York. He prepared industry information and statistics for distribution to educational groups and newspapers.

From 1943 to 1947 he was executive secretary, Society of Motion Picture and Television Engineers, New York. He was responsible for the general operations of the society, including budget and financial activities, membership promotion, contracts with the armed services, sectional meetings and conventions, establishment of industry standards. He was also editor of *Smpte Journal*, directed all publishing activities, public relations and obtaining technical papers.

For a year, 1948-1949 he was special representative for the Florida State Chamber of Commerce, Jacksonville. He conducted special business and membership surveys, gathered economic statistics, served as liaison between FSCC and local chambers.

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Junior Chamber Of Commerce Plans Search To Find County's Outstanding Farmer For Year

Who is this community's most outstanding young farmer? That is the question raised by a new Junior Chamber of Commerce project now in progress, according to Warren Twiddy, president of the local Jaycee group.

Very soon a community-wide search will begin with the public asked to nominate any farmer aged 21 through 35 who is making outstanding progress in his agricultural career, is practicing soil and natural resource conservation and who maintains a consistent contributory role in community improvement and affairs.

The purpose of the search, according to Mr. Twiddy, is to increase public understanding of the farmer and his problems, and

Holmes Speaker At DAR Meeting

The Rev. George B. Holmes, rector of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, was guest speaker at the meeting of the Edenton Tea Party Chapter of the DAR held Wednesday afternoon of last week.

Mr. Holmes spoke on the subject, "Our Goodly Heritage—The Church." In part Mr. Holmes had this to say:

"A very wise public speaker once said that a speech could never catch the attention of an audience unless it answered a question for which the audience wanted an answer. I am sure many people are asking themselves what they have inherited in the church!

"Today many are troubled to know what to do about life in general. In a world sometimes insane and always disturbing we are in need of interpretation and the Church offers this interpretation.

"Arnold Toynbee, engaged in writing a history of the twenty-one different civilizations that have existed in man's experience indicates a rhythm of history which in the 18th century found men organizing accumulated material, in the 19th century enlarging the sources of knowledge and vast bulks of information, but without much effort at analysis.

"This growth in mere knowledge and with complexity of living ever increasing has caught us in the 20th century with an increasing feeling of urgency and a feeling of utter confusion.

"At this point as church memberships increase we are indicating thankfulness for the Church

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to create, through example, more youth interest in farming as a profitable and satisfying career.

Awards will be made to the community winner and runner-up. The winner will be entered in the state judging and may win an all-expense trip to a national awards program in Indianapolis, Indiana, next April. There, during a three-day awards program, America's four outstanding young farmers of 1957 will be selected and honored. For the fourth year Jaycees and the American Petroleum Institute, Committee on Agriculture, are national co-sponsors. More than 1,500 are expected to participate.

Nomination forms are available from Wesley Chesson, Jr., at Hobbs Implement Company.

Special Music At Methodist Church

The Edenton Methodist Church will present its annual program of Christmas music at the worship service next Sunday morning, December 22, at 11 o'clock.

The program has been arranged and will be directed by Mrs. Mary Leggett Browning, the church's director of music. Accompanied by Mrs. J. J. Ross at the organ, the choir will sing traditional and modern Christmas carols and anthems. Robert S. Marsh, the Methodist Church's lay leader, will preside over the service and read appropriate passages of Scripture between the musical numbers. The pastor of the church, the Rev. Earl Richardson, will sing in the choir.

Five Leaders In Bridge Marathon

At the end of round 7 in the bridge marathon sponsored by the Chowan Hospital Auxiliary, Dr. Richard Hardin and Joe Thorud still maintain a slight lead. A new team, Mrs. Watson Bell and Mrs. J. B. Harrison, managed to climb into the five top leaders.

The five leading teams and their scores at the end of the seventh round follow:

- First—Dr. Richard Hardin and Joe Thorud, 30,540.
- Second—Mrs. L. A. Patterson and Mrs. W. B. Rosevear, 30,170.
- Third—Cecil Fry and W. T. Harry, 25,560.
- Fourth—Mrs. Wesley Chesson and Mrs. Tom Shepard, 23,370.
- Fifth—Mrs. Watson Bell and Mrs. J. B. Harrison, 22,810.

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Edenton's Woman Of The Year



Mrs. Ida Campen (left) who has been selected "Woman of the Year" by the Edenton Business and Professional Woman's Club. The honor was conferred upon her at the Bosses' Night Christmas party held at the Masonic Temple Tuesday night of last week. Mrs. Lena Leary, mistress of ceremony, presented her with a dozen red roses on behalf of the club. (Evelyn Leary Photo).

District March Dimes Workers Hold Meeting In Edenton For Planning 1958 Drive For Funds

Wednesday night of last week, March of Dimes workers of the district met at a luncheon meeting held at the Triangle Restaurant.

Tom Hopkins, Chairman of the Chowan County Chapter of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, presided over the meeting, which was also attended by Jack McGee, Eastern State Representative.

Mr. McGee pointed out the importance of being inoculated with Salk vaccine, saying that as of November 9, 1957, the following percentages out of an eligible 1,677,441 people had been treated: 68.7% one inoculation; 59.9% two inoculations and 39.6% three inoculations.

He also stated that recent studies indicated that the vaccine is effective in preventing paralysis as follows: 65% with one shot, 80% with two shots and 90% with three shots.

Mr. McGee said it required 20 years of research to get a vaccine to fight polio and that it is discouraging to see how comparatively few take advantage of it.

Christmas Schedule At St. Ann's Church

The Christmas schedule for St. Ann's Catholic Church this season will open with a midnight mass by the Rev. Francis M. Smith, pastor. There will be an organ prelude at 11:30 P. M. with the singing of the mass beginning at 12 A. M. Wednesday morning.

Assisting Father Smith will be Father Joseph J. Waters and the acolytes of St. Ann's parish.

The choir will be under the direction of Mrs. Marion LaVoy, with Mrs. Janet Beeler as organist. The selection hymns as announced by Mrs. LaVoy will include: Adeste Fidelis, Gabriel's Christmas Lullaby; Jusu Bambino; Lo, How a Rose E're Blooming; Resonet In Laudibus of the 14th century, and the Recessional will be Joy to the World.

The mass to be sung will be that of Leonard, Mass in F.

Other mass on Christmas Day will be offered at 8 A. M. and 11 A. M. Confessions the day before Christmas, Tuesday, are heard from 4 to 5:30 P. M. at the Marine Base and from 7 to 8 P. M. at St. Ann's Church.

All are cordially welcome to attend any of the above services.

Marine Winner Of Byrum's Prize

Earl M. Hodges, a member of VMA-25 at the Edenton Naval Auxiliary Air Station was the winner of the Grand Prize at Byrum's Hardware Company.

Byrum's began a huge prize drawing November 16 which ended Saturday in which approximately \$10,000 was given in prizes. The Grand Prize was the choice of a Westinghouse refrigerator, range or laundromat worth \$239.95, so that Mr. Hodges will have his choice of any of the three appliances.

Varsity Club To Hold Christmas Dance Dec. 25

Edenton's Varsity Club will again sponsor a Christmas dance, which will be held in the Edenton armory Wednesday night, December 25. The dance will begin at 9 o'clock and continue until 1 A. M.

Music for the dance will be furnished by Charlie Niles and his orchestra from Norfolk.

Advance tickets are on sale now by members of the club and a big turn-out is expected for this annual holiday affair, which has for many years been one of the area's largest dances.

Table reservations may be made in advance by phoning 3264, 2429 or 3359.

Methodist Young People Will Sing Carols Dec. 22nd

Young people of the Edenton Methodist Church will go on their annual tour of Christmas caroling Sunday evening, December 22. They will meet at the church at 7 o'clock for carol practice, with Mrs. Esther Elliott as leader. The young people will sing for the shut-ins they know about and to others whom they may learn between now and Sunday evening.

At the completion of their caroling the boys and girls will go to the Methodist parsonage, where Mr. and Mrs. Earl Richardson will entertain them with refreshments. As in the past, the young people are permitted to bring guests for the carol singing and for the visit with the Richardsons at the parsonage.

Christmas Services At St. Paul's Church

Christmas services at St. Paul's Episcopal Church will begin Sunday, December 22, according to the Rev. George B. Holmes, rector, with the Church School Pageant at 9:30 A. M.

The very popular Festival of Carols will be conducted at 11 A. M., Sunday with Michael Malone at the organ and the Senior Choir.

Evening Prayer at 5:00 o'clock will conclude the Advent series under the theme "Preparation for Christmas."

Holy Communion will be celebrated Christmas Eve at 11 o'clock and again Christmas Day at 10:30 A. M. Mrs. Thomas S. Hopkins will be at the console.

Jaycees' Shopping Tour For Children

In the neighborhood of 15 underprivileged children are scheduled to enjoy a shopping tour Monday, December 23. The tour is sponsored by the Edenton Jaycees and will give the youngsters an opportunity to buy clothes, toys, candy and fruit and each one will be presented a silver dollar.

White Christmas At Baptist Church

White Christmas will be observed at the Baptist Church during the Sunday School hour and the morning worship hour on Sunday, December 22. At this time members of the Sunday School and church will bring items of food, wrapped in white, which they wish to share with the less fortunate of the community.

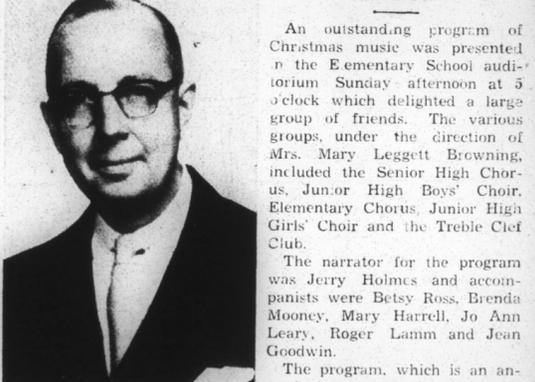
Empty Stocking Fund Expected To Help About 200 Children

The Young Churchmen of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, sponsoring the Empty Stocking Fund for the town of Edenton and allied area, announce that their list completed Sunday will include 200 children from 12 years of age and younger.

Letters are being sent to families who are eligible and this letter in the envelope bearing the family name can be brought to the Parish House on Gale Street, Monday, December 23, between

Music Department Presents Pleasing Program Sunday

C. Of C. Manager Considered Best Performance Ever Presented



HARRY SMITH, JR. Early this week Harry Smith, Jr., of Old Saybrook, Conn., notified Gilliam Wood, president of the Edenton Chamber of Commerce, that he had accepted the position of manager and expected to report for duty Wednesday, January 15.

Post Office Now In Midst Of Rush

"The time has passed to talk about 'Mailing Early For Christmas,'" says Postmaster J. L. Chestnut, "but you can still help to avoid a tremendous last minute pile-up of Christmas mail if you'll send all your gift packages and Christmas cards right now."

To the inevitable last minute mailers he suggests use of air mail for every Christmas card or gift going to distant places out-of-town. He points out that even a few hours delay at this critical time may mean disappointment for friends and loved ones on Christmas Day.

The Postmaster says that he expects the 1957 Christmas mails will break all records, and that the mail load will undoubtedly hit its peak within the next day or two. The flood of outgoing Christmas cards and gifts is being matched by a like torrent of incoming mail that is becoming greater every day.

Postal employees are digging in harder than ever and for the convenience of patrons the Post Office will remain open from 8:30 A. M. to 5 P. M., including Saturday, December 21. The office was also open last Saturday all day.

"There's still time for local deliveries," says Mr. Chestnut, "but all Christmas cards should be sent for first class mail. Be sure to include your return address on all Christmas card envelopes and package labels."

The Postmaster expressed his thanks for the fine cooperation from the public so far, and asks for continued help so that all gift packages and Christmas cards can be delivered before Christmas Eve.

CALL OFF MEETING

Ed Bond Post No. 40 of the American Legion has called off its meeting scheduled to be held Tuesday of next week, December 24. Commander Troy Toppin says the meetings will be resumed after the holidays.

CIVIC CALENDAR

again sponsor a Christmas dance in the Edenton armory Wednesday night, December 25, from 9 P. M. to 1 A. M. Edenton Post Office will be open every day from now until Christmas. The annual twilight service of Christmas music will be presented by the Baptist Church choir on Sunday afternoon, December 22, at 5 o'clock. Unanimity Lodge No. 7, A. F. & A. M., will hold a stated communication tonight (Thursday) at 8 o'clock. Special Christmas music will be presented at the Methodist Church Sunday morning, December 22, at the 11 o'clock hour by the church choir. Continued on Page 5—Section 1

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As Found In The Files of The Chowan Herald

Judge R. Hunt Parker, presiding at a term of Chowan Superior Court, fired a jury after he instructed a verdict of guilty against A. R. Chappell. The jury could reach no decision, when Judge Parker lost patience. "I don't want 12 such men to sit in a jury in my court," he said. "You are dismissed, get out and go home." The jurymen received their pay and lost no time in getting out of the Court House.

E. W. Spivey, who was selected by Governor Clyde Hoey as chairman of the Governor's Hospital Committee for Chowan County, named his local committee, which included D. M. Warren, J. M. McMillan, Mrs. S. M. McMullan, Miss Rebecca Colwell, W. J. Taylor, John A. Holmes, J. A. Smith, G. A. Helms, John W. Graham, William S. Privott, G. W. Butler, Mrs. William B. Shopshire, Edwin Bufflap, J. H. Conner, and Richard D. Dixon and W. K.

Committees, in an effort to improve the parking conditions and to make the building in the best