

JOHN IRVING SMITH  
*Grand Master of Masons*

#### BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

John Irving Smith, born in Greenville, S. C., August 5, 1903, son of William Benjamin and Nora Watson Smith, Graduate Greenville High School 1920 and Davidson College 1924. Secretary of Brandon Corporation from 1928 until merged with The Abney Mills in 1949. Manager of Renfrew Bleachery, now a unit of the Abney Mills, since 1938. Director Peoples National Bank, Textile Broadcasting Co., Liberty Life Insurance Co., Surety Life Insurance Co. and Hunt Loom & Machine Works. President Kiwanis Club 1933 and 1934. Chairman Community Chest Campaign 1935. Co-Chairman Red Cross War Fund Campaign 1944. President Y. M. C. A. 1947. Chairman Board of Deacons, Second Presbyterian Church 1939 and 1940. Elder, Second Presbyterian Church since 1950. Chairman Trustees of Enoree Presbytery since 1948. Trustee of Davidson College since 1938. President Davidson College Alumni Association 1949-50. Member Board of Governors, Shriners' Hospital for Crippled Children since 1936. Director Chamber of Commerce 1949 and 1950, First Vice-President 1951. Master Mason since 1924. Past Master, Brandon Lodge No. 279, A. F. M. Past Venerable Master Greenville Lodge of Perfection, Scottish Rite. Thirty-third Degree Mason since 1941. Potentate Hejaz Temple of the Shrine 1942. Junior Grand Warden, South Carolina Grand Lodge of Masons 1946 and 1947. Senior Grand Warden, 1948 and 1949. Deputy Grand Master, 1950 and 1951. Acting Grand Master, November 15, 1951, elected Grand Master April 25, 1952. Member Beta Theta Pi, Omicron Delta Kappa and Phi Beta Kappa fraternities.

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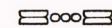
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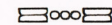
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M.:W.:BRO. JOHN I. SMITH, Grand Master  
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