

## Rita Salter Smith, Husband, Adopted Baby to Arrive Home

By Eleanore Dear Phillips

Kathy Jo Smith, age 15 months and weighing 31 pounds, will be one of the youngest immigrants to come to America when she arrives here with her new parents, Sgt. and Mrs. Bill Smith, who will re-



Mother and Daughter

turn to the states around the first of February after being stationed in Burtonwood, England.

Mrs. Smith, the former Rita Salter of Atlantic, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rupert Salter, and her husband, Sergeant Smith, adopted Kathy Jo from the Bethany Home, Dublin, Ireland, the first week of December. All her papers are in order, but she will not be able to be legally adopted until her new parents reach the states.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith were married in Excelsior Springs, Mo., on August 27, 1944. He is in the Army Air Force and has been stationed in Burtonwood for over a year. Mrs. Smith went to England last July to join her husband and will return with him to Atlantic for an extended leave before reporting to their new station.

## Police Release Material Witness In Willis Murder

Case to Be Tried in March; Funeral Conducted for Capt. Willis Saturday

John Banks, jailed as a material witness in the fatal shooting of Capt. Glenn B. Willis, was released Friday night, L.P. Wheeler, chief of Washington police, announced. Wheeler said that Banks had been subpoenaed to appear at the March term of Beaufort superior court to testify against Ralph Midgette, 43-year-old crew member of the Lindsay C. Warren, who has admitted he shot Capt. Willis.

Banks is the crew member Midgette is reported to have locked below while he lay in wait for the captain of the Warren Wednesday night. Midgette is also alleged to have told Banks that he was going to lay in wait for the skipper and shoot him.

Funeral services for the deceased were conducted at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon at the home, 505 Ann st., Beaufort. The Rev. T. R. Jenkins, pastor of Ann Street Methodist church, officiated.

Interment was at Atlantic, with military rites conducted by the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars. Pallbearers were David Hill, Lloyd Stoy, Hugh Salter, Carlee Willis, Ralph Davis, and James Austin.

Captain Willis served many years in the Coast Guard, which included time during the first world war. He was discharged from the Coast Guard just before world war II and then served as a captain in the Army.

He received disability retirement as an Army captain in November 1945. At the time of his death he was skipper of the Lindsay C. Warren, passenger boat which operated several times a week between Ocracoke and Little Washington.

## Motorists! Today Is The Deadline for Tag Purchase

Today is the last day motorists will be permitted on North Carolina highways and byways with 1949 license tags on their vehicles.

After midnight tonight, any motorist whose vehicle does not have a 1950 tag will be summoned before the judge in the county court. Then he will not only have to buy his tags but pay a fine also.

Long queues have been the order of the day in front of the license tag office on Arendell street in Morehead City. Hours are not being lengthened to accommodate the last-minuteers. The office will close this afternoon at 4 p. m. It opens this morning at 9. Mrs. Robert G. Lowe is in charge.

## Hilma Chadwick, Billie Jones Play Leads in Show

Miss Hilma Chadwick and Billie Jones will play the leads in the Legion show, "It's a Date," which will be given Thursday and Friday in the Morehead City high school auditorium.

During one scene of the show Luther Lewis as Eddie Cantor will emcee a reproduction of "Take It or Leave It." Members of the audience will participate and compete for valuable prizes.

In the Labor Daze scene Ethan Davis impersonates Fanny, the farmer's daughter; Earl Dunn is Tillie the Tenth Grade Teacher; L. G. Dunn is Bessie the Baby Sitter, and Joseph Smith will portray Winnie the Waitress from Willsburg.

Burlesque Beauties In the burlesque line will be Dr. Russell Outlaw and Hick Allen as Rosie the Queen of the Runway.

Imitating Don McNeil in the breakfast club will be Gene Neil, Miss Rilla Hughes, Patsy Lee, and Henry Gibat, male vocalist.

## Grayden Paul Featured

The only character in the showboat scene who does not appear in blackface will be Grayden Paul of Beaufort. End men will be Bill Lewis and Jim Willis with songs by Walter Lewis and Bobby Bell.

Music for the entire show will be furnished by Al Dewey. Brilliant costumes add a professional air to the production and Miss Maryjane Steele, director, says she anticipates one of the finest shows she has ever directed.

Reserved seat tickets will go on Morehead City and S & W drug stores. Only 100 reserved seat tickets are available for each night.

## Two Men Hurt When Car Upsets

Walter Smith of Newport has been charged with careless and reckless driving as the result of an accident at 1 o'clock Saturday afternoon at the Atlantic and East Carolina railroad just east of the Blue Ribbon club, Morehead City.

Smith and Harvey Hansley, his passenger, who is also from Newport, were treated at Morehead City hospital and discharged Sunday. Each was cut and bruised.

The 1940 Ford Smith was driving was proceeding toward Morehead City, and according to State Highway Patrolman W. E. Pickard was going at such a high rate of speed it couldn't make the curve.

The automatic railroad signal with heavy concrete base was torn out of the ground, the car turned over and landed at the south of the highway near the tracks.

Patrolman Pickard said repairs to the car would cost more than it's worth.

## Lions Hear Reports On District Convention

Morehead City's representation at the Lions district convention in Goldsboro last week was successful from the standpoint of local members present and the showing of bands representing the club. Lions were told at their Thursday night meeting in the Fort Macon hotel dining room.

President Frank Moran, Barrett Davis, Oscar Alfred and Gerald Davis reported to the group on doings at the convention. They said their club was exceptionally well represented and that the Morehead City school band and Beaufort's Queen Street school band made fine showings in the parade.

Following the business meeting the club was entertained by Joe Rose and Bob Fleming on the accordion and guitar.

# Sheriff's Department Investigates Murder of George Lee, Colored Man

## State President Visits Club; Members Honor Mrs. D. G. Bell

A rising vote of thanks and applause for Mrs. D. G. Bell, president of the Morehead City Woman's club, followed the talk Thursday night by Mrs. E. M. Anderson, president of the North Carolina Federation of Woman's clubs. Mrs. Anderson was honored guest at the winter meeting of the Woman's club at the civic center.

Mrs. Bell, founder of the Woman's club, will conclude in May a one year's term as president, an office she filled when it was left vacant last year because the officer in line moved out of town.

## Officers Elected

Two new officers were elected Thursday night. Mrs. E. A. Council will succeed Mrs. Bell as president, and Mrs. George Bell will succeed Mrs. Council as vice-president. The secretary, Mrs. George Wallace, was re-elected, as was the treasurer, Mrs. D. B. Webb.

Members of the executive boards of the four departments of the Women's club dined at the Jefferson restaurant preceding the meeting. Seated at Mrs. Bell's right was Mrs. Anderson and at her left, Miss Lena Duncan, president of the Beaufort Woman's club.

## Dinner by Candlelight

The dinner was served by candlelight, with spring flowers as a centerpiece. Fruit cocktail was the first course, followed by creamed chicken and pattie shells, asparagus, parsley potatoes, lettuce salad with French dressing, coffee, and mints.

The business session at the civic center was opened by singing "The Old North State," followed by the reading of the American's creed. The secretary's report was approved and Mrs. Webb reported a balance of \$149.85 in the treasury.

## Mrs. Ralph Wade Sings

Following the election of officers, Mrs. Ralph Wade sang Pile Morn (Logan) and Passing By (Purcell), accompanied by Bobby Hesse. Mrs. Eugene Roelofs was recognized as a member of the Morehead City Junior Woman's club. Miss Duncan, Mrs. M. L. Davis, and Mrs. N. T. Ennett, Beaufort, members of the Morehead City club were also recognized.

Mrs. Anderson commended the club on the projects it has undertaken and urged the group to attend the state convention April 18, 19, 20, at Raleigh, where, in addition to a trip to Chapel Hill to the planetarium, they will be entertained at tea by Governor and Mrs. Scott. She requested also that the Morehead City club be represented at the national federation convention at Boston in May.

During her address, "What Lies See WOMAN'S CLUB, Page Three

## Health Officer Releases Meat Market, Dairy Sanitary Grades

Appearing below are the Carteret county meat market, butchery, and dairy sanitation grades for the third and fourth quarters, 1949 as released by Dr. N. Thomas Ennett, health officer. Inspections are made by the county sanitarian, A. D. Fulford.

Places above 90 are rated A, 80 to 90, B, and 70 to 80, C.

Atlantic - Luther Smith Grocery, 85; Winston Hill Grocery, 80. Beaufort - Simmons Grocery, 92.5; Potters Grocery, 92.0; S & P Grocery, 92.0; C. D. Jones Grocery, 91.0; City Grocery, 90.5; Ann Street Grocery 90.5; A & P Grocery, 90.0; Petersons Grocery, 90.0; Hardesty's Grocery, 86.5; Broad St. Grocery, 85.0. Pender's Grocery, 83.5; Stanley's Grocery, 82.0; Hardesty's Abattoir, 81.5; M. T. Owens Grocery, 81.5; Temples Grocery, market opened, permit issued.

Harkers Island - Yeomans Grocery, 90.0; Roland Willis Grocery, 90.0; R. J. Chadwick Food Center, 90.0. Morehead City and RFD - Lindsey Guthrie Grocery, 94.0; Dave Lewis Grocery, 92.5; Cherry's Grocery, 92.0; Freeman Bro. Grocery, 92.0; J. S. Parker Grocery, 92.0. Reams Grocery, 91.5; Stroud's Food Center, 91.0; Edgerton's Grocery, 91.0; A & P Grocery, 90.0; Morehead City Grocery, 90.0; Pender's Colonial Store, 90.0. B & H Grocery, 90.0; Whitley's Grocery, 90.0; Mansfield Food Center, 90.0; Murdock's Grocery, 90.0; Bryan's Grocery, 90.0; Joe Robert's Grocery, 86.5. Garners Grocery, 82.0; Dixon Grocery, 84.0; K. Guthrie Grocery, 82.5; Peter Block Grocery, 82.0. Newport and RFD - Garner and

## Listing Will Continue For Remainder of Week

Property owners may list taxes all this week, F. R. Seeley, chairman of the county board of elections, announced yesterday. The deadline was originally announced for today, the last day of January, but listings will be taken in every township in the county, without penalty to the lister, until noon Saturday. Mr. Seeley said that cooperation of property owners has been better this year than has ever been seen it. Approximately 50 per cent had listed in Beaufort township by the middle of the month.

## Fisheries Exhibit Will Be Moved To Camp Glenn

The museum now located in the U. S. Fish and Wildlife laboratory on Pivers Island will be moved to the department of conservation at Camp Glenn within the next few months. C. E. Atkinson, Fish and Wildlife service, announced today that an agreement had been signed Jan. 17 between the department of conservation and the Fish and Wildlife service providing for the fisheries exhibit, displayed for a number of years at the station on Pivers Island, to form a part of a State resource museum.

The exhibits will remain the property of the federal government. The department of conservation has provided funds for the transfer and care of the exhibit at the State museum and has given the Institute of Fisheries Research the responsibility for its care and display.

Because no funds had been provided to employ a curator and guide for the exhibit, and because of the fire hazard if unattended, the government building housing the museum has remained closed during week-ends and holidays when it was most convenient for the public to visit the station, Mr. Atkinson explains.

The recently signed agreement provides for the museum to be open to the public every day, and in addition to the material exhibited by the Fish and Wildlife service, the State plans to have other material exhibited to make this State museum one of the best of its kind in the South.

The sheriff's department today is continuing inquiries into the death of George Lee, Jr., 25-year-old colored man found dead early Friday morning at Quinn's fish factory, Beaufort.

Sheriff C. G. Holland is holding one man in jail for questioning, three women and six men have been contacted and investigated regarding the crime.

George Cannady, State Bureau of Investigation, was here Saturday to assist local authorities, and he returned yesterday to continue work on the case.

Lee, from Moss Point, Miss., was robbed and the clothes torn from his body, according to the coroner, Pritchard Lewis. An inquest was conducted Friday morning and the jury ruled that Lee met his death by injuries inflicted by a person or persons unknown.

Serving on the jury were James Runley, Elmore Davis, Roy Eubanks, Charles Russell, Hugh Salter, and Lester Babbitt.

The coroner said Lee met death sometime after midnight Thursday. He was discovered by several men at the fish factory. The body was not concealed, but lay in the open near the scrap shed.

Death was due, Coroner Lewis said, to injuries about his head. It is reported that Lee, who had been fishing on the Mary Ellen, a Smith boat, was paid off the day before his death and had been given transportation home.

The body was taken to the Adair funeral home where it will remain until a casket arrives here from Moss Point, Miss. The body will be placed in the casket and returned to Moss Point where a sister of Lee lives.

## CAP Officers Named at Dinner

Officers of the Carteret County Civilian Air Patrol were named at the barbecue dinner meeting Thursday night at the Legion hut west of Morehead City. Capt. Harvey McKee, CAP liaison officer from Charlotte attended and gave a brief talk.

A. D. Ellsworth, commanding officer, emphasized that persons needn't be flyers to belong to the organization. There is ground-work to be done, and officers in their respective fields of aviation will instruct beginners free of charge, he announced.

Planes and equipment will be furnished the unit by the Air Force. It was stated that the unit will be of help, especially in the summertime, to answer distress calls from tourist fishermen and to make outer banks patrol trips.

Officials of the unit are as follows: M. T. Mills, commanding officer; Bob Lowe, adjutant; Kenneth Bates, personnel; O. H. L. Lommon, supply; Kenneth Wagner and Gene Smith, fiscal; Dan Walker, public information.

Dr. John Way, medical; Bob Burrows, training; John Morrison, commandant of cadets; Jack Savage, operations; C. V. Williams, communications; Roy Eubanks, photography.

Tomorrow, Saturday and Sunday afternoon all persons interested in the CAP should fill out papers at the Beaufort airport. Each prospective member should bring with him three photos, passport size.

## Carl Hatsell Presents Chimes

Carl Hatsell represented the donors and presented the chimes of Ann Street Methodist church in the dedication service Sunday morning. The gift was accepted by Howard Jones.

A plaque at the rear of the church is inscribed as follows: "The chimes in this church are dedicated to the glory of God and given in memory of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. George A. Hatsell and Mr. and Mrs. Allen Davis, by Mr. and Mrs. Henry Davis Hatsell."

Following the chimes dedication, the new educational building a short distance east of the church on Ann st., was dedicated and named the Lottis Sanders building.

Taking part in the dedication ceremony were Harry I. Saunders, Numa F. Eure, and the Rev. T. R. Jenkins, pastor. Miss Lottie Sanders, named because of her outstanding and faithful work with children of the nursery department, was seated with those taking part in the service. She wore a large orchid corsage.

## March of Dimes Collections Lag

President's Ball Begins At 9 Tonight at Recreation Center, Morehead

Collections in the March of Dimes are \$3,000 behind the same period last year. A. H. James, director of the polo fund campaign announced yesterday.

Although \$300 came in yesterday morning enough money to make up the balance of the \$7,200 quota cannot be obtained by Feb. 1, he added.

## Ball Tonight

The President's ball will climax the drive this evening from 9 to 1. A feature of the evening will be taxi dances where 12 of Carteret county's loveliest girls will dance throughout the evening with any gentleman who contributes a dime to the March.

Music for the affair will be furnished by orchestra.

## Cooperation - No Money

Mr. James said everyone is cooperating but money is not as readily available this year as it evidently was last.

Each school, Beaufort and Morehead City, raised about \$500 each in the campaign. Beaufort achieved this same goal last year, Mr. James said, but Morehead City school did better this year than in 1949.

Although the campaign closes today, contributions may be mailed to A. H. James, Morehead City, or to A. H. James c/o the court house, Beaufort.

The \$7,200 quota is the minimum amount required to fill present and potential needs in Carteret county in the fight against polio.

## Club Member Gets Note From France

As part of their international relations program, members of the Woman's club of Morehead City, have written to women abroad. The first to receive an answer to her letter is Mrs. George Stovall, who wrote to a woman of le Havre.

The translation from the French appears below:

le Havre, Dec. 26, 1949. Dear Benefactors: We come with all our hearts to thank you for your kind wishes which you have addressed to us. Believe, dear benefactors, that we have been much touched to see that at such a distance there were big hearts which thought of those who are more unfortunate.

Therefore, in our turn permit us to offer to you the most sincere good wishes that we can express for both you and your dear family. May God return to you a hundredfold what you do for others who are more unhappy than you.

I have told you in a previous letter that my husband is 65 years old. I am 60 and I have a poor son paralyzed for 24 years with a cephalic lethargy. He is now 33 years old. I have been obliged to place him in a hospital in le Havre. I am no longer strong enough to care for him and my husband still works at the General Transatlantic company as one who care for the sick.

So, dear benefactors, my children and my husband unite with me in sending to you our best wishes for the year about to begin.

Mme. Boens  
159 Rue Demidoff  
le Havre, Seine Inferieur  
France

## Plymouth Sedan Overturns East of Newport Saturday

A '36 Plymouth sedan was demolished at 9 o'clock Saturday night when it overturned a mile and a half east of Newport. Quentin Royal, a merchant seaman who lives on route 1 Newton Grove has been charged with drunken driving. He was uninjured. Dewey Gilikin, of Beaufort RFD, who was riding with Royal was slightly scratched.

Royal was proceeding toward Newport when he evidently lost control of the car, according to Patrolman W. J. Smith, jr. The car swerved to the left side of the road and overturned.

## Mayor Sends Case To County Court

Sgt. Kenneth Sawin Placed Under \$500 Bond on Reckless Driving Charge

Probable cause was found in the case of Sgt. Kenneth W. Sawin, charged with reckless and careless driving, in yesterday's session of Morehead City mayor's court and his case was bound over to recorder's court under \$500 bond.

Charges were brought in Sawin's case as the result of an accident Saturday night when police say his 1949 Lincoln mowed down an electric light pole, crossed the street into an embankment made a U-turn, crossed the street and ran into a cedar tree.

Scene of the accident was the intersection of 24th and Evans sts. at 16:15 p. m. Sawin was traveling east on Evans when he said a cat ran in front of his car and he swerved to avoid hitting the cat.

The car then went out of control, he testified, hit the light pole on the northwest corner of the intersection, crossed 24th st. to the northeast corner where it ran over the sidewalk, up on an embankment, did a U-turn back down the embankment, went back across the street to the northwest corner where it struck a cedar tree and stopped.

Damage to the light pole amounted to \$150, cedar tree damage was \$25 and the automobile was considerably damaged, investigating officers testified.

Officer Carl Blomberg and Edmond Willis were called and reported that the driver of the car was not present when they arrived. At least ten minutes later, they said, Sawin appeared and asked if it would be all right for him to take his car.

Returning from wedding. Sawin smelled heavily of alcohol, police stated, and he said he had attended a wedding and had a few drinks. He admitted driving the car and said he walked home and back to the accident after it happened.

Mayor George Dill said that despite the defendant's testimony that he had been drinking, probable cause could not be found on a drunken driving charge because no one had actually seen Sawin at the wheel of the car.

However, the mayor stated that he found it hard to believe that the car was moving only 20 miles an hour, as Sawin had testified, since it traveled a total of 215 feet from the time it struck the light pole until it finally stopped.

Probable Cause Found Probable cause was also found in the case of Winfield Scott Webb jr., charged with leaving the scene of an accident. Scott was charged with having run into the parked automobile of Eugene F. Capps.

Scott admitted hitting Capps' car. He said he had gone on to his home two blocks away and was going to return to the accident when police officers came after him within five minutes after the accident occurred. Scott admitted his guilt and offered to pay for damage. Most of the damage had been done to his truck, he said.

Mayor Dill said he had no choice but to send the case to recorder's court since it was beyond the jurisdiction of mayor's court. Bond was set at \$100.

Linwood Hall pleaded guilty to speeding and was fined \$10 and costs. The bond of Madie Bell Godley, charged with the same offense was forfeited when she failed to appear in court.

## New Hangar Goes Up In Beaufort

Earl Taylor, manager of the Beaufort and Morehead City airports is constructing a \$5,000 hangar at the Beaufort airport. The hangar, expected to be complete by Feb. 10, will accommodate six to four passenger planes.

The hangar is being built for the convenience of persons who wish to buy planes, but object to letting them sit out in the weather. Mr. Taylor said. The hangar space will be rented.

The new building, 50 by 72 feet, is located close to the west Beaufort road on property owned by Mr. Taylor. He stated that the proposed \$12,000 administration building will be constructed near the present administration building as soon as the government pays its 50 per cent of the cost.

## Chairman Gives Information On Little Symphony

The North Carolina Little Symphony orchestra is a group of 23 professional musicians under the leadership of Benjamin Swalin, touring the state to bring symphony music to the people.

The symphony will come to Beaufort this spring Mrs. Bayard Taylor was chairman of the drive for symphony society memberships last month.

"Many people," Mrs. Taylor said, "have a mistaken impression about the North Carolina symphony. Some believe it is a group of men and women who make music their hobby or sideline."

"This is definitely not the case," she continued, "for all players in the symphony are professional musicians and they must pass stiff auditions before joining the orchestra."

Another mistaken idea that people have concerning the orchestra is that it is directly connected with the State university. Outside of the fact that the university provides a headquarters for the office staff in Chapel Hill, there is no connection.

The North Carolina Symphony is an independent organization subsidized in part by the state and supported by 14,500 members of the Symphony society.

In speaking of the orchestra as a professional organization Mrs. Taylor stated that many North Carolinians who have heard great symphonies in other cities are slow to accept the fact that right here in their home state is a symphony which rates with the best in the country. The North Carolina symphony is one of countless orchestras throughout the country, which, while comparatively young, give superb performances and is making great strides toward national recognition.

A membership card in the North Carolina Symphony Society will admit the member to the Beaufort concert to be played Feb. 14 in Beaufort High School auditorium at 8:30 p.m.

### Tide Table

Tides at Beaufort Bar

HIGH	Tuesday, Jan. 31	LOW
6:14 a.m.	12:42 p.m.	
6:28 p.m.	Midnight	
Wednesday, Feb. 1		
7:09 a.m.	12:33 a.m.	
7:14 p.m.	1:25 p.m.	
Thursday, Feb. 2		
7:44 a.m.	1:20 a.m.	
7:59 p.m.	2:07 p.m.	
Friday, Feb. 3		
8:28 a.m.	2:06 a.m.	
8:43 p.m.	2:46 p.m.	

## Merchants Discuss Chamber Program

Adequate steps must be taken to convince merchants that they have good reason to join the Morehead City Chamber of Commerce, members of the Morehead City Merchants association agreed at their Thursday luncheon meeting in the Jefferson Restaurant.

Members agreed that the Chamber of Commerce was a most worthwhile investment and an investment that paid great dividends in trade. However, it was pointed out, some merchants take a short-sighted view of the work being done by the chamber and refused to join the group.

The view of these merchants, it was reported, is that the work of the chamber does not and will not increase business. Nevertheless, these same merchants take advantage of promotional schemes of the chamber and the Merchants association to reap the benefits from programs which they have not supported.

Constructive action on a program to convince recalcitrant merchants of the chamber's worth was not taken at the Merchants association luncheon but it was agreed that a program should be instituted within coming months.

Charles C. Stott, assistant superintendent of state parks, gave a short address on present facilities at Fort Macon State park. Stott said recreational facilities had been improved greatly within the past year and further improvements were planned before the summer season gets underway.

## Present Facilities

Present facilities include a swimming area, bath house, parking areas, boardwalk, refreshment stand, picnicking area, the fort itself and miles of ocean frontage for the sightseer. These areas will be improved as funds become available, Stott explained, with the uppermost aim being "to make the park useable and desirable for every member of the family."

President. Bernard Leary announced that 1950 officers for the Merchants association will be elected at the February meeting. A report on the Christmas promotional program of the group in 1949 will also be made as will a summary of the achievements of the group in 1949.

## Bonus Application Available

C. L. Beane, Beaufort, county veterans service officer has announced that he has bonus applications for Pennsylvania veterans. His office is located in the American Legion hut, Turner street.