

**Merry Hill News**

By Mrs. Ethel Winborne

Mrs. Emily Causey and mother, Mrs. T. A. Smithwick, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Richard Smithwick. Tom Smithwick of Greenville also spent Friday night and Saturday with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Perry and daughters, Amelia and Cathy and Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Dall and children, Marian and Mary Ellen of Edenton made a trip last week-end touring the Skyline Drive, Luray Caverns and mountains of Virginia.

Mr. and Mrs. Thornton Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Price and son of Plymouth visited Mr. and Mrs. Seaten Williams and Mr. and Mrs. Grover Hoggard Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Evans and boys of Norfolk and Mr. and Mrs. Milton Robertson and son of Rosemead visited Mr. and Mrs. Chesley White Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Winborne visited Mr. and Mrs. L. I. Bowen and Mrs. Emily Mizelle of Windsor Saturday.

Everett Baker of Norfolk spent the week-end at home with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Baker.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Pruden, Jr., and children, Ellen, Edmund and Marie, Mrs. E. J. Pruden, Sr., and Mrs. D. A. Byrd attended State Fair at Raleigh on Wednesday.

Mrs. Bobby Gray and daughter, Norma Frances of Williamston arrived last week to spend some time with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wright Williford.

Mr. and Mrs. Wade Fairless of Christian Harbor visited Mr. and Mrs. William White Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Smithwick were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Donnie Smithwick of Hampton on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Holland and daughter, Michelle of Virginia Beach were week-end guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Perry. Robert Perry of Newport News also spent the week-end at home.

Mrs. Belva Taylor, Mrs. Minnie Baker and Mrs. Richard Castelleo of Windsor accompanied Mrs. Cecil Newbern and Miss Pearl Newbern of Williamston to Asheville and toured the mountains of North Carolina from Friday until Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. William White

and Mrs. H. E. Foxwell visited Mrs. Mittie Sue Bowen and Miss Vivian White of Windsor Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Livingston White of Edenton and Mr. and Mrs. Lellie Northcutt of Ahoskie spent Saturday here with S. V. Cowand and family.

Miss Peggy Eason of Hampton spent the week-end with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. N. H. Cobb.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Hasteley of Portsmouth visited Mr. and Mrs. Seaten Williams Sunday.

Mrs. J. Britt Smithwick was a patient in the Bertie Memorial Hospital at Windsor for the week-end.

Mrs. T. E. White visited her sister, Mrs. C. W. Byrum of Windsor Monday afternoon.

Mrs. C. T. Baker and Mrs. Viola Cowand returned home on Sunday after spending last week with Mr. and Mrs. Edward Bazemore and family of Portsmouth. They also spent two days in Norfolk with Mrs. Irvin Mittleman and daughter.

Mrs. Bernard Williford went to Norfolk Saturday to spend several days with Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Smith.

Mrs. Jimmie Love visited Mrs. Pauline Smithwick in the Bertie Hospital at Windsor Monday afternoon.

**Optimism Keynote At C. of C. Banquet**

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progress which he stated will materialize with the proper cooperation of members and the necessary financial support. He was very complimentary about James M. Robinson, executive vice president, without whose efforts and capabilities, he said, the Chamber would not have made the progress it has made. In recognizing the guests, he paid tribute to four living members of the first Chamber of Commerce in Edenton. They are T. C. Byrum, Sr., Charles H. Wood, Sr., J. H. McMullan and J. L. Wiggins.

Mr. Robinson spoke briefly on the topic of "Growmanship," during which he pointed out the functions of a Chamber of Commerce and its place in the community to advance growth and progress. He was high in praise of Joe Conger, Jr., for his untiring and unselfish service as president, during which he made many sacrifices of time and effort in the interest of the organization. "We must have

economic growth," said Mr. Robinson, "and to accomplish this, we must sell Edenton and Chowan County." He stated that we have many advantages, but still there are some disadvantages and that it is the job of the Chamber to overcome the disadvantages.

President Byrum then spoke about the prospects for the coming year. He was very optimistic about the future economic growth in the entire county but was frank in his statement that cooperation on the part of committees and members, and financial backing were the prerequisites to success. He pledged his very best in order to bring about a successful year. He commented upon the membership drive which began Wednesday morning after a kick-off breakfast at the Edenton Restaurant. He urged contributing members to increase their annual dues if possible and stated that it was more or less surprising that so many who should be but are not members of the Chamber.

West Byrum, Jr., vice president, introduced Mr. Wade.

In his opening remarks Mr. Wade praised the work of the Chamber in its accomplishments during the past year. He said it was very essential to have a Chamber of Commerce, but to have one, it should be a good one. He stressed the fact that industries seeking new locations want to know what is there and many times this vital information is not available. With a live Chamber of Commerce, he said, everybody prospers and not only a few, so that a community is hopeless without a Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Wade directed his remarks to the tourist business which has increased 170 per cent since 1948. He said 25,000,000 tourists visited North Carolina last year and that the trend is upward, and at present it is the third largest industry, led only by textiles and tobacco. He

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was very complimentary of the preservation of historical sites in Chowan County, which he said no industry can replace, and provides natural advantages for Edenton.

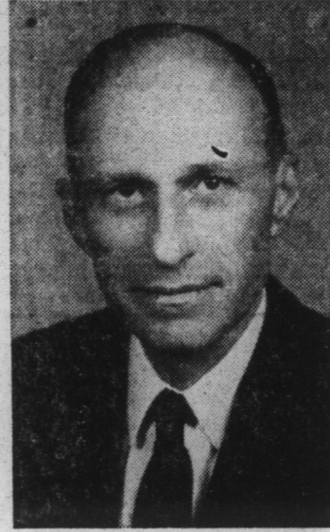
The speaker also pointed out the advantages of a clean and attractive community. "We do not have to have a Waldorf Astoria, but we must have clean and comfortable lodging and eating facilities, in which the Chamber of Commerce can play an important part. "There are unlimited opportunities for tourist attractions in Eastern North Carolina," he said.

Mr. Wade also dwelt upon the idea of a "History Trail," which would provide unlimited publicity and possibilities, for little is realized how much such a route would attract tourists. The 400-mile "History Trail" would be a tourist attraction of the first magnitude, said the speaker. However, he pointed out that each single section would not be able to promote the idea by itself. It requires cooperation on the part of the entire area and should be thoroughly explored.

The speaker spoke briefly about the Reynolds project on the Avoca farm. He said he was very appreciative for the friendship and cooperation on the part of Bertie and Chowan County people, and the way his company was welcomed. He pointed out that the activities in Bertie are not in competition with tobacco growers. The purpose, he said, is to try to find a way to grow better tobacco. He said they were well pleased with the first year's yield and with the information gained.

The meeting closed with President Byrum again urging full

**Seal Chairman**



Luther E. Barnhardt, former Lieutenant Governor and President of the Senate, who has been appointed the 1962 State Christmas Seal chairman. He will lead 82 tuberculosis associations in North Carolina in their annual campaigns.

cooperation in the membership drive. The dinner was served by members of the Order of the Eastern Star.

**Plans Made For TB X-Ray Unit**

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Tuberculosis is a contagious disease and that it is caused by a germ and it spreads from person to person. It is not inherited.

At Monday night's meeting, Mrs. J. E. Brown of the State Board of Health met with a goodly number of interested citizens of Chowan County and members of the Chowan County

Tuberculosis Association. Graham White, County Chairman, presided over the meeting and introduced Mrs. Brown, who explained what needs to be done. She especially emphasized the importance of middle age and older people to be X-rayed.

In an effort to have everybody X-rayed civic clubs, churches, schools, Boy Scouts, business people, physicians and in fact all organizations are urged to cooperate to get people to visit the mobile unit on the days most convenient. Members of the Hospital Auxiliary will act as hostesses.

Mrs. Frank Holmes was named as overall publicity chairman and she solicits the help of individuals and various groups in Edenton and Chowan County to publicize the visit of the mobile X-ray unit.

"Tuberculosis strikes both rich and poor," says Mrs. Holmes. "It is found most often among people living in crowded homes or working in very close contact with others who may have the disease and not know it. For that reason it behooves every person in Chowan County over 15 years of age to take advantage of this free X-ray."

**John Perry Promoted In National Guard**

The promotion of John E. R. Perry from first lieutenant to the rank of captain in the North Carolina Army National Guard is announced by Governor Sanford.

Captain Perry was born in Powellsville, and presently resides with his wife in Gatesville, where he is a science teacher at Gatesville High

School. Perry received his Bachelor of Science degree from North Carolina State College in Raleigh in 1953 and his Master's degree from East Carolina College in Greenville in 1960. He attended The Infantry School at Fort Benning, Georgia in 1953.

Captain Perry began his military career in July, 1953, when he was commissioned a second lieutenant in the United States

Army. He served on active duty until April, 1955, at which time he became a member of the United States Army Reserve. In September, 1955, he was appointed a first lieutenant in the North Carolina Army National Guard with the Combat Support Company, 2d Battle Group, 119th Infantry in Edenton, the unit of his present assignment.

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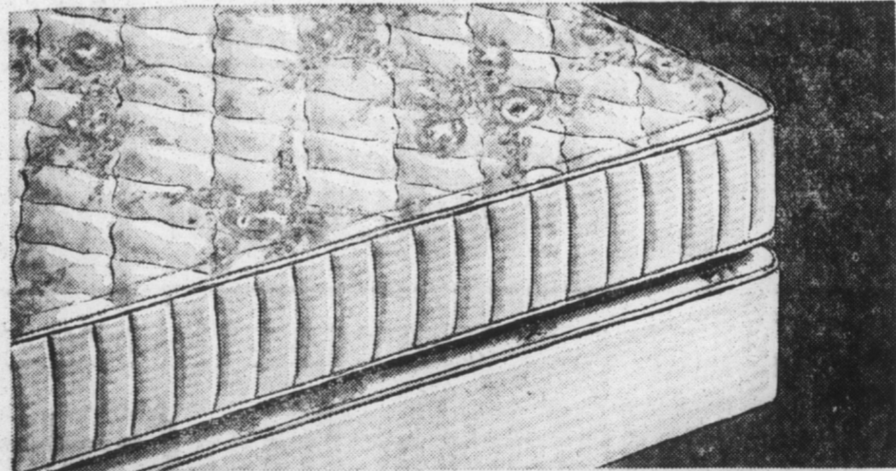
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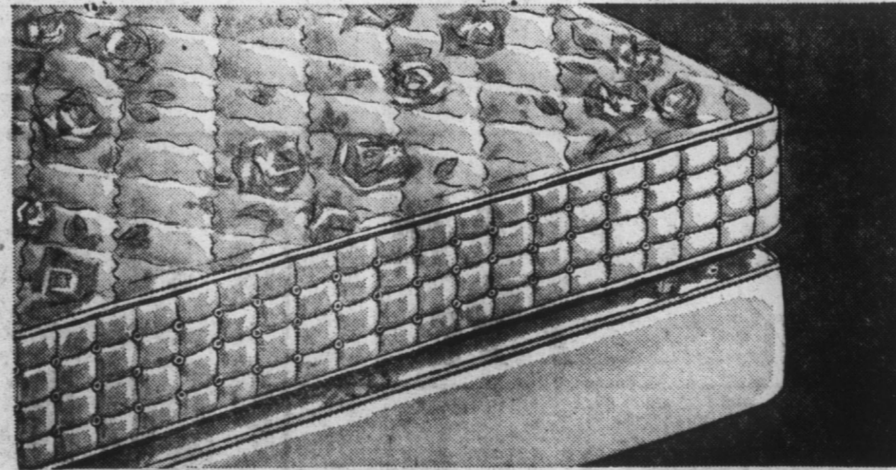


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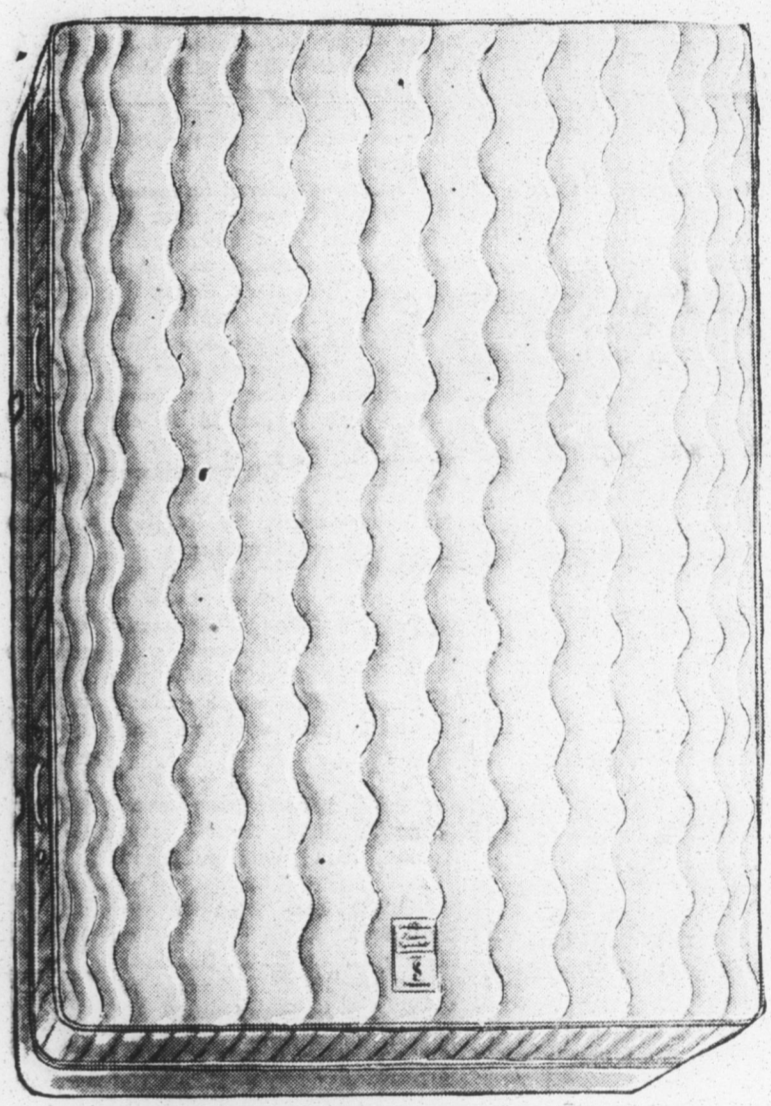
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