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## PROCEEDINGS

of the One Hundred Twenty-fifth Annual Communication of the

# GRAND LODGE

of the

Most Ancient and Honorable Fraternity

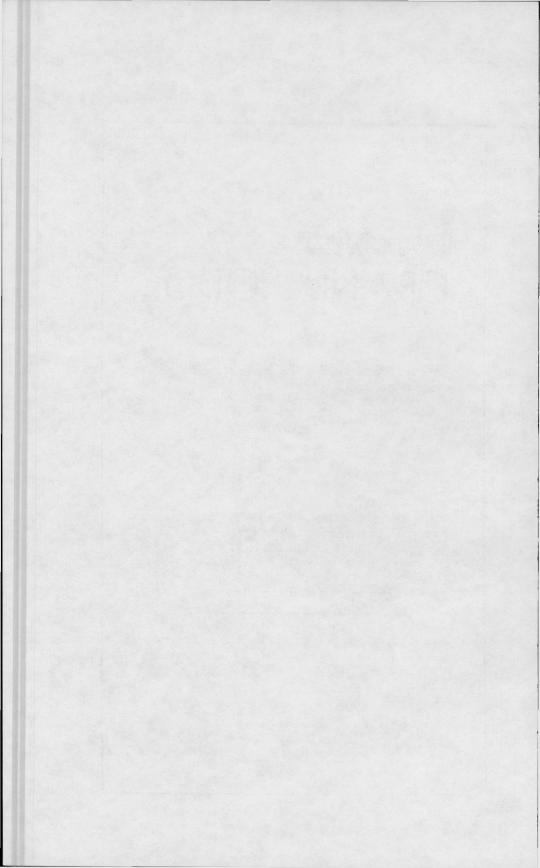
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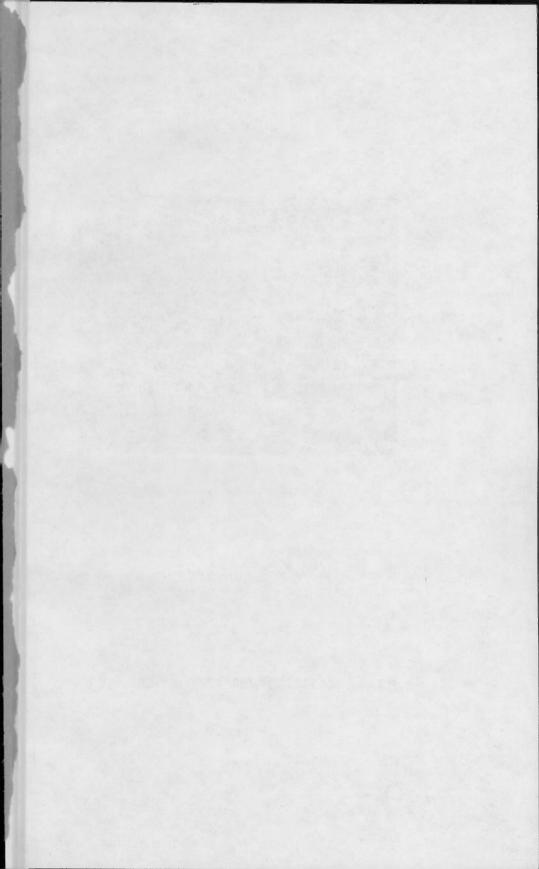
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Harold C. Wurdeman

GRAND MASTER OF MASONS OF NEBRASKA 1981 – 1982



## BIOGRAPHICAL HAROLD C. WURDEMAN

M. W. Harold C. Wurdeman, the 116th Grand Master of Masons of Nebraska was born on May 8, 1911 at Columbus, Nebraska, the son of Charles and Elise Loseke Wurdeman.

He attended the Columbus Public Schools and graduated in 1928. He received his degree in Civil Engineering from Iowa State College in 1932 where he was a member of Delta Upsilon Fraternity.

On September 19, 1936, he was united in marriage with Irene Helen Miller of Marshalltown, Iowa. Three daughters, Gail, Sara and Susan and three granddaughters, Kelly, Annette and Jennifer Aerni became members of the family.

He has been a member of The Federated Church of Columbus (Congregational) for more than fifty years. He has served one or more terms on the several church boards and continues to serve as an usher one month each year.

He is a member of the Columbus Rotary Club, BPO Elks Lodge 1195 and was a member of the Columbus Chamber of Commerce, where he served as a member of their Board of Directors.

He is a partner in the Firm of Reed, Veach, Wurdeman & Associates, Architects and Consulting Engineers of Columbus, Nebraska, from which position he officially retired as of June 1, 1976. He has since served the firm on a part time basis as Architect and as a full time consultant and as engineering consultant. This situation was a result of his ever expanding Masonic duties and activities. He is a Registered Professional Land Surveyor in Nebraska, a Registered Professional Engineer in Nebraska and a Registered Professional Architect in Nebraska, Kansas and South Dakota.

#### **MASONIC RECORD**

Harold C. Wurdeman was initiated June 24, 1964; passed August 19, 1964 and Raised September 23, 1964 in Lebanon Lodge No. 323, Columbus. He served as Master of that Lodge in 1968. He received his Certificate of Proficiency in 1966 and has regularly renewed it to the present time.

York Rite: Orient Chapter No. 18, Royal Arch Masons; Mark Master and Past Master February 12, 1965; Most Excellent Master, March 12, 1965, Royal Arch Degree, March 26, 1965.

Gebal Council No. 12, Royal and Select Masons of Cryptic Masonry; Royal & Select Masters, April 9, 1965; Super-Excellent Master April 7, 1970 at Lincoln, Nebraska.

Gethsemane Commandery No. 21, Knights of Templar; Order of the Red Cross and Malta, May 7, 1965; Order of the Tempel May 14, 1965 and Red Cross of Constantine Shiloh Conclave, Alliance, Nebraska, May 27, 1978. SCOTTISH Rite: Lincoln Consistory, Lincoln, Nebraska; 32° October 17, 1969; KCCH December 7, 1979.

SHRINE: Sesostris Temple, Lincoln, Nebraska; August 20, 1965 and is a Past President of the Pawnee Shrine Club of Columbus. He was appointed Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky by

M. W. Donald R. Swanson on January 4, 1975. O.E.S. Harmony Chapter No. 13, Columbus, Nebraska, Initiated September

2, 1975; Worthy Patron 1977 and 1978. On April 16, 1980 he received the DeMolay Honorary Legion of Honor Award.

LODGE: He was appointed Grand Marshal of the Grand Lodge of Nebraska in 1971 by M. W. Russell L. Fickes. He was re-appointed to this position by the following four Grand Masters: Howard J. Hunter — 1972; Frank J. Mattoon — 1973; Donald R. Swanson — 1974 and Harold Hultman —1975. Consequently, these five Grand Masters knew that all cornerstone ceremonies and Lodge dedications would be conducted with dispatch and decorum.

He was appointed in the advancing line of the Grand Lodge as Grand Junior Deacon by M.'.W.'. T. Leo Stines in 1976. He was appointed Grand Senior deacon by M.'.W.'. Alfred B. Saum in 1977. Elected Grand Junior Warden in June 1978, Grand Senior Warden in June 1979, Deputy Grand Master in June 1980 and was elected and installed as the 116th Grand Master of The Grand Lodge of Masons of Nebraska, June 13, 1981.

M.'.W.'. Harold C. Wurdeman has demonstrated his intense devotion to the ideals and principles of Masonry through the years and since receiving his Certificate of Proficiency in 1966, has been a stickler for perfection in the Esoteric Ritualism of Masonry and its various appendant bodies.

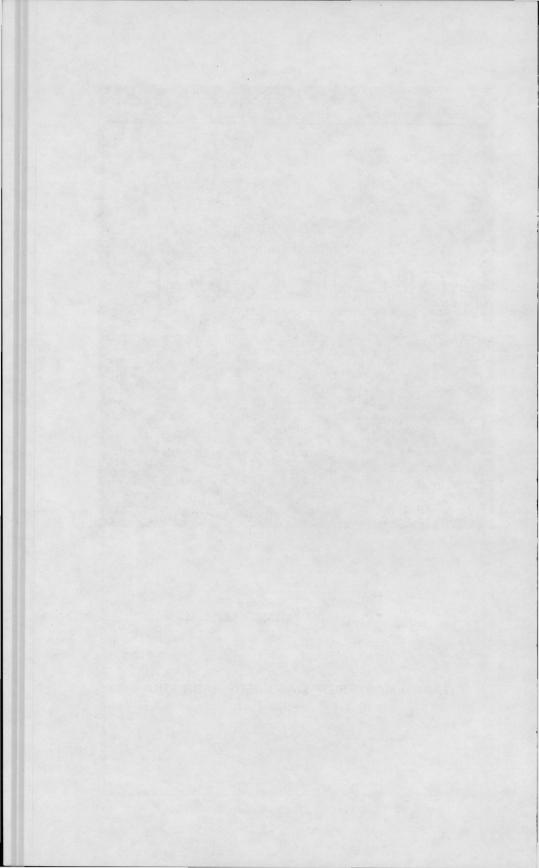
Under his guidance and leadership Masonry and its allied organizations have been greatly enriched and he has earned the plaudits and appreciation of those whose privilege it has been to work with him through the years.

T.L.S.



Saul R. Pierie

GRAND MASTER OF MASONS OF NEBRASKA 1982 – 1983



#### PROCEEDINGS OF THE EMERGENT COMMUNICATION HELD AT LINCOLN, NEBRASKA — DECEMBER 28, 1981

An emergent communication of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge was held at the Masonic Temple of Craftsmen Lodge No. 314 of Lincoln for the purpose of conducting funeral services for M.<sup>2</sup>.W.<sup>2</sup>. Brother Edward F. Carter.

M. W. Byron C. Jenkins, PGM, acting as personal representative of M. W. Harold C. Wurdeman, Grand Master, opened an emergent communication of the Grand Lodge in ample form.

Present were Past Grand Masters Herbert A. Ronin, Lewis R. Ricketts and Byron C. Jenkins. The Grand Lodge officer present was V.'.W.'. J. Dallas Gibson, Grand Chaplain. Also present were a number of Masons from Lincoln.

Funeral services were held at the first Plymouth Congregational Church in Lincoln. Masonic services were conducted by the Grand Lodge, AF & AM of Nebraska. V. W. J. Dallas Gibson, Grand Chaplain, delivered the oration and gave the prayer. M. W. Herbert A. Ronin served as Grand Secretary and read the roll and a tribute to M. W. Brother Carter.

The Grand Lodge was then closed in ample form.

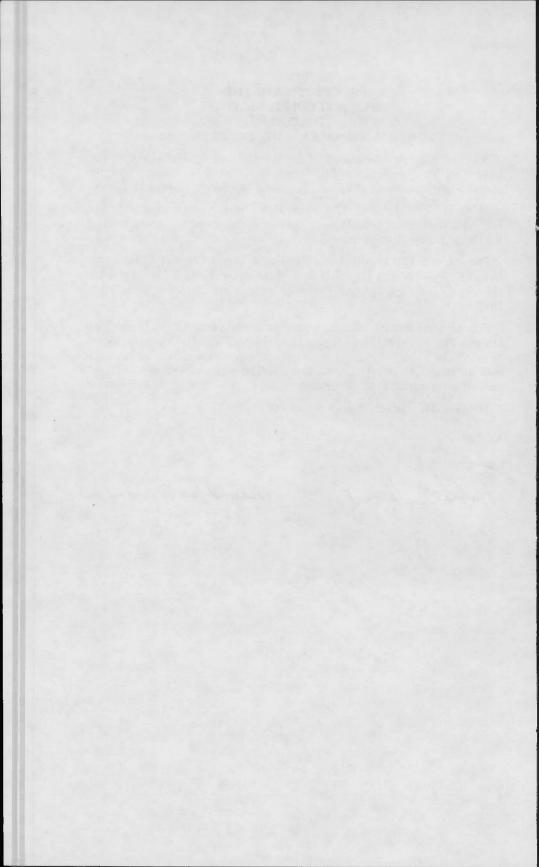
ATTEST:

Habert Cerry

Grand Secretary

Baralde Wurdeman

Grand Master



### PROCEEDINGS of the

## Grand Lodge of the Most Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of Nebraska.

## ONE HUNDRED TWENTY FIFTH ANNUAL COMMUNICATION

Held in Kearney June 11 and 12, 1982

FIRST DAY-MORNING SESSION

Friday, June 11, 1982

The Grand Lodge of the Most Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of Nebraska met in Annual Communication at the Holiday Inn, Kearney at 8:30 a.m. on Friday, June 11, A.D. 1982. A.L. 5981.

#### **GRAND OFFICERS PRESENT**

M. W. Harold C. Wurdeman, 323	Grand Master
R. W. Paul R. Pierce, 50	Deputy Grand Master
R. W. Bevin B. Bump, 158	Grand Senior Warden
R. W. Robert A. Metcalf, 210	Grand Junior Warden
R. W. Ralph W. Gerry, 281	Grand Secretary
V. W. J. Dallas Gibson, 54	Grand Chaplain
W. James N. DeMoss, 325	Grand Orator
W. Gladwyn A. Youngs, 210	Grand Historian
W. Mannie O. Hansen, 1	Grand Custodian
W. William Keller, 250	
W.: Charles W. Amidon, 281	Grand Senior Deacon
W. Wayne G. Luenenborg, 39	Grand Junior Deacon
W. Paul R. Eveland, 119	Grand Tyler

Promptly at 8:30 a.m. a Lodge of Master Masons was opened in form by Lebanon Lodge No. 323, A. F. & A. M.

M. W. Harold G. Wurdeman, Grand Master was escorted to the East by M. W. T. Leo Stines, introduced and given the Grand Honors.

The Grand Master directed the Grand Secretary to call the roll of Chartered Lodges. There being a constitutional number of Lodges represented, the Grand Master declared the 125th Annual Communication of Grand Lodge of the Most Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of Nebraska, opened in ample form and directed the Grand Marshal to make proclamation thereof.

The Grand Master directed the Grand Marshal to escort V. W. J. Dallas Gibson to the alter for the purpose of a prayer.

#### PRESENTATION OF THE FLAG

Presentation of the Flag of the United States was made by Kearney Chapter Order of DeMolay.

Following the seating of the Flag, the Pledge of Allegiance was given. W.: Charles W. Amidon, Grand Senior Deacon, presented the following Past Grand Masters according to seniority.

*NOTE: M.*.W. Benjamin F. Eyre, was inadvertently left off the list at the 124th Annual Communication.

M. W. Benjamin F. Eyre	(86th) – 1951
M. W. Thomas J. Aron	
M. W. Merle M. Hale	
M. W. John F. Futcher	(95th) — 1960
M. W. Herbert A. Ronin	(96th) – 1961
M. W. Ernest O. Van Wey	$\dots$ (97th) — 1962
M. W. Harry A. Spencer	(99th) — 1964
M. W. Louis V. Sylvester	$\dots$ (100th) - 1965
M. W. Lewis R. Ricketts	$\dots (101 \text{ st}) = 1966$
M. W. John A. Bottorf	$\dots$ (102nd) – 1967
M. W. Norris W. Lallman	$\dots$ (103rd) – 1968
M. W. Hugh W. Eisenhart	$\dots$ (104th) – 1969
M. W. Russell L. Fickes	$\dots$ (106th) - 1971
M. W. Frank J. Mattoon	$\dots$ (108th) – 1973
M. W. T.Leo Stines	$\dots$ (111th) – 1976
M. W. Jack H. Hendrix	$\dots$ (113th) – 1978
M. W. Warren D. Lichty, Jr.	(114th) - 1979
M. W. Byron C. Jenkins	$\dots$ (115th) – 1980
M. W. Carl R. Greisen	

The Past Grand Masters were given a most cordial welcome, conducted to the East and given Grand Honors. The following Past Grand Masters were unable to be present because of illness or other: M.'.W.'. Edward M. Knight and M.'.W.'. Donald R. Swanson.

M. W., Russell L. Fickes gave the response for the Grand Masters. M. W. Sir: on behalf of Past Grand Masters present, we wish to thank you for your most gracious welcome. We also wish to express our appreciation for your efforts on behalf of the Fraternity and wish you well in this Grand Communication. Thank you.

#### **RECEPTION OF DISTINGUISHED GUESTS**

ALASKA: R. W. Glen W. Pruett, Grand Junior Warden and Personal Representative of M. W. Buckley C. Hazen, Grand Master, Grand Lodge, A.F.&A.M. of Alaska

- COLORADO: W.: Robert D. Van Gundy, Senior Grand Deacon and Personal Representative of M.: W.: David L. Corlett, Grand Master, Grand Lodge, A.F.&A.M. of Colorado
- IOWA: M.<sup>·</sup>.W.<sup>·</sup>. Keith L. Muntz, Grand Master and Tom Eggleston, Grand Secretary, Grand Lodge, A.F.&A.M. of Iowa
- KANSAS: R. W.: Arris M. Johnson, Grand Junior Warden and Personal Representative of M. W.: Robert G. Jackson, Grand Master, Grand Lodge, A.F.&A.M. of Kansas
- SOUTH DAKOTA: M. W. Eldon J. Deadrick, Past Grand Master and Personal Representative of M. W. Ray W. Horn, Grand Master, Grand Lodge, A.F.&A.M. of South Dakota
- NEBRASKA: R. E. Floyd R. McKenzie, Grand Secretary-Recorder, York Rite Bodies; M. E. Edward F. Wehrbein, Grand High Priest, Grand Chapter, R.A.M.; M. L. Richard N. Nielsen, Grand Master, Grand Council of Cryptic Masons; Sir Knight Edgar A. Bredemeier, R. E. Grand Commander, Grand Commandery, K.T.; Raymond F. Evers, Superintendent of The Nebraska Masonic Home; William F. Patterson, President, The Nebraska Masonic Home; Benjiman Harvey, Administrator, The Masonic-Eastern Star Home for Children at Fremont; Bernard Paden, Worthy Grand Patron, Order of The Eastern Star of Nebraska; Walter Miller, Executive Officer in Nebraska and Member Supreme Council, International Order of DeMolay; Edward H. Lockwood, Grand Organist; ILL. Herbert A. Ronin 33° Active. Lt. Grand Commander, Supreme Council, Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, Southern Jurisdiction, Sovereign Grand Inspector General of Nebraska.

#### **RESPONSE TO THE ADDRESS OF WELCOME** M. W. JOSEPH C. TYE, PAST GRAND MASTER

M. W. Grand Master, Grand Lodge officers, Distinguished Guests, Delegates and Masons all. It is a real pleasure for me on behalf of Rob Morris Lodge No. 46 to welcome this 125th Annual Communication. It is particularly pleasing because this is the fourth time the Grand Lodge has convened in Kearney, Nebraska. At the beginning of the Grand Lodge in Nebraska, of course, we started in Omaha, and for many, many years Grand Lodge and Omaha were synonymous. It didn't seem to be possible that Grand Lodge would ever convene in any place other than Omaha. Some time after the commencing of the Grand Lodge, our brethren visited other jurisdictions and learned that in some jurisdictions in the United States, the Grand Lodges didn't always convene in the same city but methods differ in the particular states. Many of you know of the friendly combat between the Metropolitan City of Omaha and the Capital City of Lincoln, and so there ensued something of a contest to see if Lincoln could not get Grand Lodge to convene in Lincoln. And ultimately that came to pass and we have convened in Lincoln a few times. Shortly after that, M. W. Brother Bottorf came from over near Hastings, from the village of Sutton and decided to try and meet in Hastings, which he did. We met over there, got along very well, and then stronghearted Mattoon from out at Sidney, decided we would try it in Kearney. He talked with a few of the Kearney members and most of us were very pessimistic, we were afraid that we couldn't get city boys to come out in the country to meet. They rather threatened us and said, "we are not going to drive off out there in the country, you fellows have always come to Omaha, and you can come down to Omaha again."

But Frank Mattoon staved by his guns and had that first meeting in Kearney in 1974. Much to our surprise and ultimate pleasure, we learned that the representation at that communication was the largest we had ever had. Following that in 1978, M. W. Brother Saum who was a Kearnevite and a member of Rob Morris Lodge No. 46, held the annual meeting that year in Kearney. And following that, M. W. Brother Hendrix had the meeting in Kearney. This year M. W. Sir, we are pleased that you have returned to Kearney and we welcome you, we trust you will have a pleasant and enjoyable meeting, and that you will consider Kearney again in the future. In that vein I feel I must mention the fact that there was some talk back in 1977 about the Grand Lodge quarters in Omaha, and I see our good friend M.W. Hultman made a report at the Annual Communication in 1978, that for the time being, they would remain in the quarters in Omaha. Since then, it seems and I have heard a little talk about it, vesterday, that there is some consideration of moving the headquarters out of downtown Omaha. Of course, as we country boys know, downtown Omaha is deteriorating. It isn't even a good cow town down there any more. You can't buy anything, they have got some high priced offices, the parking space has gone up sky high, there are no hotels down there. I don't know what this Hilton place is, but the cost is so we country boys can't afford to stay there. So they are considering moving out of downtown Omaha, going out into the suburbs where some people can afford to stay, but it just occurred to me that with that situation, there might be some thought about moving the Headquarters entirely outside of Omaha. And with the experience we have had at Kearney with our Annual Communications, maybe Grand Lodge better take a look at Kearney. We are close to the Interstate, we have some air service vet, we have some parking space, our hotels are not as high as they are in Omaha. While Lincoln and Omaha fight it out, lets move the headquarters outstate somewhere. I don't know about Lincoln, we don't pay much attention to Lincoln anymore.

Thank you, M. W. Sir, for the opportunity to welcome you, come again, have an enjoyable meeting, and Kearney will welcome you back next year, and the year after that.

#### RESPONSE TO THE ADDRESS OF WELCOME W.: BENJIMAN HARVEY, MASTER OF NORTH BEND LODGE NO. 119

M. W. Grand Master, Grand Lodge officers, Distinguished Guests, brethren all: I consider it a privilege to thank M. W. Brother Tye for his warm

words of welcome. Just as the one point of the compass in operative masonry always travels around a center pivot, Kearney is a center point of our state and it is very fitting that this city host the 125th Annual Communication of Masons of Nebraska. It is no coincidence that our craft so steeped in historical significance should gather here where our pioneer heritage is so evident.

M. W. Grand Master, it was an honor for North Bend Lodge No. 119 to host the Grand Lodge for the purpose of laying a cornerstone at the Children's Home. I would again like to compliment your officers on a job well done. Being directly involved with your Children's Home, I am given an opportunity to witness, on a daily basis, the impact that our Masonic charity is having on the lives of our youngsters. Every member of this fraternity can feel a deep sense of pride knowing he is aiding in this endeavor.

Thank you M. W. Brother Tye for extending your city's hospitality to our brethren.

#### **BERNARD PADEN, WORTHY GRAND PATRON:**

Most Worshipful Grand Master, Distinguished Guests; Grand officers; and Brethren:

Brother Harold, our paths have crossed many times this past year and it seems each time was at some festive occasion throughout the State. We know that you have had a productive year as our illustrious leader and I sincerely hope that you have enjoyed every minute of this, your year. You are to be congratulated for a job well done.

I bring you and all Brethren present greetings from the Grand Chapter of Nebraska, all 33,000 members. How fortunate we are here in Nebraska to have the close bond of friendship and Brotherly Love between Grand Lodge and Grand Chapter that we have. And why shouldn't we? After all, Eastern Star was founded by a Master Mason, Brother Rob Morris many years ago. He was a deep Bible student and through his guidance, the Order of the Eastern Star was formed and started. Our growth is certainly dependent on and tied to your growth — therefore we feel obligated to and certainly support the Masonic Lodges.

The teachings of our Order have a stabilizing force and serve as a rock in the storms of life we each must face. We search for the meaning of life, the Alpha and Omega of our existence. We find as we live in conformity with God's laws and in harmony with nature and our fellow man, life has greater depth and meaning. Those little deeds accomplished, though unnoticed by the world, are appreciated by those affected by them. The kind, friendly acts of sisters and brothers, travel as do the circles from a pebble in a body of water, ever circling and ever reaching farther into the distance.

Friendship is neither a formality nor a mode; it is rather a life. If a man does not make new acquaintances as he advances through this life, he will soon find himself left alone. One should always keep his friendships in constant repair. Most Worshipful Grand Master Harold:

On behalf of our Worthy Grand Matron, Betty Mabon and myself, it is my privilege this morning to present to Grand Lodge this check for \$2500 from Grand Chapter as your share of our Fall Ingathering. We are very pleased that we can do this each year. Thank you for all of your support.

#### Deputy Grand Master Brother Paul:

I will be looking forward to seeing you and your officers the coming year as we travel this old state of ours.

Thru the years as I've worked in Lodge and Star, it always seemed to me that we had some trouble in getting people to do things. The other day I ran across this little problem verse — which, I felt, tells it just like it is. I want to share it with you in closing today.

"If all the doers did. And all the don'ters didn't How many doers would it take. To do what the don'ters didn't?

#### M. W. KEITH L. MUNTZ, GRAND MASTER, GRAND LODGE OF IOWA

Thank you, Harold. My brethren it is indeed a pleasure for me to be with you this morning. Brother Tom Eggleston, my wife and I have been here a couple of days. We have enjoyed it very much, we came down early from the Grand Lodge of South Dakota, we found that as we travel westward we are making new friends everywhere and we are certainly enjoying it. I want to thank you Harold and the Grand Lodge of Nebraska, for the courtesies that have been extended to us. It is a pleasure for us to be with you. I have had the privilege of attending the lodges on the western fringe of Iowa, most all of them, and it has been an extreme pleasure for me to do so.

I notice in your pre-printed report that you talk about leadership and that is what I have been doing the past nine months that I have been Grand Master.

We see a tremendous need for this and looking over this fine group of men. I think this talking and doing is really paying off. Leadership is the thing that is needed, it is needed of course in our lodges and communities, state and federal government. We know that the good things that have happened through the years have happened because of good leadership. We reach back for more than 200 years and visit for a moment about George Washington and some of the hardships he overcame.

We have great men in this room. Men who are leaders. Leaders of our Lodges, churches and of course, leaders of our community. We are going to have Grand Lodge on September 17, 18 in Sioux City, Iowa. Now, this will be

a lot closer for some of you fellows than it will be for me as I live in Southeastern Iowa. We are going to have Myron Floren there, and we invite as many of you fine people, if you would like to come, to be there with us.

Brother Harold, I want to extend my thanks for myself, my wife and Tom, for the wonderful courtesies you have extended to us. Thank you so very much.

# R.<sup>•</sup>.W.<sup>•</sup>. GLEN W. PURETT, GRAND JUNIOR WARDEN, GRAND LODGE, A.F.&A.M. OF ALASKA

M. W. Grand Master, I want to extend a personal thank you to you, your Grand Lodge, your lovely lady for the many courtesies that have been extended to me and my wife while we are here in this area. Mainly, we are here because one of your distinguished brethren, M. W. Byron C. Jenkins, came to Alaska in 1981 and extended his hand of fellowship to us by giving us immediate interim recognition, which will never, never be forgotten in Alaska. So by that we wanted to come down and hopefully contribute something to your Grand Lodge, just to say "howdy." And for those of you who know our Grand Master, he is not in very good health, in fact, he is not taking treatment anymore, only giving him medicine to hold down the pain. When we leave here, I will be going to Seattle and be visiting with him. I bring you greetings from our Grand Master, I say "thank you" and hope your Grand Session is successful.

#### M. W. ELDON J. DEADRICK, PAST GRAND MASTER OF SOUTH DAKOTA

M.:W.: Brother Wurdeman, Grand Lodge officers, Distinguished Guests all. May I extend that just a litle bit further and say Distinguished Guests including all of our Master Masons here assembled today. It is a privilege for me to be able to be here, to be able to bring you greetings from our M.:W.:Grand Master, Ray Horn and from our Grand Lodge of South Dakota. This puts me in sort of a peculiar situation, as M.:W.: Brother Wurdeman says, we are just out of office and I have been going here, there and other places bringing greetings from the Grand Lodge in my own name, and all of a sudden, they put this pin on me as Past Grand Master and I have already found out that that definitely means "Prestige Gone Mr."

This is the first time I have been in Nebraska, and I am most impressed with what we see, the work of your officers and everything else. I am happy to report to you,  $M_{\sim}^{\sim}W_{\sim}^{\sim}$  Sir, that you were represented most ably and well by your Grand Senior Warden Bump. He represented you in his own enviable way, as only Mr. Bump can do. We thoroughly enjoyed the presence of him and his wife and we hope that they did have a little bit of satisfaction of being with us during our period of time. Your paths and mine have crossed many times in the past year. We are most appreciative of your friendship and your kindness.

This past year in South Dakota, we went around the state talking further light in Masonry. Trying to stimulate some activity in the Constituent Lodges, trying to make visible the lodges in the communities and trying to make Masonry a little more visible all over everywhere. We attempted to do that in talking about Masonry having a program that emphasized honoring a few people that we didn't have honored before. Not that it hasn't been done in many areas, but we attempted to have each lodge honor a non-mason during the course of the year. We attempted to have the renewal of honoring our Masonic widows and we have felt that through this and the use of a founders night, in which every Mason made an effort to respond to an invitation set out by the individual Master, has done a bit. I wish I could tell you that we have reached a break-even point in so far as our membership losses are concerned in South Dakota, but as we see here in Nebraska, we are still fighting, but with the efforts that we see in the presence of the Worshipful Masters that we see here this morning, and especially the young Masters from the constituent Lodges, I am sure that we are at this point, we can be looking forward to this point of breaking even, here shortly.

M. W. Sir, thank you and your lovely wife, Irene, for the hospitality extended to us, and we wish you a most successful communication and you and your officers God's speed.

#### **GRAND LODGE COMMITTEES**

- Application for Reinstatements: W∴ Donald R. White, 327, Chairman; W∴ Kenneth P. Lott, 184; W∴ Amos H. Campbell, 184
- Appropriations: W∴ Walter E. Truex, 55 (1983), Chairman; W∴ Paul R. Eveland, 119 (1982); W∴ Virgil F. Wagner, 72 (1985); W∴ John D. VerMaas, 256 (1984); W∴ Robert A. Carhart, 120 (1986)
- Charters & Dispensations: W.: Charles W. Jacobs, 325, Chairman; W.: Don McCoy, 11; W.: Joe Geisler, 327.
- Codification of the Law: W.: Bernard T. Pipher, 31, Chairman; W.: Gladwyn A. Youngs, 210; W.: Joseph N. Lindquist, 1.
- Credentials: W∴ Glenn F. Sperry, 139, Chairman; W∴ William
  W. Steen, 280; W∴ Doyle E. Berg, 281; W∴ Gary L. Powell,
  19; W∴ Norris L. Rusmisell, 46; W∴ C. Erwin Paulsen, 1;
  W∴ Manuel Maldonado, 184.
- Doings of Grand Officers: W: Kenneth D. Beebe, 119, Chairman; W: Jack Seidenglanz, 184; W: Everett K. Dappen, 265
- Entertainment of Distinguished Guests: M∴W∴ Louis V. Sylvester, 281, Chairman; M∴W∴ Hugh W. Eisenhart, 150; M∴W∴ Lewis R. Ricketts, 19.
- Finance: W∴ Edwin G. Mortensen, 302 (1983) Chairman; W∴ David E. Menck, 15 (1986); W∴ Lawrence J. Zwart, 11 (1985); W∴ Floyd A. Sterns, 19 (1984); W∴ Sidney W. Irwin, 302 (1982).

- Fraternal Dead: V∴W∴ J. Dallas Gibson, 54, Chairman; W∴ Clarence R. Kuehn, 210; W∴ David E. Bute, 15.
- Fraternal Relations: R∴W∴ Ralph W. Gerry, 281, Chairman; M∴W∴ John A. Bottorf, 49; M∴W∴ Ernest O. Van Wey, 249.
- George Washington Masonic National Memorial: M∴W∴ Warren D. Lichty, Jr., 314, Chairman; W∴ Gayle Angus, 261; W∴ Orval W. Cooley, 323.
- Grand Lodge Offices: M∴W∴ Merle M. Hale, 54 (1985) Chairman; M∴W∴ Thomas J. Aron, 37 (1986); M∴W∴ Jack H. Hendrix, 174 (1984); M∴W∴ Donald R. Swanson, 54 (1983); M∴W∴ Harold Hultman, 39 (1982).
- Grand Lodge Membership: W∴ Charles W. Amidon, 281; W∴ Morton P. Steyer, 281; R∴W∴ Robert A. Metcalf, 210; R∴W∴ Paul R. Pierce, 50; W∴ Wayne G. Luenenborg, 39.
- Grand Trustees: W∴ Frank V. Lawson, Jr., 1 (1982) Chairman; W∴ Robert A. Wekesser, 54 (1984); W∴ Donald J. Schonberg, II, 327 (1983); W∴ George T. Harris, 302 (1985); M∴W∴ Harold Hultman, 39 (1986).
- Grievances: M∴W∴ Frank J. Mattoon, 75; M∴W∴ Lewis R. Ricketts, 19; W∴ David E. Menck, 15.
- Masonic-Eastern Star Student Fund: W∴ Ralph J. Hershey, 15, Chairman; W∴ E. Riley Marr, 290; W∴ Fred Shaw, 323.
- Masonic Education: M∴W∴ T. Leo Stines, 36 (1983) Chairman; R∴W∴ Bevin B. Bump, 158 (1983); W∴ Wayne G. Luenenborg,39 (1982); R∴W∴Robert A.Metcalf,210 (1982); W∴ Charles W. Amidon, 281 (1984); R∴W∴ Paul R. Pierce, 50 (1984).
- Masonic Relief: W∴ Paul L. Toombs, 290 (1982) Chairman; W∴ Robert E. Kyes, 36 (1985); W∴ Kenneth G. Fleming, 75 (1984); W∴ Melvin E. Hatfield, 54 (1983); W∴ Joe P. Gonnerman, 126 (1986).
- Nebraska Work: M∴W∴ Louis V. Sylvester, 281, (1984), Chairman; M∴W∴ Lewis R. Ricketts, 19 (1982); M∴W∴ Hugh W. Eisenhart, 150, (1983).
- Public Relations: W∴ Gladwyn A. Youngs, 210, (1986), Chairman; W∴ Donald W. Madsen, 11, (1985), W∴ Charles M. Godwin, 210, (1982); W∴ Marvin Anderson, 316, (1984); W∴ Frank D. Smutney, 33 (1983).
- Returns: W∴ Sebert A. Stover, 281, Chairman; W∴ Sidney W. Irwin, 302; W∴ Edward C. Reynolds, 268.
- Temple Buildings: M∴W∴ Russell L. Fickes, 33 (1982), Chairman; W∴ Donald G. Hafer, 306 (1983); W∴ Herman O. Hansen, 3 (1984).
- Lodge Advisory: M∴W∴ Harold Hultman, 39 (1982), Chairman; M∴W∴ Frank J. Mattoon, 75 (1983); M∴W∴ Herbert A. Ronin, 210 (1984).
- Youth: W∴ William G. Hurst, 54, Chairman; W∴ Richard J. Higgins, 39; W∴ Halsey Phillips, 325; W∴ Ivan G. Abdouch, 302; W∴ Byron E. Lee, 89.

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M. W. Harold C. Wurdeman, Grand Master, introduced the Grand Custodian, W. Mannie O. Hansen, who in turn introduced the Deputy Grand Custodians and Deputy Grand Custodians Emeriti.

#### DEPUTY GRAND CUSTODIANS

Paul D. Fleming, 93 1949
Harry N. Ahl, 112
Lloyd I. Edwards, 110 1960
Stanley E. Brunton, 222 1961
Arthur S. Dye, 317
Nelson W. Rittenburg, 210
Gwynne L. Neubauer, 258 1966
Mervin A. Ransom, Sr., 65 1967
Donald A. Kyckelhahn, 210
Frank R. Harris, 77 1967
Gerald V. Inslee, 158 1968
John C. Sierks, 4
Herman O. Hansen, 3 1970
D. Wayne Erickson, 146
Richard L. Mauch, 254 1971
Dale E. Kube, 55
Robert E. Kyes, 36 1972
Richard O. Cowles, 217 1975
Jens P. Nielsen, 121 1975
Ralph E. McNulty, 188 1975
Don L. McCoy, 11
Everett K. Dappen, 265 1975
Alfred V. Peltzer, 148 1975
Ben D. Fussell, 79 1976
Victor D. Hunt, 62 1976
Roger L. Shillington, 180 1976
James E. Cornish, 31 1976
Lynn Doty, 251 1977
W. Dale Page, 15 1977
Harry L. Saum, 308 1979
De Vern A. Engberg, 26 1979
Michael L. Peterson, 227 1979
Albert W. Watsek, 40 1979
Douglas A. Thomas, 183 1979
Arthur J. Ferguson, 221 1979
Leslie G. Weber, 204 1979
Kenneth G. Fleming, 75 1980
Augustine S. Scolaro, 3 1981

#### DEPUTY GRAND CUSTODIANS EMERITI

Austin F. Whitmire, 75 Carroll C. Raymer, 164 Louis V. Sylvester, 281 George S. Schwab, 49 Harold M. Wilkerson, 54 Frank H. Smith, 301 W. Upton Dawson, 135

Delbert H. Pinkerton, 314 Sebert A. Stover, 281 Clifford D. Webster, 321

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T. Leo Stines, 36 Glenn W. Binder, 23 Alfred R. Kenoyer, 191 Harold D. Weddel, 61 Gordon Chard, 240 Arnold F. Mains, 15 Curtis J. Griess, 49 Harold A. Tilton, 71 Alton S. Mote, 183 Willard I. Lewis, Jr., 9 Walter S. Cork, 75

#### **GRAND REPRESENTATIVES**

M. W. Harold C. Wurdeman, Grand Master, requested the Grand Secretary to call the roll of Grand Representatives of other Grand Lodges. The Grand Master attended them a hearty welcome and suggested that they convey his greetings to the Grand Lodge they represent. There were 68 Grand Representatives present.

Response was given by M. W. Harry A. Spencer:

# RESPONSE WAS GIVEN BY M.'.W.'. HARRY A. SPENCER, PAST GRAND MASTER

M. W. Grand Master, Harold, I thank you for the privilege of responding for all of our Grand Representatives from other Jurisdictions near Nebraska, to your gracious and sincere welcome. I use this occasion to tell you I am still grateful to you for coming down to Lincoln last December to present me my Commission as the Representative of the United Grand Lodge of England. The Mother Grand Lodge of the World. All Nebraska Masons owe their Masonic existence indirectly to one of the two Grand Lodges of England, which issued charters to those American lodges through which came the organization of our Grand Lodge. A brief note on the History of the Lodge I represent may not be out of order. On June 4, 1717 four London Lodges organized the Grand Lodge of England, known as the Moderns. In 1751 the Grand Lodge we referred to as the Ancients came into existence.

These two lodges united in 1813 to form the United Grand Lodge of England, which I now have the pleasure to represent. I am particularly pleased to represent the United Grand Lodge of England, because I was born in England. I am sure every Grand Representative here shares the same feeling of pride that I do, in the representation of his Jurisdiction. As Grand Representatives we represent in Nebraska the interest of the Grand Lodge by which we have been accredited. In this way, we attempt to maintain the unity and the universality of Masonry. We realize in accepting our appointment as Grand Representative, we assumed a certain responsibility. We are expected to keep that Lodge informed as to the status of Masonry in this Jurisdiction. In doing so, we should write to the Grand Secretary of the Grand Jurisdiction, we individually represent, extending our greetings and summarizing the principal actions taken at this 125th Communication, which we feel may be of interest to it. M.: W.: Grand Master, we congratulate you on the work you

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have done during the past year on this Communication, and we extend to you the greetings of the Grand Lodges we represent and their wish for an harmonious and very successful communication. We further assure you, in a desire to promote the spirit of Fraternal Relations each one of us will relay your message of welcome and your greetings to the Jurisdiction we represent. Thank you for all of us, M. W. Grand Master.

#### **INTRODUCTION OF WORSHIPFUL MASTERS**

There were 127 Masters of subordinate lodges introduced themselves and were individually greeted by the Grand Master.

#### **GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS**

To the Grand Lodge of the Most Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of Nebraska.

#### Brethren:

In compliance with Article X, Section 3, paragraph (b) of the Constitution of the Grand Lodge, I submit this report of my official acts during this past year.

I must first express my appreciation to the members of this Grand Lodge for having accorded me the honor of serving as your Grand Master. It has been a busy year. The day following my installation, Lebanon Lodge No. 323, AF & AM and Harmony Chapter No. 13, O.E.S. held a reception in Columbus for all Grand Lodge Officers and their wives. I want to take this opportunity to thank them again for such a fine reception. By nine o'clock the next morning I was in Schuyler participating in the ground breaking ceremony for the new Masonic Temple for Acacia Lodge No. 34. And so it went.

Being fully aware that this office has responsibilities as well, as honor, I made every effort to do those things required of me, those things expected of me and those things I thought should be done. I hope my actions this past year will merit the approval of this Grand Lodge.

I welcome all delegates and guests to this 125th Annual Communication of our Grand Lodge. I hope that you who are delegates will actively participate in the business presented and vote for the good of Masonry.

To our distinguished Guests I bid a special welcome. We are honored by your presence and hope you will enjoy your visit as much as we enjoy having you.

#### NECROLOGY

During the year just passed one of our Past Grand Masters, Edward F. Carter and 914 of our Brethren passed beyond the sable curtain to that undiscovered country from whose bourne no traveler returns.

Later in this session proper tribute will be paid to our departed Brethren by the Committee on Fraternal Dead.

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I believe this is the appropriate time to announce that M.'.W.'. Brother Louis V. Sylvester has volunteered to locate the graves of all deceased Past Grand Masters and see that they are properly cared for. I would like to see an individual or a committee appointed each year to follow up on this work to assure continual care of the graves.

#### **CENTENNIALS AND ANNIVERSARIES**

On June 23, 1981, at the invitation of the Worshipful Master, I attended the Charter Night activities of Lincoln Lodge No. 19. The lodge was opened and I was properly received after which a dinner was held in the Temple dining room. I was invited to make a few remarks and some introductions after which the guests were shown the film "Symbol of Pride".

On June 28, 1981, at the invitation of the officers and brethren of St. Paul Lodge No. 82, I attended their Centennial Celebration in St. Paul. Following a dinner at the American Legion Hall, the guests assembled at the Masonic Temple for a program of musical selections and a history of St. Paul Lodge. I gave a short address and presented St. Paul Lodge No. 82 with a Centennial Certificate.

On September 16, 1981, at the invitation of the officers and brethren of Composite Lodge No. 81, I attended their Centennial Celebration in Rising City. Following a dinner at the Rising City Fire Hall, the guests were entertained by musical selections and a history of Composite Lodge No. 81. I made some introductions and presented Composite Lodge No. 81 with a Centennial Certificate. Our Grand Orator, Worshipful Brother James N. DeMoss gave an address appropriate for the occasion.

#### **CORNER-STONE AND DEDICATION CEREMONIES**

This past year the Grand Lodge conducted more corner-stone and dedication ceremonies than we have in any one of the past twelve years that I have been participating in them. The Grand Lodge laid six corner-stones and dedicated five Masonic Temples. I believe this is a good sign that Masonry in Nebraska is alive and well.

Probably the highlight of my year was having the honor of laying the corner-stone for and dedicating my own Masonic Temple in Columbus.

Each of the following ceremonies is worthy of a complete write-up, including schedules and credits, but for the purpose of this report I will enumerate them as follows:

August 29, 1981 Corner-stone and Dedication ceremonies New Masonic Temple, Lebanon Lodge No. 323, Columbus Corner-stone address by W.'. Brother James N. DeMoss, Grand Orator Dedication address by M.'.W.'. Brother Herbert A. Ronin, P.G.M.

November 6, 1981 Corner-stone and Dedication Ceremonies New Masonic Temple, Republican Lodge No. 98, Republican City Both addresses by W.'. Brother James N. DeMoss, Grand Orator

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November 7, 1981 Corner-stone and Dedication ceremonies New Masonic Temple, Franklin Lodge No. 264, Franklin Corner-stone address by W. Brother James N. DeMoss, Grand Orator Dedication Address by Brother Adam Ralston from Alma

November 21, 1981 Corner-stone and Dedication ceremonies New Masonic Temple, Acacia Lodge No. 34, Schuyler Both addresses by R. W. Paul R. Pierce, Deputy Grand Master

December 5, 1981 Dedication ceremony Papillion Lodge No. 39, Papillion Address by W.<sup>2</sup>. Brother James N. DeMoss, Grand Orator

November 17, 1981 Corner-stone ceremony, Senior Citizen's Center, Norfolk, Mosaic Lodge No. 55, Norfolk, sponsor. Address by W.: Brother James N. DeMoss, Grand Orator

April 24, 1982 Corner-stone ceremony, Arts/Crafts-Maintenance Building Masonic-Eastern Star Home for Children, Fremont North Bend Lodge No. 119, North Bend, sponsor Address by W. Brother James N. DeMoss, Grand Orator

I wish to express my appreciation to Mosaic Lodge No. 55 in Norfolk for arranging the corner-stone ceremony for the Senior Citizen's Center and for sponsoring the event. There are buildings, without a masonic connection, all around the State for which we could lay corner-stones if somebody thought about it and did something about it.

The support of the Grand Lodge Officers at these events was most gratifying. At the ceremonies in Columbus, all of the 13 Grand Lodge officers were present and there was a fine delegation of Past Grand Masters. At the dedication ceremony in Papillion, 12 of the 13 Grand Lodge Officers were present.

I must compliment our Grand Marshal, W.'. Brother Bill Keller, for the fine manner in which he performed his many duties in connection with these ceremonies.

I was permitted to participate in all of the corner-stone and dedication ceremonies conducted by the Grand Lodge in the 1970-1971 Masonic year, the year before I was first installed Grand Marshal. I have now actively participated, in one capacity or another, in every Corner-stone ceremony and every Dedication ceremony conducted by the Grand Lodge for twelve consecutive Masonic years.

#### **GRAND LODGE AREA EDUCATION MEETINGS**

The Grand Lodge Committee on Masonic Education continued the program initiated by M.'. W.'. Brother Byron C.Jenkins. Last year's program was intended to reach all lodges east of Nebraska Highway No. 14 and this year's program was intended to reach all lodges west of that highway. I use the word "intended" because all lodges did not accept the invitation to attend.

The theme of these meetings was "Leadership", the lack of it and the great need for it. This will be more fully covered in the report of the Committee on Masonic Education.

I must express my appreciation to M.<sup>2</sup>.W.<sup>2</sup>. Brother T. Leo Stines, Chairman of the Committee on Masonic Education, for his work in arranging the schedules, notifying the lodges involved and taking care of so many details and then acting as Master of Ceremonies for the meetings.

#### **CUSTODIANS**

After our Grand Custodian was elected Grand Secretary at the 124th Annual Communication, it became necessary for me to appoint a new Grand Custodian. It was my pleasure to appoint W.<sup>-</sup>. Brother Mannie O. Hansen, a Deputy Grand Custodian, to the office of Grand Custodian and he has been doing a fine job in fullfilling the duties of that office. I attended the Deputy Grand Custodian's School in Grand Island last September and, in my opinion, he conducted the school in a most competent manner.

On the recommendation of our Grand Custodian, and with the approval of the Committee on Nebraska Work, I appointed Augustine (Gus) Scolaro Deputy Grand Custodian to replace our new Grand Custodian. I presented W.'. Brother Scolaro with his commission at a dinner in Omaha on July 24, 1981.

During this last year I have called on a number of Deputy Grand Custodians for help or for information about a lodge in their area and I have received some prompt and complete replies. These dedicated Masons represent the Grand Lodge in their areas and they are doing a fine job.

#### REINSTATEMENTS

I approved 31 applications for reinstatement this past year, none were rejected. All applications were approved by the committee appointed by the subordinate lodge and by the Grand Lodge Committee on Applications for Reinstatement.

Some of the petitioners answered the questions concerning their financial condition, some put in the word "personal" and some left the spaces blank. This might have been sufficient cause to reject the petition but I believe some of these petitions would have been withdrawn if the petitioners were required to furnish the information which they considered personal. Another petition indicated that the petitioner was in poor health, had no job and an inadequate income but I approved it because it had been approved by the committee appointed by the subordinate lodge and by the Grand Lodge Committee on Applications for Reinstatement.

Later in this report I will recommend that the requirement for a financial statement to be included with the petition for reinstatement be deleted from the By-laws of the Grand Lodge. I consider it an invasion of privacy, it is not being used and the decision to approve or reject a petition for reinstatement should be based primarily on the report of the committee appointed by the subordinate lodge. This committee is expected to have made a complete investigation of the petitioner before approving or not approving the petition.

#### **BY-LAW AMENDMENTS**

During the year I approved 39 by-law amendments for subordinate lodges.

31 involved changes in dues and/or fees,

3 involved revising special funds,

1 involved changing date of auditing,

1 involved changing the date of the lodge memorial service,

2 involved changing the time or day of the regular meetings,

1 involved changing the salary of the Secretary.

#### CONSOLIDATIONS

During the year four consolidations were approved.

Eminence Lodge No. 223, Giltner, with Keystone Lodge No. 62, Phillips Gladstone Lodge No. 176, Ansley, with Custer Lodge No. 148, Broken Bow Antelope Lodge No. 276, Elgin, with Trowel Lodge No. 71, Neiligh, Bladen No. 319, Bladen with Charity No. 53 Red Cloud May 6, 1982.

Several other lodges have indicated a desire to consolidate but we are still trying to get them active rather than lose them by consolidation. In a number of cases this has been accomplished and Masonry in Nebraska is stronger because of it.

#### **GRAND REPRESENTATIVES**

Recommended of other Grand Jurisdictions near Nebraska Paul R. Eveland, Ontario John Lippert, Florida Frederick E. Forsee, Oklahoma Byron C. Jenkins, Alaska

Commissioned M.D. Manning, Tennessee A. Ennis Small, Prince Edward Island Wayne G. Coleman, Alaska

#### MASONIC SERVICE ASSOCIATION

The Grand Lodge of Nebraska continues to be an active, contributing member of the Masonic Service Association. It was the recommendation of the Association that each member Grand Jurisdiction appoint an MSA Liaison Coordinator. It was my pleasure to appoint M.<sup>2</sup>.W.<sup>2</sup>. Herbert A. Ronin, PGM and Chairman Emeritus of the MSA as the Liaison Coordinator for the Grand Jurisdiction of Nebraska.

At the annual meeting of the Association, held in conjunction with the Grand Masters' Conference in Washington, D.C., I served as Chairman of the Finance Committee. Our recommendations included a change in dues structure and an increase in dues for member jurisdictions. The recommendations were approved.

On March 21, 1982, in company with M. W. Herbert A. Ronin, PGM, M. W. Warren D. Lichty, Jr., PGM, W. Jack Youngs, Grand Historian and Brother Bob

Adamsheck, Field Agent, I visited the Veteran's Hospital in Lincoln. I came away with a much better idea of the services the Field Agents provide and how much the patients appreciate them. These Field Agents contribute most generously of their time and I wish all of you could appreciate them as much as I do after having made that visit.

#### **GRAND MASTERS' CONFERENCE**

On February 22, 23 and 24, 1982, I attended the Conference of Grand Masters in North America in Washington, D.C. Others in the Nebraska delegation were M. W. Brother Herbert A. Ronin, PGM, R. W. Brother Paul R. Pierce, Deputy Grand Master and R. W. Brother Ralph W. Gerry, Grand Secretary. At the conference in Orlando, Florida in 1981 I was elected a member of the 1982 Conference Committee and served in that capacity in planning the 1982 conference in Washington.

The first morning the annual meeting of the George Washington National Masonic Memorial Association was held at the Memorial. Lunch on that day was served at the Scottish Rite House of the Temple, headquarters of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, Southern Jurisdiction. I highly recommend a visit to each of these magnificent structures to anyone visiting in our Nation's Capitol.

The Grand Masters' Banquet was held on Tuesday evening and the Nebraska delegation had Brothers J.J. Exon, Senator and Hal Daub, Member of Congress as our guests.

#### **ROCK MAUL**

At the 124th Annual Communication, M. W. Brother Byron C. Jenkins presented the rock maul to Geneva Lodge No.79. In recognition of that lodge being, in his opinion, one of the best lodges in this Grand Jurisdiction. Geneva Lodge No. 79 continues to be an excellent lodge by any standards and they might well deserve to keep this award for another year. However, tonight I will present it to another lodge. There are quite a number of very fine lodges in Nebraska who are deserving of this award and I believe it should be passed around.

#### VISITATIONS

During the year I attended the Annual Communications of the Grand Lodges of Iowa, Missouri and Kansas. I had reservations to attend the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Colorado but I had to call and cancel my reservations because of bad weather and bad roads.

I was represented at the Grand Lodge of Wyoming by  $R_{\rm s}^{\rm A}W_{\rm s}^{\rm A}$  Bevin Bump, Grand Senior Warden.

On June 13, 1981, W:. Brother William Hurst attended the Grand Assembly Session of the Rainbow for Girls in Crete as my representative and presented a scholarship.

On June 18, 1981, I attended the Grand Bethel of Jobs Daughters in Norfolk and presented a scholarship.

On July 25, 1981, I attended the Annual Conclave of the Order of DeMolay in Lincoln and presented a scholarship.

On October 17, 1981, I attended the DeMolay Grand Master's Class in Hastings.

On April 16th and 17th, 1982, I attended the Grand York Rite Session in Omaha.

The following enumeration of visitations does not include the many meetings of Lebanon Lodge No. 323 or appendant bodies in Columbus which I attended regularly whenever possible:

Lodge No. 323 or appendant bodies in Columbus which I attended regularly whenever possible:
Reception, Lebanon Lodge No. 323, Columbus June 14, 1981
Ground breaking ceremony for new Temple Acacia Lodge No. 34, Schuyler June 15
Grand Bethel, Jobs Daughters, Norfolk June 18
Charter Night, Lincoln Lodge No. 19, Lincoln June 23
Centennial Celebration, St. Paul Lodge No. 82, St. Paul June 28
Received in Lebanon Lodge No. 323, Columbus July 8
Received in Fremont Lodge No. 15, Fremont July 14
Annual Stockholder's Meeting, Masonic-Eastern Star Home for Children,
Fremont. (Meeting held in Omaha) July 21
Commissioned Augustine Scolaro Deputy Grand Custodian, Omaha July 24
DeMolay Conclave, Lincoln July 5
Supreme Queen Visitation, Daughters of the Nile, Lincoln July 30
Supreme Queen Visitation, Daughters of the Nile, Hastings July 31
Supreme Queen Visitation, Daughters of the Nile, Omaha August 3
Shrine Bowl Banquet, Lincoln
Shrine Bowl Parade and Football Game, Lincoln August 8
Received in Acacia Lodge No. 34, Schuyler. Conferred second section of
Master Mason degree
Achievement Day, Masonic-Eastern Star Home for Children, Fremont August 23
Corner-stone and Dedication Ceremonies, Lebanon Lodge No. 323, Columbus August 29
Order of the Eastern Star, District meeting Rising City
Scottish Rite-Jobs Daughters Recognition dinner, Omaha
Received in Mizpah Lodge No. 302 at Scottish Rite Cathedral, Omaha September 16
Grand Lodge of Iowa, Cedar Rapids, Iowa
Centennial Celebration, Composite Lodge No. 81, Rising City September 21
Received in Fremont Lodge No. 15 Fremont. Presented one 50 year
and two 60 year pins
Guest Night Dinner, Geneva Lodge No. 79, Geneva
Deputy Grand Custodian's School, Grand Island September 25
Grand Lodge of Missouri, Springfield, Missouri
Area Education Meeting, Hastings Lodge No. 50, Hastings October 16
DeMolay Grand Master's Class, Hastings October 17
Area Education Meeting, Jachin Lodge No. 146, Holdrege October 17
Area Education Meeting, Porter Lodge No. 196, Loup City October 22
Area Education Meeting, Bassett Lodge No. 254, Bassett October 23
Area Education Meeting, Seneca Lodge No. 284, Thedford October 24
Feast of Tishri, Valley of Lincoln, AASR, Lincoln October 28
Corner-stone and Dedication Ceremonies Republican Lodge No. 98, Republican City
Corner-stone and Dedication Ceremonies, Franklin Lodge No. 264, Franklin.
Presented two 60 year pins November 7
Masonic-Eastern Star Board Meeting, Fremont
Scottish Rite Reunion Dinner, Omaha November 14
Corner-stone Ceremony for Senior Citizen's Center, Norfolk.
Mosaic Lodge No. 55, Norfolk sponsor
Corner-stone and Dedication Ceremonies, Acacia Lodge No. 34, Schuyler November 21
Informal meeting with members of Crofton Lodge No. 273, Crofton November 22
Received in Samaritan Lodge No. 158, Chadron November 28
Guest Night Dinner, Silver Lodge No. 266, Silver Creek December 2
Scottish Rite Reunion, Lincoln December 4
Dedication Ceremony, Papillion Lodge No. 39, Papillion December 5
Sesostris Temple, AAONMS, Ceremonial Dinner, Lincoln December 5
Scottish Rite KCCH Investiture, Lincoln December 11
Installation of Officers, Fremont Lodge No. 15, Fremont January 2, 1982
Installation of Officers, Lebanon Lodge No. 323, Columbus January 16

Annual Stockholder's Meeting, Nebraska Masonic Home, Omaha Grand Masters' Conference, Washington, D.C.	January 25 February 19 - 24
Dodge County Masonic Banquet, North Bend	
Presented three 50 year pins	
Received in Harlan Lodge No. 116, Alma	March 2
Masonic-Eastern Star Home Board Meeting, Fremont	March 9
DeMolay Foundation Meeting, Lincoln	March 14
Visit Masonic Home, Plattsmouth Presented 60 year pin	March 18
Grand Lodge of Kansas, Topeka, Kansas	March 18 - 20
Potentate's Ball, Tangiers Temple, AAONMS, Omaha	March 20
Scottish Rite Foundation Meeting, Lincoln	March 21
Visit Veteran's Hospital, Lincoln	March 21
Area Education Meeting, Franklin Lodge No. 264, Franklin	
Area Education Meeting, McCook Lodge No. 135, McCook	March 27
Area Education Meeting, Platte Valley Lodge No. 32 North Platte	April 1
Area Education Meeting, Camp Clark Lodge, No. 285, Bridgeport	April 2
Area Education Meeting, Samaritan Lodge No. 158, Chadron	April 3
Grand York Rite Session, Omaha	April 16 - 17
Corner-stone Ceremony, Arts/Crafts-Maintenance Building,	
Masonic-Eastern Star Home for Children, Fremont	
North Bend Lodge No. 119, North Bend, sponsor	April 24
Reception for Grand Council Officers, Fremont	April 25

I was represented by M. W. Frank J. Mattoon at the regular meeting held by Kimball Lodge No. 294 on June 7, 1982. In attendance as special guests were two Past Grand Masters, Harold Mai and Floyd Holland, two Grand Lodge Officers and officers and members of Cheyenne, Pine Bluffs and Burns, Wyoming. Fellow Crafts and Entered Apprentices. The meeting was well attended. W. B. George E. Stieduhar and his officers should be congratulated for leadership, proficiency and initiative.

#### **GENERAL PERMISSIONS**

Permission was given to Kimball Lodge No. 294 to hold a regular meeting on a date other than that called for by their by-laws.

Permission was given to the Nebraska Society for Masonic Research to circulate a letter to all lodges requesting information of historical value.

Permission was given to Corinthian Lodge No. 83 to enter a float in a local parade.

Permission was given Ashlar Lodge No. 33 to solicit lodges within approximately 100 miles of Grand Island to participate in the Robert W. Boon Memorial Food Truck to the Masonic Home in Plattsmouth.

Permission was given to Harvard Lodge No. 44 to permit the Methodist Church to use the basement and back room of their temple for Sunday School classes on Sunday mornings.

Permission was given the Greater Omaha Masters and Wardens Club to solicit all lodges in the State for donations to their annual Christmas Fund Drive for the Plattsmouth and Fremont Homes.

Permission was given to Beatrice Lodge No. 26 to permit the Beatrice Elks Lodge to use their temple for Ritualistic and Degree Team Proficiency.

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Permission was given to Porter Lodge No. 106 to extend the time for a Brother to pass his examination for proficiency in the Master Mason Degree.

Permission was given to Walter Miller, Executive Officer in Nebraska, Order of DeMolay, to solicit gifts to the Nebraska DeMolay Foundation.

Permission was given to Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, Southern Jurisdiction, to distribute George Washington posters to subordinate lodges in Nebraska.

#### PERMISSIONS TO MOVE CHARTERS

Mizpah Lodge No. 302, Omaha, to Scottish Rite Cathedral, Omaha, to confer Master Mason degree.

East Lincoln Lodge No. 210, Lincoln, to Fairmont Lodge No. 48, Fairmont, to confer Master Mason degree.

Scotts Bluff Lodge No. 201, Gering, to Charles W. Yount ranch for an Open Air Lodge.

Lebanon Lodge No. 323, Columbus, to new Temple.

Acacia Lodge No. 34, Schuyler, to new Temple.

Papillion Lodge No. 39, Papillion, to new Temple.

Shelton Lodge No. 99, Shelton, to new Temple.

Miloma Lodge No. 328, Omaha, to Temple of Papillion Lodge No. 39, Papillion, for the installation of officers.

Republican Lodge No. 98, Republican City, to new Temple.

Shiloh Lodge No. 327, Omaha, to Scottish Rite Cathedral in Omaha for the installation of officers.

Right Angle Lodge No. 303, Omaha, to new Temple with Papillion Lodge No. 39, Papillion.

Bassett Lodge No. 254, Bassett, to new Temple.

#### DISPENSATIONS

During the year I approved 15 dispensations. Due primarily to the bad weather, I granted 9 dispensations to elect to install officers at a time other than the regular periods. I also granted 6 dispensations to confer one, two or all three degrees out of time. I waived the requirement for the fee in cases where the dispensation was required because of bad weather over which the lodge had no control and in cases where the candidate was a member of the Armed Forces.

#### DECISIONS

I contacted Merna Lodge No. 171, Merna and Zeredatha Lodge No. 160, Reynolds, about having missed two consecutive Annual Communications. Each lodge gave a satisfactory explanation and was forgiven.

I received a letter from the Masonic Temple Craft of Omaha, owner of the

Downtown Omaha Masonic Temple Building prior to the sale of that building, asking if the Grand Lodge office and the several lodges now renting space in the building could continue as tenants if the top two floors were rented to a tenant selling alcoholic beverages. I informed them that in my opinion they could not and further that I would oppose retaining the name "Masonic Temple" for the building.

I received a letter from the Supreme Council Order of the Amaranth requesting the names of the Masters of all of the subordinate lodges in the Grand Jurisdiction of Nebraska for the purpose of acquainting the Masons in Nebraska with their Order. I replied that the Order of the Amaranth was not included in the exceptions enumerated in Section 3-102 (h) of the Grand Lodge By-laws and therefore no Mason in Nebraska could join their Order unless our By-laws were revised. Therefore there would be no need for them to have the names of the Masters of our subordinate lodges. Their reply, of course, was that they would like to have us change our By-laws to permit Nebraska Masons to be members of the Order, but I do not plan to make it a recommendation.

I received a letter from William H. Campbell, formerly a member of John J. Mercer Lodge No. 290, Omaha, seeking restoration. He was expelled by action of the Grand Lodge at the 124th Annual Communication. I replied that restoration can only be granted by the Grand Lodge meeting in Annual Communication and explained how he might submit a petition for restoration.

I received a letter from a Brother asking if a regular meeting of a subordinate lodge could be open in the Entered Apprentice degree so all Masons could attend. I replied that our By-laws state that eight Master Masons, members of the lodge, must be present but do not specifically state that the lodge must be open in the Master Mason degree. Section 2-1001 states "None but Master Masons, members of the lodge, can vote —". In my opinion, the intent of the law is clear and conducting regular meetings in a lodge open in the Master Mason degree has been a well established custom and I could not approve any change from that practice.

After considerable investigation and exchange of correspondence, I cleared the record of Brother Harold O. Simon, a member of Gothenburg Lodge No. 249, Gothenburg. While a member of Cambridge Lodge No. 150, Cambridge, Brother Simon was suspended for non-payment of dues in December, 1939 and was reinstated in April, 1945. During this time he served in the Armed Forces. He was never notified of his suspension and continued to make payments on his dues. His back dues were paid in full at the time of his reinstatement.

In a similiar case, I cleared the record of Brother Guy DeVore, a member of Keystone Lodge No. 62, Phillips. Brother DeVore was raised in January, 1924, expelled in May, 1936 and restored in June 1944. This would make him eligible for a 50 year badge in 1982. However, there was some question about a suspension in 1950. The records of Keystone Lodge No. 62 and the records

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of the Grand Lodge do not agree on this, but the records of Keystone Lodge No. 62 show that his dues were paid during that period. Since the record was not clear and since his dues were all paid, I directed that the records be cleared of any reference to a suspension in 1950, and that he was eligible to receive his 50 year badge in 1982. I did not clear the record of his expulsion in 1936.

I was informed by the Grand Secretary that a Nebraska lodge had been asked for a waiver of jurisdiction for a Nebraska resident who wanted to join a lodge in Iowa. A member of the lodge placed an objection with the Master and the matter was not presented at the meeting. I replied that a subordinate lodge cannot issue a waiver of jurisdiction from the entire Grand Jurisdiction of Nebraska. Such a waiver would have to be approved by every lodge in the State or by the Grand Master. My reply also stated that if I were requested to grant this waiver, I would not do so in view of the objection which had already been made. I did not receive a request to grant a waiver of jurisdiction.

McCook Lodge No. 135 requested permission to use the lodge funds to purchase material to construct a wheel chair ramp at the home of a brother. I ruled that this was in fact, contributing to the relief of a brother distressed and approved the use of lodge funds.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

The last sentence of Section 2-305 of the Grand Lodge By-laws reads as follows: "An irregular installation as a Warden will not render him ineligible." This same sentence appears in some of the older editions of our By-laws but I do not think it accurately reflects the intent of the law. I recommend that the last sentence of Section 2-305 be amended to read "An irregular installation as a Warden will not render him eligible."

The first sentence of Section 2-501 of the Grand Lodge By-laws reads as follows: "A subordinate lodge cannot meet in a private house, in a hall over a saloon or over or in a public dance hall." I believe the word "saloon" has a little different meaning today than it had when this phrase was written into our by-laws. On at least two occasions in the past the Grand Master has approved a meeting place over an establishment which sells beer because the establishment did not conform to his definition of a saloon. These decisions were approved by the Grand Lodge. To avoid further attempts to define a saloon, I recommend that the first sentence of Section 2-501 be amended to read as follows: "A subordinate lodge cannot meet in a private house or over or in a public dance hall".

The second sentence of the second paragraph of Section 2-502 of the Grand Lodge By-laws reads as follows: "This majority, however, must be at least equal to the majority of the members residing within the territorial jurisdiction of the lodge." I believe this sentence should have been deleted when the State became one concurrent jurisdiction. I recommend that the second sentence of the second paragraph of Section 2-502 be deleted.

The second sentence of Section 3-911 of the Grand Lodge By-laws reads as

follows: "Each application for such reinstatement shall be accompanied by the dues for the year for which suspended, the dues for the current year and a statement showing the financial and physical condition of the applicant and his immediate family". Earlier in this report, under reinstatements, I enumerated several reasons why I believe the requirement for a statement of financial and physical condition should be removed from this section. I recommend that the second sentence of Section 3-911 be amended to read as follows: "Each application for such reinstatement shall be accompanied by the dues for the year for which suspended and the dues for the current year".

During this past year I came to realize how much Grand Lodge business, involving many of the Grand Lodge officers, is conducted by telephone. I recommend that all future lists of Grand Lodge officers, published in the annual Proceedings and in the Secretary's Desk Book, include both the home and business telephone numbers of all Grand Lodge officers.

As costs continue to increase with ever rising prices and our income continues to drop with declining membership, we are approaching the point where our expenses will exceed our income. The Board of Grand Trustees recommends an increase in the per capita tax to keep our income from falling below our expenses. I recommend that the per capita tax be increased \$2.00, from \$5.00 to \$7.00, starting January 1,1983 and that Sections 1-406, 2-601 and other applicable sections of the Grand Lodge By-laws be amended accordingly.

#### STATE OF THE CRAFT

I have traveled across the State as a Grand Lodge officer for eleven years and I have seen a positive improvement in the State of the Craft. We are seeing more young men brought into Masonry and we are seeing more young men filling the chairs in our subordinate lodges. I believe it is a good sign that we dedicated more Masonic Temples this past year than we have in any one year for at least the past twelve years.

We do have some lodges, both small and large, which need help. Since my lodge has about 200 members, I may be somewhat prejudiced in favor of smaller lodges, but I believe the trouble with some of our larger lodges is that they are too large. They are too impersonal and may have hundreds of members on the roll who do nothing but pay dues. Those who actively participate in the activities of the lodge represent a small percentage of the total membership. I would like to see about ten more lodges formed and limit the membership of all subordinate lodges to about 400 members. I would like to make this a recommendation but I am sure it would not be accepted, for financial reasons if for no other.

A number of smaller lodges have expressed a desire to consolidate. By correspondence and personal visits and by delegating others to represent me, I have tried to encourage these lodges to do those things which could keep them active and again become an active participating part of masonry in Nebraska.

We have many dedicated Masons in Nebraska who give generously of their

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time to help lodges that want help. We have had excellent cooperation from some of the appendant bodies and I believe our efforts have already saved some lodges which we might otherwise have lost by consolidation.

Our Membership Committee, under the leadership of Charles W. Amidon, Grand Senior Deacon has been doing a fine job and we are now seeing the results of their labor.

In general, the State of the Craft is good and improving. If we continue to work with the weak and inactive lodges it can be even better.

#### **APPRECIATION**

I am indebted to so many persons that I could not possibly name them all here, but I will point out a few to whom I wish to express my sincere appreciation.

To my wife, Irene, for more reasons than I could enumerate here.

To the Grand Lodge officers and Past Grand Masters for their cooperation and support. In particular, to M. W. Brother Russell L. Fickes for first appointing me Grand Marshal in 1971 and to M. W. Brother T. Leo Stines for appointing me Grand Junior Deacon in 1976.

To the officers and brethren of Lebanon Lodge No. 323 in Columbus for a wonderful reception for the Grand Lodge officers and their wives and for their gifts and for opening and closing a lodge of Master Masons for this Annual Communication.

To the Grand Secretary and to the entire Grand Lodge office staff for their cooperation and assistance.

To the members of this Grand Lodge who, by their vote, gave me the opportunity to serve as Grand Master.

This has been a most interesting experience and I hope my conduct has been such as to merit the approval of the Craft.

Fraternally submitted,

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Harold C. Wurdeman, Grand Master

#### **REPORT OF THE GRAND SECRETARY**

To the Most Worshipful, The Grand Lodge, Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of Nebraska: At the conclusion of my first year as your Grand Secretary, I hereby submit my first report with feelings of gratitude for your trust.

#### RETURNS

My thanks to the Secretaries of all subordinate lodges for their cooperation. We still have a little trouble with the same lodges each year.

#### CONSOLIDATIONS

Gladstone No. 176, Ansley with Custer No. 148, Broken Bow; Eminence No. 223, Giltner with Keystone No. 62, Phillips; Antelope No. 276, Elgin with Trowel No. 71, Neligh; were all started over a year ago. Bladen No. 319, Bladen with Charity No. 53, Red Cloud has just been completed.

# FIFTY AND SIXTY YEAR PINS

One hundred forty-three, 50 year pins and three hundred fifteen, 60 year pins were issued this past year with names listed in The Nebraska Freemason.

# **GOLD JORDAN MEDAL**

Wilmer R. Blackett, Nebraska Lodge No. 1, now residing at The Florence Home for the Aged, Omaha, is in fair health and still very spry. In September of 1981 he celebrated his centennial birthday with a party hosted by Nebraska Lodge No. 1 at the West Omaha Masonic Temple.

# **GRAND SECRETARIES CONFERENCE**

For the first time I attended the Grand Secretary's Conference in Washington, D.C. I found it to be interesting and informative, and although no decisions are binding on various Jurisdictions, it does give your Grand Secretary some ideas which may be helpful to the operation of the Grand Lodge Office.

## MEMORIAL LODGE, U.D.

Memorial Lodge U.D. of Omaha continues to be staffed by efficient officers from the Masters and Wardens Club of Omaha and perform well their duties for sojourning brethren.

#### **CHARTERED LODGES**

The following lodges failed to be represented at the 123rd and 124th Annual Communications and have been cited to show cause before the Committee on Charters and Dispensations. Zeredatha No. 160, Merna No. 171 and Bayard No. 301.

# LODGE SECRETARIES

Most Secretaries are doing a fine job with reports and correspondence and a very few give any trouble to the Grand Secretary. It is my hope to be able to hold "Secretary Conferences", in selected areas this next year.

#### **GRAND LODGE OFFICES**

Brethren your Grand Lodge Office continues to operate efficiently. My thanks to all employees for their diligence in conservation. Our books are kept in peak condition by Brother Vincent E. Keerbs and the front office continues, as always with Thelma McNeal at the helm. With inflation taking the bite out of all of us, so too your Grand Lodge is feeling the crunch.

Only the higher interest rates and the fact that your Masonic-Eastern Star Home at Fremont, did not need financing from the Grand Lodge budget, saved us last year.

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# FINANCIAL REPORT

General Fund Receipts

Per Capita @ \$5.00 per member	162,085.00
Initiations @ \$10.00 each	. 6,320.00
Bond Premiums	. 1,034.68
Liability Insurance Premiums	. 2,586.96
Supplies sold	. 7,181.55
Custodial fees @ \$15.00	
George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association	523.00
Interest & Dividends on Investments	
Affiliations	25.00
Reinstatements @ \$5.00	805.00
Dispensations @ \$10.00	60.00
Miscellaneous Income	337.90
Re-imbursement Home	. 5,000.00
	266,415.44

# DISBURSEMENTS

Liability Insurance and Bond Premiums	3,086.00
George Washington Masonic National Memorial Ass'n	476.00
Supply Account	8,451.80
Masonic-OES Home for Children	—
1981-1982 General Budget	183,573.27
The Nebraska Masonic Home @ \$2.00	
	258,399.07

# RETURNS

Number of Chartered Lodges last year	235
Number of Lodges chartered this year	0
Charters Consolidated	
Number of Chartered Lodges	231
Number Initiated	623
Number Passed	481
Number Raised	
Affiliations	
Dual Membership by Affiliation	
Re-Instated	
Consolidated	
Other Causes	
Total Increase	990

Number demitted	0
Deaths	4
Suspended NPD55	6

#### **GRAND LODGE OF NEBRASKA**

Expulsions	0
Other Causes including Consolidations	226
Total Loss	1,836

Net Loss for year ending December 31, 1981	. 846
Number of Master Masons on Rolls Dec. 31, 1980 32	2,248
Number of Master Masons on Rolls Dec. 31, 1981	,402

Net Loss for year was 846 members

## SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Plattsmouth No. 6 Raisings 11
Covert No. 11 Raisings 21
Acacia No. 34 Raisings 12
East Lincoln No. 210 Raisings20
John J. Mercer No. 290 Raisings 24
Miloma No. 328 Raisings 20

As of January 1, 1981, Union Lodge No. 287, Palmyra, had not raised a candidate since 1975. In 1981 they had 8 Entered Apprentices, 8 Fellow Crafts and 3 Masters.

So far in 1982 they have 4 Raised and 5 Entered Apprentices.

Scheduled for May, 2 Entered Apprentice, 1 Fellow Craft and 1 Master.

Fraternally submitted,

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# REPORT OF THE GRAND CUSTODIAN, GRAND LODGE A.<sup>•</sup>. F.<sup>•</sup>. & A.<sup>•</sup>. M.<sup>•</sup>. OF NEBRASKA

To the Grand Lodge of the Most Worshipful and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of Nebraska:

The annual report of the Grand Custodian is hereby Respectfully and Fraternally submitted.

This being the first year as Grand Custodian, I can truthfully say that many things of value were learned, both by myself, and by the Brethren in attendance at the Grand Lodge Central Schools.

I find that interest in our ritual is still very much alive, and attendance and participation by the Lodge officers and Brethren very good. In fact some of the Lodges did not have enough aprons to clothe the brethren who attended.

There is still a deep interest in the symbolism of the three degrees of Ancient Craft Masonry. Several of the Lodges requested additional Schools to be held in their particular Lodge.

Central Schools

Fourteen Grand Lodge Central Schools were held this year in the following Towns:

South Sioux City Mason City Sutton Sargent Broken Bow												
Atkinson	Madison	Geneva	Minden	Oxford								
North Platte Mullen Fairmont Sidney Bayard												
Scottsbluff Gering Bellevue Lincoln Omaha												
Attendance at the Schools and interest was at a high level.												

# Certified Lodges

One hundred twenty Lodges obtained Proficiency Certificates for 1981.

The following Lodges failed to certify for the 1981 Masonic year.

Capitol Lodge No. 3	. Missed after 3 years
St. John's Lodge No. 25	2 "
Acacia Lodge No. 34	
Lone Tree Lodge No. 36	
Oliver Lodge No. 38	
Omaha Lodge No. 288	
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Many of these Lodges have indicated they will recertify next year.

Congratulations are in order for the following who have regained their Proficiency Certificates

Falls City Lodge No. 9 First time since	: 1977
Superior Lodge No. 121	1976
Canopy Lodge No. 209	1979
Bartley Lodge No. 228	
Camp Clarke Lodge No. 285	1979

Special congratulations to Perkins Lodge No.308, who certified for the first time!!!!!! Many thanks, Brethren.

# Individual Certificates

Individual Proficiency Cards have been issued to 552 Brethren for the 1981-82 Masonic year. Following is a list of Brethren receiving their first proficiency certificate and card.

Jud D. Nissen, No. 138 Rex S. Jensen, No. 227 Scott E. Emmett, No. 293 Donald R. Petersen, No. 323 Lloyd F. Vrtiska, No. 108 Halsey D. Phillips, No. 325 Clarence E. Spence, No. 164 Frank E. La Breck, No. 281 John C. Butterick, No. 300 Lawrence E. Graff, No. 290 Don L. Jelinek, No. 54

Many thanks on behalf of the Grand Lodge for your accomplishments.

#### Certificate of Merit'

Records indicate 198 Certificates of Merit on the books, including the following Brethren who have reached 20 years of Certification in their respective Lodges.

Floyd Vires, No. 77	Mervin E. Ransom. Sr. DGC., No. 65
Gail Burbridge, No. 11	Douglas A. Thomas DGC., No. 183
Harold G. Barden, No. 17	Alvia A. Simmons, No. 210
Lorain F. Steiner, No. 59	Albert G. Bates, No. 1
Robert D. Spearow, No. 75	Augustus W. Clark, No. 318
Ralph E. Tetrick, No. 184	Vern A. Malick, No. 9
& No. 328	Bert E. Baird, No. 229 & No. 19

#### 50-year Certified Men

Benjamin F. Eyre, No. 1	58
Henry E. Schemmel, No. 2	57
Paul C. Holmberg, No. 318	57
Glendon B. Roshon, No. 19	56
Austin F. Whitmire, No. 75 DGC Em.	55
Harry A. Spencer, No. 227 PGM	51
George S. Schwab, No. 49 DGC Em	51
Bernard B. Harris, No. 265	51
Carroll C. Raymer, No. 164 DGC Em.	51
Samuel R. Youds, No. 104	51
Harold D. Weddel, No. 61 DGC Em.	51
Frank H. Newton, No. 30	50

#### Report on Deputy Grand Custodians

One Deputy Grand Custodian was appointed by M.<sup>+</sup>. W.<sup>+</sup>. Brother Harold C. Wurdeman, with the approval of the Committee on Nebraska work.

Commission No. 197 was issued to Augustine S. Scolaro, No. 3. He was commissioned at a special dinner in his honor, at the Venice Inn, Omaha, Nebraska on Friday July 24, 1981, by Grand Master Harold C. Wurdeman, and is now serving District No. 35. We welcome W. Brother Gus, into our family of Deputy Grand Custodians.

All 37 Custodians are at labor and reports received indicate an increase in Lodge Certification, as well as other Lodges contemplating such action in the near future.

The many hours spent away from home by these dedicated Masons in serving their various Lodges and the devotion to their Masonic tasks cannot and is not equaled anywhere. God Bless all of you.

#### Apprentice Custodians

Since the Last Communication, the following Brethren have been added to the list of Apprentice Custodians.

Jay Richeson, No. 249	Vincent Rosenberger, No. 183
Wesley O. Suggs, No. 39	Allan Beavers, No. 184

## In Memoriam

We regret to report the loss of one Deputy Grand Custodian Emeritus this past year.

Harold J. Oehlerking, No. 159 DGC Em., born December 7, 1904, Commissioned February 1, 1966, Commission No. 145, departed this life July 2, 1981. He will be missed by the Brethren who knew and worked with him over the years. We are grateful that we were permitted to serve with him.

#### In Conclusion

Most Worshipful Sir; We sincerely hope we served this Grand Lodge to your satisfaction, and we return thanks for the honor of the appointments.

My Thanks to R.'. W.'. Brother Ralph W. Gerry, Grand Secretary, for his understanding and valuable assistance.

To the Committee on Nebraska Work, M.<sup>5</sup>, W.<sup>5</sup>. Brothers, Louis V. Sylvester Chairman, M.<sup>5</sup>, W.<sup>5</sup>. Lewis R. Ricketts, and M.<sup>5</sup>, W.<sup>5</sup>. Hugh W. Eisenhart, my deep gratitude for your time, assistance, and encouragement in the work of this office.

My personal thanks to all the Grand Lodge Officers, Deputy Grand Custodians, and Brethren in the Grand Jurisdiction of Nebraska for the many courtesies and cooperation extended to this office the past Masonic year.

Fraternally Submitted,

Mannie O. Hansen Grand Custodian

# **REPORT OF DOINGS OF GRAND OFFICERS**

W.'. Kenneth D. Beebe, Chairman, presented the report which was adopted.

The Committee respectfully submits as its report that the address of M.<sup>+</sup>. W.<sup>+</sup> Harold C. Wurdeman be referred in part as follows:

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to the Committee on Fraternal Dead, the section on Necrology;

- to the Committee on Grievances, the section on Reinstatements;
- to the Committee on Jurisprudence, the section on By-Laws Amendments, the sections on Permissions, the section on Dispensations, the section on Recommendations;
- to the Committee on Charters and Dispensations, the section on Consolidations.

The Grand Master has served this Grand Lodge very well during his eleven years as a Grand Officer and this year's activities have been consistent with the zeal for Masonry that he has shown in the past. We further recommend that all matters herein not specifically referred to committee be approved.

# **Review of the Report of the Grand Secretary**

We recommend the report be referred as follows:

to the Committee on Returns, the section on Returns;

to the Committee on Charters and Dispensations, the section on Consolidations, the sections on Chartered Lodges,

to the Committee on Finance, the section on Finance.

The Grand Secretary has earned the gratitude of the Craft in this first year of service in that office for his efficiency and energy. We recommend that all matters not herein specifically referred to committee be approved.

#### **Review of the Report of the Grand Custodian**

We recommend that the report of the Grand Custodians be referred in its entirety to the committee on Nebraska work. We congratulate  $W^{*}$ ,  $B^{*}$ . Hansen on a very successful first year as Grand Custodian and wish him continued success in that office.

# **REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE**

W.". Lawrence J. Zwart, presented the report which was adopted.

The Finance Committee met at the Grand Lodge Offices at 9:30 a.m. on Friday, May 14, 1982, for the purpose of examining the vouchers for proper authorization and appropriate cash disbursements. Present were: Acting Chairman, Sidney W. Irwin; David E. Menck; Floyd A. Sterns and Lawrence J. Zwart. With the exception of one minor error, we found the books in order and in excellent shape.

We were especially thankful for the cooperation of both Brother Vince

Keerbs, the office Accountant and the Grand Secretary Ralph W. Gerry, in providing information and courtesy.

# PRELIMINARY REPORT OF THE APPROPRIATION COMMITTEE

W. Walter E. Truex, Chairman, presented the report which was adopted. ANNUAL COMMUNICATION:

	Payroll, 1982 Communication	13,000.00
	Printing Proceedings	5,000.00
	Grand Master's Banquet	2,000.00
	Grand Lodge Dinner for Delegates	5,000.00
	Entertainment of Distinguished Guests	1,800.00
	Printing of Secretaries Desk Book	900.00
	Printing, Programs & Incidentals	1,400.00
GRA	ND LODGE COMMITTEES:	29,100.00
	Masonic Education	4,250.00
	Trial Commissions	100.00
	Grand Trustees including Audit	3,900.00
	Appropriations	50.00
	Finance	50.00
	Grand Lodge Office	50.00
	Nebraska Work	50.00
	Grand Historian	50.00
	Publicity & Nebr. Freemason	7,500.00
	Relief	1,000.00
	Youth	1,300.00
	Masonic O.E.S. Student Fund	1,825.00
TRA	VEL EXPENSE:	20,125.00
	Grand Master	5,500.00
	Grand Secretary	3,500.00
	Grand Custodian - Grand Lodge Functions	900.00
	Grand Custodian Department	10,000.00
	Conference Dues and Expenses	800.00
	Officers Under Direction of Grand Master	2,500.00
	Deputy Grand Master for Conference	1,000.00
	Masonic Service Association-Hospital	2,500.00
SAL	ARIES:	26,700.00
	Grand Secretary	18,000.00
	Grand Custodian	15,600.00
	Clerical Staff	27,000.00
	Social Security & Fed St	5,000.00
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# FIXED EXPENSES:

Rent Library Office Jewel, Apron G.M. Grand Lodge Supplies Retirement CGR . Retirement NWL Contribution to Retirement Fund	$\begin{array}{c} 18,000.00\\ 100.00\\ 9,000.00\\ 350.00\\ 10,000.00\\ 4,646.40\\ 3,360.00\\ 3,700.00\\ 49,156.40\\ \end{array}$
INSURANCE, ASSESSMENTS & CONTRIBUTIONS:	
Masonic Relief Association Dues	$\begin{array}{r} 350.00\\ 125.00\\ 100.00\\ 2,000.00\\ 3,500.00\\ 2,500.00\\ 900.00\\ 2,000.00\\ 1,400.00\\ \underline{200.00}\\ 13,175.00\end{array}$
TOTAL GRAND LODGE BUDGET	203,865.40
Grand Lodge Responsibility — Masonic-O.E.S. Home for Children	2,500.00 206,356.40
ESTIMATED INCOME - GRAND LODGE - 1982-1983	
Per capita @ \$3.00 per member	94,212.00 84,400.00 1,035.00 2,587.00 765.00 2,425.00 6,220.00 60.00 800.00 7,182.00 3,825.00
Reimbursement from Home	10,000.00
Estimated income for 1982-1983	213,511.00

# REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FRATERNAL RELATIONS

Following are excerpts from The Commission on Information on Recognition, of the Conference of Grand Masters in North America.

# ALASKA

Alaska has been well received in most Grand Lodges in the United States and Canada. Just recently the Grand Lodge of Scotland granted recognition. It is the feeling that soon Alaska will be recognized by all regular Grand Lodges.

#### IRAN

Iranian Masons who have fled their country can now be assisted by the Commission if they so desire to affiliate with a regular Grand Lodge. Masonry as an organization no longer exists in Iran.

#### ITALY

Although Lodge P-2 was suspended by the Grand Orient in 1976, appropriate action by the Grand Orient was not executed until 1981. Licio Gelli has now been suspended and charges filed against him. The commission recommends no action at this time.

#### BRAZIL

Grande Loja Da Guanabara appears to have some connection with Lodge P-2 Italy. At least no explanation has been forthcoming on their connection with Gelli.

#### NIGERIA

The Commission reported in 1981 that the United Grand Lodge of England had voted to sponsor a United Grand Lodge of Nigeria. (This was reported in error.) There is no change in the situation in Nigeria.

Fraternally submitted

R. W. Ralph W. Gerry, Chairman M. W. John A. Bottorf M. W. Ernest O. Van Wey

# THE NEBRASKA SOCIETY FOR MASONIC RESEARCH

W. B. Lynn Alexander, Secretary gave the report which was adopted.

To the Grand Lodge of the Most Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of Nebraska:

I am very happy to have this opportunity to report on the status of the Nebraska Society for Masonic Research.

Formed on December 30, 1980 by four Masons who were interested in researching and preserving the rich heritage of Freemasonry in Nebraska, the Society now has 27 members from five states and one foreign country. Our Charter Membership will remain open until we have reached the number that represents the number of lodges in Nebraska.

The Society believes that Freemasonry had an intimate connection with frontier society and the growth and development of Nebraska. There is a wealth of historical material lost in the closets, attics, and basements of the lodges across the state. One of our objectives is to encourage lodges to search out this material and bring it to light where it can inspire and enrich the lives of present day Masons.

Although our Society is young and of limited resources, we have several on-going projects which we believe will be of benefit to the Craft. We are preparing the first edition of a publication to be called "The Nebraska Masonic Review," in which we will print new research as well as reprint articles of particular interest to Nebraska Freemasons. Another project involves a committee headed by Brother J. Eugene P. Jorgenson which assists lodges in presenting Table Lodges, and in displaying our collection of masonic artifacts.

On-going research projects at this time, include a study of Monitor Lodge U.D. in the 1st Nebraska Cavalry during the Civil War; the Masonic life of Worshipful Brother William Bowen, Grand Secretary 1872-1899; and the Masonic writings of Most Worshipful Robert E. French, Grand Master 1880, and Grand Custodian 1901-1927.

Several lodges and individuals have contributed and loaned materials to our long range goal of establishing a library and museum. We have brought a display of some of these items for the enjoyment of the delegates to this Communication. In order to assume liability for the care of this growing collection, the Society has been incorporated and has been granted non-profit status by the Internal Revenue Service. All contributions to the Society are now fully tax deductible.

We wish to extend our sincere thanks to The Most Worshipful Grand Master Harold C. Wurdeman, and Most Worshipful Byron C. Jenkins, both of whom during their terms have been of great help and encouragement to the Society. We also sincerely thank the Grand Secretary for his advice, and help in ways too numerous to mention during the past year.

The Society looks forward to the coming year and sincerely hopes that its work will prove to be of great benefit to the Craft.

I want to direct the attention of the Grand Lodge to our interesting display of artifacts in room 100. At that location, we will also be happy to talk to the brethren about joining our Society. I would also like to direct the attention of the Brethren present to the Square and Compass resting on the Holy Bible this morning. That Square and Compass set is the original set that was used at the First Communication of this Grand Lodge. On June 2, 1958, Grand Master, M : W : Robert C. Jordan, delivered his address to the second communicationof this Grand Lodge. He said, "I would suggest the priority of taking steps topreserve everything connected with Masonry in this territory. We may safelyinfer that in years hence, it will be interesting to brethren to refer to theProceedings of our day and generation." Today, The Nebraska Society for Masonic Research is dedicated to preserving and studying the history of Masonry just as M. W. Jordan suggested 124 years ago.

## FRIDAY AFTERNOON

# **RHODA HANLAN:**

M. W. Grand Master, Harold C. Wurdeman, members of the Grand Lodge and friends. It is my pleasure to bring greetings from Miss Marsha James, Grand Worthy Advisor of Nebraska. She regrets that she cannot be present to bring her greetings in person. I am pleased to be here today and to have the opportunity to thank you again for the scholarship I received in 1977. I started to Kearney State College that fall, majoring in music education. I was a 1982 Spring graduate and will be teaching this fall at the Riverdale Public School. Riverdale is a small town located northwest of Kearney. I owe a big thanks to the Rainbow Girls for I received a loan each semester from the Mom. Scheurich Education Loan Fund. With this financial help and some other part-time work, I was able to receive my Bachelor of Arts degree.

We want you to know that we all appreciate this very much. Also we are grateful for the scholarship that will once again be presented to an outstanding Rainbow Girl tomorrow at our Grand Assembly. We are proud of our Masonic heritage and inspiration that we receive from you. Our Rainbow Organization was founded by Rev. Mark W. Sexson. He was a 33° Mason, who received many distinguished honors in Masonry. He wrote our ritual and our instruction book. The name "Rainbow" was chosen because on some of the oldest Masonic charts, it is one of the symbols used in connection with the fraternal life. It is also used because it represents the first visible sign that God gave to his people. The sign of his everlasting covenant. The Order of Rainbow for Girls has many Masonic symbolisms. We have 7 degrees in the order and five line officers. There are three officers in the East and each girl initiated receives a miniature lamb skin apron that she is to keep always. Each Rainbow assembly is dedicated to God in love and service. The lessons that are taught make it possible to develop a life that is delighted with an opportunity of serving or helping someone else. Mr. Wurdeman, we are pleased to present this check from the Rainbow Girls of the Nebraska Grand Assembly to help you with one of your projects, either The Masonic Home at Plattsmouth or The Masonic-Eastern Star Home in Fremont.

#### **SARAH HEDGES:**

It is with both an honor and privilege that I bring you greetings from the Nebraska Job's Daughters. Throughout my year as being Grand Honored Queen, I have attended a lot of cherished events and this is one of them. I was able to attend the Supreme Session for the Job's Daughters in Hawaii last August, and wish I could go again this August. I have been all over Nebraska and visited every Bethel in the state and I have learned so much. I have attended the Order of Eastern Star Grand Chapter and the DeMolay, and

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tomorrow I will be attending the Rainbow for Girls Assembly. I just can't let you know how much I have learned through all of this. As Job's Daughters we base our teaching from the 42nd chapter, fifteenth verse of the Book of Job. It states "and in all the land were no women found so fair as the daughters of Job; and their fathers have given them an inheritance."

The thing that really threw me was how I obligated myself through the secrets of Job's Daughters, yet I couldn't tell anyone about Job's Daughters. Over the years I have drawn my conclusion of what Job's Daughters is. I also somewhere along the line picked up on the sessions and introductions that were on page 5 of my ritual. The Fathers who have given us our heritage are the Masons. It made me realize just why I could be a Job's Daughter when maybe someone else couldn't. Not until this last year was the impression really made deeply upon me, that without you Masons there wouldn't be an organization called Job's Daughters. You are, in a sense, the backbone of our organization, not only by your sponsorship and the various ways you help us, but just by being Masons. Every Mason should enable at least one person throughout their family to become a Job's Daughter, if the opportunity presents itself. Also through my year, I came to know that involvement is really important. In my review of involvement, I now know the difference between having the time and making the time. No one ever has the time because in this world, there are so many things to do and each one sounds a little better than the other one or a little bit worse, so we pick and choose. We all have to make the time to do things whether they may be important or just nominal in our lives. Making the time is involvement, not having the time is a cop out.

In closing, I would like to say "thank you" for being a Mason, for being involved and letting us have the organization that we have. Thank you for helping to make our organization what it is and what it can become. You Masons are how we got our start and with our involvement today, that is how we keep going. Thank you for taking the time.

#### KIRK BROWN, STATE MASTER COUNCILOR, DEMOLAY

Grand Master Wurdeman, Brother Master Masons and friends. It is truly a pleasure and honor for me to be here and be able to speak to you, not only as the State Master Councilor but as a Master Mason. My year as State Master Councilor has been a great one and there have been many highlights, but I think perhaps, one of the greatest honors for me was back in July when I was raised to the degree of a Master Mason and our Grand Master was present. I will always remember and cherish that moment. It has been a successful year for us in DeMolay in Nebraska, and we are very proud of what we have accomplished this year. At the end of May, five months into the year, we have initiated as many members into DeMolay as we did in the first seven months in 1981. We finished 1981 in the top ten membership internationally and rank in the top ten again in 1982.

For the first time in a long time, we are having Masons come to us and ask how we can get DeMolay into their community. These figures I have given to all of you for comparison. Also comparisons can be misleading. While we are improving over the past few years in DeMolay, we are still a long way from where we can be and should be in Nebraska. We have areas where we would like to put DeMolay but there isn't the Masonic supporting interest there for DeMolay. The international status that I have talked about, in a way should reflect the problems DeMolay is facing around the world. When we go to our regional conferences, and when I was in Reno this spring for International Supreme Congress, we heard a lot of big talk from our fellow jurisdictions about all the great programs that they have and everything they are doing, and yet there is only one thing that I would change. I certainly wouldn't want their programs and everything that they do because they aren't having nearly the success that we are. But if I could take just one thing from these jurisdictions, it would be the strong support that they receive from all the Masonic bodies in their areas.

I really often cringe when I stop and hear them talk about the support that they give and the contributions that they get from their Masonic bodies. Especially when I think about the little things they are doing with all that they get. I can only dream about what we could do here in Nebraska with that kind of support.

Recently, I was attending a banquet and the Speaker was talking about how each one of the people in the audience was Masonry. Each one of us here is Masonry. And as DeMolays, we are the Foundation of the very building ground and the garden of Masonry, each one of you here is or should be DeMolay. I don't need to remind you that Masonry is the foundation of DeMolay. You have all heard it more times than you can remember. I don't need to mention the fact that 50% of DeMolay eventually become Master Masons.

DeMolay offers Masonry much more than just that. DeMolay spreads the Masonic word and teachings, often indirectly and helps to create new Masons. I was a young man in Masonry when I was 15 years old. At the age of 15 I was installed as Master Councilor of my chapter in Fremont. I happened to have a cousin who was 20 years old at the time, lived in a community of strong Lutherans, belonged to a church that didn't believe in Masonry and really didn't want their parishioners to be in Masonry. It was the first exposure he had had in DeMolay and Masonry, and he was so impressed with what he saw, that he went out and petitioned his local lodge and became a Master Mason. I think a lot of you have probably seen the movie starring Henry Fonda, called "On Golden Pond." One of the scenes in the movie was the fact that Henry Fonda, as an old grandfather, was taking care of a small boy during the summer. Henry Fonda and the young lad were both very depressed, because they just knew that they were not going to get along. But as the movie progressed, a great bond and a great love developed between this old man and the boy. DeMolays are doing good things and have a lot to offer. It has something to offer you in Masonry, just as the boy had to offer Henry.

A ballad written several years ago had a lot of meaning to me. It was called "Chap in the Cradle." It started out Harry Chapin was the father of a young boy who was born, walked while Harry was away, talked before Harry knew it. He always said, "I just want to be like you, Dad. I am going to be just like you." The father would leave home, the boy would ask him, "when are you coming back?" "I don't know when, but we will get together then, Son." "You know we will have a good time." So the boy grows and becomes ten years old. On his birthday his father gets him a ball, and the boy asks if he would show him how to throw and play. His dad said, "I have too much to do." The son says, "you know I am going to be like you, Dad." So the boy grows and comes home from college one day. His father says, "do you have time to sit for a while and talk?" The son smiles and shakes his head and says, "No, I really don't have time, can I have the car keys? I will see you later."

Later on the father retires and the son moves away and has his own family. The father calls him up one day and says, "I would like to see you." The son says, "I don't have time, my job is a hassle, kids have the flu, but it sure has been nice talking to you. At that time it occurred to that man just what his boy had said. His son had grown up to be just like him, only he realized it too late.

If you neglect young men during their DeMolay years when that DeMolay needs you the most, you are going to find, he is not going to be there when you need him to join Masonry. The man in the ballad had realized too late that his son had grown up to be just like him. Masonry still has time. It is not too late for Masonry to avoid that man's problem. DeMolay needs your help now.

## **BETTY MABON, WORTHY GRAND MATRON**

M. W. Grand Master, Grand Lodge Officers, Distinguished Guests and members of the Grand Lodge.

One of the blessings we enjoy as part of God's wonderful world, is the heritage we have passed on to us. Masonic tradition dates back hundreds of years and its fraternal foundation has deep roots in principles of brotherhood, honor and unity. Teaching peace, charity and faith in immortality. We as members of the Eastern Star are closely related to the members of the Masonic Order. Not only by the ties of blood and of friendship, but by the very ideals for which the Masonic fraternity and our own organization stand. The ideals of love and service to humanity. We thank you for your support in our effort, we consider it a privilege to be associated with such a fine organization. May the bond which makes our beloved orders become stronger as the years go by, and may God continue to bestow on us, the harmony we have always enjoyed in our earnest endeavors to serve. M.'.W.'. Brother Harold, my wish for you is that you have a most harmonious communication and that much good will be accomplished.

Thank you most sincerely for the privilege of addressing this distinguished group. I am honored to be a part of your program. Thank you, too for all courtesies extended to me personally and to my Grand Officers.

#### GREETINGS

# JUSTUS DOBECH, MAYOR OF KEARNEY

Thank you very much, Grand Master Wurdeman, Officers and members of the Masonic Order I feel a little inadequate to follow some of your very fluent speakers that you have on the program this afternoon. But certainly I am very impressed with the attendance that you have at your meeting and visiting a few days here in Kearney. We are very grateful to you for selecting Kearney for your Convention City, not only because Kearney is a great Convention City, but I think it is only fair that since we are located centrally here in Nebraska, and have some of the finest convention facilities here, that you consider meeting here in our City. I am sure that the Holiday Inn is very adequate to take care of your needs and am sure that when you leave you will be very happy.

I have had an opportunity to welcome many, many conventions, as a matter of fact for your interest, a year ago, I had the opportunity to welcome some 90 different groups. But you know, just a few months ago, I was asked to address your DeMolay group here, and I was very impressed with the conduct that Sunday afternoon during the lunch period. Certainly, I must contribute that to you folks, who have given them the guidance that they have had, and certainly they are going to be grateful citizens.

Not only do I welcome you to our great City, but I want to repeat that I thank you for coming to our city. Some of you might not know our City has a population of about 22,000 people, a very balanced group of not only industry but of very good agricultural climate. But most importantly is the fact that your members have contributed some of their talents to city government, to church and to schools. I think that is what this is all about. I have attended many conventions and when the mayor usually welcomes the group, he has a lot of stories to tell. I don't do that, not that I am not adequate, I guess, to do so, but the thing that I like to impress upon you when you leave, as you go back to your respective communities, I really urge you to solicit and ask those people who are responsible, either government or what it might be, that you share your talents and offer your services to that purpose. As I said a little while ago, you can always find time to do the things that you want to do, but there has never been a time, gentlemen and ladies, that we need more help than we do in government. Those people in government are not really bad, they are just like you and me. We need more of your help and your guidance. So if I can impress upon you two things. Thank you for coming, of course. Secondly, we solicit your support and help in some way when you go back to your respective communities. With that I close and thank you for inviting me here and Gosh! I am impressed. Everyone looks so good, and convention goers don't generally look this good. I am impressed. I don't say this just to make you feel good, but I mean it. Normally, the rooms are filled with smoke, nothing like that here. Isn't that great? Don't change it. Thank you very much for inviting me, it has been a pleasure.

#### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON NEBRASKA WORK

M. W. Louis V. Sylvester, Chairman, presented the report which was adopted.

To the Most Worshipful, The Grand Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Nebraska:

Your Committee on Work is pleased to make the following report relating to the esoteric and standard floor work of this Grand Lodge. Because our work has reached a high level of proficiency during the last years, we are pleased to advise that no problems of a controversial nature have presented themselves during this year, and the Committee was not called on for any decisions or clarifications. In our opinion this continues to reflect the deep dedication and devotion of our Grand Custodian and the Deputies and this Grand Lodge continues to owe a deep debt of gratitude to each.

With the appointment of Worshipful Brother Mannie O. Hansen by the Grand Master a year ago as Grand Custodian, succeeding Worshipful Brother Ralph W. Gerry, the transition was carried out very smoothly and no interruptions in the ongoing program of the Grand Custodian's office were encountered.

All vouchers and expense items of the Grand Custodian office have been submitted to and approved by the Committee. The Committee has examined the budget request of \$10,900 for the new year and recommends approval. This is the same figure as last year but the Committee notes with a little concern that expenses are just now at the breaking point and with the continued inflationary spiral it is conceivable that in the future some increase in this budgeted figure will be necessary.

The Committee examined the Grand Custodian as to his proficiency in both the esoteric and standard floor work and are pleased to advise that he has his work in splendid condition. The Committee was also present to witness the School of Instruction and examination of the Deputy Custodians in Annual session in Grand Island. We are tremendously pleased at the high level of proficiency which our Deputies continue to reflect and the devotion they give as they work with the lodges in their respective districts.

It is with extreme sadness that the Committee, together with the Grand Custodian's office, noted the passing of Most Worshipful Brother Edward F. Carter. For many years Brother Ed. served as Chairman of the Committee on Work and it was largely due to his efforts that the present method of operation of the Grand Custodians office was established. He was chairman of the Committee established by Grand Lodge for the purpose of revision of the monitor a number of years ago, and was most influential in the adoption by the Grand Lodge of the standard plan of esoteric and floor work which we follow today.

Our Grand Lodge and the Committee has lost a most dedicated and devoted member and he will be greatly missed.

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In general the work of the Grand Custodian and his dedicated Deputies goes smoothly. We are pleased to note the response to their efforts on the part of our Lodges and it is this type of dedication and devotion which enables us to keep our work at such a high level of proficiency.

Your Committee expresses deep appreciation to all who contribute so much in maintaining this level of excellence.

# THE REPORT OF THE NEBRASKA MASONIC HOME

#### My Brethren:

In this country we march to a different drum beat than the rest of the world. So far the tumult and trouble of the Old World stop at our shores. May it ever be thus.

We have our troubles as do all great nations. Pray God we will decide right at all times. We are not capable of conflict with some if they get adventurous and we have differences of opinion whether to arm ourselves more adequately or spend it on butter. One way you spend a little too much money, the other way you may lose your shirt.

May the obligation of citizenship guide us to a proper decision.

As to obligations, it would well serve each of us to remember back to our own pledges to each other. They were solemn and deep. From them was born the feeling of need for a Home to care for our needy brethren, their wives, widows, mothers, sisters and daughters. That we do every day of the year at your Home. Up and down our halls march the existence of what you and I pledged to each other.

Your Home is doing well, although our budget continues to rise year after year to our dismay. We work with the need of those we are obligated to care for and serve. We are truly their brothers and, as such, we love them. They know it and it is returned in full measure.

At year's end we had 61 residents with an average age of 87. The apartments were full and the new addition now just completed is all spoken for. I am glad the apartments are so popular and I'm sure they will continue to be. As vacancies occur we find reservations being made almost immediately.

Please let me remind you that this is the part of our Home where the applicant pays a part of the cost of his care.

We still have plenty of room for those who come to us as before with nothing to pay. Those are the ones The Home was built for and will always be maintained for. We are first and always a charitable institution.

Furthermore, the degree of care can never be exceeded what we do for those who must depend on us for everything. Our whole institution is geared to take care of this person. He gets it and with it all our love. That is what were founded to do and that is what, to this day, we continue to do.

The Seal Fund continues to grow. It is good, for your support in this way

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will always be of help to us in operating your Home.

The same applies to the Endowment Fund. It too continues to grow. We can use only the interest from this fund for our operations and were it not for this interest, we could not provide the care we do. It's a most important fund and we shall always be thankful to those who remember us in their wills and living trusts.

In November the Robert W. Boon Memorial Fund Food Truck from central Nebraska Masons, so capably handled by Brother Adolph Schlaman, Chairman of the Grand Island group, came. It delivered a big load of all foods we use and need. A good time was had by all after the truck was unloaded.

Later we have received a note from W.: Brother Schlaman in which he says they had a surplus of money after the truck was loaded. He enclosed a check for \$1,000.00 surplus. What fine men in this group. We are grateful to them each and every one. The food they bring makes our budget look better. God bless them all.

Scottsbluff has sent money this year instead of food. It came in plentiful supply. Checks continue to come to our secretary. We have thanked each individual Lodge for its help.

This year we have much to thank the Order of the Eastern Star for. Sister Barbara Aten, Worthy Grand Matron, and our own Raymond F. Evers, Worthy Grand Patron, have been most kind to us and The Home has been generously remembered at all times. Two great friends — we love you both.

Christmas came glorious as always. Santa Claus was with us and everybody was remembered.

We owe so much to the Masters and Wardens at Christmas. They provide all the money for presents and the Omaha group buy them and individually wrap them. Each resident is remembered. We owe many thanks to this group for making Christmas real. The evening finished off with Christmas music preceded by the traditional oyster stew.

This year I want to inform the membership of Grand Lodge of the names of the 15 fine men who compose our group of Trustees. We have never done this and it is time you know who this great group is. They are responsible for all that goes on in the operation and conduct of The Home. Uncompensated, theirs is a labor If love and they work long and hard. I love and respect them every one.

	Here they are and the date they became a Trustee.	SINCE
1.	M. W. Merle M. Hale Retired. Vice President Lincoln Telephone & Telegraph Company	1940 y
2.	M. W. Harry A. Spencer Retired. Judge Nebraska Supreme Court	1941
3.	M. W. Lewis R. Ricketts Attorney: Mattson Ricketts Davies Calkins & Duxbury	1949

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4.	William F. Patterson Insurance		1953
5.	M. W. Louis V. Sylve Retired. Creditors Co		1966
6.	M. W. John F. Futch Retired. W.O.W. Life Investment Counsel	Insurance Society	1968
7.	M. W. Harold Hultr Vice President: Piper	nan Jaffray & Hopwood, Investments	1969
8.	Charles Rasmussen Executive Director: I	Nebraska Mortgage Finance Fund	1973
9.	Frank V. Lawson, Jr. Trust Officer: First N	ational Bank of Omaha	1975
10.	W.: William A. Petter President: Johnson H		1975
11.	W. <sup>*</sup> . George S. Holm: Contractor	an	1978
12.	W James N. DeMos Sr. Vice President: O		1978
13.	M. W. Warren D. Lie Assistant Attorney Ge	chty, Jr. eneral, State of Nebraska	1980
14.	M.'.W.'. Byron C. Jen Retired. Omaha Pub		1981
15.	M. W. T. Leo Stines Retired. Administrate	or Retirement Home	1982

All fifteen of these men regularly attend each and every monthly meeting. Good weather or bad, they come.

We are mindful of our thanks to so many for so much. Our thanks go out to all the Lodges, Chapters, Councils, Commanderies, Masters and Wardens, Order of the Eastern Star Chapters, Scottish Rite and the Youth Groups — to name a few. We thank you all.

Our Grand Master, M. W. Brother Harold C. Wurdeman is a good friend. He has been most helpful all through the year. We thank him.

Our Superintendent, Brother Raymond F. Evers, doubled all year as Superintendent and Worthy Grand Patron of the Order of the Eastern Star. As a result, many Chapters of the Eastern Star visited us and joined us in entertainment. Good job, Raymond, as always.

Our Secretary, W.'. Brother Ralph W. Gerry, is most helpful. He's a fine businessman as well as Grand Secretary. He's a great help to the Board of Trustees and The Home.

Lastly, my brother Trustees have been in my mind all through the writing of the report. It is their acts and doings that I report to you. To them the glory of accomplishment. Each of these men are on at least two committees. Hard work for love of the Fraternity, yes, but also love of their fellow man, made in God's image and now suffering humanity. They pledged to do it and they do. God bless them. Why shouldn't I love them. Follow their example and you can't go wrong.

Thank you, my Brethren.

#### William F. Patterson, President

#### **REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FRATERNAL DEAD**

V. W. J. Dallas Gibson, Grand Chaplain presented the report which was adopted

"As for man, his days are as grass; as a flower of the field, so he flourisheth." Psalm 103:15

From the Masonic Memorial Service we quote: "But, is this the end of man and the aspiring hope of a faithful Mason? No! Blessed be God! The Bible, that great Light in Masonry, lifts the shroud, draws aside the sable curtains of the tomb, and bids joy and hope arise to cheer and sustain the departing spirit." As we pause in reflection and tribute to these our departed Brethren, we do so with a deep sense of loss, but with even more abiding gratitude to the Supreme Architect of the Universe who in His glorious providence enabled us to enter into the labors of Masonry with these our Brothers.

There were reported to the office of the Grand Lodge of Nebraska, the record of death of 34 Past Grand Masters and 1 Grand Lodge Officer from 25 Grand Jurisdictions, 3 of these Jurisdictions being outside of the bounds of the U.S.A. The total number of deaths of Masons in the Grand Lodge of Nebraska for the year 1981-82 as of May 7, 1982, was 914.

At this time we offer memorial tribute to these our Brethren who have passed beyond the vale of this earthly life. Let us now at this time hear the roll of  $M^{,,}W^{,,}$  Edward F. Carter, PGM which was prepared and read by  $M^{,,}W^{,,}$ Herbert A. Ronin, PGM at the Masonic funeral service. Following the reading, let us bow in silent prayer concluded by an address to the Throne of Grace by our Grand Chaplain.

#### (Reading of the Masonic Roll of M. W. Edward F. Carter, PGM)

Most Worshipful Brother Edward F. Carter was born in Middlebranch, Holt County, Nebraska on March 11, 1897. He graduated from the College at Law at the University of Nebraska in 1919, where he attained the Order of the Coir. He practiced law at Gering, Nebraska until 1927 when he was appointed District Judge. He was elected to the State Supreme Court in 1934 at the age of 37, the youngest man ever elected to our high court, which office he served with distinction from 1935 to 1971.

M. W. Brother Carter departed this mortal life on December 21, 1982 at his home in Lincoln, Nebraska. He left surviving him his wife, Vera; sons Lyle and Robert of Richland, Washington, Edward F. Carter, Jr. of Lincoln; daughters, Mrs. Dolores Graham of Omaha, Mrs. Barbara Jean Jenkins of Alamo, California; brothers A.B. Carter, Apache Junction, Arizona, Russell A. Carter, Seattle, Washington; sister Margaret Delaney of Lincoln, 13 grandchildren and 8 great grandchildren.

M. W. Brother Carter took all three degrees in symbolic Masonry at Scottsbluff Lodge No. 201 at Gering, Nebraska. He was initiated an Entered Apprentice Mason on September 7, 1928; passed to the Fellowcraft Degree on January 18, 1929 and raised on February 22, 1929. He served as Worshipful Master of his Lodge in 1933-1934. In 1941 he was elected and served as the 77th Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of Nebraska. He received his 50 year badge of Masonry two years ago at which time he was our oldest living Past Grand Master in tenure of service. He was a 33rd degree Scottish Rite Mason and was Chairman of its Educational Committee for many years. In this work he personally wrote numerous Masonic articles which received national publication and attention. He belonged to the York Rite Bodies of Masonry and the Knights of Pythias. He was the founder of Cornhusker Boys State which he served as President for many years. He was a distinguished judge of the Nurenburg trials in Germany after World War II.

One of Judge Carter's major contributions to our Grand Lodge was his splendid service for so many years as chairman of the Grand Lodge Committee on Work. In 1961 our Grand Lodge was still using its 1909 monitor. Judge Carter decided to revise our old monitor through his Committee on Work. Numerous changes were made where modern conditions justified it and the Thomas Smith Webb work was adhered to. The main exception was the funeral service which was shortened and the rather harsh tones and depressing thoughts from the old service were eliminated. Our present monitor and ceremonies were approved at our 1962 Grand Lodge session when I served as Grand Master. I had many informative sessions during this year with Judge Carter. We were indeed greatly indebted to him for his painstaking and devoted work on this tremendous task in improving our Monitor and Ceremonies.

He maintained an intense devotion to the exalted ideals of Masonry, and his contributions to our Grand Lodge were substantial. The results of his good counsel and acts of great leadership will continue to be available for our guidance and instruction for many years to come.

We will miss his companionship, his keen mind and measured judgment, his ardent love for his family, his church, his massive record of Masonic, judicial, youth and community service. He was a man of complete integrity, of great personal industry, a brilliant mind, and a true friend.

The poet expresses our appreciation of the life and work of Judge Carter in these words:

"Fading away like stars in the morning, Losing their light in the glorious sun! So do we pass from this life and its toiling Only remembered for what we have done!"

Judge Carter will be deeply missed and will be remembered by all who knew him!

#### **REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON GRIEVANCES**

M. W. Frank J. Mattoon, Past Grand Master and Chairman, presented the report which was adopted.

The petition for restoration of Brother Sam Houck, Jr., of Ashlar Lodge No. 33, Grand Island, Nebraska, who had been expelled on May 24, 1960, for engaging in the wholesale beer business, was presented to the Committee on Grievances. The petition was in proper form and the Committee recommends that said petition be granted and the brother be restored; the grounds for said expulsion having been removed as constituting unmasonic conduct under the By Laws of the Grand Lodge.

The Committee also considered the petition of Brother James Ray Francke, Sr., of Lancaster Lodge No. 54, who was expelled on May 25, 1965, for unmasonic conduct for owning or working in an establishment which sold intoxicating beverages. He is now engaged in a different occupation. Said petition was presented in proper form and, in like manner, the Committee recommends that Brother James Ray Francke, Sr., be restored.

# **REPORT OF GRAND TRUSTEES**

 $M \hlow W \hlow Harold Hultman, Past Grand Master, presented the report which was accepted$ 

M. W. Grand Master, members of the Grand Lodge and brother Masons: This is the report for the Grand Trustees for the Grand Lodge and The Nebraska Masonic Home for the fiscal year ending April 30, 1982.

The Grand Trustees are charged with the management of the funds of the Grand Lodge and The Nebraska Masonic Home. The annual audit reports of these funds by Deloitte Haskins & Sells cover the year's activity in detail. Copies are on file with the Grand Secretary. Salient, selected figures from these reports are shown below:

For the Grand Lodge — Years ended April 30th.	1982	1981
Total Revenue* Total Expenses	\$285,515 244,586	\$260,183 246,878
Excess of Revenue over Expenses	40,929	13,305
Fund Equity, End of Year*	1,217,216	1,176,287

\* Exclusive of Restricted Donation — See text below

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For The Nebraska Masonic Home General Fund

Total Revenue before transfers from Endowment Fund	462744	125 1/4
Total Expenses	463,744 919,090	435,144 849,618
(Deficit)	(455,346)	(414,474)
Transfers from E and B Fund	520,000	385,000
Fund Equity, Year End	1,225,987	1,161,333
For the Endowment and Bequest Fund		
Investment Income Net of Losses on Securities Transactions and		
Safekeeping Expenses	937,470	856,088
Endowments & Bequests Received	221,484	383,782
Fund Equity, Year End	12,628,114	11,989,160

\*During 1982 the Grand Lodge received from Glenn O. Emick, a gift of \$58,194.00 which funds were restricted by the donor for the purpose of funding certain scholarships for members and former members of the Masonic Eastern Star Home for Children at Fremont, Nebraska. Interest earned by these funds (\$5,627.00 in fiscal 1982) is being accumulated in the restricted fund until disposition.

Last year we pointed out the continuing impact of inflation upon expenses of both the Grand Lodge and The Nebraska Masonic Home, a problem which certainly continued in this year. This year we would like to draw your attention to the way in which this problem is affecting the financial operation of the Grand Lodge.

In the five years, 1978-1982, dues have declined 6.7% while General Expenses have risen 21.9%. The result is that Excess Revenues over Expenses had by 1981 declined from \$45,930.00 to \$13,305.00, a decline of 71%. Nineteen Eighty-Two's excess of Revenues over Expenses of \$40,929.00 seems to be a break in this trend.

Actually, this is a doubtful conclusion. Without just three items, discussed below, the "Excess" in 1982 would have been only \$355.00 or practically speaking zero.

The three items were: First, in 1982 The Nebraska Masonic Home paid, for the first time, \$5,000.00 to the Grand Lodge for work done at the Grand Lodge office. Second, Investment Income was up \$20,574.00. This was primarily due to a timing catch-up of cash receipts, which is technical but non-recurring, and high rates of interest on short term investments, which high rates cannot be counted on to continue. Third, The Masonic Eastern Star Home in Fremont did not take the \$15,000.00 budgeted for it this year, but certainly may do so in future years.

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As Grand Trustees, we do not have the responsibility or power to raise dues. We do, however, have a duty to communicate our concerns about developing problems to the Grand Lodge so that it will be able to take timely action.

#### **REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RETURNS**

Your Committee on Returns respectfully submits the following report:

The Committee has examined the Monthly Reports and Annual Returns of the subordinate Lodges for year 1981 and find that in general, these reports are satisfactorily prepared by the Lodge Secretaries.

The Committee finds a number of incomplete Returns account omission errors, lateness of filing Monthly Reports and Annual Returns.

It is imperative that these reports reach the Grand Secretary's Office within the prescribed time limit and be complete in every detail as provided for on the forms.

With these few exceptions, the committee wishes to commend the Lodge Secretaries for their diligence in compiling their Monthly and Annual Reports to the Grand Secretary's Office.

The Committee wishes to highly commend the Grand Secretary and his efficient office staff for the excellent manner in which these records were maintained and the courteous cooperation extended the committee while checking these returns.

Fraternally submitted

Sebert A. Stover,281 Sidney W. Irwin, 302 Edward C. Reynolds, 268

# ELECTION OF GRAND LODGE OFFICERS AND VOTING ON RESOLUTIONS

M. W. Harold C. Wurdeman, Grand Master

The hour has arrived for the election of Grand Officers and voting on the Resolution that was proposed last year.

#### RESOLUTION

Be it resolved that section 3-102, subsection G, "The possession or use of all keys, ciphers, or printed matter relating to the ritualistic work of ancient craft masonry," be deleted from the by-laws.

Be it further resolved that an additonal section be added to the by-laws in the proper place to read: "The Grand Lodge will provide key or cipher of the ritualistic work of Ancient Craft Masonry to any subordinate Lodge who so desires such key or cipher. The key or cipher will not be used in the lodge room." This resolution was again defeated.

# REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON GEORGE WASHINGTON MASONIC NATIONAL MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION

M. W. Warren D. Lichty, Jr., Past Grand Master, presented the report which was adopted.

Shooters Hill in Alexandria, Virginia, was considered by many to be the best site on which to build the National Capitol. This idea was vetoed by George Washington. Why? Because he owned a great deal of land in and around Alexandria, which would be greatly enhanced in value by location of the Capitol there. Washington did not believe it proper for him to be so enriched by governmental action. So the capitol was built across the Potomac. And more than a century and a quarter later, The George Washington Masonic National Memorial was built on Shooters Hill.

This beautiful building is our only National Masonic building. We have all contributed to it and we all can take pride in it. Approximately half of the Grand Jurisdictions have now raised the one-time contribution from newly raised Masons to five dollars, and we should be proud of the fact that we in Nebraska are among them. This has allowed some much needed repairs to be done, but there is more to do, and always a need for money. I can assure you, though, that the officers and directors of the association are giving good stewardship, and that all funds are carefully shepherded. There is no waste.

I should also tell you that tax-free contributions in any amount are most welcome. And if you wish to become a Sustaining Member at \$100.00, or a Life Member at \$250.00, your generosity will be most gratefully appreciated. For those who are interested, make your checks payable to the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association and mail it to Ralph W. Gerry, our Grand Secretary. He will see that your check finds its way to the Association.

# W. DONALD R. WHITE, CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEE ON REINSTATEMENTS

M. W. Grand Master, Grand Lodge officers and brethren all: In the past year, your Committee on Reinstatements has received 32 applications for reinstatement. Of these 31 were acted upon favorably. The remaining petition was returned to the Grand Secretary because he should have made application for restoration and not reinstatement.

Your committee wishes to thank you for the honor of serving the Grand Lodge of Nebraska this past year.

My sincere thanks and appreciation to W. Brother Amos Campbell and W. Brother Kenneth P. Lott for their help and support on this Committee.

M. W. Sir, I move the adoption of this report.

## **REPORT OF THE GRAND LODGE OFFICE COMMITTEE**

M. W. Merle M. Hale, Past Grand Master presented the report which was accepted.

The Grand Lodge Office Committee met on April 20, 1982 in the Grand Secretary's office. The proposed budget for items for which this committee is responsible was prepared and has been submitted to the Appropriations Committee.

Changes were made in the amount requested for several of the items with the most significant being an increase from \$1,000 to \$5,000 for the Grand Lodge dinner to reflect the gross cost of the meal instead of the net cost and it is hereby recommended that the Finance Committee include in their receipts budget the amount derived through the sale of dinner tickets; an increase from \$2,500 to \$3,500 for the Grand Secretary's travel allowance; increased salaries for the Grand Custodian and clerical staff which will increase the salary costs by \$2,400; an increase of \$3,500 in the Grand Lodge Supplies account to reflect higher prices, particularly of aprons; an increase of \$800 in Masonic Service Association Dues because of the increase in that organization's dues; an increase of \$1,900 in the George Washington National Memorial contribution due to the increase in the Master Mason degree fee from one dollar to five dollars as approved at last year's Annual Communication; and a reduction of \$12,500 in the amount requested by the Masonic-Eastern Star Home for Children at Fremont. The Fremont Home informed the Grand Lodge and the Grand Chapter that the \$15,000 budgeted by each body for the 1981-1982 masonic year was not required and that only a minimum amount need be budgeted for the 1982-1983 masonic year.

As required in Section 1-105 of the By-Laws, we recommend that the amount per mile be paid for each mile traveled to Grand Lodge be set at the same amount as last year, i.e., 20<sup>¢</sup>.

We commend the new Grand Secretary for his dedication to the duties of his office and to his concern for the records and archives of the Grand Lodge. Again, we express our appreciation to the Grand Lodge office-staff for their efficient operation of that office with its many important activities.

#### **REPORT OF THE YOUTH COMMITTEE**

# M. W. Grand Master:

Perhaps the most pleasant thing your Youth Committee can report this year is that the Grand Lodge Scholarship winner for DeMolay last year was chosen as the 1982 International DeMolay of the Year. Ralph Castner of Wm. R. Simpson Chapter of Columbus received this award at the International Supreme Council Session held in Reno, Nevada, just this past March. This recognition speaks well for the caliber of the youth with whom we in this Grand Jurisdiction are privileged to work. It speaks well also of that dedicated group of Master Masons in Columbus who have served long and faithfully as advisors to that Chapter.

It would not be completely fair, however, to stop with the organization for boys. While the Rainbow and Job's do not have similar recognition, based upon similar requirements, there are young ladies in this state, and other DeMolays, whose merits and achievements are worthy of recognition and mention. Unfortunately, no one passes the information along, or the local adults take them for granted. The fortunate thing is, these young people are taking it in stride, growing up in many cases, helping as advisors, Bethel Guardian Council members and members of Assembly Advisory boards. They continue to contribute. They become master masons and members of Eastern Star. There are several of our comparatively recent Senior DeMolays who are officers in various lodges across the state. They will bring vigor and the ability to plan along with a great respect for the fraternity. The young ladies who are joining Eastern Star are taking an active part and many times we hear of a young woman telling her father, brother, or someone special that he must become a mason.

All this is happening because a small handful of our brethren are taking their time, their talents and whatever else they possess, that can be given freely to these young people. They give it freely because they believe in the youth themselves and because they believe the principles of masonry are to be lived, not mouthed. They are the master masons who believe in the future because they work with it. They are the ones who really listened to the third section of the entered apprentice lecture when "charity" was explained to them. Unfortunately, they are so few.

M.'.W.'. Sir, it has been a pleasure to serve again on what has to be one of the most enjoyable committees in this Grand Lodge.

Richard J. Higgins, 39 Halsey Phillips, 325 Ivan G. Abdouch, 302 Byron E. Lee, 89 Wm. G. Hurst, Chairman, 54

# **REPORT OF TEMPLE BUILDING ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

#### M. W. Russell L. Fickes, Grand Master

M. W. Sir, members of the Grand Lodge, Brethren: Bassett Lodge No. 254 Bassett purchased a Church building to remodel into a Masonic Temple. Ornan Lodge No. 261, Spencer is planning for a new Temple. Dedication ceremonies were held for completed Temple Buildings for Acacia Lodge No. 34, Schuyler; Franklin Lodge No. 264, Franklin; Lebanon Lodge No. 323, Columbus; Republican Lodge No. 98, Republican City and Papillion No. 39 at Papillion.

#### **REPORT OF MASONIC RELIEF**

W.'. Paul L. Toombe, Chairman, presented the report which was accepted.

Your Committee has paid out to our regular annuitant \$300.00; Valley Lodge \$225.00; Crete Lodge \$400.00 and J.J. Mercer Lodge \$200.00, making a total of \$1,225.00 and received back as an overpayment \$52.95 making net payment \$1,072.05.

We received a request from Pennsylvania Grand Lodge that a brother, whose memberships were in Indiana, and living in Lincoln appeared to be in need. Upon investigation by our Member Mel Hatfield of Lincoln, it developed that the brother did not appear to need assistance at that time and with Bro. Hatfield and Bro. Carroll Prouty both keeping in touch we will be notified if need should exist in the future.

While we went over the budget this year, for the first time in many years, we take care of these matters promptly when they present themselves.

Your committee thanks you for the pleasure of serving during this past year.

## REPORT OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE MASONIC SERVICE ASSOCIATION

M.'.W.'. Herbert A. Ronin, Past Grand Master, presented the report which was accepted.

The 63rd Annual Meeting of the M.S.A. was held on February 22, 1982 at Washington, D.C. I personally participated in all the meetings of its Executive Commission in my capacity as Chairman Emeritus, and as a member of its Investment Committee. Our Grand Master, M. W. Harold C. Wurdeman was Chairman of the Finance Committee and made its report at this annual meeting. The report was approved which included a slight adjustment in the schedule of annual dues of the Member Jurisdictions.

We were delighted that the Grand Lodges of Alaska and California became members of the M.S.A. this past year which increased the membership to 45 Grand Jurisdictions. It is hopeful that the remaining few jurisdictions will join before long for the good of Masonry.

The Short Talk Bulletin issued monthly continues to be very popular to its subscribers. Officers and each Lodge of each member Grand Jurisdiction receive this Bulletin containing inspiring masonic articles. In addition there are individual subscribers for the Bulletin which costs only \$2.50 for an annual subscription effective July 1, 1982. In January, 1980 there were 880 individual subscribers, now there are over 5,000. The Bulletin will now be mailed at third rate postage which will save \$1,000 per month. There are about 50 individual subscribers in Nebraska. We would like to see this doubled this year. Your subscription can be sent directly to the M.S.A. Office, or to our Grand Secretary or myself.

The Emissary Notes Bulletin contains many Masonic items of interest including current events on Masonry. This is prepared by our M.S.A. Executive Secretary Stewart M. L. Pollard. This Bulletin has become very popular.

Our M.S.A. Headquarters is busier than ever in filling requests for publications, researching information, and communicating with the Craft, and reprinting many of our former Short Talk Bulletins and Digests as stock is reduced. There has been a renewed interest in Masonry as evidenced by these requests.

Our Nebraska Hospital Visitation Program of the M.S.A. is one of the great charitable activities of our Grand Lodge. This is primarily because of the splendid service of Brother Robert Adamsheck, Field Agent of our Lincoln V.A. Medical Center, who is assisted by two full time Deputies, Brothers Stephen Taylor and Max Hinkson. The M.S.A. Field Agent for the Omaha V.A. Medical Center is Brother Robert May. His record of service is also outstanding. We would like to see a greater awareness of the Hospital Visitation Program. These agents are willing to speak at any public or Masonic meeting at any time.

On March 21, 1982, our Grand Master Harold C. Wurdeman, M∴W∴ Warren D. Lichty, Jr., P.G.M., our Grand Historian Jack Youngs and myself visited the Lincoln V.A. Medical Center with Field Agent Brother Adamsheck. We were all impressed with the work that our volunteers are doing and the gratitude of our brethren who are patients in the Medical Center. Brother Jack Youngs took a number of pictures during our visit which were sent to the M.S.A. Director of Hospital Visitation Thomas R. Dougherty, P.G.M. who has advised me that a writeup of our Grand Master's visit will be in the July issue of our Hospital Visitor which is a six page edition which is published every three months.

I am pleased to have served as Liaison Coordinator for our Grand Lodge with the Masonic Service Association of which I am Chairman Emeritus. It is good to witness the continuing and varying areas of service to Freemasonry that the M.S.A. is performing. I welcome receiving at any time any questions that our membership might have in regard to any facet of Masonry. I am certain that our M.S.A. headquarters staff can come up with a responsive answer to most questions.

## **REPORT OF FIELD AGENTS**

Bob Adamsheck, Field Agent, Lincoln

The following is my 1982 report of hospital visitations at the Lincoln Veterans Administration Medical Center, Lincoln, Nebraska.

We presently have five (5) scheduled volunteers serving this medical center. The volunteers work in various duties in addition to the duties we carry on in the Masonic tradition, calling on our Brothers and helping wherever we are able to be of assistance to our Brother and his family.

The areas we work in are Building Management, Pharmacy, Nursing and Voluntary Service.

The past year we had the honor of visits from our Grand Master and Grand Historian in addition, past Grand Masters Herbert Ronin and Duke Lichty. We were able to tour the hospital and call on several Brothers who were patients at the time. I received many enthusiastic remarks from our Brothers and other patients that officers so high in their organization would take the time to visit patients at a Veterans Hospital.

The Lincoln Medical Center is in the process of a great remodeling project and our bed count has been running on the average of 130 per day and our Brothers make up anywhere from 1 to 9 in this patient count. We call on all patients every day, Monday through Friday and will work on Saturdays, Sundays or holidays if we are called.

I gratefully submit this as my 1982 report.

#### Robert May, Field Agent from Omaha

It has been another rewarding year of visitation at athe Omaha V.A. Medical Center. Like the weather, it has had its dark clouds and its rays of sunshine. However, each dark cloud has opened doors in my mind which have brought me thoughts I would have missed if I hadn't known the courageous Brother who has now left our midst. The rays of sunshine have shown me all things may be possible for those who have Faith. The individuality of every person, within our earthly family, is constantly being brought before my reasoning mind.

The new arm patches, received from the Masonic Service Association of the United States Headquarters, in Silver Spring, Md., have been very helpful in making contact with Brothers throughout the Medical Center. They are in Blue on Gold, with the words Masonic Service Ass'n surrounding the Square, Compass, and letter G, of the Master Masons' symbol. In March, the arm patch allowed me to become acquainted with an Iowa Brother, who couldn't speak. After that visit, Ralph and I had many enjoyable visits, until he was transferred to another Medical Center.

Two Brothers are helping me here now. Brother R. Edwin Haworth, Jr., and Brother James O. Miller. There is room on our team for several more. Any Brother who has a few hours a week, or month, is invited to join our M.S.A. family. DeMolay or Rainbow groups are welcomed also. In this way, we show society we are indeed our Brother's Keeper. Contact me: Robert May — 1924 So. 62 St., Omaha, Ne. 68106, Phone 346-8800.

I thank all Grand Lodge Officers and Brothers present for allowing me this time.

#### **COMMITTEE ON CHARTERS AND DISPENSATIONS**

W.: Charles W. Jacobs, Chairman, presented the report which was accepted.

The Committee on Charters and Dispensations respectfully submits the following report to the 125th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Nebraska.

The following Lodges were consolidated and we concur with these consolidations.

Eminence Lodge No. 223 at Giltner with Keystone Lodge No. 62, Phillips on October 26, 1981.

Gladstone Lodge No. 176, Ansley with Custer Lodge No. 148, Broken Bow on November 4, 1981.

Antelope Lodge No. 276 at Elgin with Trowel Lodge No. 71, Neligh on January 1, 1982.

Bladen Lodge No. 319 at Bladen with Charity Lodge No. 53, Red Cloud on May 6, 1982.

The following Lodges failed to appear at the 123rd and 124th Annual Communications of the Grand Lodge and were cited to appear before this committee in accordance with Section 2-514.

Zeredatha Lodge No. 160, Reynolds Merna Lodge No. 171, Merna Bayard Lodge No. 301, Bayard

Zeredatha Lodge No. 160, Reynolds was represented by Floyd McIhnay, Worshipful Master, and Joe Cacak.

Merna Lodge No. 171, Merna was represented by Floyd Grantzinger, Secretary.

Bayard Lodge No. 301, Bayard was represented by C.M. Gillespie, Secretary.

These representatives gave a satisfactory explanation for the absences of their lodges from the past two Annual Communications of the Grand Lodge.

The following Lodges failed to be represented at the 124th and 125th Annual Communications of the Grand Lodge and should be cited to appear before this committee at the 126th Annual Communications of the Grand Lodge to show cause why their charter should not be forfeited in accordance with Section 2-514 of the By-Laws.

> Ponca Lodge No. 101, Ponca Parian Lodge No. 207, Callaway Camp Clarke Lodge No. 285, Bridgeport

#### REPORT OF THE MASONIC-EASTERN STAR HOME FOR CHILDREN

W. Ben Harvey, Administrator, gave the report in the absence of the President. The report was adopted.

Each succeeding year that I have served as a Trustee of the Children's Home has been an increasingly satisfying experience for me. The past year has been the most rewarding of all. It has been a year of fulfillment, achievement and progress. The success of the last year has resulted from the combined efforts of a great many people, some of whom are directly concerned with the operation of the Home, and many others who help from afar.

Our Administrator, Mr. Ben Harvey, is in a large degree responsible for our

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success. He has carefully and skillfully coordinated the efforts of his staff, provided a needed sense of leadership and faithfully discharged his duties in every respect. The Trustees are both pleased and proud to have Mr. Harvey and his capable wife, Chalice, as members of our team.

I am pleased to inform you that there has been an increase in the census at the Home. At the time this Report is being written, there are 25 children in residence. At the same time last year, we were caring for 20 children. The increase has not been dramatic; however, it is gratifying to realize that our resources are bing more fully utilized.

The offices of the Grand Secretaries of the Order of the Eastern Star, State of Nebraska, and the Grand York Rite of Nebraska, are now located on the Home grounds. Temporary office space has been made available in the Administration Building until such time that a suitable building can be constructed which will serve as a permanent headquarters.

I am deeply grateful to Gretchen Treadway, Jane Gilbert, Agnes Bowman and Al Aden, who are members of our Publicity and Ambassadors Committee. These individuals have worked tirelessly over a long period of time to enhance the image of our Home and engender good will on its behalf.

On April 24, 1982, a corner-stone was laid in our new Arts-Crafts-Maintenance Building. Most Worshipful Brother Harold C.Wurdeman, Grand Master, A. F. &A. M. of Nebraska presided at the proceedings. A message of appreciation is extended to our Grand Master and to all Grand Lodge Officers and other Masons who assisted in the proceedings. Most Worshipful Brother Harold has been an ardent and active supporter of the Home, and his attendance at many of our Board Meetings and other events was most welcome.

I have repeatedly stated that our obligation to the children at the Home embraces much more than mere custodial care. We have a duty to assist and encourage the children to develop all of their God-given resources. The Arts-Crafts facility will provide them with an opportunity to learn and develop skills in the manual arts, while at the same time, furnishing them with a constructive recreational activity.

We have a new 15-passenger Ford Van at the Home, and I assure you that it is one of our most frequently used assets. The Van represents the project of Past Grand Matron, Barbara Aten, and Past Grand Patron, Raymond Evers, during their respective terms of Office in the Grand Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, State of Nebraska. We are truly grateful to the membership of the Eastern Star who provided the financial support to make purchase of the Van possible.

Very shortly, construction of a new residence for the Assistant Administrator will be underway. The expense of maintaining the existing Assistant Administrator's home has become prohibitive. The new residence will be considerably smaller in size and many energy savings and maintenance-free features will be incorporated, all of which will result in dollar savings over a period of time. JUNE, 1982)

All of the Trustees have expended their talents and efforts on behalf of the Home during the past year; thus, I take great risk in singling out one individual for praise. I am confident, however, that my fellow-Trustees recognize the great and meritorious effort that has been put forth by Leona Paden, not only during the past year, but for a great many years last past. During the past year, Leona has not only assumed the customary duties assigned to the Chairman of the Buildings and Grounds Committee, but she also undertook the enormous responsibility of coordinating all matters relating to the construction of the Arts-Crafts-Maintenance Building from the conceptual stage to its ultimate construction. It was a difficult, and at times, thankless job, but it was a job that was well done and all of us who worked with her on this project are grateful to her and to her husband, Brother Bernard Paden, who made himself available when needed.

Credit must be given to our Finance Committee Chairman, Brother Donald Swanson, and his committee members, Betty Mears and Brother Ed Lorenzen. Our financial position has continued to show improvement, largely due to their diligence in attending to the financial affairs of the corporation.

To the remaining Trustees who have not been previously mentioned herein, Marjorie Anderson and Brothers Paul Eveland, Elmer Sells and Fred Moshier, I compliment you on your many contributions to the continued success of the Home. You, and each of you, have labored assiduously for the betterment of the worthwhile project in which we are involved.

It should be of particular interest to you that the new Arts-Crafts-Maintenance Building, and other building projects contemplated at the present time have not been financed from the Home's General Fund. On the contrary, the new building projects have been funded almost in toto by monies received from a most beneficent and thoughtful individual who must have had great love for children and enormous confidence in the operation of our Children's Home. I have reference to the late George E. Hampton, who saw fit to devise and bequeath the bulk of his estate to the Children's Home to be placed in a Building Fund in memory of his deceased wife, Fern Hampton. Mr. Hampton's specific instruction that the monies be used for building purposes is being honored in all respects. To do otherwise would be reprehensible. May we all remember this kind and thoughtful man.

May the forthcoming year be as successful as the last for our beloved Home, and to each and all of you, I thank you for your continued support.

Respectfully submitted,

J.N. Lindquist, President

# W. BEN HARVEY, ADMINISTRATOR OF THE MASONIC-EASTERN STAR HOME FOR CHILDREN

M. W. Sir, Grand Lodge Officers, Distinguished Guests and brethren all;

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The President of the Board, Joseph Lindquist was to give this report today. He was called away on unexpected business. I have the report I am going to make on a 3x5 card, I will give my report and then turn his report in for the record.

You know ever since I have been at the Children's Home in Fremont, which has not been two years yet, I have wondered what Brother Ray down at the Masonic Home at Plattsmouth and I had in common. He working with Senior Citizens and I working with Children.

I think I know the difference now since we heard Bill Patterson earlier this afternoon. Those 16 and 17 year old teenagers know where their rooms are. That increases the difficulty of my job. I am very pleased to have the opportunity to talk to you this afternoon about The Children's Home. I am very proud, happy to be in the position that I am right now. It is a job that I believe in very much, and I do have some figures and facts that I want to share with you. We have increased the census of the Home over the last few months. As of May 31, we were at 25 children. That is the most children that we have had in the Home for a number of years. The State of Nebraska Department of Welfare licenses us for 31. I believe in this next year we will be reaching that number or very close to it. The Grand York Rite Office, the Grand Chapter, O.E.S. office has moved from Omaha. They are occupying temporary office space on the grounds of the Home now, and they will be occupying that space until we can supply them with more permanent quarters, which will be in the near future.

On the 24th of April, we laid a corner stone in our new Arts and Crafts building, the Grand Lodge did a very good job, I guess I should thank you for that. We are providing for Children in Fremont, we want to provide them with more than custodial care. We want to be meaningful forces in their lives, and I believe we are. The Arts & Crafts building will give us an opportunity in a crafts program to let them grow and expand in their lives. We keep the children busy in activities; we have seven of our boys in DeMolay, we have four girls in Jobs, we have them active in various school activities and in various church organizations in Fremont. I guess, if we keep them busy, then they won't think about where their rooms are.

We are building a new Assistant Administrator's home. We are doing that because after some reflection and after looking at the structure that he and his family live in now, and looking at the utility bills (they are very costly), we have decided to build a new and more efficient living quarters for him. Much of the credit as to what goes on at the Home goes to the Board of Trustees.

I think many of you know who the Board of Trustees are, have some friends among them. If you would, the next time you see them, give them a well-deserved pat on the back because they certainly deserve it. I believe they are saving at least one paid position at the Home through their voluntary work. The Arts and Crafts Building and the other building projects that I have

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referred to, are not coming from the general fund. They are coming from a fund that we call "Afton Fund," or estate which was set up by some people several years ago which is ear-marked for capitol improvement. I would also say at this time, that I am available at any time to go out in the state, to any lodge or any Eastern Star Chapter, or for that matter any organization that wants to learn more about our Children's Home. We could put on a program and answer many, many questions that we don't have time to cover today. We have had in the last year, great success at the Home. We are looking forward to more success in the coming years and on behalf of the Children, the Staff and the Board of Trustees, I would like to thank you all for your continued support.

#### MEMBERSHIP

#### W.: CHARLES W. AMIDON, CHAIRMAN

During the spring of 1982, Area Educational Meetings were held in five cities to which were invited 48 lodges throughout the Western part of the state. Unfortunately, 100% attendance was achieved at only one meeting. Several important items were presented at these sessions including a history of the Masonic Craft over the past 125 years. It may interest you to know that between 1880 and 1890, 79 lodges were chartered which means the Grand Masters for the next few years will be kept running attending 100th Anniversary celebrations throughout the state. It may also be of interest to note that only five lodges have been chartered since 1930, a period covering fifty years!

Our membership in 1860 was approximately 1,000. For the next 70 years we experienced a very steady growth until reaching 42,000 by 1930. Due primarily to the depression, we lost 10,000 members between 1930 and 1940. During and following World War II, we had a tremendous influx of new members peaking at more than 46,000 by 1960. The '60s and early '70s brought athe Vietnam Era when it was not popular with young men to join anything that smacked of the "Establishment" and consequently, we have been on a steep downhill slide ever since, arriving at our present enrollment of slightly more than 31,000 or the same point we were at in 1920 ... sixty years ago! To stimulate an interest in increased membership, your Committee has been pushing all lodges to accept or at least give a try at promoting a "Friendship Dinner" for the non-masons in their area. Those lodges which accepted the challenge have reported results far beyond expectations, and proved three things: They were concerned about declining membership; they were willing to put forth an effort to do something about it; and they got results!

#### For comparison:

The 48 lodges we visited this spring have a total membership of 1,450. In the year ending 1980, these 48 lodges raised only 77 Master Masons, an average of 1.6 Masters per lodge. To make matters worse, 21 of these same lodges had no raisings in 1980 and some haven't raised a Master in more than ten years! Brethren, if you don't think we're in trouble, you haven't been listening.

Now for the good news:

Six Lodges, picked at random to represent all areas of the state, held "Friendship Dinners." They invited a total of 110 guests, half of whom were men, or 55 non-masons. Of these 55 men, 27 are now members of the Masonic Craft. A production rate of 49%. Do "Friendship Dinners" work? You be the judge.

#### Comments:

Wallace Lodge No. 279 (Total membership 31) Letter dated December 8, 1981:

"Everyone seemed to enjoy themselves and we ended up with a total of 4 new candidates, or I should say we have 4 petitions on the Secretary's desk at present, also two more who asked for petitions, who look like they may be presented later in the spring. I believe this indicates there are those who are interested in Masonry, if they have the opportunity to express themselves to the members of a Masonic body who show they are interested in them. The lodge stands to increase its membership 10 to 15%... two more could send us as high as 20%."

Midwest Lodge No. 317 (Total membership 545) Letter dated October 31, 1981:

"There were ... 35 guests of which 27 were ladies ... have had the privilege of obtaining three petitions for initiation thus far and we are expecting more soon ... we are pleased with the results ... hope you feel the same."

Robert W. Furnas Lodge No. 265 (Total membership 350) Letter dated October 6, 1981:

"There were ten prospective masons as guests and at our first regular communication since our dinner, we received three petitions for the degrees . . . We deemed this information to be of importance to Masonry in our Lodge and wanted you to know that efforts are being made in this part of Nebraska. We trust other lodges are experiencing such activity. Please share this information in any way that will help."

These are but a few examples of what individual lodges have accomplished. The most encouraging news comes directly from the Grand Lodge record book. During 1978, 566 Entered Apprentices were recorded. In 1979, 572, an increase of only six candidates. In 1980, when the initial "push" for Guest Nights got off athe ground, we recorded 588 E.A.s or an increase of 16. When the books were closed for 1981, the number of candidates increased to 622, a jump of 34 over the previous year! Brethren, we are on our way and with the cooperation of all lodges in the state, we can not only stop the membership decline, but in the next two or three years be able to show a substantial net gain . . . and wouldn't that be something!

It is not the purpose of this Committee to tell any Lodge how to run its

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business. We are to act only as your servants. We do, however, know that "Friendship Dinners" work! If we can be of any assistance to a Lodge that truly wants to increase its membership, we have one answer for you. At least give "Friendship Dinners" a try this year.

#### **MASONIC EDUCATION COMMITTEE**

M. W. T. Leo Stines, Past Grand Master presented the report which was accepted.

It was the desire of M. W. Brother Harold C. Wurdeman that we continue the plan and format established by M. W. Brother Byron C. Jenkins in the previous Grand Lodge year. Accordingly, Area Masonic Education meetings were held for the lodges west of Highway #14 last fall and this spring. We still feel that if each lodge in the state is given an opportunity to attend such a meeting at least once every two years it will be adequate.

The meetings were held at the following lodges:

Hastings Lodge No. 50 on Friday, Oct. 16th; Jachin Lodge No. 146 at Holdrege on Saturday, Oct. 17th; Porter Lodge No. 106 at Loup City on Thursday, Oct. 22nd; Bassett Lodge No. 254 on Friday, Oct. 23rd; Seneca Lodge No. 284 at Thedford on Saturday, Oct. 24th; Franklin Lodge No. 264 on Friday, March 26th; McCook Lodge No. 135 on Saturday, March 27th; Platte Valley Lodge No. 32 at North Platte on Thursday, April 1st; Camp Clarke Lodge No. 285 at Bridgeport on Friday, April 2nd; Samaritan Lodge No. 158 at Chadron on Saturday, April 3rd.

We were especially pleased with the meeting held at Camp Clarke Lodge No. 285 at Bridgeport. We had 100% representation at this meeting. This is the first and only time this has happened.

The Committee was very pleased with the attendance and the audience participation at each of these meetings and we wish to express our sincere appreciation to the lodges who agreed to host these area meetings.

#### SATURDAY MORNING JUNE 12, 1982

#### THE REPORT OF THE PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE

W.: Gladwyn A. Youngs, Chairman presented the report which was accepted.

M. W. Sir, brethren. Your Public Relations Committee, I think fits into what W. Brother Charles was just talking about, the concern for membership. Historically, of course, Public Relations were sort of frowned upon in Masonic Circles. They simply did not exist. As we view them, it is two-fold, we have Masonic publications, the Masonic News that comes from Lincoln, the Nebraska Freemason which is the official publication, and there may be some other publications in the state of which I am not aware. Of course, these publications go into the hands of as many non-masons as they do Masons, so they do serve a public relations roll. But we also feel that it is proper not to

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hide and we think it is proper to communicate to the media events of importance no matter where they occur within the Grand Jurisdiction.

Each lodge receives a copy of the Annual proceedings. The members of the Public Relations Committee are listed as are all Committees in each one of these annual lists. It is requested that you contact the member of that Committee who is the closest to you with any newsworthy information that you want to give to the public media, or that you wish to get into consideration for publication in the Masonic Magazines themselves. The Nebraska Freemason comes from the Grand Secretary's Office. It isn't actually his duty, but Brother Mortensen has been working on it. He is ill right now, but somebody up there will put it out. W. Brother Ralph put out the last issue himself and, simply a suggestion, if you do not have access to the Proceedings, you can certainly send any newsworthy information directly to the Grand Secretary's office, and he will see that it gets into the proper hands and that it will be considered for use.

Apart from that, we are simply trying to implement this, M. W. Sir, and trust that all you brethren from out in the state, will take advantage of it and send your items of news and information to one of these channels so it can be considered for publication either within the Fraternity or to the public at large. No matter where you are sending them, the printers always prefer to have any pictures which you submit sent in black and white rather than in color. A glossy finish as opposed to the matte finish is better for duplication purposes. If you do not have a black and white picture, occasionally colored pictures can be used, depending on the quality of the pictures. The important thing is to get thinking about it and think ahead. You know what events are coming up and do something about it. Send the pictures, the articles or if you have any questions, again, contact either the Grand Secretary's office or a member of the Committee, and he will be happy to try to assist you in that regard.

#### **PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS**

#### M. W. WARREN D. LICHTY, JR. PAST GRAND MASTER

WHEREAS, a substantial number of our brethren of long-standing membership have never "proved up" in the Masters Degree, and in many cases it was neither the fault of themselves or their Lodge, but rather, was caused by outside circumstances such as moving, changing jobs, etc, and

WHEREAS, these brethren, although paying their dues to support their Lodge, are not really "full-fledged Masons" in their eyes or in the eyes of some of the rest of the Craft, and

WHEREAS, the more time that has passed, the less likely it is that such a brother will ever prove up, especially when he has since moved to another town, and

WHEREAS, we, as Masons, should be charitable to our Brothers,

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that a time shall be set beyond

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which such Brethren shall no longer be under disability, and that period shall be seven years, a time long enough so as not to encourage malingering by new Masons but short enough to prevent such Brethren from being entirely lost to the Craft, therefore,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that section 2-403 of the code be amended by adding, at the end thereof: "and provided further that seven years after a Brother shall have been raised to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason, the provisions of this Section shall cease to apply to such Brother."

I ask that this resolution, according to the code, be voted on at the 126th Annual Communication.

#### **AMENDMENT TO BY-LAWS**

Be it resolved that Section 3-102 "G", "The possession or use of all keys, ciphers or printed matter relating to the ritualistic work of Ancient Craft Masonry," be deleted from the By-laws.

Be it further resolved that an additional section be added to the By-laws in the proper place to read: "The Grand Lodge will provide key or cipher of the ritualistic work of Ancient Craft Masonry to any subordinate Lodge who so desires such key or cipher. The key or cipher will not be used in the lodge room.

#### FRIDAY EVENING DINNER

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#### PRESENTATION OF ROCK MAUL

M. W. Harold C. Wurdeman, Grand Master, presented the Rock Maul to Shiloh Lodge No. 327. Dale McGregor Worshipful Master accepted.

#### ORATION "COMMUNICATION"

#### W.: JAMES N. DEMOSS, GRAND ORATOR

If I were to put a single word subject matter on the thoughts which I wish to share with you tonight, that word would be "Communication."

Communication can, and does, take many varied forms. Normally, when we think of communication, we first think of spoken words between two people, or between one person and a group of people. The passing of thoughts back and forth with the spoken word. Communication is also in the form of written words, and today is often conceived as television or radio waves giving us instant news from around the world.

If communication between people is not correct then something is missing or can go astray. You know, men, you can turn to your bride or to the beautiful woman sitting next to you, and you can tell her 'when you look at her face, time stands still.' There is no question that the object of this endearment will be flattered and think you are very eloquent. However, you can turn to her, if you want to get into trouble, and tell her the same thing with different words. Try telling her that 'she has a face that would stop a clock.' In essence you have communicated the same thought. You have just used different words.

How a communication is received and perceived can also have a profound effect on the outcome of the exchange. You can tell most anyone that there are 30 billion stars in the sky and they will believe it. However, whenever you tell someone that something is just freshly painted they have to touch it to believe you.

Not too many years ago the president of a large corporation sent a memo to the personnel department in which he asked: "I would like to know what procedure we follow in hiring people at our 'X' plant." This memo set of an historic flap. Subordinate managers, unsure what he had in mind and unwilling to ask, instituted a complete review of the company's personnel policies. More than 300 hours of consultations were held at various levels. Scores of reports were written. Every aspect of the subject was explored. Finally, after weeks of work, a one-half inch thick report was delivered to the president. It gave full details of all the aptitude and intelligence tests that were used, all the sources of manpower that were tapped, what percentage of the applicants were able to make the grade, the cost of the hiring program, and all the reasons anyone could think of to explain why this was a fine system. The boss took one look at the report and almost strangled. "All I wanted to know," he said, "was where I should send a neighbor's young son, who was interested in a summer job. It doesn't matter now - he's gone back to college." What the corporation president had communicated had been misinterpreted and misunderstood and those who had received the communication would not question what was meant.

To me, one of the best ways to communicate with a person is to reach out and touch that individual. Using hands to communicate a feeling that you have — a desire that you feel — or just the need to express a feeling of comradeship with that individual. Although communication is generally thought of as the spoken or written word, those individuals deprived of the sense of hearing communicate with their hands instead of speaking, and the blind can read with their hands.

In Masonry, we hold what we call Masonic Communication. You are right now at a banquet in the Holiday Inn in Kearney, Nebraska at the 125th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge. Does this communication mean the same as the communication I have been talking about up to this point? Not necessarily — and then again, yes. Through Masonic Communication we attempt to take an individual that can be likened unto a 'rough ashlar' and, through talking and assisting that individual, we create a 'perfect ashlar.' An individual not yet ready for his place in society is reshaped into a more perfect member of society, and individual able to fit his abilities into the over-all scheme of life. In the process that individual has experienced many forms of communication. There have been communications of word, there have been communications of touch and of feelings.

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As each of us go through our daily lives we are frequently faced with situations which seem astounding or overwhelming to us. Perhaps the solution to these problems lies in proper communication of one sort or another. In 1923 a very important meeting was held at the Edgewater Beach Hotel in Chicago. Attending this meeting were ten of the world's most successful financiers. By title, those attending were: the President of the largest independent steel company: President of the National City Bank of New York; President of the largest utility company; President of the largest gas company; the greatest wheat speculator; President of the New York Stock Exchange; a member of the President's Cabinet; the greatest 'bear' on Wall Street; the head of the world's greatest monopoly; and the President of the Bank of International Settlements. Now, in any way you want to communicate the idea, whether it be by their titles, by their level of achievements, or whatever, here were ten successful men! Here were ten men that had reached the pinnacle of their individual way of life and the route they had chosen to make their livings. That was in 1923.

Now, let's move ahead from that point for 26 years - the year is now 1949. Let's look at these same ten men. The President of the largest independent steel company - Charles Schwab - died bankrupt and lived on borrowed money for five years before his death; the President of the largest utility company — Samuel Insull — died a fugitive from justice and penniless in a foreign land; the President of the largest gas company - Howard Hopson is now insane; the greatest wheat speculator - Arthur Cotton - died abroad insolvent; the President of the New York Stock Exchangae - Richard Whitney - was recently released from Sing Sing Penitentiary; the member of the President's Cabinet — Albert Fall — was pardoned from prison so he could die at home; the greatest 'bear' on Wall Street — Jesse Livermore — died a suicide; the President of the world's greatest monopoly — Ivor Krueger died a suicide; and the President of the Bank of International Settlements -Leon Fraser - died a suicide. Here were ten men that had needs. Needs they were not able to communicate to those about them, or if they were communicated, their communication was misinterpreted. Here were ten men that needed someone to reach out and help them in some way, and that help was not given, or if it was attempted, it was not successful.

Some years ago during a hike in the woods a troop of Boy Scouts came across an abandoned section of railroad track. Each, in turn, tried walking the rails but eventually lost his balance and fell off. Suddenly two of the boys, after considerable whispering, offered to bet that they could both walk the entire length of the track without falling off. Challenged to make good their boast, the two boys jumped on opposite rails, extended a hand to balance each other, and walked the entire section of track with no difficulty whatever. Here were two boys that had a need to walk the rails. They expressed that need to each other. They reached out and helped and walked together. Their communication was good. Their communication was successful.

When then Edmund, now Sir Edmund, Hilary had reached the summit in his climb of Mount Everest together with his faithful guide Tenzing, they

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started back down on a perilous route. At one point Sir Edmund slipped and would surely have fallen to his death had not Tenzing, holding taut the rope that was always tied between them, dug his pick deep into the ice stopping the fall. After they returned to the base of the mountain Sir Edmund told others of what had happened and that Tenzing had saved him from certain death. Other people attempted to heap honors on Tenzing for what he had done — for his courageous act. To all of those attempts at honors Tenzing shrugged and said simply, "Mountain climbers always help each other."

My brethren — as Masons should we do anything less?

#### **REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS**

W. Glen F. Sperry, 139, Chairman, presented the report which was adopted.

Your Committee on Credentials reports that all Lodges were represented except the following: 4, 13, 23, 30, 38, 44, 52, 65, 71, 73, 83, 101, 113, 120, 125, 136, 137, 147, 154, 161, 162, 165, 168, 173, 181, 202, 205, 207, 217, 221, 224, 232, 241, 248, 271, 273, 274, 285, 287, 311, 312, 316.

Total number of Lodges, 231. Number not represented 44. Lodges not represented for two years are: Ponca No. 101, Ponca; Parian No. 207, Callaway and Camp Clarke No. 285, Bridgeport. There were 21 Past Grand Masters, all of the Grand Lodge officers, 25 Deputy Grand Custodians and 3 Deputy Grand Custodian Emeriti present. One hundred and twenty-seven Masters of their lodges and 51 non-delegates registered.

LODGE	NO.	MASTER	SENIOR WARDEN	JUNIOR WARDEN
Nebraska	1	James W. Hicks	Gary W. Miller	Richard E. Slama
Western Star	2	Robert D. Bosworth	Henry E. Schemmel*	Louis J. Crunk
Capitol	3	Robert E. Noah	Augustine S. Solaro*	Herman O. Hansen*
Nemaha Valley	4	-		12 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 -
Omadi	5	George Paulsen*		-
Plattsmouth	6	Robert S. Ross	Leland Meisinger	Keith L. Griffith*
Falls City	9	Archibald Weaver, Sr.	George I. Griffiths, Jr.	* Archibald Weaver, Sr.*
Solomon	10	Gary L. Waggoner	-	Irwin H. Nelson
Covert	11	Lawrence J. Zwart*	David J. Horn	Don L. McCoy*
Orient	13			_
Peru	14	Bobbie L. Fike		

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DDGE NC	).	MASTER	SENIOR WARDEN	JUNIOR WARDEN
Fremont	15	Harold M. Schneider	Henry G. Lyddon	Floyd R. McKenzie*
Tecumseh	17	Ivan A. Lamb	Maj. Fred Lamb*	Wayne C. McCoy
Lincoln	19	John M. McHenry	Clark W. Gillaspie	Kent O. Sprague
Washington	21	Dale W. Stricklet	Robert R. Wulf*	-
Pawnee	23	-	-	-
St. Johns	25	Franklin E. Merica	Ralph E. Erts	Franklin E. Merica*
Beatrice	26	Wilbur C. Summers	Charles C. Carrol	Herman W. Gergerd
Jordan	27	Norbert H. Meyer	Norbert H. Meyer*	Norbert H. Meyer*
Blue River	30		-	-
Tekamah	31	Kirby E. Hunt	Frank Conklin, Jr.	Kevin D. Thomas
Platte Valley	32	Ray A. Peterson	Randall J. Majer	_
Ashlar	33	Frank Smutney*	H. Ronald Fox	Thomas N. Fisher
Acacia	34	Joseph Hoffman*		-
Fairbury	35	Harold Towne	-	-
Lone Tree	36	-	Don McHargue	James F. Heins
Crete	37	Rex L. Holtgrewe	-	_
Oliver	38	-	-	-
Papillion	39	Eugene L. Fischbach	Eugene L. Fischbach*	Eugene L. Fischbach
Humboldt	40	Homer H. Fishwood		-
Northern Light	41	George Benson, Sr.*	-	George Benson, Sr.*
Hebron	43	Vaughn P. Bowen	Jack McLaughlin	_
Harvard	44	—		
Rob Morris	46	Warren E. Stenback*	Delmar A. Jones	Gerald L Henderson
Fairmont	48	John A. McBride	L. Badger Halsey	_
Evening Star	49	John A. Bottorf®	Wallace Bender	John A. Bottorf*
Hastings	50	W.A. Kirkpatrick	Robert L. Ingram	Ronald R. Fitzke
Fidelity	51	Dale H. McElravy	an and share the state	Charles H. Walker
Hiram	52		and the set of the	-
Charity	53	Gary W. Thompson	Gary W. Thompson*	Gary W. Thompson*

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LODGE	NO.	MASTER	SENIOR WARDEN	JUNIOR WARDEN
Lancaster	54	William H. Cummins	William G. Hurst*	Vernon R. O'Neal
Mosaic	55	Justin F. Fauss*	Justin F. Fauss*	Walter E. Truex*
York	56	Marion L. Bankson	Bradley O. Braasch	Raymond Rech*
Mt. Moriah	57		Keith E. Ostrand	-
Wahoo	59	Steven B. Gerdts	Lorain F. Steiner	Harry Berman
Melrose	60	George W. Davis	Elva Simpson*	Stanley C. Peak*
Thistle	61	Kevin F. Knapple	Kevin F. Knapple*	Kevin F. Knapple*
Keystone	62	Robert Mabon*	Robert Mabon*	-
Blue Valley	64	Dennis Q. Aksamit*	J. Steven Aksamit*	_
Osceola	65		-	_
Edgar	67	Ezra A. Good*	-	-
Aurora	68	William P. Andersen	-	Ward B. Andrews
Trowel	71	-	-	-
Hooper	72	Robert Herrington	Marvin Fauss	Jerry Janssen*
Friend	73		-	-
Frank Welch	75	Gordon E. Richards	Kenneth G. Fleming*	Steven Mattoon
Nelson	77	Earl Ferguson*	-	Chester R. Hawley
Albion	78	Fred S. Linder*	Paul Bentley	Merlin Weber, Jr.*
Geneva	79	Richard L Sieber	Albert Wise* T	homas R. Bumgarner
Composite	81	-	Glenn Hartsock	-
St. Paul	82	Robert C. Brehm	-	-
Corinthian	83	_	-	
Ionic	87	Paul A. Thierolf*	Fulton Olson	—
Cedar River	89	Floyd Gudgell*	Floyd Gudgell	Arna Peterson*
Oakland	91	H.L. Scheffel*		-
Beaver City	93	Robert J. Gardner	Arthur H. Becker	Allen P. Harlan*
Bennett	94	Albert L. French	-	-
Garfield	95	Roy F. Humrich	Roy F. Humrich*	Roy F. Humrich*
Utica	96	Dale Carr	Arvon E. Engel	Harold Busch*

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LODGE	NO.	MASTER	SENIOR WARDEN	JUNIOR WARDEN
Euclid	97	John E. Groesser	-	Alvin C. Groesser*
Republican	98	Thomas W. Moore	Thomas W. Moore*	Thomas W. Moore*
Shelton	99	Clare W. Coleman*		-
Ponca	101	-	-	-
Waterloo	102	Kenneth C. Acton	Gary L. Bridges	-
Ord	103	Wayne H. Clamp	Dan Hersh*	-
Wymore	104	Robert A. Norris*	Robert A. Norris	Robert A. Norris*
Stella	105	Alan B. Lavigne	Earl Hicks*	Edgar A. Bredemeier*
Porter	106	Asa J. Farnham, Jr.	Asa J. Farnham, Jr.*	Asa J. Farnham, Jr.*
Table Rock	108	Lloyd Vrtiska*	Lloyd Vrtiska*	Lloyd Vrtiska*
Pomegranate	110	Robert C. Fricke	Bill Reece	-
DeWitt	111	Dale Colgrove*	Earl Wheeler*	-
Springfield	112	Greg A. Latham	Harry N. Ahl*	Harry N. Ahl*
Globe	113	-		-
Wisner	114	Dean T. Dinklage	_	-
Harlan	116	John P. Thompson*	Donald A. Russell*	-
Hardy	117	Dorman Clark	Jack McCorkle	Hubert Henry*
North Bend	119	Benjiman H. Harvey	Benjiman H. Harvey*	Benjiman H. Harvey*
Wayne	120	-	-	-
Superior	121	Maynard M. Crispin	Everett Lerew*	-
Auburn	124	Claude E. Matthews*	-	_
Mt. Nebo	125	—		-
Stromsburg	126	Joe Gonnerman*	-	-
Minden	127	Harold Lutkemeier*	Gerald Sorenson*	Gerald Lorenson
Guide Rock	128	Rodney P. Ely	-	-
Scribner	132	Ross E. Bebout	-	-
Solar	134	Arthur Schlondorf	_	-
McCook	135	Raymond Rose	Richard L. Trail	Donald E. Rasmussen
Long Pine	136	-	-	-

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LODGE	NO.	MASTER	SENIOR WARDEN	JUNIOR WARDEN
Upright	137	_	_	-
Rawalt	138	Neal D. Rhynalds	Neal D. Rhynalds*	Neal D. Rhynalds*
Clay Centre	139	Eugene H. Peterson	Warren M. Wilson*	_
Western	140	Rolland F. Winter	Rolland F. Winter*	David L. Sims
Crescent	143	Richard T. Jackson	Richard T. Jackson*	Richard T. Jackson*
Jachin	146	Harley Lofton, Sr.	William Greathouse*	D. Wayne Erickson*
Siloam	147	the _ of a discussion of	-	
Custer	148	William A. Melville	William A. Melville*	William A. Melville*
Cambridge	150	John W. McLane	John W. McLane*	John W. McLane*
Evergreen	153	Rudy Turek		-
Lily	154	_		
Samaritan	158	Charles P. Hugunin	G. Bruce Bartels	Gerald V. Inslee*
Ogalalla	159	R. Rex Cogburn		Amie Schindler*
Zeredatha	160	Floyd McIlnay	Joe Cacak	_
Mt. Zion	161	_	_	
Trestle Board	162			-
Unity	163	Walter Marolf	-	-
Atkinson	164	Roy W. Aten	Clarence E. Spence*	-
Barneston	165	-	-	-
Elwood	167	Don W. Ringenberg	Willard Jack	Herman P. Weissert*
Curtis	168	-	<u></u>	
Amity	169	Ronald E. Drummond	-	
Mason City	170	Francis Standage	Garey Arnold	Eugene D. Burns
Merna	171	Floyd Grantzinger*	Floyd Grantzinger*	Floyd Grantzinger*
Robert Burns	173	-		- And Report
Culbertson	174	Bernard R. Baker	M.E. Goodenberger*	Barney L. Whatley
Hay Springs	177	Harold Rezek*	Harold Rezek	Harold Rezek*
Justice	180	Donovan A. Merklin*		
Faith	181	-	_	_

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LODGE	NO.	MASTER	SENIOR WARDEN	JUNIOR WARDEN
Alliance	183	John T. Adam	-	-
Bee Hive	184	Amos H. Campbell*	Gene R. Cornell	Noland J. McIntosh
Boaz	185	Stephen J. Harrison	Waldron G. Heany*	Waldron G. Heany*
Meridian	188	Everett E. McNulty	Garlyn Naylor	Ralph E. McNulty*
Granite	189	Eldwin D. Hallock	Eldwin D. Hallock*	Eldwin D. Hallock*
Crystal	191	Darrell Vance	Darrell Vance	Ray Salter*
Minnekadusa	192	Robert L Gass	Robert L. Gass*	Robert L Gass*
Highland	194	Daryl A. Doolittle	Everett DeVries*	Daryl A. Doolittle*
Arcana	195	Ronald D. Jensen	-	Ronald D. Jensen*
Purity	198	John B. Adams	Robert R. Atchison*	- 100
Gavel	199	R. Winton Wilson*	R. Winton Wilson	R. Winton Wilson*
Blazing Star	200	Robert W. Brownell*	-	-
Scotts Bluff	201	Charles W. Shrader	Ezra A. Good*	Charles W. Shrader*
Golden Sheaf	202	-	-	-
Plainview	204	Wilfred Francis*	-	
Golden Fleece	205	-	-	-
Parian	207		-	-
Canopy	209	Ralph W. Speth*	Ralph W. Speth	-
East Lincoln	210	Cecil L Ristau	T. M. Michaelson	Roy E. May
Cement	211	David E. Thienel	John J. Carter*	Donald J. Lehr
Occidental	215	Richard N. Nielsen*	Richard N. Nielsen*	Richard N. Nielsen*
Palisade	216	Verdon W. Scott	Viron E. Baxter*	Verdon W. Scott*
Wauneta	217	-		
Bloomfield	218	Norman B. Case		- malifier,
Relief	219	Marvin Ropte*	Marvin Ropte*	-
Magnolia	220	Harold D. Lewin		n - mariante
Wood Lake	221	- Aller and a		
Landmark	222	Stanley E. Brunton*	-2-2	
Silver Cord	224	anter a finance Barth	-	

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Gable	225	Sylvan Mills		and the second
North Star	227	Clarence V. Peterson	Milo R. Turka	James C. Gish
Bartley	228	Roy G. Hart, Jr.*	-	-
Comet	229	Jack Johnson*	Jack Johnson*	Jack Johnson*
John S. Bowen	232	-	-	-
Gilead	233	Max O. Brown	-	-
Zion	234	Gerald J. Kaschube		Gerald J. Kaschube*
Fraternity	235	Gail Axen*		_
Golden Rule	236	Ken Linafelter*	Ken Linafelter*	Ken Linafelter*
Friendship	239	Robert E. Comer		-
Pilot	240	Richard H. Appleby	Richard H. Appleby*	Richard H. Appleby*
Geo. Armstrong	241	-	-	_
Hampston	245	Kenneth Schultz*	Kenneth Schultz*	Kenneth Schultz*
Nehawka	246	Dale A. Nutzman	-	
Laurel	248	-		-
Gothenburg	249	Jay D. Richeson	Jay D. Richeson*	Jay D. Richeson*
G. Washington	250	Thomas W. Bergquist	John I. Hobbs*	Carl A. Johnson
Wausa	251	Lynn Doty*	_	
Bassett	254	Rex E. Arrowsmith	Richard L. Mauch*	
Hickman	256	Thomas L. Maul	James A. Johnston	_
Anselmo	258	Leonard H. Sinner	_	-
Ornan	261	Gayle Angus*	-	-
Endeavor	262	Walter A. Rice*	Walter A. Rice	Walter A. Rice*
Mitchell	263	James E. Hanson	Gary E. Lane	Scott E. Lane
Franklin	264	Bernard D. Gartin	James Hill*	-
R. W. Furnas	265	T.E. Westervelt	Lee E. Teigen	Kenneth Dappen*
Silver	266	Oscar L. Imm*	LaVerne Dake*	-
James A. Tulleys	267	Russell M. Warren*	E.L. Young*	
G.W. Lininger	268	Russell A. Clark	Michael R. Williams	-

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LODGE	NO.	MASTER	SENIOR WARDEN	JUNIOR WARDEN
Oasis	271	-		_
Lee P. Gillette	272	Ralph W. Griepenstroh*	Henry Schemmel*	_
Crofton	273	-	-	-
Olive Branch	274	-	_	
Sioux	277	Leo Turner*	Leo Tumer*	Leo Turner*
Wallace	279	James Farmer*	-	Eric J. Chrisman
Swastika	280	William W. Steen*	William W. Steen*	William W. Steen*
Florence	281	Cecil C. Crapo	Dean L Moore	Cecil C. Crapo*
Mullen	282	John M. Jones	-	John M. Jones*
Seneca	284	James G. Miller*	James G. Miller*	James G. Miller*
Camp Clarke	285	-	-	-
Oshkosh	286	Orvin L Lake	-	-
Union	287	_	-	-
Omaha	288	Maynard Tatelman	Don Scott*	Harold P. Loveless
Lotus	289	William J. Greenwood	Raymond Ridenour*	-
John J. Mercer	290	Jerry V. Zellers*	Jerry V. Zellers	Paul L. Toombs*
Diamond	291	James E. Mote	James E. Mote*	James E. Mote*
Monument	293	W.M. d'Allemand*	W.M. d'Allemand	W.M. d'Allemand
Kimball	294	George E. Stieduhar	Jens Nielsen	Randolph R. Eatmon
Minatare	295	Frank Weiss*	Frank Weiss	Frank Weiss*
Cotner	297	Lawrence R. Hilty, Sr.	Dietrich P. Frye	Lawrence R. Hilty, Sr.*
Chester	298	Harmon Gilkeson*	J.B. Gallion*	Harmon Gilkeson
Sutherland	299	Ralph Schnelle	Marion W. Titchen*	
Liberty	300	John F. Chiocchi	John C. Butterick*	John C. Butterick*
Bayard	301	C. Morris Gillespie*	-	-
Mizpah	302	Ballard Fleming	Leonard Finnegan, Jr.	Jack D. Wagaman*
Right Angle	303	Donald E. Slosson	Hiram A. Hearron	
Newman Grove	305	Merlyn C. Flood*	Lester C. Nelson*	-
Golden Rod	306	Wayne L. Campbell*	Don G. Hafer*	=

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LODGE	NO. MASTER	SENIOR WARDEN	JUNIOR WARDEN
Perkins	308 Keith Olsen	Wayne Aten*	_
Victory	310 Dean S. Slader	Steven Kingery	Harry G. Eyestone
Polk	311 —	-	_
Oak Leaf	312 —	_	_
Potter	313 Roy Adams*	Rudolph Dedic*	-
Craftsmen	314 Marlin D. Palasek	Sterling H. Gray*	Ken Simmons*
Alpha	316 —	_	-
Mid West	317 Clarence J. Bottorf	Robert L. Williams	William D. Morrow
Grand Island	318 H. Gene Gustafson	Earl N. Hanel*	Willard Westover
College View	320 Thomas O. Anderson	ı —	Wallace L. Ritchie
Harmony	321 Lyle Mather		_
Lebanon	323 John H. Lippert	R.E. Koppel*	Roger W. Cooley
Cairo	324 Lawrence Rolofson	Richard Heckman*	-
Bellevue	325 Charles W. Kubich	Robert M. Carter	James Jankowski
Centennial	326 Eugene A. Holman	Eugene H. Wahl	Benjamin C. Whitbe
Shiloh	327 Dale R. McGregor	Donald R. White*	William F. Patterson*
Miloma	328 Charles F. Binge	Bruce E. Gillette	Charles F. Binge*

#### JURISPRUDENCE REPORT

M. W. Byron C. Jenkins presented the report which was accepted.

#### **GENERAL PERMISSIONS**

1. Disapproved as not authorized by Article 10, Section 2 of the Constitution the remainder of the section approved.

#### PERMISSION TO MOVE CHARTERS

Approved

Section on By-laws

DECISIONS Approved

1. Referred to Committee on Charters and Dispensations.

- 2. Approved. 7. Approved.
- 3. Approved. 8. Approved.
- 4. Approved. 9. Approved.

5. Approved.

6. Approved. Moved to adopt, seconded and carried.

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There was a decision made after the Grand Master's report was sent to the printer and I will read that to you.

10. McCook Lodge No. 135 requested permission to use lodge funds to purchase materials to construct a wheelchair ramp at the home of a brother. I ruled that this was in fact contributing to the relief of a brother in distress and approved the use of lodge funds. Committee approves this section of the report, I so move.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1. Disapproved.
- 2. Disapproved.
- 3. Approved.
- 4. Approved.
- 5. Approved.
- 6. Approved.

#### **REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CODIFICATION OF THE LAW:**

Your Committee on Codification of the law respectfully submits its report on amendments to the By-laws of this Grand Lodge enacted at this session as follows:

#### CHANGE OF LOCATION

That section 2-502 of the By-laws be amended by deleting the following sentence from the second paragraph, and that otherwise said section shall remain unchanged: Sentence to be removed: "This majority, however, must be at least equal to a majority of the members residing within the territorial jurisdiction of the lodge."

Moved and seconded that this portion be adopted. Carried.

That Section 3-911 of the By-laws entitled PAYMENT AFTER THREE YEARS be amended by deleting the second sentence therein and substituting the following sentence for the same, and that otherwise said section shall remain unchanged:

Sentence to be substituted for the original second sentence: "Each application for such reinstatement shall be accompanied by the dues for the year for which suspended and the dues for the current year."

That Section 1-406 entitled ALLOCATION OF FUNDS be amended to read as follows and that original of said section be repealed:

Section 1-406 — ALLOCATION OF FUNDS — The per capita tax \$7.00 shall be divided as follows:

To the Nebraska Masonic Home	\$2.00
To the General Fund	\$5.00

The Initiation Fee of \$10.00 and all affiliation fees shall be allocated to the General Fund.

That Section 2-601 entitled DUES AND ASSESSMENTS be amended by increasing the amount of the per capita tax in the third paragraph thereof from \$5.00 to \$7.00, and that otherwise said section shall remain unchanged.

This report is respectfully submitted by your Codification of the Law Committee:

#### FINAL REPORT OF THE APPROPRIATION COMMITTEE

You have in your hands our preliminary report listing the proposed budget for next year. Since then our Committee has received a request from Grand Master, Harold C. Wurdeman, for an additional appropriation under Grand Lodge Committees — Temple Building Advisory in the amount of \$500.00. This we have okayed bringing the total for Grand Lodge Committees to \$20,625.00. Also increased will be our grand total budget to \$206,856.40. Our estimated income remains the same as previously reported, \$213,511.40, or a Credit Balance of \$6,654,60.

Thanks again to all Committee chairman for your held and the Grand Lodge Office in preparing our Annual Report.

#### R. W. RALPH W. GERRY, GRAND SECRETARY

M. W. Sir, I would like to make a resolution to approve the minutes of the Published Proceedings of the 124th Annual Communication, as published.

#### R. W. PAUL R. PIERCE, DEPUTY GRAND MASTER:

M. W. Grand Master, if we are to hold our next communication outside of Omaha, I must make the request and be approved by you. I therefore, move that the 126th Annual Communication of The Most Worshipful the Grand Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Nebraska, be held at Kearney, Nebraska, on June 10 and 11, 1983.

#### INSTALLATION OF GRAND OFFICERS

# M. W. NORRIS W. LALLMAN, PAST GRAND MASTER INSTALLING GRAND OFFICER ASSISTED BY M. W. BENJAMIN F. EYRE, PAST GRAND MASTER.

Brother Paul R. Pierce was appointed by M. W. Alfred B. Saum. Brother Saum is no longer with us, and for the ceremony M. W. Benjamin F. Eyre, who is an Uncle of Brother Saum, will install the Grand Master. At this time, I should like to introduce the Installing officers. M. W. Herbert A. Ronin, Installing Grand Marshal; M. W. T. Leo Stines, Installing Grand Chaplain; M. W. John A. Bottorf, Installing Grand Secretary; W. Brother Edward H. Lockwood, Grand Organist. Brethren of the Grand Lodge of Nebraska, we are now prepared to install your Grand Lodge Officers.

M. W. Paul R. Pierce, 50,	 Grand Master
R.'.W.'. Bevin B. Bump, 158	 Deputy Grand Master

R. W. Robert A. Metcalf, 210	Grand Senior Warden
R. W. Charles M. Amidon, 281	Grand Junior Warden
W.: Ralph W. Gerry, 281	Grand Secretary

#### **Appointments**

V. W. J. Dallas Gibson, 54	Grand Chaplain
W.: James N. DeMoss, 325	Grand Orator
W. Gladwyn A. Youngs, 210	Grand Historian
W. Mannie O. Hansen, 1	Grand Custodian
W. William Keller, 250	Grand Marshal
W. Wayne G. Luenenborg, 39	. Grand Senior Deacon
W. Paul R. Eveland, 119	. Grand Junior Deacon
W. Marvin M. Fink, 50	Grand Tyler

Brethren, if any member of this Grand Lodge knows of any just reason why any of these officers should not now be installed, let him speak or forever after hold his peace.

We are pleased to observe that you still approve the choice made. And we now proceed with the installation. Let us unite in solemn prayer with our  $V \\\therefore W \\\therefore$  Grand Chaplain.

M. W. BENJAMIN F. EYRE, PAST GRAND MASTER: Brother Grand Marshal, you will present the Grand Master-elect.

M. W. Brother, we most cordially congratulate you upon your election to this grand office, the most distinguished and important office, within the gift of Masons. The confidence reposed in you by the members of the Grand Lodge, in electing you to this high and important position is an ample guarantee to the Masonic world of your wisdom and your work. You can not, my brother, but be aware of the deep and solemn importance of the office you are now about to assume, nor of the many cares and perplexities which attend this unequaled honor. These perplexities, however, will be greatly alleviated by the affectionate regard and ready assistance of your brethren. who have full confidence that you will discharge the important duties of your station with gratitude to yourself and honor to the Fraternity. Brother Grand Marshal, you will now invest the Grand Master-elect with the Jewel of his office. I also present you with this gavel, the emblem of your Masonic authority and welcome you to the East of The Most Worshipful the Grand Lodge of Nebraska, and ask the privilege of being the first to assure you of my fealty and obedience.

M. W. Grand Master, I now hail and salute and proclaim you the Grand Master of the Most Worshipful the Grand Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Nebraska. Brethren, of the Grand Lodge, behold your Grand Master, M. W. Grand Master, behold your brethren. Brethren, join with me in giving the grand honors by three times three.

#### M. W. PAUL R. PIERCE, GRAND MASTER

Thank you, Past Grand Masters, Benjamin F. Eyre, Norris W. Lallman,

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Herbert A. Ronin, John A. Bottorf, T. Leo Stines, and our Grand Musician Edward H. Lockwood. You have done a beautiful and professional job as usual in your installation. I have figured it out that I could make only one mistake this year, and that is if I were to do nothing. I am going to be an active Grand Master. I am going to put some fun into it, so look out. I am apt to make some mistakes. At this time I would like to call upon Past Grand Master T. Leo Stines.

#### **PRESENTATION OF JEWEL AND APRON**

#### M. W. T. LEO STINES, PAST GRAND MASTER

Brother Harold, you have been formally inducted into the Past Grand Masters Association and it is my duty and pleasure to present to you the Past Grand Masters apron and jewel. After observing your actions during this past year, and especially during this Annual Communication, I am more firmly convinced than ever that I made the proper choice about seven or so years ago, when I asked you to be the Grand Junior Deacon, and I have certainly enjoyed working with you all these years. You have done a remarkable job. You are a credit to the Fraternity.

#### M. W. HAROLD C. WURDEMAN, PAST GRAND MASTER

I do thank you, Most Worshipful. I thank you for the jewel and apron, but I thank you mostly for having given me the opportunity to earn these. This has been a most interesting year and I am sure I am going to miss all the activities, but I am very honored to have this award and I hope I can be equal to it.  $M \\ M \\ M \\ M \\$  Sir, with your permission, I would like to do one thing. We have been traveling around the state, we have been getting introduced, could I have my wife stand up just one more time. She has been half of this team all year, my wife, Irene.

#### Attest:

It is hereby certified that the above and foregoing is a full, true and complete record of the proceedings of the One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of the Most Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of Nebraska, June 11 and 12, and printed under my direction.

Witness my hand and the seal of the Grand Lodge A. F. &A. M. of Nebraska this 30th day of July, 1982.

Ralph W. Gerry, Grand Secretary

#### M. W. PAUL R. PIERCE GRAND MASTER

M. W. PAUL R. PIERCE, GRAND MASTER:

I just want to say about Brother Harold that both as a man and as a Mason, he does stand tall. He is a student and a scholar of Blue Lodge Masonry and I feel fortunate in being associated with him. This concludes our formal part of the installation, but I would like all of you to meet and hear of Grand Lodge officers as they introduce their families and friends. We will begin with the Grand Master and go down the line. I am Paul R. Pierce. I live in Hastings, I am retired from my vocation which was the Management and Development of Irrigation Farms. I would like to present my lovely wife, Helen, who will be a busy lady this coming year, and our daughter Kay, our son-in-law Gayle Munz, our two granddaughters, Melissa and Adrian who we have not yet met, just arrived from Texas, but I have been getting the hi-sign from my five-yearold Adrian, would you stand please.

I would like to present my brother Bill and his wife Ella Mae from Kearney and Sun City. We have a grand group of brothers in both Hastings Lodge No. 50 and Mid West Lodge No. 317. I would like for them and their ladies, if they are here, to stand.

May I remind you that these two lodges will hold a reception tomorrow afternoon between 2:00 and 4:00 at the Masonic Temple in Hastings, and we invite you all there to meet and greet all of our Grand Lodge Officers and their ladies. Please notice as you come into town, the marque on the bank. "Reception, Paul R. Pierce, Grand Master, two to four." I must have had a good publicity man.

Yesterday, I asked our Grand Lodge if we wouldn't all try to get our light out from under the bushel, by wearing our rings, by wearing our lapel pins and I even brought up buying a decal to put on the back glass of your car. We have been amazed, we have been swamped at the nearly 500 that have been purchased out here at \$1.00 each or five for \$4.00. I sent for 1,000, but they were not able to fill the order. I am still going to try to put these on 10,000 cars belonging to Masons in Nebraska.

#### GRAND LODGE COMMITTEES APPOINTED 1982-1983

APPLICATION FOR REINSTATEMENT: W.:. Donald R. White, 327, Chairman; W.:. Kenneth P. Lott, 184, W.:. Amos H. Campbell, 184.

APPROPRIATIONS: W.: Walter E. Truex, 55 (1983), Chairman; W.: Virgil F. Wagner, 72 (1985); W.: John D. Ver Maas, 256 (1984); W.: Robert A. Carhart, 120 (1986); W.: Ben D. Fussell, 79 (1987).

FINANCE: W.: Edwin G. Mortensen, 302 (1983), Chairman; David E. Menck, 15 (1986); W.: Lawrence J. Zwart, 11 (1985); W.: Floyd A. Sterns, 19 (1984); W.: Sidney W. Irwin, 302 (1987).

FRATERNAL DEAD: V. W. J. Dallas Gibson, 54, Chairman; W. Clarence R. Kuehn, 210; W. David E. Bute, 15.

FRATERNAL RELATIONS: R. W. Ralph W. Gerry, 281, Chairman; M. W. John A. Bottorf, 49; M. W. Ernest O. Van Wey, 249.

GEORGE WASHINGTON MASONIC NATIONAL MEMORIAL: M. W. Warren D. Lichty, Jr., 314, Chairman; W. Gayle Angus, 261; W. Orval W. Cooley, 323.

GRAND LODGE OFFICE: M.:.W.: Merle M. Hale, 54, (1985), Chairman; M.:.W.: Thomas J. Aron, 37 (1986); M.:.W.: Jack H. Hendrix, 174 (1984); M.:.W.: Donald R. Swanson, 54 (1983); W.:. Donald Lee Andrews, 15 (1987).

GRAND LODGE MEMBERSHIP: W.: Charles W. Amidon, 281, Chairman; W.: Morton P. Steyer, 281; W.: Robert E. Kyes, 36; W.: Wayne G. Luenenborg, 39; R.: W.: Bevin B. Bump, 158.

GRAND TRUSTEES: W.:. Frank V. Lawson, Jr., 1 (1987), Chairman; W.:. Robert A. Wekesser, 54 (1984); W.:. Donald J. Schonberg, 11, 327 (1983); W.:. George T. Harris, 302 (1985); M.:.W.:. Harold Hultman, 39 (1986).

MASONIC EASTERN STAR STUDENT FUND: W. Ralph J. Hershey, 15, Chairman; W. E. Riley Marr, 290; W. Fred Shaw, 323.

MASONIC EDUCATION: M.:W.: T. Leo Stines, 36 (1983), Chairman; R.:W.: Bevin B. Bump, 158 (1983); W.: Wayne G. Luenenborg, 39 (1985); W.: Charles Amidon, 281 (1984); W.: Paul R. Eveland, 119 (1984).

MASONIC RELIEF: W.: Paul L. Toombs, 290 (1987), Chairman; W.: Robert E. Kyes, 36 (1985); W.: Kenneth G. Fleming, 75 (1984); W.: Melvin E. Hatfield, 54 (1983); W.: Joe P. Gunnerman, 126 (1986).

NEBRASKA WORK: M.:W.: Louis V. Sylvester, 281 (1984), Chairman; M.:W.: Lewis R. Ricketts, 19 (1985), M.:W.: Hugh W. Eisenhart, 150 (1983).

PUBLIC RELATIONS: W.:. Gladwyn A. Youngs, 210 (1986), Chairman; W.:. Donald W. Madsen, 11 (1985); W.:. Marvin Anderson, 316 (1984); W.:. Frank D. Smutney, 33 (1983); W.:. Frank G. Weiss, 295 (1987).

TEMPLE BUILDING ADVISORY: M. W. Harold C. Wurdeman, 323 (1985), Chairman; W. Donald G. Hafer, 306 (1983); W. Herman O. Hansen, 3 (1984).

LODGE ADVISORY: M. W. Byron C. Jenkins, 325 (1985), Chairman; M. W. Frank J. Mattoon, 75 (1983); M. W. Herbert A. Ronin, 210 (1984).

YOUTH: W.:. William G. Hurst, 54, Chairman; W.:. Halsey Phillips, 325; W.:. Ivan G. Abdouch, 302; W.:. Byron E. Lee, 89; W.:. James C. Gathmann, 327.

#### **VETERAN SECRETARIES:**

Who have served 25 years or more.

Merle P. Hayes	Superior No. 121	35 years
John J. Carter	Cement No. 211	32 years
Alvin C. Groesser	Euclid No. 97	32 years
Arthur P. Starkjohann	Minnekadusa No. 192	32 years
Homer C. Davey	Midwest No. 317	31 years

#### VETERAN GRAND LODGE ATTENDANTS

## Who Have Attended Grand Lodge 21 Years or More

Benjamin F. Eyre.    58 years      Carl R. Greisen    57 years      Merle M. Hale    45 years
Merle M. Hale
Thomas J. Aron
Louis V. Sylvester
Norris W. Laliman
Edward M. Knight 39 years
Albert B. Osborn 38 years
Otto Nelson
Paul D. Fleming
Arthur Anderson 28 years

#### WE HAVE SET APART THIS PAGE DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY OF THE PAST GRAND MASTERS WHO HAVE PASSED BEYOND THE VEIL.

NAME	DIED	LODGE	YEAR SERVED
Robert C. Jordan	Jan 9, 1899	3	(1st) 1857-58-59
George Armstrong	Nov. 12, 1896	3	(2nd) 1960-61-62
Daniel H. Wheeler	Nov. 27, 1912	6	(3rd) 1863-64
Robert W. Furnas	June 1, 1905	4	(4th) 1865-66
Orsamus H. Irish	Jan. 27, 1883	5	(5th) 1867-68
Harry P. Deuel	Nov. 23, 1914	11	(6th) 1869-70
William E. Hill	Dec. 29, 1917	2	(7th) 1871-72
Martin Dunham	Feb. 18, 1915	3	(8th) 1873
Frank Welch	Sept. 4, 1878	27	(9th) 1874
Alfred G. Hastings	July 10, 1894	19	(10th) 1875
George H. Thummel	Feb. 5, 1932	33	(11th) 1876
George W. Lininger	June 8, 1907	3	(12th) 1877
Edward K. Valentine	April 11, 1916	27	(13th) 1878
Rolland H. Oakley	Feb. 2, 1904	19	(14th) 1879
James A. Tulleys	Jan. 31, 1901	53	(15th) 1880
James R. Cain, Sr.	Nov. 24, 1920	9	(16th) 1881
Edwin F. Warren	July 9, 1923	2	(17th) 1882
Samuel W. Hayes	Nov. 15, 1913	55	(18th) 1883
John Jay Wemple	May 28, 1943	50	(19th) 1884
Manoah B. Reese	Sept. 18, 1917	59	(20th) 1885
Charles K. Coutant	Aug. 23, 1910	11	(21st) 1886
Milton J. Hull	Sept. 18, 1923	67	(22nd) 1887
George B. France	Aug. 16, 1914	56	(23rd) 1888
John J. Mercer	Feb. 25, 1915	4	(24th) 1889

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NAME	DIED	LODGE	YEAR SERVED
Robert E. French	Feb. 16, 1927	46	(25th) 1890
Bradmer D. Slaughter	May 8, 1909	89	(26th) 1891
Samuel P. Davidson	Dec. 8, 1928	17	(27th) 1892
James P.A. Black	Nov. 12, 1918	76	(28th) 1893
John A. Ehrhardt	Nov. 1, 1925	41	(29th) 1894
Henry H. Wilson	June 28, 1941	19	(20th) 1895
Charles J. Phelps	Aug. 24, 1915	34	(31st) 1896
John B. Dinsmore	Oct. 6, 1915	49	(32nd) 1897
Frank H. Young	Dec. 24, 1917	207	(33rd) 1898
William W. Keysor	Aug. 17, 1922	25	(34th) 1899
Albert W. Crites	Aug. 23, 1915	158	(35th) 1900
Robert E. Evans	July 8, 1925	5	(36th) 1901
Nathaniel M. Ayers	Nov. 19, 1913	93	(37th) 1902
Frank E. Bullard	Jan. 31, 1933	32	(38th) 1903
Charles E. Burnham	May 29, 1933	55	(39th) 1904
Melville R. Hopewell	May 2, 1911	31	(40th) 1905
Zuingle M. Baird	Dec. 17, 1916	155	(41st) 1906
Ornan J. King	Dec. 26, 1927	54	(42nd) 1907
William A. DeBord	May 17, 1916	3	(43rd) 1908
Michael Dowling	May 5, 1921	119	(44th) 1909
Harry A. Cheney	June 27, 1948	100	(45th) 1910
Henry Gibbons	Aug 22, 1923	46	(46th) 1911
James R. Cain, Jr.	Sept. 3, 1950	105	(47th) 1912
Alpha Morgan	April 17, 1924	148	(48th) 1913
Thomas M. Davis	Aug. 12, 1919	93	(49th) 1914
Samuel S. Whiting	Aug. 11, 1931	54	(50th) 1915
Andrew H. Viele	May 9, 1941	55	(51st) 1916
Frederic L. Temple	Aug. 13, 1944	61	(52nd) 1917
Ambrose C. Epperson	Mar. 16, 1944	139	(53rd) 1918
John J. Tooley	July 31, 1934	258	(54th) 1919
Joseph B. Fradenburg	June 14, 1950	3	(55th) 1920
Lewis E. Smith	July 10, 1965	136	(56th) 1921
Edward M. Wellman	Aug. 31, 1922	1	(57th) 1922
Charles A. Chappell	Nov. 21, 1971	127	(58th) 1923
Robert R. Dickson	June 18, 1941	95	(59th) 1924
John Wright	Oct. 29, 1936	19	(60th) 1925
Edwin D. Crites	Nov. 7, 1953	158	(61st) 1926
Albert R. Davis	Mar. 7, 1929	120	(62nd) 1927
Frank H. Woodland	Oct. 23, 1940	25	(63rd) 1928
Ira C. Freet	Oct. 13, 1944	56	(64th) 1929
Orville A. Andrews	Oct. 16, 1936	19	(65th) 1930
John R. Tapster	Mar. 21, 1954	119	(66th) 1931
Edwin R. Johnston	Feb. 11, 1933	33	(67th) 1932
Ralph O. Canaday	Oct. 7, 1970	50	(68th) 1933
Archie M. Smith	May 8, 1950	203	(69th) 1933
Virgil R. Johnson William C. Romany	Aug. 7, 1956	26	(70th) 1934 (71ct) 1025
William C. Ramsey Chanceller A. Philips	May 19, 1938	268	(71st) 1935 (72nd) 1936
William A. Robertson	Sept. 12, 1968	150 $6$	(72nd) 1936 (73rd) 1937
Walter R. Raecke	July 3, 1944	36	(73rd) 1937 (74th) 1938
William J. Breckenridge	April 9, 1960 Nov. 16, 1951	317	(74th) 1938 (75th) 1939
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Earl J. Lee	Dec. 15, 1963	15	(76th)	1940
Edward F. Carter	Dec. 21, 1981	201	(77th)	1941
George A. Kurk	May 4, 1977	54	(78th)	1942
William B. Wanner	June 13, 1975	9	(79th)	1943
William C. Schaper	Febr. 12, 1977	148	(80th)	1944-45
Edward Huwaldt	Febr. 14, 1977	318	(82nd)	1947
Roscoe Pound	July 1, 1964	54	(Honorary)	1949
Elmer E. Magee	Mar. 19, 1975	227	(83rd)	1948
Ernest S. Schiefelbein	April 20, 1959	59	(84th)	1949
John S. Hedelund	Jan. 30, 1962	268	(85th)	1950
Fay Smith	Oct. 2, 1968	198	(88th)	1953
Charles F. Adams	Apr. 17, 1980	68	(89th)	1954
Herbert T. White	Oct. 12, 1975	11	(90th)	1955
Roy I. Babbitt	Feb. 13, 1971	295	(92nd)	1957
John E. Beaver	Sept. 20, 1965	153	(93rd)	1958
Ralph M. Carhart	Nov. 10, 1965	120	(98th)	1963
John H. Brown	Febr. 2, 1978	1	(105th)	1970
Howard J. Hunter	May 6, 1975	59	(107th)	1972
Alfred B. Saum	Oct. 11, 1980	46	(112th)	1977

### PAST GRAND MASTERS

# PERMANENT MEMBERS OF THE GRAND LODGE A, F, & A, M, of Nebraska

BENJAMIN F. EYRE, 1
Masonic Home, No. 305, Plattsmouth 68048
THOMAS J. ARON, 37
Crete State Bank, Crete 68333
EDWARD M. KNIGHT, 183 (87th)1952
Alliance National Bank, Alliance 69301
CHARLES F. ADAMS, 68
Box 167, Aurora 68818
MERLE M. HALE, 54 1956
1646 Trelawney Dr., Lincoln 68512
JOSEPH C. TYE, 46
Box 636, Kearney 68847
JOHN F. FUTCHER, 302
9324 Cuming Plaza, Apt. 18B, Omaha 68114
HERBERT A. RONIN, 210
4645 Bryan Cir., Lincoln 68506
ERNEST O. VAN WEY, 249
802-11th Street, Gothenburg 69138
HARRY A. SPENCER, 227 (99th)1964
1500 Crestview, Lincoln 68506
LOUIS V. SYLVESTER, 281 (100th)1965
801 S. 52nd, No. 2105, Omaha 68106
LEWIS R. RICKETTS. 19
1811 1st National Bank Bldg., Lincoln 68502
JOHN A. BOTTORF, 49 (102nd)1967
Sutton 68979

#### **PROCEEDINGS OF THE**

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NORRIS W. LALLMAN, 72	(103rd)1968
3515 So. 102nd, Omaha 68124	
HUGH W. EISENHART, 150	(104th)1969
Box 250, Cambridge, 69022	
RUSSELL L. FICKES, 33	(106th)1971
1022 West 8th St., Grand Island 68801	
FRANK J. MATTOON, 75	(108th)1973
2613 El Rancho Rd., Sidney 69162	
DONALD R. SWANSON, 54	(109th)1974
.1615 S. 44th, Lincoln 68506	
HAROLD HULTMAN, 39	.(110th)1975
260 Skyline Dr., Elkhorn 68022	
T. LEO STINES, 36	.(111th)1976
R.F.D. No. 1, Central City 68826	
JACK H. HENDRIX, 174	.(113th)1978
506 No. Cherokee Dr., McCook 69001	
WARREN D. LICHTY, JR. 314	(114th)1979
P.O. Box 5687, Lincoln 68505	
BYRON C. JENKINS, 325	(115th)1980
9409 Briarwood Lane, Omaha 68147	
HAROLD C. WURDEMAN, 323	.(116th)1981
2875 Maple Rd., Columbus 68601	. ,
CARL R. GREISEN, 32(HONO	RARY)1966
P.O. Box 1684 Sun City, Az 85372	,

#### GRAND SECRETARIES

\*GEORGE ARMSTRONG..... Sept. 23, 1857 to June 2, 1858 \*ROBERT W. FURNAS ...... June 2, 1858 to June 4, 1862 \*ROBERT C. JORDAN ....... June 2, 1858 to June 24, 1863 \*STEPHEN D. BANGS ......June 24, 1863 to June 24, 1865 \*J. NEWTON WISE ......June 24, 1865 to Oct. 27, 1869 \*ROBERT W. FURNAS ......Oct. 27, 1869 to June 21, 1872 \*WILLIAM R. BOWEN ......June 21, 1872 to May 6, 1899 \*FRANCIS E. WHITE .....June 9, 1899 to June 11, 1925 \*LEWIS E. SMITH .....June 11, 1925 to June 6, 1946 CARL R. GREISEN .....June 7, 1946 to June 6, 1968 \*ROBERT W. COOK ......June 4, 1969 to June 13, 1981 RALPH W. GERRY .....June 13, 1981

\*Deceased

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

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Alabama	Robert M. Savage	Box 6195, Montgomery 36106
Alaska	Gunnar Flygering	P.O. Box 6668, Anchorage 9950
Alberta	Melvin P. Dunford	330-12 Avenue S. W. Calgary
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Arizona	James M. King	Masonic Temple, 4th Ave. & Monroe, Phoenix 85003
Arkansas	Jack B. Donham	700 Scott St., Little Rock 72201
Austria	Hans Kloser Homma	9 Gussenbauergesse, Vienna a-1090
Belgium		
Bolivia	Pedro Jose' Laguna	Obispo Cardenas, 1480 Casilla Postal 564, La Paz
Brazil, Para	Ildefons P. Guimaraes	Rua Aristides Lobo, 183 Caixa Postal, 333, Belem
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Brazil, Brasilia		P.O. Box 1128 Federal Dist.
Brazil, Ceara	Antonio Zelalon Filho	Box 76, Fortaleza
Brazil, Matto Grasso	Moacyr Do Como	Caiza Postal 130, Campo Grande
Brazil, Minas Gerais	Sergio Alexandre Ivanenko	Avenida do Brasil, 478, Box 5.
Brazil, Rio Grande		Belo Horizonte
do Sul	Kurt Max Hauser	Box 683, Paraco Garibaldi 21. Porto Allegro
Brazil, Grand Lodge of Guanabaro	Valdemiro Liberto Pinto	Dev 0015 Die de Leste
Brazil, Santa Catarina	Sergio Boppre	Box 2215, Rio de Janeiro Caixa Posta D-33 Florianapolis
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		Rua Sao Joaquin 138 Caixa Postal 8384
Brazil, Grand Lodge	Valdemiro Liberto	
of Paraiba Brazil, Grand Lodge	Pinto	Box 3, Paraiba
Parana	Angelo Palhares	Caixa Postal 1363, Cuistiba
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		Temple, 1111 California St. San Francisco 91408
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Chile	Oscar Pereira Hensiquez	Casilla 2867, Santiago
China	Dawson Kwauk	10 Lane 201
		Chang an East Rd
		Section 2 Taiper 104 Taiwan, ROC
Colorado	Raymond E. Petersen	1130 Panorama Dr. Colo. Springs, Co. 80904
Columbia National		
Grand Lodge	Emerito de Lima	Apartodox Postal No. 333,
Columbia Bogat Connecticut	R. Stanley Harrison	Baranquilla
Costa Rica	Roberto Schmidt Gamboa	P.O. Box 250, Wallingford 0649 P.O. Box Y. San Jose
Cuba	Juan Vareia Alvarez	Apartado 72, La Habana, Fla.
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Grand Lodge	Eigil Hanberg	Bledgamsvj 23, Copenhagen
	William H. Minnick	Masonic Temple, 801 - 13th St.,
District of Columbia		N.W. Washinton 20005
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#### LIST OF GRAND LODGES AND THE NAMES AND ADDRESSES **OF THE GRAND SECRETARIES**

GRAND LODGE	GRAND SECRETARY	ADDRESS
Finland	Lasse Hyvarinen	Kasarmikati 160D Helsinki 00130
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Georgia Germany, United	Carl F. Lester, Jr.	811 Mulberry, Macon 31202
Grand Lodge Greece	Gerd Honisch Paul R. Karanekas	Emser St. 12-13, Berlin 31 19 Achaonon St., Athens, 109
Guatemala	Rivera Flores	P.O. Box 34, Guatemala, C.A.
Honduras Iceland	Juan Rees Jon Skulason	Apartado 336, Tegucigalapa Skulagata 55.
¥ 4. h .	Cifford D. Chaffer	Reykjavik Bar 1677 Baiss 87201
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Nebraska	No.	1	Omaha	Douglas	February	55	Oct.	3, 55 *1
Western Star	66	2	Nebraska City	Otoe	May	10, 55		28, 56 *2
Capitol	46	3	Omaha	Douglas	January	9, 57	June	3, 57 *3
Nemaha Valley	66	4	Brownville	Nemaha	December	15.57	June	2, 58
Omadi	46	5	Dakota City	Dakota	January	18, 58	June	2, 58
Plattsmouth	66	6	Plattsmouth	Cass	January	18.58	Jame	2, 58
Falls City	"	9	Falls City	Richardson	October	4.64	June	23,65
Solomon	66	10	Fort Calhoun	Washington	August	15.65	June	22,66
Covert	66	11	Omaha	Douglas	July	24.65	June	22,66
Orient	66	13	Rulo	Richardson	June	23.66	June	19,67
Peru	44	14	Peru	Nemaha	May	23, 67	June	19,67
Fremont	66	15	Fremont	Dodge	July	3,66	June	20.67
Tecumseh	66	17	Tecumseh	Johnson	December	7.67	Oet.	28.60
Lincoln	66	19	Lincoln	Lancaster	May	4.68	June	25.65
Washington	"	21	Blair	Washington	February	24.68	June	25, 68
Pawnee	66	23	Pawnee City	Pawnce	January	4,69	Oct.	28, 69
St. Johns	46	25	Omaha	Douglas	May	28,69		28,69
Beatrice	44	26	Beatrice	Gage	March	23.70	June	22,70
Jordan	"	27	West Point	Cuming	December		June	23, 70
Blue River	"	30	Milford	Seward	April	25, 70	June	23, 70
Tekamah	44	31	Tekamah	Burt	August	19,69	June	23, 70
Platte Valley	"	32	North Platte	Lincoln	January	15,70		23, 70
Ashlar	66	33	Grand Island	Hall	August	11.70	June	22,71
Acacia	66	34	Schuvler	Colfax	July	18.70	June	19,72
Fairbury	66	35	Fairbury	Jefferson	June	30.71	June	19,72
Lone Tree		36	Central City	Merrick	August	9,71		19,72
Crete	66	37	Crete	Saline	January	8.72		19,72
Oliver	46	38	Seward	Seward	July	25, 71	June	18, 73
Papillion	46	39	Papillion	Sarpy	November			18.73
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LODGE		_ [	TOWN	COUNTY	CREATED	CHARTERED	
Humboldt	No.		Humboldt	Richardson	December 16, 72	June	18.73
Northern Light		41	Stanton	Stanton	January 20, 73		18,73
Hebron		43	Hebron	Thayer			18,73
Harvard	4:	44	Harvard	Clay	March 25, 73.		18.73
Rob Morris	46	46	Kearney	Buffalo	February 21, 73		26.74
Fairmont		48	Fairmont	Fillmore	December 4, 73.,	June	26,74
Evening Star		49	Sutton	Clay	December 22. 73	June	26, 74
Hastings		50	Hastings	Adams	January 3, 74	June	26, 74
Fidelity		51	David City	Butier	January 19.74	June	26, 74
Hiram	66	52	Arlington	Washington	February 26, 74	June	26.74
Charity		53	Red Cloud	Webster	March 2, 74	June	26,74
Lancaster		54	Lincoln	Lancaster	April 20.74	June	26,74
Mosaic		55	Norfolk	Madison	October 1, 74	June	23, 75
York		56	York	York	October 1, 74	June	23, 75
Mount Moriah	46	57	Syracuse	Otoe	November 7, 74	June	23.75
Wahoo		59	Wahoo	Saunders	January 20, 75.	June	23, 75
Melrose		60	Orleans	Harlan	March 10, 75	June	24, 75
Thistle		61	Lexington	Dawson	May 8,75	June	21,76
Keystone		62	Phillips	Hamilton	January 1, 76	June	21,76
Blue Valley	"	64	Wilber	Saline	October 6.76	June	20, 77
Osceola		65	Osceola	Polk	November 23, 76	June	20,77
Edgar	66	67	Edgar	Clay	February 27, 77	June	20,77
Aurora		68	Aurora	Hamilton	February 10, 76	June	19,78
Trowel	"	71	Neligh	Antelope	January 28, 78		19, 78
Hooper		72	Hooper	Dodge	March 19, 78	June	25, 79
Friend	46	73	Friend	Saline	May 4.78		25, 79
Frank Welch		75	Sidney	Chevenne	December 26, 78	June	25, 79
Nelson	"	77	Nelson	Nuckolls			23, 80

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LODGE		TOWN	COUNTY	OREATED	CHAR'	TERED
Albion	No. 78	Albion	Boone	August 1, 79	June	23.80
Geneva	" 79	Geneva	Fillmore		June	23.80
Composite	" 81	Rising City	Butler		June	22, 81
Saint Paul	" 82	Saint Paul	Howard	April 15,80	June	22, 81
Corinthian	" 83	Wakefield	Dixon		June	22, 81
Ionic	" 87	Niobrara	Knox	January 24, 81	June	20, 82
Cedar River	" 89	Fullerton	Nance	January 19,82	June	20, 82
Oakland	" 91	Oakland	Burt	February 7,82	June	19, 83
Beaver City	" 93	Beaver City	Furnas	May 3,82	June	19,83
Bennett	" 94	Bennet	Lancaster	May 5,82	June	19,83
Garfield	" 95	O'Neill	Holt	June 28,82	June	19,83
Utica	" 96	Utica	Seward	July 14.82	June	19, 83
Euclid	" 97	Weeping Water	Cass	July 21,82	June	19,83
Republican	" 98	Republican City	Harlan	July 27.82	June	19,83
Shelton	" 99	Shelton	Buffalo	July 28, 82	June	19,83
Ponca	" 101	Ponca	Dixon	September 1,82	June	19,83
Waterloo	" 102	Waterloo	Douglas	September 7,82	June	19,83
Ord	" 103	Orã	Valley	September 14, 82	June	19,83
Wymore	" 104	Wymore	Gage	November 10, 82	June	19,83
Stella	" 105	Stella	Richardson	December 4,82	June	19,83
Porter	" 106	Loup City	Sherman	December 9.82	June	19,83
Table Rock	<b>·· 108</b>	Table Rock	Pawnee	January 24, 83	June	19,83
Pomegranate	" 110	Ashland	Saunders	February 13, 83	Jane	19,83
DeWitt	" 111	DeWitt	Saline	February 28,83		19,83
Springfield	* 112	Springfield	Sarpy	March 30, 83		19,83
Globe	" 113		Madison			24,84

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LODGE		TOWN	COUNTY	CREATED	CHART	TERED
Wisner	No. 114	Wisner	Cuming	February 12,83	June	24,84
Harlan	" 116	Alma	Harlan	July 12,83		24.84
Hardy	" 117	Hardy	Nuckolls	July 18,83		24,84
North Bend	" 119	North Bend	Dodge	September 5,83		24, 84
Wayne	" 120	Wayne	Wayne	September 26. 83	June	24.84
Superior	" 121	Superior	Nuckolls	November 22, 83	June	24,84
Auburn	" 124	Auburn	Nemaha		June	24,84
Mount Nebo	" 125	Genoa	Nance	January 1,84	June	24,84
Stromsburg	" 126	Stromsburg	Polk	January 16.84		24, 84
Minden	" 127	Minden	Kearney	January 22.84	June	24, 84
Guide Rock	" 128	Guide Rock	Webster	January 28, 84	June	24.84
Scribner	" 132	Scribner	Dodge	July 9,84	June	24, 85
Solar	" 134	Clarks	Merrick	August 8.84	June	24.85
McCook	" 135	McCook	Red Willow	October 6.84.	June	24, 85
Long Pine	" 136	Long Pine	Brown	October 6,84	June	24.85
Upright	" 137	Burchard	Pawnee	November 14, 84.	June	24.85
Rawalt	4 138	Oxford	Furnas	November 15, 84	June	24.85
Clay Centre	" 139	Clay Center	Clay	December 6.84	June	24.85
Western	" 140	Western	Saline	December 6, 84.	June	24.85
Crescent	" 143	Primrose	Boone	January 24, 85.	June	24.85
Jachin	" 146	Holdrege	Phelps	July 13.85	June	17, 86
Siloam	" 147	Stuart	Holt	August 15.85	June	17, 86
Custer	" 148	Broken Bow	Custer	August 10.85	June	17,86
Cambridge	a 150	Cambridge	Furnas	March 31, 85	June	17, 86
Evergreen		Pierce				17,86

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Lily	No. 15	Davenport	Thaver	November 28, 85	June	17,86
Samaritan	" 15	G Chadron	Dawes	March 17, 86	June	16, 87
Ogalalla	" 15	Ogallala	Keith	August 14,86	June	16,87
Zeredatha	" 16	Revnolds	Jefferson	August 21,86		16,87
Mount Zion	" 16	Shelby	Polk		June	16.87
Trestle Board	" 16	2 Brock	Nemaha	October 9,86	June	16, 87
Unity	" 16	Greenwood	Cass	December 18.86	June	16.87
Atkinson	" 16	Atkinson	Holt	August 19,86	June	21.88
Barneston	" 16		Gage		June	21,88
Elwood	" 16	Elwood	Gosper	June 21,87	June	21,88
Curtis	" 16	Curtis	Frontier	June 21, 87	June	21.88
Amity	" 16		Sheridan	July 29.86	June	21.88
Mason City	" 17		Custer	August 1,87	June	21,88
Merna	" 17:	Merna	Custer	August 2.87	June	21.88
Robert Burns	" 17:		Hitchcock	November 15, 87	June	21,88
Culbertson	" 174		Hitchcock	November 16, 87	June	21,88
Hay Springs	" 177		Sheridan	February 20, 88	June	21,88
Justice	" 180		Dundy	October 8,88	June	20, 89
Faith	" 18		Dawes	December 13, 88	June	20,89
Alliance	" 18		Box Butte	January 18.89	June	20, 89
Bee Hive	" 184		Douglas	January 22, 89	June	20.89
Boaz	" 185		Red Willow	January 24, 89	June	20,89
Meridian	" 188		Dawson	February 4,89	June	20, 89

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LODGE		TOWN	COUNTY	CREATED	CHAR	TERED
Granite	No. 189	Gibbon	Buffalo	February 18.89	June	20, 89
Crystal	" 191	Scotia	Greeley	August 7.89		20, 90
Minnekadusa	" 192	Valentine	Cherry			20.90
Highland	" 194	Cortland	Gage	September 21, 89	June	20, 90
Arcana	" 195	Gordon	Sheridan		June	20,90
Purity	" 198	Imperial	Chase	December 24, 89	June	20,90
Gavel	" 199	Carleton	Thaver	July 20, 89	June	18.91
Blazing Star	" 200	Burwell	Garfield	August 5, 90	June	18.91
Scotts Bluff	" 201	Gering	Scotts Bluff	August 8.90	June	18.91
Golden Sheaf	" 202	Randolph	Cedar	August 29,90	June	18.91
Plainview	" 204	Plainview	Pierce	September 1.90	June	18,91
Golden Fleece	" 205	Chappell	Denel	September 2, 90	June	18.91
Parian	" 207	Callaway	Custer	January 31, 91	Tune	18,91
Canopy	" 209	Elmwood	Cass	September 4.91	June	16,92
East Lincoln	" 210	Lincoln	Lancaster	November 5.91	Tune	16,92
Cement	" 211]	Wood River	Hall	November 27. 91	lune	16.92
Occidental	" 215	Cedar Bluffs	Saunders	July 16.92.	June	15,93
Palisade	" 216	Palisade	Hitchcock	July 18.92		15.93
Wauneta	" 217]	Wanneta	Chase	December 7.92	June	15, 93
Bloomfield	" 218	Bloomfield	Knox	January 18,93	June	15.93
Relief	" 219	Coleridge	Cedar	January 19.93		15,93
Magnolia	" 220	Emerson	Dixon			15, 93
Wood Lake	" 221	Wood Lake	Cherry			21,94

LODGE			TOWN	COUNTY	CREATED	CHAR	FERED
Landmark	No.	222	Herman	Washington	March 1,93	June	21,94
Silver Cord	66	224		Brown	October 17.93		21,94
Cable	66	225	Arnold	Custer	November 17, 93	June	21,94
North Star	"	227	Lincoln	Lancaster	July 28,94	June	13, 95
Bartley	66	228	Bartley	Red Willow	November 23, 94	June	13, 95
Comet	46	229	Ceresco	Saunders	December 5,94	June	13,95
John S. Bowen	"	232	Kennard	Washington	February 6, 95	June	13,95
Gilead	46	233	Butte	Boyd	November 22, 94	June	10.96
Zion	**	234	Hyannis	Grant	Julv 19,95	June	10,96
Fraternity	"	235	Winside	Wayne	August 2,95		10,96
Golden Rule	**	236	Allen	Dixon	August 3,95	June	10,96
Friendship	"	239	Chapman	Merrick	October 7, 95	June	10,96
Pilot	66	240	Lyons	Burt	November 29, 95	June	10,96
George Armstrong	66	241	Craig	Burt	August 1,95		17,97
Hampton	""	245	Hampton	Hamilton	July 13,99	June	7,00
Nehawka	66	246	Nehawka	Cass	January 2.00	June	7,00
Laurel	"	248	Laurel	Cedar	February 12,00	June	7,00
Gothenburg	""	249	Gothenburg	Dawson	June 20,00	June	6,01
George Washington	66	250	Lincoln	Lancaster	June 20, 00	June	6.01
Wausa	"	251	Wausa	Knos	November 18.00	June	6.01
Bassett	"	254	Bassett	Rock	October 8.02		4.03
Hickman	46	256	Hickman	Lancaster	December 7.03		9,04
Anselmo	66	258	Anselmo	Custer	December 10, 04	June	7,05

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LODGE			TOWN	COUNTY	CREA	TED	CHART	TERED
Ornan	No.	261	Spencer	Boyd	March	5,06	June	5,07
Endeavor	66	262	Indianola	Red Willow	June	28.06	June	5,07
Mitchell	"	263	Mitchell	Scotts Bluff	July	5,06	June	5.07
Franklin	66	264	Franklin	Franklin	June	11,07	June	10,08
Robert W. Furnas	66	265	Scottsbluff	Scotts Bluff	June	21, 07	June	10,08
Silver	44	266	Silver Creek	Merrick	June	14,07	June	10,08
James A. Tullevs	66	267	Overton	Dawson	December	26,07	June	10,08
George W. Lininger	"	268	Omaha	Douglas	February	26,08	June	10,08
Oasis	66	271	Morrill	Scotts Bluff	June	14.09	June	8,10
Lee P. Gillette	"	272	Dunbar	Otoe	June	14,09	June	8,10
Crofton	66	273	Crofton	Knox	July	10,09	June	8,10
Olive Branch	66	274	Walthill	Thurston	September	r 20, 09	June	8,10
Sioux	66	277	Harrison	Sioux	June	10, 10	June	6, 11
Wallace	66	279	Wallace	Lincoln	February	25, 11	June	4, 12
Swastika	66	280	Sargent	Custer	October	18, 12	June	4,13
Florence	46	281	Omaha	Douglas	January	17, 13	June	4,13
Mullen	44	282	Mullen	Hooker	July	22, 13	June	9, 14
Seneca	"	284	Thedford	Thomas	September	r 29, 13	June	9,14
Camp Clarke	66	285	Bridgeport	Morrill	October	16, 13	June	9,14
Oshkosh	"	286	Oshkosh	Garden	November	25, 13	June	9,14
Union	66	287	Palmyra	Otoe	December	15. 13	June	8,15
Omaha	66	288	Omaha	Douglas	March	24, 14	June	8.15
Lotus	66	289	Ravenna	Buffalo	June	11, 14	June	8.15
John J. Mercer	**	290	Omaha	Douglas	November		June	8.15
Diamond	"	291	Orchard	Antelope	November			8.15
Monument	66	293	Arapahoe					8,15

LODGE		TOWN	COUNTY	CREATED	CHAR'	TEREL
Kimball	No. 294	Kimball	Kimball	June 10, 15	June	7.1
Minatare	" 29.5	Minatare	Scotts Bluff	June 10,15	June	7.1
Cotner	" 297	Lincoln	Lancaster	June 15.17	June	5.1
Chester	" 298	Chester	Thayer	June 27, 17		5.13
Sutherland	" 299	Sutherland	Lincoln	June 23.17	June	5, 1
Liberty	" 300	Lincoln.	Lancaster	January 10, 18		5.1
Bayard	" 301	Bayard	Morrill	January 19, 18		5, 1
Mizpah	" 302	Omaha	Douglas	November 12, 18	June	4.1
Right Angle	" 303	Omaha	Douglas	September 24, 19	June	9.2
Newman Grove	" 305	Newman Grove	Madison	January 14.20	June	9, 2
Golden Rod	" 306	Lodgepole	Chevenne	August 19, 20	June	8.2
Perkins	" 308		Perkins	December 1.20		8.2
Victory	" 310	Valley	Douglas	December 27, 20	June	8.2
Polk	" 311	Polk	Polk	January 4, 21	June	8,2
Oak Leaf	" 312	Lynch	Boyd	June 23.21	June	7.2
Potter	" 313	Potter	Chevenne	September 10, 21	June	7.2
Craftsmen	" 314	Lincoln	Lancaster	March 22, 22	June	5.2
Alpha	" 316	South Sioux City	Dakota	January 27, 25	June	10.2
Mid-West	" 317	Hastings	Adams	January 8, 25	June	10, 2
Grand Island	" 318	Grand Island	Hall	April 1.25	lune	9.20
College View	" 320	Lincoln	Lancaster	July 1.27	June	6, 28
Harmony	" 321	Dalton	Chevenne	February 21.28	June	5. 29
Lebanon	" 323	Columbus	Platte	November 14, 28	June	5. 29
Cairo	" 324	Cairo	Hall	January 16, 36	June	8, 3
Bellevue	" 325	Bellevue	Sarpy	March 5, 55	June	8. 55
Centennial	" 326	Omaha	Douglas	November 26, 55	June	6, 50
Shiloh	" 327	Omaha	Douglas	September 3, 65	June	10, 60
Miloma	* 328	Omaha	Douglas	January 19, 72	June	28. 7

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LODGES ORGANIZED IN TERRITORY OTHER THAN NEBRASKA

Name of Lodge	Location
Summit No. 7	<ul> <li>Parkville, Colorado Instituted May 6, 1861.</li> <li>Chartered June 5, 1861. Transferred to Grand Lodge of Colorado, August 2, 1861.</li> </ul>
Rocky Mountain No. 8	- Gold Hill, Colorado Instituted May 21, 1861. Chartered June 5, 1861. Transferred to Grand Lodge of Colorado, August 2, 1861.
Central City, U. D.	- Central City, Colorado Instituted 1860 or 1861.
Bannack City, U. D.	<ul> <li>Bannack City. Idaho Instituted April 1863, or June 21, 1863.</li> </ul>
Monitor Lodge, U. D.	- United States Army Instituted July 30, 1863. Became extinct, prior to 1867.
Idaho Lodge, U. <sup>.</sup> .D. <sup>.</sup> .	- Nevada City, Idaho Instituted November 17, 1863. Became extinct June 23, 1864.
Wyoming Lodge No. 28	- South Pass City, Wyoming . Instituted No- vember 24, 1869. Chartered June 23, 1870. Transferred to Grand Lodge of Wyoming, December 15, 1874

#### CONSOLIDATIONS

Joppa Lodge No. 76 with Franklin No. 264, Oct. 18, 1934. Parallel Lodge No. 152 with Barneston No. 165, Jan. 2, 1940. Tyre Lodge No. 85 with Wymore No. 104, July 7, 1941. Bradshaw Lodge No. 255 with Hampton No. 245, May 21, 1942. Level Lodge No. 196 with Cambridge No. 150, June 4, 1942. Riverside Lodge No. 269 with Cedar River No. 89, June 5, 1942. Juniata Lodge No. 42 with Kenesaw No. 144, July 15, 1942. Palmer Lodge No. 315 with St. Paul No. 82, Oct. 6, 1942. Riverton Lodge No. 63 with Franklin No. 264, May 16, 1945. Elk Creek Lodge No. 90 with Tecumseh No. 17, Nov. 11, 1944. Hildreth Lodge No. 252 with Grace No. 226, Oct. 11, 1945. Hubbell Lodge No. 92 with Hebron No. 43, Feb. 8, 1946. Incense Lodge No. 182 with Jewel No. 149, April 22, 1947. Bee Lodge No. 259 with Oliver No. 38, June 13, 1947. Tuscan Lodge No. 130 with Composite No. 81, Feb. 9, 1963. Delta Lodge No. 230 with Albion No. 78, Jan. 1, 1965. Jewel Lodge No. 149 with Geneva No. 79, Sept. 9, 1966. Valley Lodge No. 157 with Beaver City No. 93, Mar. 8, 1966. Ruskin Lodge No. 304 with Nelson No. 77, Sept. 23, 1966. Morning Star Lodge No. 197 with Stromsburg No. 126, Dec. 9, 1967. Cornerstone Lodge No. 247 with Plainview No. 204, Dec. 12, 1967. Kenesaw Lodge No. 144 with Midwest No. 317, Jan. 13, 1968. Blue Hill Lodge No. 129 with Midwest No. 317, Mar. 19, 1968. Pioneer Lodge No. 322 with Oasis No. 271, Apr. 10, 1969. Compass & Square No. 212 with Thistle No. 61, Apr. 20, 1969. Hope No. 29 with Nemaha Valley No. 4, Sept. 9, 1969. Elm Creek No. 133 with James A. Tulleys No. 267, Mar. 17, 1970. Napthali No. 206 with Fairbury No. 35, Mar. 24, 1970.

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Alexander No. 74 with Hebron No. 43, Sept. 10, 1970. Pythagoras No. 156 with Diamond No. 291, Dec. 4, 1970. Grace No. 226 with Jachin No. 146, May 11, 1970 Wolbach No. 292 with St. Paul No. 82, Dec. 23, 1971. Tyrian No. 243 with Nelson No. 77, June 9, 1972. Mystic Tie No. 166 with Trowel No. 71, June 12, 1972. Roman Eagle No. 203 with Bancroft No. 145, Jan. 8, 1973 Amethyst No. 190 with Cable No. 225, Apr. 20, 1973 Prudence No. 179 with Utica No. 96, Apr. 20, 1973 Fairfield No. 84 With Clay Centre No. 139, Jan. 24, 1974. Ramah No. 275 with Elwood No. 167, Febr. 14, 1974. Sterling No. 70 with Tecumseh No. 17, Febr. 23, 1974. Mt. Hermon No. 231 with Tecumseh No. 17, April 15, 1974. Winnebago No. 309 with Olive Branch No. 274, Dec. 3, 1974. Temple No. 175 with Tecumseh No. 17. Mar. 26, 1975. Beemer No. 253 with Wisner No. 114, June 18, 1975. Signet No. 193, Leigh with Northern Star No. 41, Stanton, Febr. 20, 1976 Plumbline No. 214, Adams with Beatrice No. 26, Beatrice, Oct. 1, 1976 Cubit No. 237, Douglas with Union No. 287, Palmyra, Dec. 31, 1977 Bancroft No. 145, Bancroft, with Olive Branch No. 274, Walthill, Dec. 17, 1978 Litchfield No. 278, Litchfield with Mason City No. 170, Mason City, July 1, 1979 Hartington No. 155, Hartington, with Relief No. 219, Coleridge, August 10, 1979 Creighton No. 100, Creighton with Plainview No. 204 Plainview, May 17, 1980. Star No. 88, Decatur with Pilot No. 240, Lyons, Jan. 22, 1981 Gladstone No. 176, Ansley with Custer No. 148, Broken Bow, Nov. 4, 1981 Eminence No. 223, Giltner with Keystone No. 62, Phillips, Oct. 26, 1981 Antelope No. 276, Elgin with Trowel No. 71, Neligh, Jan. 1, 1982

Bladen No. 319, Bladen with Charity No. 53, Red Cloud, May 6, 1982

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## DATE OF BECOMING EXTINCT

	EATINCI
Decatur No. 7 - Decatur	June 18, 1873
Columbus No. 8 - Columbus	
Nebraska City No. 12 - Nebraska City	
Eureka No. 16 - Arago	
Ashland No. 18 - Ashland	
Rock Bluff No. 20 - Rock Bluff	
Macoy No. 22 - Plattsmouth	
Lafayette No. 24 - Lafayette Pct. (later Grant)	March 27, 1877
Palmyra No. 45 - Palmyra	
Salem No. 47 - Salem	
Lebanon No. 58 - Columbus	
Livingstone No. 66 - First.	
Fortitude No. 69 - Ulysses	
Waco No. 80 · Waco	
Doniphan No. 86 - Doniphan	
Steele City No. 107 - Steele City	
Arapahoe No. 109 - Arapahoe	
Brainard No. 115 - Brainard	
Doric No. 118 - Dorchester	
Jasper No. 122 - Odell	
Indianola No. 123 - Indianola	
Ark & Anchor No. 131 - Ainsworth	
Summit No. 141 - Johnson	
Anchor No. 142 - North Loup	
Square No. 151 - Valparaiso	
Grafton No. 172 - Grafton	
Hesperia No. 178 - Shickley	
Plumb No. 186 - Grant.	November 15, 1897
Israel No. 187 - Ulysses	
Gauge No. 208 - Areadia	
Square & Compass No. 213 - Miller	
Ithmar No. 238 - Crab Orchard	
Orion No. 242 - Ravenna	
Sincerity No. 244 - Battle Creek	
Springview No. 260 - Springview	
Huntley No. 270 - Huntley	
Holbrook No. 257 - Holbrook	June 11, 1959
Exeter No. 283 - Exeter.	
Cowles No. 296 - Cowles	
William E. Hill No. 307 - Otoe	

REPRESENTATIVE	ADDRESS	DATE OF APPOINTMENT	GRAND LODGE	REPRESENTATIVE	ADDRESS	DATE OF APPOINTMENT
Wade H. Brown	Birmingham	Apr. 13, 1976	Alabama	Victor D. Hunt, 62	Phillips	Apr. 29, 1977
Wayne G. Coleman	Kodiak	Mar. 30, 1982	Alaska	Byron C. Jenkins, 325	Omaha	Mar. 8, 1982
T.W. Smallwood	Edmonton		Alberta	Edward H. Lockwood, 265	Hastings	Dec. 15, 1959
Jose Gonzalez Ledo		Jan 10, 1964	Argentina	Robert A. Metcalf, 210	Lincoln	Mar. 14, 1979
John Fletcher Sills, Jr	Prescott	Apr. 13, 1949	Arizona	Robert E. Kyes, 36	Central City	Sept. 3, 1976
Frank A. Smith	Little Rock	Jan. 27, 1958		Bevin B. Bump, 158	Chadron	July 1, 1974
Hugo Barber	Vienna	Mar. 22, 1951	Austria	O. Robert H. Beezley, 250	Lincoln	Apr. 21, 1965
Alfonso Reves		Aug. 13, 1963	Belgium		Central City	1981
Raul Ballalai de Carvalho	Val do Salvador	Sept. 19, 1936	Bolivia	Irwin Osterlon, 72		
iter paneta de cartano			Brazil, Bahja	Frank I. Vlasak, 119	North Bend	July 6, 1972
Roumundo Nonata do Vale	Ceara	Sept. 21, 1949	Brasilia	Albert G. Bates, 1		June 4, 1971
			Brazil, Ceara	Stanley E. Brunton, 222	Herman	July 7, 1976
Jose Cesario Horta	Minas Gerais	Sept. 21, 1949		Gwynne L. Neubauer, 258		July 7, 1976
Luthgard Nobre.	Minas Geraly	June 26, 1974				Nov. 17, 1978
Francisco Bezrea Frota		Oct. 25, 1973				July, 1, 1974
	Rio de Janeiro	Aug. 1, 1969			North Bend	
Ewald Helmuth Langweiler		Feb. 18, 1965	Brazil, Guanabaro			Feb. 2, 1981
Ewald Heimuth Langweiler	Rio Grande do Sul	160.10,1505		Wm. H. Beckenhauer, 19		July 1, 1974
Jose Agular E. Silvia	Dawa	Oct. 10, 1968	Brazil, Para	Gerald A. Moller, 15		Dec. 10, 1968
	Para Paraiba		Brazi, Paraiba			Jan 3, 1936
		Mar. 7, 1968			Lincoln	Mar. 7, 1968
	Parana Pernambuco	Oct. 22, 1968				June 12, 1974
Lirio Burigo Bez		Sept. 22, 1968				July 1, 1974
	Sao Paulo	Nov. 14, 1951		Charles W. Amidon, 281		June 7, 1977
			British Columbia			July 10, 1947
A.G. Mitchell	The second secon	Apr. 13, 1965	California	Eugene C. Sibley, 54		June 11, 1976
	Eureka	Apr. 23, 1969		Paul R. Eveland, 119		Feb. 16, 1982
	Ottawa	Dec. 21, 1976	Canada			June 4, 1971
Ghertzen Gango		Apr. 20, 1976	Chile			
	Taiwan	June 26, 1980	China.	Charles W. Jacobs, 325	Bellevue	Feb. 3, 1981
Jose Maria Serna	Barranquilla	July 31, 1951	Columbia Nat'l	Kenneth P. Lott, 184	Pollounio	Feb. 3, 1981
Torono N. Thomason	Montrose	1	Grand Lodge	Carl R. Greisen, 32		June 23, 1943
		Apr. 9, 1980		Arnold F. Mains, 15		Dec. 13, 1968
	Collinsville	Mar. 18, 1969	Connecticut	Richard H. Scheef, 288		July 7, 1976
Carlos Miranda	,	Oct. 22, 1968	Costa Rica	Joseph C. Tye, 46		
		Nov. 5, 1952	Cuba	T. Leo Stines, 36	Control City	Eab 19 1067
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		Sept. 23, 1971	Denmark	Alton S. Mote, 183		
		May 6, 1969	Dist. of Columbia	Herbert A. Ronin, 210		
		June 17, 1953	Ecuador	Richard O. Cowles, 217		
		Oct. 22, 1976		Harry A. Spencer, 227		
		Dec. 15, 1969		Sebert A. Stover, 281		
		June 23, 1970	Florida			Aug. 8, 1966
Edward Jeanmonod	Paris	Sept. 14, 1954		J. Dallas Gibson, 54	Lincoin	July 1, 1974
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REPRESENTATIVE	ADDRESS	DATE ÓF APPOINTMENT	GRAND LODGE	REPRESENTATIVE	ADDRESS	DATE OF APPOINTMENT
John M. McClurd		May 13, 1969	Georgia	Raymond F. Evers, 6	Plattsmouth	Aug. 3, 1960
Wolfgang Durst	Aschoffenburg	Sept. 24, 1975	Germany	Alfred G. Wurst, 59	Lincoln	July 6, 1972
Geo. Sakelloriou	Athens	Apr. 10, 1954	Greece		Sargent	June 11, 1976
Angel G. Guzman		Aug. 13, 1963	Guatemala	Roger E. Shillington, 180		June 8, 1977
Bjarne Bjarnason	Helgafell	Jan. 7, 1953	Honduras		Lyons	Nov. 3, 1962
*******************************			Iceland	Dan W. Holmstedt, 314	Lincoln	May 20, 1980
Eugene Taylor	Kendrick	Nov. 9, 1966	Idaho		Omaha	Aug. 11, 1960
Harry Kline	Decatur	July 11, 1950	Illinois	Gladwyn A, Youngs, 210		May3, 1977
Herbert Newman	South Bend	Dec. 4, 1974	Indiana		Omaha	May 21, 1959
H. J. Engineer	Bombay	Aug. 7, 1963	India			Sept. 17, 1977
			Iran	Joel N. Lindquist, 1	Omaha	June 4, 1971
James E. Weir	Dublin	June 19, 1970	Ireland	Robert E. Comer, 239	Grand Island	
Yehuda Ashkenazi	Tel Aviv	Sept. 22, 1981	Israel. State of		Omaha	
Gilberto Olivieri	Rome	Sept. 22, 1976	Italy	Lewis R. Ricketts, 19	Lincoln	
Yasuhiko Ide			Japan	Delbert H. Pinkerton, 314	Lincoln	
Richard K. Hart	Topeka	Jan. 6, 1964	Kansas		Clay Center	
O.J.Hyde	Louisville	July 31, 1972	Kentucky	Harold C. Wurdeman, 323	Columbus	
John F. Arnold			Louisiana	John A. Bottorf, 49	Sutton	Feb. 23 1958
Rene' Gregorius		Aug. 17, 1971	Luxemborg	Thomas McBride, 143	Primrose	
Royce G. Wheeler	Bangor	Aug. 30, 1976	Maine	Ralph W. Gerry, 281	Omaha	Aug 7 1969
Joseph S. Reynolds	Winnipeg	Mar. 29, 1980	Manitoba	Harry N. Ahl, 112	Louisville	
John M. Baker III			Maryland	Henry L. Rood, 59	Wahoo	
Karl O. Lepisto		Dec. 4, 1974	Massachusetts	Wade E. Sheppard, 303	Omaha	
George Sanfor	Mexico City	Aug. 8, 1969	Mexico York Grand Lodge	Russell L. Fickes, 33	Grand Island	
Willard Sauer	Sparta	Feb. 14, 1958	Michigan	Paul R. Pierce, 50	Hastings	Mar 15 1979
Wm. W. Widstrand	Hibbing	Feb. 9, 1972	Minnesota	Merle M. Hale, 54	Lincoln	
John T. Brown	Aberdeen	Jan. 16, 1953	Mississippi	Louis V. Sylvester, 281	Omaha	
William R. Robbins	Trenton	July 23, 1963	Missouri	William F. Patterson, 327	Omaha	
J.R.P. Reinemer	Circle	Feb. 3, 1953	Montana	C. Harold Edwards, 105	Lincoln	
J.F.A. Gravenberch		Dec. 14, 1960	Netherlands	W. Upton Dawson, 135.	McCook	
Lee Griswold	Eureka	Aug. 5, 1968	Nevada	James N. DeMoss, 325	Omaha,	Jan. 8, 1981
Kenneth Nelson	St. John	Oct. 21, 1955	New Brunswick	Frank H. Smith, 301	Bayard	
Ellis W. Howard	Littleton	June 14, 1962	New Hampshire	William Keller, 250	Lincoln	
Robert W. Emery	Old Bridge	Sept. 15, 1972	New Jersey	John F. Futcher, 302	Omaha	July 21 1955
Howard M. Sleeper	Santa Fe	Apr. 9, 1953	New Mexico	Harold D. Weddel, 61	Lexington	
Grodon Ross Mallam	Fairlight	June 16, 1974	New South Wales.	Donald R. White, 327	Omaha	Feb. 3, 1981
Benjamin Wahn		Feb. 23, 1981	New York	Warren D. Lichty, Jr., 314	Lincoln	
Raymond E. Dovey		Feb. 14, 1979	New Zealand	Donald R. Swanson. 54	Lincoln	
Raymond E. Dovey		100, 14, 1010	Nicaragua	Paul D. Fleming, 93	Beaver City	
Nathaniel C. Dean		July 26, 1965	North Carolina	Levi B. Williams, 1	Omaha	
Calvin E. Rustad	Grand Forks	Sept. 7, 1955	North Dakota	Hugh W. Eisenhart, 150	Cambridge	
Ivar Moe	Sandefjord	Apr. 24, 1975	Norway.	S.E. Torgeson, 294	Kimball	
D.C. Horton	Yarmouth	June 21, 1978	Nova Scotia	Curtis J. Griess, 49	Grand Island	
				Carto di Gilega, 10 minimum		

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Juan L. Arocha E. L. Galbraith Aubrey R. Erhart Arthur E. Baird	Monterray Guymon	Oct. 23, 1950 Apr. 23, 1969 June 11, 1963	Nuevo Leon Ohio Oklahoma	Doane O. Trail, 135 Darrell D. Christensen, 54 Frederick E. Forsee, 288 Frank J. Mattoon, 75	McCook Lincoln Elkhorn Sidney	Apr. 28, 1977 Dec. 4, 1968
Elias S. Mizrachi Carlos Pena	Panama Lima	Sept. 16, 1980 Jan. 13, 1953 Sept. 1, 1972	Oregon Panama Peru Philippings	Arthur S. Dye, 317 Richard L. Mauch, 254 Donald A. Kyckelhahn, 210	Hastings Bassett Lincoln	July 28, 1965 June 4, 1971 Aug. 7, 1969
Antonio Espinosa Allan C. Jenkins Luis S. Parrilla Castro	Manila Summerside Fajards	Apr. 8, 1971 Apr. 1, 1981	Philippines Prince Ed Is Puerto Rico	Donald C. Smith, 1 Herman O. Hansen, 3 Viron E. Baxter, 216	Omaha Omaha Palisade	Jan. 17, 1945 June 4, 1971
Gordon A. Lynn W. R. Gailey Edward T. Hudson H. Warner	Dorval Chepachet Kennedy	Nov. 21, 1977 Feb. 29, 1960 Aug. 11, 1978	Quebec Queensland Rhode Island Saskatchewan	Wayne J. Pauley, 19 Edward A. Hoagland, 25 P.W. Elliott, 323	Lincoln Omaha	July 18, 1977 July 3, 1942 Apr. 26, 1977
Wm. McG. Rankin David S. Van de Merve Rafael F. Moreno	Edinburgh Bogota	June 25, 1980 Feb. 20, 1979	Scotland So. Africa So. Am. Col	Sidney H. Bliton, 263 Gerald V. Inslee, 158 Jack H. Hendrix, 174	Mitchell	June 11, 1976 Dec. 2, 1968
M.D.J.C. Navarro G.T. Brice Rhoden D. Batson	Greenville	Aug. 25, 1969 July 6, 1971	So. Am. Dom So. Aust So. Car	Harry A. Tollander, 281 Edgar Bredemeier, 105 Mark Mitchell, 138	Scotia Stella	
L.L. Kirkpatrick Olle Hellberg Frederick J. Pruefer	Sioux Falls Linkoping Zurich	Mar. 29, 1980 Oct. 23, 1978 June 21, 1978	So. Dak Sweden Switzerland	U. Wesley Fox, 192 Lillard S. Jensen, 232 Wayne W. Reese, 54	Omaha Lincoln	July 1, 1974
German Barrera S.V. Tilley M. D. Manning	Victoria Hobart Chattanooga	Aug. 27, 1970 Mar. 27, 1957 Sept. 14, 1981	Tamlaupias Tasmania Tennessee	Homer C. Davey, 317 Lloyd I. Edwards, 110 George A. Iverson, 15	Hastings Ashland Fremont	Sept. 8, 1960 Apr. 28, 1977
G.P. Stockwell Attila Atli John J. Greiner	Houston Istanbul Ogden	Dec. 10, 1977 Dec. 29, 1971 Sept. 10, 1959	Texas Turkey Utah	Donald A. Keys, 300 Melvin E. Johnson, 112 Robert L. Little, 240		Aug. 27, 1963 June 11, 1976
Wendell H. Chaffee Farrin Webb	Burlington Melbourne	May 16, 1962 Mar. 23, 1946	Venezuela Vermont Victoria	Wendell R. Wertz, 174	North Platte Loup City Trenton	July 6, 1972 Nov. 15, 1979
P.O. Shepherd, Jr Malcom L. Wilkinson F.G. Hatcher	S. Arlington Tacoma	Jan. 2, 1952 Apr. 14, 1971 Dec. 17, 1960	Virginia Washington West Aust	Edward M. Knight, 183 Henry E. Schemmel, 2	Nebr. City	June 27, 1941 June 11, 1976
J.K. Ferguson George J. Schreiber	Milwaukee	Sept. 28, 1961 Mar. 23, 1946	West Va Wisconsin	John S. Savage II Harold Hultman		Feb. 6, 1981 June 12, 1974

## **GRAND LODGE OF NEBRASKA**

## THE ROLL OF DEPUTY GRAND CUSTODIANS AND DATE OF APPOINTMENT

The first reference providing for an "Assistant Custodian," was made in 1869.

In 1870 the "Committee on Work" recommended the establishment of five districts and the appointment of an equal number of brethren, these together with the Grand Lecturer to constitute a "Board of Custodians" to serve for five years. From that time until now, there have been appointed assistant custodians. It is the purpose here to list all that have at any time served the Grand Lodge. They are listed in terms of first appointment. The number following each name represents the lodge of which each was or is a member.

Daniel H. Wheeler, 61870 John Reed, 2	L. S. Moe, 15
Robert W. Furnas, 41871           D. F. Powell, 31871           A. Atkinson, 31871	James R. Cain, 9
H. O. Hanna, 9	Charles H. Willard, 211878 Samuel W. Hayes, 551879 Marshall Smith, 21878 James McNaughton, 41879 Joseph H. McConnel, 321879 Edward F. Thorp, 21879 George W. Mowrey, 501880
Frederick N. Dick, 321876 George W. Lininger, 31877	Charles A. Holmes, 171880

Note: From 1880 until 1910, there were no recorded appointments of brethren to serve as assistants to the Grand Custodian. In 1910 Brother Robert E. French did hold special meetings to examine and instruct brethren who were willing to become "assistants" in the work. Thirteen brethren were nominated and approved for appointment as assistants. After 1917 these brethren were generally referred to as "assistant custodians". In 1925 the designation was "Deputy Custodians". The following brethren appeared in the records as "assistant custodians" or at times as "Deputy Custodians."

*John J. Mercer, 3 1910	*Ira C. Freet, 56 1913
*Samuel S. Whiting, 54 1910	*Benjamin Wood, 210 1913
*Walter W. Wells, 192 1910	*Edward M. Wellman, 1 1913
*Ensign J. Rix, 55 1910	*Charles A. Eyre, 268 1913
*James D. Phillips, 93 1910	*Robert A. Armstrong, 321913
*Frederick L. Wolff, 135 1910	*Levi Pringle, 276 1913
*Ernest H. James, 1 1910	*Earl M. Bolen, 130 1914
*Fred A. Howe, 119 1910	*Frank L. Haycock, 207 1914
*Robert B. Walker, 170 1912	*George A. Stevens, 158 1914
*Frank W. Farrand, 36 1913	Harry M. Jones, 46 1916
	*Levi D. Phipps, 311916

*Alfred G. Hunt, 33 1 *Harry L. F. Profitt, 50 1	.916
*Harry L. F. Proffitt, 50 1	.916
*Orville A. Andrews, 19 1	917
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*Andrew H. Viele, 55 1	917
*Maro C. Shipherd, 15 1	920
*Jesse Lowther, 219	1920
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*Lute M. Savage, 3	1920
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*Frances S. Robey, 19	1922
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*Harry R. Belville, 146	1923
*George R. Patterson, 136.	1923
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*D. Horace Schall, 307	1923
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*Harry L. Mantor, 306	1927
*John R. Easley, 49	1927
*I. Donald Huston, 65	1928
*Elmer Surber, 95	1928
*Elmer Surber, 95 *John M. Bennett, 19	1928
*Earl Barnett, 146	1929
*Jonathan Frye, 1	1929
*Jonathan Frye, 1 *Ernest R. Reynolds, 124	1930
*Osborne P. Simon, 174	1930
*Doc L. Redfern, 300	1930
Austin F. Whitmire, 306	1931
*Henning C. Johnson, 171.	1932
Carroll C. Raymer, 164	1932
*Ward B. Schrack, 46	1933
*Byron S. Peterson, 25	1933
*Raymond C. Cook, 6	1933
*Ray B. Bottorf, 33	1933
*Wallace E. Linn, 1	1934
*Wallace E. Linn, 1 *Jesse P. Entriken, 295	1934
Harold D. Weddel, 208	1937
Cecil C. Gates, 227	1938
*Fred G. Christensen, 33	1938
*Ross Van Sickle, 184	1938
*S. William Beck, 43	1940
*Stanley B. Fryar, 139	1940
*Roy S. Planck, 15	1940
*Ralph I. Berry, 256	1965
Carl A. Johnson, 183	
*Robert W. Boon, 33	1965
Augustus W. Clark, 318	1965
Augustus II. Olark, 010	1000

*Buren P. Wells, 315 1	940
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*F Ray Dilte 83	942
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*Louis E Dolton 195	
"Lewis E. Baker, 155	943
*Howard E. Bradstreet, 261 1	943
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Louis V. Sylvester, 281 1	946
*Irving S. Johnson, 148 1	946
*LaVerne A. Walker, 55 1	.946
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*Frank A. Anderson, 17 1	949
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Paul D. Fleming, 93 1	949
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*Ralph M. Carhart, 120 1	950
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Lloyd I. Edwards, 110	1960
T. Leo Stines, 36	1960
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Sebert A. Stover, 281	1960
Stanley E. Brunton, 222	1961
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*Richard L. Wait, 19	1962
Gordon Chard, 240	1962
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Stuart A. Johnson, 169	
Arthur C Duo 217	1064
Arthur S. Dye, 317	1064
W. Upton Dawson, 135	1004
Donald R. Davis, 164	1964
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### MASONIC CALENDAR

Ancient Craft Masons commence their era with the creation of the world, calling it Anno Lucis (A. L.) "In the year of light."

Royal Arch Masons date from the year the second temple was commenced by Zerubbabel, Anno Inventionis (A, .I, .) "In the year of the Discovery."

Royal and Select Masters date from the year in which the Temple of Solomon was completed, Anno Depositions (A. Dep. ) "In the year of the deposit."

Knight Templar commence their era with the organization of the order, Anno Ordinis, (A. O. ) "In the year of the Order."

Order of High Priesthood dates from the year of the blessing of Abraham by the High Priest Melchizedek, Anno Beneficio, (A. Beo.) "In the year of the blessing."

Scottish Rite, same as Ancient Craft, except the Jewish chronology is used. Anno Mundi, (A. M. ) "In the year of the world."

#### RULES FOR MASONIC DATES

Ancient Craft Masons – Add 4,000 years to the current year, thus: 1982 and 4,000 - 5982.

Royal Arch Masons — Add 530 to the current year, thus: 1982 and 530-2509.

Royal and Select Masters – Add 1,000 years to current year, thus: 1975 and 1,000 - 2982.

Knights Templar – From the Christian era take 1,118; thus: 1,118 from 1982 - 860.

Order of High Priesthood - To the Christian era add 1913, the year of the blessing, thus 1982 - 3891.

Scottish Rite – Add 3,760 to the current year; thus 1982 and 3,760 – 5939.