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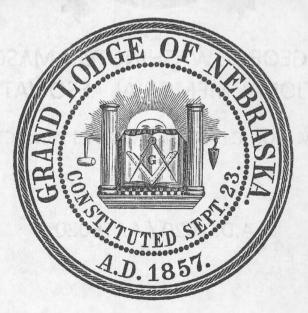
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THE Grand Lodge of the Most Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of Nebraska convened and assembled in its thirty-first annual communication in the Masonic Temple, Lincoln, Nebraska, on Wednesday, June 20, A.:.L.: 5888, A.D. 1888, at four o'clock in the afternoon, there being present:

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and representatives from one hundred and thirty-eight of the one hundred and fifty-three chartered lodges.

A lodge of Master Masons was opened in ample form as required by the Law of Freemasonry in Nebraska.

It being ascertained by roll call that a constitutional number of lodges were represented, the Grand Master declared the Grand Lodge open for the dispatch of business, and proclamation thereof was made by the Grand Marshal.

The Grand Master filled a vacancy in the following committees (appointed April 10, 5888), and the members thereof were congregated as follows:

On Visiting Brethren — Bros. John H. McClay, 19; \* Levi M. Hupert, 54, and Daniel H. Harris, 94.

On Credentials—Bros.: John A. Ehrhardt, 41; Joshua Vandervort, 47; Thornton B. Myers, 51; James H. Dempster, 79, and William Newton, 44.

The Grand Master ordered that all Master Masons in good standing be admitted to the Grand Lodge during the sessions of this communication.

On motion, the Grand Tiler was instructed to purchase one gross of fans for use of members of the Grand Lodge.

The Grand Master now delivered his

### ADDRESS.

Brethren, - Another year, freighted with its precious burthen of joys and sorrows, wreeks of high resolves, and results of noble deeds, has passed beyond recall, and we are again assembled, not alone to review the work of the past year, but to consider the needs of the future as well. It is with peculiar pleasure that I recognize so many familiar faces in this assembly, veterans of this Grand Lodge, whose persistent, intelligent labors, and earnest faith in the principles of Freemasonry, have established the fame of Nebraska's Grand Lodge, and rendered its name as familiar as household words throughout the masonic world. There are present also many who for the first time will assist in our deliberations. To one and all I extend a most cordial and fraternal welcome to this, our thirty-first annual communication. Filled with reverence and gratitude toward the Author of all good for the life, health, peace and prosperity that we enjoy, let us seek His guidance in all our deliberations, that the work of this grand communication may tend to the upbuilding of our honored institution, and the consequent increase of knowledge and virtue among the people.

<sup>\*</sup>The figures indicate the lodge to which the brother named belongs.

The past has been a prosperous year to the Masonic Craft of this jurisdiction. Prosperous, not alone in the acquisition of a goodly number of perfect ashlars to our temple, but in the successful completion of many important designs drawn upon trestle boards by master workmen inspired by charity, and executed in peace and harmony.

### NECROLOGY.

We are called upon to mourn the loss of not a few members of our beloved Fraternity, who have been summoned from their labors on earth, as we trust, to the enjoyment of that rest and peace promised to the faithful workman, within the portals of that temple not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. Of our own jurisdiction, I have received notice of the following:

Bro. George Miller, of Tuscan Lodge, No. 130, Surprise, Nebraska, met with a violent death, being crushed by the machinery of a flouring mill, at his home, January 20, 1888. Bro. Miller was born February 2, 1828, in Cumberland county, Pennsylvania; removed to Indiana in 1862, and was made a Master Mason in LaGrange Lodge, LaGrange, Indiana; came to Nebraska in 1872, and settled in Seward county; was a charter member of Oliver Lodge, No. 38, Fortitude Lodge, No. 69, and Tuscan Lodge, No. 130, and served the brethren well and faithfully as Master of the last two lodges. He was also a member of King David Chapter, No. 30, at David City. He was a good citizen, an earnest, intelligent and faithfull Mason.

Bro. George Deans, Past Master of Harlan Lodge, No. 116, died at his residence in Alma, Nebraska, May 6, 1888. He was born in Sunderland, England, September 6, 1845; emigrated to America at the age of five years, his parents locating in Indiana. He was made a Master Mason at Linden, Indiana, in 1868, and served as Master of that lodge. Removed to Harlan county, Nebraska, in 1874; was a charter member of Harlan Lodge, No. 116, and its Master at the time of his death. He was also an honored member of the Grand Army of the Republic, having served his country faithfully in the 72d Ind. Vol. Infantry. He was a physician of marked ability and success, prominent in political and social life, honored while living, his untimely death regretted by all who knew him.

Bro. Matthew McDougal, Past Master of Friend Lodge, No. 73, A. F. & A. M., Friend, Nebraska, died May 5, 1888, aged forty years. Bro. McDougal was made a Master Mason in Sussex Lodge, No. 5, A. F. & A. M. Ontario, Canada, November 5, 1873; emigrated to Nebraska, and became a member of DcWitt Lodge, No. 111, in 1880; was Master of Friend Lodge, No. 73, at the time of his death. He was quite prominent as a business man, and represented Saline county faithfully in the lower house of the state legislature. He was an earnest Christian, and died in the full triumph of the faith that he so worthily adorned while living.

Death's record the past Masonic year will discover enrolled the names of nearly fourscore faithful brethren, whose kindly greetings we shall hear no more until we meet beyond the river.

Other jurisdictions have been deprived of able counselors and distinguished Masons, as follows.

August 31, 1887, I received notice of the death of Bro. William M. Black, Grand Steward and Tiler of the Grand Lodge of Indiana.

February 7, 1888, the first intelligence of the decease of Bro. James O'Connor, our representative near the Grand Lodge of Tennessee, reached us, although this distinguished brother departed this life on the 21st of May, 1887.

February 23, notice of the death of our veteran brother, James Biles, Past Grand Master, and our representative near the Grand Lodge of Washington, was received. He lived a pure and spotless life, and at a ripe old age was gathered unto his fathers, leaving a memory redolent with loving deeds and kind words.

May 14, we received the sad news of the death of Bro. Daniel Sayre, the venerable Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Alabama. Bro. Sayre had been Grand Secretary more than thirty years, and it has been well said of him, "No one lives to say aught against his good name. He so conducted himself as to receive and merit the good opinion of all men." In his death the Masonic Fraternity has lost an earnest, intelligent worker, a true friend and a wise counselor.

April 19, received notice of the death of M.'.W.'.Bro.'.J. Eastman Johnson, Past Grand Master of Michigan, at the advanced age of eighty-three years. His was a most useful and active life, devoted to the public weal; he filled every station to which he was called in such a manner as to win the confidence and esteem of all good men.

I recommend to the consideration of this Grand Body the distinguished virtues and faithful lives of our departed brethren, and that action be taken to express our appreciation thereof.

### FOREIGN RELATIONS.

Our relations with fellow Grand Lodges in this and other countries are of the most satisfactory nature. No draft has been made during the past year upon our sympathies, on account of devastation caused by disease, earthquakes, conflagration or inundation, nor has financial aid been solicited; but peace and prosperity appear to have waited upon the progress of Masonry throughout the world.

October 7, 1887, I received a proclamation of protest against the formation of new lodges within the jurisdiction of Victoria by other Grand Lodges. I find no record of the Grand Lodge of Victoria having been formally recognized by this Grand Lodge, and submit this matter to you, for such consideration as shall be deemed proper.

### LODGES CONSTITUTED.

Of the lodges chartered at the last annual communication of this Grand Lodge, eight in number, Pythagoras, No. 156, Ewing, was constituted and the officers installed by M. W. Bro. Samuel W. Hayes, Aug. 6, 1887.

Valley, No. 157, Wilsonville, by the Grand Master in person, Aug. 2. Samaritan, No. 158, Chadron, by the Grand Master in person, July 27. Ogalalla, No. 159, Ogalalla, by the Grand Master in person, Aug. 16.

Zeredatha. No. 160, Reynolds, by the Grand Master in person, Aug. 6. Mount Zion, No. 161, Shelby, by W. Bro. Thomas H. Saunders, Aug. 2. Trestle Board, No. 162, Talmage, by R. W. Bro. John J. Mercer, July 28. Unity, No. 163, Greenwood, by R. W. Bro. Lee P. Gillette, Aug. 19.

### No. 159.

Soon after the close of the last annual communication of the Grand Lodge, I received communications from the Master and Junior Warden of the late Ogalalla Lodge, U. D. , located at Ogalalla, which were supplemented by a petition signed by a majority of the members of said lodge, protesting against the action of the Grand Lodge, in naming the new lodge, No. 159, Adoniram, contrary to the expressed wishes of the members thereof, and asking relief. I directed our R. W. Grand Secretary to withhold the charter of No. 159 until I had examined the merits of the complaint. Upon investigation, it appeared that the brethren composing the new lodge had unanimously chosen the name "Ogalalla," whereby their lodge should be known and designated; that our committee on Charters and Dispensations, ignoring the prayer of these brethren, rejected the name chosen, substituting therefor a name wholly repugnant to those most deeply concerned in the welfare of the lodge.

The report of the committee was subsequently adopted by the Grand Lodge, there being no representative of the new lodge present to protest against such action. Believing that a grave injustice had unwittingly been perpetrated by the Grand Lodge, I instructed our R. W. Grand Secretary to cause the charter of this lodge to issue to Ogalalla Lodge, No. 159, instead of as directed by the Grand Lodge.

The right to select a name by which the new lodge is to be known has been conceded to subordinate lodges since the time of the first Grand Lodge. Of late years Grand Lodges claim supervisory control of the nomenclature of subordinate lodges, but this only to prevent the adoption of obnoxious and improper appellations. I trust that my decision in this case will receive the approval of this Grand Lodge.

### LODGES U.'.D.'.

One year ago, the Grand Lodge renewed the following dispensations, viz.: Atkinson Lodge, U. D., at Atkinson. Barneston, U. D., at Barneston. Battle Creek Lodge, U. D., at Battle Creek. Burnett Lodge, U. D., at Burnett.

In addition to these, I have issued dispensations as follows:

June 21, 1887, to eight Master Masons, to open and hold Elwood Lodge, U. D., at Elwood, Gosper county, with Bro. Furman D. Lee, W. M.; Bro. John W. Cox, S. W.; Bro. Milo Robertson, J. W. They were recommended by Arapahoe Lodge, No. 109.

June 22, to seventeen Master Masons, to open and hold Curtis Lodge, U.: D.:, at Curtis, Frontier county, with Bro.:Ira W. Waite, W.:M.:, Bro.: Ambrose S. Shelley, S.:W.:; Bro.:John T. Morris, J.:W.: They were recommended by Indianola Lodge, No. 123. November 28, I appointed

Bro. . James W. Ridgeway Master of this Lodge, Bro. . Ira W. Waite having removed from this Grand Jurisdiction.

June 27, to eleven Master Masons, to open and hold Trenton Lodge, U.: D.:, at Trenton, Hitchcock county, with Bro.:Otis E. Reynolds, W.:M.:; Bro.:Abraham Wenger, S.:W.:; Bro.:Garrett G. Burton, J.:W.: They were recommended by McCook Lodge, No. 135.

July 1, to thirteen Master Masons, to open and hold Bromfield Lodge, U.: D.:, at Bromfield, Hamilton county, with Bro.: George H. Washburn, W.: M.:; Bro.: John N. Brock, S.: W.:; Bro.: Jonathan Foster, J.: W.:. They were recommended by Aurora Lodge, No. 68.

July 29, to ten Master Masons, to open and hold Amity Lodge, U. D. , at Rushville, Sheridan county, with Bro. James R. C. Davis, W. M.; Bro. Edward J. Robinson, S. W.; Bro. John H. Jones, J. W. They were recommended by Ark and Anchor Lodge, No. 131.

Aug. 1, to eight Master Masons, to open and hold Mason City Lodge, U.: D.:, at Mason City, Custer county, with Bro.:Judson C. Porter, W.:M.:; Bro.: Andrew C. Johnson, S.:W.:; Bro.:George Bowden, J.:W.: They were recommended by Porter Lodge, No. 106.

Aug. 2, to nine Master Masons, to open and hold Merna Lodge, U. D., at Merna, Custer county, with Bro. Alonzo W. Price, W. M.; Bro. Israel A. Cole, S. W.; Bro. Walter C. Bidwell, J. W. They were recommended by Emmet Crawford Lodge, No. 148.

Oct. 18, to ten Master Masons, to open and hold Grafton Lodge, U. D., at Grafton, Fillmore county, with Bro. John W. Lewis, W. M.; Bro. George F. Marsh, S. W.; Bro. Alonzo McCalla, J. W. They were recommended by Fairmont Lodge, No. 48.

Nov. 15, to eleven Master Masons, to open and hold Robert Burns Lodge, U. D., at Stratton, Hitchcock county, with Bro. Robert D. S. Padgett, W. M.; Bro. John H. Youman, S. W.; Bro. James P. Price, J. W. They were recommended by McCook Lodge, No. 135.

Nov. 16, to eleven Master Masons, to open and hold Culbertson Lodge, U.: D.:, at Culbertson, Hitchcock county, with Bro.: John M. Williams, W.: M.:; Bro.: George G. Ejsenhart, S.: W.:; Bro.: William C. Bullard, J.: W.: They were recommended by McCook Lodge, No. 135.

Jan. 11, 1888, to nine Master Masons, to open and hold Shickley Lodge, U. D., at Shickley, Fillmore county, with Bro. Wm. M. Van Buren, W. M.; Bro. Charles M. Ross, S. W.; Bro. Joseph H. Springer, J. W. They were recommended by Lily Lodge, No. 154.

Dec. 9, to eleven Master Masons, to open and hold Temple Lodge, U.: D.:, at Filley, Gage county, with Bro.: Elijah Filley, W.:M.:; Bro.: Fred C. Slosson, S.:W:: Bro.: John W. Wright, J.:W.: They were recommended by Beatrice Lodge, No. 26.

February 18, to sixteen Master Masons, to open and hold Gladstone Lodge, U.:D.:, at Ansley, Custer county, with Bro.:Francis M. Rublee, W.:M.:; Bro.:Brougham Stevenson, S.:W.:; Bro.:William O. Chapman, J.:W.: They were recommended by Emmet Crawford Lodge, No. 148.

February 20, to ten Master Masons, to open and hold Hay Springs Lodge, U. D. ., at Hay Springs, Sheridan county, with Bro. . William Waterman, W. . M. . ; Bro. . Madison Finch, S. . W. . ; Bro. . Tobias J. Thompson, J. . W. . They were recommended by Samaritan Lodge, No. 158.

Of these new lodges, Elwood, Curtis, Trenton, and Bromfield were strongly recommended by W. Bro. Benj. F. Rawalt, late Grand Custodian. The officers and hall of Amity Lodge were examined by the Grand Master, the others being recommended by R. W. Bro. Lee P. Gillette, Grand Custodian, after personal visitation and examination. Most of these lodges have done good work and display a commendable spirit of enterprise and zeal in the cause of Masonry; all but two, Shickley and Bromfield, will ask for charters.

### GRAND CUSTODIAN.

July 16, 1887, I appointed R. W. Bro Lee P. Gillette, Grand Custodian, vice M. W. Bro James A. Tulleys, who declined the appointment, because of a prior engagement that effectually precluded his devoting the necessary time to this work. Bro Gillette has given his time and talent to the duties of the office, and has been indefatigable in his efforts to secure uniformity in work and ritual among the lodges in this jurisdiction. Being thoroughly posted in the work adopted by this Grand Lodge a few years ago, known as the "Nebraska work," and having many years' experience as a Past Master, in the government of the Craft, his services as Grand Custodian are of inestimable value to the Fraternity, and I hope that our appreciation of his labors may result in the adoption of some plan whereby the Craft may secure his undivided services, for a term of years, or at least until our lodges have all been thoroughly instructed.

### GRAND CUSTODIAN LODGES.

Grand Custodian Lodges, under the immediate supervision of the Grand Custodian, have been held during the year at O'Neill, Norfolk, Tecumseh, York, Fairbury, Holdrege, Grand Island, Columbus, Orleans, Fairfield, and Beaver City, and in addition thereto fifteen Schools of Instruction were held.

They were well advertised, the local lodges in every instance sending special invitations to neighboring lodges, and handsomely entertaining all who came. I attended quite a number, and gave every encouragement possible thereto, hoping thereby to enlist the interest of lodge officers in this important department of Masonic work, yet the attendance was not such as could reasonably be expected, or that would justify the continuance of the present system of Grand Custodian Lodges.

Experience teaches that this work can only be satisfactorily accomplished by the Custodian visiting each individual lodge, and imparting the necessary instructions to the officers and brethren thereof; a fair illustration of that old saying, If the mountain will not come to Mahomet, the prophet must needs go to the mountain.

### SPECIAL DISPENSATIONS.

Many subordinate lodges have neglected to amend their by-laws, to conform to regulations of the Grand Lodge now in force, hence an unusual number of dispensations has been required. I desire in this connection to call the attention of Masters to the importance of a careful study and the thorough revision of the by-laws of their lodges, to see that they conform to those of the Grand Lodge, thus relieving your Grand Master, in a great measure, of a duty made irksome by negligence and lack of interest on your part. I have granted special dispensations as follows:

To Nos. 5, 44, 62, 81, 89, 116, 128, 157, 159, to elect officers at a time other than that designated in by-laws.

To Nos. 1, 13, and 39, to elect and install officers, having failed to perform those duties at proper time.

To No. 89, to elect and install a Master, the Master-elect having removed from the state.

To No. 35 to elect and install a Senior Warden, the Senior Warden thereof having been expelled.

To No. 143 to elect and install a Secretary.

To Nos. 3, 9, 53, 63, 71, 76, 91, 96, 117, 121 to install officers, having failed to do so at time designated by law.

To No. 111 to open and hold regular and special communications for the transaction of business in the absence of the charter, which was destroyed by fire.

To Nos. 11, 56, 146, to examine candidates and ballot on petitions for advancement at special communications.

To No. 56 to open and hold lodge in City Hall, their hall having been destroyed by fire.

To No. 25 to elect delegates, at a special communication called for that purpose, to represent said lodge at the annual meeting of the Masonic Temple Craft of Omaha.

To Nos. 50, 67, to receive petition for initiation, without regard to time of residence.

To Curtis Lodge, U.:D.:, to remove to new hall over school-house in Curtis. To No. 1 to receive and ballot on petitions for affiliation at same communication.

To No. 55 to examine candidate for advancement at a special communication.

To No. 19 to elect and confer upon F.·.C.·.Bro.·.Harvey S. Hueston the Master Mason degree without waiting the legal time. The usual fee was collected.

To No. 56 to open a regular communication of the lodge one hour earlier than time fixed by law.

### REPRESENTATIVES RECOMMENDED.

With a view to a more equitable distribution of these official honors, and to increase the efficiency of the service as well, I addressed the following letter of instruction to our R. .W...Grand Secretary, on Jan. 9: "In pursuance of our plan for the reorganization of our corps of Grand Representatives, will you, as soon as convenient, correspond with each Grand Representative residing in this jurisdiction, who is at present accredited by two or

more Grand Lodges, asking him to designate which appointment he prefers to retain? I presume that nearly all these appointments have expired by limitation, and should be renewed or new appointments made. As the number of Grand Representatives is limited and we have so many worthy Past Masters who have proven their skill and ability, we have thought best to confine these appointments to one each, and believe that no brother will feel aggrieved thereat." When thus notified, the brethren interested made generous response, and expressed hearty concurrence in the plan outlined. Thus I have had the pleasure of recommending for appointment as representatives of other Grand Lodges, near that of Nebraska, as follows:

R. '. W. '. Bro. '. Robert E. French, Utah.

R. . W. . Bro. Lee P. Gillette, Florida.

R.:. W.: Bro.: John J. Mercer, New Brunswick.

M. '. W. '. Bro. '. Charles K. Coutant, Iowa.

W.:. Bro :. John D. Moore, Nova Scotia.

M. . W. . Bro. . Daniel H. Wheeler, Michigan, re-appointment.

M. . W. . Bro. . Edward K. Valentine, Scotland.

W. .. Bro, .. Samuel J. Whitten, Ireland.

R. . W. . Bro. . George B. France, Missouri.

W. . Bro. . Francis E. White, Tennessee.

### REPRESENTATIVES COMMISSIONED.

The efficiency of a service is increased by frequent inspection and introduction of energetic, intelligent thinkers among the workmen. That this may be accomplished with the least friction and the highest results be attained in our diplomatic service, a number of Grand Lodges have adopted a limited tenure of office for such representatives. Having confidence in the wisdom of this plan, I instructed our Grand Secretary to prepare and have printed blank commissions so arranged that the term of office would expire on the 24th of June, and be limited to three years. Trusting that the Grand Lodge will approve this measure, I have caused commissions to issue, upon the recommendation of Grand Masters of those respective jurisdictions, as follows:

Nov. 25, 1887, to M.∵.W.∴Bro.∵.E. G. Bower, as Representative of the Grand Lodge of Nebraska, near that of Texas.

March 19, 1888, to M. W. Bro. Samuel Vestal, as Representative of the Grand Lodge of Nebraska, near that of Washington.

April 13, to M.: W.: Bro.: Caswell A. Goodloe, as Representative of the Grand Lodge of Nebraska, near that of Tennessee.

April 25, R. W. Bro. Chauncey N. Noteware, as Representative of the Grand Lodge of Nebraska, near that of Nevada.

May 3, Rev. Bro. Joseph A. Galbraith, Representative of the Grand Lodge of Nebraska, near that of Ireland.

May 3, Bro.: William Brinsmaid, Jr., Representative of the Grand Lodge of Nebraska, near that of Vermont.

May 21, W.∵.Bro.∵.William T. Price, Representative of the Grand Lodge of Nebraska, near that of Maryland.

June 14, Bro.: J. K. McLeod, Representative of the Grand Lodge of Nebraska, near that of Mississippi.

### CORNER-STONES.

July 13, assisted by Past Masters B. F. Rawalt of No. 84, S. J. Whitten and G. M. Murdock of No. 67, I laid the corner-stone of the Masonic Temple at Hebron. The Masonic Fraternity was largely represented, Hebron Lodge No. 47 being reinforced by large delegations from neighboring lodges. The citizens turned out *en masse*, and every arrangement having been perfected by the thoughtful care of the brethren, the occasion proved a grand success.

Oct. 27, M. . W. . Bro . E. F. Warren, as my proxy, laid the corner-stone of the great bridge across the Missouri river at Nebraska City. It was a very successful affair, the procession, composed of all civic and military societies, was by far the largest ever witnessed in the city.

Nov. 30, W. Bro. DeForest Richards, as my proxy, laid the corner-stone of the court-house at Chadron, Dawes county, Nebraska.

December 19, Bro.: Albert W. Crites, 6, as my proxy, laid the cornerstone of the public school building at Chadron, Nebraska.

April 22, 1888, an emergent Grand Lodge was opened in Freemasons Hall. Lincoln, and assisted by R. W. Bro. Lee P. Gillette, as D. G. M. R. W. Bro. John J. Mercer, G. S. W. Bro. Bro. Robert E. French, G. J. W. .; R. W. Bro. Christian Hartman, G. Treas.; W. Bro. C. H. Willard, as G. Sec.; W. Bro, H. A. Guild, G. Chaplain; W. Bro, B. D. Slaughter, Grand Marshal, and the Masonic fraternity of Lincoln, I laid the corner-stone of Grant Memorial Hall, of the University of Nebraska. Moriah Commandery, K.:.T.:., acted as escort, being courteously detailed for the occasion by the Grand Commander, R. . E. . Sir John J. Wemple, procession was very large and directed in an admirable manner. Addresses were made by Capt. W. C. Henry, Dept. Commander of G. A. R., and Hon. John M. Thayer, Governor of Nebraska. The occasion was thoroughly enjoyed by all who participated; every detail being promptly executed, added much to the interest and impressiveness of the ceremonies, the credit therefor being chiefly due to the intelligent, indefatigable labor of our Bro. . Edgar S. Dudley, who had the affair in charge.

May 17, assisted by R. W. Bro. L. P. Gillette as D. G. M.; W. Bro. George E. Whitman as G. S. W., and W. Bro. A. Y. Wright as G. J. W., I laid the corner-stone of the court-house at Beaver City. The ceremonies were conducted under the auspices of Beaver City Lodge No. 93, and participated in by members of all the lodges in Furnas county. Arrangements had been made to entertain all the citizens of the county, but, unfortunately for the entire success of the occasion, the weather proved very inauspicious, rain falling during the greater part of the day. The attendance was large, and the best of feeling prevailed, notwithstanding the adverse circumstances. M. W. Bro. Robert W. Furnas delivered a masterly address.

June 14, assisted by M. W. Bro. A. G. Hastings as D. G. M., M. W. Bro. R. H. Oakley as G. S. W., W. Bro. L. M. Hupert as G. J. W., and Bro. C. M. Carter as Grand Marshal, I laid the corner-stone of

the Church of the Holy Trinity, in the city of Lincoln. Mt. Moriah Commandery K. T. did knightly duty on this occasion, which was gratefully appreciated, not only by the Grand Officers, but by the church dignitaries as well.

To the brethren who assisted me on this and other public occasions, I desire to express my thanks for and appreciation of their services.

### DEDICATING HALLS.

December 27 I had the pleasure of dedicating the new hall of the Masonic Temple Craft of Hastings, Nebraska. Although the weather was quite inclement, the spacious rooms of the temple were crowded with the members of the Fraternity, their wives, daughters, and invited guests, the wealth, beauty, and intelligence of the city being fully represented. After the beautiful and impressive ceremonies of our society were rendered, M.·. W.·.Bro.·.John J. Wemple, in his usually happy style, gave an address of welcome, which was responded to on part of the guests by M.·.W.·.Bro.·.R. W. Furnas, of Brownville. Rev. Bro.·.L. F. Britt delivered an able and instructive oration suitable to the occasion. An ample and appetizing lunch was spread in the banquet room, of which all partook, and with music and social converse the evening passed—a season of intense enjoyment and satisfaction to all present. The Craft at Hastings is now provided with the finest and most convenient, though not the largest, suite of rooms for Masonic purposes in the state, of which they are justly proud.

On the same day the new Masonic Temple at Falls City was dedicated with full Masonic ceremonies by W. Bro. Samuel P. Davidson, Grand Senior Deacon, as my proxy. The brethren at Falls City are entitled to much credit for perseverance and liberality displayed in the erection of this temple, one of the best in the state.

### No. 69.

At the close of the last annual communication of the Grand Lodge my attention was called to the very unsatisfactory state of Masonic affairs at Ulysses, Nebraska, by Bro. S. C. Oaks, Master of our Fortitude Lodge, No. 69.

Deeming an official visit of first importance, I notified Bro. Oaks of my intention, and directed him to convene his lodge on July 25, giving all the brethren due and timely notice thereof. Accompanied by our R. W. Grand Secretary, I visited this lodge, pursuant to notice given. After much delay, barely a constitutional number of brethren, members of Fortitude Lodge, met in Odd Fellows' Hall, and opened a lodge of Master Masons. Upon a thorough examination of the officers and records of the lodge, the following facts were elicited. The lodge had not been convened for more than a year, primarily on account of discord among the members, but for several months past not having a local habitation. The differences among the brethren were irreconcilable, and the lodge being almost equally divided in sentiment upon every question arising, it was impossible to transact any business of importance. Finding no disposition among the brethren

to harmonize, and being assured that the lodge, as such, had become as a stench in the nostril to all respectable citizens of Ulysses, I arrested their charter, and directed the Grand Secretary to take possession of the records and property of the lodge, to hold the same subject to the will and pleasure of this M.·.W.·.Grand Lodge. I do now recommend that the name and number of Fortitude Lodge, No. 69, be stricken from the roll of Nebraska lodges.

### DECISIONS.

Many questions have been asked, requiring a voluminous correspondence in answer, yet of no general interest to the Craft. In many instances a reference to the law bearing upon each particular case has been sufficient. Such rulings as I deem of general interest are given, not as additions to our jurisprudence, if approved — for there is danger of making too many laws — but for the information of the Grand Lodge.

- 1. The result of a ballot cannot be reconsidered at a subsequent communication of the lodge.
- 2. A demit may be granted, notwithstanding the applicant has failed to sign the by-laws of the lodge, he being a charter member thereof.
- 3. A certificate of Masonic standing, equivalent to a demit, under the law of the Grand Jurisdiction whence emanating, is entitled to the same recognition as a demit when presented by an applicant for affiliation.
- 4. The petition of a candidate for initiation being refused consideration by the lodge, the applicant should not be reported as rejected.
- 5. When the ballot is declared closed the status of the candidate is determined, and no objection to the immediate announcement of the result should be entertained.
- 6. A lodge not having jurisdiction rejected a candidate by ballot. Held, said action to be null and void. The petition should have been dismissed without prejudice to the candidate.
- 7. Every communication of a lodge, while under dispensation, is a regular communication, if properly convened.
- 8. A public ball should not be held in a hall dedicated to Masonic purposes.
- 9. A resolution to cut off all discussion of the character and standing of candidates for the honors of Masonry is not in harmony with the genius of our institution, the Master having the authority to direct and restrict debate on all questions that may arise. It is unwise. The question of the character and standing of candidates for initiation, being of supreme importance, demands the most thorough investigation; this is especially true in large cities, where the candidate is quite frequently a stranger to a majority of the lodge.
- 10. It is not necessary that an Entered Apprentice or Fellow Craft should reside one year within the state or jurisdiction of a particular lodge before making application for advancement.
- 11. A demitted Mason may, upon his petition, be elected to membership without having first visited the lodge.

- 12. If after a clear ballot the candidate is estopped by objection, the feeshould be returned to him as soon as the Master is satisfied that the objection will not be withdrawn.
- 13. Lodges may invest surplus funds in any reputable lawful enterprise that gives reasonable assurance of permanency and security.
- 14. Any action had under and by virtue of a by-law that has not been approved by the Grand Lodge or Grand Master is illegal, hence null and void.
- 15. A candidate for initiation is discovered to be ineligible, by reason of physical defects. His petition should be dismissed without prejudice. Masonry teaches us to be just toward all men, and kind to the unfortunate. It is, therefore, un-Masonic to place a stigma, even by implication, upon the character of one who, through accident, disease, or a freak of nature, has become disqualified to be made a Mason.
- 16. A brother having become a member of a lodge by affiliation, not having signed the by-laws, makes application for demit. Can the demit issue until the brother signs the by-laws?
- Ans. Yes. The brother having been regularly elected, and having been recognized as a member by lodge and Grand Lodge, the mere failure to sign the by-laws should not invalidate his claim to membership. I am aware that this is in apparent conflict with former rulings of our Grand Lodge; but in nine cases out of ten a failure to sign the by-laws is due to negligence on part of the officers of the lodge rather than the fault of the brother.

It is the favorable vote of the lodge upon his voluntary petition for affiliation regularly presented for consideration that constitutes a brother a member of a lodge, just as a favorable ballot upon his petition for demission severs his connection with the lodge.

### No. 1.

January 24, upon the petition of Nebraska Lodge No. 1, located at Bellevue, all provisions of the law having been complied with, I authorized the removal of said lodge to Freemasons Hall, in the city of Omaha, where it is now located, with bright prospects of future prosperity and usefulness.

### BY-LAWS.

I am gratified to report an increased interest among subordinate lodges in regard to our law. Many lodges have adopted the suggestive code of by-laws, as recommended by the Grand Lodge, and others have amended their laws to correspond with the regulations of the Grand Lodge. I have approved the by-laws of the following lodges: Nos. 3, 6, 9, 19, 44, 50, 67, 71, 97, 117, 134, 137, 159, 161, 163.

### SEALS.

I have approved the seals of lodges as follows: Nos. 27, 37, 130, 139, 149, 150, 151, 154, 155, 156, 157, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163.

### FIRE INSURANCE.

Notwithstanding every subordinate lodge in this jurisdiction has had repeated instructions and injunction to attend to the matter of securing

insurance upon its property, and make due report thereof to the Grand Lodge, with the annual returns, a large per cent. of lodges have neglected to do so. More urgent demands for the information required by the Grand Lodge to complete its report, develops the fact that many lodges have persistently neglected to obey the mandate of the Grand Lodge, urging reasons for their delinquency as varied as the hues of the rainbow, and often quite as intangible. This lack of prompt and intelligent obedience on the part of lodge officers has occasioned your Grand Secretary much unnecessary labor, and your Grand Master not a little annoyance.

I would therefore recommend that our law in regard to insurance be so modified as to allow lodges to carry their own insurance, provided, that in case of loss by fire, such lodges are absolutely prohibited soliciting aid from fellow lodges, or the Fraternity at large.

### CODIFICATION OF THE LAW.

Your committee on Codification of the Law has completed that part of its work, and will present the result for the consideration of the Grand Lodge at this session. I have no desire to anticipate the action of this Grand Body, or to bias the judgment of any member thereof, but it is due the members of this committee, and I take great pleasure in expressing my appreciation and approval of the eminent services by them rendered to the Craft of this jurisdiction. Their work will bear the closest inspection, and while it may contain crudities and possible contradictions, the fault lies in the law, not in the committee, who did not feel authorized to make radical changes in, but only to collate and condense the law as found. This work has already elicited favorable comment from eminent Masons of other jurisdictions. Much labor and diligent research was required, consuming valuable time, and entailing expense upon the members of this committee; it is but right that just recompense be awarded them, although no claim for compensation has been presented.

### CLAIM OF MASONIC TEMPLE CRAFT OF OMAHA.

The Temple Craft of Omaha have filed a claim of fifty-nine dollars against this Grand Lodge for labor performed and material used in completing the Grand Lodge vault in 1886. Finding no record of this outlay having been authorized by the Grand Lodge, or an agent thereof. I have declined to approve the same, and submit the matter for the consideration of the Grand Lodge.

### LEASE OF LIBRARY ROOM.

March 8, 1888, a perpetual lease of the fire-proof library room in Freemasons Hall, Omaha, to the Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Nebraska, and executed by the Masonic Temple Craft of Omaha, was submitted to, and signed by me. By the terms of the lease the Grand Lodge is guaranteed complete possession and free access to the fire-proof room located on the second floor of the building aforesaid, to be used as a library so long as the Grand Lodge may have use for the same, free of cost to the Fraternity.

### No. 80. (EXTINCT).

The financial affairs of the late Waco Lodge, No. 80, are not in the most satisfactory condition. Our agent at Waco, Bro. J. C. Dewey, writes me, under date of June 2, 1888, that the debt of said lodge has been reduced to about \$200; that the hall, now the property of this Grand Lodge, is leased at a monthly rental of \$4, and is insured in the amount of \$300, the policy expiring in March, 1889; that he has now cash on hand, the sum of \$10.85, rents collected.

Evidences of indebtedness to the amount of \$20, and accrued interest against the above property, were sent to me from York for collection, and are now in the hands of the Grand Secretary. The hall being located over a room owned and occupied by a church, cannot be sold without some loss, yet it seems to me that, in justice to the creditors, who have waited long and patiently the adjustment of their claims, the property should be sold and these debts paid, and I would so recommend. I hope that action will be taken at this time to relieve the Grand Lodge of further embarrassment on this score.

### APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES.

A number of appeals have been taken from decisions of subordinate lodges, which you will be expected to hear and pass upon at this time.

Bro. I. M. Wolf vs. Crete Lodge, No. 37. Indefinite suspension. In this case, upon petition of twenty-four members of the lodge, I issued an order, on Dec. 23, 1887, suspending the execution of sentence during the pendency of the appeal.

Bro. F. M. Rathburn vs. Cambridge Lodge, No. 150. Indefinite suspension.

Bro.: Horace F. Miller vs. Arapahoe Lodge, No. 109. Indefinite suspension.

Also a grievance in which Ashlar Lodge, No. 33, is complainant.

### OFFICIAL VISITATIONS.

It has been my privilege to visit almost one-third of our subordinate lodges during the year, and have met with cordial receptions in every instance. The importance of official visitations cannot be easily overrated. The lodges are encouraged and the officers stimulated to greater diligence in acquiring proficiency in the work and rituals of the Fraternity. An observant and discriminating officer will have many opportunities to kindly point out errors and counsel the avoidance of those irregularities and infringements of law that are so prolific in creating discord among the brethren.

March 27, I visited Osceola Lodge, No. 65, by invitation, to preside at a double trial, which, however, by the wise counsel of the Past Masters present, and the good sense of the litigants, we turned into a jubilee, a perfect illustration of the power of Freemasonry as a peacemaker.

April 21, I visited Stromsburg Lodge, No. 126, by special invitation, in the interests of harmony, with good results, I trust.

April 30, I was called to DeWitt Lodge, No. 111, on matters pertaining to discipline and good government.

### MISCELLANEOUS.

July 18, I directed the Grand Secretary to close up the affairs of the late Silver Creek Lodge, U. D., being careful that all liabilities of said lodge were fully met, granting demits to all members who made legal application therefor.

December 19, I instructed Bro.: Edgar J. Pease, Master of Rawalt Lodge, No. 138, to proceed to Cambridge, Nebraska, on the 20th, and preside over Cambridge Lodge, No. 150, during a lodge trial, in which the Master of said lodge was the complainant. Bro.: Pease distinguished himself on this occasion as an impartial presiding officer of marked judicial ability.

January 17, 1888, I instructed the Grand Secretary to issue demits to such members of our Fortitude Lodge, No. 69, as desired to unite with other lodges. I am fully persuaded that this action was without warrant of law, but having decisions of my predecessors as precedents, and the urgent petitions of worthy brethren, who desired active membership, as an incentive, I ventured to anticipate the action of this Grand Lodge thus far.

January 21, I granted waiver of jurisdiction, at the request of Axtell Lodge, No. 230, Axtell, Kansas, in the case of B. W. Anderson, who had been rejected by Waco Lodge, No. 80 (extinct).

January 23, in view of the fact that the publication of the Black Book, annually, is an item of considerable expense to the Grand Lodge, and believing the desired end can be as well attained at a much less expense, I directed our Grand Secretary to issue, in lieu of the regular edition, an appendix in pamphlet form, giving the required information, which may be used in connection with the Black Book of last year.

February 8, I directed our Grand Custodian to visit Jasper Lodge, No. 122, and re-obligate certain brethren who had been made Masons in the absence of the charter.

February 9. I directed the Master of Mosaic Lodge, No. 55, to cause charges to be preferred in his lodge against a brother of Battle Creek Lodge, U. D., who, in addition to keeping a saloon, used the sacred symbols of Masonry to advertise his nefarious business. I was much disappointed in the result of the trial, the lodge refusing to punish, although the brother confessed his guilt. The Master gave the brother a severe reprimand, and reported to me that he had promised to close out his business without delay, which I understand he has done.

February 18, I directed the Grand Secretary in obedience to the will of the Grand Lodge, to procure jewels for the Grand Officers, to replace those lost.

Early in January my attention was called to the fact that our Osceola Lodge, No. 65, had elected and initiated a candidate who had been rejected by Silver Creek Lodge, U. D. , extinct. Upon inquiry, the following facts were elicited: In July last a candidate for initiation who had been rejected in Silver Creek Lodge made application to Osceola Lodge, and did not state in his petition that he had been so rejected, was elected and entered as an Apprentice. I immediately ordered a stay of the proceedings in this case. Subsequently, while at Osceola, I met this brother and his friends, and becoming satisfied that the brother was worthy, and had not wilfully imposed

upon the Craft, I legalized his initiation by granting waiver of jurisdiction in his case to Osceola Lodge.

Our Western Star Lodge, No. 2, at Nebraska City, reports having reinstated two brethren who had been expelled. Upon receiving notice of this fact from the Grand Secretary, I wrote to the Master of No. 2, asking an explanation of this unusual proceeding. In answer, he informed me that the lodge had reinstated two brethren last July, who were expelled for non-payment of dues in 1864; that one of these brethren had demitted and joined another lodge, and had since received his final demit, hoping therewith to gain admission to the Celestial Lodge above; the other being now received as a worthy member of the lodge, and expressed the hope that the Grand Lodge would sanction what had been done. I submit this information to you without comment.

April 10, I made a ruling to be incorporated in the Grand Secretary's circular letter of that date, in effect, that as June 24 (festival of St. John the Baptist) falls on Sunday this year, and so closely follows the annual communication of the Grand Lodge, that the time for installation of officers would be extended to and include June 30. Will the Grand Lodge approve this action?

The special committees of this Grand Lodge, appointed one year ago, with those continued at the last Grand Communication, I understand are ready and will submit reports at this session. The subject-matter of these reports is of the gravest importance to the Craft, and deserves, as I trust it will receive, the careful consideration of this Body.

The annual returns of all chartered lodges were in the hands of the Grand Secretary before June 1, with one exception, Samaritan Lodge, No. 158, received June 4, a fact that speaks volumes for the efficiency of the service rendered by our Grand Secretary, and the enthusiastic co-operation of the officers of local lodges.

I have carefully supervised the expenditure of Grand Lodge funds during the year, and believe that the greatest economy consistent with the best interests of the Fraternity has been observed. The fact that one of the appropriations has been exhausted, is proof of the rapidly increasing needs of our service, and consequent unexpected demands upon our finances. It would be well for the committee on Ways and Means to bear this fact in mind when making provision for expenses of the ensuing year.

December —, our York Lodge, No. 56, at York, Nebraska, met with serious misfortune in the loss by fire of their beautiful and commodious lodge rooms. Neither discouraged nor dismayed by this untimely destruction of their home, the brethren arose as one man and proceeded to rebuild, and now, I understand, a new temple has arisen, Phœnix-fike, more beautiful and convenient than the old, quite ready for dedication.

### RECOMMENDATIONS.

I desire to submit the following recommendations:

First, that our law be so amended as to require a petition for a new lodge to be signed by twenty resident Master Masons before a dispensation can issue. Lodges are multiplying too rapidly in this jurisdiction; fully onethird of our chartered lodges to-day are eking out a precarious existence in the too often vain hope that to-morrow may bring to them the prosperity so much needed. Under our present law eight Master Masons are entitled to a dispensation. It is true the Grand Master may refuse to grant their request, as I have done many times during the past year, but having the required strength, they presume upon that fact, and so press their suit, that it is next to impossible to refuse their petition. The Grand Master should be relieved of this grave responsibility. It is not an unusual thing for these weak lodges to open and transact important business with less than a constitutional number present. This would be avoided and the success of the new lodge assured from the first, if this recommendation should prevail.

The duties attaching to the office of Grand Master of Masons, in this jurisdiction, are numerous and very important, requiring in their proper discharge more time and labor than should be required of an unsalaried officer. As an indication of what may be rightfully expected of that officer, pardon me for referring briefly to the work of the past year. In the performance of my duty as Grand Master, I have traveled about five thousand miles within the state, and have felt obliged to decline not a few urgent invitations for official visitations. I have written more than one thousand letters in official correspondence, requiring ofttimes hours of study and Masonic research. Under our present system, if the Grand Master devotes the time necessary to the proper discharge of the duties of his high office, it must be at the sacrifice of his private business. Brethren, this ought not to be; relief should be granted; and while it may not be feasible at present to pay that officer a salary sufficient to indemnify him for loss sustained to his private interests while thus engaged, valuable assistance may be furnished. I would therefore recommend that the sum of four hundred dollars per year, payable in equal installments quarterly in advance, be set apart for the use and benefit of the Grand Master-this in addition to the necessary expenses of the office. Also that the office of Deputy Grand Master be made appointive instead of elective, or, in lieu of this, that a system of District Deputy Grand Masters shall be inaugurated.

I hope the Grand Lodge will devise some measure to correct a serious evil, that is liable to greatly injure this Grand Body and bring it into disrepute among the Craft at large, unless checked. I refer to the non-attendance of the members of this Body upon its regular sessions. Delegates are sent to represent their respective lodges in the deliberations of this Grand Body, they are paid for this service, yet many of them are seldom seen upon the floor of the Grand Lodge. After making certain their enrollment as members, they give themselves no further concern until near the close of the session, they appear for a brief time to sign the pay-roll. Every member of this Grand Lodge should be required to attend its every session, unless excused, else forfeit his mileage and per diem.

### GRAND SECRETARY.

I cannot close this report without paying just tribute to the untiring zeal, sound judgment, and undoubted ability of our esteemed Grand Secretary.

His extensive knowledge of Masonic affairs, and his devotion to the duties of his responsible office, have contributed much to the elevation of the standard of Masonry in Nebraska, and to spread the fame of this Grand Lodge to earth's remotest bounds.

I am much indebted to him for valuable counsel and assistance in the discharge of the duties of the high office entrusted to me through your favor, and I sincerely hope that this Grand Lodge, appreciating the importance of the duties he is called upon to perform, and realizing that the work of the Grand Secretary's office is rapidly increasing from year to year, shall deem it but just that he receive a material increase of salary. I know whereof I speak when I say that the present remuneration is wholly inadequate, and by no means commensurate with the value and amount of the work performed by him.

### CONCLUSION.

In conclusion, brethren, as I surrender to you the authority so cheerfully delegated to me one year ago, it is with pleasure that I recall the many evidences of the good-will borne me by my fraters of the mystic tie. I have been rewarded far beyond my fondest anticipations, and having attained the highest of earthly honors, through your favor, I can only show my appreciation of your kindness and confidence by unabated interest in and care for the advancement of our noble institution; and this I pledge you. I thank you all for the kindly forbearance and earnest support extended to me as your Grand Master.

MILTON J. HULL,

Grand Master.

# The Grand Treasurer made the following report:

### GRAND TREASURER'S REPORT.

Омана, Neb., June 20, 1888.

To the Grand Lodge of Nebraska,  $A \cdot F \cdot \& A \cdot M \cdot :$ I herewith submit my report of funds received and disbursed to date: 1887.

June 16.	To balance on	hand from la	ast report\$	11,064	08
	To Charity Fu	nd		705	59
	To interest pa	id by me o	n Charity Fund		
	from June 1	6, 1887, to d	late	35	28
1888.					
Apr. 23.	To collection t	aken up at t	the laying of the		
	corner stone	of the Gran	nt Memorial Hall		
	at Lincoln.			12	99and two street car checks.
May 3.	Received from	Grand Secre	tary	1,000	00 ear enecks.
9.	44	**		1,005	00
12.	44	"		1,010	00
15.	46	44		1,015	00
22.	44	**		1,020	00
29.	"	**		1,025	00

June 12.	Received from G	Frand Secretary	1,330	00
14.	66	"	124	
				4400490
1887.				\$19,347 25
June 16.	By paid pay rol	l, session 1887	2.174	25
May 24.		. 386—Dewey & Stone	200	
June 11.	46	394—Rees Printing Co	23	
13.	"	396 - John S. Caulfield	18	
13.	44	397—Rees Printing Co		50
13.	61	398—Rees Printing Co	429	
July 6.	"	399—Benj. F. Rawalt		00
8.	"	400-Charles K. Coutant		00
17.	66	401-Wm, R. Bowen		00
17.	"	402-Lodges named on back		
		of order	72	13
26.		403—Lee P. Gillette		95
23.	"	404—Wm. B. Downing		00
26.	66	405—Charles K. Coutant		60
26.	46	406—Rees Printing Co		25
26.	"	407—John S. Caulfield		00
Aug. 5.	46	408—D. F. Pennington,		
11 dg. 0.		Secretary	73	77
9.	66	409—The Grand Secretary.		85
17.		410—Wm. R. Bowen		00
13.		411—Rees Printing Co		75
13.		412—Rees Printing Co		50
23.		413—Wm. B. Downing		00
23.		414—Lee P. Gillette		00
Sept. 17		415—Wm. R. Bowen		00
23		416—Wm. B. Downing		00
29		418—The Grand Secretary.		3 02
29		419—N. B. Falconer		25
Oct. 1		of deposit No. 14247 of Mer-	~	
0000		ional Bank	5,000	00
6		o. 420—The Grand Secretary.		3 94
17	•	421—Wm. R. Bowen		5 00
15		422—Rees Printing Co		3 25
23		423—Wm. B. Downing		0 00
18		424—The Grand Secretary.		7 28
18		425—Rees Printing Co		5 25
19		426—Lee P. Gillette		4 95
Nov. 1		427—Samuel Burns		90
17		428—Wm. R. Bowen		5 00
15		429—Lee P. Gillette		7 75
23		430—Wm. B. Downing		5 00
	•	431—Lee P. Gillette		8 69
Dec. 5	. "	401—Lee F. Gillette	00	5 00

Dec.			432—Wm. R. Bowen	\$85	
	9.	"	433—Lee P. Gillette		95
	23.		434—Wm. B. Downing	60	00
188	88.				
Jan.	4.	"	435—Lee P. Gillette	15	
	11.	4.6	436—Lee P. Gillette		00
	17.	"	437—Wm. R. Bowen		00
	21.	"	448—Lee P. Gillette		60
	23.	"	439—Wm. B. Downing		00
	24.	66	440—The Grand Secretary.	175	
	26.	66	441—Lee P. Gillette		15
	31.	66	442—Knight & Leonard Co.	1,016	
Feb.	1.	46	443—Lee P. Gillette		40
	7.	66	444—Lee P. Gillette	34	45
	13.		eral Fund became exhausted		
		and I began I	paying General Warrants out		
		of the Relief			
	13.	w	445—Lee P. Gillette		00
	17.	46	446—Wm. R. Bowen		00
	16.	44	447—The Grand Secretary.		65
	20.	44	448—Lee P. Gillette		00
	24.	46	449—The Grand Secretary.		82
Mar.	-	44	450—Lee P. Gillette		00
	13.	66	451—The Grand Secretary.		55
	17.	66	452—Wm. R. Bowen		00
	21.	66	453—Lee P. Gillette		00
	28.	"	454—Lee P. Gillette	1,0	00
Apl.	2.	"	455—Lee P. Gillette		00
	6.	66	456—The Grand Secretary.		87
	7.	66	457—Rees Printing Co		00
	17.	66	458—Wm. R. Bowen		00
	17	66	459—Lee P. Gillette		00
	23.	"	460—Wm. B. Downing	75	00
	27.		here remained in the Relief		
			nce of only \$50.22, so that		
			ount of cash in my hands be-		
		0 0	he Grand Lodge was only		
		\$50.22.		0.00	
	30.		. 461—Lee P. Gillette	25	00
	30.	"	462—The Masonic Temple	000	
		"	Craft of Omaha, Neb.		00
May		"	463—Philip Windheim		00
	15.	46	464—E. T. Schultz		00
	17.	"	465—Wm. R. Bowen		00
	23.	"	466—Wm. B. Downing		00
	23.	44	467—Lee P. Gillette	43	
June	1.	"	468—Rees Printing Co	120	00

June 5. By Warrant No. 470-Wm, R. Bowen.....

6,716 15

\$65 00

5.	44	471—Wm. B. Downing	35 00	
5.	66	472—Christian Hartman	50 00	
6.	66	473—Samuel Burns	10 00	
6.	16	474—The Grand Secretary.	49 53	
6.	66	475—The Grand Secretary.	57 46	
6.	64	476—Rees Printing Co	23 00	
6.	66	477—Rees Printing Co	18 75	
7.	66	478—The Grand Secretary.	32 81	
			\$12,631	1
		To Balance	6,716	1

Please find herewith enclosed my check, No. 1888, on the Merchants' National Bank, in favor of the Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. certified to by said bank, for six thousand seven hundred and sixteen dollars and fifteen cents (\$6.716.15), for the balance belonging to this Grand Lodge to date, as per this report, together with the certificate of deposit, No. 14247, of the Merchants' National Bank, dated October 1, 1887, for five thousand dollars (\$5,000), the pay-roll of the session of 1887, and the warrants paid by me since the last session of the Grand Lodge.

Fraternally submitted.

CHRIS. HARTMAN. Grand Treasurer

# The Grand Secretary made report as follows:

### GRAND SECRETARY'S REPORT.

To the M.: W.: the Grand Lodge of Nebraska:

Everything has run so smoothly during the year that I have almost nothing to report. Most of the details of the year's business will be treated upon by our Grand Master, the doings of this office having been largely under his direction.

Under our law "the names of all those rejected" are required to be recorded in the Black Book. Several of our lodges have asked that those rejected, and afterwards accepted, be omitted from the record. The matter is submitted for the action of the Grand Lodge.

A special report being required of the appropriations recorded on page 422 of last year's proceedings, same is herewith submitted:

App	ropriate	d. Expended.
Grand Secretary's office expenses	\$500 (	00 \$686 83
" clerk hire	480 (	00 480 00
Reprint	500 (	00
Binding and purchasing books		00 7 00
New ledger	20 (	00 15 25
Table and water-cooler		00 10 00
Mantel for library	150 (	00 148 00

Glass for door of library	\$10	00	\$10	00
Cuspidores and gas fixtures	25	00	20	90
Blank reports, Committee on Credentials	25	00	23	00
Rent of Grand Secretary's office	200	00	200	00
Grand Master, clerk hire 1886–87	50	00	50	00

\$2,110 00 \$1,650 98

ABSTRACT OF GRAND SECRETARY'S OFFICE EXPENSES, YEAR ENDING JUNE 20, 1888.

	Postage.	Janitor.	Gas,	Coal.	Stationery.	Blanks, blank books, letter heads, circu- lars, etc.	Odds and ends.	Total.
June and July August September October November December January February March April May June	13 54 8 08 81 33	5 00 5 00 5 00 5 00 5 00 5 00 5 00 5 00	\$2 20 1 15 20 20 1 40 3 40 1 05 1 40 55 1 05 2 40	\$10 00 12 00 12 00	\$8 15 1 25 1 50 14 75 18 60	\$42 00 2 00 22 75 75 00 9 50 8 75 2 50 41 75 2 50 30 00 7 50 28 75	\$3 75 2 25 13 55 9 28  10 45 2 85  9 03	\$88 02 23 94 47 28 175 08 28 65 32 82 17 55 82 87 49 53 57 46 32 81 50 82
Total			15 00	39 00	44 25	273 00		686 83

The annual returns from chartered lodges were all received and delivered to the committee on Returns during May, and the full report of that committee is before you in printed form.

The documents received from the eighteen lodges under dispensation, sixteen of which petition for charters, have been in the hands of the committee on Charters and Dispensations for several weeks.

The following appeals have been delivered to the committee on Grievances, viz.: The complaint of Ashlar Lodge, No. 33, against Doniphan Lodge, No. 86; the appeal of Bro. Israel M. Wolf, 37, from the sentence of Crete Lodge, No. 37; the appeal of Bro. Horace Miller, 109, from the sentence of Arapahoe Lodge, No. 109; the appeal of Bro. Francis M. Rathbun, 150, from the sentence of Cambridge Lodge, No. 150.

I submit the Grand Lodge ledger and the financial reports of this office for the year, and particularly request that each brother present will examine the ledger account of his lodge. The following are the balances June 10, 1888:

Lodge.	No.	Dr.	Cr.	Lodge.	No.	Dr.	Cr.
Nebraska	. 1		\$ 3 03	Wymore	.104		\$ 12
Covert	. 11		6 00	Steele City	.107	\$ 1 36	
Lincoln	. 19	\$10 00		Arapahoe	.109		2 25
Washington	. 21		1 35	Brainard	.115		60
Hope	. 29		4 50	Hardy	.117		20
Fairbury	. 35		3 80	Stromsberg	.126	10 00	
Lone Tree	. 36	60		Guide Rock	.128	3 09	
Northern Light.	. 41		1 00	Upright	.137	2 75	
Lancaster	. 54	5 00		Jachin	.146		4 80
York	. 56		4 00	Jewel	149		3 60
Blue Valley	. 64		5 36	Evergreen	.153	5 00	
Livingstone	. 66	3 32		Pythagoras	.156		1 00
Friend	. 73		10 24	Samaritan	.158	45 82	
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During the year ending April 20, 1888, blanks and blank books have been sold to old lodges to the amount of \$387.60, at a profit of \$16.70, leaving stock on hand worth \$178.22. This plan of furnishing uniform books and blanks of superior quality is of much benefit to the lodges and the Fraternity at large; the expense to the Grand Lodge is but the labor involved, and the record books and ledgers are better than the average business man can purchase at the same price. Perhaps some additional articles of general use in our lodges should be added to the stock now kept on hand, which is as follows:

The Grand Lodge keeps on hand for sale, at cost, to its lodges, the following blanks and blank books (the proceeds being turned in to the Grand Lodge treasury), at about the prices indicated, viz.: Record books, six quire demy, \$6.00; ledger, four quire demy, \$4.50; compendium (abstract of membership), \$5.25; book of 100 blank demits, \$3.25; book of 100 blank diplomas, \$3.50; visitors' register, \$2.25; 100 sheets headed paper, \$1.00; blank petitions for initiation, \$1.00 per 100; blank petitions for admission, \$1.00 per 100; book of 100 blank receipts for dues, 50 cents; book of 100 blank treasurer's receipts, 50 cents; book of 100 blank orders on treasurer, 50 cents; 100 blank duns, 10 cents; 100 blue seal blanks, 15 cents. The books of demits, diplomas, receipts and orders all have stubs; the records, ledgers and compendiums have canvas covers, and will be labeled and paged as desired. Orders for these books may be sent in to this office at any time; but to secure the lowest price and prompt attention, such orders should be made during May and June of each year. A full set of the above-named books is furnished each new lodge free of charge at the date of constituting.

I submit an abstract of reports of chartered lodges as to the amount of fire insurance carried, as required by the Law of Freemasonry in Nebraska. It is hoped this law will be enforced or repealed, as its neglect causes considerable correspondence and some irritation. The plea of quite a number of the lodges that they have no property worth insuring is not understood, for

many of such lodges have received from the Grand Lodge blank books costing about forty dollars, whose value is increased by the entries made therein.

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Fraternally submitted, WM. R. BOWEN, Grand Secretary.

The foregoing address and reports, with the following report from the Grand Custodian, had been placed in the hands of the committee on the Doings of Grand Officers prior to the opening of the Grand Lodge.

### GRAND CUSTODIAN'S REPORT.

BEATRICE, NEB., June 1, 5888.

To the M.: W.: , the Grand Lodge of Nebraska:

In accordance with the requirements of the Grand Lodge, I submit herewith my report as Grand Custodian for the past year.

My appointment and commission bears date of July 16, 5887. Upon its receipt I determined to visit as many lodges in this jurisdiction as possible; but as the amount appropriated as "Custodian fund," at your last annual communication, was limited, I have visited only about one-fourth of our lodges;—have exemplified the work in forty lodges, and have conferred the degrees of Ancient Craft Masonry in quite a number. In conferring the degrees I have been well and ably assisted by the officers and brethren of the various lodges where the work has been done.

I found quite a number of Master Masons who could not give an important and SIGNIFICANT word correctly; also, officers who were quite deficient in the ritual, and were unable to give the lectures of the several degrees in a creditable manner; also, those who had been members of a lodge for months, who had not heard the lectures in full, prior to my visit. We have Masters who slight the lectures, giving a part of the lecture only. This must be from inability; otherwise it is neglect of duty. Such workers deserve censure.

I find most of the lodges are fairly in possession of the ritualistic part of the work, but not the floor work, and those beautiful dramatic parts which always draw out a large attendance when properly rendered. In many cases, the three principal officers of the lodge, and perhaps the Senior Deacon, are competent to confer the degree of Master Mason, and to them alone is left the entire work of the third degree, instead of calling a number of the brethren to their assistance, and fitting them for the different parts. We have plenty

of good workers among us. Give the brethren a chance. They will come out bright, and prove themselves worthy of the trust we place in them.

The brethren at Mason City, Merna, Ansley, Grafton, Culbertson, Stratton, Filley, Hay Springs, Shickley, Ohiowa, and Leigh, having petitioned the M.·W.·Grand Master for dispensation to hold lodges and make Masons, by his order I visited them and recommended that dispensations be issued in all cases except to the brethren at Ohiowa, whose petition I returned to the Grand Master, without remark.

August 12, 5887, I opened and constituted Unity Lodge, No. 163, at Greenwood, Nebraska, and installed the officers thereof — proxy for so doing having been issued me by the M. W. Grand Master. Report of this action forwarded the R. W. Grand Sceretary, August, 19, 1887.

By order of the M.: W.: the Grand Master, eleven Grand Custodian Lodges and fifteen Schools of Instruction have been held at the following named places: Davenport, O'Neill, Norfolk, York, Tecumseh, Fairbury, Holdrege, Grand Island, Columbus, Chadron, Rushville, Tobias, Pawnee City, Nebraska City, Orleans, Fairfield, Ansley, Broken Bow, Ogalalla, Grafton, Humboldt, Fullerton, Cedar Rapids, Albion, Genoa, and Beaver City. At these Grand Custodian Lodges, and Schools of Instruction, one hundred and seven lodges, were represented. As a rule, representatives were officers of lodges, who applied themselves to the work before them, making satisfactory improvement. All present appeared anxious to perfect themselves in our authorized work. Although official notice was issued by the Grand Secretary that Grand Custodian Lodges would be held at the various places selected by the Grand Master, the attendance was not what it should have been. As a rule, there was equally as good attendance at the Schools of Instruction, which were hastily convened for the purpose of instructing a particular lodge.

In addition to the duties of Grand Custodian, as required by our laws, I have, in obedience to the M.: W.: Grand Master's letter of instruction, dated August 30, examined the records of lodges visited, given such instruction as was found necessary with regard to the proper keeping of records; also informed lodges as to the law of insurance in this grand jurisdiction.

The "minutes" of the lodges are generally correct, many secretaries showing themselves well adapted to the positions they hold. However, improvement can be made, especially so with the compendium, which appears to be neglected; at least, it is found incomplete in many lodges.

Most of the lodge rooms are of good size, convenient, and comfortably furnished—nicely carpeted, and safe for all the purposes of Ancient Craft Masonry. Cannot we see the dawning time when our lodge rooms shall be used for Masonic purposes only? Let us trust that the time is near at hand when our lodges will have Masonic homes, when this grand body can safely say: "Our lodges shall not occupy any hall or room jointly with any other society or order."

The Masters of lodges, as a rule, are energetic and alive to the interests of Masonry, looking well to the welfare of their lodges. Where Masters have taken hold of Masonry in earnest, the brethren are found faithfully acting in concert with them; such lodges are moving along harmoniously, and the Craft is prospering under their care.

I am greatly indebted to the M. W. Grand Master for his attendance and assistance at many of the Grand Custodian Lodges—to whom, for his valuable and timely counsel, and many acts of personal kindness, I shall always feel in the deepest sense under lasting obligations. I extend my sincere thanks to the Craft throughout the jurisdiction for their assistance, and for that fraternal courtesy and kindness with which I have been received, while permitted to serve as Grand Custodian. Fraternally,

LEE P. GILLETTE, Grand Custodian.

Bro.:Long, 11, chairman of the committee on Returns, submitted the following report; no action thereon was taken at this time, but same was adopted Thursday afternoon.

To the M.: W.: the Grand Lodge of Nebraska:

The committee on Returns submit the result of examination of the returns of the several lodges working under the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge, as follows:

We have reports from 153 chartered lodges, and 18 working under dispensation, all of which were received by the Grand Secretary before May 26, except No. 117. The statement of work for the past year, and present condition of the Craft, as shown by the accompanying statistical sheet, may be summarized as follows:

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Available to use of Grand Lodge	<b>\$</b> 5,292 4	16

We recommend that credits be allowed on all returns examined, except Nos. 35, 107 and 117, as per rule of Grand Lodge, for general correctness and prompt transmittal. See schedule below.

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Bro.: Furnas, 4, submitted the following report from the Trustees of the Orphan Educational Fund, which was referred to the committee on Accounts:

To the M. W.: the Grand Lodge of Nebraska:

By reference to page 389, proceedings Grand Lodge, 1887, it will be seen the condition of the Orphans' Educational Fund, as shown by the Trustees' Report, to date, May 1, 1886, was:

D. C. Cole,	Loan		8 478	29
Wm. Chambers,	44		1,000	00
R. W. Kite,	66		700	00
C. Schuck,	44		1,000	00
P. Bentel,	66		1,200	00
E. Kirk,	66		1,250	00
E. Snodgrass,	44		350	00
J. P. Crother,	66		250	00
S. Gilbert,	66		400	00
I. W. Cramer,	66		500	00
W. H. Hoover,	"		3,090	24
J. P. Starr,	44		200	00
M. J. Clark,	66		1,500	00
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Paid out commi	ssion	for making loans, examining papers and		
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For stationery an	nd post	age	6	05
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All of which is secured by first mortgage on otherwise unincumbered improved farm real estate, at an average valuation of four times more than the amounts of the loans.

M. Storm, March 28, 1888, two years, at 9 per cent......

J. J. Dressler, March 30, 1888, five years, at 9 per cent......

# RECAPITULATION AND STATEMENT SHOWING CONDITION OF THE FUND MAY 31, 1888.

D. C. Cole,	Loan\$ 4	178 29
Wm. Chambers	s, '' 1,0	00 00
R. W. Kite,	"	700 00
C. Schuck,	" 1,0	00 00
E. Kirk,	'' 1,2	250 00
E. Snodgrass,		350 00
J. P. Crother,	" 2	250 00
S. Gilbert,	" 4	100 00
I. W. Cramer,		500 00
W. H. Hoover,	" 3,0	990 24
J. P. Starr,	"	00 00
M. J. Clark,	" 1,5	00 00
J. B. Graham,	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	500 00
W. T. Banks,	- " 4	00 00
C. H. Hector,	" 1,4	100 00
H. D. Snyder,	" 1,0	00 00
W. T. Russell,		500 00
M. Storm,	" t	500 00
J. J. Dressler,	** E	500 00
	\$15.5	518 53
Ca	ash on hand	29 32

Interest computations and collections are made only to date of maturity on each note and loan. As they do not tally with the date of report, or meeting of Grand Lodge, of course the exact sum of the fund, including principal and interest, is not shown. It will approximate \$500 more than the sum total here shown.

Total fund to date.....

All the papers, mortgages, description of lands taken as security, notes, vouchers for expenditures, certified check of balance in hand, belonging to this Fund and its management, are herewith submitted as part of this report, asking that careful examination of same be made.

Fraternally submitted,

ROB'T W. FURNAS,

Managing Trustee.

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Printed copies of all of the preceding documents were distributed to the members of the Grand Lodge as soon as the last report had been read.

Bro.: Coutant, 11, chairman of the commission on the Nebraska Masonic Home, reported that but a minority were present of those appointed on that commission at last Grand

Lodge; the Grand Master stated that he had appointed Bros.: James A. Tulleys, 53, John A. Ehrhardt, 41, and William M. Knapp, 56, to take the places of Bros.: Persinger, 36, Oakley, 19, and Hopewell, 31.

Bro.: Ehrhardt, 41, submitted the following report from the committee on Credentials, which was adopted, subject to amendment during the communication. The report, as finally made, was as follows:

### To the M.: W.: the Grand Lodge of Nebraska:

Your committee on Credentials reports that it finds the following Grand Office-bearers, Past Grand Office-bearers and representatives of lodges present, as follows:

### GRAND OFFICE-BEARERS.

M. W. MILTON J. HULL	Grand Master.
R W GEORGE B. FRANCE	Deputy Grand Master.
R. W. John J. Mercer	
R. W. ROBERT E. FRENCH	Grand Junior Warden.
R.: W.: CHRISTIAN HARTMAN	Grand Treasurer.
R. W. WILLIAM R. BOWEN	Grand Secretary.
V. W. JACOB A. HOOD	
W.:.John A. Ehrhardt	Grand Orator.
R W LEE P. GILLETTE	Grand Custodian.
W. Bradner D. Slaughter	Grand Marshal.
W. SAMUEL P. DAVIDSON	Grand Senior Deacon.
W.:.GEORGE E. WHITMAN	Grand Junior Deacon.
Bro. Jacob King	Grand Tiler.
PAST GRAND OFF	CE-BEARERS.
M. W. Daniel H. Wheeler	Past Grand Master.
M. W. Robert W. Furnas	
M W MARTIN DUNHAM	
M. W. Alfred G. Hastings	Past Grand Master.
M.:.W.:.George W. Lininger	Past Grand Master.
M.:.W.:.James A. Tulleys	Past Grand Master.
M W SAMUEL W. HAYES	Past Grand Master.
M. W. CHARLES K. COUTANT	Past Grand Master.
R.:.W.:.Henry Brown	Past Deputy Grand Master.
D . W T D C	
R. W. LEE P. GILLETTE	Past Deputy Grand Master.

### REPRESENTATIVES.

Lodge.	No.	MASTER.	SENIOR WARDEN.	JUNIOR WARDEN.
lebraska	1	*Daniel H. Wheeler .	William Robinson .	
Vestern Star,	2	*Samuel H. Morrison		Samuel H. Morrison
anitol	3	Lewis M. Rheem		*William N. Nason .
Jemaha Valley	4	Charles Neidhart		
madi	5			
lattsmouth	6	Justus G. Richey	Francis E. White	
alls City	9	Clark Shelly		
alls Cityolomon	10	Clark Shelly William C. Vaughan George E. Gibson		
overt	11	George E. Gibson	George E. Gibson	Victor P. Musselma
lebraska City	12	James W. Chadduck		Edwin R. Richardso
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eru	14	*John H. F. Scott		
remont	15			
ecumseh	17	Arthur C. Sullivan .	Charles M. Headrick	*Jacob S. Dew
incoln	19	John H. McClay	Henry H. Wilson	*Jacob S. Dew Irving L. Lyman
Vashington	21	Arthur C. Sullivan John H. McClay Edward C. Jackson *John H. Irion		
awnee	23	*John II. Irion		John II. Irion
aint Johns	25	*Gustav Andreen George E. Hawkins	Gustav Andreen	*Gustav Andreen *Henry N. Blake
seatrice	26	George E. Hawkins	*Henry N. Blake	*Henry N. Blake
ordan	27	William E. Krause.		
Iope	29	William E. Krause. James A. Titus *George W. Brandon		
lue River	30	*George W. Brandon	Alfred Hiller	*******************
ekaman	31	A		
latte Valley	32	Samuel Goozee	*Samuel Goozee	*Samuel Goozee
shlar	33	John D. Moore		*Christ'n Schlotfeld
cacia	34	Charles J. Phelps	Fred J. Joyce	William D. Fletche
airbury	35	*John Lauterbach		
one Tree	36	Wm. Y. R. Gawne		
rete	37	Horace M. Wells Joseph W. Dupin Newell R. Wilcox		A 71 T TYZZIIZ
liver	38	Joseph W. Dupin	37111111 37 3773	Albert J. Williams
apillion	39	Newell R. Wilcox	Newell R. Wilcox	
Jumboldt	4()	J. Lawrence Linn.	Francis McGiverin	
Northern Light.	41	John A. Ehrhardt Edwin M. Allen		
uniata	43	William J. Hanna.		Ponjamin II Dowles
lebron Iarvard	44	William Newton		Benjamin F. Berke
almyra	45	Robert O. Self		
Rob Morris	46	Theo. N. Hartzell		
alem	47	Joshua Vandervort		
airmont	48	Julius O. Chase		Alvah W. Loomis .
evening Star	49	o territo or onteso iiii		
lastings	50	Chas.C. Rittenhouse	Wm. S. McKinney	
idelity	51	Thornton B. Myers	*Daniel E. Coleman.	Wason W. Barker.
Iiram	52	William R. Turner	211 00000000000000000000000000000000000	THE STATE OF THE S
harity	53	Robert M Cochrane		
ancaster	54	Levi M. Hupert		*Charles M. Carter.
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ork	56	Levi M. Hupert Samuel W. Hayes Daniel N. Blood	*Nathan V. Harlan *Gaylord H. Thorp. Charles H. Sheldon	*William N. Knapp
fount Moriah	57	*George W. McKee	*Gaylord H. Thorp	
ebanon	58		Charles II. Sheldon	
Vahoo	59	*Abraham Cressman	*Benjamin F. Good .	*Melville W. Stone.
felrose	6()	Albert C. Robbins *Henry A. Turton		
histle	61	*Henry A. Turton	***************************************	
Keystone	62		Rufus M. Stark	
Riverton	63	Willis P. Fulton Joseph II. Grimm		
Blue Valley	64	Joseph II. Grimm		
Sceola	65	Levi L. Snider		
ivingstone	66	Jacob Groves	*Samuel W. Christy	W. Raymond Fulle
Edgar	67	*William R. Fuller *Eugene J. Hainer		
urora	68	*Eugene J. Hainer		
terling	70	*John W. Pratt	22.1.2.1.2.2.2	
rowel	71	Judson Graves	Charles L. Harris	*Julius E. Wilder .
Iooper	72		John Kreader	
riend	73	Edwin II 7	*James V. Beghtol	
Alexandria	74	Edwin H. Burnham		
rank Welch	75	Julius Neubauer		TYTE 112 77 77-1 7
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Nelson	77 78	Joseph VanValin Frederic II, Smith .	*Robt.Hollingsworth *Frederic H. Smith	Henry M. Banks

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Lodge.	No.	Master,	SENIOR WARDEN.	JUNIOR WARDEN.
Composite	81	Aurelius Roberts	James W. Combs	
Saint Paul	82		Bruce E. Jolls	
Corinthian	83	Cyrus E. Hunter		
Sairfield	84	William S. Randall	***************************************	
yre	85	36	Reese Pickering	
Ooniphan	86	Martin Ennis	Albert T Florale	2 tlbout I Planels
onic	87 88	*Albert L. Towle	Albert L. Towle Rufus W. Reynolds	*Albert L. Towle
Star	89	Bradn'rD.Slaughter	Wm, J. Mawhiney	James G. Cayton
Elk Creek	90	madii ib, siaugitei	will, o. Mawilley.	bames G. Caylon,
Dakland	91	*Ira Thomas	John G. Preston	Ira Thomas
Iubbell	92	Andrew F. Agnew	00111 011 1000011	Elmer W. McFarlan
Beaver City	98	*Nathaniel M. Ayers	John T. Sumney	
Bennett	94	Daniel H. Harris		
Harfield	95	Wm. D. Mathews Joseph Jones	Charles C. Millard . Charles H. Wray	
itica	96	Joseph Jones	Charles H. Wray	*James E. Hibbard *Minor F. Waite
Euclid	97	James Johnson	*Jos. M. Beardsley	*Minor F. Waite
Republican	98			
helton	99	*Jason R. George *Chas. A. Hammond	*Jason R. George *Chas. A. Hammond	*Jason R. George
reighton	100	*Chas. A. Hammond	*Chas. A. Hammond	*Chas. A. Hammond
Ponca Vaterloo		*George Johnson		
Ord	102	*Chas B Coffin	Charles B. Coffin	*James II. Ager
Vymore	104	Elias C. Wilcox		Bitilies II. 11ger
stella	105	*Chas. B. Coffin Elias C. Wilcox *John W. Shubert		John W. Shubert.
orter	106	*Joseph S. Pedler		
teele City				
Table Rock	108	*James A. Carlock		*James A. Carlock.
Arapahoe	109	Frank C. Condon Charles N. Folsom *Frank M. Suiter		
omegranate	110	Charles N. Folsom		
)eWitt	111	*Frank M. Suiter	*Harry Millie	*Harry Millie
Springfield	112	WINCELL T. D.		
lobe	113	*William L. Ramey .	Manule C. France	
Wisner Brainard	115	Andrew R. Graham John T. McKnight.		James W. Hull
Iarlan	116	John I. McKinght.	*John A. Randall	James W. Hull. Philetus P. Bentley
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Dorie	118		John Barton	
North Bend	119			
Wayne	120	Anson A. Welch		
Superior	121		*Wm. S. Bloom	
Jasper	122	Leonidas A. Scroggs		
Indianola	123	*George S. Bishop		
Auburn	124	Charles H. Willard.		,
Mount Nebo	125	***************************************	James M. Kennedy *Peter T. Buckley.	
Stromsburg	126	James D. Edwards. Lewis A. Kent	Peter T. Buckley	
Minden	127	Charles A. Nelson .		
Blue Hill	129			
Puscan				
Puscan Ark and Anchor.	131	John C. Sullivan		
Scribner	132			
Elm Creek	133	Daniel C. Bond		
Solar	134	*Inv I. Watrous	Isaac II. Castle	Jay L. Watrous
McCook	135	*Justin A. Wilcox W. L. Whittemore Liberty B. Shinn Edgar J. Pease		
long Pine	136	W. L. Whittemore		
Ipright	137	Liberty B. Shinn		44
Rawalt	139	Eugar J. Pease		Neal A. Pettygrove
Clay Centre	140		James C. Doane	
Western	141		James C. Donne	
Anchor				
Crescent	148	Wm. J. Outhwaite .		
Kenesaw		*Jeremiah H Cooley		
Bancroft	145	Thomas M. Senter		
Jachin				*Elias W. Beghtol
Siloam	147			
Emmet Crawford	148	Michael Conley	*Frank H. Young	
Jewel	149	Levi H. Mumau		
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Lodge.	No.	MASTER.	SENIOR WARDEN.	JUNIOR WARDEN.
Ogalalla	154 155 156 157 158 159 160 161 162	John J. Carmichael *Robert B. Way	Robert Tweed *John W. Hitchcock Robert B. Way  Walter C. Parker *Temple Reid	George W. Bearnes.

\* Proxy.

Your committee also reports the presence of Representatives near the Grand Lodge of Nebraska, from the following Grand Lodges:

GRAND LODGES.	REPRESENTATIVES.
Alabama	James W. Chadduck, 12.
Arkansas	
Connecticut	
Delaware	
England	
Florida	
Idaho	
	Bradner D. Slaughter, 89.
Iowa	CHARLES K. COUTANT, 11.
Michigan	
Mississippi	
New Brunswick	
North Carolina	
Ohio	
Pennsylvania	
Quebec	
Rhode Island	WILLIAM M. KNAPP, 56.
Utah	ROBERT E. FRENCH, 46.
Vermont	

The following committees (appointed by the Grand Master April 10, 5888,) were now announced, the vacancies therein being filled:

On Visiting Brethren — Bros.: John H. McClay, 19; Levi M. Hupert, 54; Daniel H. Harris, 94.

On Credentials—Bros.: John A. Ehrhardt, 41; Joshua Vandervort, 47; Thornton B. Myers, 51; James H. Dempster, 79; and William Newton, 44.

On Accounts — Bros. Elias C. Wilcox, 104; Lewis M. Rheem, 3; Charles C. Rittenhouse, 50; William Wilson, 158; and Willis P. Fulton, 63. [This committee met at 9 A.M. Tuesday, June 19.]

On Charters and Dispensations—Bros. Julius O. Chase, 48; Judson Graves, 71; Charles N. Folsom, 110; Charles H. Willard, 124; George E. Hawkins, 26.

On By-Laws of Chartered Lodges — Bros. : Frank H. Young, 148; William J. Hanna, 43; Martin Ennis, 86; and William S. Bloom.

On Ways and Means—Bros.: John B. Dinsmore, 49; John C. Sullivan, 131; George P. Rhea, 146; Joseph VanValin, 77; and Nathaniel M. Ayers, 93. [This committee met at 9 A.M. Tuesday, June 19.]

On Relief — Bros. William J. Outhwaite, 143; Daniel N. Blood, 56; Samuel Goozee, 32; Charles B. Coffin, 103; Joel G. McClave, 140.

On Grievances — Bros.: Charles J. Phelps, 34; William R. Fuller, 67; and Theodore N. Hartzell, 46.

On Unfinished Business—Bros.: Horace M. Wells, 37; William E. Krause, 27; William L. Ramey, 113; and James Patterson, 161.

On Pay Roll—Bros. Francis E. White, 6; James M. Kennedy, 125; Edward C. Jackson, 21; Robert M. Cochrane, 53; and Justin A. Wilcox, 135.

On Jurisprudence — M.·.W.·.Bro.·.Charles K. Coutant, with the Past Grand Masters present.

On Returns—Bros.: Eben K. Long, 11; Leonidas A. Scroggs, 122; Edward W. Robinson, 154; Everett Buckingham, 25; and Joseph S. Pedler, 106.

On Codification of the Law-Bros. William R. Bowen, 3; Francis E. White, 6; Frank H. Young, 148.

On Doings of Grand Office-Bearers — Bros. James A. Tulleys, 53; John D. Moore, 33; Edgar J. Pease, 138; and William Gereche, 55. [This committee met at 9 A.M. Wednesday, June 20.]

The Grand Lodge was now called to refreshment until eight o'clock this evening.

### FIRST DAY—EVENING SESSION.

WEDNESDAY, June 20, 5888.

The Grand Lodge resumed labor at eight o'clock this evening; M.: W.: Milton J. Hull, Grand Master, presiding.

Bro.: Tulleys, 53, presented the following report, which was adopted:

To the M.: W.: the Grand Lodge:

Your committee on the Doings of Grand Officers recommend reference as follows:

1. That so much of the Grand Master's address as relates to our fraternal dead be referred to a special committee of three.

- 2. That so much as relates to our relations with other Grand Lodges be referred to the committee on Foreign Correspondence.
- 3. That so much as relates to the changing of the name of Lodge No. 159 from "Adoniram" to "Ogalalla" be referred to the committee on Jurisprudence.
- 4. That the recommendation of the Grand Master with regard to the Grand Custodian be referred to a special committee of three.
- 5. That so much as relates to special dispensations be referred to the committee on Charters and Dispensations.
- 6. That the appointment by the Grand Master of representatives near other Grand Lodges be approved, and that his action in issuing commissions for the term of three years be referred to the committee on Foreign Correspondence.
- 7. That the action of the Grand Master in arresting the charter of Fortitude Lodge, No. 69, be approved.
- 8. That so much as relates to decisions be referred to the committee on Jurisprudence.
- 9. That the action of the Grand Master with regard to by-laws and seals of chartered lodges be approved.
- 10. That his recommendation with regard to change of our law on fire insurance be referred to the committee on Jurisprudence.
- 11. That the claim of the Masonic Temple Craft of Omaha be referred to the committee on Accounts.
- 12. That the matter of adjustment of the debt of Waco Lodge (extinct) be referred to the committee on Ways and Means.
- 13. That all matters of appeal and grievance be referred to the committee on Grievances.
- 14. That the matter of issuing demits to members of Fortitude Lodge, No. 69 (extinct), be referred to the committee on Jurisprudence.
- 15. That the reinstating of expelled brethren by Western Star Lodge, No. 2, be referred to the committee on Jurisprudence.
- 16. That the ruling of the Grand Master with regard to installation of lodge officers be approved.
- 17. That the recommendations of the Grand Master with regard to the number of Masons to petition for a dispensation creating new lodges, to District Deputy Grand Masters, etc., be referred to the committee on Jurisprudence.
- 18. That the recommendation of the Grand Master to strike the name and number of Fortitude Lodge, No. 69, from our roll of lodges be referred to the committee on Charters and Dispensations.

On the adoption of the foregoing report, the Grand Master appointed Bros.: Davidson, 17, Allen, 142, and Hiller, 30, as the special committee on our Fraternal Dead, and Bros.: Kent, 127, Neidhart, 4, and Allison, 159, as the special com-

mittee on the Grand Master's recommendation regarding the Grand Custodian.

Bro.:Wilcox, 104, chairman of the committee on Accounts, presented the following report and sub-report from that committee, which were adopted:

To the M. W. the Grand Lodge of Nebraska;

Your committee on Accounts most respectfully report that we have examined the books of the R. W. Grand Secretary, and compared the accounts with the receipts and disbursements from June 10, 1887, to June 10, 1888, and find the balance of Grand Lodge funds now on hand, as shown by said books, to be \$10,904.18 in the following funds, viz.:

General Fund\$10	,150.32
Relief Fund	740.87
Collection Fund	12.99

We will farther report that we have also examined the accounts of the R. W. Grand Treasurer, and find balance in his hands to the credit of the Grand Lodge of \$11,716.15. We further find that there are outstanding warrants drawn to the amount of \$811.97; that when the same are paid the accounts of the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer will agree.

The committee further report that the Grand Treasurer has deposited with the committee his check, duly certified, on the Merchants National Bank of Omaha, in favor of the Grand Lodge of Nebraska, A.:F.: and A.:M.: for the sum of \$6,716.15, also certificate of deposit of same bank for \$5,000.00, bearing 5 per cent. interest.

We find the interest that the Grand Treasurer has collected on Relief Fund, for the years 1887 and 1888, amounting to \$44.53, and also the collection of \$12.99, did not appear on the Grand Secretary's cash account until June 20, 1888, as it was only receipted for by the Grand Treasurer at this date.

Your committee on Accounts further find that the R. W. Grand Secretary has paid additional clerk hire, during the years 1887 and 1888, the sum of \$60.00 more than was appropriated at the last session of the Grand Lodge for that purpose, also the sum of \$5.00 additional for glass in Library. We would recommend that a warrant be drawn in favor of the Grand Secretary for \$65.00, to reimburse him for said amounts.

To the Grand Lodge of Nebraska:

Омана, April 23, 1888.

We, the Sub-Committee, appointed to examine the accounts of blank books and blanks of the Grand Secretary, have done so, and found them correct, and submit the following figures taken from that account:

Cost of stock on hand April 20, 1887  " received during the year ending April 20, 1888	
Total cost of stock on hand and received during the year  Cost of stock issued for 1887-8	44
Total amount \$565 92 Deduct cost of stock 539 44	

Profit on sales during the year \$26 48

We also report herewith the amount of books and blanks on hand April 20, 1887, the amount received and issued during the year 1887-8, and the amount on hand April 20, 1888:

Mr. Decord Declar on hand April 00 1000	
No. Record Books on hand April 20, 1887	7
" received	10 - 17
" " issued	14
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" on hand April 20, 1888	3
No. Ledgers on hand April 20, 1887	7
" " received	10 — 17
" issued	10
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on hand April 20, 1000	7
No. Compendiums on hand April 20, 1887	22 10
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" on hand April 20, 1888	12
No. Books of Demits received	13
issued	13
No. Books of Diplomas received	10
No. Books of Visitors' Registers on hand April 20, 1887.	
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We recommend to the Grand Lodge that each new lodge chartered be furnished and charged with books and blanks, as set forth in Section 105 and Article 13, on page 32 of the by-laws relating to lodges, and that they receive credit for the cost of same. And that in the future all book and blank accounts, with old and new chartered lodges, be kept as one account.

The following report from same committee was also adopted:

To the M.: W.: the Grand Lodge:

We, your committee on Accounts, have examined the account of the M. W. Grand Master for \$303.25, expenses incurred by him, which we find correct, and recommend payment of the same.

Also the account of Grand Custodian Lee P. Gillette, and find that there is a balance due him for services of \$38.60, which we recommend be paid.

The Grand Lodge was now called to refreshment until nine o'clock to-morrow morning.

### SECOND DAY - MORNING SESSION.

THURSDAY, June 21, 5888.

The Grand Lodge resumed its labors at nine o'clock this morning, under direction of M. W. Milton J. Hull, Grand Master.

Bro.: Moore, 33, presented the following report from the committee on Doings of Grand Officers, in which the Grand Lodge concurred:

To the M.: W.: the Grand Lodge of Nebraska:

Your committee on the Doings of Grand Office-Bearers submit the following recommendations:

That so much of the Grand Master's address as refers to the Grand Secretary's salary be referred to the committee on Ways and Means,

That so much of the Grand Secretary's report as relates to the Black Book be referred to the committee on Jurisprudence; and that so much of his report as refers to blanks and blank books be referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

That the report of the managing trustee of the Orphan Educational Fund be referred to the committee on Accounts.

Sundry documents were received, read and referred as follows:

To the committee on Relief, an appeal from Lodge Independencia, No. 166, Oporto, Portugal.

To the committee on Jurisprudence, queries, etc., from Lodges No. 33, 47, 49, 63, 99 and 134.

To the committee on By-laws from Chartered Lodges, amendments to the by-laws of Lodges No. 1, 60, 85, 124 and 140.

To the committee on Accounts, bills for fans, expressage, stationery and printing reports of Grand Lodge officers for this communication, and for janitor's services.

Bro.: Coutant, 11, presented a report from the commission on the Nebraska Masonic Home; Bro.: Hartman, 11, moved to amend same so as to read "fifty thousand dollars or so much thereof as in the judgment of the committee may be necessary;" the amendment was accepted by the commission, and its report was adopted, as follows; a long, interesting and instructive discussion was participated in by Bros.: Lininger, 3; Coutant, 11; Hastings, 19; Wheeler, 1; Slaughter, 89, and others:

To the M.:.W.:.the Grand Lodge of Nebraska:

At the last annual communication of the M. W. the Grand Lodge, proceedings of 1887, page 413, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That a commission of seven members of this Grand Lodge be appointed to ask for proposals for the location of a Masonic Orphans' Home and School and a Home for Indigent Masons and their families, to report the result of their labors to the Grand Lodge at its next session, with such recommendations as they deem proper regarding its location and the best manner for providing for its support and maintenance, and such other recommendations as, in their judgment, may seem for the best interests of Freemasonry.

Your commission named under said resolution would respectfully report as follows:

The following resolutions offered at such communication were referred to your Commission :

I. Preamble and resolution by Bro.: Persinger, 36, page 412, proceedings 1887, as follows:

Whereas, This Grand Lodge has heretofore wisely provided a fund for the education of Masons' orphan children:

AND WHEREAS, We believe the time has come for the establishment of such an institution; Therefore, be it

Resolved, That this Grand Lodge be instructed to appoint a commission of seven of its members, with full power and authority to act:

1. To ask for proposals in the way of donations, as an inducement for the location of a Masonic Orphan Home and School and of a Home for Aged, Infirm, and Indigent Masons.

- 2. To accept of such proposition as, in their judgment, will best subserve the interests of Freemasonry.
- 3. To make such location, and establish such institution or institutions, as, in their judgment, are needed, within ninety days from the rising of this Grand Lodge.
- 4. To report to the Grand Lodge, at its next session, its doings and findings.

And Resolved, further, That this Grand Lodge appropriate from its present Grand Lodge dues of fifty cents per capita, the sum of twenty cents per capita annually, to be applied to the support and maintenance of such institution or institutions as shall be located and established by this Commission.

And Resolved, further, That the sum of ten thousand dollars from the General Fund now in hands of our Treasurer be appropriated, to be disbursed by this Commission in the location and establishment of such institutions in addition to any bequests or donations that may be accepted by them.

Resolved, That the members of this commission shall be entitled to pay for actual and necessary expenses in the performance of their duties, but not receive any per diem.

II. Resolutions by Bro.: Slaughter, 89, page 418, proceedings 1887, as follows:

Resolved. That the sum of \$6,000 be appropriated from the Grand Lodge fund, and that the same be placed at interest, for the purpose of assisting in the establishment of an Orphans' Home whenever the same shall be decided upon.

Resolved, That the Grand Treasurer, by and with the advice and consent of the Grand Master and Grand Secretary, be, and they are hereby, authorized to loan said \$6,000.

These resolutions were subsequently considered, were amended, appropriating \$5,000, and adopted as amended, page 421, proceedings 1887.

III. Resolution by Bro.: Reese, 59, page 424, proceedings 1887, as follows: Resolved, That there is hereby constituted a board of three Trustees, whose duty it shall be to invest the Orphan Educational Fund in loans, with interest at not less than seven per cent., to be secured by first mortgages on farm lands in this state, the amount loaned, in no case, to exceed the sum of two thousand dollars in a single loan, nor to exceed one-third the appraised value of such property.

All applications for loans shall be made to such board, accompanied by a certified abstract of the title, showing the same to be perfect, stating the estimated value of the property offered as security, and the amount of money desired. Upon such application being made, the board shall cause the property to be appraised at its cash value, exclusive of improvements; such appraisal to be made under oath by three disinterested reputable citizens of the vicinity in which the land is located; said appraisers to be appointed by the board. Upon the receipt of such appraisal, the board may, if they deem the security good, loan to the applicant the amount of money authorized to be loaned thereon, upon the execution of the security according to law.

There is hereby created the office of custodian of said fund, whose duty it shall be to have the custody of the unloaned money on hand and the securities for the moneys loaned. He shall pay out the money loaned by the board upon their order, and cause the mortgage taken to be recorded before the money is paid out. He shall give bonds, annually, in the sum of thirty thousand dollars, or twice the amount of money likely to be in his hands, with sureties to be approved by the Grand Master and the Board of Trustees; and no money shall be paid into his hands until such bond is given and approved. He shall report to the Grand Lodge, at each annual meeting, the exact condition of such fund, showing the amount on hand, the amounts loaned, and the securities held—giving the numbers of the land mortgaged in each case, the amount of principal and interest paid during the year, and the amount of principal and interest due and unpaid.

The Board of Trustees shall be appointed by the Grand Master, and shall hold their offices for the term of three years, except the first appointees, who shall hold their terms for one, two, and three years, respectively; and each year, after the first, one member shall be appointed. They shall select one of their number as chairman and one as secretary; and they shall report to the Grand Lodge, annually, their doings, and give a detailed statement of the condition of the fund. They shall keep a record of their proceedings, and such record shall, at all times, be open to the inspection of the members of the Grand Lodge.

Your commission find that much misapprehension has existed among the brethren as to the exact nature of these funds, and the objects and purposes to which they could be applied.

The first and much the larger, known as the Orphan Educational Fund, organized in 18—, as its name indicates, is a fund that can be used for educational purposes only. So careful have been its founders, that it should not be directed from the purposes for which it was founded, that a provision almost constitutional in its nature has been adopted by the Grand Lodge with the approval of the subordinate lodges by which the fund or its income can be directed to no other than educational purposes.

Your commission clearly are of the opinion that the intention of the founders of this fund should be adhered to. That it and its proceeds, with such additions as from time to time may be made to it by donation or otherwise be invested in bond and mortgage, until the sum shall reach \$25,000, and that thereafter the income of the fund be used for its intended purpose. Your commission believe that the fund and the financial situation of the Grand Lodge do not at this time warrant any steps towards the establishment of a purely educational institution, to the support of which any part of this fund or its income should be applied. The commission are advised that at the present rate of increase, the fund will reach the \$25,000 limit in about seven years.

Your commission would therefore recommend that with reference to the preamble and resolutions offered by Bro.: Persinger, that no action be taken thereunder.

With reference to the resolutions offered by Bro. Reese for the appointment of trustees for the management of this fund, and of a custodian who shall have possession of the securities and uninvested moneys, your commission recognize fully the merits and wisdom of the various suggestions, but with the enhanced cost which must necessarily follow in the proposed changes, we hardly feel at liberty to recommend their adoption. As at present constituted, the fund is under the control of a board of three trustees, one of whom acts as custodian and gives a bond in the sum of \$30,000, or double the amount of the fund loaned, to be approved by the Grand Master. Proper consideration and care seems to be given to the nature and value of the security and the unquestioned character of the title to the lands offered. We would however recommend that no one loan be made in excess of the sum of \$2,000.

With reference to the resolutions offered by Bro. Slaughter and adopted by the Grand Lodge appropriating \$5,000 for the purpose of assisting in the establishment of an orphans' home whenever the same shall be decided upon, your commission are advised that the same has been invested and is now on deposit on interest in one of the banks in the city of Omaha. We believe the time has come when the Grand Lodge would be fully justified in taking the first steps towards the organization of a Masonic Home for the aid of those in need of masonic charity.

Your commissson would recommend that there be organized a corporation to be called the Nebraska Masonic Home, the object of which should be to extend aid and comfort to poor and distressed Masons and their families or their widows and orphans. Such a corporation to have an authorized capital of \$500,000, to be divided into 5,000 shares of \$100 each, but such corporation to be perfected only when the Grand Lodge, the subordinate lodges and individual Masons had subscribed for 500 shares of the capital stock, or so much thereof as in the judgment of the Commission be necessary. Each shareholder in the corporation in all its meetings to be entitled to one vote for each fully paid-up share of \$100 owned by such shareholder. Your Commission cannot here enter into full details of what might be found necessary and essential in perfecting the organization, and can indicate only in a general way the plan of organization, which would be that besides the grounds and buildings suitable for present needs which your Commission does not doubt, would be furnished by the locality in which it might be located, that in addition thereto the fund derived from subscriptions to the capital stock should be permanently invested, and its income alone used in support of the institution. In this general view your Commission would recommend the appointment of a committee of seven members to prepare a plan for an organization in the line herein indicated, to solicit subscriptions to the capital stock of the same, from the lodges and from Masons, to invite proposals from the different towns and cities in the state for the location of such institution, and that this Grand Lodge subscribe to such capital stock the sum of \$5,000, heretofore set apart to that purpose which shall be kept at interest, and when the necessary stock for organization shall have been

subscribed, that the stockholders be convened for the purpose of considering the different propositions for the location of the institution.

By the Commission,

CHAS. K. COUTANT, Chairman.

Elaborate reports from the committee on Grievances, presented by its chairman Bro. Phelps, 34, were received, and the accompanying resolutions adopted as follows:

Resolved, That the findings, verdict and decision of Arapahoe Lodge, No. 109, wherein Bro. Horace Miller, 109, was indefinitely suspended, be and the same hereby is set aside and reversed, and said Bro. Horace Miller, 109, hereby is fully restored to all his rights, privileges, and membership in said lodge.

Resolved, That the proceedings in the matter of the indefinite suspension of Bro. Israel M. Wolf, 39, by Crete Lodge, No. 37, be and the same are hereby set aside for informality; and that said cause be, and hereby is remanded to said lodge for further proceedings in accordance with Masonic law.

Resolved. That it is the sense of this Grand Lodge that Doniphan Lodge, No. 86, has not trespassed upon the rights of Ashlar Lodge, No. 33, and that Ashlar Lodge had no just ground for complaint.

Bro.: Coutant, 11, submitted the following report from the committee on Jurisprudence, which was adopted.

To the M.: W.: the Grand Lodge of Nebraska:

Your Committee on Jurisprudence beg leave to report as follows:

Bro. Charles F. Rollins, of Ashlar Lodge, No. 33, submits the following queries:

Query 1. "If charges are preferred against a brother who has been elected, but not installed, to the office of Master, shall the rest of the officers be installed on St. John's Day? If so, who shall appoint the appointive officers?"

Query 2. "If a brother is found guilty of unmasonic conduct who has been elected to the office of Master, and the penalty should be for reprimand, and after receiving the reprimand by the Master, would it be right to install him to the office? If not, what action should be taken?"

Query 3. "A brother has been elected to the office of Master, and then charges are preferred against him. Should he receive the Past Master's degree until he has been found not guilty of the charges?"

To the 1st query we answer: The remainder of the officers should be installed. All officers appointive hold over until the new Master is installed and names their successors.

To query 2d: If the Master elect be tried and reprimanded, and he has paid the penalty, he may be installed.

To the 3d query we answer: No; not while charges are pending.

Bro. William R. Morse, of our Solar Lodge, No. 184, asks as to the Masonic standing of Bro. Hiram M. Dexter, of that lodge. Bro. Dexter asked for, and, by vote of the lodge in regular communication, was granted a demit. No certificate was ever issued to him, and he has since acted with, voted and taken part in the proceedings of the lodge.

We answer: The question is fully answered in Decision 2 of Section 110 of the revised Law of Freemasonry in Nebraska. The voting the demit severed the brother's membership. He must petition for membership in the usual way, and be elected before he again becomes a member of the lodge.

To the queries on page 423 of the proceedings of 1887, we answer as follows:

"Is it necessary to install a re-elected officer-bearer in a chartered lodge?" Answer: No; not necessary; but yet advisable, and the better practice.

"Has a lodge the right to confer the degrees when there are only six members of the lodge present, and some visiting brethren?"

Answer: Yes; if eight Master Masons in all are present, one being the Master or Warden of the lodge.

With reference to the action of the M. W. the Grand Master in changing the name of our lodge, No. 159, we recommend that his action be approved.

In reference to his recommendation in regard to insurance, we recommend that Article 5, Section 101, of the Law of Freemasonry, be repealed.

With reference to the recommendation of the M. W. the Grand Master that the number of petitioners required for a dispensation for a new lodge be increased from eight to twenty; as the recommendation would involve a constitutional amendment, we recommend that it be not approved.

With reference to the recommendation of M. W. Grand Master to strike from the rolls of lodges the number and name of Fortitude Lodge, No. 69, we recommend that it be not approved.

With reference to the action of our Western Star Lodge, No. 2, in reinstating two expelled brethren; as the lodge seems to have acted in perfect good faith, your committee recommend that it be approved, but hereafter in cases of expulsion, we recommend strict compliance with the law in relation to restoration.

With reference to the decisions of the M. W. the Grand Master, we recommend that all of same, numbered from 1 to 16, inclusive, be approved.

# On motion of Bro.: White, 6, it was

Resolved, That secretaries of subordinate lodges be required to include in their annual returns to the Grand Secretary, under the seal of their respective lodges, the number of miles by the nearest and most practical route from the place in which the lodge is located, to the Grand Lodge. Any subordinate lodge failing to comply with the above, shall forfeit the mileage and per diem of their representatives.

Bro.: Hastings, 19, submitted the following report from the special committee on Forms and Ceremonies, (Bros.: Reese, 59, Coutant, 11, and Hastings, 19,) appointed at our last annual communication; Bro.: Dunham, 3, moved that the report be adopted, and that twenty-five hundred copies of the forms, etc., be printed. On motion of Bro.: Lininger, 3, the further consideration of this matter was made the special order of business for half-past two o'clock this afternoon.

To the M.: W.: the Grand Lodge of Nebraska:

Your special committee appointed at your last session on Forms and Ceremonies submit the following report, and recommend its adoption by this Grand Lodge for the funeral service. And we further recommend that the same be printed with the forms of ceremony for laying corner-stones, and of dedication of Masonic halls, and of installation service. And that at least three copies be given to each subordinate lodge, and be also placed on sale at cost. Fraternally,

CHAS. K. COUTANT, Special Committee. A. G. HASTINGS,

The Grand Lodge was now called from labor until two o'clock this afternoon.

# SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Wednesday, June 21, 5888.

The Grand Lodge was called from refreshment to labor at the appointed time; Grand Master Hull presiding.

Bro.:Lininger, 3, submitted the following report and subreports from the special committee appointed at our last annual communication (see page 410, proceedings of 5887), which were adopted:

To the M.: W.: the Grand Lodge of Nebraska:

Your special committee appointed one year ago to report to this Grand Lodge the proper word to be used at the congregations of brethren, beg leave to report that, having given the matter due consideration, going back over the records for one hundred and fifty years, or the earliest records accessible, we find that the word to be used is "meetings," as applied to subordinate lodges, and "communications" for Grand Lodges.

Respectfully submitted,

G. W. Lininger,
ROBT. W. Furnas,
Daniel H. Wheeler,
WM. R. Bowen,

GEO. W. LININGER, Esq., Omaha, Neb.:

 $M : M : and \ Dear \ Brother, — I \ am \ in \ receipt of \ your \ kind \ favor of the 11th inst., and in \ reply \ will say that I have looked into this matter somewhat, but not as deeply as I would have liked to have time to have done; but I find this, that wherever it speaks of us as the Ancient Order, it says that they hold their "meetings" thus and so. I find the word "communication" to be used only in later ages, hence I am inclined to the opinion that the word should be "meeting." There is very little authority upon this subject, and what gives it the most weight to my mind is that the ancient Mason used the word "meeting" as far as I have been able to find. Should this be of service to you, I shall be glad. Courteously and truly yours,$ 

J. J. WEMPLE, Past Grand Master.

OMAHA, NEBRASKA, June 11, 1888.

Hon, George W. Lininger, Chairman Special Committee, Omaha, Nebraska:

M.: M.: and Dear Brother,—Since your return from Europe a fortnight since I have examined the early records of American Grand Lodges, to learn whether "meeting" or "communication" was the word commonly used to describe the congregations of our lodges. I herewith submit the result of my necessarily hurried and incomplete examination, with the assurance that each quotation refers to a lodge of Freemasons.

Meeting vs. Communication.

ALABAMA: Constitution. Art. III, Sec. 5. "Each subordinate lodge of this jurisdiction shall make returns \* \* \* according to the following form: Return of the officers and members, etc., of —— Lodge, No. —, whose meetings are held \* \* \*." See proceedings Alabama, 1826.

CONNECTICUT: Record of the Ancient American Union Lodge, April 15, 1779; "It was voted that an emergent meeting be held to-morrow evening." See "The Early Records of Freemasonry in Connecticut," part I, page 28.

Record of Grand Lodge, October 18, 1804; "That Harmony Lodge, No. 42, \* \* \* be permitted to hold their meetings." Ibid, part I, page 170.

Record of Grand Lodge, May 12, 1824: "The time, place and object of the meeting," etc. Ibid, part II, page 355.

Record of Grand Lodge, May 15, 1828: "That the members of Putnam Lodge, at any regular meeting, have permission." Ibid, part III, page 424.

Iowa: Grand Lodge by-laws, 1844, "Every lodge \* \* \* \* shall deliver a transcript of their work, stating particularly the time of every meeting, and whether it be a regular or called meeting." "No lodge \* \* shall receive any petition \* \* except on the day of a regular monthly meeting \* \* \* next monthly meeting." Iowa proceedings, 1844.

ILLINOIS: "Resolved, That the Grand Lodge, all subordinate lodges \* \* \* next regular stated meeting of the lodge." Proceedings 1841, page 16.

"Resolved, That a lodge ought not to confer more than one degree on a candidate in a shorter time than from one regular meeting to another." Ibid, 1842.

Ohio: "Appear and answer at the next meeting." "The trial was postponed until the next regular meeting." "Next succeeding regular meeting." "List of subordinate lodges, the times and places of their meetings." Ohio proceedings, 1819, pages 102, 103 and 108.

"That all applications for initiation or for membership \* \* shall lay over at least from one regular meeting to another." Ibid, 1820, page 120.

"That Eastern Star Lodge, No. 55, be authorized to hold it regular meetings."

"That Charity Lodge, No. 53, be authorized to hold meetings at Zoar." Ibid, 1825, pages 155 and 157.

"That the members of Golden Rule Lodge, No. 31, be authorized to hold their meetings." "Proceedings of said lodge at a meeting held." Ibid, 1827, pages 177 and 181.

"Petitions shall be presented only at regular meetings, and shall lie over until the next regular meeting." Ibid, 1826, page 206.

"Resolved, That such moneys so arise from such extra meetings." "The officers shall be chosen \* \* at the meetings." "It shall be the duty of the Worshipful Master at every meeting." Records of Amity Lodge, No. 5, Zanesville, Ohio, Sept. 26, 1806. "Every member shall pay \*\* at each stated meeting." Ibid, Aug. 10, 1810. "Suspended until the next stated meeting." Ibid, June 22, 1821.

Minnesota: "At a meeting of Ancient Landmark Lodge, No. 5," 1854; "at a stated meeting or at a meeting to be appointed," "previous to such meeting," "stated communication," "at a special meeting," "at the next stated meeting," 1856.

New Jersey: "Every lodge shall have the privilege of appointing the time and place of their meeting," Convention, 1786; "the next meeting of this lodge;" "report at the next meeting," "the usual times and places of meeting," 1788; "the meeting next preceding the feast of Saint John," 1790; "at the meeting of said lodge;" "the proceedings of Harmony Lodge at a meeting held the 14th of April, 5794;" "the proceedings of said lodge at that meeting:" "at some future stated meeting, 1794; "Mount Moriah Lodge, No. 27, called a special meeting," 1812; "the brethren of said lodge \*\* were authorized to hold their meetings," 1827; that Basking Ridge Lodge, No. 56, have liberty to remove the place of holding their meetings," 1830; "the regular and extra meetings of Saint John's Lodge, No. 1;" "the regular meeting of said lodge," 1844; "on the evening of the meeting next subsequent to the election in said lodge," 1846; "at the regular meeting hold January 28," "an extra meeting was held April 19," "a regular meeting of the lodge was held June 23, 5882," "at a regular meeting of the lodge," "Sept. 15, 1852, an extra meeting was held," "at the regular meeting June 19," "Aug. 25, 1852, at a regular meeting," "at the regular communication of Sept. 22, 1852," "at that meeting the dues of every member of the lodge," 1855.

New York: Early History and proceedings, page 181, "who will regularly attend \* \* their meetings," 1796; page 264, "the place of meetings," 1799; page 315, "at a meeting of — Lodge," 1802; page 493, "a regular meeting of Lodge, No.—," 1811; page 532, "to hold their regular meetings," "a sufficient number to renew their meetings," 1813; page 583, "having for some years suspended their meetings," 1816; page 584, "in lodge

rooms at the meeting of lodges," 1816.

VIRGINIA: Proceedings; page 29, "times of your meetings," 1786; page 52, "the days appointed for your stated meetings," 1790; page 153, "I find their meetings thin," "their meetings below a majority," "their meetings upon an average," 1796; page 186, "the stated meetings," 1798; page 194, "the time of their particular stated meetings," 1798; page 260, "one month previous to the meeting," 1801; page 301, "at a meeting of the lodge," 1803; page 303, "until the next regular meeting of the lodge," "at the said regular meeting of the lodge," 1803; page 325, "at the next stated meeting, or at a meeting specially called by the Master," 1804; page 350, "regular meetings," page 351, "at a stated meeting," 1806: page 412, "where said lodge holds its meetings," 1810; page 503, "at a subsequent meeting of the lodge," 1816.

The conclusion reached is that the old word was "meeting" ninety-nine times out of every hundred. It is remarked, however, that in the early days of American Freemasonry, our brethren "held lodges" instead of "held meetings." They would "hold a lodge," and record same as the proceedings of "a lodge held."

So much for the custom of American Freemasons before other secret societies existed in the United States; and the same reason exists for clinging to the word "meeting," as to the words "cowan," "eaves-dropper," "oblong-square," "hale," etc. A further reason is that "meeting" is short, simple, Saxon, while "communication" is long, lumbering, Latin. The first truly describes our congregations, the latter does not, either in its strict, original, or present meaning; and it is hoped that no thought exists among us to lift ourselves by our bootstraps—to convey a big idea by using a big word—for such attempt would be as vain as if we were to throw aside our white gloves and aprons for the gay trappings of the many secret societies of the present decade. Our only hope is to continue to be distinguished by simplicity, and to excel in that direction; and as in our work, the word is "give it," rather than "communicate it;" so, on the several grounds of old-time usage, true meaning, and simplicity, I think "meeting" is to be preferred to "communication."

Fraternally and truly yours, WM. R. BOWEN, Past Master, 3.

To the committee on Ways and Means was referred the following report presented by Bro.: Moore, 33:

\$79.74

### To the M.: W.: the Grand Lodge of Nebraska:

Your committee on Doings of Grand Office-Bearers recommend that so much of the Grand Master's address as refers to the appropriating of four hundred dollars per year for the use and benefit of the Grand Master be referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

Bro.: Dinsmore, 49, made report from the committee on Ways and Means as follows, which report was adopted:

## To the M.: W.: the Grand Lodge of Nebraska:

We, your committee on Ways and Means, would respectfully recommend that the following sums (or so much thereof as may be required) be appropriated and paid out upon the advice and consent of the Grand Master, for the following purposes, viz.

Grand Secretary's office expenses for the years 1888 and 1889, as follows:
Postage
Janitor 60
Gas 15
Coal
Stationery 60
Blanks, blank books, letter heads, &c
Odds and ends
Total\$775
Grand Secretary's clerk hire
Reprint of Grand Lodge proceedings
Binding and purchase of books for Library 100
Blank reports committee on Credentials
Trimmings and fittings for mantel for Grand Secretary's office 65
Rent for Grand Secretary's office 200
We further recommend that there be appropriated for the per diem and
mileage of the committee having in charge the compilation and codification
of our law as follows:
F. E. White for 8 days at \$3.00 per day\$24.00
150 miles travel at 3 cents per mile 4.50
F. H. Young for 12 days at \$3.00 per day
508 miles travel at 3 cents per mile

We your committee to whom was referred that part of the Grand Master's address relating to the financial affairs of the late Waco Lodge, No 80, have had the same under consideration, and would recommend that the property of said lodge now in the hands of this Grand Lodge be advertised and sold, and the proceeds applied to the payment of the debts of said lodge after the same shall have been approved for payment by the Grand Master.

We your committee would recommend that the Grand Secretary be instructed to add to the supplies kept on hand by him for sale to the subordinate lodges the following articles, viz.:

White cubes and black balls for the ballot, white leather aprons and Webb monitors.

We would also recommend that said aprons and monitors be sold to the members of the Craft at cost as well as to the subordinate lodges.

Bro. Rittenhouse, 50, presented the following report from the committee on Accounts, which was adopted:

To the M.: W.: the Grand Lodge of Nebraska:

Your committee on Accounts have examined the report of the trustees of the Orphan Educational Fund, have compared same with securities on loans, and find the report and securities to agree.

Your committee have examined the following bills, find them correct, and recommend their payment;

 J. & D. Newman, one gross fans.
 \$ 3.60

 Jacob King, freight and expressage on Grand Lodge books and papers
 2.85

 State Journal Company, stationery for this session.
 27.72

 H. A. Guild, printing reports of Grand officers for this session.
 45.50

We further find that the claim of the Masonic Temple Craft of Omaha, for fifty-nine dollars, for labor in connection with fire-proof vault, was for the use and benefit of this Grand Lodge, and therefore recommend payment of the same.

Bro.:Kent, 127, submitted the following report from the special committee of which he was chairman, which report was concurred in by the Grand Lodge:

To the M.: W.: the Grand Lodge of Nebraska:

Your committee to whom was referred the recommendation of our Most Worshipful Grand Master regarding Right Worshipful Bro.: L. P. Gillette, Grand Custodian, submit the following report:

First: Believing, as we do, that to establish a uniformity of work throughout the jurisdiction of Nebraska so as to enable all subordinate lodges to work and teach the work adopted by this Grand Lodge in a creditable and uniform manner, it is absolutely necessary that a custodian visit the several lodges at their respective lodge rooms, and instruct the brethren in their work, the plan heretofore pursued having proved an ignominious failure.

Second: We recommend that the custodian be secured at a salary of \$1,200 for the ensuing year, payable quarterly, by this Grand Lodge.

Third: That all necessary traveling and hotel expenses be paid by the subordinate lodges by him visited.

Fourth: That said custodian devote his time to this work under the direction of the Grand Master.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

L. A. Kent, W. S. Allison, Chas. Neidhart, On inquiry of Bro. White, 6, chairman of the committee on Pay-roll, that committee was instructed to make up the pay-roll for a period of three days.

The hour for consideration of the report this morning presented by the special committee on Forms and Ceremonies having arrived, Bro.: Slaughter, 89, moved:

That the report of the special committee on ritual for burial services, corner stone and dedication ceremonies, be referred to a committee consisting of the Past Grand Masters, to report at the next annual communication of this Grand Lodge.

A motion to lay the whole matter on the table was not entertained; Bro.: Hartman, 11, moved, and it was agreed, that Bros.: Slaughter, 89, White, 6, and Lininger, 3, be added to the present committee (Bros.: Reese, 59, Coutant, 11, and Hastings, 19), and that the whole matter be referred back to this committee for a year, to report at our next annual communication.

Bro.: White, 6, offered the following amendment to the bylaws of the Grand Lodge, which being duly seconded, was laid laid over for consideration at the next annual communication:

Amend Section 6, paragraph 1 (page 21, edition of 5887), by striking out the words "the Master or his proxy," and insert "the Master, Senior or Junior Warden, according to rank;" also insert after the word "attendance," the words, "provided, that in case the lodge is not represented by any of the first three officers, the proxy issued by the highest ranking officer shall be entitled to the mileage and per diem."

Bro.: Coutant, 11, made report as follows from the committee on Jurisprudence, which report was adopted:

To the M.:. W.:. the Grand Lodge of Nebraska:

Your committee on Jurisprudence have considered the following query of our Salem Lodge, No. 47.

"A Brother Master Mason having been indefinitely suspended for nonpayment of dues, should he be required to pay dues for the whole time during suspension before being reinstated, or for amount due when suspended?"

Ans. He should be required to pay only the amount due when suspended. "No Lodge or Grand Lodge dues shall accrue against a Mason during the term of his suspension." Art. 6, Sec. 307, Law of Freemasonry in Nebraska.

Your committee on Jurisprudence would further report on the additional queries referred to them.

The Master and Senior Warden, Riverton Lodge, No. 63, submit the following:

At a regular communication the Master and Senior Warden were absent. The Junior Warden was present. The lodge was opened by a Past Master, and the degree of Entered Apprentice was conferred. The Junior Warden was not consulted.

"Query: Was the candidate legally initiated, if not, what is his remedy?" Ans. The candidate was legally initiated.

Bro. . John B. Dinsmore, 49, submits the following:

"One J. petitioned a lodge within the Grand Jurisdiction of Kansas, for the degrees in Masonry, was elected, and had conferred upon him the Entered Apprentice and Fellow Craft degrees; he then removed to this Grand Jurisdiction. Afterwards the lodge surrendered its charter to the Grand Lodge of Kansas.

"Application was made to a lodge in this jurisdiction to confer on him the Master Mason degree. Permission having been granted by the Grand Lodge of Kansas, said party was duly raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason.

"Query: Of what lodge is the brother a member?"

Ans. Of the lodge which conferred the degree.

As to so much of the R.: W.: Grand Secretary's report as relates to the black book, your committee recommend that where candidates have been rejected, and their names have been entered in the black book, and such candidates have subsequently repetitioned, been elected, and received the degrees, that their names be erased from the black book.

Your committee on Jurisprudence, to whom was referred the following communication from Shelton Lodge, No. 99, relative to the election of their officers for ensuing Masonic year, recommend that this Grand Lodge approve the election of officers by said lodge at their May regular meeting.

To the M.: W.: the Grand Lodge of Nebraska:

Whereas the by-laws of Shelton Lodge, No. 99, are such that they call for the election of officers at the regular meeting in June, and as that date conflicted with instructions of Grand Lodge, the present year the election was held at the regular meeting in May, and as a dispensation was not asked for we ask that the election be legalized by this body, also ask permission to change our by-laws.

Bro.: Chase, 48, submitted a full and detailed report from the committee on Charters and Dispensations, which report was adopted; the general report was as follows:

To the M.: W.: the Grand Lodge of Nebraska:

We, your committee on Charters and Dispensations, report as follows:

We have examined the records, papers and by-laws transmitted to us by the Grand Secretary of the various lodges working under dispensation within this Grand Jurisdiction, and after careful consideration we recommend that a charter be granted to each of the following lodges heretofore working under dispensation, and that their by-laws as corrected be approved, viz.: Atkinson Lodge, No. —, Barneston Lodge, No. —, Mystic Tie Lodge, No. —, formerly Burnett Lodge, U.'.D.'.; Elwood Lodge, No. —, Curtis Lodge, No. —, Amity Lodge, No. —, Mason City Lodge, No. —, Merna Lodge, No. —, Grafton Lodge, No. —, Robert Burns Lodge, No. —, Culbertson Lodge, No. —, Temple Lodge, No. —, Gladstone Lodge, No. —, and Hay Springs Lodge, No. —, and that the following lodges be continued under dispensation, viz.: Trenton, Bromfield and Shickley.

Elwood Lodge is to provide by-laws for approval.

The recommendation in regard to Trenton Lodge is made because of the irregularity of its proceedings and the careless manner in which the records have been kept.

Your committee further recommend that no charter be granted Battle Creek Lodge, U. D. and that its dispensation be not continued. This recommendation is made for the reason that after nearly two years of work under dispensation they have only eleven members; they were continued under dispensation last year "for irregularity of proceedings, and the slovenly manner in which their records were kept," and your committee see no material improvement in proceedings or records; and we believe them to be too weak to successfully sustain a Masonic lodge.

On motion of Bro. Turton, 61, the Grand Secretary was instructed to return to those named in the dispensation creating Battle Creek Lodge the demits filed by them, and to issue Grand Lodge certificates to those entered, passed and raised in said lodge.

Bro.:William J. Outhwaite, 143, chairman of the committee on Relief, submitted the following report, which was agreed to:

To the M.: W: the Grand Lodge of Nebraska:

We, your committee on Relief, respectfully recommend that the sum of ten dollars be allowed by this Grand Lodge for the relief of the Oporto, Portugal, orphans adopted by Independencia Lodge, No. 166.

On motion, the report of the committee on Returns, submitted in print at the opening of the Grand Lodge by its chairman, Bro.: Long, 11, was adopted.

Bro.: Long, 11, made report as follows, in which the Grand Lodge concurred:

To the M.: W.: the Grand Lodge of Nebraska:

Your committee on Returns, upon examination of the record of work under dispensation of Pythagoras Lodge, U. D.:, for 5886, reported four (4) Apprentices as entered during the year.

This copy of the report was lost, or mislaid, and in the following year the

report contained the names of eight (8) Apprentices.

It is apparent that this lodge was charged for twelve (12) Apprentices

when they should have been charged for eight (8) only.

Your committee recommend that upon verification of the statement made above, the M.: W.: Grand Master be authorized to draw a warrant in favor of Pythagoras Lodge, No. 156, for the difference claimed of twenty (\$20) dollars.

The following letter from Past Grand Master Cain was received, read and ordered filed:

STELLA, NEB., June 20, 1888.

WM. R. BOWEN, Esq., Grand Secretary, Lincoln, Neb.

Dear Sir and Brother:—I regret very much that circumstances, over which I have so far failed to exercise any control, will prevent my attendance at the present session of the Grand Lodge. Hoping that the meeting may be a pleasant and profitable one, I am,

Fraternally and truly yours,

J. R. CAIN.

The following amendments to the law of the Grand Lodge were presented, which was laid over for action at the next annual communication of the Grand Lodge.

By Bro.: Young, 148:

Amend Article XII, paragraph 2, of the constitution of the Grand Lodge as follows: change the words "eight or more Master Masons" to "twenty or more resident Master Masons."

Amend Section 105, paragraph 3, of the Grand Lodge by-laws to read, "A new lodge may not be organized within ten miles of another lodge except in cities of over ten thousand inhabitants."

Amend Section 200, paragraph 9, of the Grand Lodge by-laws to read as follows: "A motion or resolution cannot be laid upon the table as is common in parliamentary usage."

By Bro.: Slaughter, 89:

Amend the by-laws of this Grand Lodge by striking out paragraph 5 of Section 101, requiring each chartered lodge to carry fire insurance.

By Bro.: Coutant, 11:

Amend paragraph 4, Section 1, of the Grand Lodge by-laws to read: "The committees on Credentials, Accounts, Charters and Dispensations,

By-Laws of Chartered Lodges, Ways and Means, Grievances, Jurisprudence, and Doings of Grand Officers shall be convened one day in advance of the annual communication of the Grand Lodge, and any of the standing committees may, in the discretion of the Grand Master, be convened one or more days in advance of the annual communication. The committees shall receive mileage and per diem as in Grand Lodge."

Amend Section 1 of the Grand Lodge by-laws by adding as paragraph 20: "All queries and all inquiries as to Masonic law, on which the decision of the Grand Lodge may be desired, shall be filed with the R.W.Grand Secretary at least one day previous to its annual communication."

Bro.: Dinsmore, 49, chairman of the committee on Ways and Means, made the following report, which was adopted:

To the M.: W .: the Grand Lodge:

We, your committee on Ways and Means, to whom was referred so much of the Grand Master's address as refers to the compensation of the Grand Master, have had the same under consideration, and would recommend that there be appropriated the sum of four hundred (\$400) dollars for clerk hire, etc., in addition to expenses now allowed.

We, your committee, would further recommend that the Grand Secretary be instructed to continue the sale of compendiums, diplomas and demits to chartered lodges for the year 1888-89 at half cost.

The same committee made report recommending an appropriation of five hundred dollars to meet the Grand Master's recommendation as to an increase of the Grand Secretary's salary, and the recommendation was adopted; whereupon

Bro. Moore, 33, moved the adoption of the proposed amendment to the Grand Lodge by-laws, recorded on page 421 of 1887 proceedings, increasing the Grand Secretary's annual salary to fifteen hundred dollars, which amendment was adopted without dissenting vote; and

Bro.: Lininger, 3, moved a reconsideration of the vote adopting the last recorded recommendation of the committee on Ways and Means; his motion prevailed, and the report of the committee was withdrawn.

Bro. Wells, 37, made report from the committee on Unfinished Business, recommending the adoption of the proposed amendment to the Grand Lodge by-laws, recorded on page 420 of our 1887 proceedings, changing the time of the annual

communication of the Grand Lodge from June to November. Bro.: Wheeler, 1, moved to indefinitely postpone consideration of the matter, which was not agreed to. A motion to adopt the amendment was lost.

Bro.: Wells, 37, for the same committee, invited attention to the proposed amendment, recorded on page 422 of our 1887 proceedings, changing our plan of rebate-credits earned by prompt rendition of annual lodge returns. Bro.: Wheeler, 1, moved that the amendment be adopted, which motion did not prevail, and the amendment was lost.

Bro.: Phelps, 34, submitted from the committee on Grievances a report, with recommendation that the Grand Lodge adopt the following resolution:

Resolved, That the decision of Cambridge Lodge, No. 150, in the matter of the indefinite suspension of Bro.: Francis M. Rathbun, 150, be, and the same hereby is, affirmed.

Bro.:.Fuller, 67, from the same committee, made a minority report in the same case, dissenting from the opinion of the majority of said committee.

Bro.: Fulton, 63, moved that the majority report be adopted. Bro.: Condon, 109, moved, as a substitute, that the action of Cambridge Lodge be overruled, and Bro.: Rathbun, 150, be restored to good standing. Bro.: Dunham, 3, moved, as a further substitute, that the sentence be changed to suspension for one year from June 21, 5888, and, on motion of Bro.: France, 56, it was determined that the action of Cambridge Lodge be sustained, and that the sentence be modified to suspension for one year from this date.

The Grand Lodge was now called from labor until half-past eight o'clock this evening.

## SECOND DAY — EVENING SESSION.

THURSDAY, June 21, 5888.

The Grand Lodge was called from refreshment to labor at the appointed hour, M.:W.:Milton J. Hull in the East.

On motion of Bro.: Young, 148, it was

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary be instructed to have printed five hundred Past Masters' certificates.

Bro.: Young, 148, offered the following amendment to Section 102, paragraph 5, of the Grand Lodge by-laws, (page 27, edition of 5887); unanimous consent being given to its immediate consideration, the amendment was adopted.

Amend section 102, paragraph 5, by inserting after the words "Grand Lodge," the words "or Grand Master."

A communication was received from the Masters and Wardens of Lincoln Lodge, No. 19, and Lancaster Lodge, No. 54, inviting the Grand Lodge to hold its next annual communication in their temple at Lincoln. Bro.: Dunham, 3, moved that the invitation be accepted, which motion was lost. Bro.: Lininger, 3, supported by Bros.: Rheem, 3, Wheeler, 1, and Andreen, 25, invited the Grand Lodge to hold its annual communication in Freemasons Hall, Omaha, which invitation was accepted.

Bro.: Ehrhardt, 41, Grand Orator, now delivered the following oration, for which thanks were returned, and a copy requested for publication with these proceedings.

M. W. Grand Master and Brethren of the Grand Lodge of Nebraska: In these times of searching and delving among the archives of Masonry and the musty records of the past, in clearing away the rubbish that obstructs our view, and in our plodding endeavors to gather further light as to the origin of Masonry, and after demonstrating its antiquity, and writing its history, describing its symbolisms, acknowledging its wisdom, strength and beauty, would it not be well to turn our attention for a moment from the scenes of the past, and learn a lesson of the present, and solve if we can the problem of our present Masonic life?

We all revere Masonry for the greatness of things done in the past, knowing as we do the glorious works accomplished for man and humanity through all ages, knowing that in our own life, Masonry has helped and cheered us through many trials, and sheltered us from many storms, given us hope and courage in times of despondency, carried us safely over many a sea of trouble, and after being tossed about on the raging billows that beset us on every hand, it landed us safely in many a peaceful harbor.

But what of the present? In what way can we qualify ourselves as Masons so to live and act that when we have passed away it can be said of us "they served their day and generation," and not only that, but that we used the talent God endowed us with, and were duly and truly prepared, worthy and well qualified to perform in an acceptable manner the varied duties of life?

We will not endeavor in the brief time allotted us to cover the extensive field of Masonic duties or Masonic obligations, but will simply call your attention to what we deem absolutely essential to a solution of this problem.

It is found in the cultivation of the four cardinal virtues: temperance, fortitude, prudence and justice.

Temperance. In speaking of the cultivation of this Masonic virtue we desire to get away from the narrow, contracted definition that in these degenerate days seems to circumscribe and belittle this virtue. We make of it a hobby upon which we mount and imagine ourselves a full troop of cavalry. We endeavor to ride rough shod over every other virtue; and when we think we have vanquished our imaginary foe, and our conflict with the windmill is ended, we dismount from our charger to view the results of the battle, we behold the scene just as it was before the conflict, and our banner is still trailing in the dust.

Temperance, as taught by Masonry, is not simply abstinence from strong drink, but temperance in thought, words and actions. By temperance we not only circumscribe our desire for intoxicants, or abstain from putting the bottle to our brother's lips and making him drunken also, but we are taught to be temperate in words, to govern our tongue, and instead of going in the highways and byways and mounting upon the housetops and proclaiming our brother's shortcomings, we go to him and whisper good counsel in his ear, and in the most tender manner remind him of his fault and endeavor to aid his reformation. Words passionately or intemperately spoken may do us as well as our brother more injury, may cause more grief and sorrow, and bring more reproach upon Masonry than beastly intoxication.

How intemperate it seems, "nay, not seems but is," for a brother who, after passing the threshhold of our lodge, professing his trust in God, attaining the sublime degree of Masonry, who has bowed at the sacred name of deity and been taught to adore his great creator, when out of the lodge room and in contact with the profane "out-Herods Herod" in taking God's name in vain, and with the next breath declaring that Masonry is a good enough religion for him, showing conclusively that he has a very faint conception of the religion of Masonry, even if Masonry was or ever had claimed to be a religious institution, but admitting that Masonry is a religious institution or rather that there is a religion in Masonry.

What is it? It must from the very nature of things be founded upon "the rule and guide to our faith," and that great light sums up the whole duty of man to be "to love God and keep his commands." Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain, is one of the commandments that should be indelibly written upon the heart of every Mason, so that we would mention his name only with the reverence that is due from a creature to his creator. A cultivation of this virtue will aid us materially to keep a tongue of good report, and to maintain secrecy, and the trials and troubles, the divisions and dissensions that come upon us in our Masonic lives by reason of the intemperate use of the tongue, will find no admission into our Fraternity, and they will be to us as a dream of the past, and when we have become temperate in thought and word, the necessary sequence will follow that we will be temperate in action, and the question of how much or how little a Mason can drink and be temperate will solve itself, and we will find in any event that it is a passion subdued and slain, and it was this thought that brought out the expression that "God must touch our hearts, and our consciences must amend of themselves by the force of our reason and not by the decay of our appetites." And in whatever way we view the subject, let us not forget the temptation of our brethren, and not measure their acts by our temptation, or rather by our freedom from temptation.

And let us endeavor to cultivate the virtue of temperance in thought, word and action, and thereby rising and walking on a higher plane of Masonic life and attaining a nobler stature of Masonic manhood.

Fortitude is not the opposite of cowardice for, if it was simply physical courage, then woe be to us who have not the physical constitution to display a remarkable amount of physical courage, and were we to look at it simply in this light, we make of it an animal rather than a human quality.

Fortitude, as taught by Masonry, is found in the weak physically as well as the strong, and is that trait of character that enables us to bear the trials and sufferings of life, both mental and physical, without complaint and without reproach.

Sixty years ago, when all the powers of both church and state were marshalled in solid phalanx, making a bitter, determined and unjust war on our beloved Order, the members of the craft displayed the beauties of true Masonic fortitude. When assailed on every hand by unjust and untruthful accusations and confronted by bitter and determined persecution, they maintained their dignified silence, and rather than recede from a solitary Masonic principle they rested their feet upon the eternal truths taught by Masonry, and with Masonic fortitude waited for the future ages to find out the inconsistency and bigotry of Masonic opposition.

Even at the present day it requires more than courage, yea, it requires fortitude, when out in the world, and we hear Masonry assailed or held up in comparison with some new or cheaper institution, to remain silent, for fortitude is not found in action but in repose.

It requires courage for a soldier to go into battle, but it requires fortitude for him to be present on the field of carnage and remain inactive. The most trying position in which a body of soldiers can be placed is not upon the skirmish line, or in the advancing column, but on the reserve, to cover the retreat, knowing as they do, that if the fates of the day shall determine the results of the battle against them, they must stand with fortitude and offer themselves a sacrifice for the safety of their comrades.

Emerson says that his hero "is the man who, taking both reputation and life in his hand, will with urbanity dare the gibbet and the mob by the absolute truth of his speech and the rectitude of his behavior." Courage becomes fortitude when the will is surrendered, and the more absolute the surrender of our will the more perfectly will be displayed in our lives and conduct the beauties of this the second Masonic virtue.

Prudence aids us to choose between good and evil, and were it not that we are susceptible to the baneful influences that surround on every hand, it might not be so important to cultivate this Masonic virtue. We meet the temptations of life, and we stumble and fall into temptation. We take a step in the dark, and after groping our way, and finally come into the light, we look upon the result of our journey, and then, for the first time, determine whether we have done right or wrong. Viewing our fall we find that our pride has often diverted us from the common path, and makes us embrace novelties and "rather choose (without prudentially considering the result) to be the head of a troop lost and wandering in the paths of error, than to be a disciple in the school of truth, suffering ourselves to be led and guided by the hand of another in the right and beaten road."

Were we to give this much neglected Masonic virtue the time and thought that its importance demands, and profit by its teachings, it would shield us from many storms, and relieve us from many regrets, and at the end of our daily journey we could look back upon our pathway and our labors of the day with satisfaction, and the sun of approval would rise to shine upon our works.

We spend the first half of our man's estate by holding our bodies in subjection by our intellect, for all the powers of a young man's mind are called into requisition in his early manhood to keep himself within due bounds with all mankind, but in after years, the rule is reversed and it is the body that becomes the tutor of the mind and guides it to reformation, and governs it more rudely and imperiously than the mind ever governs the body.

So that whether we are just beginning the active duties of life or standing beneath the sun at its meridian hight and beholding the glory and beauty of the day, or have reached the third step delineated upon our carpet, it is necessary that we cultivate this virtue of prudence so as to guard our minds and bodies from the vices of life and avoiding the temptations we daily meet, and keeping continually employed with life's duties and obligations.

"I see a youth whom God has crowned with power and cursed with poverty, With bravest heart he struggles with his lot through toilsome years, Kept to his daily task by daily want of bread, And kept to virtue by his daily task. He stands at last a master of himself, And in that grace a master of his kind."

Justice, that standard or boundary of right which enables us to render to every man his just due without distinction.

While this virtue is the very cement and support of civil society, it is of like necessity one of the supports of our institution. To be just to ourselves, our brothren and our Order should be our constant study.

In the ages past how much crime was committed, how many rights trampled upon, how many injuries inflicted in the name of justice! but in the years of civilization and christianity the virtue of justice has become the shield of all true men and women.

"O! dreadful justice!
What a fright and terror
Wast thou of old.

When sin and error did show and shape thy looks to me, And through their glass discolor thee,

He that did but look up was proud and bold.

"The scale of thy balance seemed to gape, Like two great pits.

The beam and scape

Did like some tottering engine show.

Thy hand above did burn and glow, Daunting the stoutest hearts, the proudest wits.

"But now that Christ's pure veil presents the sight,
I see no fear.

Thy hand is white,

Thy scale like buckets which attend And interchangeably descend, Lifting to heaven this well of tears,

"For where before thou still didst eall on me, Now I still touch

And harp on thee.

God's promises had made thee mine; Why should I justice now decline? Against me there is none, but for me much."

We should cultivate this virtue so as to be just to the imperishable part of ourselves, by improving our minds in true Masonic knowledge, using the days and hours of our lives in study, thereby living up to the full measure of our intellectual usefulness.

Just to our bodies by avoiding dissipation and excess, living out our allotted days in health, thereby enabling us to do the greatest amount of possible good.

Just to our neighbor by observing the golden rule, and just to our God by a godly life and conduct.

While we believe the perfect ideal of Masonic character is never attained by even the highest type of morality, yet a steady purpose of mind in us to improve ourselves, making our daily lives in part an exemplification of these Masonic virtues, will enable us to more fully appreciate the beauty and grandeur of true Masonic manhood.

So giving more attention to foundation stones, that our superstructure of speculative Masonry may rest upon a rock, sure and steadfast, cultivating these virtues day by day, using none but perfect ashlars in our Masonic edifice. These Masonic virtues are not perfected in an hour or a day, for the cycle of life finds them incomplete.

- "Heaven is not reached at a single bound.

  But we build the ladder by which we rise
  From the lowly earth to the vaulted skies,
  And we mount to its summit round by round.
- "I count this thing to be grandly true,
  That a noble deed is a step toward God,
  Lifting the soul from the common clod
  To a purer air and a broader view.
- 'We rise by the things that are under our feet,
  By what we have mastered of good and gain,
  By the pride deposed and the passion slain,
  And the vanquished ills that we hourly meet."

Bro. Davidson, 17, submitted the following report from the special committee of which he was chairman, which report was adopted:

To the M.:. W.:. the Grand Lodge of Nebraska:

The committee on the Fraternal Dead respectfully and fraternally recommend that the following minute in reference to our fraternal dead be adopted and spread upon the minutes of the proceedings of the Grand Lodge:

It is indeed true that "in life we are in the midst of death." Sad as it may appear to us, it seems to be a wise provision of Providence that we should frequently be called to the house of mourning. Its chastening influence upon our buoyant, and sometimes too self-reliant, spirits always proves healthful. Our attention has again been called to the fact that our brethren are falling around us. And as we contemplate the lives and characters of the brethren who have died during the past Masonic year, it is a satisfaction to us to know that each of them fell at his post of duty. It is not fitting, nor is it our desire, to make any distinctions in this record. We are proud that we are able to say of each of them, "a good man has fallen." Let us all strive to learn and profitably use the lessons to be drawn from their lives. We also tender our heartfelt sympathy and condolence to the sorrow stricken families and relatives of our deceased brethren. We commend them to the care and protection of Him "whose eye never slumbers nor sleeps." But while our hearts may be more deeply touched by, and possibly we more seriously feel, the loss of the dear brethren of our own jurisdiction, yet as we have learned of the death of so many eminent Masons in other jurisdictions, among whom are some of the Past Grand Masters and some of our trusted and honored Grand Representatives near other Grand Lodges, we hasten to express our appreciation of the noble work of these eminent Masons. We tender to the several Grand Lodges whose trusted counselors have fallen, our sympathy, and assure them that we mourn with them. And now, as we turn from these serious reflections, let us firmly resolve that we will each heed the thrilling admonition, "Be ye also ready." S. P. DAVIDSON,

E. A. Allen, Special Committee.
A. Hiller, Special Committee.

Bro: White 6 chairman of the committee on Pay-ro

Bro.: White, 6, chairman of the committee on Pay-roll, submitted the following pay-roll, which was adopted:

NAME OF REPRES NTATIVE.	Lodge.	No.	LOCATION.	MILES.	MILEAGE.	DAYS.	Рв. Dіем.	TOTAL.
D. H. Wheeler S. H. Morrison Lewis M. Rheem Chas. Neidhart	Nebraska	1 2 3 4	Omaha Nebraska City Omaha Brownville	55 57 55 85	\$3 30 3 42 3 30 5 10	3 3 4 3	\$6 00 6 00 8 00 6 00	\$9 30 9 42 11 30 11 10
Justus G. Richey	Omadi Plattsmouth Falls City Solomon	5 6 9 10	Dakota City Plattsmouth Falls City Fort Calhoun	164 55 92 71	3 30 5 52 4 26	: 00 co or	6 00 6 00 6 00	9 30 11 52 10 26
W. C. Vaughan Geo. E. Gibson J. W. Chadduck	Nebraska City Orient	11 12 13	Nebraska City Rulo	55	3 30 3 42	3	6 00	9 30 9 42
A. C. Sullivan	Peru Fremont Tecumseh	17	Fremont Tecumseh	73 52 49	2 94	න ුන න	6 00	10 38
John H. McClay. E. C. Jackson John H. Irion Gustav Andreen	Lincoln Washington Pawnee Saint Johns	19 21 23 25	Lincoln Blair Pawnee City Omaha	78 70 55	4 68 4 20 3 30	3 3 3	6 00 6 00 6 00	6 00 10 68 10 20 9 30
Gustav Andreen Geo. E. Hawkins W. E. Krause James A. Titus G. W. Brandon	Beatrice Jordan Hope Blue River	26 27 29 80	Beatrice	40 89 80 20	2 40 5 34 4 80 1 20	20000	6 00 6 00 6 00 6 00	8 40 11 34 10 80 7 20
Samuel Goozee John D. Moore	Platte Valley Ashlar	31 32 33	North Platte	229 90 80	13 74 5 40 4 80	3 3 4	6 00 6 00 8 00	19 74 11 40 12 80
Chas, J. Phelps, John Lauterback W. Y. R. Gawne	Acacia Fairbury Lone Tree Crete	34 35 36 37	Schuyler Fairbury Central City Crete Seward	67 90 20	4 02 5 40 1 20	3 33	6 00 6 00 6 00	10 02 11 40 7 20
Joseph W. Dupin N. R. Wilcox J. L. Linn J. A. Ehrhardt	Oliver	38	Papillion	28 50 72 123	1 68 3 00 4 32 7 38	30 30 30 30	6 00 6 00 6 00 6 00	7 68 9 00 10 32 13 38
Edwin M. Allen W. J. Hanna Wm. Newton Robert O. Self	Juniata Hebron Harvard	42 43 44	Juniata Hebron Harvard	103 141 85	6 18 8 64 5 10	3 3 3	6 00 6 00 6 00	12 18 14 64 11 10
T. N. Hartzell J. Vandervoort Julius O. Chase	PalmyraRob. MorrisSalemFairmont	47	Palmyra Kearney Salem Fairmont	25 135 85 54	1 50 8 10 5 10 3 24	3 3 4	6 00 6 00 6 00 8 00	7 50 14 10 11 10 11 24
C. C. Rittenhouse T. B. Myers W. R. Turner	Evening Star Hastings Fidelity Hiram	50	Hastings	98 56 62	5 88 3 36 3 72	4 3 3	8 00 6 00 6 00	13 88 9 36 9 72
W. R. Turner R. M. Cochrane. Levi M. Hupert. Sam'l W. Hayes Daniel N. Brood.	Charity Lancaster Mosaic	58 54 55	Arlington Red Cloud Lincoln Norfolk	140	6 00	3 3	6 00 6 00 6 00	14 40 6 00 12 00
Geo. W. McKee. C. H. Sheldon A. Cressman	York Mount Moriah Lebanon Wahoo	58	York Syracuse Columbus Wahoo	52 35 74 30	3 12 2 10 4 44 1 80	3 3 3	6 00 6 00 6 00 6 00	9 12 8 10 10 44 7 80
A. C. Robbins Henry A. Turton W. P. Fulton	Melrose	60	Orleans Plum Creek Phillips Riverton	198 257	11 88 15 42 9 24	3 : 3	6 00	17 88 21 42 15 24
J. H. Grimm Levi L. Snider Jacob Groves	Riverton Blue Valley Osceola Livingstone	64 65 66	Wilber	31 70 22	1 86 4 20 1 32	3 3 3	6 00 6 00 6 00	7 86 10 20 7 32
W. R. Fuller Eugene J. Hainer John W. Pratt Judson Graves	Edgar Aurora Sterling Trowel	68	Firth Edgar Aurora Sterling Neligh	91 74 36 167	5 46 4 44 2 16 10 02	3	6 00 6 00 6 00 8 00	11 46 10 44 8 16 18 02
John Kreader J. V. Beghtol E. H. Burnham	Trowel  Hooper Friend Alexandria	73	Sterling Neligh Hooper Friend Alexandria	00	4 20 2 40 5 28	3 3	6 00 6 00 6 00	10 20 8 40 11 28
Julius Neubauer W. E. Hatch. J. II. VanValin. F. II. Smith J. H. Dempster.	Joppa	76 77 78	Sidney	167	10 02 6 36 10 08	3 4 3	6 00 6 00 8 00 6 00	16 02 14 36 16 08
J. H. Dempster. Aurelius Roberts	Geneva Composite	79	Geneva	62	3 72	3	6 00	9 72

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Bruce E. Jolls	Saint Paul	82	Saint Paul	120	\$7 20	3	\$6 00	\$13 2
Cyrus E. Hunter.	Corinthian	83	Wakefield	159	9 54	3		15 5
W. S. Randall	Fairfield	84	Fairfield	116 62	6 96	3	6 00	
Reese Pickering. Martin Ennis	Tyre Doniphan	85 86	Blue Springs Doniphan	109	3 72 6 54	3	6 00	9 7
Albert L. Towle R. W. Reynolds.	Ionie	87	Niobrara	200		3	6 00	18 0
R. W. Reynolds.	Star	88	Decatur	115	6 90	3	6 00	12 9
B. D. Slaughter.	Cedar River	89	Fullerton	158	9 48	3	6 00	15 4
	Elk Creek	90	Elk Creek	440	~	+		40.0
ra Thomas	Oakland	91 92	Oakland	118 113	7 08 6 78	3	6 00	13 0 12 7
N M Avers	Hubbell	98	Beaver City	209	12 54	3	6 00	18 5
N. M. Ayers D. H. Harris W. D. Matthews	Beaver City Bennett Garfield	94	Beaver City	17	1 02		6 00	7 0
W. D. Matthews.	Garfield	95	0 8611	209	12 54	3	6 00	
Joseph Jones	Utica Euclid	96	Weeping Water.	4()	2 40	3	6.00	8 4
James Johnson .	Euclid	97	Weeping Water.	34	5 04	3	6 00	8 0
Tanan D. Claange	Republican	98	Republican	110	e eo		0.00	12 6
Jason R. George. C. A. Hammond.	Shelton	99 100	Shelton Creighton	110	6 60 10 62	3	6 00	
U. A. Hammond.	Creighton	100	Ponce	111	10 02	0	0 00	10 0
George Johnson.	Waterloo	102	Ponca	60	3 60	3	6 00	9 6
C. B. Coffin	Ord	103	Ord	162	9 72	3	6 00	15 7
Elias C. Wilcox. J. W. Shubert	Wymore	104	Wymore	62	3 72	3	6 00	9 7
J. W. Shubert	Stella	105	Stella	90	5 40	3	6 00	11 4
Joseph S. Pedler	Porter	106	Loup City Steele City	150	9 00	3	6 00	15 0
J. A. Carlock	Steele City	107	Table Rock	63	3 78	3	6 00	9 7
F. C. Condon	Table Rock	109	Arapahoe	187	11 22	3	6 00	17 2
chas. N. Folsom	Pomegranate	110	Ashland	25	1 50	4	8 00	9 5
Frank M. Suiter.	De Witt	111	De Witt	38	2 28	3	6 00	8 2
<u></u>	Springfield Globe	112	Springheid	27	. ***			1++
W. L. Ramey	Globe	113	Madison	98 102	5 88	3	6 00	11 8 12 1
A. R. Graham J. T. McKnight	Wisner Brainard	114	Wisner Brainard	35	6 12 2 10	3	6 00	8 1
J. A. Randall	Harlan		Alma	190	11 40	3	6 00	17 4
Chas. A. Hayes.	Hardy		Hardy	137	8 22	3	6 00	14 %
John Barton	Doric	118	Dorchester	28	1 68	3	6 00	7.6
T. J. Chapin	North Bend	119	North Bend	93	5 58	3	6 00	11 5
Anson A. Welch	Wayne	120	Wayne	173	10 38	3	6 00	16 8
W. S. Bloom L. A. Scroggs	Superior	121 122	Superior	135 60	8 10 4 20	3	6 00	14 1
Clas C Dishan	Indianola	123	Indianola	218	13 08	3	6 00	19 (
C. H. Willard J. M. Kennedy	Auburn	124	Auburn	77	4 62	3	6 00	10 €
J. M. Kennedy	Mount Nobo	125	Genoa	142	8 52	3	6 00	14 5
J. D. Buwalus	Stromsburg	126	Stromsburg	73	4 38	3	6 00	10 8
Lewis A. Kent Chas. A. Nelson.	Minden	124	Minden	130	7 80	3	6 00	13 8 13 8
mas. A. Neison.	Guide Rock Blue Hill	128 129	Guide Rock Blue Hill	130	7 80	3	6 00	19 0
Geo. H. Miller	Tuscan	130	Surprise	48	2 88	3	6 00	8.8
J. C. Sullivan	Ark and Anchor .	131	Ainsworth	340	20 40	4	8 00	28 4
C. D. Gardanier.	Scribner	132	Scribner	76	4 56	3	6 00	10 5
Daniel C. Bond.	Elm Creek	133	Elm Creek	230	13 80	3	6 00	19 8
Jay L. Watrous.	Solar	134	Clarks	135	7 10	3	6 00	13 1 19 (
Justin A. Wilcox	McCook	135 136	McCook	228 270	13 68 16 20	3	6 00	22 2
W. L. Whitteman L. B. Shinn	Long Pine	137	Long Pine	75	4 50	3	6 00	10 5
Edgar J. Pease	Upright	138	Oxford	172	10 32	3	6 00	16 8
.,	Clay Centre	139	Clay Centre	-				0.00
J. G. McClave	Western	140	Western	54	3 24	3	6 00	9 2
I. H. Claggett	Summit	141	Johnson	60	3 60	3	6 00	9 6
Edwin A. Allen. W. J. Outhwaite.	Anchor	142 143	North Loup Cedar Rapids	200 181	12 00 10 86	3	6 00	
J. H. Coolev	Crescent Kenesaw Bancroft	144	Kenesaw	110	6 60		6 00	12 6
T. H. Cooley T. M. Senter	Bancroft	145	Kenesaw Bancroft	125	7 50		6 00	13 5
George P. Rhea .	Jachin	146	Holdrege	154	9 24	4	8 00	17 %
W-1 - 1 ~ 1	Siloam	147	Stuart	400	44.00		0.00	400
Michael Conley	Emmet Crawford	148	Broken Bow	187	11 22		6 00	17 8
Levi H. Mumau. Edgar W. Lewis.	Jewel	149 150	Tobias	202	3 60 12 12	3	6 00	9 6
Henry C. Waters.	Cambridge Square Parallel	151	Cambridge Valparaiso	202	1 20		6 00	
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Charles C. Wilson	Evergreen	153	Pierce	160	\$9 60	3	\$6.00	\$15 60
E. W. Robinson	Lily	154	Davenport		8 04		6 00	
J. W. Hitchcock	Hartington	155	Hartington	193			6 00	17 58
J. J. Carmichael	Pythagoras	156	Ewing	195			6 00	17 70
Robert B. Way	Valley	157	Wilsonville		13 50		6 00	19 56
William Wilson	Samaritan	158	Chadron	361			8 00	29 66
Walter S. Allison	Ogalalla	159	Ogalalla	280			6 00	22 80
Walter C. Parker	Zeredatha	160	Reynolds	95	5 70		6 00	11 70
James Patterson	Mount Zion	161	Shelby	60	3 60		6 00	9 60
George Adams	Trestle Board	162	Talmage	60	3 60		6 00	9 60
Cyrus F. Hall	Unity	163	Greenwood	18	1 08		6 00	7 08
Cyrus I. IIIII.,	RANK.	100	arcenwood	10	1 00	,	0 00	1 00
Milton J. Hull	Grand Master			91	5 40	3	6 00	11 46
George B. France	Dep, Grand Master.			52	3 12		6 00	9 12
John J. Mercer.	Gr. Senior Warden.			85	5 10		6 00	11 10
Robert E. French	Gr. Junior Warden.			135	8 10		6 00	14 10
C. Hartman	Grand Treasurer			55	3 30		6 00	9 30
Wm. R. Bowen.	Grand Secretary			55	3 30		6 00	9 30
Jacob A. Hood				80	4 80		6 00	10 80
Jno. A. Ehrhardt	Grand Orator				1 00		0 00	10 00
Lee P. Gillette	Grand Custodian .			40	2 40	3	6 00	8 40
B. D. Slaughter	Grand Marshal			10	~ 40		0 00	0 10
S. P. Davidson	Gr. Senior Deacon .			49	2 94	3	6 00	8 94
G. E. Whitman	Gr. Junior Deacon.				10 32		6 00	16 32
Jacob King	Grand Tiler			55			18 00	21 30
Juo. B. Dinsmore		49		70			8 00	12 20
Frank H. Young		148		190	11 40	3	6 00	17 40
Frank E. White.		6	,	55	3 30	3	6 00	9 30
Eben K. Long	Members of	11		55	3 30	25	50 00	53 30
James A. Tulleys	Committees not	58		140	8 40	3	6 00	14 40
Chas. K. Contant	reported	11		55	3 30	3	6 00	9 30
Geo. W. Lininger	elsewhere.	3		55	3 30	3	6 00	9 30
A. G. Hastings		19				3	6 00	6 00
Robt. W. Furnas.		4		85	5 10	3	6 00	11 10
Martin Dunham.		8		55	3 30	3	6 00	9 30
W. B. Downing.	Ass't Gr. Secretary .	3		55	3 30	5	10 00	13 30
M. Dunham	Omitted last year	3				3	6 00	6 00

The Grand Lodge now decided to proceed to the election of its officers for the ensuing year, the motion of Bro.: Wheeler, 1, that a recess be taken until to-morrow morning not prevailing. Bros.: Young, 148, Rhea, 146, and Condon, 109, were appointed tellers, and the Grand Lodge, while transacting other business at intervals, selected:

Bro.: George B. France, 56	Grand Master.
Bro. John J. Mercer, 4	Deputy Grand Master.
Bro.: Robert E. French, 46	Grand Senior Warden.
Bro. Bradner D. Slaughter, 89	Grand Junior Warden.
Bro.: Christian Hartman, 11	Grand Treasurer.
Bro.: WILLIAM R. BOWEN, 3	Grand Secretary.

Later in the session the following appointments were made by the incoming Grand Master:

Bro.: JACOB A. HOOD, 34......Grand Chaplain.

Bro. HENRY H. WILSON, 19. .... Grand Orator.

Bro. LEE P. GILLETTE, 19...... Grand Custodian.

Bro. : Samuel P. Davidson, 17. . . . . Grand Marshal.

Bro. LEWIS A. KENT, 127..... Grand Senior Deacon.

Bro.: EDWARD C. JACKSON, 21. ... Grand Junior Deacon.

Bro. JACOB KING, 3..... Grand Tiler.

Bro. Robert W. Furnas, 4...... Trustee of Orphan Educational Fund.\*

Bros. William R. Bowen, 3, Charles J. Phelps, 34, and John H. McClay,

19—Committee on Foreign Correspondence.

Bros. Francis E. White, 6, Frank H. Young, 148, and John A. Ehrhardt, 41—Committee on Codification of the Law.

# The following two reports were adopted:

#### To the M.: W.: the Grand Lodge of Nebraska:

The committee on Charters and Dispensations, to whom was referred so much of the Grand Master's address as refers to special dispensations, have had the same under consideration, and would recommend that it be referred to the committee on Jurisprudence.

#### To the M.: W.: the Grand Lodge of Nebraska:

Your committee on Jurisprudence, to whom was referred the subject of the special dispensations issued by the Grand Master, recommended that the same be approved by this Grand Lodge.

The Grand Master now presented to Bro. Gillette, 19, a commission from the Grand Lodge of Florida, appointing him the Representative of that Grand Lodge near the Grand Lodge of Nebraska.

# Bro.: Young, 148, presented the following report:

### To the M.:. W.:. Grand Lodge of Nebraska:

Your committee on By-laws of Chartered Lodges, would respectfully report that they have examined the proposed amendments to by-laws from the following lodges, and recommend their approval as corrected: Nebraska Lodge, No. 1; Melrose Lodge, No. 60; Auburn Lodge, No. 124; Western Lodge, No. 140.

They further recommend that the proposed amendment to the by-laws of Tyre Lodge, No. 85, be not approved, for the reason that they do not appear to have been properly adopted by Tyre Lodge.

The Grand Lodge was now called from labor until nine o'clock Friday morning.

<sup>\*</sup>The trustees of the Orphan Educational Fund are Bro. William H. Munger, 15, until June, 1889; Bro. Edwin F. Warren, 2, until June, 1890; and Bro. Robert W. Furnas, 4, until June, 1891.

# THIRD DAY — MORNING SESSION.

FRIDAY, June 22, 5888.

The Grand Lodge resumed its labors at nine o'clock this morning under direction of M. W. Milton J. Hull, Grand Master.

Resuming consideration of the last recorded report of the committee on By-laws from Chartered Lodges, the report was on motion amended so that the by-laws of Tyre Lodge, No. 85, be submitted to the Grand Master, and as thus amended, the report was adopted.

On motion of Bro.: Rittenhouse, 50, it was

Resolved, That the Grand Lodge here assembled authorize its Grand Secretary to continue its membership with the General Masonic Relief Association of the United States and Canada, and the sum of eighty-five dollars (\$85.00) is hereby appropriated for the payment of the same.

On motion of Bro.: Beghtol, 73, it was ordered that all credit balances as reported by the Grand Secretary be returned to the respective lodges.

Bro.: Bowen, 3, chairman of the committee on Codification of the Law, alluding to that portion of the Grand Master's address upon the subject, reported that the committee had last winter sent one copy of the codified Law of Freemasonry in Nebraska to each Nebraska lodge, and had distributed one hundred copies in Grand Lodge; he further reported that the committee would at an early day compile the indexes, thus completing the work, and would (unless otherwise ordered) publish same as ordered by the Grand Lodge.

Bro.: Wheeler, 1, moved that the codified law be amended as follows: Change "office-bearers" to "officers" wherever same appears; change "chartered lodges" to "subordinate lodges" wherever same appears; unanimous consent being given to the consideration of these two amendments, the first one was

adopted; Bro. Wheeler objected to the consideration of the second amendment at this time, and the objection was sustained.

Later in the session Bro. Wheeler, 1, offered the following amendment to the Grand Lodge by-laws, which lays over for action at the next annual communication.

Amend the by-laws of the Grand Lodge of Nebraska by striking out the word "chartered" wherever the same occurs in connection with the word "lodges," and the word "subordinate" be substituted therefor in connection with the word "lodge," so that in each case it shall read "subordinate lodge," viz.: Article 2, chapter 1; article 9, chapter 1; article 1, chapter 3; article 2, chapter 3; article 3, section 100; article 2, section 100; article 3, section 100; article 5, section 101; article 3, section 102; article 1, section 104; article 13, section 104; article 14, section 104; article 15, section 104; article 2, section 105; article 7, section 105; sections 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 200, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 312, 313.

On motion of Bro.: Coutant, 11, it was

Resolved, That this Grand Lodge approves the action of the M. W.: Grand Master in directing the issuing of demits to the members of the late Fortitude Lodge, No. 69, by our R.: W.: Grand Secretary, subsequent to the arrest of its charter.

On motion of Bro.: Wells, 37, one year's further time was granted the special committee on Non-affiliation. (See page 285, proceedings of 5886.)

Bro.: Wheeler, 1, offered the following two resolutions:—the first was adopted, the second did not prevail.

Resolved, That each lodge which shall hereafter be instituted shall pay all the expenses of the officer or officers which may be sent to perform that duty.

Resolved, That where brethren petition for a dispensation to hold lodges and confer the degrees of Ancient Craft Masonry, and the same is granted, that the brethren so petitioning shall pay the per diem and expenses of the officer sent by the M. W. Grand Master to examine the proposed lodgeroom and officers, and that the amount of per diem so received shall be accounted for by the person receiving the same to this Grand Lodge.

Bro.: Wilcox, 104, submitted the following report from the committee on Accounts, which was adopted:

To the M.: W.: Grand Lodge of Nebraska:

Your committee on Accounts fraternally report that we have examined the bill of Bro. George J. Hendry, 19, amounting to twelve dollars, for janitor's services in connection with this Grand Lodge and the Grand Custodians' Lodge, and find the work has been done; we therefore recommend payment.

The Grand Master appointed as the committee on the Nebraska Masonic Home, Bros.: Lininger, 1, White, 6, France, 56, Slaughter, 89, Hastings, 19, Coutant, 11, and Furnas, 4.

Past Grand Master Coutant, assisted by Bro.: Allen, 142, now obligated, instructed and installed the newly chosen officers of the Grand Lodge, and invested [each one with the jewel of his office.

On motion of Bro.: Allen, 142, and by a rising vote, it was

Resolved, That our thanks be and they are hereby extended to our retiring Grand Master, M. W. Bro. Milton J. Hull, for the indefatigable, earnest, faithful and efficient discharge of his duties during the past Masonic year. And we express the sincere hope that he may long be spared to the Fraternity, and that his wisdom and experience may be had in our future deliberations.

Bro.:Hull responded by alluding to the concluding words of his address, at the opening of Grand Lodge, and returned his thanks for this expression of fraternal regard.

On motion of Bro.: Whitman, 138, it was

Resolved, That the thanks of this Grand Lodge are due, and are hereby tendered, to the Masonic Fraternity of Lincoln for the fraternal courtesies and attentions paid to this body during the present session.

Bro.: Phelps, 34, submitted the following report, which was adopted:

To the M. W. the Grand Lodge of Nebraska:

Your committee on Foreign Correspondence has considered so much of our Grand Master's address as relates to Representatives to and from fellow Grand Lodges, and recommends that his action be sustained, and that hereafter the commissions of our Representatives abroad expire at the festival of S. John the Baptist, three years after the date of such commission.

Your committee congratulates the Grand Lodge of Nebraska upon its excellent relations with its fellow Grand Lodges, and hopes same may long continue undisturbed.

Your committee regrets that the overtaxed eyesight of its chairman has prevented him from completing a half-written review of fellow Grand Lodges, and that the business engagements of the other members of the committee rendered it impossible for them to meet the emergency thus caused.

Bro.: White, 6, chairman of the committee on Codification of the Laws, asked if the Grand Lodge had any instructions for his committee. It was moved that the committee be instructed to complete its work as ordered at the last annual communication, including such changes in the law as had since been made. Bro.: Hull, 67, moved to amend by suspending publication until after the next annual communication, which prevailed.

The Grand Lodge was now closed, in ample form, at High Twelve.

GEORGE B. FRANCE,

Grand Master.

My Igowew Grand Secretary.

# REPRESENTATIVES OF THE GRAND LODGE OF NEBRASKA NEAR FELLOW GRAND LODGES.

GRAND LODGE.	REPRESENTATIVE.	ADDRESS.	DATE OF APPOINTMENT.
Alabama	Palmer J. Pillans	Mobile	Max 21 1000
Arizona	Alonzo Bailey		May 31, 1870.
			March 28, 1885.
Arkansas	***************************************		
British Columbia	Robert P. Rithet William A. Davies		April 20, 1874.
alifornia	William A. Davies	Stockton	June 2, 1873.
anada	Charles W. Brown	Toronto	February 22, 1884
olorado	Henry M. Teller	Central City	April 20, 1874.
onnecticut	Joseph K. Wheeler	Hartford	April 9, 1877.
akota	George W Kingshury	Yankton	Monch 19 1000
	George W. Kingsbury Daniel McClintock		March 18, 1878.
elaware		Wilmington	December 11, 186
istrict of Columbia	John H. Russell	Washington	September 22, 186
Ingland	Brackstone Baker	Lee, Kent	June 24, 1881.
lorida	William A. McLean	Jacksonville	February 12, 1877
eorgia	Joseph E. Wells	Macon	September 22, 186
daho	Barton R. Hughes	Pioneerville	February 12, 1877
llinois	John M. Palmer	Springfield	
ndiana	Martin H. Rice	Indianapolis	
ndian Territory	John T. Adair		Table 00 1000
		Talequah	July 29, 1879.
owa	William E. Woodward.	Burlington	March 20, 1872.
reland	Joseph A. Galbraith	Dublin	May 5, 1888.
taly	Nicola Sinimberghi	Rome	June 24, 1881.
ansas	Edward D. Hillyer	Valley Falls	September 22, 186
Centucky	Lorenzo D. Croninger	Covington	June 1, 1871.
ouisiana	Aristee L. Tissot	New Orleans	March 14, 1883.
laine	Edward P. Burnham	Saco	March 29, 1870.
Ianitoba	A H, Cameron		March 29, 1070.
	William E Daine	Daltimann	31 04 4000
faryland	William T. Price	Baltimore	May 24, 1888.
lichigan	Abraham T. Metcalf	Kalamazoo	January 17, 1874.
linnesota	J E. Finch	Hastings	
fississippi	J K. McLeod	Moss Point	June 14, 1888.
lissouri	Charles F. Vogel	St. Louis	June 3, 1877.
Iontana	Henry M. Parchen	Helena	April 9, 1877.
evada	Chauncey N. Noteware	Carson	April 30, 1888.
ew Brunswick	William Wedderburn	St. John	January 1, 1873.
lew Hampshire	Alpheus W. Baker	Lebanon	March 10 1000
	Charles Bechtel	Tropton	March 18, 1878.
ew Jersey		Trenton	September 22, 186
ew Mexico	Willis E. Maynard	Socorro	March 14, 1883.
ew York	Robert M. C. Graham	New York City.	April 9, 1877.
forth Carolina	James B. Batchelor	Raleigh	
lova Scotia	George Fraser	Halifax	
hio	Robert Gwynn	Cincinnati	
regon	Thomas McF. Patton	Salem	June 9, 1883.
ennsylvania	James W. Robbins	Philadelphia	May 24, 1882.
rince Edward's Isl'd	John Muirhead	Charlottetown .	
chode Island			March 21, 1877.
	Edward L. Freeman	Providence	April 17, 1877.
cotland	D. Murray Lyon	Edinburgh	June 24, 1881.
outh Carolina	Augustine T. Smythe	Charleston	March 20, 1877.
ennessee	Caswell A. Goodloe	Alamo	April 16, 1888.
exas	E G. Bower	Dallas	November 25, 188
tah	Thomas E. Clohecy	Salt Lake City	November 3, 1875
ermont	William Brinsmaid, Jr.	Burlington	May 5, 1888.
irginia.	Ethelred L. Turner	Hicksford	July 9, 1884.
Vashington Territory	Samuel Vestal	Snohomish	April 3, 1888.
Vest Virginia			April 5, 1885.
	Benjamin F. Martin	Pruntytown	. 11.0 4000
Visconsin	Merrick P. Wing	La Crosse	April 9, 1877.
Vyoming	John H. Symons	Laramie City	May 5, 1882.

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### REPRESENTATIVES OF FELLOW GRAND LODGES NEAR THE GRAND LODGE OF NEBRASKA.

GRAND LODGE.	REPRESENTATIVE.	ADDRESS.	DATE OF APPOINTMENT.
Alabama	James W. Chadduck, 12	Nebraska City	September 22, 186
Arizona	Fred. J. Benedict, 50	Hastings	September 22, 160
Arkansas	Samuel W. Hayes, 55	Norfolk	March 6, 1878.
British Columbia	William Adair, 5	Dakota City	May 12, 1874.
California	John J. Wemple, 50	Hastings	March 24, 1883.
Canada	Robert C. Jordan, 33	Omaha	August 1, 1878.
Colorado	Josiah B. Redfield, 25	Omaha	
Connecticut	Alfred G. Hastings, 19	Lincoln	May 11, 1874.
	Manoah B. Reese, 59	Wahoo	February 20, 1877
Oakota Oelaware	Edwin A. Allen, 142	North Loup	March 30, 1885.
District of Columbia	Charles F. Catlin, 11		December 1, 1869
		Omaha	September 18, 186
Ingland	George W. Lininger, 3.	Omaha	June 23, 1883.
lorida	Lee P. Gillette, 19	Beatrice	March 3, 1888.
Trance	Robert R. Livingston, 6	Plattsmouth	September 30, 186
eorgia	Edwin F. Warren, 2 James A. Tulleys, 53	Nebraska City	March 31, 1883.
daho	James A. Tulleys, 53	Red Cloud	February 1, 1877.
llinois	Harry P. Deuel, 11 George H. Thummel, 33	Omaha	September 8, 1869
ndiana		Grand Island	September 2, 1872
ndian Territory	Bradner D. Slaughter, 89	Fullerton	August 4, 1879.
	Charles K. Coutant, 11	Omaha	May 25, 1888.
Cansas	Robert C. Jordan, 33	Omaha	
Kentucky	Henry Gibbons, 46	Kearney	May 27, 1885.
ouisiana	J. Newton Wise, 3	Plattsmouth	October 25, 1869.
Maine	N S. Harding, 2	Nebraska City	December 1, 1869
Aanitoba	Edwin F. Warren, 2	Nebraska City	March 24, 1877.
Maryland	George Armstrong, 3	Omaha	February 2, 1877.
Michigan	Daniel II. Wheeler, 1	Omaha	——————————————————————————————————————
Minnesota	Robert C. Jordan, 33	Omaha	
Missouri	George B. France, 56	York	June 25, 1888.
Mississippi	John M. Burks, 19	Lincoln	December 31, 186
Iontana	Charles F. Goodman, 3.	Omaha	August 14, 1878.
Yevada	James R. Reed, 31	Tekamah	February 14, 1870
New Brunswick	John J. Mercer, 4	Brownville	May 14, 1888.
New Hampshire	Frank W. Hayes, 15	Fremont	February 8, 1879.
New Jersey	James R. Cain, 9	Falls City	September 24, 187
New Mexico	James R. Cain, 9 Henry E. Palmer, 6	Plattsmouth	April 25, 1879.
Tew York	Robert R. Livingston, 6	Plattsmouth	September 13, 186
North Carolina	Robert W. Furnas, 4	Brownville	September 20, 186
Yova Scotia			
)hio	Robert W. Furnas, 4	Brownville	September 10, 186
Oregon	Henry Brown, 3	Omaha	
ennsylvania	William R. Bowen, 3	Omaha	May 5. 1882.
rince Edward's Isl.	William H. Platt, 33	Grand Island	February 19, 1877
Quebec	Milton J. Hull, 67	Edgar	March 6, 1886.
hode Island	William M. Knapp, 56.	York	April 9, 1877.
outh Carolina	Frank E. Bullard, 32	North Platte	January 14, 1881.
ennessee	Francis E. White, 6	Plattsmouth	June 29, 1888.
'exas	Martin Dunham, 3	Omaha	February 22, 1877
tah	Robert E. French, 46	Kearney	May 4, 1888.
ermont	William R. Bowen, 3	Omaha	June 13, 1877.
Virginia	William E. Hill, 2	Nebraska City	October 21, 1879.
Washington Ter	Charles A Holmes 17		
	Henry T Davis		
	Alexander Atkinson 1		January 99 1977
			March 7 1877
Washington Ter West Virginia Wisconsin Wyoming	Charles A. Holmes, 17. Henry T. Davis Alexander Atkinson, 1. Rolland H. Oakley, 19.	Tecumseh Lincoln Omaha Lincoln	February 15, 18 October 12, 186 January 29, 187 March 7, 1877.

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# In Memoriam.

THIS PAGE IS INSCRIBED TO THE MEMORY OF THE FAITHFUL CRAFTSMEN OF NEBRASKA WHO REST FROM THEIR LABORS.

# Bro.: MATTHEW McDOUGAL,

FRIEND LODGE, No. 73.
DIED MAY 5, 5888.

# Bro. GEORGE DEANS,

HARLAN LODGE, No. 116.
DIED MAY 6, 5888.

# Bro. GEORGE MILLER,

TUSCAN LODGE, No. 130.
DIED JAN. 20, 5888.

# In Memoriam.

THIS PAGE IS INSCRIBED TO THE MEMORY OF OUR HONORED DEAD.

# Bro.: JAMES O'CONNOR,

REPRESENTATIVE OF NEBRASKA NEAR THE GRAND LODGE OF TENNESSEE.

# Bro .: JAMES BILES,

REPRESENTATIVE OF NEBRASKA NEAR THE GRAND LODGE OF WASHINGTON.

# Bro.: DANIEL SAYRE,

GRAND SECRETARY OF THE GRAND LODGE OF  $\label{eq:ALABAMA} {\rm ALABAMA}.$ 

# Bro.: J. EASTMAN JOHNSON,

PAST GRAND MASTER OF MICHIGAN.

Bro.: WILLIAM M. BLACK,
GRAND TILER OF THE GRAND LODGE OF INDIANA.

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# At Rest.

NAPOLEON B. LARSH	LODGE.		DATE OF DEATH.
		NO	
CHARLES F. RICE			2Apr. 3, '88
EDMUND LANE			3 Aug. 8, '87
WILLIS G. HEMMENWAY			3 Sept. 5, '87
PETER CLASSEN		61	3Jan. 25, '88
ALBERT D. MARSH		,	4Apr. 20, '88
JOSEPH VITOUSEK		64	6Sept. —, '87
LEVI A. KORNER		44	9 Aug. 13, *87
JOSEPH T. HOILE		66	9
WASHBURN A. STOW			11Oct. 20, 87
CHARLES P. DEUEL		44	11Nov. 5, '87
ROBERT M. HILL		11	12Apr. 30, '88
HENRY B. NICODEMUS		11	15June 3, '87
CARL A. FRIED		**	15Sept.—, '87
ROBERT MOODY		**	15, -
VIRGIL D. METCALFE		**	17 May 13, '87
SETH B. LINDERMAN		64	19Jan. 26, '87
OSSIAN BUGBEE		6.6	19 Dec. 23, '87
JOHN A. FEDOWA		46	19Jan. 30, '88
JOSEPH M. CRAWFORD		46	25June 28, '87
FRANCIS A. BRADBURY		14	25 Nov 15, '87
OLSEN D. SAWYER		64	25 Jan. 26. '88
WALTER J. PHELPS			26Nov. 8, '87
ZADOC A. CROWELL			27June 25, '87
HEMAN WILLGOHS			27 Mar. 22, '88
CHARLES C. COATS		44	32 Mar. 16, 188
ALONZO H. GILLETT		66	32Jan. 18. '88
ANTHONY REIS	• .		32 Feb. 6. '88
ANDREW L. STEPHENSON		46	33Jan. 19, '88
CHARLES F. HART			35Oct. 25, '87
WESLEY D. WHITAKER		66	35 Sept. 24, '87
ASA RAY			35 May 22, '88
MILO L. MACUMBER		66	42Jan. 27, '88
FRANK LEEDOM			43Oct. 26, '87
JOHN M. TAGGART		66	45 May 1, '87
HENRY L. STRONG		"	46 Sept. 27. '87
THERON E. WEBB		64	46 Mar. 3. '88
AARON H. CAVE		66	48 Apr. 16, '88
ELIJAH P. CHURCH		66	49Jan. 13. '88
DEWITT C. McKNIGHT		64	50June 26, '87
GEORGE FRAHM		46	50July 29, '87
THOMAS E. EVANS		46	51
PROSPER A. SMITH		44	54July —, '87
RICHARD D. WALLIS	. Lancaster,	14	54Nov. —, '87

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NAME. EZRA S. ABBOTT	LODGE.	DATE OF DEATH.
ALFRED REID	wanoo.	59Aug. 2, 87
HORACE FARNSWORTH JACOB C. POLSLEY	Wahoo,	59 Oct. 10, '87
STEPHEN CUNNINGHAM		
JOSEPH F. BENNER	177	" 70July 25, '87
JAMES P. STARING		** 78 Jan. 23, '88
RICHARD BAYLY		
OLIVER P. ALEXANDER	Fairfield,	" 84 May 8, '87
ABRAHAM B. SMITH	Tyre,	" 85 Nov. 8, '87
JOHN M. PEEBLES	Star,	" 88July 30, '87
WILLIAM DORSEY	Cedar River,	" 89 Feb. 19, '88
CLEMENT CAMPBELL	Beaver City,	" 93June 16, '87
CHARLES L. BATES	Euclid,	" 97 Nov. 29, '87
FERDINAND L. KRUGER	Euclid,	" 97Feb. 27, '88
WILLIAM H, CLARK	Waterloo,	" 102 Mar. 2, '88
BENJAMIN F, McDONAUGH	Stella,	" 105 Dec. 21, '87
JOSEPH M. TAYLOR	Brainard,	" 115 Dec. 15, '87
THOMAS J. CONKLIN	Harlan,	" 116 June 9, '87
ZACHARIAH DILDINE	Minden.	" 128 Mar. 31, '88
JOSEPH M. FRAME	Blue Hill,	" 129 Feb. 8, '88
GEORGE MILLER	Tuscan.	" 130 Jan. 20, '88
DUPREE A. WOODS	Scribner,	" 132 July 30, '87
NATHAN A. TANNER		" 138 Dec. 14, '87
JOHN F. BARTOS	Western,	" 140 Mar. 11, '88
JOHN J. ZIEGLER		" 146 Nov. 16, '87
GEORGE M. D. DAVIS		"146Jan. 7, '88
JAMES A. WILSON		

### LIST OF GRAND LODGES AND THE NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF THE GRAND SECRETARIES.

GRAND LODGE.	GRAND SECRETARY.	ADDRESS,
Alabama	Adam R. Baker	Montgomery.
	George J. Roskruge	Tucson.
Arizona	For Homostond	Little Rock.
Arkansas	Fay Hempstead	
	Henry Brown	Victoria.
California	Alexander G. Abell	San Francisco.
Canada	John J. Mason	Hamilton, Ontario.
Colorado	Edward C. Parmalee	Pueblo.
Connecticut	Joseph K. Wheeler	Hartford.
Dakota	Charles T. McCoy	Aberdeen.
elaware	William S. Hayes	Wilmington.
District of Columbia	William R. Singleton	Washington.
	Shadwell II Clerke	London.
Ingland		Jacksonville.
lorida	De Witt C. Dawkins	
Reorgia	A M. Wolihin	Macon.
daho	James H. Wickersham	Boise City.
llinois	Loyal L. Munn	Freeport.
ndiana	William II. Smythe	Indianapolis.
ndian Territory	Joseph S. Murrow	Atoka, Choctaw Nation
owa	Theodore S. Parvin	Cedar Rapids.
reland	111000010 01141111	Dublin,
Kansas	John H. Brown	Kansas City.
	Henry B. Grant	Louisville.
Kentucky		New Orleans.
Louisiana	James C. Batchelor, M.D	
Maine	Ira Berry	Portland.
Manitoba	William G. Scott	Winnepeg.
Maryland	Jacob H. Medairy	Baltimore.
Massachusetts	Sereno D. Nickerson	Boston.
Michigan	William P. Innes	Grand Rapids.
Minnesota	Azariah T. C. Pierson	Saint Paul.
Mississippi	John L. Power	Jackson.
Missouri	John D. Vincil	Saint Louis.
Montana	Cornelius Hedges	Helena.
Nebraska	William R. Bowen	Omaha.
Nevada	Champar N Notawara	Carson.
	Chauncey N. Noteware Edwin J. Wetmore	Saint John.
New Brunswick	Edwin J. Wetmore	
New Hampshire	George P. Cleaves	Concord.
New Jersey	Joseph H. Hough	Trenton.
New Mexico	Alpheus A. Keen	Las Vegas.
New York	Edward M. L. Ehlers	New York.
North Carolina	Donald W. Bain	Raleigh.
Nova Scotia	Benjamin Curren	Halifax.
Ohio	John D. Caldwell	Cincinnati.
Oregon	Frelon J. Babcock	Salem,
Pennsylvania	Michael Nisbet	Philadelphia.
		Charlottetown.
Prince Edward's Island	B. Wilson Higgs	Montreal.
Quebec	John H. Isaacson	
Rhode Island	Edwin Baker	Providence.
Scotland	D. Murray Lyon	Edinburgh.
South Carolina	Charles Inglesby	Charleston.
Cennessee	John Frizzell	Nashville.
Texas	T W. Hudson	Houston.
Utah	Christopher Diehl	Salt Lake City.
Vermont	Levant M. Reed	Bellows Falls.
Virginia	William B. Isaacs	Richmond.
Washington Territory		Olympia.
West Circinia	Coorgo W Atlancon	Wheeling.
West Virginia	George W. Atkinson	
Wisconsin		Milwaukee.
Wyoming	William L. Kuykendall	Chevenne.

# NEBRASKA LODGES ALPHABETICALLY ARRANGED.

Acacia, 34.
Adoniram (159).
Ainsworth, U. D. (131).
Albion, 78.
Alexandria, 74.
Amity, 169.
Anchor, 142.
Arapahoe, 109.
Ark and Anchor, 131.
Ashland, 18 (extinct).
Ashlar, 33.
Atkinson, 164.
Auburn, 124.
Aurora, 68.

Bancroft, 145.
Bannack City, U. D. (extinct).
Barneston, 165.
Battle Creek, U. D. (extinct).
Beatrice, 26.
Beaver City, 93.
Bennett, 94.
Blue Hill, 129.
Blue River, 30.
Blue Springs, U. D. (85).
Blue Valley, 64.
Brainard, 115.
Bromfield, U. D. Burchard, U. D. (137).
Burnett, U. D. (166).

Cambridge, 150.
Capitol, 3.
Cedar, U. D. (13).
Cedar Rapids, U. D. (143).
Cedar River, 89.
Central City, U. D. (extinct).
Chadron, (158).
Charity, 53.
Clay Centre, 139.

Columbus, U. D. (extinct).
Columbus, U. D. (extinct).
Columbus, U. D. (58).
Columbus, 8 (extinct).
Composite, 81.
Corinthian, 83.
Covert, 11.
Creighton, 100.
Crescent, 143.
Crete, 37.
Culbertson, 174.
Cuming City, U. D. (21).
Custer, U. D. (148).
Curtis, 168.

Dakota (5).
Davenport, U.:.D.: (154).
Decatur, 7 (extinct).
DeWitt, 111.
Doniphan, 86.
Doric, 118.

Edgar, 67.
Elk Creek, 90.
Elm Creek, 133.
Elwood, 167.
Emmet Crawford, 148.
Euclid, 97.
Eureka, 16 (extinct).
Evening Star, 49.
Evergreen, 153.
Ewing, U.: D.: (156).

Fairbury, 35.
Fairfield, 84.
Fairmont, 48.
Falls City, 9.
Fidelity, 51.
Fortitude, 69 (extinct).
Frank Welch, 75.

Fremont, 15. Friend, 73.

Garfield, 95.
Geneva, 79.
Genoa, U. D. (125).
Gibbon (see 46).
Giddings, (2).
Gladstone, 176.
Globe, 113.
Grafton, 172.
Grant, U. D. (34).
Greenwood, U. D. (163).
Guide Rock, 128.

Hamilton, U.:.D.: (68). Hardy, 117. Harlan, 116. Harmony, U.:.D.: (extinct). Harmony, U.:.D.: (extinct). Hartington, 155. Harvard, 44. Hastings, 50. Hay Springs, 177. Hebron, 43. Hillsdale, U. D.: (29). Hiram, 52. Holdrege (146). Hooper, 72. Hope, 29. Hubbell, 92.

Idaho (extinct). Indianola, 123. Ionic, 87.

Humboldt, 40.

Jachin, 146
Jasper, 122.
Jewel, 149.
Johnson, U.∴D.∴ (141).
Joppa, 76.
Jordan, 27.
Juniata, 42.

Kenesaw, 144. Keystone, 62. La Fayette, 24 (extinct).

Lancaster, 54.

Lebanon, 58.

Liberty (152).

Lily, 154.

Lincoln, 19.

Livingstone, 66.

Lone Tree, 36.

Long Pine, 136.

Loup Fork, U.D. (8, extinct).

Macoy, 22 (extinct).

Mason City, 170.

Melrose, 60.

Merna, 171.

Minden, 127.

Monitor, U.∴D.∴ (extinct).

Mosaic, 55.

Mount Moriah, 57.

Mount Zebo, 125.

Mount Zion, 161.

Mystic Tie, 166.

McCook, 135.

Nebraska, 1.
Nebraska City, 12.
Nelson, 77.
Nemaha Valley, 4.
Norfolk, U. D. (55).
North Bend, 119.
North Loup, U. D. (142).
Northern Light, 41.

Oakland, 91.
Odell, U. D. (122).
Ogalalla, 159.
Oliver, 38.
Omadi, 5.
Ord, 103.
Orient, 13.
Osceola, 65.
Oxford, U. D. (138).

Palmyra, 45. Papillion, 39. Parallel, 152. Pawnee, 23. Pawnee City, U.: D.: (23).
Peru, U.: D.: (extinct).
Peru, 14.
Platte Valley, 32.
Plattsmouth, 6.
Pomegranate, 110.
Ponca, 101.
Porter, 106.
Pythagoras, 156.

Rawalt, 138.
Republican, 98.
Reynolds, U. D. (160).
Rising Star, U. D. (20).
Riverton, 63.
Robert Burns, 173.
Rob Morris, 46.
Rock Bluff, 20 (extinct).
Rocky Mountain, 8 (transferred).

Saint Johns, 25. Saint Paul, 82. Salem, 47. Saline, U.: D.: (73). Saline, U. .D.: (118). Samaritan, 158. Scribner, 132. Seward, U. . D. . (38). Shelby, U.: D.: (161). Shelton, 99. Shickley, U.:.D.:. Siloam, 147. Silver Creek, U. . D . . (extinct), Solar, 134. Solomon, 10. Springfield, 112. Square, 151. Stanton, U.:. D.: (41).

Star, 88. Steele City, 107.

Stella, 105. Sterling, 70.

Stromsburg, 126

Summit, 7 (transferred). Summit, 141. Superior, 121. Syracuse, U. D. . (57).

Table Rock, 108.
Talmage, U. D. (162).
Tecumseh, 17
Tekamah, 31.
Temple, U. D. (5).
Temple, 175.
Thistle, 61.
Tobias (149).
Trenton, U. D. Trestle Board, 162.
Trowel, 71.
Tuscan, 130.
Tyre, 85.

Unity, 163. Upright, 137. Utica, 96.

Valentine, U.:.D.: (113). Valley, 157. Valparaiso, U.:.D.: (151).

Waco, 80 (extinct).

Wahoo, 59.
Washington, 21.
Waterloo, 102.
Wayne, 120.
Weeping Water, U. ∴ D. ∴ (97).
Western, 140.
Western Star, 2.
Wisner, 114.
Wymore, 104.
Wyoming, 28 (transferred).

York, 56.

Zeredatha, U.:.D.:. (98) Zeredatha, 160.

# LOCATION OF NEBRASKA LODGES, BY TOWNS ALPHABETICALLY ARRANGED.

Ainsworth, 131. Albion, 78. Alexandria, 74. Alma, 116. Ansley, 176. Arapahoe, 109. Arlington, 52 Ashland, 110. Atkinson, 164. Auburn, 124. Aurora, 68.

Bancroft, 145.
Barneston, 165.
Beatrice, 26.
Beaver City, 93.
Bennett, 94.
Blair, 21.
Bloomington, 76.
Blue Hill, 129.
Blue Springs, 85.
Brainard, 115.
Broken Bow, 148.
Bromfield, U.D.:
Brownville, 4.
Burchard, 137.
Burnett, 166.

Cambridge, 150. Cedar Rapids, 143. Central City, 36. Chadron, 158 Clarks, 134. Clay Centre, 139 Columbus, 58. Creighton, 100 Crete, 37. Culbertson, 174. Curtis, 168.

Dakota City, 5. Davenport, 154. David City, 51. Decatur, 88. DeWitt, 111. Doniphan, 86. Dorchester, 118,

Edgar, 67. Elk Creek, 90. Elm Creek, 133 Elwood, 167. Ewing, 156.

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# APPROVED LODGE SEALS.

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- No. 1. Apron, with square and compasses laid thereon.
- No. 2. A rayed star above the book of constitutions, guarded by the tiler's sword. Motto, "Lux esto."
- No. 3. The first capitol building in Nebraska.
- No. 4. Square and compasses rayed, with two stars.
- No. 5. Square and compasses.
- No. 6. Square and compasses surrounding the letter "G."
- No. 9. An apron.
- No. 11. The Mosaic pavement.
- No. 15. Three columns, with plumb, square, and level.
- No. 19. The square and compasses between two columns; beneath them two right hands.
- No. 23. Square and compasses surrounding a five-pointed star.
- No. 25. A quarterfoil bearing: 1, an eagle; 2, location of lodge, with star; 3, date of charter; 4, a point within a circle, with star, embordered with two parallel lines, with book of constitutions thereon; within all, the square and compasses.
- No. 26. The letter "G." Motto, "Faith, Hope, Charity."
- No. 33. The letter "G."
- No. 34. A sprig of acacia.
- No. 35. A virgin weeping over a broken column; on the left, a tree.
- No. 36. The square and compasses,

- with letter "G" in centre, over a tree.
- No. 37. The All-Seeing Eye, radiant, above a lamb.
- No. 38. The All-Seeing Eye, radiant, above a slipper surrounded by a cable-tow.
- No. 39. A level crossed by a square, centre to centre, erect.
- No. 41. The All-Seeing Eye, radiant, above the book of constitutions, guarded by the tiler's sword.
- No. 45. A quartered shield bearing a crown, cross, and crescent, a palm tree, and the jewel of the Grand Master. For crest, the All-Seeing Eye, radiant.
- No. 46. A shield bearing an hourglass, partly surrounded by a scythe. For a crest, a winged globe.
- No. 47. The square and compasses surrounding a star bearing the letter "G."
- No. 48. A point within a circle embordered by two perpendicular parallel lines supporting the book of constitutions.
- No. 49. A five-pointed star bearing the letter "G."
- No. 50. A shield bearing a chevron (for the square); in chief, a sun; in centre-base, a crescent. For crest, the symbol of a M. M.
- No. 51. A shield, with chevron bearing the compasses. For crest, the All-Sceing Eye.
- No. 52. The plumb.

No. 53. An open hand.

No. 54. A shield bearing a trowel crossed with a gavel. For crest, three lengths of a cable-tow and three points.

No. 55. A shield, checker-bordered, bearing a sheaf of wheat. Crest, 5875.

No. 56. A shield bearing a tau cross, beneath a pair of compasses extended over three points, and, between, a dagger and one point and a square between two points. For crest, the letter "G" between 58 and 75.

No. 57. The square and compasses interlaced with the letter "G."

No. 58. A quartered shield bearing first and fourth, three mountains, second and third, a cedar of Lebanon. For crest, a Grand Master's jewel between 58 and 75.

No. 60. An altar, with book of constitutions, square and compasses; for support, crossed pens and crossed swords. For crest, two clasped hands.

No. 61. A shield bearing three thistles. For crest, three plates.

No. 62. A keystone bearing the square and compasses.

No. 63. A shield bearing three squares interlaced. Crest, the Master's square.

No. 64. A shield bearing a pot of incense. Crest, three quarternotes.

No. 65. A shield bearing lightning emanating from the word Lux. Crest, the All-Seeing Eye.

No. 67. A five-pointed star beneath a pen and sword, crossed, between two columns resting on a Mosaic pavement; above all, an eye, radiant. No. 68. A sheaf of wheat.

No. 69. A quartered shield bearing the letter "G," right angles, horizontals, and perpendiculars.

No. 70. A shield bearing emblems of each degree.

No. 71. A shield, with trowel bearing the square and compasses.

Crest, three lodges.

No. 72. An anchor.

No. 73. A winged hour-glass, with two sprigs of acacia.

No. 74. A rough ashlar bearing the letter "G," and a gavel with cable-tow.

No. 75. A bust of Past Grand Master Frank Welch.

No. 76. A shield bearing the square, plumb, and level.

No. 77. The level.

No. 78. A square crossed by a twenty-four-inch gauge.

No. 79. The sun with a human face.

No. 81. The rising sun within the square and compasses.

No. 82. A shield bearing square and dagger. For crest, three "G's."

No. 83. A Corinthian column.

No. 84. A perfect ashlar.

No. 86. The All-Seeing Eye above an altar.

No. 87. A shield bearing an Ionic column.

No. 88. A blazing star.

No. 89. A river, with cedars growing.

No. 90. A shield bearing two crowns and a gavel.

No. 91. A plum-line in a hand.

No. 92. The tiler's sword.

No. 93. The compasses suspended from the square.

No. 94. Two clasped hands above XCIV.

No. 95. A pen and a sword crossed.

No. 96. A bee-hive.

No. 97. The forty-seventh problem and three tapers.

No. 98. The twenty-four-inch gauge and common gavel crossed.

No. 99. Three steps within the square and compasses.

No. 100. The letter C.

No. 101. Three burning tapers.

No. 102. The trowel.

No. 103. A shield bearing three castles and the tiler's sword.

No. 104. Two clasped hands within the square and compasses.

No. 105. A hand pointing to the All-Seeing Eye.

No. 107. A slipper under two crossed rods.

No. 108. The trowel in the angle of the square.

No. 109. A shield bearing the compasses and anchor.

No. 110. A branch with fruit of pomegranate.

No. 111. The All-Seeing Eye within the square and compasses.

No. 112. The plumb crossed with the square.

No. 113. A globe.

No. 114. The letter "G" within a lodge.

No. 115. Square and compasses, with letter "G;" also two mallets.

No. 116. "Sit Lux," with aurora.

No. 118. A Doric column.

No. 119. The Holy Bible, square and compasses.

No. 120. The moon in wane.

No. 121. The All-Seeing Eye, the sun, moon and stars, the square and compasses surrounding the letter "G."

No. 123. A shield bearing three castles and a trowel.

No. 124. A sword pointing at a naked heart.

No. 125. The square and compasses above a mountain.

No. 126. The All-Seeing Eye above a ballot-box.

No. 129. Two clasped hands within a lodge.

No. 130. A Tuscan column and three steps.

No. 131. An ark with an anchor.

No. 132. The compasses inscribing a circle.

No. 133. A tree.

No. 134. Sun between two columns.

No. 135. A weeping willow.

No. 136. A pine tree within the angle of a square.

No. 138. The letter R

No. 139. A sprig of acacia within the square and compasses.

No. 140. A lodge with a radiant sun in the west.

No. 141. A hilltop, with a sprig of acacia thereon.

No. 142. A shield bearing an anchor with a lodge numbered 142.

No. 143. A crescent.

No. 145. A shield bearing the book of constitutions, with sword, a hand with dagger, and the fortyseventh problem.

No. 147. A lodge under the All-Seeing Eye.

No. 148. A dismounted cannon.

No. 150. A shield bearing the square and compasses, warden's column and gavel.

No. 151. A shield bearing three squares surrounding a star.

No. 153. A shield bearing three chevrons, a dagger, and a pine tree.

No. 155. On a shield, a hand holding a plumb line to a wall.

No. 156. A sprig of acacia under a five-pointed star.

- No. 157. An apron between two columns; also the letter "G."
- No. 160. A sheaf of corn hanging by a waterfall, guarded by the tiler's sword.
- No. 161. The statue of Justice.
- No. 162. The trestle-board.

# EMBLEMS USED IN SEALS.

Acacia, 34, 73, 139, 141, 156. Altar, 60, 86. Anchor, 72, 109, 131, 142. Apron, 1, 9, 157. Ark, 131. Ashlar, 74, 84. Aurora, 116.

Ballot box, 126. Beehive, 96. Bible, 119. Book, 2, 20, 25, 41, 48, 60, 145. Branch, 110. Building, 3. Bust, 75.

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# ROLL OF LODGES.

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WITH OFFICERS FOR YEAR 5888-9.

[The dates of dispensations and charters are approximate.]

#### NEBRASKA LODGE, NO. 1, OMAHA, DOUGLAS COUNTY.

Created, — -, 54; chartered Oct. 3, 55.

REGULAR MEETING — Tuesday on or before each full moon. Seal — Apron, with square and compasses laid thereon.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Daniel H. Wheeler, Master. Elbert T. Duke, Treasurer.

Alexander Atkinson, Senior Warden. William C. McLean, Secretary.

Augustus C. Osterman, Jun. Warden. William D. McHugh, Senior Deacon.

Frank E. Caldwell, Tiler.

# WESTERN STAR LODGE, NO. 2, NEBRASKA CITY, OTOE COUNTY.

Created May 10, 55; chartered May 28, 56.

REGULAR MEETING — Friday on or before full moon.

SEAL — A rayed star above the book of constitutions guarded by the tiler's sword.

Motto, "Lux esto."

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Edwin F. Thorp, Master.

Herbert C. Freeman, Senior Warden. Lewis Dunn, Senior Deacon.
Benjamin J. Ewing, Junior Warden.
William A. Cotton, Treasurer.

Samuel H. Morrison, Secretary.

Lewis Dunn, Senior Deacon.

Oliver Nelson, Junior Deacon.

John S. Place, Tiler.

#### CAPITOL LODGE, NO. 3, OMAHA, DOUGLAS COUNTY.

Created Jan. 9, 57; chartered June 3, 57,

REGULAR MEETING — First Monday of each calendar month.

SEAL — The first Capitol building in Nebraska.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Harlan P. Devalon, Master.

John R. Webster, Senior Warden.

Laurenstine A. Merriam, Jun. Warden.

Myer Hellman, Treasurer.

John Bamford, Secretary.

George B. Miller, Senior Deacon.

John Pray, Junior Deacon.

William S. King, Senior Steward.

Richard F. Simpson, Junior Steward.

Riley C. Whitmarsh, Tiler.

#### NEMAHA VALLEY LODGE, NO. 4, BROWNVILLE, NEMAHA COUNTY.

Created Dec. 15, 57; chartered June 2, 58, REGULAR MEETING - Saturday on or before full moon. Seal - Square and compasses raved, with two stars.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Charles Neidhart, Master. William H. McIninch, Sen. Warden. Benjamin F. Jones, Senior Deacon. William J. Jones, Junior Warden. Andrew R. Davison. Treasurer.

John J. Mercer, Secretary. Jonas Druery, Junior Deacon. Thomas F. Perry, Tiler.

#### OMADI LODGE, NO. 5, DAKOTA CITY, DAKOTA COUNTY.

Created Jan. 18, 58; chartered June 2, 58. REGULAR MEETING - Saturday on or before the full moon. SEAL - Square and compasses.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

William Adair, Master. Robert E. Evans, Senior Warden. William Bouton, Junior Warden. Julius Mesenheoler, Treasurer.

Thomas J. King, Secretary. John T. Sides, Senior Deacon. Curtis B. Bliven, Junior Deacon. George T. Woods, Tiler.

# PLATTSMOUTH LODGE, NO. 6, PLATTSMOUTH, CASS COUNTY.

Created Jan. 18, 58; chartered June 2, 58. REGULAR MEETING - First and third Monday of each month. SEAL - Square and compasses surrounding the letter "G."

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Justus G. Richey, Master. Joseph Leuchtweis, Senior Warden. Robinson Gienger, Junior Warden. Alfred W. White, Treasurer. William Hayes, Secretary.

Julius Pepperberg, Senior Deacon. Michael Archer, Junior Deacon. Thomas S. C. Dabb. Senior Steward. Fred Stadleman, Junior Steward. William B. Brown, Tiler,

#### SUMMIT LODGE, NO. 7, PARKVILLE, COLORADO.

Created May 6, 61; chartered June 5, 61. (Transferred to Grand Lodge of Colorado, Aug. 2, 61.)

#### ROCKY MOUNTAIN LODGE, NO. 8, GOLD HILL, COLORADO.

Created May 21, 61; chartered June 5, 61. (Transferred to Grand Lodge of Colorado, Aug. 2, 61.)

#### DECATUR LODGE, NO. 7, DECATUR, BURT COUNTY.

Created --- -, -; chartered June 4, 62. (Extinct since June 18, 73.)

CENTRAL CITY LODGE, U.D., \_\_\_\_, COLORADO.

Created --- -, 60 or 61.

(Extinct since -- -, -.)

PERU LODGE, U. D. PERU, NEMAHA COUNTY.

Created June 18, 61.

(Extinct since June 23, 63,)

BANNACK CITY LODGE, U. D. BANNACK CITY, IDAHO.

Created June 24, 63.

(Extinct since ---, -.)

MONITOR LODGE, U. D. ., UNITED STATES ARMY.

Created July 30, 63.

(Extinct since prior to 67.)

COLUMBUS LODGE, NO. 8, PLATTE COUNTY.

Created Aug. 25, 63; chartered June 23, 64. (Extinct since June 25, 68.)

IDAHO LODGE, U. D. , NEVADA CITY, IDAHO.

Created Nov. 17, 63.

(Extinct since June 23, 64,)

COLUMBUS LODGE, U.D., COLUMBUS, PLATTE COUNTY.

Created July 1, 64,

(Extinct since ---, -.)

FALLS CITY LODGE, NO. 9, FALLS CITY, RICHARDSON COUNTY.

Created Oct. 4, 64; chartered June 23, 65.

REGULAR MEETING - Saturday on or after each full moon. SEAL - An apron.

OFFICE-BEARERS.

Milton W. Musselman, Master. Henry C. Lapp, Senior Deacon. Amos E. Gantt, Senior Warden. P. U. Grant Southard, Jun. Warden. William Mast, Senior Steward. Thomas C. Shelly, Treasurer. H. Lincoln Jones, Junior Steward. Joseph C. Yutzy, Secretary.

Abe B. Newkirk, Junior Deacon. E.... R. L. Stoughton, Tiler.

#### SOLOMON LODGE, NO. 10, FORT CALHOUN, WASHINGTON COUNTY.

Created Aug. 15, 65; chartered June 22, 66. REGULAR MEETING - First Tuesday in each calendar month.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Austin W. Beals, Master. Edwin A. Palmer, Senior Warden. William F. Green, Junior Warden. Lorenzo Crounse, Treasurer.

Elias H. Clark, Secretary. Bela G. Fenner, Senior Deacon. J. William Wulff, Junior Deacon. Henry Lonergan, Tiler.

### COVERT LODGE, NO. 11, OMAHA, DOUGLAS COUNTY.

Created July 24, 65; chartered June 22, 66. REGULAR MEETING - First Wednesday in each month. SEAL - The Mosaic pavement.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

John N. Westberg, Master. George E. Gibson, Senior Warden. Samuel Boden, Junior Deacon. Michael O. Maul, Treasurer. Eben K. Long, Secretary.

Charles P. Southard, Senior Deacon. Victor Musselman, Junior Warden. Austin D. Daugherty, Senior Steward. Joseph Archibald, Junior Steward. Charles S. Owens, Tiler.

#### NEBRASKA CITY LODGE, NO. 12, NEBRASKA CITY, OTOE COUNTY.

Created Feb. 19, 66; chartered June 22, 66. REGULAR MEETING - Tuesday on or before each full moon.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

James W. Chadduck, Master. George M. Brinker, Treasurer. William Brower, Senior Warden. William C. Willman, Secretary. James B. Northcutt, Junior Warden. John M. Willman, Senior Deacon. Casper Lauer, Tiler.

#### ORIENT LODGE, NO. 13, RULO, RICHARDSON COUNTY.

Created June 23, 66; chartered June 19, 67. REGULAR MEETING - Monday on or before each full moon.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

William A. Jones, Master. Zachariah J. Parsons, Senior Warden. George Bowker, Senior Deacon. James W. Hosford, Junior Warden. Jonathan B. Samuel, Junior Deacon. Isaac H. Jones, Treasurer.

George D. Kirk, Secretary. John R. Jones, Tiler.

#### PERU LODGE, NO. 14, PERU, NEMAHA COUNTY.

Created May 23, 67; chartered June 19, 67. REGULAR MEETING - Saturday on or before each full moon.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Daniel C. Cole, Master. Jacob Zaring, Senior Warden. George Ashley, Junior Warden. Thomas J. Majors, Treasurer.

George W. Heywood, Secretary. Orsa P. Root, Senior Deacon. John F. Neal, Junior Deacon. Herman M. Mears, Tiler.

#### FREMONT LODGE, No. 15, FREMONT, DODGE COUNTY.

Created July 3, 66; chartered June 20, 67. REGULAR MEETING - First Tuesday in each month. SEAL - Three columns, with plumb, square and level.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Nathan H. Brown, Master. Julius Beckman, Senior Warden. Arthur Truesdell, Treasurer. George A. Storey, Secretary.

Frank Fowler, Senior Deacon. Check H. Toncray, Junior Deacon. Peter D. Denney, Junior Warden. Francis M. Smith, Senior Steward. Edwin W. S. Pratt, Junior Steward. Joel A. Green, Tiler.

#### EUREKA LODGE, NO. 16, ARAGO, RICHARDSON COUNTY.

Created Jan. 27, 68; chartered June 24, 68. (Extinct since Dec. 23, 75.)

#### TECUMSEH LODGE, NO. 17, TECUMSEH, JOHNSON COUNTY.

Created Dec. 7, 67; chartered June 24, 68, or Oct. 28, 69. REGULAR MEETING - First Saturday of each month.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Arthur C. Sullivan, Master. Enos W. Shaw, Senior Warden. William S. Bouton, Junior Warden. John S. Harman, Senior Steward. Cornelius Woodley, Treasurer. Ancil B. Ball, Secretary.

George D. Bennett, Senior Deacon. Warren H. Holmes, Junior Deacon. Thomas Milks, Junior Steward. Warren W. Tallman, Tiler.

#### ASHLAND LODGE, NO. 18, ASHLAND, SAUNDERS COUNTY.

Created April 10, 68; chartered June 24, 68. (Extinct since Aug. 17, 81.)

#### LINCOLN LODGE, NO. 19, LINCOLN, LANCASTER COUNTY.

Created May 4, 68; chartered June 25, 68.

REGULAR MEETING - First Tuesday in each month.

SEAL - The square and compasses between two columns; beneath them two right hands.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

John H. McClay, Master. Henry H. Wilson, Senior Warden. Irvin L. Lyman, Junior Warden. Lucian B. Freeman, Treasurer. Lorenzo D. Woodruff, Secretary. James K. Robinson, Senior Deacon. Judson H. Edson, Junior Deacon. Otis M. Druse, Senior Steward. George Cook, Junior Steward. George J. Hendry, Tiler.

#### ROCK BLUFF LODGE, NO. 20, ROCK BLUFFS, CASS COUNTY.

Created July 15, 67; chartered June 25, 68. (Extinct since July 16, 84.)

#### WASHINGTON LODGE, NO. 21, BLAIR, WASHINGTON COUNTY.

Created Feb. 24, 68; chartered June 25, 68.
REGULAR MEETING—Second Tuesday in each month.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Berea M. Willsey, Master.

Byron F. Monroe Senior Warden.

Byron F. Monroe, Senior Warden.

—————, Junior Warden.

Lester H. Clow, Secretary.
Nathan Carter, Senior Deacon.
John G. Wadsworth, Junior Deacon.
James R. Smith, Senior Steward.

Frank Harriman, Treasurer. James R. Smith John L. Tracy, Junior Steward.

# MACOY LODGE, NO. 22, PLATTSMOUTH, CASS COUNTY.

Created Feb. 10, 69; chartered Oct. 29, 69. (Extinct since Dec. 31, 77.)

# PAWNEE LODGE, NO. 23, PAWNEE CITY, PAWNEE COUNTY.

Created Jan. 4, 69; chartered Oct. 28, 69.
REGULAR MEETING — First and third Tuesday of each month.

SEAL — Square and compasses surrounding a five-pointed star.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

John H. Irion, Master. Edward N. Carter, Senior Warden. Harry C. Lindsay, Junior Warden. Charles E. Casey, Treasurer.

Samuel A. Chidester, Secretary. Joseph B. Brooks, Senior Deacon. John A. Howard, Junior Deacon. Daniel Liming, Tiler.

#### LAFAYETTE LODGE, NO. 24, GRANT, NEMAHA COUNTY.

Created June 29, 69; chartered Oct. 27 or 28, 69. (Extinct since March 27, 77.)

# ST. JOHNS LODGE, NO. 25, OMAHA, DOUGLAS COUNTY.

Created May 28, 69; chartered Oct. 28, 69.

REGULAR MEETING - First Thursday of each calendar month.

SEAL - A quarterfoil, bearing, (1) an eagle; (2) location of lodge, with star; (3) date of charter; (4) a certain point within a circle, with star, embordered with two parallel lines with book of constitutions thereon; within all, the square and compasses.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Gustav Andreen, Master. Thomas K. Sudborough, Sen. Warden. Arthur L. Harmon, Junior Deacon. Frank S. Hayes, Junior Warden. G. H. William Sievers, Treasurer. James B. Bruner, Secretary.

William L. Allison, Senior Deacon. Louis F. De Lorimier, Sen. Steward William E. Nason, Junior Steward. Fred W. Koetter, Tiler.

# BEATRICE LODGE, NO. 26, BEATRICE, GAGE COUNTY.

Created March 23, 70; chartered June 22, 70. REGULAR MEETING - Second and fourth Monday of each month. SEAL - The letter "G." Motto, "Faith, Hope and Charity."

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

George E. Hawkins, Master. Ellet G. Drake, Senior Warden. George H. Ross, Junior Warden. Silas W. Wadsworth, Treasurer. John P. Downs, Secretary.

Arthur W. Dole, Senior Deacon. Elmer E. Rambo, Junior Deacon. Martin L. Kors, Senior Steward. Alva C. Deeter, Junior Steward. Charles G. Cole, Tiler.

### JORDAN LODGE, NO. 27, WEST POINT, CUMING COUNTY.

Created Dec. 25, 69; chartered June 23, 70. REGULAR MEETING - Second and fourth Tuesday of each month. OFFICE-BEARERS.

William E. Krause, Master. John H. Sexton, Senior Warden. Bennett Goldsmith, Junior Warden. Edgar N. Sweet, Senior Steward. Henry Luhins, Treasurer. Florando E. Krause, Secretary.

Emory Briggs, Senior Deacon. William A. Black, Junior Deacon. Alexander M. Rose, Senior Steward. Edwin J. Romig, Tiler.

# WYOMING LODGE, NO. 28, SOUTH PASS CITY, WYOMING TERRITORY.

Created Nov. 24, 69; chartered June 23, 70, (Transferred to Grand Lodge of Wyoming Dec. 15, 74.)

# HOPE LODGE, NO. 29, NEMAHA CITY, NEMAHA COUNTY.

Created Nov. 8, 69; chartered June 23, 70. REGULAR MEETING - Friday on or before full moon.

OFFICE-BEARERS.

James A. Titus, Master. William Hawxby, Senior Warden. Henry Williams, Junior Warden. Amos F. Noe, Senior Steward. Henry A. Brand, Treasurer. Jeremiah Marlatt, Secretary.

George E. Tourtelot, Senior Deacon. James A. Linn, Junior Deacon. David Tourtelot, Junior Steward. Raben Elliott, Tiler.

# BLUE RIVER LODGE, NO. 30, MILFORD, SEWARD COUNTY.

Created April 25, 70; chartered June 23, 70. REGULAR MEETING - Thursday on or before full moon

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Alfred Hiller, Master. Elam H. Landis, Senior Warden. - \_\_\_\_, Junior Warden. Elisha Courtright, Treasurer. George W. Brandon, Secretary.

Charles M. Turner, Senior Deacon. Henry Wortendyke, Junior Deacon. John A. Raymer, Senior Steward. Charles N. France. Junior Steward. George E. Tindal, Tiler.

# TEKAMAH LODGE, NO. 31, TEKAMAH, BURT COUNTY.

Created Aug. 19, 69; chartered June 23, 70.

REGULAR MEETING - First and third Wednesday of each month.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

William B. Roberts, Master. Sidney S. Skinner, Senior Warden. Charles T. Dickinson, Junior Warden. John Driscoll, Junior Deacon. James P. Latta, Treasurer.

William M. Nesbit, Secretary. William L. Pierce, Senior Deacon. James E. Hildreth, Tiler.

# PLATTE VALLEY LODGE, NO. 32, NORTH PLATTE, LINCOLN COUNTY.

Created Jan. 15, 70; chartered --- , --. REGULAR MEETING - Second Tuesday of each month,

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Samuel Goozee, Master. George W. Finn, Senior Warden. Charles McDonald, Treasurer.

Frank E. Bullard, Secretary. Charles Hendy, Senior Deacon. Alexander F. Streitz, Junior Warden. William Cartwright, Junior Deacon. Platt J. Gilman, Tiler.

# ASHLAR LODGE, NO. 33, GRAND ISLAND, HALL COUNTY.

Created Aug. 11, 70; chartered June 22, 71. REGULAR MEETING - First and third Thursdays. SEAL - The letter "G."

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Christian Schlotfeldt, Master. Thomas O. C. Harrison, Sen. Warden. George P. Bean, Junior Deacon. Edward Hooper, Treasurer. Charles W. Brininger, Secretary. Charles A. Anderson, Tiler.

Edward C. Hockenberger, Sen. Deacon. Hammitt B. Wilson, Junior Warden. G. Frederick Brage, Senior Steward. John H. Pedley, Junior Steward.

# HARMONY LODGE, U.: D.:, SAINT DEROIN, NEMAHA COUNTY.

Created Nov. 26, 70. (Extinct since — -, 71.)

# COLUMBUS LODGE, U. D. COLUMBUS, PLATTE COUNTY.

Created Jan. 3, 71. (Extinct since May 12, 71.)

# HARMONY LODGE, U. D. SAINT DEROIN, NEMAHA COUNTY

Created Aug. 5, 71. (Extinct since June 19, 72.)

# ACACIA LODGE, NO. 34, SCHUYLER, COLFAX COUNTY.

Created July 18, 70; chartered June 19, 72. REGULAR MEETING - First Thursday of each month. SEAL - A sprig of acacia.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Frederick M. Hatch, Senior Deacon. Frederick J. Joyce, Master. William D. Fletcher, Senior Warden. James B. Artley, Junior Deacon. John C. Sprecher, Junior Warden. Leslie L. White, Senior Steward. George H. Wells, Treasurer. John E. Arnold, Junior Steward. Walter W. Wells, Secretary. Ellmore S. Hurlbut, Tiler.

# FAIRBURY LODGE, NO. 35, FAIRBURY, JEFFERSON COUNTY.

Created June 30, 71; chartered June 19, 72. REGULAR MEETING - First and third Monday of each month. SEAL - Virgin weeping over a broken column; on the left, a tree.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Philoman H. Hanchett, Master. George H. Turner, Secretary. H.... N. Bradshaw, Senior Warden. A.... H. McKinzie, Senior Deacon. H.... B. Lenard, Junior Warden. Ransom Lott, Junior Deacon. John Gallalley, Treasurer. Alexander Bennedic, Tiler.

#### LONE TREE LODGE, NO. 36, CENTRAL CITY, MERRICK COUNTY.

Created Aug. 9, 71,; chartered June 19, 72. REGULAR Meeting - First and third Saturday in each month. SEAL - The square and compasses, with letter "G" in centre, over a tree.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

William Y. R. Gawne, Master. William H. Crites, Senior Warden. Charles W. Adams, Junior Warden. Martin V. Scott, Senior Steward. Frank Carlis, Treasurer. Bell E. Berryman, Secretary.

William W. Finch, Senior Deacon. John C. Lutes, Junior Deacon. Frank A. Craigg, Junior Steward. George F. Reed, Tiler.

### CRETE LODGE, NO. 37, CRETE, SALINE COUNTY.

Created Jan. 8, 72; chartered June 19, 72. REGULAR MEETING - First Friday of each month. SEAL - The All-Seeing Eye, radiant, above a lamb.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Wells H. Skinner, Junior Warden. Horace M. Wells, Master. Lucius E. Fuller, Senior Warden. William T. Buchanan, Treasurer.

James S. Boice, Secretary.

James T. Pronger, Senior Deacon.

Fred A. Durrie, Junior Deacon.

Jonathan R. Neill, Senior Steward. Hugh McCarger, Junior Steward. Roscius J. Tambling, Tiler.

### OLIVER LODGE, NO. 38, SEWARD, SEWARD COUNTY.

Created July 25, 71; chartered June 18, 73.

REGULAR MEETING — Saturday evening on or before each full moon. SEAL—All-Seeing Eye, radiant, above a slipper, surrounded by a cable-tow.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Albert J. Williams, Master.
John S. Leonhardt, Senior Warden.
John A. Campbell, Junior Warden.
West B. Barrett, Treasurer.
William H. Walker, Secretary.

Martin Hulshizer, Senior Deacon. George W. Dickey, Junior Deacon. J. Frank Skeede, Senior Steward. James A. Taylor, Junior Steward. Levi A. Weldon, Tiler.

### PAPILLION LODGE, NO. 39, PAPILLION, SARPY COUNTY.

Created Nov. 18, 72; chartered June 18, 73.

REGULAR MEETING — Saturday on or before each full moon.

SEAL—A level crossed by a square, centre to centre, erect.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Newell R. Wilcox, Master. Orrin W. Royce, Treasurer.

James Hassett, Senior Warden. James D. Patterson, Secretary.

Benjamin F. Thomas, Junior Warden. Henry R. Platt, Senior Deacon.

Selah B. Knapp, Tiler.

# HUMBOLDT LODGE, NO. 40, HUMBOLDT, RICHARDSON COUNTY.

Created Dec. 16, 72; chartered June 18, 73.
REGULAR MEETING — Thursday on or before each full moon.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

James L. Linn, Master.
Samuel M. Philpot, Senior Warden.
Charles E. Nims, Junior Deacon.
Orange L. Bantz, Treasurer.
Edgar S. Norton, Secretary.

Peter P. Day, Senior Deacon. Henry A. Scott, Junior Deacon. Orrin A. Cooper, Senior Steward. J. Rock Williamson, Junior Steward. Thomas J. Frazier, Tiler.

# NORTHERN LIGHT LODGE, NO. 41, STANTON, STANTON COUNTY.

Created Jan. 20, 73: chartered June 18, 73.

REGULAR MEETING — Wednesday on or before each full moon.

SEAL—The All-Seeing Eye, radiant, above the book of constitutions, guarded by the tiler's sword

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

John A. Ehrhardt. Master. Francis McGiverin, Senior Warden. Will J. Dobbs, Junior Warden. Julius Poessnecker. Treasurer. Alfred A. Kearney, Secretary. William T. McFarland, Sr. Deacon. James McKinsey, Junior Deacon. James Brooks, Senior Steward. James W. Mackey, Junior Steward. Jason E. Nichols, Tiler.

# JUNIATA LODGE, NO. 42, JUNIATA, ADAMS COUNTY.

Created Feb. 21, 73; chartered June 18, 73. REGULAR MEETING - Monday on or before each full moon. OFFICE-BEARERS.

Enos J. Hanchett, Master. Guy M. McGonegal, Senior Warden. Albert D. Cole, Junior Deacon. William G. Sadler, Junior Warden. Daniel Ball, Treasurer. Frank E. Kelly, Secretary.

Edward F. Gettle, Senior Deacon. James McKelvy, Senior Steward. Leander J. Walker, Junior Steward. David R. Biglow, Tiler.

# HEBRON LODGE, NO. 43, HEBRON, THAYER COUNTY.

Created Mar. 10, 73; chartered June 18, 73. REGULAR MEETING - First Saturday of each month.

OFFICE-BEARERS. Adam D. Werner, Master.

Arthur C. Past. Senior Warden. Melvin G. Leach, Junior Warden. J. Addison Bowdle, Treasurer. Thomas M. Surbaugh, Secretary.

Jacob J. Werner, Senior Deacon. Robert C. Hays, Junior Deacon. Benjamin F. Berkey, Senior Steward. Julius E. Thomas, Junior Steward. J.... A. Kinney, Tiler.

# HARVARD LODGE, NO. 44, HARVARD, CLAY COUNTY.

Created Mar. 25, 73; chartered June 18, 73. REGULAR MEETING - First and third Tuesday of each month. OFFICE-BEARERS.

Leslie G. Hurd, Master. George W. Martin, Junior Warden. William J. Turner, Treasurer. James H. Webster, Secretary.

Levi B. Munger, Senior Deacon. Arthur D. Davison, Senior Warden, James S. Catherson, Junior Deacon. Nathan H. Lewis, Senior Steward. James R. Mercer, Junior Steward. Harry R. Corwin, Tiler.

#### PALMYRA LODGE, NO. 45, PALMYRA, OTOE COUNTY.

Created Jan. 9, 72; chartered June 26, 74. REGULAR MEETING -Wednesday on or before each full moon. SEAL-A quartered shield, bearing a crown, cross and crescent, a palm tree, and the jewel of the Grand Master. For crest, the All-Seeing Eye, radiant. OFFICE-BEARERS.

John O. Moore, Master. William S. White, Treasurer. Robert O. Self, Senior Deacon. Charles A. Sweet, Junior Warden. Dwight Wait, Junior Deacon. Joseph Rudge, Tiler.

# ROB MORRIS LODGE, NO. 46, KEARNEY, BUFFALO COUNTY.

Created Feb. 21, 73; chartered June 26, 74. REGULAR MEETING - First Wednesday of each month. SEAL-A shield bearing an hour-glass, partly surrounded by a scythe; for a crest, a winged globe.

OFFICE-BEARERS.

Henry Williams, Master. Charles O. Swan, Senior Warden. James D. Hawthorne, Treasurer.

John Askin, Junior Warden.

Robert E. French, Secretary. Charles H. Lovin, Senior Deacon. Aaron Kahn, Junior Deacon.

H.... P. Porter, Senior Steward. Nelson G. Chilberg, Junior Steward. Henry A. Willhelmy, Tiler.

# SALEM LODGE, NO. 47, SALEM, RICHARDSON COUNTY.

Created Feb. 21, 73; chartered June 26, 74. REGULAR MEETING - Saturday on or before each full moon. SEAL—The square and compasses surrounding a star bearing the letter "G."

### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Joshua Vandevort, Master. Hezekiah B. Gist, Senior Warden. Hugh L. Staver, Junior Warden. John R. Brooke, Treasurer.

William M. Jordan, Secretary. Myron H. Felt, Senior Deacon. William J. Reynolds, Junior Deacon. Daniel W. Scott, Tiler.

# FAIRMONT LODGE, NO. 48, FAIRMONT, FILMORE COUNTY.

Created Dec. 4, 73; chartered June 26, 74. REGULAR MEETING - Tuesday on or before each full moon. SEAL-A point within a circle, embordered by two perpendicular parallel lines supporting the book of constitutions.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Julius O. Chase, Master. Alvah W. Loomis, Junior Warden. Frank T. Vincent, Treasurer.

Charles E. Walters, Secretary. William R. Gaylord, Senior Warden. Charles H. Ketridge, Senior Deacon. Henry Beecher, Junior Deacon. Joseph J. Bock, Tiler.

#### EVENING STAR LODGE, NO. 49, SUTTON, CLAY COUNTY.

Created Dec. 22, 73; chartered June 26, 74. REGULAR MEETING - Second and fourth Thursday in each month. SEAL-A five-pointed star, bearing the letter "G."

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

George H. Van Duyne, Master. Kersey T. Jones, Senior Warden. Benjamin F. McGill, Junior Warden. Isaac N. Clark, Senior Steward. Edward W. Woodruff, Treasurer. Francis M. Brown, Secretary.

William H. Davis, Senior Deacon. Nathaniel A. Tyler, Junior Deacon. John M. Birkner, Junior Steward. John H. Tower, Tiler.

# HASTINGS LODGE, NO. 50, HASTINGS, ADAMS COUNTY.

Created Jan. 3, 74; chartered June 26, 74. REGULAR MEETING - First Tuesday in each month. SEAL-A shield, bearing a chevron (for the square); in chief, a sun; in centre-base, a crescent. For crest, the symbol of a M.:.M.:.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

William S. McKinney, Master. William F. Buchanan, Sr. Warden. Abijah R. Vansickle, Jr. Warden. Fred J. Benedict, Treasurer. Harry C. Armfield, Secretary.

Edward N. Winslow, Senior Deacon. Edward P. Nellis, Junior Deacon. Enos H. Reed, Senior Steward. John W. Shaw, Junior Steward. Charles C. Rittenhouse, Tiler.

# FIDELITY LODGE, NO. 51, DAVID CITY, BUTLER COUNTY.

Created Jan. 19, 74; chartered June 26, 74.

REGULAR MEETING - Saturday on or before each full moon.

SEAL - A shield, with chevron bearing the compasses. For crest, the All-Seeing Eye.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Thornton B. Meyers, Master, John Harper, Senior Warden. George W. Osterhout, Junior Warden. Ira E. Doty, Senior Steward. John T. Meyers, Treasurer. John A. Avres, Jr., Secretary.

Wason W. Barker, Senior Deacon. William Quade, Junior Deacon. Daniel E. Coleman, Junior Steward. William Ritchie, Tiler.

# HIRAM LODGE, NO. 52, ARLINGTON, WASHINGTON COUNTY.

Created Feb. 26, 74; chartered June 26, 74. REGULAR MEETING - Saturday on or before each full moon.

SEAL - The plumb.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

William R. Turner, Master.

— , Treasurer, -. Secretary.

Sherman J. Hadley, Senior Deacon. Newton W. Preston, Senior Warden. Andrew B. Batson, Junior Deacon. Edward T. Staples, Junior Warden. William D. Badger, Senior Steward. Louis C. Weber, Junior Steward. John M. Dahlberg, Tiler,

### CHARITY LODGE, NO. 53, RED CLOUD, WEBSTER COUNTY.

Created Mar. 2, 74; chartered June 26, 74. REGULAR MEETING - Friday on or before each full moon. SEAL - An open hand.

> OFFICE-BEARERS. (No report.)

# LANCASTER LODGE, NO. 54, LINCOLN, LANCASTER COUNTY.

Created Apr. 20, 74; chartered June 26, 74. REGULAR MEETING - First Friday in each month.

SEAL - A shield bearing a trowel crossed with a gavel; for crest, three lengths of a cable-tow and three points.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Charles M. Carter, Master. John A. Ames, Senior Warden. Daniel H. Muir, Junior Warden. Robert B. Graham, Treasurer. Henry A. Guild, Secretary.

Quincy L. Martin, Senior Deacon. Landy C. Clark, Junior Deacon. James H. Bobb, Senior Steward. Isaac H. Johnson, Junior Steward. Daniel C. Van Duyne, Tiler.

# MOSAIC LODGE, NO. 55, NORFOLK, MADISON COUNTY.

Created Oct. 1, 74; chartered June 23, 75.

REGULAR MEETING - First Tuesday in each month.

SEAL - A shield, checker-bordered, bearing a sheaf of wheat; crest, '5875."

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

William Gerecke, Master. D.... A. Holmes, Senior Warden. Charles A. Mast. Junior Warden. W. Herman Bucholz, Treasurer. William H. Lowe, Secretary.

Ernest H. Tracy, Senior Deacon. Herman Gerecke, Junior Deacon. Lucius M. Gaylord, Senior Steward. Silas G. Dean, Junior Steward. Edward M. Norton, Tiler.

### YORK LODGE, NO. 56, YORK, YORK COUNTY.

Created Oct 1, 74; chartered June 23, 75.

REGULAR MEETING - First Friday in each month.

SEAL - A shield, bearing a tau cross; beneath, a pair of compasses extended over three points, and, between, a dagger and one point and a square between two points. For crest, letter "G" between 58 and 75.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

George E. Peabody, Master. Albert O. Faulkner, Senior Warden. Judson C. Panter, Junior Warden. Stephen P. Buckmaster, Treasurer. Willard L. Whedon, Secretary.

Thomas J. Hatfield, Senior Deacon. George Chilcote, Junior Deacon. Harry E. Wells, Senior Steward. John M. Meradith, Junior Steward. George Brown, Tiler.

### MOUNT MORIAH LODGE, NO. 57, SYRACUSE, OTOE COUNTY.

Created Nov. 7, 74; chartered June 23, 75.

REGULAR MEETING - Thursday on or before each full moon. SEAL -The square and compasses interlaced with the letter "G."

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Gaylord H. Thorpe, Master. Jasper K. Griffith, Senior Warden. John A. Webber, Junior Warden.

Jesse W. Anderson, Treasurer. Charles B. Page, Secretary. George W. McKee, Senior Deacon. George Z. Page, Tiler.

# LEBANON LODGE, NO. 58, COLUMBUS, PLATTE COUNTY.

Created Dec. 7, 74; chartered June 23, 75.

REGULAR MEETING - Second Wednesday of each month.

SEAL - A quartered shield, bearing, first and fourth, three mountains; second and third, a cedar of Lebanon. For crest, a Grand Master's jewel between 58 and 75.

### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Clarence H. Sheldon, Master. Gustavus B. Speice, Senior Warden. Fred W. Reimer, Junior Deacon. Fred J. Schug, Junior Warden. Charles A. Speice, Treasurer. Marcus H. White, Secretary.

Julius Rasmussen, Senior Deacon. Robert H. Henry, Senior Steward. Henry P. Coolidge, Junior Steward. James R. Meagher, Tiler.

# WAHOO LODGE, NO. 59, WAHOO, SAUNDERS COUNTY.

Created Jan. 20, 75; chartered June 23, 75.

REGULAR MEETING - Saturday on or before full moon and second Saturday thereafter.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Melville W. Stone, Master. Benjamin F. Good, Senior Warden. William M. Rayley, Junior Warden. Benjamin D. Rupp, Senior Steward. Charles L. Mielenz, Treasurer. Frank J. Kirchman, Secretary.

Edward E. Good, Senior Deacon. James O'Donnell, Junior Deacon. George I. Moyer, Junior Steward. Henry J. Miller, Tiler.

# MELROSE LODGE, NO. 60, ORLEANS, HARLAN COUNTY.

Created March 10, 75; chartered June 24, 75.

REGULAR MEETING - Saturday on or before each full moon.

SEAL - An altar, with book of constitutions, square and compasses; for support, crossed pens and crossed swords. For crest, two clasped hands,

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Arthur D. Hedden, Master. John A. Ellis, Senior Warden. Charles Achen, Junior Warden, John H. Olson, Treasurer. Joshua L. Roberson, Secretary.

George M. Wallace, Senior Deacon. Benjamin A. Coe, Junior Deacon. John A. Gibson, Senior Steward. Allen L. Killman, Junior Steward. Christian D. Rupp, Tiler.

### THISTLE LODGE, NO. 61, PLUM CREEK, DAWSON COUNTY.

Created May 8, 75; chartered June 21, 76.

REGULAR MEETING - First Tuesday in each month. SEAL - A shield bearing three thistles. For crest, three plates.

### OFFICE-BEARERS.

John F. Kutz, Master. Henry A. Treston, Senior Warden. George Zepf, Junior Warden. William F. Rice, Treasurer. Arthur C. Maxwell, Secretary.

Hector M. Sinclair, Senior Deacon. George M. Blaksbee, Junior Deacon. Timothy A. Taylor, Senior Steward. William H. Cole, Junior Steward. George Little, Sr., Tiler.

### KEYSTONE LODGE, NO. 62, PHILLIPS, HAMILTON COUNTY.

Created Jan. 1, 76; chartered June 21, 76.

REGULAR MEETING - Saturday on or before each full moon.  $\operatorname{Seal} - \Lambda$  keystone bearing the square and compasses.

### OFFICE-BEARERS.

George L. Levee, Master. Daniel E. Price, Senior Warden, Alden Garwood, Junior Warden. James O. Baker, Treasurer.

Benjamin J. Fulton, Secretary. L. Frank England, Senior Deacon Albert C. Adams, Junior Deacon. Nelson F. Lane, Tiler.

# RIVERTON LODGE, NO. 63, RIVERTON, FRANKLIN COUNTY.

Created Dec. 22, 75; chartered June 21, 76.

REGULAR MEETING - Saturday on or before each full moon.

SEAL - A shield bearing three squares interlaced. Crest, the Master's square.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Rufus M. Stark, Master. David Eastwood, Senior Warden. Ransom D. Davis, Junior Warden. Gene Hunter, Treasurer. Llewellyn M. Felch, Secretary.

Jacob P. Outson, Senior Deacon. Edwin A. Loveland, Junior Deacon. Willis P. Fulton, Senior Steward. Charles Hunter, Junior Steward. John Lawson, Tiler.

# BLUE VALLEY LODGE, NO. 64, WILBER, SALINE COUNTY.

Created Oct. 6, 76; chartered June 20, 77.

REGULAR MEETING -Tuesday on or before each full moon. SEAL-A shield bearing a pot of incense. Crest, three quarter-notes.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

John W. Wehn, Jr., Master. Frank Chaloupka, Junior Warden. George H. Ross, Senior Steward. Charles Whipple, Treasurer. Frank Janouch, Secretary.

George H. Tracy, Senior Deacon. Jacob S. Shackelton, Senior Warden. Napoleon B. Hayden, Junior Deacon. Edward Turner, Junior Steward. John T. Ramey, Tiler.

### OSCEOLA LODGE, NO. 65, OSCEOLA, POLK COUNTY.

Created Nov. 23, 76; chartered June 20, 77.

REGULAR MEETING - Saturday on or before each full moon. SEAL-A shield bearing lightning emanating from the word Lux. Crest, the All-Seeing Eve.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS,

Levi L. Snider, Master. Horace F. Henderson, Sr. Warden. Louis B. Musselman, Junior Warden. John Grossnicklaus, Junior Deacon. Horace A. Scott, Treasurer.

Edwin L. King, Secretary. Thomas H. Utterback, Senior Deacon. Alexander N. Jay, Tiler.

# LIVINGSTONE LODGE, NO. 66, FIRTH, LANCASTER COUNTY.

Created Feb. 16, 77; chartered June 20, 77.

REGULAR MEETING - Wednesday on or before each full moon.

### CFFICE-BEARERS.

Jacob Groves, Master. William Crandall, Senior Warden. John Kommers, Junior Deacon. Ed Spencer, Junior Warden. Christ Bailey, Treasurer. Cicero Hill, Secretary.

Alfred TouVelle, Senior Deacon. Joe Dorining, Senior Steward. George Collins, Junior Steward. Mike Hart, Tiler.

# EDGAR LODGE, NO. 67, EDGAR, CLAY COUNTY.

Created Feb. 27, 77; chartered June 20, 77.

REGULAR MEETING - Second and fourth Monday, September to May inclusive: second Monday in June, July and August,

SEAL-A five-pointed star beneath a pen and sword, crossed, between two columns resting on a Mosaic pavement; above all, an Eye radiant.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

William R. Fuller, Master. Samuel W. Christy, Junior Warden. Henry W. Stout, Senior Steward. John G. Glazier. Treasurer. Charles H. Treat, Secretary.

Samuel J. Whitten, Senior Deacon, Thomas S. Whitten, Senior Warden. Christopher C. Creech, Junior Deacon. Joseph R. Kidd, Junior Steward. Joseph P. Stark, Tiler.

# AURORA LODGE, NO. 68, AURORA, HAMILTON COUNTY.

Created Feb 10, 76; chartered June 19, 78. REGULAR MEETING - First and third Tuesday in each month SEAL-A sheaf of wheat.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Eugene J. Hainer, Master. Perley M. Green, Senior Warden. William R. Smith, Treasurer. Darius P. Wilcox, Secretary.

Frederick J. Bricker, Senior Deacon. James B. Rogers, Junior Deacon, Edmund A. Steenburg, Jr. Warden. James B. Britton, Senior Steward. William F. Gooden, Junior Steward. Lucien D. Ellsworth, Tiler.

### FORTITUDE LODGE, NO. 69, ULYSSES, BUTLER COUNTY.

Created April 24, 77; chartered June 19, 78. (Extinct since July 14, 87.)

### STERLING LODGE, NO. 70, STERLING, JOHNSON COUNTY.

Created July 16, 77; chartered June 19, 78,

REGULAR MEETING -Tuesday on or before each full moon. SEAL-A shield, bearing emblems of each degree.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Thomas P. Renshaw, Master. John M. Hershey, Senior Warden. William Kneeland, Junior Warden. William Borland, Senior Steward. George W. Grimes, Treasurer. Valentine Zink, Secretary.

John W. Pratt, Senior Deacon. William Freeburn, Junior Deacon, Samuel Nisley, Junior Steward. Albert H. Dollarhide, Tiler.

### TROWEL LODGE, NO. 71, NELIGH, ANTELOPE COUNTY.

Created Jan. 28, 78; chartered June 19, 78.

REGULAR MEETING - First Wednesday in each month. SEAL-A shield, with trowel bearing the square and compasses. Crest, three lodges.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Charles L. Harris, Master. Harry B. Hauser, Senior Warden. Nelson D. Jackson, Junior Warden, Carl Röben, Treasurer.

Henry Kryger, Secretary. William C. Estes, Senior Deacon. Julius E. Wilder, Junior Deacon. Hugh L. McGinnity, Senior Steward. James Coleman, Junior Steward. Robert Herren, Tiler.

# HOOPER LODGE, NO. 72, HOOPER, DODGE COUNTY.

Created March 19, 78; chartered June 25, 79. REGULAR MEETING - Saturday on or before each full moon. SEAL-An anchor. OFFICE-BEARERS.

John M. Kreader, Master. James H. Caldwell, Senior Warden. Frank Reber, Junior Warden. Jerry Denslow, Treasurer. Thomas W. Lyman, Secretary.

Herman Monnich, Senior Deacon. Carl Kroeger, Junior Deacon. Samuel Kreader, Senior Steward. Russell L. Briggs, Junior Steward. James P. Lambertson, Tiler.

# FRIEND LODGE, NO. 73, FRIEND, SALINE COUNTY.

Created May 4, 78; chartered June 25, 79. REGULAR MEETING-Wednesday on or before each full moon. SEAL-A winged hour-glass, with two sprigs of acacia. OFFICE-BEARERS.

James V. Beghtol, Master. Alexander S. McKay, Senior Warden. Charles W. Hurd, Junior Deacon. Andrew J. Nelson, Junior Warden. William Porter, Treasurer. John O. Frantz, Secretary.

Denoice C. Page, Senior Deacon. Evert N. Chapin, Senior Steward. Frank A. Jones, Junior Steward. William W. Praul, Tiler.

### ALEXANDRIA LODGE, NO. 74, ALEXANDRIA, THAYER COUNTY.

Created Dec. 26, 78; chartered June 25, 79. REGULAR MEETING -Second and fourth Monday in each month. SEAL-A rough ashlar bearing the letter "G" and a gavel, with cable-tow. OFFICE-BEARERS.

Edwin H. Burnham, Master. James F. Thomas, Senior Warden. George Hole, Junior Warden. George W. Enslow, Treasurer. Edgar M. Jenkins, Secretary.

James H. Enslow, Senior Deacon. Joseph C. Martin, Junior Deacon. Martin A. Alexander, Senior Steward. Joseph G. Burruss, Junior Steward. George L. Archer, Tiler.

### FRANK WELCH LODGE, NO. 75, SIDNEY, CHEYENNE COUNTY.

Created Dec. 26, 78; chartered June 25, 79. REGULAR MEETING - First Tuesday in each month. SEAL-A bust of Past Grand Master Frank Welch. OFFICE-BEARERS.

Henry S. Rayner, Master. Joseph W. Duncan, Senior Warden. John A. Borie, Junior Warden. Peter Smith, Treasurer. Jacob Kiefer, Secretary.

Judd C. Bush, Senior Deacon. Francis H. De Castro, Junior Deacon. Henry F. Moulton, Senior Steward. Michael Cohn, Junior Steward. Laurens Jessen, Tiler.

# JOPPA LODGE, NO. 76, BLOOMINGTON, FRANKLIN COUNTY.

Created Mar. 29, 79; chartered June 25, 79.

REGULAR MEETING - Friday on or before each full moon. SEAL-A shield bearing the square, plumb and level.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

James P. A. Black, Master. Thomas F. Ashby, Junior Warden. Seth S. Pickering, Senior Steward. George W. Sheppard, Treasurer.

William T. Britton, Senior Deacon, Lewis McCall, Junior Steward. Ashley Patch, Tiler.

# NELSON LODGE, NO. 77, NELSON, NUCKOLLS COUNTY.

Created Mar. 15, 79; chartered June 23, 80. REGULAR MEETING - Saturday on or before each full moon. SEAL - The level.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Joseph VanValin, Master. Charles P. Leigh, Senior Warden. Henry N. Banks, Junior Warden. James A. Devore, Treasurer. Frank S. Shaw, Secretary.

Jacob Ritterbush, Senior Deacon. Edward M. Hussong, Junior Deacon. John M. Noble, Senior Steward. Valorus A. Thomas, Junior Steward. David A. Gibson. Tiler.

# ALBION LODGE, NO. 78, ALBION, BOONE COUNTY.

Created Aug. 1, 79; chartered June 23, 80.

REGULAR MEETING - The first and third Saturday in each month. SEAL - A square crossed by a twenty-four-inch gauge.

### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Frederic H. Smith, Master. Monroe J. Ladd, Senior Deacon. Thompson F. Martin, Senior Warden. Henry P. Bull, Junior Deacon. Arthur W. Ladd, Junior Warden. Homer D. Wager, Senior Steward. John C. Mann, Treasurer. Charles M. Bailey, Junior Steward. Samuel P. Ayer, Secretary. Joseph T. Anderson, Tiler.

# GENEVA LODGE, NO. 79, GENEVA, FILLMORE COUNTY.

Created Nov. 24, 79; chartered June 23, 80.

REGULAR MEETING - Friday on or before each full moon and a fortnight thereafter.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Frank H. Briggs, Master. Theodore L. Williams, Sen. Warden. E. Alister Coombs, Junior Deacon. Jake L. Houchin, Junior Warden. A. Judson Beals, Treasurer. Robert M. Hazlett, Secretary.

Elmore M. Billings, Senior Deacon. Joseph M. Fisher, Senior Steward. Mark Butler, Junior Steward. Edward O. Lemmon, Tiler.

# WACO LODGE, NO. 80, WACO, YORK COUNTY.

Created Mar. 20, 80; chartered June 23, 80. (Extinct since Jan. 31, 85.)

### COMPOSITE LODGE, NO. 81, RISING CITY, BUTLER COUNTY.

Created Mar. 20, 80; chartered June 22, 81.

REGULAR MEETING - Tuesday on or before each full moon. SEAL - The rising sun within the square and compasses.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

James W. Combs, Master. Andrew J. Martin, Senior Warden. Lucius A. Warren, Junior Warden. James N. Taylor, Senior Steward. Luke L. Pearson, Treasurer.

John W. Hart, Secretary.

John A. Steel, Senior Deacon. William H. Sheppard, Junior Deacon. James O. Hurd, Junior Steward. George W. Keebough, Tiler.

George H. Moulton, Chaplain.

# SAINT PAUL LODGE, NO. 82, SAINT PAUL, HOWARD COUNTY.

Created Apr. 15, 80; chartered June 22, 81.

REGULAR MEETING - Third Thursday in each month. SEAL - A shield bearing square and dagger; for crest, three "Gs."

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Bruce E. Jolls, Master. Farmer W. Crew, Senior Warden. Perry G. Shamstrom, Junior Warden. Frank M. Donovan, Senior Steward. Robert Harvey, Treasurer. Granville A. Pease, Secretary.

William W. Kendall, Senior Deacon. Roger Scribner, Junior Deacon. William A. Greggston, Jun. Steward. Abram C. Snyder, Tiler.

# CORINTHIAN LODGE, NO. 83, WAKEFIELD, DIXON COUNTY.

Created Apr. 22, 80; chartered June 22, 81

REGULAR MEETING - Saturday on or before each full moon. SEAL - A Corinthian column.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

John T. Mettlen, Master. John T. Marriott, Senior Warden. Moritz Thomsen, Junior Warden, William Park, Treasurer. Herbert T. Shumway, Secretary.

Levi Kimball, Senior Deacon. Joseph Boekenhauer, Junior Deacon, Harvey H. Rawlings, Senior Steward. Joseph W. Hogan, Junior Steward. William P. Ayler, Tiler.

# FAIRFIELD LODGE, NO. 84, FAIRFIELD, CLAY COUNTY.

Created Sept. 3, 80; chartered June 22, 81.

REGULAR MEETING - First and third Monday in each month. SEAL - A perfect ashlar.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

William S. Randall, Master. John C. Hedge, Senior Warden. George J. Pielstick, Junior Warden. James M. Farley, Senior Steward. John Tweed, Treasurer. Kirk I. Willis, Secretary.

Dwight Mordock, Senior Deacon. Edward J. Jenkins, Junior Deacon. D. Allen Atwell, Junior Steward. Stewart S. Rennie, Tiler.

# TYRE LODGE, NO. 85, BLUE SPRINGS, GAGE COUNTY.

Created Sept. 16, 80; chartered June 22, 81 REGULAR MEETING - First and third Saturday in each month.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Reese Pickering, Master. John V. Roop, Senior Warden. William W. Wright, Junior Warden. James H. Clapp, Senior Steward. Joel C. Williams, Treasurer. John Ault, Secretary.

James H. Casebeer, Senior Deacon, David Kingsberry, Junior Deacon. Samuel S. Borton, Junior Steward. Rolen Evins, Tiler.

# DONIPHAN LODGE, NO. 86, DONIPHAN, HALL COUNTY.

Created Jan. 7, 81; chartered June 22, 81. REGULAR MEETING - Saturday on or before each full moon. SEAL - The All-Seeing Eye above an altar.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Martin Ennis, Master. John Schwyn, Senior Warden. Joseph C. Nelson, Junior Warden. George C. Humphrey, Treasurer. Ozro B. Foster, Secretary

Michael Pressler, Senior Deacon. Roland M. Bennett, Junior Deacon. Charles Haines, Senior Steward, Charles Hengen, Junior Steward. Charles F. Raymer, Tiler.

#### IONIC LODGE, NO. 87, NIOBRARA, KNOX COUNTY.

Created Jan. 24, 81; chartered June 20, 82, REGULAR MEETING - Thursday on or before each full moon. SEAL - A shield bearing an Ionic column.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Benjamin F. Chambers, Master. Edwin H. Chambers, Senior Warden. John C. Thomas, Junior Deacon. David M. Cunningham, Jun. Warden. Charlie Whipple, Senior Steward. Charles A. Nippel, Secretary.

George G. Bayha, Senior Deacon. Herman Westermann, Treasurer. William F. Wieschendorff, Jr. Stew'd. John F. Lenger, Tiler.

# STAR LODGE, NO. 88, DECATUR, BURT COUNTY.

Created Sept. 17, 81; chartered June 20, 82. REGULAR MEETING - First Tuesday of each month. SEAL - A blazing star.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Rufus W. Reynolds, Master. Clayton E. Hadley, Senior Warden. Edgar A. Sears, Junior Warden. James Ashley, Treasurer. Henry C. McHirron, Secretary.

Robert G. Langley, Senior Deacon. E. Darwin Canfield, Junior Deacon. John T. Choyce, Senior Steward. William E. Hodgin, Junior Steward Hiram Chase, Tiler.

# CEDAR RIVER LODGE, NO. 89, FULLERTON, NANCE COUNTY.

Created Jan. 19, 82; chartered June 20, 82, REGULAR MEETING - First and third Monday of each month. SEAL - A river with cedars growing.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

William J. Mawhiney, Master. James G. Cayton, Senior Warden. Clarence E. Brady, Junior Warden. Clay M. Wheeler, Senior Steward. Cyrus H. Gilmore, Treasurer. Edwin G. Cook, Secretary.

Amia L. Bixby, Senior Deacon. Harry H. Wheelock, Junior Deacon. Thomas C. McMillen, Junior Steward. Alexander C. Williams, Tiler.

# ELK CREEK LODGE, NO. 90, ELK CREEK, JOHNSON COUNTY.

Created Feb. 11, 82; chartered June 20, 82. REGULAR MEETING - Wednesday on or before each full moon. SEAL - A shield bearing two crowns and a gavel.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

William H. Phelen, Master. John W. Parker, Senior Warden. Samuel G. Wright, Junior Warden. Thomas McClure, Senior Steward. Hiram Titsworth, Treasurer. William H. Woolsey, Secretary.

J.... D. Olds, Senior Deacon. Daniel H. McClure, Junior Deacon. John W. Tibbets, Junior Steward. I.... N. Halverstadt, Tiler.

### OAKLAND LODGE, NO. 91, OAKLAND, BURT COUNTY.

Created Feb. 7, 82: chartered June 19, 83. REGULAR MEETING - Second and fourth Wednesday in each month. SEAL - A plumb-line in a hand.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Charles K. Cull, Master. Ira Thomas, Senior Warden. Ozias A. Farley, Junior Warden. William W. Hopkins, Treasurer. James W. Hohnquist, Secretary.

Alfred Lundvall, Senior Deacon. John W. Preston, Junior Deacon. Oscar Samson, Senior Steward. Washington I. Conn, Junior Steward. John Ring, Jr., Tiler.

# HUBBELL LODGE, NO. 92, HUBBELL, THAYER COUNTY.

Created Apr. 29, 82; chartered June 19, 83. REGULAR MEETING - Second and fourth Saturday in each month. SEAL - The tiler's sword.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

John M. Curran, Senior Deacon. Andrew F. Agnew, Master. Elmer W. McFarland, Senior Warden. Jesse M. Thompson, Junior Deacon. Alfred L. Elder, Junior Warden. Leonard P. Luce, Treasurer. Samuel Arbuthnot, Secretary.

Ross R. Chenoweth, Senior Steward. Edwin N. Morehead, Junior Steward. Peter M. Jumper, Tiler.

# BEAVER CITY LODGE, NO. 93, BEAVER CITY, FURNAS COUNTY.

Created May 3, 82; chartered June 19, 83.

REGULAR MEETING - Saturday on or before each full moon. SEAL - The compasses suspended from the square.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Nathaniel M. Avers, Master, John T. Sumney, Senior Warden. Wm. Howard Phelps, Junior Warden. Thomas J. Mayo, Senior Steward. Manley R. Hadley, Treasurer. William F. Seaver, Secretary.

C.... G. George, Senior Deacon. William T. Collings, Junior Deacon. V. Murray Crommett, Junior Steward. James S. Runnion, Tiler.

### BENNETT LODGE, NO. 94, BENNETT, LANCASTER COUNTY.

Created May 5, 82; chartered June 19, 83. REGULAR MEETING - Tuesday on or before each full moon.

# SEAL - Two clasped hands above XCIV. OFFICE-BEARERS.

Daniel H. Harris, Master. William Nelson, Senior Warden. James B. Taylor, Junior Warden. Frederick Larson, Treasurer. Judson E. Vanderlip, Secretary.

Alfred Bratt, Senior Deacon. Ray L. Woods, Junior Deacon. John A. Simpson, Senior Steward. Frank D. Smith, Junior Steward. Harry Horton, Tiler.

#### GARFIELD LODGE, NO. 95, O'NEIL, HOLT COUNTY.

Created June 28, 82; chartered June 19, 83. REGULAR MEETING - First and third Thursday in each month. SEAL - A pen and sword crossed.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Charles C. Millard, Master. Elias M. Lowe, Senior Warden. Neri T. Hoxsie, Junior Warden. Alexander W. Morris, Treasurer. John E. Shore, Secretary.

Edward A. Small, Senior Deacon. James T. Mackey, Junior Deacon. Thomas M. Morris, Senior Steward. Irwin C. Colburn, Junior Steward. William Wisegarver, Tiler.

#### UTICA LODGE, NO. 96, UTICA, SEWARD COUNTY.

Created July 14, 82; chartered June 19, 83.

REGULAR MEETING - Wednesday on or before each full moon. SEAL - A beehive.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Charles H. Wray, Master. Daniel J. Hartrum, Senior Warden. Frank M. Cougill, Junior Warden. James E. Hibbard, Treasurer. Thomas J. Brant, Secretary.

Irving G. Chapin, Senior Deacon. Oscar A. Swartz, Junior Deacon. James E. Murphy, Senior Steward. Daniel P. Sherwood, Junior Steward. William F. Purinton, Tiler.

# EUCLID LODGE, NO. 97, WEEPING WATER, CASS COUNTY.

Created July 21, 82; chartered June 19, 83.

REGULAR MEETING - First and third Monday of each month. SEAL - The forty-seventh problem and three tapers.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Joseph M. Beardsley, Master. Stephen W. Orton, Senior Warden. Melvin D. Swaringen, Junior Warden. Elijah Ratnour, Senior Steward. Philemon S. Barnes, Treasurer. Minor F. Wait, Secretary.

Edwin H. Wooley, Senior Deacon. John L. Lehman, Junior Deacon. William J. Doty, Junior Steward. Jacob Cox, Tiler.

# REPUBLICAN LODGE, NO. 98, REPUBLICAN CITY, HARLAN COUNTY.

Created July 27, 82; chartered June 19, 83.

REGULAR MEETING - Wednesday on or before each full moon. SEAL - The twenty-four inch gauge and common gavel crossed.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Clarence A. Luce, Master. Richard D. Logan, Senior Warden. Wilson Gruwell, Junior Warden. James Muir, Treasurer.

James D. Smith, Secretary. David E. Logan, Senior Deacon. Samuel Hood, Junior Deacon. Jerome B. Forbes, Tiler.

# SHELTON LODGE, NO. 99, SHELTON, BUFFALO COUNTY.

Created July 28, 82; chartered June 18, 83, REGULAR MEETING - Friday on or before each full moon.

# SEAL - Three steps within the square and compasses. OFFICE-BEARERS.

Jason R. George, Master. Charles N. Kinney, Senior Warden. Lester B. Bayley, Junior Deacon. John Houk, Junior Warden. Benjamin F. Sammons, Treasurer.

John H. Heatherington, Sen. Deacon. Rodney Beecher, Senior Steward. George L. Thomas, Tiler.

# CREIGHTON LODGE, NO. 100, CREIGHTON, KNOX COUNTY.

Created Aug. 19, 82; chartered June 19, 83. REGULAR MEETING - Saturday on or before each full moon. SEAL - The letter "C."

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Robert M. Peyton, Master. Charles A. Hammond, Senior Warden. John Benedict, Junior Deacon. Orville M. Closs, Junior Warden. Albert D. Holbrook, Treasurer. James B. Lucus, Secretary.

William L. Turner, Senior Deacon. George E. Cheney, Senior Steward. Archibald McGill, Junior Steward. William C. Shreever, Tiler.

# PONCA LODGE, NO. 101, PONCA, DIXON COUNTY.

Created Sept. 1, 82; chartered June 19, 83. REGULAR MEETING - Friday on or before each full moon. SEAL - Three burning tapers.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Edward J. Berry, Master. Alfred E. Barnes, Senior Warden. Thomas R. Orr, Junior Warden. James H. Logan, Treasurer. William M. Wheeler, Secretary.

William N. Huse, Senior Deacon. John A. Mohr, Junior Deacon. Bernard C. DeSombre, Senior Steward. Gustav Franz, Junior Steward. John R. Thompson, Tiler.

# WATERLOO LODGE, NO. 102, WATERLOO, DOUGLAS COUNTY.

Created Sept. 7, 82; chartered June 19, 83. REGULAR MEETING - Tuesday on or before each full moon. SEAL - The trowel.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

George Johnson, Master. Frank Whitmore, Senior Warden. George W. Hill, Junior Warden. Otto Vogt, Treasurer. John W. Hempstead, Secretary.

Isaac A. Arnold, Senior Deacon. John C. Weston, Junior Deacon. Gustave Kaessner, Senior Steward. Newton Cowles, Junior Steward. Robert N. Bishop, Tiler

# ORD LODGE, NO. 103, ORD, VALLEY COUNTY.

Created Sept. 14, 82; chartered June 19, 83. REGULAR MEETING -Wednesday on or before each full moon. SEAL-A shield, bearing three castles and the tiler's sword.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Spencer H. Webster, Master. Charles B. Coffin, Senior Warden. James F. Colby, Junior Warden. Edward K. Harris, Treasurer. George W. Hall, Secretary.

William D. Ogden, Senior Deacon. Frank Mallory, Junior Deacon. John C. Work, Senior Steward. Frank J. Ager, Junior Steward. Aidwin D. Robinson, Tiler.

# WYMORE LODGE, NO. 104, WYMORE, GAGE COUNTY.

Created Nov. 10, 82; chartered June 19, 83. REGULAR MEETING -Wednesday on or before each full moon. SEAL-Two clasped hands within the square and compasses.

### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Elias C. Wilcox, Master. A. Edward Winter, Senior Warden. James Bennett, Jr., Junior Warden. Hiram L. Madden, Senior Steward. Ellis Snuffin, Treasurer. Thomas P. D. Simmons, Secretary.

Charles Stokes, Senior Deacon. Martin Hansen, Junior Deacon. John H. McMullen, Junior Steward. John H. Rice, Tiler.

# STELLA LODGE, NO. 105, STELLA, RICHARDSON COUNTY.

Created Dec. 4, 82; chartered June 19, 83.

REGULAR MEETING -Wednesday on or before each full moon, SEAL-A hand pointing to the All-Seeing Eye.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Lewis G. Ciphers, Master. Harvey M. Conover, Senior Warden. Francis Withee, Junior Deacon. John W. Shubert, Junior Warden. W. Robert Wyatt, Treasurer. W. Henry Hogrefe, Secretary.

Joseph A. W. Hull, Senior Deacon. James W. Chainey, Senior Steward, Henry C. Shrader, Junior Steward. Edward A. Davis, Tiler.

### PORTER LODGE, NO. 106, LOUP CITY, SHERMAN COUNTY.

Created Dec. 9, 82; chartered June 19, 83.

REGULAR MEETING -Tuesday on or before full moon, and second Saturday thereafter.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

James W. Landers, Master. J. Phil Jaeger, Senior Warden. Elias Brewer, Junior Warden. J.... K. Pearson, Treasurer. Charlie R. Stedman, Secretary.

Arthur M. Bennett, Senior Deacon Fred Bacon, Junior Deacon. L.... Schmidt, Senior Steward. A.... Watkinson, Junior Steward. C.... W. Gibson, Tiler.

# STEELE CITY LODGE, NO. 107, STEELE CITY, JEFFERSON COUNTY.

Created Jan. 23, 83; chartered June 19, 83. REGULAR MEETING - First and third Wednesday in each month. SEAL-A slipper under two crossed rods.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

John R. Minckler, Master. Warren H. Hayes, Senior Warden. William Greene, Treasurer. Isaac F. Manley, Secretary.

Henry Chaullon, Senior Deacon. Harry H. Honman, Junior Deacon. David A. Chancellor, Junior Warden. James P. Simpkins, Senior Steward. Joshua Robinson, Junior Steward. Nathaniel N. T. Willey, Tiler.

#### TABLE ROCK LODGE, NO. 108, TABLE ROCK, PAWNEE COUNTY.

Created Jan. 24, 83; chartered June 19, 83.

REGULAR MEETING - Saturday on or before each full moon. SEAL-The trowel in the angle of the square.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

James A. Carlock, Master. Gabriel R. Martin, Senior Warden. William Boggs, Junior Warden. Orient T. Crisler, Treasurer. Willard W. Purcell, Secretary.

Anslum S. Crisler, Senior Deacon. Charles S. Wood, Junior Deacon. William H. Wilson, Senior Steward. Crowell L. Wemfle, Junior Steward. Peter Stevens, Tiler.

# ARAPAHOE LODGE, NO. 109. ARAPAHOE, FURNAS COUNTY.

Created Feb. 10, 83; chartered June 19, 83.

REGULAR MEETING - First and third Thursday in each month. SEAL-A shield bearing the compasses and anchor.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Frank C. Condon, Master. Lucius T. Roberts, Junior Warden. Thomas B. McPherson, Treasurer. Lyman C. Hanning, Secretary.

John H. Mooney, Senior Deacon. Thomas Bloodworth, Senior Warden. Alexander Hagberg, Junior Deacon. Frederic A. Albee, Senior Steward. Samuel L. Faumer, Junior Steward. Silas N. Smith. Tiler.

# POMEGRANATE LODGE, NO. 110, ASHLAND, SAUNDERS COUNTY.

Created Feb. 13, 83; chartered June 19, 83. REGULAR MEETING - First and third Friday in each month. SEAL-A branch, with fruit, of pomegranate.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Richard E. Butler, Master. Daniel D. Cooley, Senior Warden. Byron F. Whitney, Junior Warden. David Dean, Treasurer. Thomas Johnson, Secretary.

Gilford J. Railsback, Senior Deacon. William Palmer, Junior Deacon. Isaac L. Simington, Senior Steward. Albert B. Chamberlain, Jun. Steward. Charles B. Hackney, Tiler.

### DE WITT LODGE, NO, 111, DE WITT, SALINE COUNTY.

Created Feb. 28, 83; chartered June 19, 83.

REGULAR MEETING -- Monday on or before each full moon. SEAL-The All-Seeing Eye within the square and compasses.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Frank M. Suiter, Master. Frank W. Miles, Senior Warden, Arthur C. White, Junior Warden. William H. Leacock, Treasurer. William H. Rickard, Secretary.

Albert Thomas, Senior Deacon. Wilson Wilder, Junior Deacon. Joseph Arnann, Senior Steward. Samuel P. Ojers, Junior Steward. John Budman, Tiler,

#### SPRINGFIELD LODGE, NO. 112, SPRINGFIELD, SARPY COUNTY.

Created Mar. 30, 83; chartered June 19, 83.

REGULAR MEETING - Second and fourth Saturday of each month. SEAL-The plumb crossed with the square.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Silas C. Patterson, Master. Horace T. Hovt, Senior Warden. Samuel C. Haney, Junior Warden. Bird S. Brawner, Treasurer.

Thomas B. Roberts, Secretary. Casper S. Fisher, Senior Deacon. Adelbert B. Sorber, Junior Deacon. Joseph H. Oxley, Tiler.

# GLOBE LODGE, NO. 113, MADISON, MADISON COUNTY.

Created Feb. 16, 82: chartered June 24, 84. REGULAR MEETING -Tuesday on or before each full moon. SEAL-A globe.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS

Peter Rubendall, Master Eugene C. Gillam, Senior Warden. Mortimer L. Stewart, Junior Warden, Hugh Herbison, Senior Steward. Edwin F. Prince, Treasurer. William E. Kimball, Secretary.

Joseph Cotey, Senior Deacon. Albert B. Richardson, Junior Deacon. Albert M. Koechig, Junior Steward. John H. Jefferson, Tiler.

# WISNER LODGE, NO. 114, WISNER, CUMING COUNTY.

Created Feb. 12, 83; chartered June 24, 84. REGULAR MEETING - Second and fourth Wednesday of each month. SEAL-The letter "G" within a lodge.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Andrew R. Graham, Master. Frank C. Evans, Senior Warden. Solomon S. Krake, Junior Warden. Oliver Emley, Treasurer. Clark C. McNish, Secretary.

George F. Kenower, Senior Deacon. Jasper L. Rewey, Junior Deacon. Thomas Grimes, Senior Steward. Adolph Becher, Junior Steward. Joseph Shompert, Tiler.

### BRAINARD LODGE, NO. 115, BRAINARD, BUTLER COUNTY.

Created July 11, 83; chartered June 24, 84.

REGULAR MEETING - Tuesday on or before each full moon. SEAL - Square and compasses, with letter "G." Also two mallets.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

John T. McKnight, Master. Byron Atkinson, Senior Warden. James W. Hull, Junior Warden. John F. Russell, Treasurer. Samuel M. Truax, Secretary.

John R. Fox, Senior Deacon. Augustus Talbot, Junior Deacon. William Taylor, Senior Steward. Frank H. Porter, Junior Steward. John Talbot, Tiler.

# HARLAN LODGE, NO. 116, ALMA, HARLAN COUNTY.

Created July 11, 83; chartered June 24, 84. REGULAR MEETING - Friday on or before each full moon. SEAL - " Sit Lux." with aurora.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Benjamin M. Simms, Master. William Campbell, Senior Warden. Philetus P. Bentley, Junior Warden. Jessie M. Hiatt, Senior Steward. Ed Lair Willits, Treasurer. David S. Musselman, Secretary.

Robert U. Piper, Senior Deacon. John F. Bartells, Junior Deacon. Daniel B. Mudgett, Junior Steward. William P. Carr, Tiler.

# HARDY LODGE, NO. 117, HARDY, NUCKOLLS COUNTY.

Created July 18, 83; chartered June 24, 84. REGULAR MEETING - Saturday on or before each full moon.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

James H. Fair, Master. Willis J. Raynor, Senior Warden, Oscar A. Lowe, Junior Warden. William Hayes, Treasurer. John B. Skinner, Secretary.

Charles A. Hayes, Senior Deacon. Noah W. Slater, Junior Deacon. Alfred E. Reese, Senior Steward. John A. Larman, Junior Steward. Thomas E. Wheeler, Tiler.

# DORIC LODGE, NO. 118, DORCHESTER, SALINE COUNTY.

Created Aug. 2, 83; chartered June 24, 84. REGULAR MEETING - Saturday on or before each full moon. SEAL - A Doric column.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Daniel B. Lynn, Master. Frank L. Chase, Senior Warden.

George A. Oberlies, Treasurer. J. Frank Longenecker, Sen. Deacon. William Freidell, Junior Warden.

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William Freidell, Junior Warden.

Freeman P. Gifford, Junior Deacon. Frederick M. Potter, Tiler.

# NORTH BEND LODGE, NO. 119, NORTH BEND, DODGE COUNTY.

Created Sept. 5, 83; chartered June 24, 84. REGULAR MEETING - Second Tuesday in each month. SEAL - The Holy Bible, square and compasses.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Michael Dowling, Master. Bissel P. Rice, Senior Warden. Peter Gillis, Junior Warden. Dunham M. Strong, Treasurer. Charles R. Ogilvie, Secretary.

Herbert Williams, Senior Deacon. Jonathan E. Dorsey, Junior Deacon. Alvis G. Mallat, Senior Steward. William J. T. Wallace, Jun. Steward. Joseph E. Newsome, Tiler.

# WAYNE LODGE, NO. 120, WAYNE, WAYNE COUNTY.

Created Sept. 26, 83; chartered June 24, 84. REGULAR MEETING - Second and fourth Friday of each month. SEAL - The moon in wane.

### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Arthur P. Childs, Master. Frank A. Dearborn, Senior Warden. Elgin E. Perrine, Junior Deacon. John H. Roman, Junior Warden. John S. Lewis, Jr., Treasurer. Benjamin F. Feather, Secretary.

Fremont L. Neeley, Senior Deacon. Augustus B. Slater, Senior Steward. John S. French, Junior Steward. George L. Cook, Tiler.

# SUPERIOR LODGE, NO. 121, SUPERIOR, NUCKOLLS COUNTY.

Created Nov. 22, 83; chartered June 24, 84.

REGULAR MEETING - Wednesday on or before each full moon. SEAL - The All-Seeing Eye, the sun, moon, and stars; the square and compasses surrounding the letter "G."

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

William H. Dean, Senior Deacon. George J. Spohn, Master. Alexander E. Hunter, Senior Warden. Ed J. Smith, Junior Deacon. William S. Bloom, Junior Warden. E. Shepard Wilson, Senior Steward. William W. Hopper, Junior Steward. George Brown, Treasurer. Albert Curtis, Tiler. George F. Cotton, Secretary.

### JASPER LODGE, NO. 122, ODELL, GAGE COUNTY.

Created Nov. 26, 83; chartered June 24, 84. REGULAR MEETING - Second and fourth Wednesday of each month.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Leonidas A. Scroggs, Master. William H. Earnist, Senior Warden. Francis E. Tannon, Junior Deacon. Thomas R. Callan, Junior Warden. Amos Quein, Senior Steward. John C. Anthony, Treasurer. William H. Bock, Secretary.

Ira N. Pickett, Senior Deacon. Frank E. Stiles, Junior Steward. George C. Furgeson, Tiler.

# INDIANOLA LODGE, NO. 123, INDIANOLA, RED WILLOW COUNTY.

Created Dec. 8, 83; chartered June 24, 84. REGULAR MEETING - Thursday on or before each full moon. SEAL - A shield bearing three castles and a trowel.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

George S. Bishop, Master. John J. Lamborn, Senior Warden. Joseph Cline, Junior Deacon.
Lowrey P. Edgar, Junior Warden. Henry Crabtree, Senior Stewart. Cornelius M. Charles, Secretary.

Jacob H. Berge, Senior Deacon. James Hetherington, Jun. Steward. Charles R. Vaughan, Tiler.

# AUBURN LODGE, NO. 124, AUBURN, NEMAHA COUNTY.

Created Dec. 25, 83; chartered June 24, 84. REGULAR MEETING - Monday on or before each full moon. SEAL - A sword pointing at a naked heart.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Charles J. Harns, Master. Eugene M. Tylor, Senior Warden. Edward M. Boyd, Junior Warden. James K. Curzon, Treasurer. George H. Butler, Secretary.

Robert Boyd, Senior Deacon. John M. Gallager, Junior Deacon. William H. Horrum, Senior Steward. Jeremiah H. Taylor, Junior Steward. John S. Richards, Tiler.

# MOUNT NEBO LODGE, NO. 125, GENOA, NANCE COUNTY.

Created Jan. 1, 84; chartered June 24, 84,

REGULAR MEETING - Second and fourth Saturday in each month. SEAL - The square and compasses above a mountain.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Horace E. Adams, Master. Gustave A. Mollin, Senior Warden. William R. Hoffman, Junior Warden, Frank D. Goodwin, Senior Steward. James A. Osborne, Treasurer Edward C. McMillan, Secretary.

Peter L. McFayden, Senior Deacon. Andrew Netzell, Junior Deacon. Lucius B. Balsley, Junior Steward. Frank O. Daniels, Tiler.

# STROMSBURG LODGE, NO. 126, STROMSBURG, POLK COUNTY.

Created Jan. 16, 84; chartered June 24, 84.

REGULAR MEETING - First and third Saturday after each full moon. SEAL - The All-Seeing Eye above the ballot box.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Peter T. Buckley, Master. Hamilton R. Hardy, Senior Warden. John L. Johnson, Junior Deacon. Orlando M. Gunnell, Junior Warden. Alexander Scott, Senior Steward. Isaac Boostrom, Treasurer. John B. Dev, Secretary.

Gurley J. Green, Senior Deacon. William V. Sharp, Junior Steward. George W. Carr, Tiler.

### MINDEN LODGE, NO. 127, MINDEN, KEARNEY COUNTY.

Created Jan. 22, 84; chartered June 24, 84.

REGULAR MEETING - Wednesday on or before each full moon.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Robert St. Clair, Master. George Harding, Senior Warden. Elisha G. Godfrey, Junior Warden. Frederick R. Kingsley, Treasurer. John W. Gordon, Secretary.

Asa Smith, Senior Deacon. Frank M. Saunders, Junior Deacon. John L. Mephuly, Senior Steward, Isaac S. Robb. Junior Steward. Victor Abrahamson, Tiler.

# GUIDE ROCK LODGE, NO. 128, GUIDE ROCK, WEBSTER COUNTY.

Created Jan. 28, 84; chartered June 24, 84. REGULAR MEETING - Saturday on or before each full moon.

### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Charles A. Nelson, Master. Wilber S. Knapp, Senior Warden. John S. Stratton, Junior Warden. Asa L. Redden, Senior Steward. Irwin W. Crary, Treasurer. Patrick S. McGuire, Secretary.

Noah H. Peters, Senior Deacon. Samuel B. Newmeyer, Junior Deacon, Isaiah B. Hampton, Junior Steward. Charles W. Corwin, Tiler.

# BLUE HILL LODGE, NO. 129, BLUE HILL, WEBSTER COUNTY.

Created Feb. 18, 84: chartered June 24, 84.

REGULAR MEETING - Friday on or before each full moon. SEAL - Two clasped hands within a lodge.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

(No report.)

# TUSCAN LODGE, NO. 130, SURPRISE, BUTLER COUNTY.

Created Feb. 20, 84; chartered June 24, 85.

REGULAR MEETING - Thursday on or before each full moon. SEAL - A Tuscan column and three steps.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

George H. Miller, Master. Theron T. Palmer, Senior Warden. Richard W. Morrison, Junior Warden, Samuel Barrett, Senior Steward. David Read, Treasurer. George S. Schrader, Secretary.

Chas. W. Ludden, Senior Deacon. Louis E. Ludden, Junior Deacon. Joseph Wells, Junior Steward. Edgar Lewis, Tiler.

# ARK AND ANCHOR LODGE, NO. 131, AINSWORTH, BROWN COUNTY.

Created July 3, 84; chartered June 24, 85. REGULAR MEETING - Saturday on or before each full moon. SEAL - An ark with an anchor.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Syver Backey, Master. Oscar J. Mosley, Senior Warden. Bert A. Miller, Junior Warden. Washington G. Salle, Treasurer. Orin C. Bartlett, Secretary.

Arthur W. Scattergood, Sen. Deacon. Charles H. Marsden, Junior Deacon. Daniel Pratt, Senior Steward. Anson H. Peck, Junior Steward. Robert Martin, Tiler.

### SCRIBNER LODGE, NO. 132, SCRIBNER, DODGE COUNTY.

Created July 9, 84; chartered June 24, 85.

REGULAR MEETING - Wednesday on or after each full moon. SEAL - The compasses inscribing a circle.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

John Barker, Master. William B. Gardanier, Senior Warden. Daniel McBain, Junior Deacon. William K. Wright, Junior Warden. Edwin C. Burns, Senior Steward. John Romberg, Treasurer. Charles Inches, Secretary.

Alexander Ross, Senior Deacon. Lewis H. Neff, Junior Steward. William L. Golder, Tiler.

# ELM CREEK LODGE, NO. 133, ELM CREEK, BUFFALO COUNTY.

Created Aug. 8, 84; chartered June 24, 85. REGULAR MEETING - First Tuesday in each month. SEAL - A tree.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Delbert G. Webster, Master, Rex M. Jones, Treasurer. Benjamin F. Reeve, Senior Warden. Timothy Goodwin, Senior Deacon. William A. Lamson, Junior Warden. David I. Brown, Junior Deacon. Elmer E. Anderson, Tiler.

# SOLAR LODGE, NO. 134, CLARKS, MERRICK COUNTY.

Created Aug. 8, 84; chartered June 24, 85. REGULAR MEETING - Tuesday on or before each full moon. SEAL - Sun between two columns.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

William T. Dodge, Secretary. Isaac H. Castle, Master. Ethel A. Richardson, Senior Warden. Hans M. Kokjer, Senior Deacon. John C. Hartwell, Junior Warden. Alfred S. Pratt, Junior Deacon. Thomas L. Dixon, Treasurer. William M. Thompson, Sen. Steward. Silas B. Cowles, Junior Steward.

### McCOOK LODGE, NO. 135, McCOOK, RED WILLOW COUNTY.

Created Oct. 6, 84; chartered June 24, 85. REGULAR MEETING - First and third Tuesday of each month. SEAL - A weeping willow.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Zacheus L. Kay, Master. Byron B. Davis, Senior Warden. Emil Lindner, Junior Deacon. Justin A. Wilcox, Treasurer. Thomas G. Rees, Secretary.

Silas H. Colvin, Senior Deacon. William M. Irwin, Junior Warden. James A. Durden, Senior Steward. Andrew J. Chambers, Junior Steward. John R. Roxby, Tiler.

# LONG PINE LODGE, NO. 136, LONG PINE, BROWN COUNTY.

Created Oct. 6, 84; chartered June 24, 85. REGULAR MEETING - First and third Wednesday of each month, SEAL - A pine tree within the angle of a square.

OFFICE-BEARERS.

(No report.)

# UPRIGHT LODGE, NO. 137, BURCHARD, PAWNEE COUNTY.

Created Nov. 14, 84; chartered June 24, 85.

REGULAR MEETING — Wednesday on or before each full moon.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Liberty B. Shinn, Master.
David A. Harrah, Senior Warden.
J. Fred Koons, Junior Warden.
David C. Stitt, Treasurer.

Charles M. Corlett, Secretary. James Pepperl, Senior Deacon. Martin V. Sisco, Junior Deacon. James A. Cope, Tiler.

### RAWALT LODGE, NO. 138, OXFORD, FURNAS COUNTY.

Created Nov. 15, 84; chartered June 24, 85.

REGULAR MEETING — Saturday on or after each full moon.

SEAL — The letter "R."

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Neal A. Pettygrove, Master. Aaron J. Cole, Senior Warden. John A. Huff, Junior Warden. Edwin E. Wild, Treasurer. George E. Whitman, Secretary. William T. Hamilton, Senior Deacon. William D. Barnard, Junior Deacon. William B. Kiser, Senior Steward. William Bair, Junior Steward. Uric R. Montague, Tiler.

# CLAY CENTRE LODGE, NO. 139, CLAY CENTRE, CLAY COUNTY.

Created Dec. 6, 84; chartered June 24, 85.

REGULAR MEETING — First and third Saturday in each month. SEAL—A sprig of acacia, within the square and compasses.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Herman E. Stein, Master. Jesse F. Eller, Senior Warden. George A. Shike, Junior Warden. George F. Dickson, Treasurer. C. Hainer Keyes, Secretary. Henry B. Strong, Senior Deacon. Jeremiah J. Miller, Junior Deacon. Orlando P. Shoemaker, Sen. Steward. Hugh Loudin, Junior Steward. George Cinnamon, Tiler.

#### WESTERN LODGE, NO. 140, WESTERN, SALINE COUNTY.

Created Dec. 6, 84; chartered June 24, 85.

Regular Meeting—Wednesday on or before full moon, and two weeks thereafter. Seal—A lodge, with a radiant sun in the west.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

James C. Doane, Master.
Howard L. Worley, Senior Warden.
Albert Mead, Junior Warden.
William Mullen, Treasurer.
James H. Swan, Secretary.

James H. Hall, Senior Deacon. Francis M. Edwards, Junior Deacon. Theodore M. Wheeler, Sen. Steward. Henry H. Stevens, Junior Steward. Daniel Mead, Tiler.

### SUMMIT LODGE, NO. 141, JOHNSON, NEMAHA COUNTY.

Created Dec. 6, 84; chartered June 24, 85.

REGULAR MEETING - Second and fourth Saturday in each month. SEAL-A hilltop, with a sprig of acacia thereon.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Isaac H. Clagett, Master. Daniel Casey, Senior Warden. David D. Adams, Junior Warden. Gustave Nonbalis, Treasurer. Daniel E. Douglas, Secretary.

William B. Greene, Senior Deacon. Henry J. Snyder, Junior Deacon. Thomas J. Alexander, Sen. Steward. John C. Grier, Junior Steward. James H. Stone, Tiler.

# ANCHOR LODGE, NO. 142, NORTH LOUP, VALLEY COUNTY.

Created Dec. 18, 84; chartered June 24, 85.

REGULAR MEETING - First and third Saturday in each month. SEAL-A shield bearing an anchor with a lodge numbered 142.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS

Nathaniel K. Redlon, Master. Eaton S. Sears, Senior Warden. John P. Logan, Junior Warden. Charles H. Wellman, Treasurer. John B. Gowen, Secretary.

Dedrick Spethman, Senior Deacon. George R. Small, Junior Deacon. George A. Blakely, Senior Steward. Norman W. Latham, Junior Steward. Charles Watson, Tiler.

# CRESCENT LODGE, NO. 143, CEDAR RAPIDS, BOONE COUNTY.

Created Jan. 24, 85; chartered June 24, 85,

REGULAR MEETING - Fourth Saturday in each month. SEAL-A crescent.

### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Eugene A. Guillemot, Master. William A. Gibson, Senior Warden. Henry Enersen, Junior Deacon. Frederick C. Hawks, Treasurer. Alex Macqueen, Secretary.

Albert P. Brink, Senior Deacon. Orlando M. Newell, Junior Warden. Benjamin F. McBride, Sen. Steward. Abner C. Swilly, Junior Steward. Charles Martin, Tiler.

# KENESAW LODGE, NO. 144, KENESAW, ADAMS COUNTY.

Created Jan. 28, 85; chartered June 24, 85. REGULAR MEETING - Friday on or before full moon.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Samuel H. Smith, Master. Frampton C. Brosius, Senior Warden. William H. Long, Junior Deacon. Edward P. Gillette, Junior Warden. John B. Cook, Senior Steward. Henry E. Norton, Treasurer. Jeremiah H. Cooley, Secretary.

Charles D. Courtright, Senior Deacon. Henry L. Bridenbaugh, Jun. Steward. Luther A. Boley, Tiler.

# BANCROFT LODGE, NO. 145, BANCROFT, CUMING COUNTY.

Created Feb. 25, 85; chartered June 24, 85.

REGULAR MEETING—Saturday on or before each full moon.

SEAL—A shield bearing the book of constitutions, with sword, a hand with dagger, and the forty-seventh problem.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Thomas M. Senter, Master. William Collins, Senior Warden. Christian Valden, Junior Warden. Oren D. Bassinger, Treasurer. John E. Turner, Secretary. Almond L. Wilder, Senior Deacon. Rasmus P. Nelson, Junior Deacon. Elias N. Bringe, Senior Steward. Isaac J. Coons, Junior Steward. Fredrick Kapnick, Tiler.

# JACHIN LODGE, NO. 146, HOLDREGE, PHELPS COUNTY.

Created March 31, 85; chartered June 17, 86.
REGULAR MEETING—Third Thursday of each month.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Ellis B. Guild, Master.
Axel P. Ericson, Senior Warden.
James I. Rhea, Junior Warden.
Max Uhlig, Treasurer.
Lewis Weber, Jr., Secretary.

Claude H. Roberts, Senior Deacon. Nels J. Cheline, Junior Deacon. Isaac E. Austin, Senior Steward. Edward A. Roth, Junior Steward. George P. Rhea, Tiler.

### SILOAM LODGE, NO. 147, STUART, HOLT COUNTY.

Created Apr. 30, 85; chartered June 17, 86.

REGULAR MEETING — Friday on or after each full moon.

SEAL—A lodge under the All-Seeing Eye.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Andrew H. Runyan, Master. George H. Bowring, Senior Warden. George J. Cressy, Junior Warden. Levi C. Reichard, Treasurer. James A. Rice, Secretary.

Walter L. Jillson, Senior Deacon. Fred S. Hunt, Junior Deacon. Jacob A. Shank, Senior Steward. George T. Bastedo, Junior Steward. Thomas F. Tracy, Tiler.

# EMMET CRAWFORD LODGE, NO. 148, BROKEN BOW, CUSTER COUNTY.

Created July 13, 85; chartered June 17, 86.

REGULAR MEETING—Saturday on or before each full moon.

SEAL—A dismounted cannon.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Frank H. Young, Master.
James D. Ream, Senior Warden.
Walter C. Bedwell, Junior Warden.
Charles Kloman, Treasurer.
Leander H. Jewett, Secretary.

Cornelius R. Pratt, Senior Deacon. Osborn P. Perley, Junior Deacon. Milo F. Young, Senior Steward. Diah Woodruff, Junior Steward. Michael Conley, Tiler.

# JEWEL LODGE, NO. 149, TOBIAS, SALINE COUNTY.

Created Aug. 15, 85; chartered June 17, 86. REGULAR MEETING - Second and fourth Tuesday in each month.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Levi H. Muman, Master. Alexander M. Babcock, Sen. Warden. Frank J. Nernd, Junior Deacon. Charles M. Sanders, Junior Warden. William H. Taylor, Senior Steward. Richard G. Drysedale, Treasurer. Sidney G. Empey, Junior Steward. Samuel F. Nunemaker, Secretary. Rankin Y. Wear, Tiler.

Emanuel Zeman, Senior Deacon.

# CAMBRIDGE LODGE, NO. 150, CAMBRIDGE, FURNAS COUNTY.

Created Aug. 10, 85; chartered June 17, 86.

REGULAR MEETING -Tuesday on or before each full moon. SEAL-A shield bearing the square and compasses, with warden's column and gavel.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Henry C. M. Burgess, Master. Nathan Fodrea, Senior Warden. Ira A. Hanning, Treasurer. George W. McKean, Secretary.

William P. Bennett, Senior Deacon, Charles H. Brown, Junior Deacon. William H. Faling, Junior Warden. John D. Talmadge, Senior Steward. Alfred A. Taylor, Junior Steward. John E. Axtell, Tiler.

## SQUARE LODGE, NO. 151, VALPARAISO, SAUNDERS COUNTY.

Created Sept. 7, 85; chartered June 17, 86.

REGULAR MEETING - Second and fourth Tuesday in each month. SEAL-A shield bearing three squares surrounding a star.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

John M. Hixson, Master. Frank A. Scoville, Senior Warden. Theodore H. Bowman, Jun. Warden. Elijah Beach, Senior Steward. Robert H. Mosgrove, Treasurer. L.... P. Hill, Secretary.

William T. Craven, Senior Deacon. Eli M. Cunningham, Junior Deacon. W.... B. Craven, Junior Steward. James A. Cole, Tiler.

# PARALLEL LODGE, NO. 152, LIBERTY, GAGE COUNTY.

Created Nov. 20, 85; chartered June 17, 86. REGULAR MEETING - Thursday on or before each full moon.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

John Allan, Master. Robert H. Kirby, Senior Warden. John M. Cameron, Treasurer.

William E. Cunningham, Secretary. David S. Harden, Junior Deacon. Charles H. Palmer, Junior Warden. Joseph R. Buffington, Senior Steward. Alfred Saline, Junior Steward.

# EVERGREEN LODGE, NO. 153, PIERCE, PIERCE COUNTY.

Created Nov. 27, 85; chartered June 17, 86.

REGULAR MEETING - Tuesday on or before each full moon and two weeks thereafter. SEAL - A shield bearing three chevrons, a dagger and a pine tree.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

William E. Bishop, Master. James P. Buckner, Senior Warden. James M. Alden, Junior Warden. David W. Elliott, Treasurer. Chauncey L. Wattles, Secretary.

George W. Box, Senior Deacon. Robert Lucas, Junior Deacon. Woods Cones, Senior Steward. William A. Spencer, Junior Steward. Charles Gates, Tiler.

### LILY LODGE, NO. 154, DAVENPORT, THAYER COUNTY.

Created Nov. 28, 85; chartered June 17, 86.

REGULAR MEETING - Friday on or before each full moon, and two weeks thereafter. SEAL - A shield bearing a lily.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Robert Tweed, Master. Adelbert D. Pierce, Senior Warden. Edy Randall, Junior Warden. George Bradley, Treasurer. Joseph H. Eberman, Secretary.

Isaac B. Lonneker, Senior Deacon. William H. Fraley, Junior Deacon. Monroe Bolton, Senior Steward. Lorenzo D. Wellington, Jun. Steward. John N. Lambert, Tiler.

# HARTINGTON LODGE, NO. 155, HARTINGTON, CEDAR COUNTY.

Created Jan. 26, 86; chartered June 17, 86.

REGULAR MEETING - Wednesday on or before each full moon. SEAL - A shield; a hand holding a plumb-line to a wall.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Homer A. Miller, Master. John W. Hitchcock, Senior Warden. Otto Hoese, Junior Deacon. Thomas B. Wilson, Junior Warden. Truman G. Thomas, Treasurer. Zwingle M. Baird, Secretary.

Edwin M. Johnson, Senior Deacon. Joseph W. Linkhart, Senior Steward. Edward F. Morris, Junior Steward.

Levi H. Monroe, Tiler.

# SILVER CREEK LODGE, U. D. SILVER CREEK, MERRICK COUNTY.

Created Feb. 26, 86. (Extinct since June 17, 86.)

### PYTHAGORAS LODGE, NO. 156, EWING, HOLT COUNTY.

Created Oct. 24, 86; chartered June 16, 87.

REGULAR MEETING - Saturday on or before each full moon and a fortnight thereafter. SEAL - A star over a sprig of acacia.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

John J. Carmichael, Master. Albert A. Ege, Senior Warden. Richard L. Clapp, Junior Warden. David Brion, Treasurer. Fred H. Green, Secretary.

Dewitt L. Cramer, Senior Deacon. George W. French, Junior Deacon. Lewis A. Combes, Senior Steward. Joseph N. Kay, Junior Steward. George W. Johnson, Tiler.

# VALLEY LODGE, NO. 157, WILSONVILLE, FURNAS COUNTY.

Created Feb. 22, 86; chartered June 16, 87.

REGULAR MEETING - Saturday after each full moon. SEAL - An apron between two columns; also the letter "G."

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Robert B. Way, Master. William E. Gibson, Senior Warden. William W. McGaw, Junior Warden. Agustine Short, Senior Steward. Frederick R. Dearborn, Treasurer. George W. Shanafelt, Secretary.

Wendel Pierce, Senior Deacon. Chockley S. Lambert, Junior Deacon. James McComb, Junior Steward. Charles McComb. Tiler.

# SAMARITAN LODGE, NO. 158, CHADRON, DAWES COUNTY.

Created Mar. 17, 86; chartered June 16, 87.

REGULAR MEETING - First and third Saturday in each month.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

William Wilson, Master. James L. Paul, Senior Warden. Herbert A. Cox, Junior Warden. Lyman A. Brower, Treasurer, Walter C. Brown, Secretary.

T ... B. Carly, Senior Deacon. A.... L. Miller, Junior Deacon. W.... F. Handy, Senior Steward. A.... M. Wright, Junior Steward. Solomon Hartsell, Tiler.

## OGALALLA LODGE, NO. 159, OGALALLA, KEITH COUNTY.

Created Aug. 14, 86; chartered June 16, 87.

REGULAR MEETING - Tuesday on or before each full moon.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Leonidas A. Brandhoefer, Master. Edwin M. Searle, Senior Warden. Al Phelps, Junior Warden. Lindsey D. Hanna, Treasurer. William B. McCartney, Secretary. Cornelius S. Horton, Tiler.

Ephriam Cooper, Senior Deacon. Elwood R. Breisch, Junior Deacon. Mark B. Neeves, Senior Steward. John Tanner, Junior Steward.

# ZEREDATHA LODGE, NO. 160, REYNOLDS, JEFFERSON COUNTY.

Created Aug. 21, 86; chartered June 16, 87.

REGULAR MEETING - First and second Saturday of each month. SEAL -A sheaf of wheat near a waterfall, with tiler's sword.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Walter C. Parker, Master. Benjamin F. Walker, Senior Warden. Willis Porter, Junior Deacon. Alvin Porter, Junior Warden. James S. Deatherage, Treasurer. William H. Barnes, Secretary.

Alonzo H. Bothwell, Senior Deacon. Winfield S. Willoughby, Sen. Steward. Purly E. Wolcott, Junior Steward. Frank M. Wilcox, Tiler.

# MOUNT ZION LODGE, NO. 161, SHELBY, POLK COUNTY.

Created Aug. 25, 86; chartered June 16, 87. REGULAR MEETING - Saturday on or after each full moon. SEAL - The statue of justice.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

James Patterson, Master. Carl Thelen, Senior Warden. Temple Reid, Junior Warden. Lewis Eichhoff, Treasurer. Francis M. Leibee, Secretary.

Henry W. Humineston, Senior Deacon. Joseph K. Williams, Junior Deacon. John McBeth, Senior Steward. Michael Eichhoff, Junior Steward. Charles Krumbach, Tiler.

# TRESTLE BOARD LODGE, NO. 162, TALMAGE, OTOE COUNTY.

Created Oct. 9, 86; chartered June 16, 87. REGULAR MEETING - Saturday or or before each full moon. SEAL -The trestle board.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

George Adams, Master. William D. Spicknall, Senior Warden. Asbery Edmisten, Junior Deacon. Peter A. Flodin, Junior Warden. William J. Handley, Treasurer. James A. Lewis, Secretary.

Selover Conger, Senior Deacon. Benjamin F. Bailey, Senior Steward. Frank Handley, Junior Steward. James Kennedy, Tiler.

#### UNITY LODGE, NO. 163, GREENWOOD, CASS COUNTY.

Created Dec. 18, 86; chartered June 16, 87. REGULAR MEETING - Friday on or before each full moon. SEAL - A triangle of network surrounding a lodge.

# OFFICE-BEARERS.

Cyrus F. Hall, Master. Thomas J. Wilburn, Treasurer. Marrion Newman, Secretary.

Clifford R. Tefft, Senior Deacon. William J. Laughlin, Senior Warden. Benjamin F. Laughlin, Jun. Deacon. Ephraim D. Laughlin, Jun. Warden. B.... J. Alexander, Senior Steward. Ole Nelson, Junior Steward. Ira S. Saunders, Tiler.

# ATKINSON LODGE, NO. 164, ATKINSON, HOLT COUNTY.

Created Aug. 19, 86; chartered June 21, 88. REGULAR MEETING - First and third Wednesday of each month.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Charles H. Wixon, Master. Jacob Smith, Senior Warden. James L. McDonald, Junior Warden. Joseph Sturdevant, Senior Steward. Joseph S. Bartley, Treasurer. Charles M. Forney, Secretary.

Edmund Simmons, Senior Deacon. Ben D. Sherwood, Junior Deacon. Howard Miller, Junior Steward. Danford Taylor, Tiler.

# BARNESTON LODGE, NO. 165, BARNESTON, GAGE COUNTY.

Created Aug. 20, 86; chartered June 21, 88.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Allison G. Keys, Master. Seth S. Ratliff, Senior Warden. Nathan Glick, Junior Warden. Mathias Joseph, Treasurer. Almon L. Cook, Jr., Secretary.

William H. Joseph, Senior Deacon. William Tauer, Junior Deacon, Almon L. Cook, Sr., Senior Steward. Hiram Johnson, Junior Steward. Joseph M. Haffner, Tiler.

# BATTLE CREEK LODGE, U. . D. . , BATTLE CREEK, MADISON COUNTY.

Created Aug. 23, 86. (Extinct since June 21, 88.)

# MYSTIC TIE LODGE, NO. 166, BURNETT, MADISON COUNTY.

Created Feb. 18, 87; chartered June 21, 88.

REGULAR MEETING - Thursday on or before full moon of each month ..

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Washington G. Russell, Master. Charles E. Burnham, Senior Warden. Seymour L. Miller, Senior Deacon. Allen Hopkins, Junior Warden. Charles H. Snyder, Treasurer.

William G. Bentley, Secretary. Richard Lea. Junior Deacon. Lyman W. Miller, Tiler.

### ELWOOD LODGE, NO. 167, ELWOOD, GOSPER COUNTY.

Created June 21, 87; chartered June 21, 88. REGULAR MEETING - Saturday on or before full moon.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Burton L. Chambers, Master. Milo Robertson, Senior Warden. Charles P. Boynton, Junior Warden. Joseph C. Post, Junior Deacon. John L. Trobee, Treasurer.

David A. Benton, Secretary. James A. Stewart, Senior Deacon. Edgar D. Hunter, Tiler.

# CURTIS LODGE, NO. 168, CURTIS, FRONTIER COUNTY.

Created June 21, 87; chartered June 21, 88. REGULAR MEETING - First and third Saturday in each month.

### OFFICE-BEARERS.

James W. Ridgway, Master. Harry I. Douglas, Senior Warden. John B. Cruzen, Junior Warden. Burgess B. Baker, Treasurer.

Alonzo R. Cruzen, Secretary. Eugene S. Dakan, Senior Deacon. William H. McCowen, Junior Deacon. William H. Latham, Tiler.

# TRENTON LODGE, U.: D.:, TRENTON, HITCHCOCK COUNTY.

Created June 27, 87.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Otis E. Reynolds, Master. Abraham A. Wenger, Senior Warden. Garrett G. Burton, Junior Warden.

# BROMFIELD LODGE, U.: D.:, BROMFIELD, HAMILTON COUNTY.

Created July 1, 87.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

George H. Washburne, Master. George H. Brock, Senior Warden. Jonathan Foster, Junior Warden.

# AMITY LODGE, NO. 169, RUSHVILLE, SHERIDAN COUNTY.

Created July 29, 87; chartered June 21, 88. REGULAR MEETINGS - First and third Saturday of each month.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

James R. C. Davis, Master. Francis M. Godfrey, Secretary.

James M. Baker, Senior Deacon. John H. Jones, Senior Warden. Casper P. Franson, Junior Deacon. Frank W. Sprague, Junior Warden. Cornelius Patterson, Senior Steward. Michael P. Musser, Treasurer. Arthur D. Stowitts, Junior Steward. \_\_\_\_\_, Tiler.

# MASON CITY LODGE, NO. 170, MASON CITY, CUSTER COUNTY.

Created Aug. 1, 87; chartered June 21, 88.

### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Judson C. Porter, Master. William A. Runyan, Treasurer. Paul H. Marley, Secretary.

William E. Quinly, Senior Deacon. Andrew B. Johnston, Senior Warden. William Butterly, Junior Deacon. John T. Castellan, Junior Warden. Mack C. Warrington, Senior Steward. John S. Windsor, Junior Steward. Sylvester Brewer, Tiler.

# MERNA LODGE, NO. 171, MERNA, CUSTER COUNTY.

Created Aug. 2, 87; chartered June 21, 88.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Alonzo W. Price, Master, James G. Brenizer, Junior Warden. Oscar A. Smith, Junior Deacon. James L. Hanna, Treasurer.

Nelson J. Rice, Secretary. Isaac A. Coleman, Senior Warden. William G. Brotherton, Sen. Deacon. Francis M. Graham, Tiler.

# GRAFTON LODGE, NO. 172, GRAFTON, FILLMORE COUNTY.

Created Oct. 18, 87; chartered June 21, 88.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

William H. Johnson, Master. David Franck, Senior Warden. William Bosserman, Junior Warden. Alonzo McCalley, Senior Steward. James E. Honey, Treasurer. Philo B. Tolles, Secretary.

Josef Jranz, Senior Deacon. Oscar W. Johnson, Junior Deacon. Edward Moore, Junior Steward. Peter W. Watters. Tiler.

# ROBERT BURNS LODGE, NO. 178, STRATTON, HITCHCOCK COUNTY.

Created Nov. 15, 87; chartered June 21, 88. REGULAR MEETING - First and third Saturday of each mouth.

### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Robert D. S. Padget, Master. Milton W. Nesmith, Treasurer. Jacob D. Licklider, Secretary.

Verner D. Shelby, Senior Deacon. John H. Youmans, Senior Warden.

James P. Price, Junior Warden.

Allen W. Parker, Junior Deacon.

William C. Ashwell, Senior Steward. Swan M. Pierson, Junior Steward. William H. Daniels, Tiler.

# CULBERTSON LODGE, NO. 174, CULBERTSON, HITCHCOCK COUNTY.

Created Nov. 16, 87; chartered June 21, 88. REGULAR MEETING - First Wednesday in each month.

### OFFICE-BEARERS.

John M. Williams, Master. George Y. Eisenhart, Senior Warden. Edward B. Elledge, Junior Deacon. William C. Bullard, Junior Warden. Charles A. Younce, Senior Steward. Eddy E. Capps, Treasurer. Wiley S. Cornutt, Secretary.

John P. Cobb, Senior Deacon. Henry Lehman, Junior Steward. Arthur B. Young, Tiler.

## TEMPLE LODGE, NO. 175, FILLEY, GAGE COUNTY.

Created Dec. 9, 87; chartered June 21, 88. REGULAR MEETINGS - First and third Saturdays of each month.

# OFFICE-BEARERS.

Elijah Filley, Master. Ted D. Sloson, Senior Warden.

Daniel A. Fawble, Senior Deacon. John L. Waddington, Junior Deacon. John W. Wright, Junior Warden.
Louis B. Canfield, Treasurer.
George W. Waddington, Secretary.

Hiram P. Crocker, Senior Steward.
Joseph H. Ramsey, Junior Steward.
Nelson R. Simpson, Tiler.

# SHICKLEY LODGE, U. D. SHICKLEY, FILLMORE COUNTY.

Created Jan. 11, 88.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

William M. Van Buren, Master. Charles M. Ross, Senior Warden. Joseph H. Springer, Junior Warden.

# GLADSTONE LODGE, NO. 176, ANSLEY, CUSTER COUNTY.

Created Feb. 18, 88; chartered June 21, 88. Regular Meetings — First Saturday evening after full moon each month.

#### OFFICE-BEARERS.

Francis M. Rublee, Master. Edwin H. Burrows, Secretary.
Brougham Stevenson, Senior Warden. William D. Fritz, Senior Deacon.
William O. Chapman, Junior Warden. James F. Sharpless, Junior Deacon.
Clark J. Stevens, Treasurer. Philip M. Evans, Tiler.

# HAY SPRINGS LODGE, NO. 177, HAY SPRINGS, SHERIDAN COUNTY.

Created Feb. 20, 88; chartered June 21, 88.

REGULAR MEETINGS - Monday evening on or before full moon each month.

### OFFICE-BEARERS.

William Waterman, Master.

Madison Finch, Senior Warden.

Tobias J. Thompson, Junior Warden.

Edgar J. Rosecrans, Treasurer.

Henry J. Simpson, Secretary.

William H. McCann, Senior Deacon.

George H. Rhodes, Junior Deacon.

William J. Harris, Tiler.