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COOPERATIVE CLEARANCE SALE OPENS TOMORROW

CLEARANCE SALE WILL DRAW MANY SHOPPERS HERE

Final Arrangements For Huge Bargain Carnival Are Now Nearing A Close.

TO CONTINUE TEN DAYS

Thousands of shoppers from Sanford's trade territory are expected to flock to the city during the next few days to take advantage of the unprecedented values offered by the merchants of the city who are jointly conducting the mammoth Cooperative Clearance Sale which opens tomorrow morning.

Officials of the local Merchants Association stated last evening that the most painstaking preparations for a presentation of bargains have been made for the Cooperative Clearance event than for any site ever held here before. The sale has been widely and thoroughly advertised. Liberal space has been contracted for in both Sanford newspapers, the first installment of which appears on other pages in this newspaper. On Monday, January 18, a second presentation of advertising will appear in the Sanford Herald. The two newspapers are disseminating a total of 8,000 copies which fully inform the public of the unheard-of bargains to be obtained here.

WIDE CIRCULATION.

In addition to their regular circulation in the Sanford Herald and Express will be given a widespread circulation at the following places: Aberdeen and routes; Cambridge and routes; Eagle Springs, Hemp, High Falls, Hallison, Liffing and routes; Jackson Spgs, Pinehurst, Pittsboro and routes; Southern Pines and routes, and Wess and routes.

Many of the merchants are supplementing their newspaper space by poster and direct mail advertising as well as using space in the Moore, Chatham and Harnett newspapers.

The purpose of the sale is twofold. While the Sanford merchants, due to the large stock left on hand on account of the exceedingly warm weather during the past fall and the recent bank failure, are in need of money, the Cooperative Clearance has not been planned with an object to profit. They want to get rid of their present stock and they must have money with which to procure new stock. In view of this situation, their purpose may be accomplished without a show of profit and this may be done, they are placing their goods before the public at values the younger generation has never before seen.

PUBLIC MAY PROFIT.

Those living within a twenty-five and thirty-mile radius of Sanford therefore have a wonderful opportunity to obtain such goods as they may need for the remainder of the winter and for next year at prices undoubtedly the lowest to be offered by local merchants since 1907. And it is a remarkable fact that the goods offered are not mere seasonal goods of which the merchants must rid themselves for the sake of their own pocket, but are goods for which one may find use in the year round.

Visitors to the city, as is always the case, will find a warm welcome extended them at every corner. On behalf of the city, Mayor Warren E. Williams yesterday issued a cordial invitation to citizens of neighboring communities to come here during the sale whether they buy or not. Sanford's hospitality is almost proverbial and for the next ten days it will certainly not be beneath its usual standard.

MANY ATTRACTIONS.

Whether one visits Sanford during the period of the sale merely for the purpose of making purchases or not, one will, nevertheless, find many things here to attract and amuse during his stay. One may window shop without buying and the windows of the local merchants will certainly be displayed in a most attractive manner. One will find at the local theatre the latest and most popular movie productions; around at the Sanford library will be found plenty of interesting and wholesome reading material. Four hotels, in each of which one may find every modern home comfort, are available.

Miss Helen Rosser has returned to Selma after a visit with her mother, Mrs. Kate Rosser.

T. L. Riddle has returned to his home here after spending some time in Florida.

Edwin Harrington, of Fayetteville, spent Sunday here with his mother, Mrs. A. M. Harrington.

R. A. Kennedy has returned to his duties as postmaster after a slight attack of influenza.

REAL BARGAINS ARE TO BE OFFERED DURING COOPERATIVE CLEARANCE

We, the Committee appointed by the Merchants Association to inspect values offered by the various members of the Association participating in the COOPERATIVE CLEARANCE SALE being conducted beginning Friday, January 15th, beg to say that we have made personal inspection and find that all of the bargains are real and true values and further recommend that anyone needing any of the articles offered on this Sale buy them and save money at this time.

E. O. McMahan,
MRS. S. V. SCOTT,
CORNELIA SIMPSON,
T. S. CROSS,
W. R. WILLIAMS, MAYOR.

MEMORIAL MAY BE FORMED FOR MONROE

The raising of a fund for the dedication of a monument at the Lee County Hospital to the memory of the late Dr. W. A. Monroe was started here two weeks ago by Mrs. K. Stein, of Fayetteville, with a subscription of \$100.00, which she donated in the name of her son, Dr. Irvin Stein. Mrs. Stein and Dr. Monroe saved her son's life when a child. Dr. Stein, who is a graduate of Jefferson Medical College, of Philadelphia, and who served his internship in Salt Hospital, Baltimore, is now an associate of Dr. J. C. Bloodgood, of Johns Hopkins. He is a Fellow of the Surgical Pathological Laboratories of Johns Hopkins Hospital.

J. R. Ingram, chairman of the board of trustees of the hospital accepts the first donation in behalf of the board and will be pleased to have other donations. Miss Judith Ross has been requested to serve as treasurer of the fund and all donations will be paid her at the Page Trust Co. The Express will publish the names of the contributors and the amounts donated. Friends and admirers of the late Dr. Monroe believe this an excellent way in which they may show their appreciation for what he did for the community. They point out that he was the first spirit to make a move for the establishment of a county hospital and no man would be prouder of the hospital than Dr. Monroe if he were here.

SUCCESSORS

SUCCUMBS HERE

Mrs. Etta Lazarus Passes At Lee County Hospital After Long Illness.

The last rites for Mrs. Etta Lazarus, prominent Sanford woman, were held in the Hebrew cemetery at Raleigh yesterday as a host of devoted friends from all parts of the State gathered to pay their last tribute of respect to this beloved woman. The floral offerings were very beautiful.

Mrs. Etta Lazarus, wife of W. Lazarus and one of the city's most esteemed women, passed away Tuesday afternoon at the Lee County Hospital, where she had gone for treatment when her health failed to rally. She had been ill for several years.

Mrs. Lazarus, a native of Sadowka, Russia, was 48 years of age. She was a daughter of Isaac and Julia Stein. After her marriage to Mr. Lazarus, they settled in Rhodesia, South Africa, and for nineteen years lived in that protuberance. They moved here twelve years ago. Of a sweet and lovable disposition which endeared her to all with whom she came in contact, Mrs. Lazarus was thought of as one of the highest spiritualities. Her kindly nature had drawn about her a large circle of loyal friends.

Surviving are her husband, one daughter, Miss Rosy Lazarus, a student at the University of North Carolina; three sons, Isaac Lazarus, of Johnson City, Tenn.; Maurice and Joe Lazarus, of Sanford; one sister, Mrs. Joe Joseph, of Durham; two brothers, K. and J. Stein, of Fayetteville. A son, Dr. Jack Lazarus, of Stephenson, Miss., a brilliant young physician, passed away in 1923. Mrs. Lazarus seemed never to have rallied from this blow.

TANTALIZER

The letters in the lines below properly arranged spell the names of two persons in Sanford. If the persons whose names are represented by the group of letters decipher their own names and bring copies of this paper to The Express Office before next Wednesday night, to each of them will be given a free ticket admitting them to the show at the Temple Theatre Thursday night.

This week's tantalizer:
HDIET BEAEMPACK
VIERS MYIREK
Last week's winners:
Elizabeth Clark
William Utley

Douglas Martin, who recently suffered a serious attack of influenza, is now much improved, his many friends will be glad to note.

COUNTY COURT

All Bill Cases Are Tried; Cases Of Other Defendants To Be Tried Later.

Admitting his guilt to charges of operating a car while under the influence of whiskey and transporting, J. W. Keynock, was fined \$50 in recorder's court Tuesday and his privilege of driving a car within the next six months denied him. Copy of the judgment of the court was sent to the clerk of superior court of Durham county this morn.

While in an intoxicated condition, Keynock wrecked the car in which he was riding. Evidence was introduced to the satisfaction of the Court that the car was the property of his wife. The car was released to her.

BAILEY INSISTS GAVIN TRY CASE

That E. L. Gavin, United States District Attorney, may retain office until the case against W. H. Foster, secretary of the Republican State executive committee, under indictment for soliciting contributions from federal officeholders, is settled, is the stand taken by Senator Josiah W. Bailey.

Further, it is said, if organizational leaders of the State succeed in having the nomination of J. R. McCrory, of Lexington, sent in any time soon he will seek to block confirmation.

Mr. Gavin's term expires this week and the organization has already endorsed McCrory for the post. A recent Washington dispatch stated: "Bitter warfare between Senator Josiah W. Bailey and Republican organization leaders of the State was made more certain today as a result of new moves by the North Carolina senator to block all pending patronage appointments sent up by the organization."

"Not only has Senator Bailey asked the senate post office and post roads committee, of which he is a member, to hold up the batch of 25 North Carolina postmaster nominations transmitted last week by President Hoover, but he has addressed a communication to the Department of Justice and the United States Civil Service Commission demanding an investigation of methods employed in handling North Carolina federal patronage."

STILL POSSIBLE UNITED BANK MAY BE REORGANIZED

Persistent Rumors To Effect Defunct Institution May Re-open In Future.

AUDIT ABOUT COMPLETE

Officials of Bank Not Yet Ready To Make A Statement Pending the Audit.

Persistent rumors that the United Bank & Trust Company, which recently closed doors after stating that heavy withdrawal possible, may reopen for business, slow assets had made the repairs and the failure to realize on still continue.

Sunday's Greensboro Daily News carried the following story covering this angle of the situation: "It is understood that plans are in the making looking toward the possible reorganization of the United Bank & Trust Company, which was closed here and its branches in Burlington, Reidsville and Sanford, Wednesday, December 30th."

STAPLES NOT TALKING. Executive vice president of the situation yesterday Ernest W. Staples, executive vice president of the United bank, who has been appointed liquidating officer of the institution, said that at this time it is impossible for him to make a definite statement.

The audit which is being made by A. Lee Rawlings and company, certified accountants, under the direction of George R. Poole, of that firm, is proceeding rapidly, said Mr. Staples. They are working from 8 o'clock in the morning until 10 o'clock at night. By the middle of next week this audit should be complete, and there is a possibility of finishing it about the first of next week.

Assisting Mr. Poole are nine men from the Rawlings organization and about 25 members of the United Bank staff. Mr. Staples is much pleased because of the progress which is being made by the auditors.

Col. Frank P. Hobgood, general counsel for the United Bank and Trust company, was questioned in regard to persistent rumors to the effect that the bank may be reorganized and reopened for business.

"I am advised that the audit will probably be completed early next week," said Colonel Hobgood. "Pending its completion there is nothing definite that can be said."

YOUNG SOCIETY WOMAN IS HELD

Place \$5,000 Bond On Miss Alice Ingram For Reckless Driving—Jury Inquest.

Miss Alice Ingram, popular young society woman of this city, is being held under a \$5,000 bond pending the outcome of an investigation by a Chatham county grand jury relative to the part she played in the recent automobile collision in that county in which Miss Stella Womble, 16-year-old Chapel Hill girl lost her life. Bond for Miss Ingram was given by her father, J. R. Ingram, a prominent citizen of this city.

Miss Ingram is held for superior court under the recommendation of the coroner's jury which at the inquest, held at Pittsboro Saturday, rendered a verdict that Miss Womble came to her death as a result of an automobile collision, caused by reckless driving.

The accident occurred on highway eight miles south of Chapel Hill when a car driven by Miss Ingram and one driven by Walter Womble, of Chapel Hill, father of Miss Womble, collided on a curve. In addition to Miss Womble, who lost her life, all of the five occupants of the Womble car were hurt. Derwood Scott, 6, grandson of Mr. Womble, quite seriously. His life was despaired of for a few days, however, it is understood that he is now improving. On account of the prominence of the parties much interest was shown in the investigation. Miss Ingram is prominent in social circles here.

American Legion Auxiliary.

The January meeting of the American Legion Auxiliary occurred last Tuesday evening with Mrs. L. E. Hucks as hostess.

The president, Mrs. R. A. Kennedy, was in the chair and there was a large volume of business to be transacted. Plans for the next few months' activities were also made. During the social hour the hostess served sylvan and fruit cake. Mrs. Ralph Jordan will be the hostess in February.

Mrs. John Beasley, of Carthage, was a visitor here Tuesday.

POLITICAL TALK RISES TO SURFACE IN LEE

MCPHERSON SEEN AS AN ASPIRANT FOR LEGISLATURE

Judge of Recorders Court Is Being Groomed For Post By Friends Here.

WILL HAVE OPPOSITION

Though he has not publicly announced himself as so, it has been learned from an authoritative source that Thomas J. McPherson, judge of the county recorder's court is very seriously entertaining a plea of his friends that he consent to allow his name to be entered in the Democratic primary next June as a candidate for the State senate from this district.

When seen this morning Judge McPherson admitted that he had taken the suggestion of his friends under advisement but said he was still undecided what course he would pursue. WANTS SEVERAL TERMS.

"Of course, if I knew it was possible for me to go to either the senate or the house for several terms, I would declare my candidacy without hesitancy," he said, "but I am not yet certain I would be willing to go to Raleigh for only one term, since, as a usual rule, those who serve only one term seldom if ever attain unto much influence in shaping legislation."

Should he eventually acquiesce to the advice of those who are grooming him for legislative honors, Judge McPherson said he would likely make the race for the senate. Since a senator from Lee is eligible for but one term, he would, if elected to the senate this year, make the race for the lower house in 1934.

In event Judge McPherson should declare himself for either of the legislative positions to which Lee is entitled, he would, it is believed, encounter a full field of opposition. This is apparent because of the fact that many others, some experienced in legislative service and others not, are believed also to be thinking seriously of contending for the honors. At this time, however, McPherson seems to be more of a potential candidate than any of the others, since he has practically admitted his ambitions. The others thus far "do not choose" to announce their intentions.

OTHERS ARE MENTIONED. Among those whose names have been brought forward as likely candidates to the senate are: T. S. Cross, prominent realtor of this city; O. P. Makepeace, local capitalist, who has seen legislative experience in both house and senate; and Joe W. Stout, prominent throughout the State as a contractor and builder as well as a seasoned political leader.

For the house, such familiar figures as former representative Hosea M. Jackson, K. R. Hoyle, chairman of the county Democratic executive committee; and J. J. Edards, veteran political leader and former county commissioner, are being brought into mention by their friends. The names of H. C. Renegar and Dan B. King local attorneys, as well as that of E. R. Buchan, member of the county board of education, likewise have been under consideration, though whether any of the latter group are seriously contemplating the step is only another conjecture.

It will be recalled that Judge McPherson made a fight for the lower house in 1926, losing to O. P. Makepeace by about 300 votes after a closely fought contest. Since that year his name has not been before the voters, though he served the county as judge of the recorder's court, which is an appointive office. He was for years employed by the government as an auditor in the revenue department, and was for a brief period associated with former Governor Angus W. McLean, in farm loan work.

FAVORS REFORMS.

"If I should become a member of the next general assembly," said Judge McPherson, "I should, first of all, want to give consideration to reform in the State banking laws. Something must be worked out to make the banks safe for the depositors. Another crying need of the State is a reorganization of the judiciary. Our judicial system is an outgrowth of the old English system which long ago became antiquated. The English have revised their system but ours still remains archaic. I should insist that the legislature put into practice the recommendations of the recent judicial conference. Economy in governmental affairs, which could

NOTICE TO SUBSCRIBERS

Due to the increased volume of advertising this week The Express was forced to leave out much valuable correspondence which will find its way into our columns next week. The Editor regrets the omission of the correspondence but with an opportunity to take on more advertising lineage, something most unusual in recent months it is not to be scouted at.

MUCH INTEREST CENTERS ABOUT POSTMASTERSHIP

Kennedy, Patterson and Kelly Said To Be On Eligible List For Local Job.

WILL BE NAMED SHORTLY

Several Others Besides Those Named Were Applicants For The Position.

Three men it was learned from unofficial sources recently, are on the eligible list for the local postmastership, R. A. Kennedy, now serving as acting postmaster; O. F. Patterson, merchant; and Paul Kelly, cotton buyer.

No announcement, it was said, has been received from the civil service commission in Washington though it has been learned that those on the eligible list received their notification from the government department a few days ago.

Upon receipt of the report of the civil service commission State Chairman James S. Duncan will forward it to the Republican county executive committee which will endorse one of the three on the eligible list and send the recommendation to Chairman Duncan. Mr. Duncan will then transmit this report to the president who will send it to the senate for confirmation.

TEAGUE SPEAKER AT KIWANIS MEET

Local Attorney Selects For Subject, "What Kiwanis Has Meant To Me."

"Kiwanis has been an emotional outlet for me," said D. B. Teague, addressing the Kiwanis Club last Friday night at the Carolina Hotel on the subject "What Kiwanis Has Meant To Me." Mr. Teague explained that one is likely to become hardened to beauty and goodness through the routine of daily life, confronted only with facts. An emotional outlet is not only a worthwhile desideratum, but a necessity, said the speaker, and the fellowship of Kiwanis furnishes a vent both uplifting and pleasurable.

Prefatory to these statements, Mr. Teague recalled Dr. Horace Williams' definitions of Truth, Beauty and Goodness. Truth is of the reason, Beauty of the emotions and Goodness a combination of Beauty and Truth. The speaker then offered evidence to show that Beauty was the most necessary of these abstracts, emotion being the controlling fundamental property of the human mind.

W. R. Makepeace spoke briefly on the same subject, saying that fellowship meant much to him and that Kiwanis handshakes once a week gave him encouragement and faith.

Preceding the addresses were a stunt and some numbers from the Club's inimitable quartet, composed of six, and even seven on occasion, stalwart members. Miss Louise Futrelle, sponsor and musical director, was welcomed back.

Upon motion of J. E. Brinn, the club passed a resolution inviting all former active members to a banquet on January 22nd and plans were laid to produce royal entertainment.

easily be brought about by an elimination of interlapping bureaus and agencies, is another subject to which the next legislature should give attention," he pointed out. "As a member of that body," he added, "I know of no greater service I might render my State than through advocacy of a consolidation of these interlapping agencies which would eliminate the wasteful duplication that is now going on."

URGES PUBLIC TO PATRONIZE LOCAL STORES

Sanford Is Boosted As Ideal Trading Point For Neighboring Territory.

PROGRESSIVE MERCHANTS

Future of City Will Be Assured By Adoption of More Cooperative Spirit Here.

BY P. H. ST. CLAIR.

"Trade in Sanford" has been the consistent watchword of The Express during the forty-five years in which it has served as an exponent for this city. The files of the paper will bear us out that not a year has passed that we did not appeal to the people of the Sanford district in our editorial columns to trade here.

We have always believed in reciprocity or the mutual spirit of cooperation which is the same. We have seen the necessity of it from the time the town was a mere hamlet to the present good day. One secret of the growth and development of Sanford was the cooperative spirit and confidence in the town's future that obtained among our professional and business men all through the years. They realized that this was the only way we could build up the town and bring permanent prosperity to our people. The Express has been a witness to all this and has from time to time made a note of it with a great deal of pride. We felt that perhaps we had a little part in it. But while the town has made great strides along the line of development during past years we feel that much more could have been accomplished had this spirit of cooperation been more uniform and more general in nature.

GREAT TRADE CENTER.

For years Sanford has been the great trade center of the entire section and it has become more so since good roads reached out in every direction. It has enabled Sanford's progressive and wide-awake merchants to reach out and cover more territory. Go and look at their up-to-date stocks of goods of every description and see if you are not convinced that they have kept abreast of the times and are able to meet the demands of the trading public. We drawing a larger per cent of the trade of the Sanford District? They have the goods and sell them as reasonable as the prices that obtain in the cities of the State. Why drive to the larger cities and pay out money for gas when you can buy goods just as cheap in Sanford as you can get them in those cities? If the farmers in the surrounding country will spend their money here they will help to build up a market for the food products that they raise on their farms. By doing this the benefit will be mutual. Had the census report of last year given Sanford a population of 8,000 instead of little more than 4,000, it is reasonable to suppose that the farmers of this territory would be able to sell twice the amount of fruit, vegetables and other farm products to the grocery merchants and citizens of the town. See the point?

KEEP MONEY HERE.

Figures from the Sanford postoffice will show that during the past few years hundreds of thousands of dollars have been sent out of this territory for goods purchased from the mail order houses in the great cities of the North. All this money has been taken out of circulation in this section and has helped to make millionaires of the heads of these big mail order houses. Often the goods purchased from these mail order houses fail to give satisfaction and should they be returned it is some times weeks and months before the money is refunded.

BROOKS WICKER TO MOVE TO NEW LOCATION

Elsewhere in The Express, Brooks Wicker announces his early removal to the Wilkins-Ricks building on the corner of Endor and Wicker streets. Mr. Wicker states he will continue to run the same high class mercantile establishment at the new place as he did at his present place.

McNeill Bible Class.

Mrs. Lee S. Jones and Miss Luna Monroe were hostesses last week at the home of Mrs. Jones to the McNeill Bible Class, of the Presbyterian Sunday School.

Routine business was transacted and Mrs. T. G. Gunn conducted the devotionals. During the social hour the hostesses served a salad course with coffee. The class will be entertained next month by Mesdames E. M. Underwood and E. C. Heins.