



J. COULBOURN HOLLORAN  
President & Treasurer

ROBERT E. JONES  
Vice-President & Sales Manager

C. REESE KEARNS  
Secretary

J. DONIPHAN OWEN  
Chairman Board of Directors

J. COULBOURN HOLLORAN came to work for Strother on August 15, 1909 when, at the age of twelve years, he was employed as an errand boy. At one time or another during the intervening years, he has worked in every department of the business. He was elected to the Board of Directors in 1928, became Secretary in 1932, and succeeded to the Presidency in 1943.

ROBERT E. JONES was employed as an office boy in 1920, and in time was transferred to the Sundry and Toilet Goods Department, for which in later years he became the buyer. In the meantime, he had been city salesman and had substituted for the out of town men. He was elected to the Board of Directors in 1940 and in 1943 was elected Vice-President and Sales Manager.

C. REESE KEARNS came with Strother in 1919 from one of the local retail drug stores. He started out as a stock and order clerk and was successively promoted to checker, superintendent of the order department and proprietary buyer. He was elected to the Board of Directors and as Secretary in 1951.

J. DONIPHAN OWEN has been associated with The First National Bank of Lynchburg of which he is now President, for practically his entire business life. His father, R. I. Owen was one of the small group which organized this corporation in 1898. He was elected to our Board of Directors in 1909, and for the past ten years has served as Chairman.

The Board of Directors includes the officers and the following:



R. ALEXANDER OWEN  
also a son of R. I. Owen,  
was elected to the Board  
in 1943.



NOWLIN L. JONES  
became associated with  
Strother in 1907 and  
traveled for us until he  
retired in 1947. He was  
elected to the Board in  
1943 and continues as  
an active member.



WILLIAM M. STOKES, JR.  
Brig. Gen. USAR  
was elected to the Board  
in 1948 to succeed his  
Father.