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ONE DOLLAR A YEAR

A Christmas Message From The GRAND MASTER

May we—one and all—put first things first this Christmas and worship GOD with heart and soul and voice. In the disparity of our thinking and our behaving—which has shaken the pillars of our corporate living—it is good that



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Christmas comes to reclaim our life and our redeeming.

The format of Christmas Day has changed as all daily existence is bound to change in all but the great essentials. The wooden bridge to grandma's house no longer sounds with metallic hoofbeats. Actually, grandma's house was torn down to make way for a modern highway long ago and the old meadow is a bustling shopping center. Only the hope survives that home fires still burn brightly in the heart. Still in the tumult and travel too far from quiet home places on the holiday, there should be some room left for remembrance of the old good meaning of the celebration of harvests as the year moves through bright foliage to its end.

Yes, at Christmas we take note of our many blessings—our creation and our preservation of all the manifold things which have been bestowed upon us which makes us humbly grateful—of family and friends—of warmth and cheer—of hopes for a better NEW YEAR. It is good but not good enough. Only will it be good enough when we reassemble in heart and mind, at one place and one time; at altar we gather together to give praise and adoration for the one single event in human history that binds us together as His frail family of humanity. Wherever a Church spire pierces the blue sky of daylight

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Laurinburg Lodge No. 305 Celebrates Centennial

Laurinburg Lodge No. 305 turned 100 years old Saturday, October 24, 1970, and celebrated with a special communication at the masonic temple on Atkinson Street.

More than 100 Masons from Laurinburg and surrounding towns gathered to hear an address by Most Worshipful Maurice E. Walsh, Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina. Members of lodges in Maxton, Hamlet, Southern Pines, Aberdeen and Rockingham joined the Laurinburg Masons for the program.

Grand Master Walsh presented 50-year veteran awards to Brothers Howard Biddell, Peter D. McIntosh, and W. G. Butler. W. H. Weatherspoon of Raleigh and S. Alex Gregg, also 50-year veterans, were not present.

Receiving 25-year certificates were Brothers J. Austin Green, E. O. Jen-

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Brother George C. Long Feted On 100th Birthday

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At a Stated Communication of Goldsboro Lodge No. 634, held on Nov. 9, 1970, an unusual and very inspiring event took place. Brother George Milton Long was honored on the occasion of his One Hundredth birthday, and a plaque commemorating the event was presented Brother Long. Brother Horace G. Quigley, minister of Daniel's Memorial United Methodist Church, made the presentation on behalf of the lodge.

After closing the lodge, the brethren repaired to the dining room, where Brother Long was presented a beautiful birthday cake, suitably decorated.

This celebration actually anticipated Bro. Long's birthday by one week, Nov. 16th being the date.

George Milton Long was born November 16, 1870, at Four Oaks, John-

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OPEN HOUSE
ROBERT N. BASS, JR. CARE CENTER
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 ALL DAY ON SATURDAY, JANUARY 30, 1971
 MASONIC AND EASTERN STAR HOME,
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Nathan P. Strause Night Held By Henderson 229

On Tuesday, October 20, 1970, members of Henderson Lodge No. 229 gathered at the Masonic Temple to honor Worshipful Brother Nathan P. Strause, Jr. for his outstanding service to Blue Lodge Masonry.

Worshipful Brother Carl D. Blake, Master, presided over the meeting. Brother W. Barney Beasley, P.M., presented a Masonic History of Brother Strause. Brother Charles E. Crawley, Secretary; Clarence E. Greene, P.M.; Junius W. Rogers, Jr., P.M.; and W. Barney Beasley, P.M., were recognized and each paid tribute to Brother Strause for his leadership and service to Masonry.

The Worshipful Master then recognized Brother N. Q. Faulkner, P.M.,

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