

Year's business up over six pct. in county's three post offices

Postal business in Chapel Hill increased slightly over six per cent last year — both in receipts and number of pieces of mail handled.

Increases, also noted by the Hillsboro and Carrboro post-offices, were a bit larger in proportion. Postmaster Mrs. Louise Clayton in Hillsboro called attention to an increase of about 10 per cent over 1961 when total receipts were \$36,823. The tentative totals for 1962 were \$40,089.

Carrboro Postmaster Claborn Oakley noted an increase of almost \$2,000 over the \$36,850 total for the previous year. In 1962 the Carrboro postoffice took in \$38,714. He noted that \$12,268 of last year's total was received

Junior music festival to be held on March 2

The Chapel Hill Area Festival of the Capital District of the North Carolina Federation of Music Clubs will be held March 2 in Hill Music Hall, Chapel Hill, at 1:30 p. m.

Mrs. Kemp S. Cate, Chairman, announces that winners are eligible for scholarships and awards in the State-wide competition. Teachers and Junior Counselors may obtain information and application blanks from Mrs. Cate at 102 Halifax Road, Chapel Hill.

during the Christmas quarter. For Chapel Hill the comparative receipts as compiled by Postmaster J. Paul Cheek

CLIFFORD FOUST ORGANIZES

A teacher of history at the University is serving as a consultant for the preparation of a new series of historical writings — at the invitation of the education division of Doubleday and Co., New York publishing firm. He is Dr. Clifford M. Foust, an assistant professor in the Department of History here.

SET NATIONAL PHARMACY MEET

Preliminary plans were drawn up here recently for the national meeting of the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy, to be held at the University of North Carolina School of Pharmacy, July 21-26. Dean E. A. Brecht, of the UNC Pharmacy School, a co-chairman of the AACP's 1963 Teacher's Seminar Committee, announced that the committee has made up a list of prospective speakers and outlined the program for the national gathering, which will draw over 300 pharmacy teachers from 80 colleges of pharmacy.

JOHN EDWARD HOOKER JR.

A son, John Edward Jr., was born Jan. 14 to Mr. and Mrs. John E. Hooker of Martinsville, Va. Mrs. Hooker is the former Patsy Lee Poythress of Chapel Hill. They have another child, Martee, age two and one-half.

were: 1961 — \$419,388; and 1962 — \$448,442. In all there were just over 28 million pieces of mail handled locally in 1962, as compared to just over 26 million in the previous year.

Out of that 1962 total just over 17 million pieces were incoming and about 11 million originating (outgoing). First class mail accounted for about two-thirds of the incoming volume — or 11.6 million pieces.

Building Inspector's report shows...

Construction in Chapel Hill tops \$4.2 million for year

Permits for construction totaling \$4.2 million were issued by Chapel Hill Building Inspector Don Archer during 1962.

These figures in his annual report issued yesterday covered 295 building permits in the entire Chapel Hill Planning District, and averaged out to \$14,460 per project. Out of this total slightly over half or \$2.4 million, was accounted for in 154 single family homes. Commercial buildings totalled almost \$400,000.

Total in-town construction for the year was \$2.2 million, of which just over \$1 million was

involved in the building of 53 single-family homes. Construction outside corporate Chapel Hill but inside the zoning jurisdiction in the Planning District accounted for just under \$2 million.

The biggest single items on the Building Inspector's report were the new junior high school, \$584,000; Town House apartments project, \$1,099,000; addition to Estes Hills School, \$158,000; Harriss-Conners Chevrolet, \$120,000; and Orange Savings and Loan building, \$161,000.

Aldermen approve drawing of bill calling for May 7 recreation vote

The Chapel Hill aldermen will take action at their next meeting on an ordinance calling for a referendum May 7 on a public recreation tax of from \$.03-.10 over the present rate.

Approval to draw the ordinance was unanimously granted by the board, at the request of the Chapel Hill Recreation Commission. In endorsing the calling of the referendum Mayor Sandy McClamroch again called attention to the fact that Chapel Hill is the only town of its size in the state that does not have a tax-supported municipal recreation program.

Phase out of Chest

Recreation Commission Chairman Robert D. Boyce, speaking before the Chapel Hill Board

of Aldermen, declared he hoped that with approval of the tax-supported program next fiscal year the local recreation program could be "phased out" of the Chapel Hill Community Chest over a period of several years.

He stressed that it was difficult to estimate costs and the Commission's probable request for tax funds to the Board of Aldermen. But he said that possibly, on the basis of the current \$30,000 annual budget, the Commission might ask for \$21,000 next year, which would require a \$.07 per \$100 valuation property tax rate, and for \$9,000 from the Community Chest.

Asked by an alderman to

what extent the program would serve non-Chapel Hill townspeople, Mr. Boyce said that it was intended to continue to do this, as at the present, but that a fee system of charges would be set up for them.

He added, in response to another question, that the Commission did not feel it advisable to set up the referendum on a district, rather than a municipal basis. Such a referendum proposal, held on a district basis, was rejected in 1957.

District 'unadvisable'

He expressed the opinion that removal of the recreation program from Community Chest support would greatly help the Chest in that many persons had felt that recreation should be a local government program.



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