

# THE SANFORD EXPRESS

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## NO CONGESTION IN LEE COUNTY COURT

### Recent Terms of Judge McPherson's Court Notable for Absence of Prohibition Cases.

Tuesday, in Judge Thomas J. McPherson's court, was a repetition of former courts held by the Lee county recorder, gauging the court's activities by the number of cases coming up for violation of the prohibition law. "Apparently," said Judge McPherson, explaining this condition, "the bootleggers are having a difficult time making sales of their illegal wares."

However, a number of prisoners were in court upon other charges, and one of them, Justice Madison, against whom an original charge of storebreaking was filed, had made two spectacular escapes from the Lee county jail, having used a saw to sever the bars that held him in the local place of confinement. Judge McPherson gave him four months in the Durham county jail where facilities for holding prisoners are said to be better than in Lee. And, too, the prisoner was given to understand that the Durham authorities furnish a rock pile for the entertainment of its guests.

A. Todd was called, but Todd failed to make his appearance. The case of L. T. Steed, companion case to that of Todd, was continued on account of the illness of defendant.

Major Hockaday pulled a stretch of six months for carrying a big piece of pocket artillery. This, it was said, was his second offence. Zaek McDonald, colored; case continued on account of absence of his main witness. The charge against McDonald was assault.

Only a short session was necessary to dispose of the business ready for trial Tuesday. A number of cases were continued until next Tuesday on account of the illness of defendants, which was supported by doctors' certificates. Some of the principal witnesses, also, asked to be excused on account of illness.

## MR. STRONG GOES TO HAMLET.

Mr. Fred P. Strong, who has held the position of general manager of the Carolina Power and Light Company at this place for the past 20 years, has been notified by the company that he will be transferred to the management of the Hamlet office in a few days. His many friends in Sanford and this section will learn this with regret. All felt that Mr. Strong had become a fixed "institution" in Sanford. Mr. Strong, who was born and reared in England, came to America 22 years ago. Since he became local manager for the Carolina Power and Light Company the interests of this big concern have grown by leaps and bounds in this section. Mr. Strong, who made a study of the business before coming to Sanford, has given the company splendid service. He is a hard worker and has proven his ability to turn off an immense amount of work.

The Express is pleased that an effort will be made by the business men of Sanford to induce the company to permit Mr. Strong to remain in Sanford.

The transfer of Mr. Strong and family to Hamlet will be a loss to Sanford in both a social and business way. As Mr. Strong's daughters are in school here, he will not move his family to Hamlet till the school closes in the spring. Mr. Thomas Ecton, of Florence, S. C., is to succeed Mr. Strong at this place.

## GOOD BREAKS ON THE SANFORD TOBACCO MARKET.

There have been unusually good breaks on the Sanford tobacco market the past few days. Good tobacco has been selling at good prices. One warehouse handled 85,000 pounds last Monday at an average of \$21.00 per hundred. It was claimed that this was the highest average price paid for that amount of tobacco in the state this season. The sales for the day on the floors of the three warehouses amounted to 82,700 pounds, which brought the sum of \$15,356.62, an average of \$18.56. The better grades of tobacco sold higher than at any time since the market opened. One warehouseman tells The Express that should the sales continue as good as they are now the objective of the season, 5,000,000 pounds will be almost reached by the time the market suspends for the Christmas holidays, and that the sales in January will climb towards six million pounds.

## RED CROSS MEETING NEXT MONDAY NIGHT

All those who recently joined the Red Cross are requested to meet at the Wilrik Monday night, December 5th, at 7:00 o'clock. This is the regular annual meeting, and the election of officers and other important matters will have attention.

LEE COUNTY CHAPTER  
RED CROSS.  
By J. U. Gunter, Chairman.

## LOCAL LEGION POST IS TENDERED BANQUET

### Lee Post No. 18 of American Legion Starts Annual Membership Campaign — Myrick Declines Address.

The annual membership campaign of Lee Post No. 18 of the American Legion was started in motion last Thursday afternoon an elaborate dinner was tendered by the members of the Auxiliary in the new armory building. Fred Myrick, of Greensboro, former commander of the Greensboro post and one of the State's leading legionnaires, delivered an inspiring address to the gathering in which he stressed a continuance of the high ideals of the organization.

The purpose of the meeting was to revive interest in the local post among all ex-service men and to launch the new drive. There was a large attendance and many ex-service men from the rural sections of the county were present. Brief talks were made by a number of those who were present.

In order to stimulate interest in the campaign a contest between two teams, the Blues, headed by Fisher Makepeace, and the Reds, by D. D. Riddle, was started, it being agreed that the losing team should act as hosts to the visitors with a dinner at the close of the contest.

Members of the opposing teams are: Blues, Fisher Makepeace, captain; W. H. White, F. B. Brinn, R. A. Kennedy, Oscar Porter, E. O. McMahan, W. M. Quick, L. P. Cox, Dr. C. L. Scott, Dr. Hayden Lutterloh, Dr. R. G. Sowers, S. Q. Kimrey, W. C. Donnell, Jr., and Dan B. King; Reds, D. D. Riddle, captain, W. L. Simmons, H. C. Renegar, J. T. Smith, H. M. Wagner, P. L. Johnson, F. H. Walker, P. A. Hatch, George Joseph, R. L. Kelly, John Watson, Guy Jones, Dr. J. F. Foster, and Dr. F. L. Knight.

During the campaign a complete roster of the membership of the Lee Post will be published in The Express each week.

## SPECIAL TO SANTA CLAUS

We are working hard to get our room fixed for Christmas. We have been making long colored chains to hang across the room, and will get our silver stars, Christmas bells, and wreaths finished this week. The Christmas tree will be already aglow on December 17th.

On the night before Christmas we'll be snuggled in our beds with visions of sugar-plums dancing through our heads, while we wait for you to bring us the following toys: I, Roy Sowers, want you to bring me a wagon, a candy shot gun, and a horse. I, Mary Carolyn Reeves, want you to bring me a doll, a cedar chest, and a nice table for her to eat on. I, Dickie Major, want you to bring me a candy shot gun, an aeroplane and a fire truck. I, Beatrice Bradford, want you to bring me a coat, a baby doll, and a carriage. I, Tommie Hayes, want you to bring me a fire truck, a Standard Oil truck, and a candy shot gun. I, Frances Sowers, want you to bring me a party doll, a doll carriage, a cedar chest, and a ring. I, Catherine Ann Knight, want you to bring me a doll and a tea set. Joe Paradis is sick, but we want you to remember to bring him an aeroplane, and great big truck.

We thank you for being so kind to all of the little children, and hope you will get back home in time to have a Merry Christmas.

Lovingly,  
The Kindergarten Children.

## STOSES WILL REMAIN OPEN TILL 9 O'CLOCK

The directors of the local Merchant's Association, at a meeting held Tuesday, decided that the stores, holding membership in the association, shall remain open till 9 p.m. through Christmas for the benefit of the shopping public, beginning Monday.

A number of local stores have attractively dressed their display windows, harmonizing them with the spirit of the season. To the store which dresses a window, advertising Christmas goods, with the most effect, a prize of \$2.50 has been offered by the Civic Department of the Woman's Club.

A few of the stores are still pushing the "BUY NOW" campaign and this idea is being effectively used by a number of them as they make up their Christmas displays. To stimulate this idea in window display the United Bank and Trust Company offered a cash prize to the store which prepares the best "Buy Now" display.

## CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to express our sincere thanks and appreciation to our many friends, neighbors, and loved one for their many deeds of kindness, love and sympathy during the sad illness and death of our loved one.

Mrs. Elton W. Fields,  
Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Fields,  
and Children.

## LEE COMMISSIONERS EFFECT SALARY CUTS

### Hoyle Given Another Term As Solicitor County Court — McNeill Succeeds Gaster As Superintendent County Home.

Reductions in the salaries of Lee county officials, the election of a solicitor of the county recorder's court, and the selection of a superintendent of the county home were the chief matters that engrossed the attention of the county board of commissioners while in special session at the Court House Monday and Tuesday.

Evidently, hewing further with their economy program, through which three officials sustained salary reductions last week, this action was supplemented Monday by cuts in the salaries of the judge of the recorder's court, the solicitor, county attorney, and county home demonstrator. Ten per cent was slashed from the salary totals of these officials.

K. R. Hoyle, local attorney, was re-elected solicitor of the recorder's court, a position which he has held for the past two years. J. R. McNeill was chosen to succeed D. A. Gaster as superintendent of the county home. This position will pay a salary of \$600.00 per year.

The appointment of township assessors, who will be in charge of the tax revaluation which takes place in January, were named as follows:

Greenwood—J. R. Matthews, J. W. Nicholson, D. L. Hancock.  
Jonesboro—A. R. Kelly, A. A. Dalrymple, J. L. Covington.  
Cape Fear—S. V. Stevens, T. C. Dalrymple, J. G. Hunter.  
Deep River—J. F. Womble, E. Jack Johnson, Charles Smith.  
East Sanford—J. R. Rives, A. O. Harrington, E. T. Buchanan.

West Sanford—W. W. Harrington, A. M. Hubbard, J. R. Sanders.  
Pocet—Lonnie Dickens, J. R. Register, J. M. Wilcox.

On motion the salary of the above was fixed at \$3.00 per day. A motion was also made that an additional assessor be appointed from each of the Sanford precincts by the board of aldermen and the clerk was ordered to press the matter with the board of aldermen. The extra assessors in this township, it was said, is made necessary by the large amount of town property to be assessed.

It was moved and seconded that Anderson Clayton Cotton Company be relieved of tax on cotton stored in the Wilkins warehouse; all commissioners voting in the affirmative the motion duly carried.

By order of the board J. C. Muse, public accountant, checked the books and bank balances in the office of the county auditor, filing his report with the board.

An appropriation of \$10 to be spent for fruit for the inmates of the County Home at Christmas time, was made. It was also ordered that outside poor vouchers be mailed to the eighteen or twenty persons falling in this allotment for Christmas.

## D. DEWITT MEIVER DIES AT HIS HOME AT MAXTON.

The Express received a wired message from Maxton last Thursday which stated that Dr. DeWitt Meivier died at his home in that place on that date. Death relieved him of his suffering after an illness of six months duration.

The funeral was held in the Presbyterian church at that place on Friday at 11:30 o'clock. The interment was made in Eastside cemetery. A number of friends from Lee and Moore counties attended the funeral. A large concourse of people were present from Maxton and surrounding country to pay a last tribute of respect to the memory of one who was held in high esteem by them in life.

Dr. Meivier was the son of the late Archie D. Meivier, and was born at the Meivier old home place, now occupied by the family of Mr. Richard Groce, on Boone Trail, in Moore (now Lee) county, February 11, 1869, and passed away at the age of 61 years. He attended the school taught by the late Prof. John E. Kelly, at this place, after which he attended a dental college and up to the time he lost his health a few months before his death, he practiced his profession, most of the time at Maxton. He opened an office and practiced dentistry in Oxford a short time, but returned to Maxton. He was one of Maxton's most influential citizens and his death was a great loss to that town and community. He was from early manhood a member of the Presbyterian church and for several years before his death was an officer in the Maxton Presbyterian church. He is survived by his wife and four sons: J. B. Meivier, of New York; DeWitt C. Meivier, midshipman, U. S. Naval Academy, Annapolis; Chandler Hill Meivier, of Maxton. He is also survived by the following brothers and sisters: Prof. B. C. Meivier, and Mrs. Louisa Muse, Cameron, M.E. Meivier, of Merced, Falls, Cal., and Mrs. J. A. Brown, of Chadbourne.

## MAYOR WILLIAMS TALKS ON TOWN GOVERNMENT

### Amount of Money Now Spent Under City Budget Is \$122,000 — Seventy-five Families in Lee County in Need of Assistance.

Tuesday Mayor W. R. Williams made an interesting and informing talk before the Sanford Rotary Club on City Government. City Government as we have it in this country today, is not a new thing. It had its origin in the old country several centuries ago, said Mr. Williams, when citizens banded themselves together for their own protection and advancement and were granted certain rights by the King. City government as it functions today is similar to state and national government in its executive, legislative and judicial departments.

Sanford, which received its charter February 11, 1914, has now around 5,000 inhabitants, stated the mayor. It costs a good bit of money to carry on the work of the various departments of the government of our town. There is the administration department, which is run at a cost of \$6,000 a year, according to figures given. Then there is the street department. Sanford has over seven miles of streets built at a cost of \$400,000. It costs around \$20,000 a year to run this department. The fire department costs \$3,200 a year.

The town budget calls for \$122,000. This revenue is derived from taxes. In 1920 the tax rate was \$1.00. Then bonds were issued for streets, water and sewerage, and in 1926 the tax rate went to \$1.10, which is the present rate. The bonded indebtedness of the town is now \$800,000 with \$41,000 interest. A payment of \$28,000 will be made at an early date on matured bonds.

Mayor Williams said it behooved the citizens of Sanford to take constant interest in city affairs. The Mayor and board of aldermen were always glad to consult with the citizens about matters concerning the welfare of the town and everything done was open for inspection. It is the duty of every citizen, he thinks, to know what goes on at the city hall.

R. L. Burns, on behalf of the committee on the town's finances in Lee county, stated that County Superintendent George Wheeler had found that there were as many as 75 families in the county in need of assistance. Mr. Burns said that between four and five thousand dollars was needed to relieve the "unfortunate" and the association would welcome every cent of money that could be given.

A letter was read by Acting President E. M. Underwood from Rotarian Fred Strong tendering his resignation as a member of the club, and at the suggestion of Dr. Gilmore a resolution was passed by the club expressing regret at the loss of Mr. Strong as a member. As a Rotarian Mr. Strong has been active and enthusiastic and every member of the club regrets to lose him.

By a unanimous vote Wilbur McIver was received into the membership of the club to succeed his father, the late Lee G. McIver.

## KIWANIS CLUB NOTES.

The Kiwanis Club held its regular weekly meeting at the Carolina Hotel last Friday night. "America" was rendered, the club members facing the flag, with Miss Louise Futrell at the piano. Other songs were rendered during the evening. Under the title of "Who's Who," Kiwanian T. J. Brooks gave a brief history of his life.

The committee on nominations made its report and the annual election of officers was held. Some of the officers were elected but the election of others was continued till the meeting at the Carolina Hotel Friday night. A full list of the new officers will be given in The Express next week.

The speaker of the evening was E. Frank Andrews, cashier at this place of the United Bank and Trust Company. Mr. Andrews sounded an optimistic spirit in his talk and appealed to the members of the club to use their influence to produce a better spirit in this time of financial depression.

Dr. B. M. Weston, of Swann Quarter, has become associated with Dr. J. I. Neal, and as a veterinarian, will engage in the practice of his profession at this place. He will have charge of the local office while Dr. Neal will be in charge of an office which they have opened at Pinehurst. Dr. Neal will continue to live in Sanford, but will make daily visits to the Pinehurst office. Dr. Weston was educated in Washington City and comes to Sanford highly recommended.



## LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Mrs. C. P. Whitford, of Lynchburg, Va., is spending the week with her mother, Mrs. Irma Gunter.

Friends will be interested to know that Mr. B. W. Petty, of Sanford, who has been confined to his room for some time, is improving.

Miss Cornelia Gunter, of Marion, S. C., and Dr. Webb, of Mullins, S. C., visited Mrs. Irma Gunter Saturday, and attended the bal game at Chapel Hill.

Miss Belle Wicker, who is teaching at Mount Airy, spent a few days at home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Wicker.

A thief broke into the store of J. E. Thomasover the Dickens old place Monday night, and carried off a lot of overalls, hosiery, cigarettes and other things. Mr. Thomas estimates his loss at about \$50.00. There is no clue that would lead to the arrest and conviction of the thief.

Sparks blown on the roof from a burning trash pile in the back yard ignited the roof of the S. A. Wicker home on McIver street Wednesday afternoon, calling the local fire department into action. Before the fire truck could arrive, however, the blaze was quickly smothered by a "bucket brigade" formed by the boys. But little damage was reported.

The State Highway Commission opened 140 bids Tuesday on 21 road projects, on which the low bids totaled \$1,205,104.25. The prices were among the lowest received since the World War. The contracts will come before the Highway Commission at their monthly meeting in Raleigh today for disposal. The bids were numbered. No. 4500 is a Lee county project, and R. B. Tyler, of Louisville, Ky., filed the lowest bid, \$7,975.90 for widening to 20 feet 1.19 miles hard surface on Route No. 50 from its intersection of Route 75 towards the Chatham county line.

Former State Senator O. P. Makepeace and guests W. B. Burdick, senior lieutenant of the police, Westchester county, N. Y.; Dr. C. C. Sweet, head surgeon of Sing Sing Prison, Ossining, N. Y.; Dr. Robert Bloom, Dr. W. Wrenn and Dr. Helm, all of Ossining, and Dr. W. Sweet, of Peekskill, N. Y., left Wednesday morning for Atlantic, N. C., where they will hunt quail and turkey for a few days. Several of the party, it was stated, will also hunt duck. The New Yorkers have been coming to Sanford for the past several years, making this city their headquarters while hunting in this State. Atlantic is a small village, located on the "banks" a few miles east of Beaufort.

## DEATH OF ELTON W. FIELDS

Mr. Elton Fields, of the White Hill section, was taken sick last week with a severe pain in his head and shoulder and continued to get worse. He was taken to the Scott Hospital where he died Monday night at 12:30. The doctors were unable to locate the trouble.

The funeral was held Wednesday at 11 A. M. at Center Church, conducted by the pastor, Rev. Mr. Buffalo, of Carthage. The Junior Order, of which he was a member, had charge of the services.

Mr. Fields was a son of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Fields, and was born at the home place, November 6, 1896. He was married to Miss Stella Marsh three years ago, and they were keeping house near their parents. Three brothers survive, Messrs. Graham S. Fields, of Sanford; Landon and Francis Dayton Fields, at home, six sisters, Mrs. Ivey Poole, of Sanford; Mrs. J. B. Osborne, of Stanley county; Mrs. R. S. Salmon, Moore county; Mrs. Carlton Coffey, of Sanford, Route 1; Marjorie and Clara, who are at home. All of the children were at home for the funeral. Mr. Fields was a faithful member of Center church. He was a splendid young man who had a host of friends. The church was filled with friends and relatives who came to pay a tribute of love and sympathy to the bereaved family. —A FRIEND.

## NAMES OF NEEDY ASKED FOR.

Report all poor and needy to the investigating committee so that Christ's supplies can be intelligently and systematically handled. Report these names to any one of the following: members of the committee: A. B. Cox, H. C. Hecker, Sanford, or H. C. Bookner, Colon.

## LOYAL ORDER OF MOOSE.

## CARD OF THANKS.

Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Petty, of Sanford, Route 6, wish to thank all friends and neighbors, and Dr. Waylon Blue, of Jonesboro, for their many kindnesses, love and sympathy during Mr. Petty's illness. Everything that was done is certainly appreciated.

Christian Science services will be held at the corner of Endor and Chisholm streets at 3 P. M. Sunday. Subject: "God the Preserver of Man." The public is invited to attend.

## Give Something Made in N. C.

### For Christmas

### Farm Women in Lee County are Doing This in a Very Effective Way — A Bazaar That Would Do Credit to Any Community—Things Offered For Sale Artistically Wrapped.

The State Department of Conservation and Development is beginning a campaign to urge people to "Give Something Made in North Carolina for Christmas." Letters have been sent to merchants and manufacturers groups by the Department asking them to cooperate in making North Carolina made goods available to the public. The suggestion is made that retail stores set up a North Carolina made goods counter in a prominent location so that Christmas shoppers will have an opportunity to inspect the merchandise that is made in this State. The department plans to reach the public through the press, over the radio stations and through the various civic and women's clubs in North Carolina.

In discussing the purpose of such a campaign, the following reasons for it were advanced:

"First, the gifts would be useful and serviceable and would do the maximum amount of good to those who receive them.

"Second, gifts to people both within and out the State would serve to acquaint the home-folks and those in other States with goods manufactured in North Carolina.

"Third, Christmas money spent for North Carolina made goods would be kept at home and could be used over and over again in paying debts and making other purchases, and

"Fourth, the spending of several million dollars for North Carolina made goods at this time would stimulate the production of goods somewhat, give employment to a few more people and help increase all commercial activity within the State. Such a program as this would help everybody.

"North Carolinians should take pride in giving and wearing something made in North Carolina this Christmas," it was said.

The Christmas bazaar held by the farm women of Lee county at the stand of the late Banking and Trust Company in the McIver building on the corner of Moore and Carthage streets last Friday and Saturday was a great success, so far as the display was concerned. Almost everything necessary for living at home could be found in that display. Every community in the county was represented. Everything was neatly wrapped, sealed or packed for the display. Looking at that splendid display we were thoroughly convinced that the farm women of Lee are "on the job" when it comes to preparing things in their line for the market. Their leader, Miss Cornelia Simpson, Home Demonstration Agent, has proven herself a good teacher, and the women of the sixteen organized communities apt pupils. They have not only learned the art of preparing all kinds of good things for the market, but they are putting that knowledge into effect. While many of the cakes and other things were sold some of the articles were carried back home. It would have been a revelation to the people of the town who did not visit the bazaar to have called and looked the displays over. The Express wishes to congratulate Miss Simpson and the ladies who made the bazaar possible.

## MCPHAIL FLORIST SHOP TO MOVE TO GREENHOUSES

That greater service may be afforded their ever increasing patronage the McPhail Florist Shop, which has been located on Wicker street, has been moved to the firm's greenhouses, which are located a short distance from the Sanford-Jonesboro highway.

In the future all orders for floral products will be handled direct from the greenhouses, thus affording patrons of more prompt and direct service.

The local florist concern has been in business here many years and through its long years of service the McPhail name has become a household word in many homes in Central North Carolina.

Mr. B. R. Marsh, an experienced florist, who came here from Salisbury a year ago, is manager of the concern.

## LOCAL DISBURSEMENTS FOR RED CROSS, OCT.-NOV.

Clothing for Lee county school	
Groceries	\$12.39
children	49.82
Milk for McIver school	25.00
Total	\$87.21

Mrs. R. E. Bobbitt, Mrs. F. J. Barringer, Mrs. H. F. Makepeace, purchasing committee.

## RED CROSS DRIVE TOTALS 212.

The annual roll call of the American Red Cross, which closed December 1st, was most successful, surpassing all previous drives. There was a total of 212 subscribers, fifteen dollars being donated in addition to 209 dollar subscriptions. Red Cross chairman, Mrs. J. U. Gunter, and Roll Call chairman, Mrs. R. E. Bobbitt, are most grateful for the response on the part of the public and for the earnest work of the ladies who solicited the subscriptions. There will be \$18.00 left in Lee county for local needs this year.

## BOX PARTY.

There will be a box party at the home of Mrs. Guy Cox, on Saturday night, December 13th, for the benefit of Morris Chapel Sunday school. Everybody come and help a good cause.

## LOCAL LODGE GIVES ANCIENT FORM THIRD DEGREE IN MASONRY

### Over Two Hundred Master Masons From Over State Visit Sanford to See Exemplification in Masonry in Ancient Ritual.

On Tuesday night the Sanford Masonic lodge exemplified the Third Degree of Masonry in due and ancient form following closely the old rituals. The degree team did splendid work. Costume and regalia similar to apparel worn by the builders of King Solomon's Temple were worn by the actors. The Sanford Lodge has one of the best degree teams in the South. Music was supplied by the Masonic choir which was formed for the occasion. The tableau for the degree is as follows:

King Solomon, W. H. White; Hiram, King of Tyre, H. F. Makepeace; G. Ec. R. C. Rush; G. Chaplain, F. C. Hawkins; G. Tyler, S. D. Porter; Marshal, J. W. Marks; Caller, H. C. Renegar; Searchers in the Temple, J. W. McIntosh and Captain Charles Layton; Seafarer, J. W. Gilliam; 1st Ruffian, W. L. Melver, 2nd Ruffian, R. W. Vick; 3rd Ruffian, Dr. R. O. Humphrey; Twelve Fellowcrafts, J. E. Paradis, J. T. Smith, Dr. L. H. Lutterloh, G. W. Anderson, J. L. Sauls, Le S. Jones, Paul Kelly, George Brannon, Glenn Dorsett, T. T. Hayes, H. M. Wagoner. Masonic choir composed of W. Lynn Jewell, organist, D. D. Riddle, Chas. Rogers, H. C. Renegar, T. Jarvis Brooks, Jno. Harrington Henry Thomas and H. M. Jackson.

More than two hundred Master Masons were present for the meeting, some of them coming from long distances to attend this meeting. The Tyler's register shows that lodges from the following towns were represented, New York City; Stuebenville, Ohio; Blackstone, Va.; Honolulu, Hawaii; and the following from North Carolina: Lillington, Milbrook, Stem, Dunn, Erwin, Jonesboro, Southern Pines, Asheboro, Roanoke Rapids, Raleigh, Carthage, Siler City, Fayetteville, Chapel Hill, Biscoe, Mebane, Mt. Pleasant, Aberdeen, Caroleen, Goldsboro and Sanford.

The regular officers of the Sanford Masonic Lodge are: Master, H. F. Makepeace, S. W. W. L. Melver, J. W. J. E. Paradis; S. D., W. F. Cooke; J. D., H. M. Jackson; Stewards, Lee S. Jones and J. L. Sauls; Treasurer, E. M. Underwood; Sec. R. C. Rush; Chap. P. C. Hawkins; Tyler, S. D. Porter; Marshal, J. W. Marks. Organist, F. P. Strong.

The occasion of the meeting was the raising of Wm. Banks Wilkins to the degree of Master Mason. Mr. Wilkins examined himself and his work reflected much credit upon his instructors, H. C. Renegar and J. W. Marks.

## AUTO LICENSE BUREAU TO OPEN DECEMBER 15th.

Robert L. Burns informs The Express that he will begin the sale of 1931 plates on next Monday. There will be only thirty days given in which to buy tags this year. The office will open promptly at 9 A. M. and close at 4:30 P. M., this being an important ruling that Mr. Burns is required to carry out. So arrange to make your purchase within these hours.

Be sure and bring your 1931 card sent you by the State Department of Revenue recently which will enable you to get your license promptly.

A notary public will be on hand to do all notary work of titles and assist filling out unfinished papers.

Buy your plate early and avoid the last minute rush and great delay to you.

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