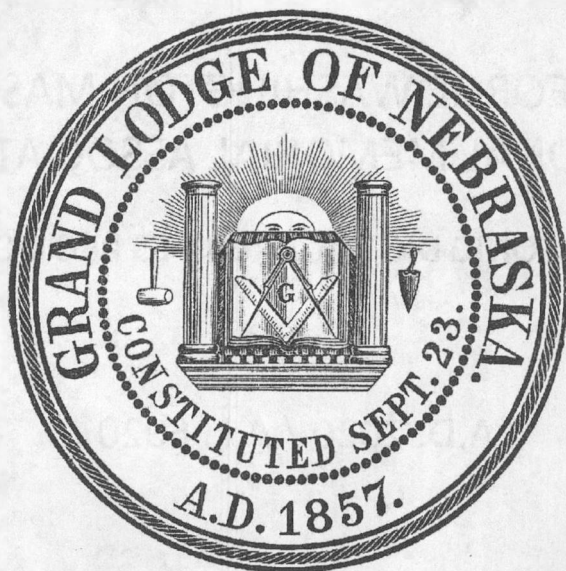


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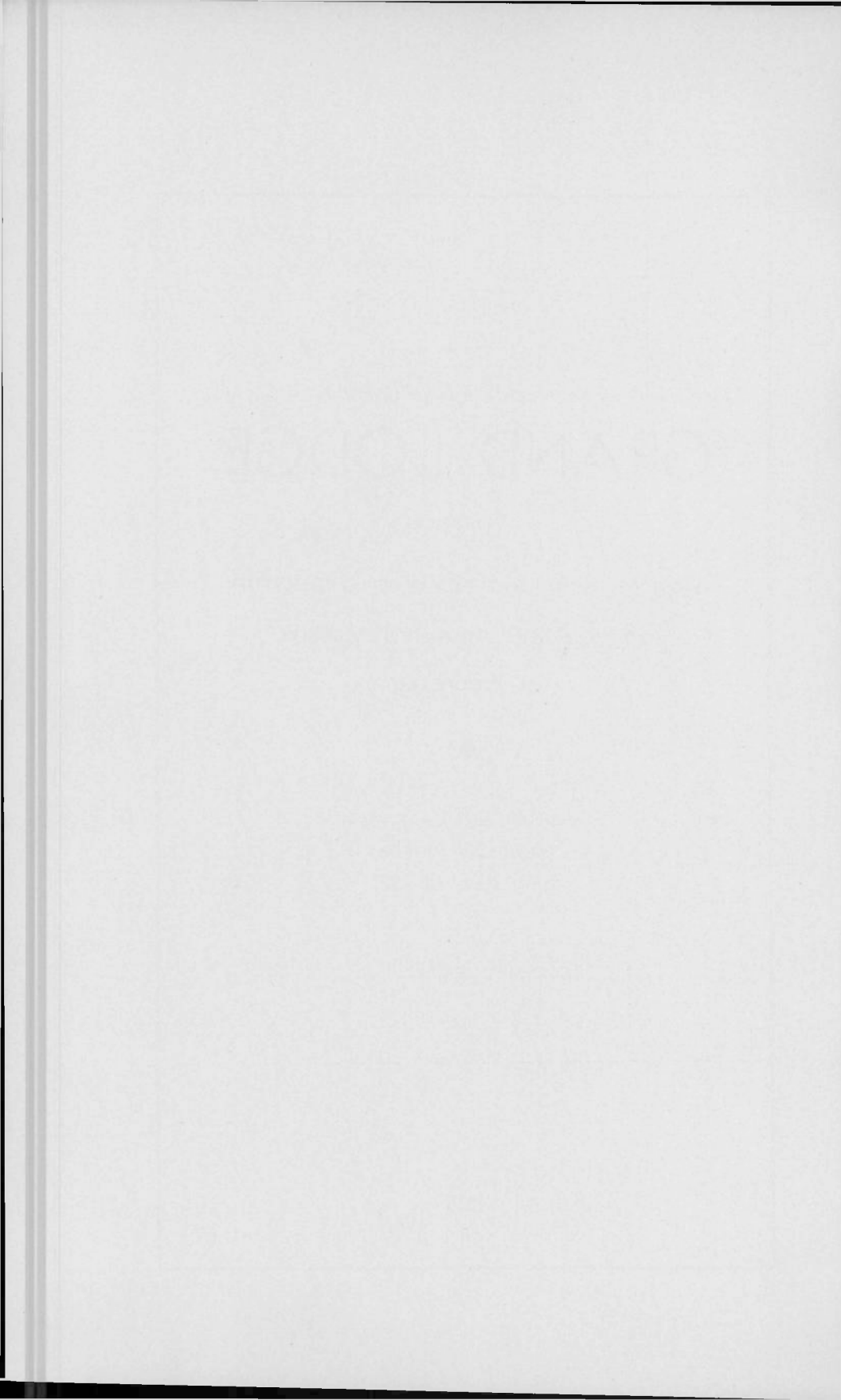
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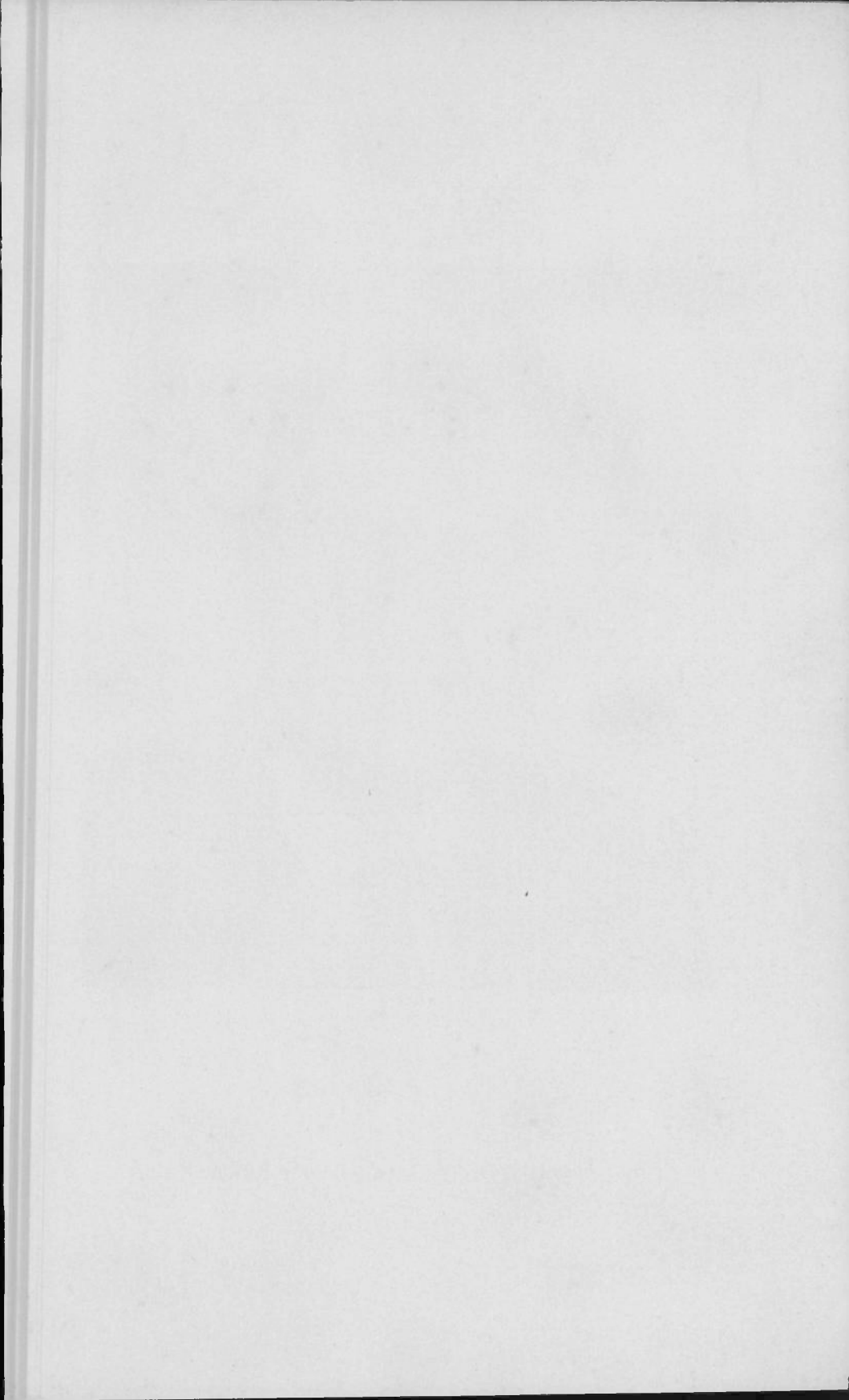




John H. Brown

GRAND MASTER OF MASONS OF NEBRASKA

1970-1971



Biographical

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John H. Brown

John H. Brown was born May 4, 1910, at Richfield, Nebraska, the son of William and Clara Brown. He was graduated from Papillion High School in 1929. He was employed in the Hardware Business in Papillion and managed a paint store in Omaha until 1932, then operated his own Radio Sales and Service Business at Papillion until 1934, when he became manager of the Radio and Refrigeration Division of an Omaha Wholesaler for six years. In 1940 he started an Electronics Business as President and General Manager which he operated in that capacity until 1946, when he became owner. He and Mrs. Brown are operating this business under the name of J-B Electronics Distributing Company.

M. W. Brother Brown was married to Ruth E. Aufrecht in March of 1936. They have two children, a son Gene and a daughter Janis. The Browns are members of Dundee Presbyterian Church in Omaha, where he has served as a Deacon, Trustee and Elder.

Brother John has been active in the National Electronic Distributors Association of which he is a charter member and past National Officer. He is past National Secretary of the Association, was a member of the Board of Directors for 12 years as well as chairman of several committees. He is a past President of the Iowa-Nebraska Chapter of the National Association and served in this capacity three different terms. Brother Brown is now serving as a Vice President and Chairman of the Finance Committee on the Board of Trustees of The Nebraska Masonic Home, and is a long time member of the Temple Craft Corporation which operates the Masonic Temple at 19th and Douglas Streets, Omaha.

Member of Omaha Chamber of Commerce and is a past officer and member of the Omaha Optimist Club.

MASONIC RECORD

LODGE: Nebraska No. 1 at Omaha, Initiated September 12, 1944; passed October 17, 1944 and raised November 28, 1944 and served as Master in 1952.

CAPITULAR

CAPITULAR: Omaha Chapter No. 1, R. A. M., December 24, 1946.

CRYPTIC: Omaha Council No. 1, R. & S. M., December 7, 1965.

CHIVALRIC: Mount Calvary No. 1, Knights Templar, October 26, 1951 Omaha Consistory, Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, 32nd Degree; Tangier Temple, A.A.O.N.M.S., of Omaha, 1945 Coeur de Lion Conclave, Red Cross of Constantine, of Omaha, 1966, DeMolay, Honorary Legion of Honor and Director Nebraska DeMolay Foundation: Trinity Chapter No. 299, Order of the Eastern Star, 1948; Proficient Past Masters Shrine Club; Royal Order of Jesters, Court No. 19, Omaha; Square and Compass Club, Omaha; Certificate of Proficiency since, 1946.

Appointed Grand Representative to the Grand Lodge Michigan by M. W. Louis V. Sylvester, November 1, 1965.

Appointed Grand Junior Deacon of the Grand Lodge by M. W. Louis V. Sylvester, June, 1965. Served as Grand Junior Deacon, Grand Senior Deacon, Grand Junior Warden, Grand Senior Warden, Deputy Grand Master and installed Grand Master, June 1970.

Every Past Grand Master looks forward with anticipation to the year his appointee in the Grand Lodge line serves as the presiding officer. This past year has been no exception; a truly dedicated Mason brought honor and distinction to Nebraska Masonry as he served as Grand Master. He fulfilled every expectation and more of his sponsor.

His devotion and dedication to his responsibilities were and still are inspirations to all Masons. Through his untiring and ceaseless efforts, Masonry in Nebraska has been enhanced and advanced. He has willingly accepted and conscientiously performed every task entrusted to him. M. W. Brother John has endeared himself to all Masons and we look forward to his wise council and continued assistance for many years to come.

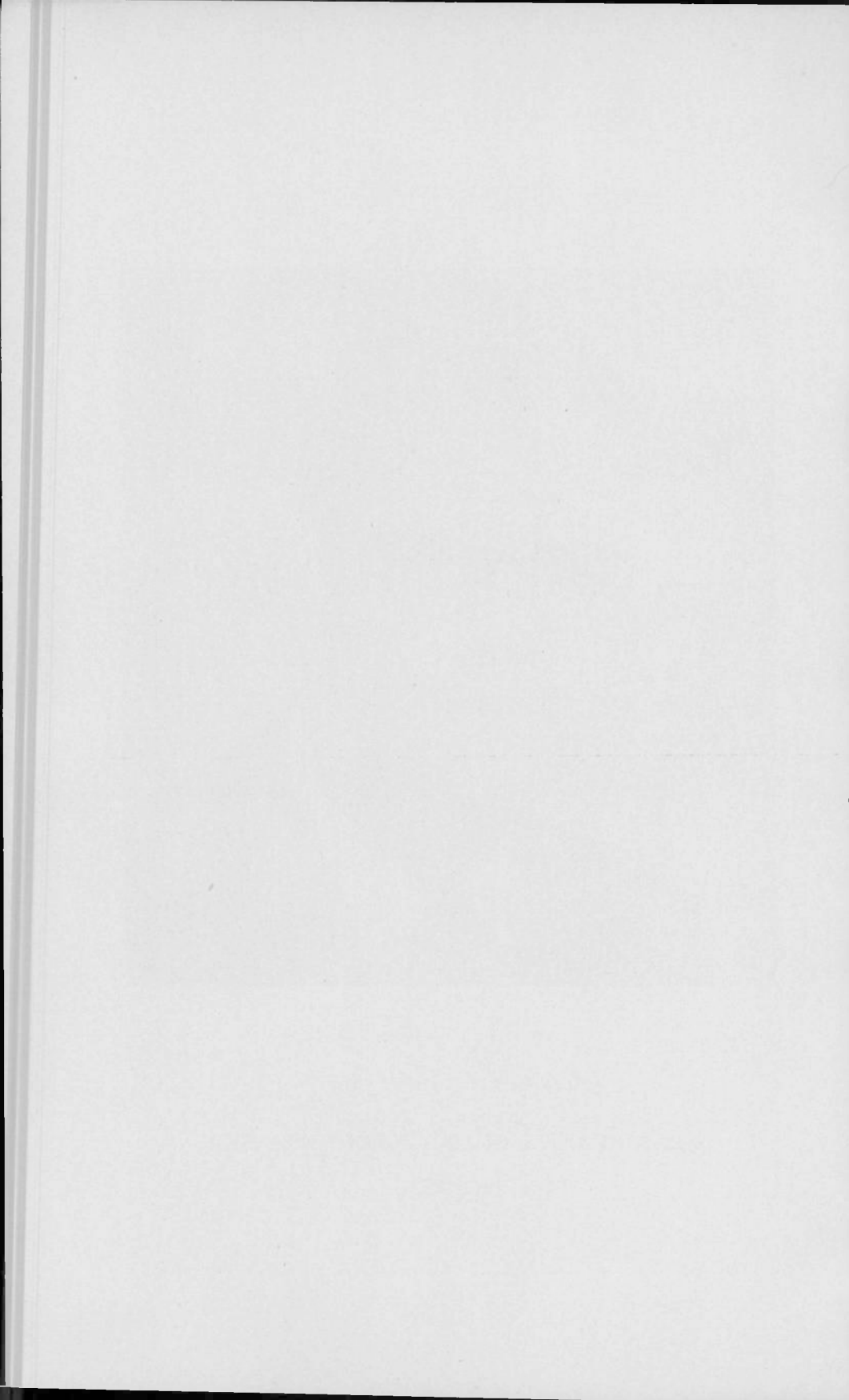
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Russell L. Fikes

GRAND MASTER OF MASONS OF NEBRASKA

1971-1972



PROCEEDINGS
of the
FIRST EMERGENT COMMUNICATION

Held At
Hastings, Nebraska October 9, 1970

An emergent Communication of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge was held at the Masonic Temple of Hastings Lodge No. 50, A. F. & A. M., for the purpose of conducting funeral services for M. W. Ralph O. Canaday, Past Grand Master of Masons of Nebraska.

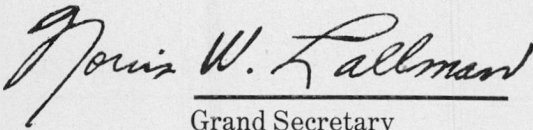
The Grand Master, M. W. John H. Brown opened an emergent communication of the Grand Lodge in ample form.

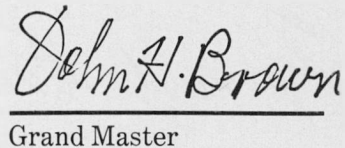
Present were: M. W. John H. Brown, Grand Master; M. W. Charles A. Chappell, P.G.M.; M. W. John A. Bottorf, P.G.M.; M. W. Norris W. Lallman, P.G.M. & Grand Secretary; R. W. Russell L. Fickes, D.G.M.; W. Harold Hultman, G.J.D.; W. Paul Pierce, Past Grand Orator.

Masonic Funeral Services were conducted with W. Brother Paul Pierce delivering the oration. These services were held at St. Mark's Cathedral in Hastings.

The Grand Lodge was then closed in ample form.

Attest:


Grand Secretary


Grand Master

PROCEEDINGS
of the
SECOND EMERGENT COMMUNICATION

Held At

Scottsbluff, Nebraska, February 17, 1971

An Emergent Communication of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Nebraska was held at the Masonic Temple of Robert W. Furnas Lodge No. 265, A. F. & A. M., Scottsbluff, Nebraska, for the purpose of conducting funeral services for M. W. Roy I. Babbitt, Past Grand Master of Masons of Nebraska.

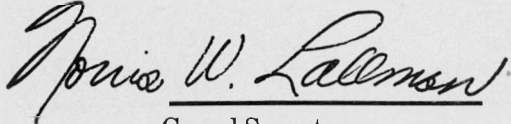
The Grand Master, M. W. John H. Brown opened an emergent communication of the Grand Lodge in ample form.

Present were: M. W. John H. Brown, Grand Master; M. W. Edward M. Knight, P.G.M.; M. W. Ernest O. Van Wey, P.G.M.; M. W. Norris W. Lallman, P.G.M. & Grand Secretary; W. Ralph W. Gerry, Grand Custodian.

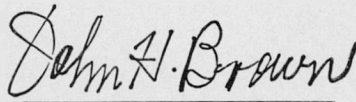
Masonic Funeral Services were conducted with W. Brother Ralph W. Gerry delivering the oration. Services were held at the Presbyterian Church, in Scottsbluff. Masonic services were conducted at Gering Cemetery.

The Grand Lodge was then closed in ample form.

Attest:



Grand Secretary



Grand Master

PROCEEDINGS

of the

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

*ONE HUNDRED FOURTEENTH ANNUAL
COMMUNICATION*

Held in Omaha, June 11 and 12, 1971

FIRST DAY — MORNING SESSION

Friday, June 11, 1971

The Grand Lodge of the Most Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of Nebraska met in Annual Communication at the Scottish Rite Cathedral, Omaha, at 8:30 a.m. on Friday, June 11, A.D. 1971, A.L. 5971.

GRAND OFFICERS PRESENT

M. W. John H. Brown, 1	Grand Master
R. W. Russell L. Fickes, 33	Deputy Grand Master
R. W. Howard J. Hunter, 59	Grand Senior Warden
R. W. Frank J. Mattoon, 75	Grand Junior Warden
M. W. Norris W. Lallman, 72	Grand Secretary
V. W. Walter O. Samuelson, 326	Grand Chaplain
W. Jack H. Hendrix, 174	Grand Orator
W. George W. Rosenlof, 314	Grand Historian
W. Ralph W. Gerry, 281	Grand Custodian
W. T. Leo Stines, 36	Grand Marshal
W. Donald R. Swanson, 54	Grand Senior Deacon
W. Harold Hultman, 39	Grand Junior Deacon
W. John H. Smith, 1	Grand Tyler

Promptly at 8:30 a.m. a Lodge of Master Masons was opened in form by Nebraska Lodge No. 1 A.F. & A.M.

M. W. John H. Brown, Grand Master, was escorted to the East; by M. W. Louis V. Sylvester, 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 114th 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. Walter O. Samuelson to the altar for the purpose of prayer.

PRESENTATION OF FLAG

Presentation of the Flag of the United States was made by Sir Knights of Mt. Calvary Commandery No. 1, K. T.

Following the seating of the Flag, the Pledge of Allegiance, was given.

W. Donald R. Swanson, Grand Senior Deacon presented the following Past Grand Masters according to seniority.

PAST GRAND MASTERS

Edward F. Carter	(77th)	1941
William B. Wanner	(79th)	1943
Benjamin F. Eyre	(81st)	1946
Elmer E. Magee	(83rd)	1948
Thomas J. Aron	(86th)	1951
Edward M. Knight	(87th)	1952
Charles F. Adams	(89th)	1954
Herbert T. White	(90th)	1955
Merle M. Hale	(91st)	1956
Joseph C. Tye	(94th)	1959
John F. Futcher	(95th)	1960
Herbert A. Ronin	(96th)	1961
Ernest O. Van Wey	(97th)	1962
Harry A. Spencer	(99th)	1964
Louis V. Sylvester	(100th)	1965
Lewis R. Ricketts	(101st)	1966
John A. Bottorf	(102nd)	1967
Norris W. Lallman	(103rd)	1968
Hugh W. Eisenhart	(104th)	1969
Carl R. Greisen	Honorary	1966

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 illness in their families: Charles A. Chappell; George A. Kurk; William C. Schaper and Edward Huwaldt.

M. W. Louis V. Sylvester gave the response for the Past Grand Masters.

RECEPTION OF DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

The committee on Entertainment of Distinguished Guests introduced the following: W. William H. Utz, Jr, Grand Treasurer and Personal Representative of M. W. Grand Master, William H. Chapman, Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M. of Missouri; M. W. Theodore G. Zacharias, Grand Master, Grand Lodge of Iowa; M. W. William W. Widstrand, Grand Master Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M. of Minnesota; M. W. Robert D. Caplinger, Grand Master, Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M. of Kansas; M. W. Dean C. Mabry, Grand Master, Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Colorado; M. W. Charles E. Clay, Grand Master, Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M. of South Dakota; R. W. Clark Perry, Deputy Grand Master and Personal Representative of M. W. Kirby H. Olds, Grand Master, Grand Lodge, of Wyoming; M. W. H. Jackson Staton, Past Grand Master, Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Kansas; R. W. Charles T. Jackson, Grand Secretary, Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Iowa; R. W. Ashby B. Paul, Grand Secretary, Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M. of Pennsylvania; Ill. Joseph W. Seacrest, 33° Sovereign Grand Inspector General in Nebraska and Grand Almoner, The Supreme Council, Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, Southern Jurisdiction, U.S.A.; M. E. Charles E. Baker, Grand High Priest, Grand Chapter, R. A. M. of Nebraska; R. E. Ehm J. Sorensen, Grand Commander, Grand Commandery, K. T. of Nebraska; M. I. Donald Hafer, Grand Master, Grand Council, R. & S. M. in Nebraska; W. Lynn Monroe, Potentate, Tangier Temple, A.A.O.N.M.S.; M. Edward Lockwood, Secretary Scottish Rite, Hastings; W. Edwin G. Mortensen, Secretary, Scottish Rite, Omaha; W. Harmon W. Rullifson, Secretary, Scottish Rite, Minneapolis; Brother William F. Patterson, President, Board of Trustees, The Nebraska Masonic Home; Brother Raymond F. Evers, Superintendent, The Nebraska Masonic Home; Brother Fred Mulford, Superintendent, Masonic-Eastern Star Home for Children and W. Brother Olen Brake, Worthy Grand Patron, Order of Eastern Star.

M. W. John H. Brown welcomed the Distinguished Guests with fitting words and thanked them for honoring us with their presence.

GREETINGS AND MESSAGES

Olen Brake, Worthy Grand Patron:

M. W. Grand Master, Distinguished Guests and Brethren: Thank you for the privilege of appearing on your program this morning as a representative of the Grand Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star in Nebraska. May I take this opportunity to congratulate you, M. W. Sir, upon the completion of a

year of splendid progress within our great fraternity. Surely, you have earned the plaudit "well, done, thou good and faithful servant." You and your corp of Officers have traveled many miles this year to participate in many lodge functions and those of related bodies. As a result, the fine spirit, cooperation and fellowship has prevailed. It is most gratifying to note especially the splendid rapport which exists between the Grand Lodge and the Order of the Eastern Star. As does its faith and order, Freemasonry, and the Order of the Eastern Star seeks to inculcate the principles of obedience to civil law and loyalty to our country, yes, and to our God. We must encourage moral and religious training which develops character and can produce trained, unselfish leaders. This we are striving to accomplish through sponsorship of our youth groups. The Rainbow for Girls, Order of Jobs Daughters and DeMolay for Boys, and, too, our Masonic-Eastern Star Home at Fremont provides a Christian home for many children, the pride of a normal family life. We must continue our concern for those who have labored in our organizations in years past, and now in the sunset of their lives need provision for their physical and spiritual needs, we are cognizant of the fact that many Eastern Star Members are enjoying the facilities of The Masonic Home at Plattsmouth.

We wish to assure you of our sincere desire to cooperate fully with the Grand Lodge in all joint ventures. In areas where we may be of assistance to you. As tangible evidence of our support, it is my pleasure to present to you, M. W. Sir, this monetary gift and this floral arrangement which you see in the front of the podium on behalf of the Grand Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star in Nebraska. In closing may I again express appreciation for the splendid service you have given and wish for you a most successful session.

M. W. John H. Brown, Grand Master, thanked Brother Brake for the basket of flowers and for the generous check which he presented to be used at The Nebraska Masonic Home.

Robert A. Metcalf, Past Worthy Grand Patron:

M. W. Sir, Distinguished Guests and members: Last year as Worthy Grand Patron of the Eastern Star along with Sister Kathryn Brock who was our Worthy Grand Matron,

had for her project The Nebraska Masonic Home at Plattsmouth. Sister Kathryn and I decided that we could not have a project that was more worthwhile than our Home at Plattsmouth. So as we traveled around the State of Nebraska, making our district meetings, we talked about the need at the Home at Plattsmouth, asking for contributions. The response has been tremendous. At our Grand Chapter session in May in Lincoln, we presented our Grand Master with what money we had received at that time. Today, I am real pleased to make another presentation to you, Brother John, for this project. I understand from our Grand Secretary, Sister Wilma Harms that there is still money coming in. So it is with a great deal of pleasure, M. W. Sir, that I make this presentation to you on behalf of the Grand Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star and through Sister Kathryn Brock our Junior Past Grand Matron.

M. W. John H. Brown, Grand Master:

Thank you, W. Brother Bob. I appreciate it very much. Brethren there could be no evidence surer than what Sister Kathryn Brock and W. Brother Bob have done during their year, of their sincerity toward The Nebraska Masonic Home and what the Masons of Nebraska are attempting to do there. At the Grand Chapter last month in Lincoln, Brother Bob and Sister Kathryn presented me with \$20,012.33 and here today is another check for \$1,304.33 which makes a total to date of \$21,316.66.

GREETINGS FROM DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

During the Grand Lodge Communication, we were privileged to have many of our distinguished guests address the Grand Lodge. Included in this group were our guests from our Sister Grand Jurisdictions and we were also privileged to have Ill. Brother Joseph W. Seacrest, Sovereign Grand Inspector General in Nebraska address our Grand Lodge.

ADDRESS OF WELCOME AND RESPONSE

Brother Arthur D. Bradley, Jr., a member of Mizpah Lodge No. 302 and of the City Council, gave the address of welcome.

Brother Joel N. Lindquist, W. Master of Nebraska Lodge No. 1, gave the address of welcome for the Omaha Lodges.

Brother John A. Brandt, W. Master, Beatrice Lodge No. 26, gave the response to the Address of Welcome.

REPRESENTATIVES OF OTHER GRAND LODGES NEAR
THE GRAND LODGE OF NEBRASKA

M. W. John H. Brown, Grand Master, requested the Grand Secretary to call the roll of Grand Representatives of other Grand Lodges. The Grand Master extended to them a hearty welcome and suggested that they convey his greetings to the Grand Lodge they represent. All Grand Lodges that were in the fraternal relations with the Grand Lodge of Nebraska were present except Alabama, Argentina, Arizona, Austria, Belgium, Gaunabaro, Pernambuco, Santa Catarina, Sao Paulo (Brazil), Canada, Chile, Columbia National Grand Lodge, Germany, Idaho, India, Iran, Ireland, Israel, Kentucky, Luxembourg, Manitoba, New York, New Zealand, Norway, Ohio, Panama, Peru, Prince Edward Island, Puerto Rico, Quebec, Queensland, Saskatchewan, Scotland, South Dakota, Tamlaupias, Tennessee, Texas, Turkey, Vermont, Victoria and Wisconsin.

Response given by M. W. Lewis R. Ricketts, Past Grand Master and Grand Representative of Italy.

M. W. Grand Master, on behalf of the Representatives here assembled of our Sister Grand Jurisdictions, we thank you from the bottom of our hearts for the gracious, cordial words of greeting and welcome and best wishes which you have extended to us and through us to the Jurisdictions which we represent. And we want it assured to you that we will do all in our power to keep the lines of communication open between our Jurisdiction and the many Jurisdictions which are here represented. This indeed proves the beauty and effectiveness of universality of Freemasonry. And while some of us have difficulty because of the language barrier, it is very interesting when we get our interpreters to read the material which comes to us from these Grand Jurisdictions, particularly my jurisdiction, with which I am familiar, Italy. I don't know a

word of Italian, but I have found an interpreter in Lincoln who can read some Italian, so I do get some good out of it. Again, M.:W.: Sir, thank you for your welcome and we shall convey it to our Grand Juridictions.

INTRODUCTION OF ASSISTANT GRAND CUSTODIANS

M.:W.:John H. Brown, Grand Master introduced the Grand Custodian W.: Brother Ralph W. Gerry. He told of the excellent work that Ralph is doing in this Grand Jurisdiction and invited him to welcome and introduce his Assistant Grand Custodians and Assistant Grand Custodians Emerti.

ASSISTANT GRAND CUSTODIANS

Harold D. Weddel, 61	1937
Stephen W. Beck, 43	1940
Paul D. Fleming, 93	1949
Willard I. Lewis, Jr., 9	1955
Clifford D. Webster, 321	1956
Frank H. Smith, 301	1957
Harry N. Ahl, 112	1959
Lloyd I. Edwards, 110	1960
Alfred R. Kenoyer, 191	1960
T. Leo Stines, 36	1960
Stanley E. Brunton, 222	1961
Glenn W. Binder, 23	1961
Gordon Chard, 240	1962
Harold A. Tilton, 71	1962
Stuart A. Johnson, 169	1963
Aruthur S. Dye, 317	1964
Ralph I. Berry, 256	1965
Nelson W. Rittenburg, 210	1965
Robert W. Boon, 33	1965
Alton S. Mote, 183	1965
Arnold F. Mains, 15	1965
Harold J. Oehlerking, 159	1966
Gwynne L. Neubauer, 258	1966
Ward L. McGlashan, 180	1966
Curtis J. Griess, 49	1966
Walter Brown, 1	1967
John C. Nelson, 250	1967
Mervin E. Ransom, 65	1967
Donald A. Kychkelhahn, 210	1967

Howard G. Whitmore, 161	1967
Frank R. Harris, 77	1967
Gerald V. Inslee, 158	1968
John C. Sierks, 4	1969
Paul D. Jacobsen, 171	1969
David O. Kipling, 281	1970
Herman O. Hansen, 3	1970
Dwayne Erickson, 146	1970
Walter S. Cork, 75	1970
Richard L. Mauch, 254	1971

ASSISTANT GRAND CUSTODIANS EMERITI

Frank M. Johnson, 188	1920
Austin F. Whitmire, 75	1931
Carroll C. Raymer, 164	1932
Cecil C. Gates, 227	1938
Clarence G. McNamee, 55	1941
Louis V. Sylvester, 281	1942
Lewis E. Baker, 135	1943
George S. Schwab, 49	1946
Harold M. Wilkerson, 54	1947
Ernest E. James, 1	1948
Charles M. Frederick, 136	1949
Delbert H. Pinkerton, 314	1954
Matthias E. Mael, 173	1956
Erwin J. Imig, 38	1960
Richard L. Wait, 19	1962
Sebert A. Stover, 281	1970
Clifford D. Webster, 321	1971

ANNOUNCEMENT OF COMMITTEES

Application For Reinstatement: W. Earl H. Furman, 290, Chairman; Herbert Egerer, 303; Elmer E. Smith, 326.

Appropriations: W. Melvin E. Johnson, 112 (1971), Chairman; Thomas W. Tye, 46 (1972); E. Forrest Estes, 19 (1974); Alfred B. Saum, 46 (1975); Walter Truex, 55 (1973).

Charters and Dispensations: W. Harry M. Green, 25, Chairman; James R. Owens, 97; Joel N. Lindquest, 1.

Credentials: W. William M. Hisey, 210, Chairman; Clyde H. Jones, 173; Glenn F. Sperry, 139; Harold O. Swanson, 10; William W. Steen, 280; A. Larry Rogers, 39; Charles W. Amidon, 281.

Doings of Grand Officers: W. Byron C. Jenkins, 325, Chairman; Robert A. Carhart, 120; Albert E. Christy, 201.

Entertainment of Distinguished Guests: M. W. Louis V. Sylvester, 281; M. W. Lewis R. Ricketts, 19; M. W. John A. Bottorf, 49.

Finance: W. Fitzhugh L. Browne, 290 (1973) Chairman; Ansel Toft, 232 (1975); Howard L. Patterson, 303 (1971); LeRoy C. Sutton, 1 (1972); Harold E. Day, Jr., 150 (1974).

Fraternal Dead: W. Levi B. Williams, 1, Chairman; Robert L. Murphy, 32; Raymond Ruth, 121.

Fraternal Relations: M. W. Norris W. Lallman, 62, Chairman; M. W. William B. Wanner, 9; W. Edward J. Taylor, 150.

George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association: M. W. Charles F. Adams, 68, Chairman; W. Irwin Osterloh, 72; Cary W. Dresslar, 32.

Grand Lodge Office: W. Alfred W. Geschke, 25 (1971), Chairman; Harold C. Wurdeman, 323 (1972); William L. Hopson, 327 (1973); Thomas H. Blanchard, 21 (1974); M. W. Merle M. Hale, 54 (1970).

Grand Trustees: M. W. John F. Futcher, 302 (1971), Chairman; Robert A. Wekesser, 54 (1974); Harold E. Gabrielson, 302 (1973); Fred S. Kuethe, 1 (1972); Alfred E. Geschke, 26 (1975).

Grievances: W. Clarence M. Pierson, 19, Chairman; Robert Imig, 39; Marshall N. Zalkin, 25.

Jurisprudence: M. W. Hugh W. Eisenhart, 150, Chairman and all Past Grand Masters present.

Masonic-Eastern Star Student Fund: W. Delbert H. Pinkerton, 314, Chairman; Roy L. Smith, 78; M. W. Elmer E. Magee, 227.

Masonic Education: W. Howard J. Hunter, 59 (1972), Chairman; Alfred G. Wurst, 59 (1970); Edward H. Lockwood, 265 (1970); M. W. Lewis R. Ricketts, 19 (1971); M. W. Louis V. Sylvester, 281 (1971); E. Forrest Estes, 19 (1972).

Masonic Relief: W. Paul L. Toombs, 290 (1972), Chairman; Earl W. Schultz, 75 (1974); Otto Burkhardt, 55 (1970); James A. Bradley, 1 (1971); Richard L. Newlun, 55 (1975).

Nebraska Work: M. W. Edward F. Carter, 201 (1973), Chairman; M. W. Herbert T. White, 11 (1971); M. W. Louis V. Sylvester, 281 (1972).

Public Relations: W. John S. Savage, 11, Chairman; Joe H. Hartley, 54; Al Ray Brown, 50.

Returns: W. Sebert A. Stover, 281, Chairman; John L. W. Nelson, 1; Harvey A. Smith, 326.

Temple Building Advisory: W. Donald F. Sampson, 36 (1973), Chairman; Donald G. Hafer, 306 (1971); Robert E. Wolf, 1 (1972).

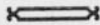
Lodge Advisory: M. W. Joseph C. Tye, 46 (1973), Chairman; M. W. Ernest O. Van Wey, 249 (1971); M. W. Herbert A. Ronin, 210 (1972).

Arrangement for 114th Annual Communication: W. Byron C. Jenkins, 325, Chairman; Al Bates, 1; Erwin Paulsen, 1; Harvey A. Smith, 326; Elmer E. Smith, 326; Alfred Walter, 326; Harry A. Tollander, 281; Jerry Trunecek, 184.

ADDRESS OF THE GRAND MASTER
TO THE MOST WORSHIPFUL, THE GRAND LODGE, ANCIENT
FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS OF NEBRASKA

If I have had any personal theme to guide me, during the past year, it has been simply to "Be a Friend," at every opportunity. Reaching the climax of my year, in this 114th Annual Communication of the Most Worshipful, The Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of Nebraska, I can truly say, it has been a most rewarding experience. Everywhere we have gone, the Brethren have responded with a display of friendliness and goodwill, for all the Grand Lodge Family, which we can never forget. To say that I am deeply grateful and honored for the privilege of having been your Grand Master, seems inadequate to express my true feelings. Just let me say, as I have tried to express many times; Thank you!, Thank you!--For your friendships, your cooperation, your kindnesses and your genuine consideration. and--Thank you God for strength of body and mind.

To our distinguished visitors, I extend the same thanks for the very cordial relations we have with your Grand Lodge Jurisdictions and the very pleasant and rewarding personal experience it has been to visit with and get to know you on the occasions of your Grand Lodge Communications. Your hospitality has known no bounds. Ruth and I will always cherish thoughts of you with many pleasant memories and deep gratitude for your friendship.



Today--Our nation, in fact the whole world, is and has been, for several years, in the midst of a great social revolution in which all the established values, which have weathered the past, are being questioned under the most severe revilement as though nothing preceding the present can be regarded as useful or worthy. Many thousands of our young people have, as though it was the order of the day, become rebellious in different degree, to a society they have not yet given themselves time to understand. Striking out in many directions with sad and thoughtless disregard and too often destruction of their own fine minds and bodies as though the agony of it all will suddenly remake the world into some Utopian mould. The Utopia of Sir Thomas More who, in 1516, described it as an idealistic island with perfect inhabitants and laws. That this stage of our civilization is suffering a serious blow to its advancement, there is no question. Man, it seems, is still reluctant to learn from and somehow preserve the good of the past as a stepping stone for the future and seems to insist that hard and dangerous lessons be re-learned again and again. Masonry tries to tell us, through its almost perfect understanding of man, based on time proven truths of the past and an unshakable conviction that there is a God, that man with an understanding of universal brotherly love and an adherence to its time tested moral truths, is a force to save civilization from the ruin in which it most

surely is being dissipated. This cannot be accomplished by any edict of government and it can only happen to the extent that each individual man regards his personal self respect above the almost pure materialism of our day. Let us not censor our youth unduly because they do not understand us and the society of today, which we more than they have permitted. Let us, with real compassion and intelligent understanding, while being more critical of ourselves and less of others, accept our sure responsibility and make the effort to do what we can, in our time, to build the world and leave it better than when we came.

Should we not expect now that Masonry, having been preserved all through the ages has a destiny to perform? Should we not expect of ourselves that the hundreds of thousands of like-minded men of Masonry can, with our time tested way of life, and the ever present guidance of God, save this civilization? This is not a challenge to be glimpsed but a, God endowed, responsibility for performance incumbent upon all Masons to their highest and noblest abilities. Opportunities for true greatness are with us on every hand. Masons should realize that they are uniquely equipped to join with every effort in church and civil life which tends to up-grade society and advance civilization toward the ultimate purpose when man can lead a more perfect life through a universal Brotherhood under the Fatherhood of God.

To perform the commitments of our responsibility to the future Masons should logically accelerate their activities with our Youth Groups, the Job's Daughters and Rainbow for Girls and DeMolay for young men. Masons, particularly, should understand the value of helping young people toward a spiritual concept in their lives. Realizing the importance in everyone's life, of the absolute need for spiritual influence, a prominent Omaha minister said, in his sermon on Mother's Day, "The greatest influence in the world is a Christian Mother." That the guidance of the Almighty, from an early age is important to the advancement of civilization is evidenced by many great men who have given their early spiritual training, from their mothers, as the best qualifying influence in their lives. Our youth is our everlasting fountain for the perpetuation of the ideals we know to be good and our only opportunity to erase the wrongs we have allowed to scar our record.

I want to take this opportunity to express sincere appreciation to those too few Eastern Star and Masonic individuals who develop and render such valuable service to our three Youth Groups through a dedication which is deserving of the highest commendation of us all. Brother Walter Miller, Executive Officer of DeMolay for Nebraska has stated many times that, "The only thing we have to make a man out of is a boy." It is self evident that good and sincere Eastern Star and Masonic members, everywhere must become more active in this great work to insure the better citizenry we hope for in the future. Opportunities for service and the need for many more high minded individuals to do it, is the most critical need of these wonderful youth orders. Let us remember that the thousands of our youth eligible for membership in Job's, Rainbow and DeMolay and those in these orders now do not need our money but they are trying to tell us, in ways not all together evident, that they do need and want our love, and understanding and

more than we can realize, our guidance. Let us not be too busy with the insistencies of our daily living that we are deprived of the glory of giving of ourselves in this urgent cause.

While I believe that the basic responsibility for activity in DeMolay is at the Blue Lodge Level, the pier over all appendant Masonic orders, I believe also that the York Rite, Scottish Rite and Shrine Bodies could well look to this never ending need, for a "Cause," worthy of the best they can provide. The Worthy Grand Matron of the Order of Eastern Star, in her address to the Grand Chapter, in May of this year, urged the same kind of participation for Eastern Star Chapters.

Governmental social benefits, now running at an all time high, have taken from all of Masonry many responsibilities, which in the past were considered personal obligations of family, friend or neighbor and which automatically also had priority in Masonic thought and deed. Having lived for so long under this influence we tend to overlook responsibilities very close to us apparently either passed by or disregarded as though there was no end consequence of our actions or inaction. Certainly we as Masons more than any other people should recognize our responsibility to youth on the one hand and our obligation to the needy aged in our Nebraska Masonic Home at Plattsmouth on the other. The proper attention, in our personal endeavors, to our youth and to the care of our aged, dependent upon us, will give us individually and to Masonry in general, a dignity, in the sight of all men, unparalleled in the world.

NECROLOGY

With sorrowing hearts we suffered the loss of two Past Grand Masters. Most Worshipful Brother Ralph O. Canaday of Hastings, served as Grand Master in 1933. Brother Canaday was a sincere and dedicated Mason who took over duties of Grand Master on the death of Most Worshipful Edwin B. Johnston at an Emergent Communication of the Grand Lodge February 13, 1933. Although he served a short term as Grand Master and had taken over the duties of the office unexpectedly, he distinguished himself in many ways and earned the gratitude and respect of the brethren of the entire Grand Lodge Jurisdiction. Brother Ralph passed from this life on October 7th, 1970.

Most Worshipful Brother Roy I. Babbitt of Scottsbluff, served as Grand Master in 1957. Brother Roy worked hard for the good of Masonry and no Grand Master ever more conscientiously fulfilled the duties of that high office. He endeared himself to everyone by somehow becoming their close friend by which he earned the sincere respect and affection of the Brethren of this Grand Jurisdiction. Brother Roy passed from this life on February 13, 1971.

I am sad to report the passing of Assistant Grand Custodian, La Verne A. Walker of Norfolk. Brother Jack as he was called by all the brethren was appointed in 1946 and unselfishly gave Masonry in Nebraska many years of valuable service.

ASSISTANT CUSTODIANS

During the year it was my pleasant privilege and honor to grant and present, upon the recommendation of our Grand Custodian, Ralph W. Gerry, four commissions to new Assistant Grand Custodians: W. . Brother Herman O. Hansen of Capitol Lodge No. 3 in Omaha; W. . Brother D. Wayne Erickson of Jachin Lodge No. 146 in Holdrege; W. . Brother Walter S. Cork of Frank Welch Lodge No. 75 in Sidney and W. . Brother Richard L. Mauch of Bassett Lodge No. 254 in Bassett. It is very gratifying to realize that, in an era of almost pure dedication to worldly themes, we have brethren who will accept the responsibilities of this office and in pure dedication through their commitment to the purposes of Masonry, devote much time and effort to this important service. It has been a real pleasure in my travels throughout the state during the year to see evidence of the efforts of these fine brethren reflected in the progressively better handling of the lodge work and the ever improving ease with which it is accomplished. That you are doing a fine job, Brethren, there is no question. I look forward to your continued support of the Grand Lodge through and under the direction of the Grand Custodian and sincerely say thank you for the help you have given me during the year.

We were saddened by the death of one of our dedicated Assistant Grand Custodians; La Verne A. Walker, who was a member of Mosaic Lodge No. 55 of Norfolk, was appointed in 1946. Proper mention of Brother Jack as he was known by all the Brethren will be made at another

appropriate time. Two Assistant Grand Custodian Emeriti who performed long and faithfully have gone to their reward in the last year. W. Brother Earl Barnette of Jachin No. 146 Holdrege and W. Brother Henning C. Johnson of Merna 171 and residing in Alliance. Masonry in Nebraska has profited through their dedicated efforts and we hold memories of them in profound reverence to the Great Architect of the Universe.

I was pleased to Grant a Commission of "Assistant Grand Custodian Emeritus," to W. Brother Clifford B. Webster, a member of Harmony Lodge No. 321 of Dalton. Brother Webster was appointed in 1956 and gave us 15 years of faithful service as an active full time Custodian. We extend our sincere thanks to Brother Cliff for the fine help he has given the Grand Lodge. R. W. Brother Frank J. Mattoon, Grand Junior Warden, made the presentation of the Commission to Brother Cliff at a Grand Custodian's School held in Frank Welch Lodge No. 75 in Sidney.

DISPENSATIONS

Dispensations to permit conferring of degrees without regard for time were granted for brethren in the military service to: Capitol No. 3; Ogallala No. 159; Unity No. 163; Robert W. Furnas No. 265 and Alpha No. 316.

Approval was given to two lodges to hold their business meeting at a different time due to a severe snow storm which prevented a sufficient number from attending to provide a quorum.

Approval was given to one Lodge to have their installation, with the approval of the Lodge, on December 28th, so that the Master Elect's daughter could attend.

Approval was granted to four lodges to examine brothers for proficiency after the specified time had elapsed.

CONSOLIDATIONS

The following consolidations were approved:

1. Alexandria No. 74 of Alexandria consolidated into Hebron Lodge No. 43 of Hebron.
2. Grace Lodge No. 226 at Wilcox consolidated into Jachin Lodge No. 146 at Holdrege.
3. Pythagoras No. 156 at Page consolidated into Diamond No. 291 at Orchard.

The warm and friendly feeling prevailing in all of the above mentioned consolidations is a credit to the Masonic Fraternity. "Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity!"

CORNERSTONES—DEDICATIONS

While there has not been much activity on cornerstones and dedications during the year, I am happy to state that there are a number of

lodges in the process of remodeling new locations and some building is underway with more contemplated. This is indicative, I believe, of the fact that there is a genuine interest among the brethren, state wide, to up-date their lodge facilities. There is no question but that some of the lodges in our state must do something about their lodge home before they can expect anything to happen to answer some of their concern for loss of membership and inability to attract new petitioners. Improved lodge facilities are easier to provide now than ever before and while neither the spirit nor the intent of Masonry demands luxurious surroundings, simple judgement imposes the responsibility on the brethren to do something, in their time, to up-date or replace lodge rooms and other needed facilities which have become very out moded even though, when provided many years ago, they were adequate and something the brethren at that time could be justifiably proud of. It is gratifying to note that so many of our brethren are displaying the same fine spirit of foresight so prevelant among our early brethren who made available the good but now obsolete meeting accommodations, some of which we must recognize have been used too long.

This healthy unwillingness to live off of the efforts of the past was evidenced by James Tulleys Lodge No. 267 at Overton and Custer Lodge No. 148, formerly called Emmet Crawford Lodge No. 148, at Broken Bow.

The Grand Lodge was priviledged on April 23rd, to dedicate a fine remodeled building, now the new home of James Tulleys Lodge No. 267. The membership of this lodge was strengthened in March of 1970 by consolidation with Elmecreek Lodge No. 133. Working together and unselfish with time, effort and donations the fine brethren of this lodge, doing all their own work, now have a building which is a beautifully and tastefully done lodge accommodation of which they are and should be very proud. Worshipful Master, Fred F. Dickson, his officers and the brethren of this lodge are to be commended for their efforts. It was a real pleasure, amid the fine Masonic and Eastern Star spirit, prevailing in this lodge, for the Grand Lodge Officers to dedicate this Temple to Masonry and its future in that community. V.'W.'. Brother Walter O. Samuelson, Grand Chaplain of the Grand Lodge gave a fine address which was a delight and an inspiration to all those present.

The Grand Lodge was also priviledged, on April 24th, to lay a Cornerstone and conduct dedication ceremonies, for a new Lodge home of Custer Lodge No. 148 at Broken Bow. The location is a beautiful brick church structure remodeled to perfectly suit the many activities of the Lodge, the York Rite Bodies, the Eastern Star and the Job's Daughters who meet there. All of the organizations who will use the building have contributed in time, effort and money to make this magnificent undertaking available for their use. The order of DeMolay, who are presently inactive, also contributed the amount of their building fund and it is hoped that they will soon be re-activated to become an important part of the area representing the scope of this lodge.

Custer Lodge No. 148 is the home lodge of M.'W.'. Brother William C. Schaper, Past Grand Master of Masons of Nebraska, who was signally

honored by a large attendance of Past Grand Masters at the ceremonies. The presence of so many Past Grand Masters not only honored M.i.W.i. Brother Schaper, but also Worshipful Master Alfred V. Peltzer, his officers and all the Brethren of the Lodge and most certainly the Grand Lodge Officers. All those who helped so much are to be highly commended for making this a memorable Masonic occasion commemorating the taste, spirit and liberality of their adherence to the principals of Masonry and an unquestionable belief in the existence of The Supreme Architect of the Universe. Members of the Job's Daughters Bethel decorated the stone and V.i.W.i. Walter O. Samuelson, Grand Chaplain of the Grand Lodge gave inspiring addresses at both ceremonies.

VISITATIONS REPRESENTING GRAND LODGE

DATE	PLACE	EVENT
June 11	Columbus	Grand Guardian Council of Nebr., International Order of Job's Daughters. Wendy Miller, Grand Honored Queen.
June 14	Omaha	Reception (Public) for Grand Master and Grand Lodge Officers at Scottish Rite Cathedral, by Grand Master's Home Lodge Nebraska No. 1. James Emery, Worshipful Master.
June 16	Omaha	Nebraska No. 1. Receive Grand Master, address, Commission new Assistant Grand Custodian, W.'. Brother Herman O. Hansen, 3.
June 20	Beatrice	Beatrice No. 26. Receive Grand Master, Centennial Celebration, address. Duaine R. Blaser, Worshipful Master.
June 24	Falls City	Falls City No. 9. Receive Grand Master. Table Lodge, Presentations, address, (Home Lodge of M.'.W.'. Brother Wm. B. Wanner, P. G. M. of Nebr.), William L. Hull Worshipful Master.
June 27	Elkhorn	Centennial No. 326. Lodge Picnic at W.M's. Farm. Present 3 50 Year Pins. Edward L. Davis, Worshipful Master.
June 17	Hartington	Hartington No. 155. Present 3 50 Year Pins. Address by V.'.W.'. Walter O. Samuelson, Grand Chaplain.
June 28	Lincoln	Grand Lodge Education Committee Meeting. Howard J. Hunter, Chairman.
July 7	Omaha	Omaha Home for Boys. Past Master's Picnic.
July 11	Lincoln	Scottish Rite. Reception (Public) for Grand Master and Grand Lodge Officers by Lincoln Scottish Rite Bodies.
July 15-16	Toronto	115th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario. M.'.W.'. Brother Bruce B. Foster, Grand Master.
July 24	Cortland	Highland No. 194. Present 3 50 Year Pins, address. Eric Miller, Worshipful Master.

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| Aug. 2 | Omaha | Nebraska No. 1. Annual Lodge Picnic at Omaha Home for Boys (Cooper) Farm. |
| Aug. 12 | Hooper | Hooper No. 72. (Home Lodge of M.'W.'. Brother Norris W. Lallman, P. G. M. and Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge). Received G. M., Present 50 Year Pins. Delbert Larsen, Worshipful Master. |
| Aug. 14 | Omaha | Tangier Shrine Annual Picnic. George C. Samson, Potentate. |
| Aug. 15 | Lincoln | East Lincoln No. 210. Receive G. M. Alvis A. Simmons, Worshipful Master. |
| Aug. 16 | Omaha | Trinity Chapter No. 299, O.E.S., Reception for G. M. and Grand Lodge Officers. (G. M.'s Home Star Chapter). Helene Campbell, Worthy Matron, Joe Lindquist Worthy Patron. |
| Aug. 21-22 | Lincoln | Joint Special Ceremonial of all Nebraska Shrine Temples, Sesostris of Lincoln, Tangier of Omaha and Tehama of Hastings. Received by Imperial Potentate Aubrey G. Graham, Formal Dinner, Shrine Parade. Potentates--Don Keys, George Sampson and Clarence Jacoson.

Personal Host, Lewis R. Ricketts, P. G. M. of Nebraska. |
| Sept. 2 | Wahoo | Wahoo No. 59. (Home Lodge of R.'W.'. Howard J. Hunter, Grand Sr. Warden) Receive G. M., Present 4 50 Year Pins. Donald H. Rood, Worshipful Master. |
| Sept. 4 | Omaha | Nebraska Masonic Home Board Meeting. Bro. Wm. F. Patterson, President. |
| Sept. 8 | Omaha | Temple Craft Board Meeting W. Chas. Gorr, Pres. |
| Sept. 10 | Omaha | Satra Temple No. 59, Daughters of the Nile. Honoring Supreme Queen E. Mildred Green of Toronto, Canada. Fay Andrews, Queen. |
| Sept. 11 | Wayne | Wayne No. 120. Received G. M., Grand Lodge Area Meeting. R.'W.'. Howard J. Hunter, Chairman. Address at open meeting and present 50 Year Pin for Corinthian No. 83 of Wakefield. Le Roy W. Clarke, Worshipful Master of No. 120 the Host Lodge. |

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| Sept. 12 | O'Neill | Garfield No. 95. Receive G. M., Grand Lodge Area Meeting, R. W. Howard J. Hunter, Chairman. Address at open dinner meeting. Rob R. Prouty, Worshipful Master, No. 95, the Host Lodge. |
| Sept. 13 | Elkhorn | Waterloo No. 102. (Sunday) Open meeting to present 3 50 Year Pins. Karl H. T. Klebe, Worshipful Master. |
| Sept. 16-17 | Sioux City
Iowa | 126th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Iowa. M. W. Brother Harold Phelps, Grand Master. |
| Sept. 18 | No. Platte | Platte Valley No. 32. Receive G. M., Centennial Celebration, dinner, present 6 50 Year Pins. John E. Bungler, Worshipful Master. |
| Sept. 19 | No. Platte | State Wide, Grand Chapter, Grand Council and Grand Commander, Work and evening Banquet. |
| Sept. 20 | Elkhorn | Assembly L. T. International Order of the Rainbow for girls. Initiation and installation of new Elkhorn-Waterloo Assembly. Valley Assembly No. 33 in charge of ceremonies. |
| Sept. 21 | Omaha | Florence No. 281. Receive G. M., Dinner. Doyle E. Berg, Worshipful Master. |
| Sept. 22 | Lincoln | Lincoln No. 19. Receive G. M. Special all Area Meeting. (39 Lodges Represented) M. W. Brother Dwight Smith, P.G.M. and Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Indiana main speaker. Gary L. Powell, Worshipful Master. |
| Sept. 24 | Minden | Minden No. 127. Received G.M. Present 3 50 Year Pins and special recognition of M. W. Brother Chas. A. Chappell in his home lodge. Richard A. McBride, Worshipful Master. |
| Sept. 25 | Grand Island | Grand Custodian's annual meeting with all Assistant Grand Custodians. Receive G.M. Ralph W. Gerry, Grand Custodian in charge. |
| Sept. 28-29 | St. Louis | 149th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Missouri. M. W. Brother J. Morgan Donelson, Grand Master. |

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| Sept. 30 | Omaha | Grand Chapter O.E.S. District Meeting and Dinner Honoring W.G.M. Kathryn Brock and W.G.P. Robert A. Metcalf. |
| Oct. 3 | Lincoln | State Wide DeMolay Meeting and initiation of Grand Master's Class. Under Supervision of Walter Miller, Executive Officer, The international Supreme Council order of DeMolay. |
| Oct. 9 | Hastings | Hastings No. 50. Receive G.M. Opened Emergent Communication of The Most Worshipful The Grand Lodge, A.F. & A.M. of Nebraska to conduct the funeral service for M.W. Brother Ralph A. Canaday, P.G.M., of Nebraska. W. Brother Paul R. Pierce, Past Grand Orator conducting Masonic Service. Stanley E. Alexander, Worshipful Master. |
| Oct. 9 | Milford | Blue River Chapter No. 132 O.E.S., Address. Gladys Yost, Worthy Matron, John A. Ficke, Worthy Patron. |
| Oct. 10 | Omaha | Tangier Shrine's Professional Past Masters Club, meeting and address. |
| Oct. 11 | Omaha | Shiloh No. 327. Pancake Breakfast. |
| Oct. 12 | Omaha | Capitol No. 3. Receive G.M. Present 50 Year Pins at open dinner. Address. Donald E. Olson, Worshipful Master. |
| Oct. 13 | Omaha | Nebraska Masonic Home Board Meeting. Wm. F. Patterson, President. |
| Oct. 14 | Omaha | Benson Temple. Omaha Royal Arch Chapter No. 1. Dinner. Oscar Sitzler High Priest. |
| Oct. 15 | Holdrege | Jachin No. 146. Receive G.M. Present 50 Year Pins. Commission new Assistant Grand Custodian, W. Brother D. Wayne Erickson. Melvin W. Johnston, Worshipful Master. |
| Oct. 16 | No. Platte | Platte Valley No. 32. Receive G.M. Grand Lodge R.W. Howard J. Hunter, Chairman. Open dinner. Address. John E. Bungler, Worshipful Master. |
| Oct. 17 | Scottsbluff | Robert W. Furnas No. 265. Receive Grand Master. Grand Lodge Area Meeting, R.W. Howard J. Hunter, Chairman. Open Dinner, Address. Sam F. Segrist, Worshipful Master. |

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| Oct. 20 | Sutton | Evening Star No. 49. (Home Lodge of M. W. Brother John A. Bottorf, P.G.M. of Nebraska) Conferred Master Masons Ken Barnell, Worshipful Master. |
| Oct. 22 | Omaha | Trinity Chapter No. 299 O.E.S. (G.M.'s. Home Chapter) Helene Campbell, Worthy Matron, Joe N. Lindquist, Worthy Patron. |
| Oct. 25 | Omaha | Imperial Chapter Order of DeMolay. Installation of Officers by Robert A. Chandler Chapter of Bellevue doing the work. Presented Altar Bible to Imperial Chapter. Ceremony at Scottish Rite Cathedral. |
| Oct. 27 | Omaha | John J. Mercer No. 290. Received G.M., Dinner and 2 50 Year Pin presentations. D. Thomas Hill, Worshipful Master. |
| Oct. 28 | Lincoln | Geo. Washington Lodge No. 250. Received G.M. Dinner and Work. Henry H. Hansen, Worshipful Master. |
| Oct. 30 | Superior | Superior No. 121. Received G.M. Grand Area Meeting, R. W. Howard J. Hunter, Chairman. Open dinner, address. Henry S. Barton, Worshipful Master, No. 121 Host Lodge. |
| Oct. 31 | Kearney | Rob Morris No. 46. Received G.M. Grand Lodge Area Meeting, R. W. Howard J. Hunter, Chairman. Open Dinner, address. Raymond E. Hansley, Worshipful Master, No. 46 Host Lodge. |
| Nov. 2 | Elkhorn | Waterloo No. 102. Public Ceremony for Ground Breaking for new rest home. |
| Nov. 4 | Papillion | Papillion No. 39. Received G.M. Guest Night, Oyster-Chili Supper and address. Richard Paul, Worshipful Master. |
| Nov. 7 | Sidney | Frank Welch No. 75. (Home Lodge of R. W. Brother Frank J. Mattoon, Grand Junior Warden) Received Grand Master. Open Dinner and presentation of 50 Year Pin. Commission new Assistant Grand Custodian W. Brother Walter S. Cork. Kenneth G. Flemming, Worshipful Master. |
| Nov. 9 | Omaha | Grand Lodge Trustees Meeting. M. W. John F. Futch, P.G.M. of Nebraska, Chairman. |

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| Nov. 10 | Omaha | Nebraska Masonic Home Board Meeting. Wm. F. Patterson, President. |
| Nov. 10 | | Nebraska No. 1. (Home Lodge.) Received G.M. Dinner. Address. G.M. Received M.W. Brother Harold Phelps, Jr. P.G.M. of Grand Lodge of Iowa. James Emery, Worshipful Master. |
| Nov. 11 | Omaha | Omaha Chapter DeMolay. 50 Year Celebration and Banquet. |
| Nov. 13 | Nebr. City | Western Star No. 2. Received G.M., Dinner and presentation of 3 50 Year Pins. Matthew Thorton, Worshipful Master. |
| Nov. 16 | Blair | York Rite Council. Visitation with M.W. Brother Louis V. Sylvester, P.G.M. of Grand Lodge of Nebraska and Most Illustrious Grand Master Grand Council R & SM of the Grand York Rite of Nebraska, to complete York Rite work on W. Brother Harold Hultman, Grand Junior Deacon of the Grand Lodge of Nebraska. |
| Nov. 17 | Wayne | Wayne No. 120. Received G.M. Presentation of 50 Year Pins in open meeting. Le Roy W. Clarke, Worshipful Master. |
| Nov. 19 | Omaha | Omaha Consistory, Valley of Omaha. Scottish Rite Banquet. Warren C. Larsen, Venerable Master of Kadosh. |
| Nov. 20 | Omaha | Mizpah No. 302. Received G.M. Dinner and full form 3rd. degree. (Home Lodge of M.W. Brother John F. Futcher, P.G.M. of Nebr.) Raleigh A. Pilster, Worshipful Master. |
| Nov. 22 | Bellevue | Athena Assembly No. 24 Order of Rainbow. Dinner and reception of Grand Officers Nebr. International Order of Rainbow. Susie Gilkeson Worthy Advisor. |
| Nov. 24 | Lincoln | Lincoln No. 19. Receive G.M. Dinner and Address. Gary L. Powell, Worshipful Master. |
| Nov. 29 | Lincoln | Nebraska DeMolay Foundation, Inc. Meeting, resolutions and reports. Held at Scottish Rite Temple. |
| Nov. 30 | Fremont | Fremont No. 15. Received G.M. Grand |

- Custodian's School W. Ralph W. Gerry, in charge. Garvis E. Burrell, Worshipful Master.
- Dec. 3 Lincoln Coeur de Lion Conclave. Initiation, election and installation and annual banquet of Red Cross of Constantine. Raymond F. Evers, Puissant Sovereign.
- Dec. 8 Omaha Nebraska Masonic Home Board Meeting. Wm. F. Patterson, President.
- Dec. 16 Wash. D.C. 160th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge F. A. A. M. of the district of Columbia. Responded for visiting G.M.s M. W. Brother Kenneth Kingsbury, Grand Master.
- Dec. 29 Omaha Satra Temple No. 59. Officer's Dinner. Fay Andrews, Queen.
- Jan. 2 Fremont Fremont No. 15. Install 1971 Lodge Officers. Roy M. McCabe, Worshipful Master.
- Jan. 9 Omaha Install in joint installation the following Lodges: Nebr. No. 1, Joe N. Lindquist W. Master, Capitol No. 3, Robert E. Noah W. Master, St. Johns No. 25, William E. Reibold W. Master, Omaha No. 288, Jerry E. McGee W. Master, Mizpah No. 302, Lanny F. Godsey W. Master and Right Angle No. 303, Hollis E. Gwin W. Master and their officers.
- Jan. 12 Omaha Nebraska Masonic Home Board Meeting. Wm. F. Patterson, President.
- Jan. 12 David City Fidelity No. 51. Install Harold J. McElravy Worshipful Master and other Lodge Officers.
- Jan. 16 Central City Lone Tree No. 36. Received by W. Master Loris L. Neal. Installation of Arbor Chapter No. 200 of O.E.S. and Lone Tree Master Elect John F. Jefferson and Officers for 1971. T. Leo Stines, Grand Marshal installing Officer and W. Ralph W. Gerry. Grand Custodian installing Marshal for the lodge.
- Jan. 18 Hooper Hooper No. 72. Received by W. Master Delbert Larsen. Installation of Master Elect, Cecil W. Hocking and officers by M. W. Brother Norris W. Lallman, P.G.M.

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| Jan. 19 | Peru | Peru No. 14. Received G. M. Open Dinner and Presentation of GOLD JORDAN MEDAL to W. W. Brother J. Frank Heywood, also a 50 Year Pin to his son, Bro. George G. Heywood. John A. Stevenson, Worshipful Master. |
| Jan. 21 | Kennard | John S. Bowen No. 232. Received G.M. Open Dinner and 50 Year Pin Presentation. Roscoe C. Andersen. Worshipful Master. |
| Jan. 22 | Omaha | Florence No. 281. Installation of Officers, by M. W. W. Brother Louis V. Sylvester, P.G.M. Frank J. Velasco, Worshipful Master. |
| Jan. 23 | Omaha | Stockholders meeting, Nebraska Masonic Home. Bro. Wm. F. Patterson, President. |
| Jan. 25-26 | Denver | 110th Annual Communication of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Colorado. M. W. W. Galen E. Swank, Grand Master. |
| Jan. 27 | Hooper | Friendship Chapter 122 O.E.S. Installation of Offices. Dorothy Payne, Worthy Matron; Donald Shaffer, Worthy Patron. |
| Jan. 30 | Omaha | Trinity Chapter No. 299 O.E.S., Installation of Margaret Miller, Worthy Matron, Raleigh A. Pilster, Worthy Patron. |
| Jan. 31 | Valley | Valley Assembly No. 3. Installation of Julie Johnson, Worthy Advisor and her Officers. |
| Feb. 6 | Omaha | Midwest Educational Conference. Planning Meeting. |
| Feb. 6 | Omaha | Covert No. 11. (Home Lodge of M. W. W. Brother Herbert T. White, P.G.M.) Annual Dinner Dance. |
| Feb. 9 | Stromsburg | Stromsburg No. 126. Received G. M. Present 50 Year Pin. Francis L. Crowe, Worshipful Master. |
| Feb. 13 | Beatrice | Beatrice No. 26. Receive Grand Master. Open Guest night. 50 Year Pin Presentation and Address. |
| Feb. 17 | Scottsbluff | Robert W. Furnas No. 265. Opened an Emergent Communication of The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, A. F. W. & A. M. W. of Nebraska to conduct the fun- |

- eral service of M. W. Brother Roy I. Babbitt, P.G.M. of Nebraska. W. Brother Ralph W. Gerry, Grand Custodian conducting Masonic Service. Glen E. Helm, Worshipful Master.
- Feb. 22, 23, 24 Wash. D.C. Grand Master's Conference, Frank Land Breakfast, Visit & Meeting at George Washington National Memorial, Grand Master's Banquet, Grand Secretary's Banquet.
- Mar. 3 Sutton Evening Star No. 49. Receive Grand Master. Grand Custodian's School. Ralph W. Gerry, Grand Custodian in Charge. (Home Lodge of M. W. Brother, John A. Bottorf, P.G.M. of Nebr.). Merrill D. Barnell, Worshipful Master.
- Mar. 5 Omaha Square and Compass Club. Address. Brother Alden Holm, Chairman.
- Mar. 9 Omaha Nebraska Masonic Home Board Meeting. Wm. F. Patterson, President.
- Mar. 12-13 Wichita 115th Annual Communication of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Kansas. H. Jackson Staton, Grand Master.
- Mar. 13 Hastings Tehama Temple A.A.O.N.M.S., Potentate's Ball. Norris V. Swan, Illustrious Potentate.
- Mar. 16 Omaha Custer No. 148 (formerly Emmet Crawford No. 148) Planning meeting with Grand Secretary M. W. Brother Norris W. Lallman, Worshipful Master, Alfred V. Peltzer and committee from the lodge, for Corner-stone Laying and Dedication of new Masonic Lodge Building.
- Mar. 20 Omaha Tangier Temple A.A.O.N.M.S., Potentate's Ball. E. Lynn Monroe, Illustrious Potentate.
- Mar. 22-23 Albuquerque Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of New Mexico. M. W. B. Mell Grissom, Grand Master.
- Mar. 24 Omaha Grand Secretary and Officials of Hotel. Planning meeting for June Grand Lodge Communication.
- Mar. 25 Omaha St. Johns No. 25. Received G.M. Dinner 2 50 Year Pin Presentations. William E.

		Reibold, Worshipful Master.
Mar. 26	Omaha	Grand Custodian's Lodge School for Omaha Lodges. W.'. Brother Ralph W. Gerry, Grand Custodian in charge.
Mar. 27	Lincoln	Lancaster No. 54. Received G.M., Grand area Meeting. R.i.W.i. Howard J. Hunter, Chairman. Dinner and address. Frank W. Brooks, Worshipful Master of No. 54, Host Lodge.
Mar. 27	Lincoln	Sesostris A.A.O.N.M.S., Potentate's Ball. George Peece, Illustrious Potentate.
Mar. 28	Omaha	Satra Temple No. 59, Daughters of The Nile, Installation Ceremony. Esther Kistler, Queen.
Mar. 29	Lincoln	Naphis Temple No. 66, Daughters of The Nile, Installation Ceremony. Ann Byers, Queen.
Mar. 30	Hooper	Dodge County Masonic Association. Annual Dinner. Address. All Lodges in area represented.
Mar. 31	Columbus	Lebanon No. 323. Received GM. Grand Custodian's Lodge School, W.'. Brother Ralph W. Gerry, in charge. Presented 70 Year Pin to No. 323's member at his home.
April 1	Omaha	Tangier Shrine. Planning meeting for fall all Masonic Orders public meeting.
April 2	York	York No. 56. Received G.M., Grand Lodge Area Meeting, R.'.W.'. Howard J. Hunter, Chairman. Address at open dinner meeting. Arnold C. Gill, Worshipful Master of No. 56 the Host Lodge.
April 3	Beatrice	Beatrice No. 26. Received G.M. Virgil L. Simmons, Senior Warden in charge of lodge. Grand Lodge Area Meeting, R.'.W.'. Howard J. Hunter, Chairman. Address at open dinner meeting. John A. Brandt, Worshipful Master.
April 4	Lincoln	Special meeting with Grand Secretary and several Past Grand Masters to plan and assign re-working of the Constitution and By-Laws as recommended by Grand Master at 1970 Grand Lodge Communi-

- cation. Present at meeting: Past Grand Masters, Norris W. Lallman-G. Sec. Herbert A. Ronin, Harry A. Spencer, Lewis R. Ricketts, John A. Bottorf and Grand Master John H. Brown.
- April 8 Omaha Tangier Shrine Meeting. Initiation of Grand Custodian, Ralph W. Gerry.
- April 10 Omaha Nebraska No. 1. Received Grand Master, Grand Lodge Area Meeting. R. W. Howard J. Hunter, Chairman. Open Dinner Meeting. Address. Joe N. Lindquist, Worshipful Master of No. 1 the Host Lodge.
- April 13 Omaha Omaha Council No. 1 Opened. Grand Council R. & S.M. in Nebraska Opened. Grand Master received by M. I. Louis V. Sylvester, Grand Master of the Grand Council.
- Grand York Rite Dinner.
- April 14 Omaha Delta Chapter No. 60 Opened. Grand Chapter R.A.M. of Nebraska Opened. Grand Master received by M.E. Herbert T. White, Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter.
- Past Commanders' Dinner. Speaker-G. Wilbur Bell, Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, Knights Templar of the U.S.A.
- April 15 Omaha Mt. Calvary No. 1 Opened. Grand Commandery K.T. of Nebraska Opened. Grand Master received by V.E. Ehm J. Sornsen, Deputy Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery.
- Grand Commandery Centennial Banquet.
- April 16 Fremont Fremont No. 15. Guest Night Dinner. Address by V. W. Brother Walter O. Samuelson, Grand Chaplain. Roy M. McCabe, Worshipful Master.
- April 17 Lexington DeMolay State Wide Conclave and Athletic Event. 217 DeMolays present with Walter Halwig Jr. Past Grand Master of the Supreme Council Order of DeMolay. Meeting with councilors and DeMolay degree work.

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| April 18 | Hastings | Nehamah Temple No. 108, Daughters of the Nile, Installation Ceremony. Audrey Wisemer, Queen |
| April 19 | Omaha | 114th Annual Communication planning meeting with Grand Secretary, Chairman, Byron Jenkins and Committee. |
| April 20 | Wayne | Received Grand Master, Dinner and open meeting for 2 50 Year Pin Presentations. |
| April 21 | Tekamah | Tekamah No. 31. Received Grand Master Open dinner, 50 Year Pin Presentation and address. |
| April 22 | Omaha | Omaha Consistory, Valley of Omaha. Scottish Rite Banquet. Virgil J. Haggart, Jr. 32, K.C.C.H., Venerable Master of Kadosh. |
| April 23 | Overton | Overton No. 267. Received Grand Master Opened an Occasional Communication of the Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Nebraska for the purpose of Dedicating new lodge building. Dinner followed by open dedication. Fred F. Dickson, Worshipful Master. |
| April 24 | Broken Bow | Custer No. 148 (formerly Emmet Crawford No. 148) Received Grand Master Opened an Occasional Communication of The Most Worshipful the Grand Lodge of A.F. & A.M. of Nebraska for the purpose of laying the cornerstone of new lodge building and dedication of the same. (Home Lodge of M.W. Wm. C. Schaper, Past Grand Master of Nebraska.) Alfred V. Peltzer, Worshipful Master. |
| April 25 | Lincoln | Annual meeting of the Scottish Rite Educational Welfare Association. Joseph W. Seacrest, Chairman. |
| April 26 | Omaha | Meeting with Home and Grand Secretary, Norris W. Lallman, Raymond Evers, Nebraska Masonic Home and W. Brother Alfred E. Geschke, to prepare Budget for the Nebraska Masonic Home for the coming year. To be prepared and presented to Home Board for approval at May Board meeting. |
| April 27 | Omaha | Meeting with Brethren planning new |

- Lodge in Southwest Omaha. Grand Custodian Ralph W. Gerry worked with group for their proficiency.
- April 28 Bellevue Bellevue No. 325. Open Ladies and Past Masters Night. Dinner and address. Charles W. Jacobs, Worshipful Master.
- April 29-30 Omaha 12 State Educational Conference, represented by: Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota and Nebraska as Host State. Howard J. Hunter and Committee in charge of details.
- May 1
- May 4 Omaha Bee Hive No. 184. Dinner Meeting with Grand Secretary M. W. Norris W. Lallman, Raymond Evers, Superintendent of Nebraska Masonic Home and Grand Master, with the Masters and Wardens Club of Omaha, to answer and discuss questions regarding The Nebraska Masonic Home. D. L. Williams, Worshipful Master of No. 184 the Host Lodge.

Visitations and appearances at various Masonic functions of every kind consume the largest portion of a Grand Master's time. I have been fortunate in being able to attend many of them and they have all been a source of pleasure and satisfaction.

My first visitation at another Grand Lodge Jurisdiction was The Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario at Toronto in July, followed in turn by visits to: The Grand Lodge of Iowa at Sioux City, in September; The Grand Lodge of Missouri at St. Louis, in September; The Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia at Washington D. C. in December; The Grand Lodge of Colorado at Denver in January; The Grand Lodge of Kansas at Wichita in March and the Grand Lodge of New Mexico at Albuquerque in March. Mrs. Brown attended each of these with me, each was different and ever so enjoyable. We were extended every courtesy and consideration on these occasions and will always remember our many friends of each visit with a great deal of appreciation.

We visited every Jobs, Rainbow and DeMolay function that time would permit and some of my most joyful remembrances will be from the happy privilege it was to meet with these young ladies and young men. They are our finest source for a better future citizenry.

I was distinctly honored by DeMolay at a special "Grand Masters Class" in October at which a large number of young men became part of this great order. The portrayal of the work was excellent and I again urge all Masons, who have not seen the DeMolay work, to take advantage of their first opportunity to do so.

The high regard the Scottish Rite, York Rite and Shrine bodies have for the Grand Lodge was evidenced many times through numerous invitations and courtesies extended on many occasions. Attending many of their activities and functions and learning of the sincerity and dedication to their purposes helps one to realize the importance of these orders in the future of Masonry. That their existence helps much to make a better world there is no doubt.

I was able to attend only one meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Masonic Eastern Star Home at Fremont. While there is a vast difference in the ages of the youngsters at this Home and our elderly at Plattsmouth, I was surprised to learn how similar the problems can be. I have known all the members of the board of this Home for many years and am pleased that it is in the hands of such fine dedicated people who are helping so much to make this joint endeavor of the Eastern Star and the Grand Lodge another contribution for the good of mankind. I am truly sorry that a fixed conflict of dates kept me from more of these meetings.

The Grand Lodge Area Education Meetings are now also an important part of the Grand Masters visitation activity. At each Area meeting the Grand Master is received by the officers of the host Lodge following which the educational portion of the meeting takes place. These

meetings are generally well attended and there is much evidence that a program such as ours pursued in continuity of purpose, from year to year, insures the result of many better informed and more enthusiastic Masons throughout the state. Our Grand Lodge Education Committee is effective in proportion to the enthusiasm and attendance of the brethren at these meetings. In the evening following the Area meetings a dinner is served, after which there is entertainment, usually by local young people and closing with a short address by the Grand Master. The Area meetings have been a high light during the year as they afford a great deal of fellowship with brethren from many Lodges.

Another high light for the Grand Master is to attend the Grand Custodians meeting with all the Assistant Grand Custodians. This meeting is a high level coverage of the ritualistic work and extremely educational and interesting. It also affords the Grand Master with his only opportunity, other than Grand Lodge, to rub elbows with all of the Custodians. During the year I have also had the opportunity to attend individual Grand Custodians Schools covering local areas and find them also good opportunities for fellowship and education.

In February we were privileged to attend the Grand Masters Conference in Washington with R. W. Howard J. Hunter, Grand Senior Warden and his wife, Past Grand Masters Louis V. Sylvester, Charles H. Adams, Norris W. Lallman and their wives and Past Grand Master Herbert A. Ronin, also Past Grand Master Carl R. Greisen honorary and his wife. This is a very busy session and though each Grand Lodge Jurisdiction is a sovereignty in itself there are many avenues for discussion of great interest common to all jurisdictions. The opportunities to learn of new ideas, systems and procedures are numerous and I believe much is accomplished for the general good of Masonry. At this same time the Grand Secretaries also have their Conference in which our Grand Secretary M. W. Brother Norris W. Lallman participated. Also, the Masonic Service Association holds their meeting at this time and I was pleased to see M. W. Brother Herbert A. Ronin, nominated and elected to the Vice Presidency of this very prominent organization. Part of the Grand Masters Conference is a visit to the magnificent George Washington Masonic National Memorial at Alexandria, Virginia, located on a site, every foot of which was familiar to our greatest Mason, M. W. Charles F. Adams honors Nebraska Masonry by contributing his leadership to this outstanding National object of Masonic pride, by being 2nd Vice President and a member of the Executive Committee of the George Washington National Memorial Association.

I was honored to have the privilege to install eight Lodges, in "open" public installations, in January including my own. During the year I have had the pleasure to present innumerable Fifty Year Pins. These occasions are always pleasant and ideal for "open" meetings to which it is encouraged that the public be invited.

The Grand Lodge through our Grand Lodge Education Committee, headed by our chairman, R. W. Howard J. Hunter and his committee, was host to the 12 state Midwest Conference on Masonic Education in

April and held in Omaha. This Conference deals with the many perplexing problems of Masonic Education which confront all Grand Lodge Jurisdictions. This united effort to find better more effective ways to guide and teach the gentle art of Masonry must go on and on because each generation must learn its lessons according to the new conditions of ever changing times. The dedicated men involved in these conferences might try and fail many times but they will always continue to try.

BY-LAWS APPROVED

There were a number of requests for approval of proposed amendments to by-laws all of which were approved. They were as follows:

1. To change Name of Lodge from Emmet Crawford Lodge No. 148 to Custer Lodge No. 148.
1. To change time of regular meeting.
7. To change day of meeting.
14. To increase dues (Increases ranged from \$2.50 to \$5.00)
5. To increase dues (Providing for a specific amount for the Lodge plus assessments for Grand Lodge and The Nebraska Masonic Home)
 1. To provide that the entire membership must be informed before any proposed By-law change can be voted on.

REINSTATEMENTS

40 applications were approved for reinstatement following the recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Reinstatement.

DECISIONS

Most of the questions put to me during the year were more for the purpose of confirming the meaning of a law, as understood by the Lodge, rather than the need for an interpretation or ruling. In many instances I have not made rulings where I felt the intent of the Grand Lodge Law left no doubt as to the proper conclusion and have simply advised the Lodges of the Section in the Law covering their problem. Where there seemed to be room for misinterpretation by either the Lodge or myself, I have assumed the responsibility for the decision by written communication.

1. A Lodge requested some help by way of clarification of the law regarding a Brother who was raised in 1952 but who had not become proficient in the third degree. The Brother had petitioned an appendant body who informed the Lodge that there was no requirement for his proving up before he could petition them. I simply confirmed that the Lodge had correctly interpreted the law, it being mandatory that the brother prove up in the third degree before he could petition any other Masonic orders.

2. A Lodge requested some help regarding two Brethren who had not paid their 1970 dues, stating that they were 50 year members and insisted that as soon as they received their 50 Year Pins they would no

longer need to pay dues. The Secretary of the lodge had rightly explained the Grand Lodge Law to the Brethren but to no avail. I ruled that a Brother must be in good standing to receive a 50 Year Pin and that the presentation of such did not relieve him from paying dues.

3. A Lodge requested clarification of the Law regarding the Manager of a chain Motel at which there was a Bar and Cafe. I replied that since the Manager's position placed no requirement on him to handle or dispense intoxicating liquors as a beverage and since he did not handle or dispense intoxicating liquors, there would be no grounds for his employment to disqualify his petition to the Lodge.

4. A Masters and Wardens Club ordered a Directory of Master Masons within the County and through an error 5000 copies were printed instead of the 1200 ordered. In order that the publisher would not sustain a financial loss as a result of the transaction, they asked for permission to allow the printer to sell the excess copies for an amount over his cost which would possibly also provide some return to the Club. My reply was that Sec. 2-704 prohibited my giving them permission as requested and that all Masons were bound by this section of the Grand Lodge Law.

5. A Lodge requested an opinion as to whether or not it would be a Masonic violation if a brother rented some land to a corporation in which he was not a principle, on which land, the corporation would erect a building and operate a Retail Liquor Store. The Brother would have no financial interest in the liquor store, the building or the corporation owning and operating the liquor store but, for technical reasons would be the person to whom the license would be granted. I ruled that under Sec. 3-102, as amended in 1958 the brother would not be in Masonic violation of the law.

6. A Lodge requested an opinion regarding a petitioner who is a minority stockholder in a family corporation which operates a package liquor store. The petitioner is not involved in the operation of the liquor store nor does he handle or sell intoxicating liquors. I ruled that under Sec. 2-904 covering Grounds for Disqualification the conditions would not prevent the Lodge from acting on the petition.

Complying with a recommendation made by the Grand Master at the 1970 Grand Lodge Communication which was approved by the Jurisprudence Committee and in turn by Grand Lodge a committee working through the Codification of the Law Committee is now at work on the issuance of a new volume of the Constitution and By-Laws of the Grand Lodge. Two meetings have been held and it is expected that a report on progress to date will be made at this communication. I want to thank the Brethren who accepted their requests to serve on this very important temporary committee.

Complying with another recommendation which was duly approved, the Master of each Lodge was asked to appoint a Chairman in his Lodge to head his own committee to convey to the Lodge information on our Homes at Fremont and Plattsmouth. Most of the Masters have made these appointments and plans are underway toward fulfillment of this recommendation.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. PROXIES

I believe the easy and liberal use of proxies which replace the Masters and Wardens prerogatives and responsibilities at Grand Lodge not only lessens attendance of these officers at Grand Lodge but that it also affects the validity of the vote contrary to the intent of the Grand Lodge.

Because the Masters and Wardens of each constituent Lodge are made responsible for the government of their respective Lodges and they are also directed to represent their respective Lodges at Grand Lodge, it would seem that the intent of the Grand Lodge, with regard to proxies, is that the use of many proxies, now constituting up to 40% of the entire potential vote, tends to defeat the reason for them.

Grand Lodge Law dictates that each lodge be represented at Grand Lodge. In the event that none of the three highest ranking officers of a lodge are able to attend a Grand Lodge Communication, this then, I believe, should be the one reason for the use of a proxy by the Master of that Lodge.

There are a number of reasons why all the three highest ranking officers of each lodge cannot attend every Grand Lodge Communication and rare instances when none will be able to attend, however, I believe it is infinitely fairer to those officers who attend if their votes cannot be nullified by a preponderance of votes exercised through the use of proxies.

A more limited use of proxies would, I believe, be a continuous encouragement and inducement to Masters and Wardens to represent their Lodges in person and fulfill their responsibilities as officers of their respective lodges. I further see no reason why a more limited use of proxies will lessen the attendance of the sincere brethren who make the effort to attend Grand Lodge. My position on this matter in no way casts any reflections on those good Brethren, who in a fine spirit of helpfulness to their Lodges have made it possible for them to be represented.

I therefore make the recommendation: When it is ascertained none of the three highest ranking officers of a Lodge will be present at the next Grand Lodge Communication, one proxy only will be issued by the Master of the lodge to a qualified member of his choice, or in the case of his inability to do so, by the Senior Warden or then the Junior Warden, acting for the Master.

The adoption of this recommendation would affect Sec. 1-102 and Sec. 1-103 of the Grand Lodge By-Laws as it will limit each Lodge to one proxy instead of three and then only if none of the three highest ranking officers of the lodge attend the Grand Lodge Communication. It does not affect the duty of the lodge to issue one proxy in the event that none of the three highest ranking officers are available to issue the Master's proxy. It also limits the number of votes of each Lodge to

the one of three of its highest ranking officers present or to the one vote of the holder of the Master's proxy or that of the Lodge.

2. ASSISTANT CUSTODIANS

The first reference providing for an "Assistant Custodian," was made in 1869. In 1870 the Grand Lecturer, now titled the Grand Custodian, with one from each of five districts made up a "Board of Custodians." In the following ten years twenty-seven brethren were appointed as assistants and in the following thirty years there appeared to be no more appointments made. In 1910 Brother Robert French examined and nominated thirteen brethren who became "assistants" in the work. In 1917 the "assistants" were generally referred to as "assistant custodians" and in 1925 the designation was "Deputy Custodians." This title seems to have disappeared and custodians are now called "Assistant Custodians" or more popularly, in the last few years, as "Assistant Grand Custodians."

Our "Custodians" by what ever title they are given, work directly under a Grand Lodge Officer, the Grand Custodian who in turn works under a Grand Lodge "Committee on Work." The important work these Brethren do and their dedication to the perpetuity of our Nebraska ritual would, it seems, make the selection of a specific title for this office desirable.

In order to more closely designate the connection of these Brethren with the Grand Lodge and their connection in the Office of Grand Custodian as well as providing a title more in keeping with the dignity of their office, I recommend, that, henceforth the official title be known as "Deputy Grand Custodian." The Grand Custodian and his assistants have knowledge of this recommendation and approve of same.

3. BIBLE

After much discussion of this subject, with many interested Brethren, I believe a safe conclusion can be made, that having the Bible carried to and from the Altar at each lodge opening, calling off, calling on and closing serves no purpose. However, it does consume time and permits, at times, some rather awkward handling which could be automatically eliminated if the Bible, with Square and Compass, was placed on the Altar before Lodge is opened and remain there until it is returned to its place of keeping.

The handling of the Bible by our Lodges is done, I believe, with more finesse presently than at any previous period. However, it appears that the Altar itself out ranks any other place in the Lodge room as the most proper place for the closed Bible when Lodge is not at labor.

I therefore recommend that the Bible and the Square and Compass always be placed on the Altar before Lodge is opened and left there until being returned to its place of keeping after lodge is closed.

THE NEBRASKA MASONIC HOME

The Nebraska Masonic Home at Plattsmouth is the chief Philanthropy of Nebraska Masonry. The word Philanthropy, means "Love of Mankind," "Benevolence" and "Charity." It is an expression of love of mankind through deeds of practical benefit conferred upon ones fellows. A Philanthropist is one who loves and seeks to benefit mankind. What a beautiful connotation this is to the very meaning of Masonry. And yet, through the years, since 1903, our wonderful Home for our needy aged has been a haven of peace and security for 1130 Masonic Brothers and Sisters at a per-capita cost so low that it is hard to keep the Brethren of our State mindful of the wonderful service this Home renders to Nebraska Masonry. As stated in a table of yearly assessments printed in the Easter issue of The Nebraska Masonic Home News, it is pointed out that the entire per-capita cost per Masonic Brother in Nebraska, including 1971 dues, during the entire last half a century has been the insignificant sum of \$66.55. I will not at this time cover any more facts, regarding the Home, as these will be taken up in later reports.

I would be remiss, however, if I did not mention the Board of Trustees who have charge of the government and operation of the Home. It is my opinion that the Home Board Members, through Administrator and Superintendent Raymond Evers, do an efficient and well organized job in carrying out the respective assignments with which they are charged. William F. Patterson, the President of the Home Board, is an administrator par excellent and Brother Ray Evers who literally grew up in the Home, having been preceded by his Father for some forty years, has been conditioned throughout his entire life to the problems and requirements of the Home to the extent that his understanding, compassion and ability to direct the hundreds of details makes him invaluable to the Home and to the Masons of Nebraska. Brother Raymond's abilities and capacity for Home administration have been recognized nationally as he has been elected President of the Masonic Homes Executives Association who will hold their next meeting in Indianapolis. The Masons of Nebraska have been honored by the recognition given Brother Ray and we wish him every success.

BOARD OF GRAND TRUSTEES

It was my privilege to reappoint and receive acceptance from W. Brother Alfred E. Geschke for a three-year term on the board of Grand Trustees. Brother Al's experience and insight, as a seasoned investment man, and his ever willingness to serve Masonry is a very fortunate circumstance for the Nebraska Grand Lodge. Our Board of Grand Trustees, all of whom are dedicated Masons and experienced investment men, are one of our most valuable assets. The Endowment and Bequest Fund of the Home has been sizably enhanced by their astute management and we are very thankful to them for their willingness to share their abilities and time with Nebraska Masonry.

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

APPROPRIATIONS:.....W.. Brother Alfred B. Saum, No. 46 (1975)
 FINANCE:.....W.. Brother Ansel Toft, No. 232 (1975)
 GRAND LODGE OFFICE: M..W.. Brother Merle M. Hale, No. 54 (1075)
 GRAND TRUSTEES: . . . W.. Brother Alfred E. Geschke, No. 25 (1975)
 MASONIC EDUCATION: W.. Brother Alfred G. Wurst, No. 59 (1973)
 W.. Brother Edward H. Lockwood, No. 265 (1973)
 W.. Brother E. Forrest Estes, No. 19 to serve for a brother
 who resigned. (1972)
 NEBRASKA WORK: M..W.. Brother Edward F. Carter, No. 201 (1973)
 MASONIC RELIEF: . . . W.. Brother Richard L. Newlun, No. 55 (1975)
 TEMPLE BUILDING
 ADVISORY: W.. Brother Donald F. Sampson, No. 36 (1973)
 LODGE ADVISORY: M..W.. Brother Joseph C. Tye, No. 46 (1973)

I extend my sincere thanks to these Brethren for accepting these important assignments.

APPRECIATION

To the Officers and Members of Nebraska Lodge No. 1 and to all the Brethren who have been of so much help to me in my Masonry let me say thank you from the bottom of my heart. It has been a great privilege to be the third Grand Master of my great home Lodge. You Brethren have been more than thoughtful and kind to me and I appreciate it all more than mere words could ever express. The friendships with my brethren in the Lodge have given me a great deal of what Masonry has to offer. Together we have been happy, we have been grieved and sad, we have been serious, perhaps we have even been foolish but always we have been true Brothers, bound to one another by some inward understanding that defies description. Expecting that I would become Grand Master you Brethren presented me a beautiful top hat, when I was Deputy Grand Master, which I am privileged to wear today. At my installation you presented me a commemorative gavel, another gift from the Lodge and made by one of our Past Masters, you turned out at my installation in good number, you held a very fine reception for all the Grand Lodge Officers, you received me first in our Lodge, during the year you performed many thoughtful considerations including the hosting of a Grand Lodge Area meeting, your splendid lodge bulletin has carried much publicity on Grand Lodge events and now at the climax of my year at this Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge, you have honored me still more by opening Master Mason's Lodge within which we have opened Grand Lodge and your Master, Worshipful Brother Joe Lindquist has welcomed all the Brethren to this 114th Communication. I will always be in your debt, but let me again say Thank you!

To the Grand Lodge Family, this means all the Grand Lodge Officers, Members of our Grand Lodge Education Committee, Past Grand Masters, Grand Custodians and others who are present including our wives,

at various Grand Lodge functions, let me say it has been wonderful for Ruth and me to have made so many close freinds with you. I especially thank my Grand Lodge Officers for their cooperation and attendance, whenever possible, on occasions involving the Grand Lodge. We have special ties of friendship, with you, which will always make it most pleasant to see you as time goes on.

It has always been a pleasure and an honor for me to present Past Grand Masters at various Masonic functions. I have had many opportunities to do this during the year and have always been pleased and grateful that you were there. I have asked for help many times from Past Grand Masters which was always freely given. Thank You!

To the Chairman of the Committee on Arrangements and his committeemen who have done so much to make this Communication a success and to the other brethren who have helped in doing so many different things, please accept my thanks, for now, for a job well done.

To M.W. Brother Norris W. Lallman, Grand Secretary, sincere thanks to you and your office staff for the many times you have permitted me to interrupt you during the year and the help you have always so willingly and kindly given.

To W. Brother Ralph W. Gerry, Grand Custodian, you have always been most cooperative and I have never asked you for any help which you did not immediately give. You are doing a fine job, Brother Ralph and you have helped make the year easier and pleasant for me.

M.W. Brother Louis V. Sylvester, you honored me greatly by appointing me in the Grand Lodge Line six years ago, an honor which I feel is the greatest that one man bestow upon another. Your own fine record of so many accomplishments in Masonry has imposed upon me additional responsibility and I hope you have not been disappointed.

To Trinity Chapter No. 299 Order of the Eastern Star, my home Chapter. Thank you for the very nice reception you held for Ruth and me and the Grand Lodge Officers and their wives on Sunday, August 16. This was a delightful occasion and one which was enjoyed by all. I have a very warm spot in my heart for the beautiful Order of Eastern Star and the many ways it helps make the way easier for the Masons. You honored us greatly and thank you again, from all the Grand Lodge Officers.

To the Scottish Rite, York Rite and Shrine Bodies let me thank you first for your year long display of friendliness to the Grand Lodge and then specifically, for the many occasions on which you have so warmly extended special courtesies to Ruth and me and my Grand Lodge Officers and their wives. Space does not permit a recounting of all the events but I want to extend special thanks to the Scottish Rite in Omaha for the use of their Cathedral for the reception given there for the Grand Lodge Officers and use again for this Grand Lodge Communication. To the Scottish Rite in Lincoln for their fine Dinner and reception for the Grand Lodge Officers, to Tangier Temple for the beautiful Grand Masters Fez and to all the Shrine Temples for the fine courtesies ex-

tended on the occasions of your Potentate Balls.

Finally to the Grand York Rite Bodies for all your courtesies and the recognition you have paid the Office of Grand Master.

APPRECIATION TO EASTERN STAR

The 96th Annual Session of the Grand Chapter Order of the Eastern Star, held at the Pershing Auditorium in Lincoln, ending May 13th was called "The Nebraska Masonic Home Session." It was the culmination of a year of sincere dedication to our home and the Masons of the past and present.

Worthy Grand Matron, Kathryn Brock and Worthy Grand Patron Robert F. Metcalf, being well acquainted with the Home were inspired to make it their project for the year. Throughout the year they have repeatedly told the story of the home better than it has ever been told. They have helped many, in their hearts and minds to fully appreciate this haven of peace and rest for those, who through no fault of their own and never having planned to be there, find this a place to serve out their few remaining years in security and dignity.

The following beautifully worded preface headed the printed program for this session:

DEDICATION

This Nebraska Masonic Home Session is respectfully dedicated to the Masons of Nebraska for their watchful care over our Sisters and Brothers residing in the Home at Plattsmouth.

The large stage of the Auditorium, the focal point, had as its background a huge painted replica of the Home Building at the side of which was included the monument on the Home grounds.

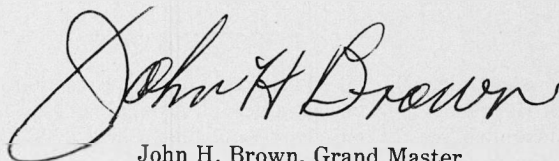
Across the entire front over the top of the stage, in large cut out letters were the words from Hebrew 13:1, "Let Brotherly Love Continue." On the floor at the right of podium, just in front of the stage, was a very large gilded Square and Compass a thing of real beauty. Many other Eastern Star and floral pieces were also used in tasteful arrangement to make the whole setting one of magnificence.

I was privileged, at the opening session, to bring greetings from the Grand Lodge and to receive a check from the Worthy Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Patron, representing donations made to them during the year for the Home from Eastern Star Members, to the amount of \$20,000.00 The amount of this check, generous beyond any expectation of the Home, is indicative of the fine regard the members of the Eastern Star have for Sister Kathryn and Brother Bob.

No greater evidence of appreciation could ever be given than was displayed, in word, thought and deed at this Session of our Grand Chapter of Eastern Star. I am grateful for the fine feeling of friendliness and the spirit of cooperation which exists between our great orders. Let us remember to enjoy and appreciate it. "Let Brotherly Love Continue." To Sister Kathryn and Brother Bob, let me again say Thank You, for

our members in the Home, for the Board of Trustees of the Home and for all the Masons of Nebraska. Yours has truly been a great service which will carry on for years to come.

Fraternally,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John H. Brown". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

John H. Brown, Grand Master

REPORT OF THE GRAND SECRETARY

The Grand Secretary presents his report as follows:

Complete returns have been received from 258 Lodges and all dues and fees for the 1970 have been paid in full, one Lodge Roman Eagle Lodge No. 203 has not filed their 1970 returns or remitted the fees.

CONSOLIDATIONS

Alexandria No. 74, Alexandria voted to consolidate with Hebron No. 43. Hebron No. 43 voted to accept Alexandria No. 74 in consolidation. Alexandria No. 74 is in the Grand Lodge office. The date of the consolidation was September 10, 1970.

Pythagoras No. 156, Page, voted to consolidate with Diamond No. 291, Orchard. Diamond No. 291, Orchard, voted to accept Pythagoras No. 156, located at Page. This consolidation was approved by the Grand Master. The date of the consolidation was December 4, 1970.

Grace No. 226, Wilcox, voted to consolidate with Jachin No. 146, Holdrege. Jachin No. 146, Holdrege, voted to accept Grace No. 226, Wilcox. This consolidation was approved by the Grand Master. The date of the consolidation was May 11, 1971.

GRIEVANCES

The Grand Secretaries office has not received any petitions for restoration during the past year.

FIFTY YEAR BUTTONS

There were 653 Buttons presented this year. In many cases special meetings were held for the presentation ceremony, with the M. W. Grand Master making the presentation.

JORDAN MEDALS

We are happy to report that the Lodges are making a special effort for the presentation of the Bronze Jordan Medal to the senior member of their Lodge residing in Nebraska.

GOLD JORDAN MEDAL

W. Brother J. Frank Heywood is the wearer of the Gold Jordan Medal. This medal was presented to Brother Heywood by the Grand Master on January 19, 1971 at a special meeting of Peru Lodge No. 14. W. Brother Heywood has been a member of the fraternity since February 26, 1896, over 75 years.

SECRETARIES MEETINGS

The Grand Secretary attended eleven area meetings this year, these meetings are conducted by the committee on Masonic Education. They were well attended and many interesting discussions were held.

LOCAL MASONIC RELIEF ASSOCIATIONS

May we express our thanks to the Brethren of the Omaha and Lincoln

Relief Associations. They assist out-state Lodges in making hospital calls as well as assisting sojourning Masons.

MEMORIAL LODGE OF OMAHA U. D.

Our thanks and appreciation go to Memorial Lodge U. D. They are called upon many times during the year to conduct funeral services of a sojourning Brother. W. Brother Wade E. Sheppard and the officers and Brethren of Memorial Lodge are to be commended for their efforts.

CHARTERED LODGES

Porter Lodge No. 106; Mount Nebo Lodge No. 125; Siloam Lodge No. 147; Grace Lodge No. 226; Tyriam Lodge No. 243 and Alpha Lodge No. 316 have failed to be represented at the last two Annual Communications and have been cited to appear before the Committee on Charters and Dispensations at this Communication.

GRAND LODGE OFFICES

The Grand Secretary is most fortunate to have the utmost cooperation from the entire office force.

A special thank you to W. Brother Alfred E. Geschke, chairman of the Grand Lodge office committee and to M. W. Brother John F. Fitcher, chairman of the Board of Grand Trustees, these Brethren spend countless hours working for the betterment of our Grand Lodge.

A cordial welcome is extended to all of the Masons of Nebraska, to visit our Grand Lodge Offices.

GRAND CUSTODIAN

We work closely with the Grand Custodian W. Brother Ralph W. Gerry and his fine corps of Assistant Grand Custodians. These men are always ready and willing to be of assistance when called upon. Our sincere thanks to each and every one.

FRATERNAL REVIEW

Each year M. W. William B. Wanner prepares an outstanding review. These reviews are distributed at the Grand Lodge Communication. I would urge every Brother to read this review.

FINANCIAL REPORT
General Fund Receipts

Cash, U. S. National Bank, April 30, 1970	\$116,983.42
Per Capita Tax \$4.00 per member	167,208.00
Initiations \$10.00 per member	5,391.00
 Surety Bond Premiums	 645.10
Liability Insurance Premiums	2,926.55
Supplies	3,217.12
George Washington Masonic Nat'l Memorial Assoc.	507.00
Custodial Fees	810.00
Interest & Dividends on Investments	47,919.51
Matured Investments--Long & Short Term	187,019.15
Affiliations	40.00
Dispensation Fees	25.00
Miscell. Income--Trip Rebate	970.00
	<u>\$433,661.85</u>

Disbursements

George Washington Masonic Nat'l Memorial Assoc.	\$ 455.00
Liability Insurance Premium	3,615.00
Supply Account	2,383.69
Relief Account	2,150.00
The Nebraska Masonic Home--General Fund	83,480.00
The Masonic--Eastern Star Home for Children	26,616.00
1970-1971 General Budget	97,030.99
Securities Purchased--Long & Short Term	195,010.00
Cash, U. S. National Bank, April 30, 1971	22,921.17
	<u>\$433,661.85</u>

Retirement Fund

Receipts

Cash, U. S. National Bank, April 30, 1970	\$ 4,157.06
Interest and Dividends on Investments	9,850.08
Grand Lodge A. F. F. & A. M. F. & The Nebraska Masonic Home	20,864.00
Savings Certificates Cashed	3,078.75
	<u>\$ 37,949.89</u>

Disbursements

Securities Purchased	\$ 29,919.90
Accrued Interest	86.25
Payments to retired Employees	613.24
Cash, U. S. National Bank, April 30, 1971	7,330.50
	<u>\$ 37,949.89</u>

RETURNS

Number of Chartered Lodges last year	258
Charters Consolidated	3
Number of Chartered Lodges	255
Number Initiated	564
Number Passed	489
Number Raised	508
Number Affiliated	327
Number Dual Members	29
Number Reinstated	190
Number Gained--other causes	12
Total gross increase	<u>1,066</u>
Number Demitted	364
Number Deceased	1,022
Number Suspended N.P.D.	548
Number Expelled	1
Lost by other causes	<u>8</u>
Total gross loss	<u>1,942</u>
Net loss for year ending	
December 31, 1970	876

Number of Master Masons on Rolls Dec. 31, 1969	41,740
Number of Master Masons on Rolls Dec. 31, 1970	40,864

I wish to express my personal appreciation to those who have been so cooperative during the past year. We have many fine Secretaries in our constituent Lodges throughout the state, a special thank you to them.

Fraternally submitted,

Louis W. Lallman

Grand Secretary

NAME OF LODGE	E. A. F.		F. C. F.		MASTER MASONS											No. on Rolls Dec. 31, 1970	No. of Lodge			
	No. of Lodge	No. Initiated	No. on Rolls Dec. 31, 1970	No. Passed	No. on Rolls Dec. 31, 1970	No. on Rolls Dec. 31, 1969	GAIN					TOTAL	LOSS							
							By Raising	By Affiliation	By Dual Membership	By Reinstatement	Other Causes		By Demission	By Death	By Suspension			By Expulsion	Other Causes	TOTAL LOSS
Nebraska	1	10	5	11	0	987	11	3	1	3	0	1005	3	31	14	0	0	48	957	1
Western Star	2	5	8	1	0	264	3	1	0	1	0	269	2	3	2	0	0	7	262	2
Capitol	3	10	4	10	1	633	10	0	0	7	0	650	1	27	12	0	0	40	610	3
Nemaha Valley	4	0	1	0	0	71	1	0	0	0	0	72	1	1	0	0	0	2	70	4
Omaha	5	2	3	3	0	101	3	0	1	0	0	105	0	1	1	0	0	2	103	5
Plattsmouth	6	5	7	2	1	326	3	1	0	1	0	331	0	9	0	0	0	9	322	6
Falls City	9	1	3	1	3	214	0	2	0	0	0	218	2	7	10	0	0	19	199	9
Solomon	10	0	0	3	2	103	1	1	0	0	0	105	0	0	0	0	0	0	105	10
Covert	11	18	11	22	6	1557	18	3	0	1	0	1579	8	38	14	0	0	60	1519	11
Orient	13	0	2	0	0	50	0	0	0	0	0	50	0	2	2	0	0	4	46	13
Peru	14	2	1	1	0	97	2	0	0	1	0	100	1	3	1	0	0	5	95	14
Fremont	15	7	1	9	0	644	11	4	0	5	0	664	3	18	9	0	0	30	634	15
Tecumseh	17	0	7	0	1	140	0	0	0	0	0	140	1	3	0	0	0	4	136	17
Lincoln	19	4	13	5	1	819	5	0	2	1	0	827	0	20	16	0	0	36	791	19
Washington	21	3	1	4	0	158	5	2	0	1	0	166	2	5	2	0	0	9	157	21
Pawnee	23	2	1	1	0	103	1	0	0	0	0	106	0	1	0	0	0	1	105	23
St. Johns	25	7	6	5	0	849	6	4	0	0	0	859	4	32	7	0	0	43	816	25
Beatrice	26	1	4	3	1	358	3	3	0	2	0	366	2	8	1	0	0	11	355	26
Jordan	27	0	0	0	0	71	0	2	1	0	0	74	2	0	1	0	0	3	71	27
Blue River	30	0	0	0	0	80	0	0	0	0	0	80	0	3	2	0	0	5	75	30
Tekamah	31	2	1	1	0	190	1	1	0	0	0	192	0	4	3	1	2	10	182	31
Platte Valley	32	8	18	6	8	540	4	3	1	2	1	551	3	18	4	0	0	25	526	32
Ashlar	33	9	9	2	1	500	2	1	0	7	0	510	3	14	15	0	0	32	478	33
Acacia	34	0	3	0	4	162	1	0	0	0	0	163	0	2	0	0	0	2	161	34
Fairbury	35	1	0	2	1	198	3	4	0	0	0	247	8	6	4	0	0	18	229	35
Lone Tree	36	1	1	1	1	192	1	1	0	0	0	194	0	6	4	0	0	10	184	36
Crete	37	2	2	3	0	186	4	0	0	1	0	191	0	1	4	0	0	5	186	37
Oliver	38	3	3	0	0	147	0	0	0	1	0	148	1	7	6	0	0	14	134	38
Papillion	39	13	4	17	3	288	16	5	0	1	0	310	5	1	0	0	0	6	304	39
Humboldt	40	0	1	1	1	95	1	0	0	0	0	96	0	2	1	0	0	3	93	40
Northern Light	41	0	0	1	2	68	2	0	0	1	0	71	0	2	1	0	0	3	68	41
Hebron	43	0	1	0	0	106	0	2	0	2	0	134	0	2	5	0	0	7	127	43
Harvard	44	0	0	0	0	80	0	0	0	0	0	80	0	2	1	0	0	3	77	44
Rob Morris	46	3	7	3	3	348	2	0	0	2	0	352	0	5	6	0	0	11	341	46
Fairmont	48	2	3	0	0	79	0	1	0	0	0	80	0	4	1	0	0	5	75	48
Evening Star	49	3	2	2	0	98	2	1	0	0	0	101	0	4	0	0	0	4	97	49
Hastings	50	9	13	4	2	482	5	2	0	0	0	489	1	11	5	0	0	17	472	50
Fidelity	51	1	3	1	1	135	1	0	0	0	0	136	0	3	0	0	0	3	133	51
Hiram	52	2	2	2	0	82	3	0	0	0	0	85	1	5	0	0	0	6	79	52
Charity	53	2	2	0	0	136	0	2	0	0	0	138	0	3	5	0	0	8	130	53

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		No. Initiated	No. on Rolls Dec. 31, 1970	No. Passed	No. on Rolls Dec. 31, 1970		By Raising	By Affiliation	By Dual Membership	By Reinstatement	Other Causes		By Demission	By Death	By Suspension	By Expulsion				Other Causes
Lancaster	54	16	9	18	1	856	20	5	0	5	0	886	2	27	9	0	0	38	848	54
Mosaic	55	4	6	4	4	288	2	3	0	5	0	298	2	10	4	0	0	16	282	55
York	56	1	2	0	0	248	0	6	0	1	0	255	3	10	0	0	0	13	242	56
Mt. Moriah	57	3	3	3	1	95	3	0	0	0	0	98	0	4	0	0	0	4	94	57
Wahoo	59	1	3	1	1	284	2	0	0	0	0	286	0	8	7	0	0	15	271	59
Melrose	60	0	0	1	0	71	1	0	0	0	0	72	0	1	0	0	0	1	71	60
Thistle	61	2	1	2	1	244	2	0	0	2	0	248	8	3	1	0	0	12	236	61
Keystone	62	2	4	1	0	48	2	0	0	0	0	50	0	1	0	0	0	1	48	62
Blue Valley	64	3	5	0	0	92	1	0	3	1	0	97	0	2	0	0	0	2	95	64
Osceola	65	1	2	1	1	87	1	0	0	0	0	88	0	4	1	0	0	5	83	65
Edgar	67	0	2	0	0	72	0	0	0	0	0	72	0	2	0	0	0	2	70	67
Aurora	68	1	3	1	0	139	3	0	0	0	0	142	0	6	2	0	0	8	134	68
Sterling	70	1	2	1	1	36	1	0	0	0	0	37	0	2	0	0	0	2	35	70
Trowel	71	0	3	0	0	96	0	1	0	0	0	97	1	2	0	0	0	3	94	71
Hooper	72	1	2	1	1	94	1	0	0	0	0	95	0	2	3	0	0	5	90	72
Friend	73	0	4	0	2	64	0	0	0	0	0	64	1	3	0	0	0	4	60	73
Alexandria	74	0	2	0	0	26	0	0	0	0	0	26	26	0	0	0	0	26	0	74
Frank Welch	75	5	0	5	0	238	7	2	0	1	0	248	2	5	2	0	0	9	239	75
Nelson	77	1	2	0	0	129	0	0	0	1	0	130	0	3	1	0	0	4	126	77
Albion	78	0	0	0	0	144	0	1	0	1	0	146	0	6	0	0	0	6	140	78
Geneva	79	3	3	4	0	147	5	3	0	0	0	155	0	4	0	0	0	4	151	79
Composite	81	1	1	0	0	90	0	0	0	0	0	90	1	4	0	0	0	5	85	81
St. Paul	82	1	4	0	2	167	0	1	0	1	0	169	2	6	0	0	0	8	161	82
Corinthian	83	0	1	0	1	67	0	1	0	0	0	68	0	1	0	0	1	2	66	83
Fairfield	84	0	0	0	0	44	0	0	0	0	0	44	1	1	0	0	0	2	42	84
Ionic	87	2	4	1	1	94	1	0	0	1	0	96	0	2	0	0	0	2	94	87
Star	88	1	1	3	2	104	1	0	0	0	0	105	0	3	2	0	0	5	100	88
Cedar River	89	0	2	0	0	89	0	0	0	0	0	89	0	2	0	0	0	2	87	89
Oakland	91	3	4	2	0	129	2	0	0	0	0	131	0	3	0	0	0	3	128	91
Beaver City	93	1	3	1	0	94	2	1	0	0	0	97	2	4	0	0	0	6	91	93
Bennett	94	3	4	2	1	65	2	0	0	0	0	67	0	0	1	0	0	1	66	94
Garfield	95	1	6	3	2	102	4	0	0	0	0	106	0	1	3	0	0	4	102	95
Utica	96	3	1	3	1	63	3	0	0	0	0	66	0	0	0	0	0	0	66	96
Eucled	97	2	2	2	0	104	2	0	0	1	0	107	1	2	1	0	0	4	103	97
Republican	98	1	2	0	2	43	0	0	0	0	0	43	0	1	0	0	0	1	42	98
Shelton	99	0	0	0	0	71	0	0	1	0	0	72	0	1	3	0	0	4	68	99
Creighton	100	1	1	0	0	82	0	0	0	1	0	83	1	2	3	0	0	6	77	100
Ponca	101	0	1	3	1	80	4	0	0	0	0	84	0	2	1	0	0	3	81	101
Waterloo	102	6	2	4	0	170	7	6	0	0	0	183	1	5	0	0	0	6	177	102
Ord	103	2	2	2	2	136	2	1	0	0	0	139	1	4	2	0	0	7	132	103

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							By Raising	By Affiliation	By Dual Membership	By Reinstatement	Other Causes		By Demission	By Death	By Suspension	By Expulsion			Other Causes	
																				TOTAL GAIN	TOTAL LOSS
Wymore	104	1	2	1	0	175	1	0	0	0	0	176	0	6	3	0	0	9	167	104
Stella	105	0	3	0	1	51	0	0	0	0	0	51	0	1	0	0	0	1	50	105
Porter	106	1	1	1	2	65	1	0	0	0	0	66	0	1	0	0	0	1	65	106
Table Rock	108	0	0	0	0	30	1	1	0	0	0	32	0	0	1	0	0	1	31	108
Pomegranate	110	1	4	2	1	191	2	2	0	1	0	196	0	3	10	0	0	13	183	110
Dewitt	111	5	2	1	2	43	1	0	0	0	0	44	0	2	0	0	0	2	42	111
Springfield	112	1	0	1	2	114	0	0	0	0	0	114	0	5	0	0	0	5	109	112
Globe	113	0	0	1	1	77	1	0	0	1	0	79	0	1	1	0	0	2	77	113
Wisner	114	1	3	3	0	87	4	0	0	1	0	92	0	2	3	0	0	5	87	114
Harlan	116	2	3	1	0	96	1	0	0	0	0	97	0	1	2	0	0	3	94	116
Hardy	117	0	0	0	0	48	0	0	0	0	0	48	1	2	0	0	0	3	45	117
North Bend	119	3	2	1	1	98	0	0	0	1	0	99	2	0	0	0	0	2	97	119
Wayne	120	5	1	6	5	184	2	3	0	0	0	189	0	6	2	0	0	8	181	120
Superior	121	4	3	5	3	170	4	2	0	0	0	176	1	6	0	0	0	7	169	121
Auburn	124	0	0	1	0	120	1	1	0	0	0	122	1	2	0	0	0	3	119	124
Mount Nebo	125	0	0	0	0	76	0	0	0	0	0	76	1	1	0	0	0	2	74	125
Stromsburg	126	3	7	3	2	150	3	2	0	0	0	155	1	5	0	0	0	6	149	126
Minden	127	1	1	0	2	90	2	0	0	0	0	92	1	1	0	0	0	2	90	127
Guide Rock	128	2	2	3	2	70	7	1	0	0	0	78	1	2	0	0	0	3	75	128
Scribner	132	0	1	0	0	45	0	0	0	0	0	45	1	1	0	0	0	2	43	132
Elm Creek	133	0	0	0	0	48	0	0	0	0	0	48	48	0	0	0	0	48	0	133
Solar	134	1	2	0	0	68	0	0	1	0	0	69	0	3	0	0	0	3	66	134
McCook	135	2	9	1	1	328	3	1	0	0	0	332	3	5	2	0	0	10	322	135
Long Pine	136	1	1	0	0	44	1	0	0	0	0	45	1	2	0	0	0	3	42	136
Upright	137	0	0	0	0	56	0	0	0	0	0	56	0	3	0	0	0	3	53	137
Rawalt	138	1	5	0	4	79	0	0	0	1	0	80	1	2	0	0	0	3	77	138
Clay Centre	139	3	6	2	3	60	1	2	0	0	0	63	1	3	0	0	0	4	59	139
Western	140	0	0	0	0	33	0	1	0	0	0	34	0	1	0	0	0	1	33	140
Crescent	143	2	3	3	1	27	2	0	0	0	0	29	0	1	0	0	0	1	28	143
Bancroft	145	0	1	0	0	53	0	0	0	1	0	54	0	3	2	0	0	5	49	145
Jachin	146	1	3	1	0	165	1	1	0	0	0	167	0	9	0	0	0	9	158	146
Siloan	147	0	0	0	0	28	0	1	0	0	0	29	0	0	0	0	0	0	29	147
Custer	148	2	3	1	3	182	1	6	0	1	0	190	0	4	0	0	0	4	186	148
Cambridge	150	0	0	1	0	99	0	0	0	0	0	99	0	1	3	0	0	4	95	150
Evergreen	153	0	3	1	0	58	1	1	1	0	0	61	0	2	0	0	0	2	59	153
Lily	154	0	0	0	0	62	0	0	0	0	0	62	0	2	0	0	0	2	60	154
Hartington	155	0	0	0	0	57	0	0	0	0	0	57	0	0	1	0	0	1	56	155
Pythagoras	156	0	0	0	0	29	0	0	0	0	0	29	26	1	2	0	0	29	0	156
Samaritan	158	5	3	4	0	232	4	1	0	0	0	237	1	5	4	0	0	10	227	158
Ogalalla	159	5	6	5	2	153	5	0	0	0	0	158	4	3	3	0	0	10	148	159

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							By Raising	By Affiliation	By Dual Membership	By Reinstatement	Other Causes		By Demission	By Death	By Suspension			By Expulsion	Other Causes	
																				TOTAL GAIN	TOTAL LOSS
Zeredatha	160	1	3	1	1	37	0	0	0	0	0	37	0	2	0	0	0	2	35	160
Mount Zion	161	0	0	0	0	50	1	0	0	0	0	51	0	2	0	0	0	2	49	161
Trestle Board	162	0	1	0	0	74	0	0	0	1	0	75	0	2	1	0	0	3	72	162
Unity	163	0	3	0	1	75	0	0	0	0	0	75	0	1	0	0	0	1	74	163
Atkinson	164	3	4	1	0	49	2	0	0	0	0	51	0	2	1	0	0	3	48	164
Barneston	165	0	0	0	1	44	0	0	0	0	0	44	0	1	0	0	0	1	43	165
Mystic Tie	166	0	0	0	0	42	0	0	0	0	0	42	0	0	0	0	0	0	42	166
Elwood	167	0	0	0	0	55	0	0	0	0	0	55	0	4	0	0	0	4	51	167
Curtis	168	4	3	0	0	78	1	0	0	0	0	79	0	5	0	0	0	5	74	168
Amity	169	0	2	0	0	87	1	0	0	0	0	88	0	4	0	0	0	4	84	169
Mason City	170	0	2	0	0	26	0	0	0	0	0	26	0	1	0	0	0	1	25	170
Merna	171	0	0	0	0	53	0	0	0	0	0	53	0	1	1	0	0	2	51	171
Robert Burns	173	1	2	1	1	73	0	0	0	0	0	73	0	1	0	0	0	1	72	173
Culbertson	174	2	2	4	3	65	3	1	0	0	0	69	0	1	1	0	0	2	67	174
Temple	175	0	1	0	1	44	0	0	0	0	0	44	0	0	3	0	0	3	41	175
Gladstone	176	0	0	0	0	76	0	0	0	0	0	76	1	3	0	0	0	4	72	176
Hay Springs	177	2	2	2	3	112	1	0	0	0	0	113	1	1	1	0	0	3	110	177
Prudence	179	0	0	0	0	44	0	0	0	0	0	44	0	1	0	0	0	1	43	179
Justice	180	2	2	2	2	134	1	1	0	0	0	136	0	3	0	0	0	3	133	180
Faith	181	0	0	0	0	91	0	0	0	3	0	94	2	4	3	0	0	9	85	181
Alliance	183	3	6	4	0	333	4	1	0	4	0	342	1	6	8	0	1	16	326	183
Bee Hive	184	9	11	9	2	980	9	2	0	16	0	1007	10	16	25	0	0	51	956	184
Boaz	185	1	0	1	0	53	1	0	0	1	0	55	0	0	0	0	0	0	55	185
Meridian	188	1	0	2	1	141	1	0	1	0	0	143	0	9	1	0	0	10	133	188
Granite	189	4	4	1	0	68	1	0	1	0	0	70	0	2	2	0	0	4	66	189
Amethyst	190	0	1	0	0	41	0	0	0	0	0	41	0	1	0	0	0	1	40	190
Crystal	191	0	0	0	0	75	0	0	0	0	0	75	0	2	0	0	0	2	73	191
Minnekadusa	192	1	9	0	2	169	1	0	0	1	0	171	2	8	9	0	0	19	152	192
Signet	193	0	1	0	0	50	0	0	0	1	0	51	0	3	1	0	0	4	47	193
Highland	194	0	0	0	0	39	1	0	0	1	1	42	0	0	0	0	0	0	42	194
Arcana	195	1	3	2	0	136	3	0	0	3	0	142	1	7	1	0	0	9	133	195
Purity	198	4	4	4	2	131	3	0	0	1	0	135	1	5	2	0	0	8	127	198
Gavel	199	0	2	0	1	37	0	0	0	0	0	37	0	1	0	0	0	1	36	199
Blazing Star	200	1	1	0	1	78	0	1	0	0	0	79	2	0	0	0	0	2	77	200
Scotts Bluff	201	2	1	1	0	183	1	3	0	1	0	188	0	4	1	0	0	5	183	201
Golden Sheaf	202	1	0	0	0	64	0	0	0	0	0	64	0	1	4	0	0	5	59	202
Roman Eagle	203	0	2	0	3	66	0	0	0	0	0	66	0	1	0	0	0	1	65	203
Plainview	204	0	4	0	0	111	0	0	0	0	0	111	3	4	0	0	0	7	104	204
Golden Fleece	205	1	1	2	2	160	1	0	0	1	0	162	0	3	3	0	0	6	156	205
Napthali	206	0	0	0	0	46	0	0	0	0	0	46	46	0	0	0	0	46	0	206

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																				TOTAL GAIN
Parian	207	0	0	0	0	47	0	0	0	0	0	17	0	2	0	0	0	2	45	207
Canopy	209	1	1	0	0	97	0	0	0	0	0	97	0	3	1	0	0	4	93	209
East Lincoln	210	14	6	12	3	1146	12	4	0	3	0	1165	8	17	16	0	41	1124	210	
Cement	211	0	2	0	0	77	0	1	0	0	0	78	0	3	2	0	0	5	73	211
Plumblin	214	0	0	0	0	31	0	0	0	0	0	31	0	0	0	0	0	0	31	214
Occidental	215	0	3	0	0	64	0	0	1	0	0	65	2	2	0	0	0	4	61	215
Palisade	216	3	2	3	1	101	2	0	0	0	0	103	0	3	0	0	0	3	100	216
Wauneta	217	1	1	1	1	55	1	0	0	0	0	56	0	3	0	0	0	3	53	217
Bloomfield	218	1	0	2	3	76	2	0	0	0	0	78	0	1	0	0	0	1	77	218
Relief	219	0	3	0	1	49	0	0	0	0	0	49	0	1	1	0	0	2	47	219
Magnolia	220	0	4	0	1	46	0	0	0	0	0	46	0	2	0	0	0	2	44	220
Wood Lake	221	1	1	2	0	75	3	0	0	0	0	78	0	5	2	0	0	7	71	221
Landmark	222	4	5	1	0	94	1	0	0	1	0	96	1	4	1	0	0	6	90	222
Eminence	223	0	0	0	0	57	0	0	0	1	0	58	1	2	0	0	0	3	55	223
Silver Cord	224	3	3	1	3	129	0	1	0	3	0	133	2	3	1	0	0	6	127	224
Cable	225	0	3	0	1	80	0	0	0	0	0	80	0	2	0	0	0	2	78	225
Grace	226	0	2	0	0	54	0	0	0	1	0	55	1	2	0	0	0	3	52	226
North Star	227	6	7	5	1	465	5	0	0	5	0	475	2	8	12	0	0	22	453	227
Bartley	228	0	1	0	0	51	0	0	0	0	0	51	0	3	0	0	0	3	48	228
Comet	229	1	4	1	1	119	2	0	0	0	0	121	0	4	1	0	0	5	116	229
Mt. Herman	231	0	0	0	0	30	0	0	0	0	0	30	1	0	0	0	0	1	29	231
John S. Bowen	232	3	3	3	1	73	2	0	0	0	0	75	0	0	3	0	0	3	72	232
Gilead	233	1	0	1	0	44	1	0	0	1	0	46	1	1	2	0	0	4	42	233
Zion	234	8	3	5	2	98	3	0	1	0	0	102	2	1	1	0	0	4	98	234
Fraternity	235	0	1	0	1	61	0	0	0	1	0	62	0	3	1	0	0	4	58	235
Golden Rule	236	0	3	0	0	55	0	0	0	0	0	55	0	2	0	0	0	2	53	236
Cubit	237	0	0	0	0	37	0	0	0	0	0	37	0	0	0	0	0	0	37	237
Friendship	239	0	2	0	0	65	0	0	1	1	0	67	0	7	4	0	0	11	56	239
Pilot	240	5	4	2	0	114	2	0	0	0	0	116	1	3	2	0	0	6	110	240
Geo. Armstrong	241	0	1	0	1	69	0	0	0	0	0	69	1	0	1	0	0	2	67	241
Tyrian	243	0	0	0	0	23	0	0	0	0	0	23	0	1	0	0	0	1	22	243
Hampton	245	3	2	2	0	47	2	0	0	0	0	49	1	6	0	0	0	7	42	245
Nehawka	246	2	4	0	1	105	0	0	0	0	2	107	1	2	4	0	0	7	100	246
Laurel	248	3	3	2	1	81	2	0	0	0	0	83	1	1	1	0	0	3	80	248
Gothenburg	249	1	1	1	0	150	2	2	0	1	0	155	1	3	1	0	0	5	150	249
George Washington	250	1	5	3	0	322	3	0	0	4	0	329	0	9	3	0	0	12	317	250
Wausa	251	0	0	0	0	44	0	0	0	0	0	44	1	1	1	0	0	3	41	251
Beemer	253	0	0	0	0	38	0	0	0	0	0	38	0	2	0	0	0	2	36	253
Bassett	254	1	0	1	0	72	1	1	0	1	0	75	2	2	2	0	0	6	69	254
Hickman	256	6	12	3	2	64	5	1	0	1	0	71	0	1	0	0	0	1	70	256

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							By Raising	By Affiliation	By Dual Membership	By Reinstatement	Other Causes		By Demission	By Death	By Suspension			By Expulsion	Other Causes	
																				TOTAL GAIN	TOTAL LOSS
Anselmo	258	1	2	1	0	85	1	0	0	0	0	86	0	3	0	0	3	6	80	258
Ornan	261	0	0	0	0	61	0	0	0	0	0	61	0	0	1	0	0	1	60	261
Endeavor	262	2	0	2	2	82	2	0	0	0	0	84	0	1	0	0	0	1	83	262
Mitchell	263	2	1	3	1	149	3	0	0	1	0	153	0	1	0	0	0	1	152	263
Franklin	264	1	2	0	0	90	0	0	0	1	0	91	0	4	2	0	0	6	85	264
R. W. Furnas	265	6	10	2	2	408	2	1	1	4	0	416	0	8	1	0	0	9	407	265
Silver	266	0	4	1	1	58	1	1	0	0	0	60	0	3	0	0	0	3	57	266
J. A. Tulleys	267	0	0	0	0	48	0	48	0	0	0	96	1	3	0	0	0	4	92	267
G. W. Lininger	268	6	0	6	0	235	6	2	0	0	0	243	1	8	7	0	0	16	227	268
Oasis	271	1	1	4	1	193	4	0	0	0	0	197	0	2	1	0	0	3	194	271
L. P. Gillette	272	0	0	1	0	61	1	0	0	0	0	62	0	4	0	0	0	4	58	272
Crofton	273	0	1	0	0	32	0	0	0	0	0	32	0	0	0	0	0	0	32	273
Olive Branch	274	1	3	1	2	46	0	0	0	0	0	46	0	1	0	0	0	1	45	274
Ramah	275	0	0	0	0	43	0	0	0	0	0	43	1	2	0	0	0	3	40	275
Antelope	276	1	6	1	1	58	0	0	0	0	0	58	0	0	0	0	0	0	58	276
Sioux	277	1	3	1	0	38	1	0	0	0	0	39	0	0	0	0	0	0	39	277
Litchfield	278	0	4	0	0	34	0	0	0	0	0	34	0	2	0	0	0	2	32	278
Wallace	279	2	4	1	0	33	1	1	1	0	0	36	0	1	1	0	0	2	34	279
Swastika	280	4	0	0	2	77	2	0	0	0	0	79	1	1	0	0	0	2	77	280
Florence	281	2	6	0	6	850	6	7	0	4	0	867	8	25	30	0	0	63	804	281
Mullen	282	2	0	0	0	58	0	1	0	0	2	61	0	0	1	0	0	1	60	282
Seneca	284	1	3	1	1	60	1	0	0	0	0	61	0	2	1	0	0	3	58	284
Camp Clarke	285	0	2	1	0	142	1	2	0	0	0	145	0	8	0	0	0	8	137	285
Oshkosh	286	3	4	1	1	97	0	0	0	0	0	97	0	1	4	0	0	5	92	286
Union	287	0	1	0	0	56	0	0	0	0	0	56	0	0	0	0	0	0	56	287
Omaha	288	3	3	2	1	451	1	3	0	2	0	457	3	8	11	0	0	22	435	288
Lotus	289	1	3	1	2	152	2	0	0	0	0	154	1	3	1	0	0	5	149	289
J. J. Mercer	290	24	15	22	1	1562	26	9	0	0	3	1600	6	26	11	0	1	44	1556	290
Diamond	291	1	2	2	3	67	1	25	0	0	0	93	1	0	0	0	0	1	92	291
Wolbach	292	0	1	0	0	36	0	0	0	0	0	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	36	292
Monument	293	1	2	1	2	60	1	0	0	0	0	61	0	3	0	0	0	3	58	293
Kimball	294	2	8	0	1	186	0	1	0	3	0	190	2	2	3	0	0	7	183	294
Minatare	295	1	3	1	1	83	0	1	0	0	0	84	0	3	0	0	0	3	81	295
Cotner	297	1	2	2	1	286	3	0	0	1	0	290	2	4	3	0	0	9	281	297
Chester	298	4	3	1	0	50	1	0	0	0	0	51	1	0	0	0	0	1	50	298
Sutherland	299	0	1	0	0	81	0	0	0	0	0	81	0	2	0	0	0	2	79	299
Liberty	300	4	2	4	1	439	3	0	1	2	0	445	1	7	9	0	0	17	428	300
Bayard	301	0	3	2	0	76	2	0	0	0	0	78	0	3	0	0	0	3	75	301
Mizpah	302	21	11	20	1	1070	21	3	0	9	0	1103	6	27	23	0	0	56	1047	302
Right Angle	303	7	7	4	0	488	4	0	0	8	0	500	0	8	19	0	0	27	473	303

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		No. on Rolls Dec. 31, 1970		No. on Rolls Dec. 31, 1970			By Raising	By Affiliation	By Dual Membership	By Reinstatement	Other Causes		By Demission	By Death	By Suspension	By Expulsion	Other Causes				
		No.	No.	No.	No.																
Newman Grove	305	2	2	1	1	58	0	0	0	0	0	58	0	2	0	0	0	2	56	305	
Golden Rod	306	1	1	0	0	80	0	0	0	0	80	1	6	0	0	0	7	73	306		
Perkins	308	0	0	0	1	91	1	0	0	3	95	0	1	0	0	0	1	94	308		
Winnebago	309	1	3	2	1	52	2	0	0	0	54	1	1	0	0	0	2	52	309		
Victory	310	1	3	2	1	201	1	1	0	1	204	1	5	3	0	0	9	195	310		
Polk	311	1	0	1	0	68	1	0	0	0	69	0	1	0	0	0	1	68	311		
Oak Leaf	312	1	1	0	1	46	0	0	0	0	46	0	2	2	0	0	4	42	312		
Potter	313	0	3	0	1	94	0	1	0	0	95	0	1	0	0	0	1	94	313		
Craftsmen	314	1	1	1	0	571	1	3	0	2	577	3	6	5	0	0	14	563	314		
Alpha	316	2	4	3	3	177	1	2	2	0	182	0	1	3	0	0	4	178	316		
Mid West	317	10	19	13	2	638	13	7	0	3	661	2	7	0	0	0	9	652	317		
Grand Island	318	6	7	4	3	338	3	4	1	3	349	2	7	6	0	0	15	334	318		
Bladen	319	1	1	0	0	35	0	0	0	0	35	0	0	2	0	0	2	33	319		
College View	320	1	4	2	1	153	2	3	0	3	164	2	3	3	0	0	8	156	320		
Harmony	321	2	0	2	1	49	1	0	0	2	52	0	0	3	0	0	3	49	321		
Lebanon	323	15	3	3	3	212	3	1	0	4	220	0	6	3	0	0	9	211	323		
Cairo	324	3	6	1	0	66	4	0	0	0	70	0	2	0	0	0	2	68	324		
Bellevue	325	17	7	16	2	432	15	4	0	6	457	9	2	11	0	0	22	435	325		
Centennial	326	12	17	12	7	468	12	5	6	2	493	3	4	3	0	0	10	483	326		
Shiloh	327	4	1	3	1	81	2	0	0	0	83	1	0	0	0	0	11	82	327		
		564	707	489	225	41,740	508	327	29	190	42,806	364	1021	548	1	8	1942	40,864			

VETERAN SECRETARIES

Who have served 25 years or more.

Roy T. Stiehl	Hay Springs No. 177	36 years
William E. Edwards	Alliance No. 183	33 years
Harve I. Lang	Litchfield No. 278	33 years
Charles F. Eberline	East Lincoln No. 210	32 years
Floyd Christy	Trestle Board No. 162	31 years
Warren C. Hall	Nelson No. 77	31 years
John V. Maddox	Crystal No. 191	30 years
Donald D. Hill, Sr.	Scribner No. 132	29 years
August W. Teter	Bartley No. 228	29 years
F. Otto Nelson	Signet No. 193	28 years
Wayne Warden Loftis	Landmark No. 222	28 years
Bernard Besse Harris	Robert W. Furnas No. 265	28 years
Donald S. Hinman	Antelope No. 276	28 years
Clyde H. Jones	Robert Burns No. 173	27 years
Albert B. Osborn	Grand Island No. 318	27 years

REPORT OF THE GRAND CUSTODIAN
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 fraternally submitted:

Upon completion of another successful year, your Grand Custodian is still of the opinion that the ritual in this Grand Jurisdiction, is gaining more and more genuine interest each year.

CENTRAL SCHOOLS

Twenty-one Central Schools were held this past year resulting in, forty-five meetings, an increase of five meetings over the previous year.

We have tried to bring the schools as near the Brethren as possible, so as to eliminate extra travel for them. However, I am aware of the increasing problem of getting time off their professions to attend all day schools.

Therefore, we must have more evening meetings and less day sessions if we hope to increase our attendance. The method of accomplishing this is under careful study.

I am well satisfied with attendance and the quality of ritual at all Central Schools. We have among the Craft, many very fine ritualists, who have found a place in their busy every day lives to work in their lodges. There is always time to do what we want.

LODGE CERTIFICATION

In 1970 we had a total of one hundred thirty-eight lodges presented with certificates of proficiency. Most of these lodges proudly display these certificates in a place of prominence in the lodge room.

I am sure more of our lodges will attain to this high degree of proficiency this year.

Let us not forget, that these certified lodges owe a great debt of gratitude to their Assistant Grand Custodian.

INDIVIDUAL CERTIFICATION

Following is a list of those Brethren who have found, the time and talent necessary, to commit to memory this past year, the 24,938 words for individual certification:

Jens P. Nielson, 121	Donald L. Veskrna, 59
Donald H. Rood, 59	Virgil E. VerMaas, 256
Merlin R. Hall, 59	John R. Steen, 19
Paul J. Musgrove, 127	Quentin Enochson, 34
Tom H. Lutey, 294	Vern S. Dirgo, 25
Philip L. Ryhnolds, 138	Robert G. Horner, 75
Rolland R. Hardekopf, 314	Roy M. McCabe, 15
Everett McNulty, 188	Charles W. Jacobs, 325

Darrell D. Christensen, 54
Edgar O. Knox, 59

Clarence L. Weaver, 210

My personal congratulations to each of these fine Brethren. May you serve your lodge for many years in this capacity. You have now begun to receive your Masonic wages.

CERTIFICATES OF MERIT

Your Grand Custodian is proud to announce the following certified Brethren who have continually re-certified for 20 years:

Max E. Rothwell, 234	Charles O. Baker, 327
Thurman N. Anstine, 314	Kenneth O. Smith, 210
Given G. Reber, 210	William I. Troyer, 265
Henry J. Munster, 102	Carl W. Ziegenbein, 110
Bruce B. Taylor, 110	Willard E. Jones, 300
Clyde E. Miller, 300	Robert R. Zoeller, 9
Roy C. Diefenderfer, 9	Ivan D. Anderson, 302
Nels H. Ostergaard, 32	William H. Dohse, 39
O. Wayne Thompson, 201	Charles F. Adams, PGM, 68
Ralph D. Bolen, 61	Justin F. Fauss, 55
James E. Gray, 55	Alva Dykes, 113
Roger I. Wickman, 271	James F. Evans, 177
	John L. Beckman, 6

My apologies for an oversight on a good Brother from Plattsmouth Lodge No. 6, John L. Beckman, who received his certificate of merit in 1969. I am truly sorry, John.

What words could express my thanks to these true Craftsmen, who have labored so hard for so long.

IN MEMORIAM

We all mourn the loss of one of our oldest Assistant Grand Custodians, LaVerne A. (Jack) Walker, Mosaic Lodge No. 55, Norkfolk. Commissioned June 14, 1946, departed this life September 29, 1970. Jack has served his lodges well and is missed by the Brethren in his district, as well as this Grand Lodge.

ASSISTANT GRAND CUSTODIANS

Your Grand Lodge has been very fortunate indeed to acquire the services of several new Assistant Grand Custodians. Herman O. Hansen, Capitol Lodge No. 3, Omaha, who will serve District No. 3; D. Wayne Erickson, Jachin Lodge No. 146 Holdrege, serving District No. 23 and who, from all reports, is a great asset to the lodges in the Holdrege area; Walter S. Cork, Frank Welch Lodge No. 75, Sidney, serving District No. 31, replacing W. Clifford D. Webster. W. Walt is highly regarded in his District and doing a great job; Richard L. Mauch, Bassett Lodge No. 254, Bassett, serving District No. 14. District No. 14 has long been without the services of an Assistant Grand Custodian and W. Dick will soon have these lodges in the North Central part of this Grand Jurisdiction, back within the fold. W. Dick has the drive and determination to achieve this goal. We are proud of him.

All of your Assistant Grand Custodians are doing a splendid job, and they deserve the approbation of the entire Craft, for their unselfish dedication to duty. This Grand Lodge owes much to these fine Brethren, who never leave designs unfinished upon the trestleboard.

ASSISTANT GRAND CUSTODIAN EMERITUS

W. . Clifford D. Webster, 321, found it necessary to retire from active service as an Assistant Grand Custodian, and was commissioned Assistant Grand Custodian Emeritus, by our Grand Master John H. Brown. W. . Webster has labored hard, for 15 years, for this Grand Lodge, and we are thankful he will remain a part of our staff in his Emeritus status. Presentation of his certificate was made by our Grand Junior Warden, Frank J. Mattoon, February 25, 1971 at the Central School in Sidney. Again how do we say thank you, for labors so well performed?

REPORT ON THE STATE OF THE CRAFT

These past three years, Your Grand Custodian has been shocked at the lack of knowledge on the philosophy of our ritual. I find everywhere a complete void, when questions are asked on reasons concerning ritual. I am even more concerned when those Brethren wearing 50 year buttons, don't know. My Brethren, where have we been and what have we been doing? It really is later than you think.

Is it possible we are trying to teach something we ourselves do not understand?

Let me quote from Brother Mackey: "It is the duty of every Mason, to sleep little and to hear and think much; to learn that he may be able to do; and then to do earnestly and vigorously, whatever the good of his fellows, his country and mankind requires."

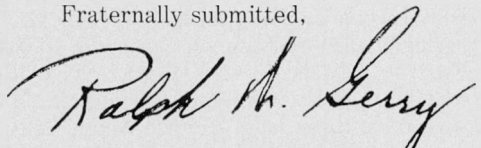
Most Worshipful Grand Master, I do thank you for the honor of the appointment. To my good friend and Brother, Norris W. Lallman, Grand Secretary, my thanks for his kind and always ready assistance.

To the Committee on Work; M. .W. . Edward F. Carter, Chairman; Herbert T. White and Louis V. Sylvester, my thanks again for being ever ready to assist.

Most Worshipful Grand Master, with your permission I should like to make a special recognition at this time.

Comet Lodge No. 229, Ceresco with a total membership of 116, now boasts of 14 certified men. My congratulations to these fine Masons and a hearty thanks to W. . Lloyd I. Edwards, Assistant Grand Custodian, for his part in this accomplishment.

Fraternally submitted,



Ralph W. Gerry, Grand Custodian

REPORT OF THE NEBRASKA MASONIC HOME

My Brethren:

Again, I am privileged on behalf of my Brother Trustees, to give you our report at this Communication.

Our population still remains rather constant between 70 and 80. The per capita cost last year of maintaining a resident in the Home was \$4,739.00, about \$600 more per person than the year before.

They come, spend an average period of about 5 years and then we lose them. We lost 16 last year which is about average of a little more than one each month. But for 5 years or more, for some, they lead a good life, free from anxieties and thrive on a well-balanced diet with adequate attention to their medical needs and with a lot of love.

No one comes to the Home when they are young. No one comes until they have to.

It is reasonable and understandable that any person who can make it physically or financially outside the Home prefers to do so.

We, therefore get them when they are in need. Real need. It is either financial or physically and often both.

They come to us troubled, uncertain of what they will find and we associated with the Home find it a real pleasure to see these elderly citizens relax and become happy residents, as they find that they have entered a Home in every sense that the word implies.

Speaking of our residents, you will be pleased, I believe, to know that the Trustees have updated our By-laws and Rules and Regulations. These haven't been changed since 1948.

The new By-laws and Regulations are being printed but it will be some time until each Lodge has them. That is why, in my report to the Stockholders at our Annual meeting, I explained in essence the new rules. These rules deal in many changes but what I think will interest you most, is the change dealing with "Eligibility to Admission."

The part dealing with a Master Mason, his wife and his widow, have been left as before. Eligibility has been extended, however, subject to certain regulations, to now include the Mother, Sisters and Daughters of a Master Mason, depending on eligibility requirements approved by the Board of Trustees. This will all be spelled out clearly in the reprinting to be distributed as soon as possible. Time and space do not allow for a full explanation of all the changes made but I wanted to repeat here what I said in my report to the Stockholders. I think the change made will please you.

The Order of Eastern Star has been removed from the language of the rules. The new change in the rules will bring into eligibility, to make application, female members of the Order of The Eastern Star through

Masonic membership of a Nebraska Master Mason. For this reason it is no longer necessary to specifically mention them.

Speaking of the Eastern Star, we are grateful to Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Kathryn Brock and Brother Robert Metcalf, Worthy Grand Patron, for making the Nebraska Masonic Home their project for the year.

We received several Endowment & Bequests during the year. It is most important to your Home that these continue to come, if we are to achieve total Endowment which you Trustees well appreciate. They are always appreciated.

I am happy to report to you that the Seal Program continues to help as it has from its beginning. I hope you will continue to receive it well.

During the last year the City of Plattsmouth removed all the Elm trees in the long block on both sides of the street entering Plattsmouth. As you know our property is on both sides of this street. Dutch-elm disease was the cause, and it left a very unsightly area.

W. . Brother Harold Hultman, Chairman of our Building and Grounds Committee, and Grand Junior Deacon of this Grand Lodge, found a friend for the Home. As a result, both sides of the street are planted with Linden trees, replacing those cut down. Some day there will be a beautiful avenue of trees not likely to be cut down. These are on our property. The others are on City Property.

There have been other kind gifts. M. . W. . John F. Fatcher of our Trustees presented us a check from Mizpah Lodge No. 302. Brother Fatcher told his Lodge we needed some things and we promptly had enough money to buy a needed new type of fever thermometer and a closed circuit television unit for our intensive care room. Both were needed and are in use.

I have mentioned the intensive care room. This was recently set up to care for a resident who becomes critically ill.

The average resident lives in a two bed room. However, when one of our residents reaches a critical stage of illness or requires more constant care, the intensive care room has become available.

We have set up one room for this sort of care. It adjoins the nursing station and closed circuit television allows the nurse at her station to see the patient at all times. She can even hear them breathe and conversation is possible from the room and to the room. This sort of gift we needed yet our finances do not allow for a number of things we need. We appreciate this thoughtfulness on the part of Mizpah No. 302.

I have never made a report to you that it has not included our appreciation to W. . Bob. W. Boon of Grand Island, and his group in that vicinity and W. . J. C. Peterson of Scottsbluff, and his group in his vicinity.

This means that we are not only thanking these Brethren, but a great

many others in a large number of Lodges who realize that food is important to a Home like ours, and they provide huge trailer truck loads of it each year around Thanksgiving time. Our gratitude goes to all these fine members of our fraternity.

Following Thanksgiving came Christmas. Again we express our thanks to the Masters and Wardens of all Nebraska Lodges. Through their efforts presents are purchased for each resident at the Home. On Christmas Eve around a Christmas tree, these are handed out to all who are ambulatory. Those in bed have theirs delivered to them. It is a great time and provides a very happy Christmas. We thank every one involved.

There are so very many others to whom we are indebted. Space and time must limit our remarks. We are most grateful to all our friends.

This year we have been fortunate to have as our Grand Master, M. W. John H. Brown, who is also a long time Trustee of your Home, Chairman of our Finance Committee as well as several others.

Long before he became Grand Master, Brother John, as we know him, was devoting much of his time, energy and all his love to the Home. He has distinguished himself throughout this year in carrying knowledge of your Home to all of you. We love him very much.

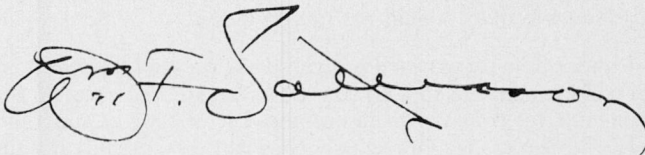
Our Superintendent, Raymond F. Evers, lives and breathes our Home. His skill and love for our residents has done much to make ours "The finest Home there is."

Our Secretary, M. W. Norris W. Lallman is not paid by the Home. He works for no pay yet devotes a great deal of his time in our behalf, keeping things going smoothly. We are fortunate.

Finally as to the fourteen other men who are my brother Trustees, just a word. Uncompensated or they would not take the job. Their value to the Home and this Grand Lodge can never be measured. The opportunity to serve suffering humanity is all they have ever asked.

I salute them all.

Thank you, my Brethren.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "W. F. Patterson". The signature is written in dark ink on a light background.

William F. Patterson,
President

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FRATERNAL RELATIONS

Your Committee on Fraternal Relations respectfully reports that there has been no change in our Fraternal Relations with other jurisdictions with which we are now exchanging Representatives during the past Masonic Year.

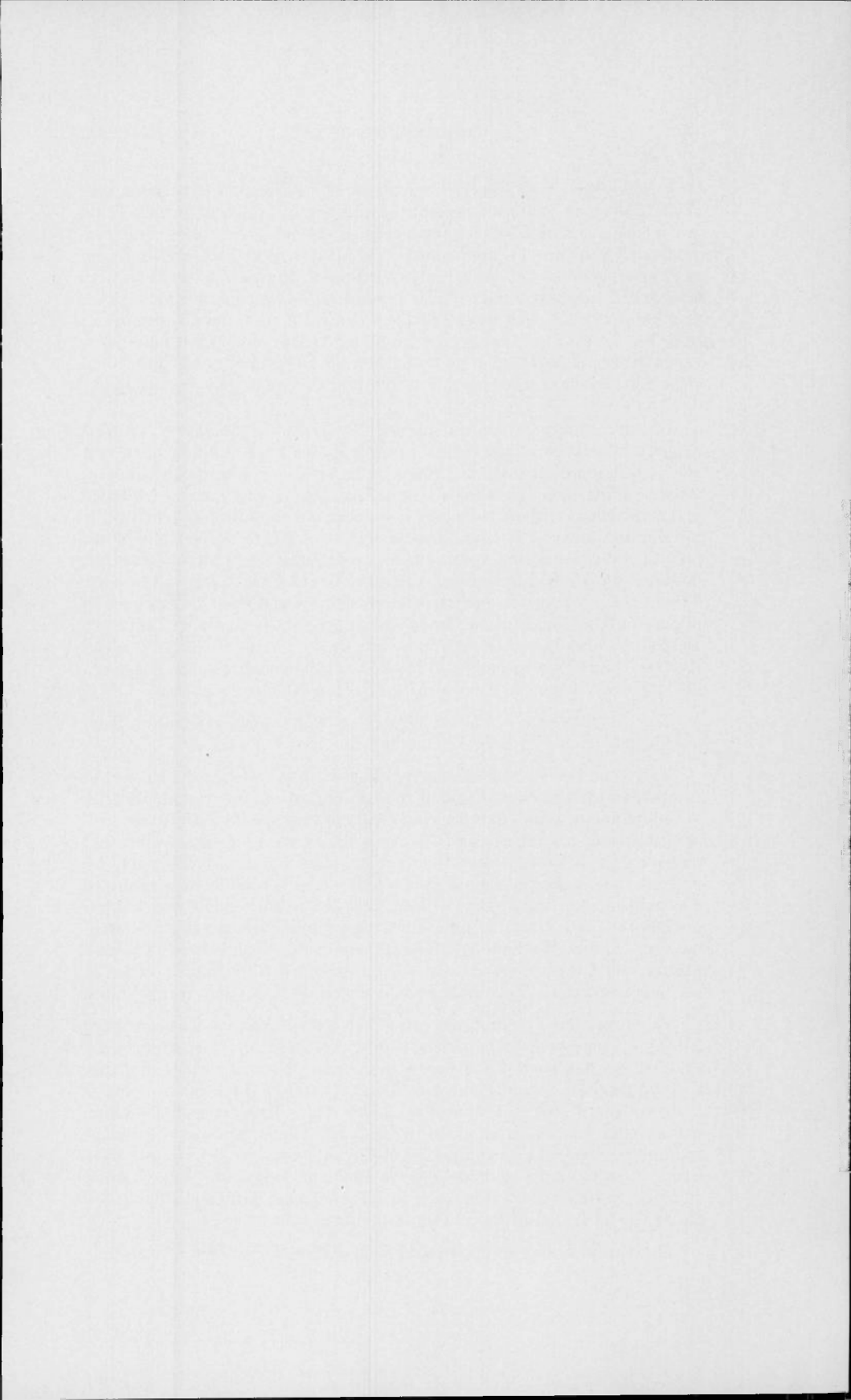
During the past Masonic Year, your Committee has received no requests for Recognition. This is the first time that this has occurred since 1966, when also none was received. It has also happened twice before, in my experience.

A letter was received from the Grand Lodge of Luxembourg, which we recognized a few years ago, giving a condensed account of the Celebration of 200 years of their existence in June 1970. The session was honored by the presence of six Grand Masters of European Grand Lodges, and good wishes from England, Scotland and Ireland. Then follows a long list of the representatives of Governmental Officials, state and local, church and press, industry, commerce and financial of the city.

The Grand Master, M. W. Brother who has had that job for the past fifteen years gave a history, etc. and brought to a fine conclusion the task entrusted to him by Luxembourg Free Masonry. His name is Tony Wehenkel.

In Columbia, South America, there are five Grand Lodges. Each recognizes the other and each is separated from each other by mountain gorges and also politically. The country is divided into 20 districts politically. The Grand Lodge of Baranquilla has jurisdiction over 3; the Grand Lodge of Cartagena over 3; the Grand Lodge of Cali over 6; the Grand Lodge of Santander over two and the Grand Lodge of Bogota over 5. Baranquilla was started in 1918; Bogota in 1919 and Cartagena in the same year. The latter is now recognized by 32 United States. In 1935 the Gran Logia Occidental do Columbia was created. This Grand Lodge is now recognized by 22 United States jurisdictions. The date of the organization of the fifth, the Oriental Grand Lodge of Columbia is not known to the Commission on Recognition of the Grand Masters Conference, its seat is at Cucuta. It has five lodges. All meet the requirements of the above Commission and according to them, they know of no good reason why they should not be recognized.

We have in the past recognized only one--Baranquilla, which is almost universally recognized. In 1958, the Gran Logia Occidental do Columbia petitioned us for recognition and renewed it in 1961. It has ten lodges. In 1964, the Serenisima Gran Logia Nacional de Columbia in Cartagena also petitioned. Occidental was recognized last year by the District of Columbia, Cartagena by Utah. All of these have been postponed by us for one reason or another. The fifth, the Oriental Grand Lodge of Columbia has never petitioned us, perhaps because of no recent action by us on the other petitions. However I now recommend the recognition and exchange of Representatives with the two Grand Lodges mentioned above.



now comes Wisconsin, where many queer things happen sometimes with this: "For some years we recognized the Grand Lodge of France. This recognition was withdrawn a few years ago because they have some contacts with the Grand Orient. Our Grand Master, Brother Donald Krueger, has recommended to us that we resume fraternal relationships with the Grand Lodge of France. The committee has considered the matter and believes that each Grand Lodge has a right to its own recognitions and the fact that they recognize the Grand Orient should not be a detriment to our action. Our Grand Lodge and the Grand Lodge of France had pleasant fraternal relations and we recommend that they be resumed." We shall wait and see.

Greek Freemasonry has had many difficulties over the years. A recent report states that a high Greek Court has declared that Masonry is a secret religion & denied an application to establish additional lodges in Athens. This was published in an official Orthodox Church of Greece magazine thus: "Freemasonry is a religion, but not an open one, and is nothing but a secret religion, the principles of which are unknown, not only to other people, but even to its followers until they reach the highest degree." The Court further states that the Greek Constitution allows any known religion, but Masonry has secret beliefs and rites and as such is opposed to the Constitution. To date no appeal has been made. There are 109 lodges already in Athens and so far, they have not suspended activity. One lodge, Parthenon No. 112 is an English speaking lodge, with several members from the American and British colonies in Athens.

The Grand Lodge of Para in Brazil has withdrawn recognition from the Grand Orient of both France and Belgium.

Last year I made the statement that the Shah of Iran had selected candidates for the Grand Lodge to consider. A review in the District of Columbia questions that the Shah had anything to do with it and presents the idea that the Grand Master elect, being a public servant, had on his own volition consulted the Shah as to his acceptance. This may be entirely true. I am not arguing the matter at all. It did seem strange to me that the Shah, not being a Mason, how did he know what was wanted or required. This Grand Lodge is getting a number of recognitions without any trouble. We have received a Book of Constitutions and By-laws of Iran, which it is reported to have been written by the English observer at their institution. This alone would make them regular in my mind.

This past year England recognized the Grand Lodge of Turkey, after a delay of some years. Their delay, they say, was caused by their belief that Turkey had been organized by the Grand Orient of France, but further information leads them to believe that it was done by the Grand Lodge of Egypt, which at that time (1948) was still working in a regular manner and was also recognized by England. That there was a substantial link between the Grand Lodge of Turkey, revived in 1948 and that Grand Lodge suppressed in 1935. In 1935 the lodges in Turkey were using rituals in English, translated into Turkish and Arabian by members of the Grand Lodge of Egypt. Quite involved.

The Grand Lodge of Japan and that of the Philippines are getting

along better since both seem to have recognized that the Ryukyu Islands are open territory and each has the right to establish lodges on them. The Philippines have five lodges on the Island of Okinawa and has a regional Grand Lodge there. They had a gain of 241 for the year. Their No. 176 on Okinawa works entirely in the Japanese language at all times. A letter from the Square and Compass Club on the Island of Cadena wants to remain as a club for the present. A dispensation for a lodge in Saigon, was revoked as they could not get a government permit to meet. They have 142 lodges with five under dispensation.

The Grand Lodge of Montana recognized the Grand Orient of Brazil in 1900, which has continued until now. They say: "Masonic conditions have changed in Brazil since that time. Nineteen Grand Lodges are now existing there and in fairness to them and with the great respect we have had and now hold for the Grand Lodge of England, yet we find it necessary and desirable to withdraw former recognition from the Grand Orient of Brazil and we so recommend."

In Florida this year the reviews are written by the Grand Representatives of the Jurisdiction covered, and the results are rather disappointing. I have seen this method tried several times and it is not a success. Or by other members of the committee. There should be one man to do it, no other method will really work.

Scotland is the only one of the three British Grand Lodges who even give a hint as to the number of their members, which is assumed to be around 300,000. They have lodges in 44 countries scattered over the globe, many of whom are certainly not familiar to the average person. They meet in Edinburgh, four times a year, with installation and their annual dinner on St. Andrews Day in November. You have to buy a ticket for it and space is limited, but the speeches are really wonderful. They operate three homes for the elderly and some things I have read lead me to believe they are really retirement homes on a fee basis. There are at least two brothers in Scotland that are over 80 years a Mason. In Scotland are where the oldest manuscripts and minutes in the world are found. Over in Lebanon, where New York has ten lodges, but were denied the right to form a Grand Lodge of their own, it is reported that they are contemplating a union with the Scottish lodges in this territory. This last is mostly rumor, but the government decree stopping Masonic activity in this area, is not being enforced. Most of these latter items from Michigan.

Japan had a net gain of 134 for the year. Some sixty odd native Japanese were raised and that is what is needed here. There are four other states operating lodges here: 1 English; 2 Scottish; 1 by Massachusetts and 7 by the Philippines. The three degrees and their Constitution have been translated into Japanese and have been put in print. The Constitution will then be submitted to the Courts to obtain a legal standing: a Juridical person, who is a non-profit Fraternal Foundation. Their great project is to seek out Japanese children suffering from eye trouble and try and correct it. I do not know why there should be so many, but it seems there is much eye trouble among the young. Japan has also started

a lodge on Okinawa. The 100th Anniversary of an English lodge was noted. They now have some 330 national members.

The progress of the Grand Lodge of India since 1961 has really been spectacular. The number of lodges and members has increased almost 40%. The greatest increase has been in the Southern region, of which they have four. This one includes six of their states. At every Masonic meeting a collection is taken for benevolence. Out of these collections, scholarships and annuities are made. The Grand Representative of Scotland & the Grand Master of California attended their Annual. The Grand Master of California presented them with a symbolic baton made from a redwood tree estimated to be 5,000 years old and expressed the hope that their Grand Lodge would attain that age too—their own ritual, a combination of those of their three Mother Lodges. They now have 186 lodges and 9,300 members, in their 10 years. 105 states/Jurisdictions now recognize them. A newsletter is published every month.

The Grand Master of the French National Grand Lodge was reelected for another three years, he has already served for ten years. Six new lodges were started in spite of the departure of many American and Canadian soldiers who have left the country. They have 99 lodges and some 4,296 members.

Last year three new lodges were chartered in Peru. One lodge celebrated its 100th Anniversary and one its 25th. The 100 year old one was chartered by the Grand Lodge of Hamburg, Germany, in the old days of many Grand Lodges in that country. They still speak German. Peru gave them a charter in 1966. To encourage all, a booklet formally sold is now free on request. They issued a degree honoring the moon-men: Armstrong, Aldrin and Collins. They opened a medical clinic in their Grand Lodge building in Lima, with lodges donating equipment and supplies. It is open to the public as a relations matter.

Hoping this brief account of some other Jurisdictions is of some interest to the Brethren of Nebraska, your Committee now recommends that all past applications be continued for further study, without prejudice, until the next Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge. Most Worshipful Sir, I move that this report be received and spread in full on the minutes of this Communication and that its recommendations be adopted.

Sincerely and fraternally submitted,

William Ballou Wanner

April 1st, 1971

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DOINGS OF GRAND OFFICERS

The Committee respectfully submits as its report that the Address of M. .W. . John H. Brown, Grand Master, be referred as follows:

- To the Committee on Fraternal Dead:
The section on Necrology.
- To the Committee on Charters and Dispensations:
The section on Consolidations.
- To the Committee on Jurisprudence:
The section on Decisions.
The section on By-Laws Approved.
The section on Dispensations.
Recommendations No. 1 and 2.
- To the Committee on Nebraska Work:
Recommendation No. 3.

The report reflects the love of the Craft, and the devoted leadership that the Grand Master shown everywhere in the past year. The Committee recommends that all matters not herein referred to Committees be approved and ratified.

REVIEW OF THE REPORT OF THE GRAND SECRETARY

We recommend that the designated portions of the report of the Grand Secretary be referred as follows:

- To the Committee on Charters and:
The section on Consolidations.
The section on Chartered Lodges.
- To the Committee on Returns:
The section on Returns.
- To the Committee on Finance:
The section on financial report, all report schedules relating to funds, statistical tables and reports relating to membership.

The report of the Grand Secretary indicates a faithful discharge of the duties of his Office. The Committee further recommends that all matters not herein referred to Committees be approved and ratified.

REVIEW OF THE REPORT OF THE GRAND CUSTODIAN

We recommend that the entire report be referred to the Committee

on Nebraska Work. The work of this group reflects great credit not only on the members of it, but also on the manner in which the Brethren throughout the State enjoy the visits of these fine and proficient workmen.

The Committee further recommends that all matters not herein referred to Committees be approved and ratified.

Fraternally submitted

W. . Byron C. Jenkins, 325, Chairman

W. . Robert A. Carhart, 120

W. . Albert E. Christy, 201

At 11:55 The Grand Lodge was called from labor to Refreshment.

FRIDAY, JUNE 11
FIRST DAY--AFTERNOON SESSION

At 1:30 p.m. The Grand Lodge was called from refreshment to labor.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

W. Fitzhugh L. Browne, 290, chairman, presented the report on Finance which was adopted.

Three years ago, a new system was installed to better control the Grand Lodge funds and expenditures. This system required each and every expenditure to be vouchered with the necessary approvals and appropriate account numbers.

As expected considerable difficulty was experienced the first year, due mainly to the untimely deaths of our Grand Secretary and Grand Custodian. Remarkable improvement was made the following year, due to experience and the efforts of our present Grand Secretary and staff.

Your Committee examined each and every claim supported by properly approved vouchers. The Auditor's report includes the individual receipts and expenditures, therefore we did not see the necessity to duplicate in this report.

Additional appropriations for three minor overages had been requested and approved prior to our examination.

Reference is made to Account 4056, Grand Custodian Office supplies. It is the recommendation of this Committee that this account be combined with Account 405.4, Grand Lodge Office Supplies. It seems a duplication to carry two separate accounts for substantially the same type of supplies.

ANTICIPATED INCOME

Number of Master Masons on roll December 31, 1970 at \$1.80	\$ 73,555.20
Initiation fees (564) at \$10.00	5,640.00
Investment Income	58,173.27
Sub Total	\$137,368.47
General Fund Cash on Hand	\$ 22,946.17
Short Term Investments due May 29.	140,000.00
Unexpended Funds	20,371.52
Grand Total	\$300,314.64

This Committee wishes to compliment the Grand Secretary and his staff for their efficiency, along with their help and co-operation in preparing this report.

Your Chairman expresses sincere appreciation to: W. Howard L. Patterson, W. Ansel Toft, W. LeRoy Sutton and W. Harold E. Day, Jr. for making this survey and preparing this report.

W. Alfred B. Saum, presented the preliminary Report on Appropriations.

GRAND LODGE, A. F. & A. M. OF NEBRASKA
General Fund Budget

	1971-1972 <u>Approp.</u>
ANNUAL COMMUNICATION	
Payroll, 1970 Communication	\$ 8,000.00
Grand Master's Dinner, PGM & Guests	1,200.00
Printing Proceedings, Annual Session	4,000.00
Grand Lodge Dinner—Delegates	1,800.00
Entertainment—Distinguished Guests	800.00
Preparing Fraternal Review	300.00
Printing Fraternal Review	450.00
Printing Secretary's Book	700.00
Printing 1970 Law Supplement	450.00
Printing Programs & Incidental Expense	700.00
Printing Grand Master's Orations (Grand Historian)	300.00
	<u>\$ 18,700.00</u>
GRAND LODGE COMMITTEE	
Masonic Education	\$ 4,600.00
Masonic Relief	50.00
Trial Commission	100.00
Grand Trustees (Expense audit)	2,525.00
Appropriations	25.00
Grand Lodge Offices	50.00
Finance	50.00
Nebraska Work	50.00
Grand Historian Expense	100.00
Relief Fund	8,172.80
Grand Lodge Committee, Revision of By-Laws	1,000.00
	<u>\$ 16,722.80</u>
Grand Master	\$ 4,000.00
Grand Secretary	1,500.00
Grand Custodian for Grand Lodge Functions	700.00
Grand Custodian Department	7,900.00
Grand Lodge Officers and Committees under direction of Grand Master	2,000.00
Deputy Grand Master—Grand Master's Conference	450.00
Grand Master's Conference and Grand Secretaries conference—Dues and expense	450.00
Masonic Service Ass'n Training Program	350.00
	<u>\$ 17,350.00</u>

SALARIES

Grand Secretary's	\$ 10,800.00
Grand Custodian	9,000.00
Grand Lodge Clerical Staff	17,400.00
Social Security	1,950.00
Federal & State Unemployment Ins.	150.00
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	\$ 39,300.00

FIXED EXPENSES

Rent — Grand Lodge Offices	8,100.00
Museum and Library	150.00
Office Expense	6,600.00
Jewel, Apron, For retiring Grand Master	350.00
Grand Lodge Supplies	4,000.00
Fifty Year Buttons	1,100.00
Legal Fees	100.00
Retirement Benefit C.R.G.	4,646.40
Contribution to Retirement Fund for Grand Lodge Employees	528.00
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	\$ 25,574.40

INSURANCE ASSESSMENTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS

Workmen's Compensation and Liability	\$ 50.00
Masonic Relief Association Dues	271.20
Surety Bond for Grand Lodge Officers & Employees	700.00
Grand Masters and Employees Car Insurance	250.00
Comprehensive Liability Ins. and All Subordinate Lodges ...	3,650.00
Office Contents — Fire Ins.	100.00
Masonic Service Association	1,174.00
George Washington Memorial Association	700.00
George Washington National Memorial (Special Landscaping and Ground Improvements	417.40
Nebraska DeMolay	750.00
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	\$ 8,062.60

GRAND LODGE RESPONSIBILITIES

Masonic-Eastern Star Home for Children	\$125,709.80
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	25,162.50
	\$150,872.30
Nebraska Masonic Home	\$413,930.00
TOTAL	\$564,802.30

W. Delbert H. Pinkerton, 314, Chairman, gave the report on The Masonic-Eastern Star Student Fund Committee:

A year ago our committee requested and received from the Grand Lodge and the Grand Chapter O.E.S. an appropriation of \$875.00 from each grand body, to assist a young man, who was a resident at our Children's Home In Fremont, to receive further education after his graduation from high school. This education consisted of a course in computer programming and operation, which course he took in Lincoln and satisfactorily completed. He then relocated in the Scottsbluff area where there are some computer installations, with the thought that if no computer jobs were open at the moment he would work at something else until he was successful in obtaining a position in computer work.

There were no high school graduates from the Children's Home in the 1971 class, therefore your committee will be sponsoring no students in advanced education this fall. We therefore are making no request for an appropriation from the Grand Lodge or Grand Chapter this year.

M. W. Charles F. Adams, 68, Chairman, presented the report of the Committee, which was adopted:

The 61st Annual meeting of the Association was held in Alexandria, Virginia, on Monday, February 22, 1971. Nebraskans in attendance included M. W. Brother John H. Brown, Grand Master; R. W. Brother Howard J. Hunter, Grand Senior Warden; M. W. Brother Norris W. Lallman, Grand Secretary; M. W. Brothers Herbert A. Ronin, Louis V. Sylvester, Carl R. Greisen and Charles F. Adams, Second Vice President of the Association.

The Grand Lodge of New York loaned a special display of Washington memorabilia including the Bible of Saint John's Lodge No. 1 upon which Washington took his oath of office as President of the United States.

Particular attention has been given the past year to landscaping the grounds of the Memorial. A five-year plan was adopted whereby the planting of trees and shrubs will proceed in an orderly fashion. Several of the Grand Lodges made special contributions to this particular activity including Massachusetts and Wisconsin. Considerable research has been done on a plan to light the exterior of the building and estimates of the cost have been obtained. The Grand Lodge of New York has already contributed \$15,000 toward the expense of this particular project.

The most recent development within the building itself has been the air conditioning of the Replica Lodge Room and the adjacent hallways

and the Lodge Room of Alexandria-Washington Lodge No. 22. A contract has been let and the work should be completed before the arrival of the hot weather.

The Endowment Fund continues to grow but at a somewhat slower pace. It is still the objective of the Board of Directors to build this fund to a total of \$5,000,000. At the present time we are a little over half way toward this goal.

It is hoped that, within the foreseeable future, the Grand Lodge of Nebraska can see its way clear to complete what many of us believe to be a Masonic obligation to do our share toward the building up of the Endowment Fund. Based on the so-called Pennsylvania plan, this would amount to \$1.00 per member and \$10.00 per Lodge or a sum of approximately \$45,000. Surely this is not too large a sum to expect from Masons of Nebraska to perpetuate the outstanding Memorial to the outstanding Mason of the United States.

W. Levi B. Williams, 1, Chairman, gave the report on the Committee on Fraternal Dead.

Your Committee on whom you conferred the honor of submitting the Annual Report on Fraternal Dead, respectfully submits the following report:

Another year in the life of Freemasonry in the Grand Jurisdiction of Nebraska has come and gone, and we now pause for a short time to pay our high tribute to a select group of men who have lived and died, but have given much to the on-going cause of Masonry among us. All of these served well in their respective offices within our Grand Jurisdiction and we want to show our respect and gratitude for their work and labors of love and fellowship to the Fraternity. We do well to recall their deeds of fraternal friendship during this period. They have served well, but have completed their work, and have been called to higher duty.

Before they left our midst, I am sure that they could say with the Apostle Paul as he wrote to his son in the faith, Timothy: "For I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand. I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing." (2 Timothy 4:6-8)

Our Grand Secretary has received Memorial Cards issued by 25 Grand Lodges upon the deaths of Grand Officers and six Grand Jurisdictions from Canada. He also received notice of the passing of one Deputy Grand Master. All of these have laid down their working tools in

the work of Freemasonry. Our Grand Lodge will want to offer its sincerest condolences to all these Sister Jurisdictions in their losses of these brave and faithful men.

The Supreme Grand Master of all Masons called on two of our Past Grand Masters during this past year for service in that higher place to which we all hope to be received.

M. W. Ralph O. Canaday was born April 4, 1891 at Minden, Nebraska to Joseph Sylvester and Mary Jane Canaday. He attended the Public Schools of Minden, and was graduated from high school there with the class of 1909. He was graduated from the University of Nebraska with a B.A. degree in 1915, and in 1918 with an Ll. B. degree. He was admitted to the Bar in 1917. He practiced law in Bridgeport, Nebraska until 1931. He enlisted in the U. S. Army in 1917, and was commissioned a Second Lieutenant in the Infantry in 1917. He moved to Hastings, Nebraska and practiced law there from 1933 until 1959. He was the Chief Counsel and Secretary of the Central Nebraska Power and Irrigation District from 1933 until 1959; Manager and General Manager from 1951 to 1959. He served as a member of the City Council in Bridgeport and was President of the School Board in Bridgeport. He was a candidate for the U. S. Congress in 1940.

The Masonic History of M. W. Brother Canaday covers a period of more than 55 years of active service. His distinguished career in Masonry began when he was initiated in Lincoln Lodge No. 19 October 12, 1915, passed to the degree of a Fellowcraft Mason, January 17, 1916, and raised to the sublime degree of a Master Mason, October 31, 1916. He affiliated with Camp Clarke Lodge No. 285, Bridgeport, Nebraska, July 1, 1919. He was master of his Lodge in 1922-23. He demitted to the Hastings Lodge No. 50, February 2, 1951.

He was appointed Grand Junior Deacon by M. W. Frank H. Woodland and was elected and installed as Grand Master, February 13, 1933 as the 68th Grand Master of Masons of Nebraska.

M. W. Brother Canaday was a member of the Nebraska Veteran Freemasons Association.

He passed away at Hastings, Nebraska, October 7, 1970. His distinguished career in Masonry will be long remembered by those who knew him best and served with him in the Fraternity as well as the Grand Lodge.

M. W. Roy I. Babbitt, 92nd Grand Master, was born on a farm near LaGrange, Wyoming, November 24, 1892. His parents, Thomas R. and Adella M. Babbitt, were early pioneer settlers in the State of Wyoming. He attended elementary schools in Wyoming and Mitchell, Nebraska, and then entered academy and college at Hastings, Nebraska, attending the latter institution two years. Following his work in college, he became deputy County Treasurer of Scottsbluff County, Nebraska.

His political career was short-lived, as he soon left this field to enter the employ of the Great Western Sugar Company in 1917, and had been thus engaged since that. He served the sugar company at their factories in Gering, Mitchell, Minatare, Windsor, Colorado, and Scottsbluff, where he served as chief chemist.

On December 30, 1914, at Wenona, Illinois, he was united in marriage with Mona Clifford. This union was blessed with two children, a son, Dr. Clifford Babbitt, and a daughter, Miss Elinor Babbitt.

The Masonic History of M. W. Roy I. Babbitt covers a period of 51 years of active service. His distinguished career in Masonry began when he was initiated in Scottsbluff Lodge No. 201, Gering, March 19, 1920; passed April 23, 1920 and raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason, May 28, 1920 in Scottsbluff Lodge No. 201, Gering. May 22, 1934 he demitted to Minatare Lodge No. 295, and served as its Master in 1947.

Chapter: Mark Master July 28, 1949; Past Master and Most Excellent Master August 19, 1949; Royal Arch Mason September 19, 1949, in Oregon Trail Chapter No. 65, Gering. He served as Secretary 1952-1956.

Commandery: Red Cross, March 5, 1953; Malta, March 19, 1953; Order of the Temple April 30, 1953; in Bethlehem Commandery No. 18, Gering.

Council: Royal and Select Master January 31, 1950; Super Excellent February 13, 1950, in Temple Council No. 20, Scottsbluff.

GRAND BODIES Grand Lodge: Appointed June 4, 1952 by M. W. Edward M. Knight. Elected and installed Grand Master June 6, 1957. Grand Representative of Puerto Rico, appointed by M. W. Edward M. Knight August 23, 1952.

OTHER MASONIC BODIES Nebraska Veteran Freemasons Association, 1946, Eastern Star, September 8, 1954, Honorary Membership; Grand Lodge of South Dakota, June 12, 1957.

M. W. Brother Babbitt has given unstintingly of his time and energy in the promotion of church and civic affairs. At Windsor, Colorado, he belonged to the Lions Club and the Methodist Church whose choir he directed. At Minatare he belonged to the Federated Church, serving as its choir director. Both he and Mrs. Babbitt were members of the United Presbyterian Church in Scottsbluff. He represented the Scottsbluff Church at many meetings of Presbytery as well as the Synod of Nebraska, where he served with honor and distinction. He was a Brother in that work upon whom all could rely, and he frequently contributed to the decisions made by that body. I had opportunity to visit with him and to learn of his Christian dedication not only to the work of his local church, but also to the work of the Synod of Nebraska. During the time that he served as Deputy County Treasurer and during the early years with the Sugar Company, he and Mrs. Babbitt successfully proved up

on a homestead in Southeastern Wyoming. The determination and hard work in the early years of his married life are reflected in his Masonic successes culminating in his appointment in the Grand Lodge line, and later in his election and installation as Grand Master.

Few, if any, Grand Masters had ever worked harder for the good of Masonry than M. W. Brother Babbitt, nor had any Grand Master more conscientiously fulfilled the duties of that high office. Many weighty problems confronted him during his term of office, but every one was carefully and skillfully handled, and decided with dignity and honor to the craft. The brilliant record established by M. W. Brother Babbitt has earned for him the sincere respect and affection of the Brethren of this Grand Jurisdiction.

Brother Babbitt passed away February 13, 1971 at Scottsbluff, Nebraska and is now among those whom he loved and lost for a time.

It is with sadness that we report that there were 1,021 deaths among our Brethren during the past year. They have finished their tasks, and have laid down their working tools that must be taken up by others if our great work is to be continued as all of us desire. The chapter of their earthly sojourn is closed, but their many virtues will not go unrecognized. Let our hearts be warmed by remembering that they laid up many treasures which may be ours by faithfully following in their foot-steps in the work of our Craft. To each of these has come the wonderful welcome "home" by a gracious Father who is indeed grateful for the labors of men such as they were.

In addition to our losses, the Grand Secretary has received notices that other Jurisdictions have suffered the loss of 33 Grand Masters, 2 Deputy Grand Masters, one Grand Tyler, and one Deputy Grand Tyler. To the survivors of all these Brethren we offer our deepest sympathy and concern.

Most Worshipful Sir: may I suggest that you have the Grand Lodge rise while V. W. Brother Samuelson, the Grand Chaplain offers prayer for the comfort of those who have been left behind. Then we have requested Brother Arthur Robert Larson of Bee Hive Lodge No. 184 sing "The Lord's Prayer," and he will be accompanied at the organ by Edward Lockwood of Hastings Lodge No. 50.

M. W. John F. Futcher, 302, Chairman, presented the report of the Grand Trustees, which was adopted.

The Board of Grand Trustees, having charge of the investment and reinvestment of all Grand Lodge funds, submits this report of its activities and financial condition of the Grand Lodge and The Nebraska Masonic Home.

The fiscal year ended April 30, 1971 has been one of considerable activity. The precipitous decline in the money market which began in 1969 carried over until the second quarter of 1970. There after, there was some softening of the interest rate however we continued our policy of purchasing of bonds, in view of our need for income, especially in the Endowment and Bequest Fund of the Nebraska Masonic Home.

SHORT TERM INVESTMENTS

Keeping our money working for us is an important function of your Board of Grand Trustees. Rather than carrying sizeable bank accounts we purchased short term notes of large corporations having a maturity of approximately thirty days. During the fiscal year May 1, 1970 to April 30, 1971 we made 29 such purchases. Total interest received from such activity amounted to \$12,443.91. We, however, were faced with declining rates of interest during the year. In May, June and July 1970 we received 8-1/4% return. Commencing with the month of August the rate declined month by month until in April 1971 we received 3-1/2% on our money. There is much evidence that the decline in the short term rate will reverse itself. In fact in June of this year purchases were made at 4-7/8%.

LONG TERM INVESTMENTS

While there were from time to time during the year declines in the interest rate in the new issue market, we can still report, as we have in recent years, rates generally have remained at historical high levels. In our purchases of bonds we have been able to obtain rates from 8-1/4% to 9%. During the last fiscal year we purchased for long term investment \$450,000 principal amount for all Funds. Of this amount only \$15,000 was put into common stocks. The remainder was invested in high grade corporate bonds. You should understand that we did not have \$450,000 of new money to invest. \$306,000 came from the sale of bonds prior to maturity. The remaining \$144,000 was from interest received during the year, from investments which matured, from principal payments and from dividends on common and preferred stocks.

One of the opportunities open to your Grand Trustees to increase the income from our portfolio is to sell securities at the proper time and under satisfactory conditions and in turn invest the proceeds of the sale at higher interest rates. You may not be interested in the details of such transactions but we feel that you should be informed of the continuing effort and attention of your Grand Trustees to improving the quality as well as the return on our investments.

From the Grand Lodge General Fund, using round figures for simplicity, we sold \$56,000 of bonds which returned to us an annual income of \$3200 at the rate of 5.56% and bought an equal amount to produce an annual income of \$5000 at a rate of 8.886%. This increased the income on an annual basis by \$1700 and an increase in rate from 5.56% to 8.886%.

From the Endowment and Bequest Fund of The Nebraska Masonic Home, again using round figures for simplicity, we sold \$249,000 of bonds from which we received \$13,160 of income annually at a rate of 4.96% and purchased an equal amount of bonds returning on an annual basis \$21,300 at a rate of 8.54% annually. This is an increase in return in dollars of \$8100 annually and an increase in rate from 4.96% to 8.54%.

In addition to the above purchases to complete the total of \$450,000 referred to above we bought for the Retirement Fund \$30,000 principal amount of bonds. This represented the money appropriated by the Grand Lodge last year and the reinvestment of interest received during the year from securities held in the Fund.

ASSETS OF THE GRAND LODGE
Year Ended April 30, 1971

As has been previously explained to The Grand Lodge there are two Funds in the Grand Lodge. The General Fund which is the operating Fund out of which expenses of the Grand Lodge are paid, and the Retirement Fund out of which the retirement benefits of employees of the Grand Lodge and The Nebraska Masonic Home are paid.

We are most pleased to report to you that after 114 years of operation the Total Assets of the General Fund of the Grand Lodge have exceeded, by \$2000, the One Million Dollar mark. These Assets are composed of \$22,900 in cash, \$976,500 in Investments, \$2,000 in Supply Inventory and a nominal value of \$3.00 of stock in The Nebraska Masonic Home, the Masonic-Eastern Star Home, and Furniture and Fixtures. The Stated Value of our Investments is our amortized cost of such investments in accordance with sound accounting practice. It is not the liquidating value.

The income to the General Fund of the Grand Lodge is derived from the dues, or per-capita tax, of \$4.00 per member, initiation fees, liability insurance premiums, sale of supplies, custodial service charges and investment income. Expenditures of the General Fund are comprised of Expense of Annual Communication, Expense of Grand Lodge Committees, Travel Expense, Salaries, Fixed Expenses (Rent, etc.), Insurance, Assessments, and Contributions and The Masonic-Eastern Star Home for Children.

For the year ended April 30, 1971 the result was as follows:

Income	\$230,072.33
Expenditures	
Operation of Grand Lodge	\$125,885.15
Nebraska Masonic Home	83,480.00
Committee on Relief	2,100.00
Bond Premiums etc., Supplies	4,787.45
To Retirement Fund	699.49
Loss from Sale Securities	1,561.42
Other Expense	455.00
Total Expenditures	<u>\$218,968.51</u>
Excess of Income over expenses	\$ 11,103.82

Of this balance, as required by our Grand Lodge Law, we transferred a net amount of \$6,272.80 to the Relief Account. There was therefore an operating balance for the year of \$4,831.02.

In comparing the income and expenditures of this last year with those of the previous year we find the income down only slightly and the expenditure up only a small sum. We therefore commend the Grand Lodge Officers and Committee Members for their diligence and concern in operating our Grand Lodge on a sound fiscal basis.

The Assets of the Retirement Fund of the Grand Lodge at year end amounted to \$179,970.59. It was composed of \$7,330.50 in cash and \$172,640.09 in Investments.

The income during the year was comprised of contributions by the Grand Lodge and the Nebraska Masonic Home to the Fund amounting to \$20,864.00 and Income from investments of \$9,842.71. The expenditures from the Fund were \$699.49. The large excess of income over expenditures is entirely proper as it is necessary to build reserves for future liabilities of the Fund in the way of Employees Retirement Benefits.

Your Board of Grand Trustees project income to the Grand Lodge for the year 1972-1973 will be approximately \$130,000.00 for the operation of the Grand Lodge. An appropriation in excess of this sum could incur a deficit.

ASSETS OF THE NEBRASKA MASONIC HOME

April 30, 1971

The Nebraska Masonic Home has two Funds. The General Fund is the operating Fund of the Home. Total Assets of the General Fund on April 30, 1971 were \$265,345.00. These Assets consisted of \$51,688.60 in cash, \$213,654.40 in Investments and a nominal value of \$2.00 for Real Estate and Furnishing. The value of Investments, as in all Funds, is our amortized cost in accordance with sound accounting practice.

Income of the General Fund is derived from the Per-capita Tax of \$2.00 per member, cash received from residents of the Home, donations to the Fund, investment income of the Fund and from the Seal Program. These items for the year ended April 30, 1971 amounted to \$310,458.57. Expenses of operating the Home were \$363,101.52. The excess of expenses over income amounted to \$52,642.95. This deficit in the General Fund was covered by transfer of income from the Endowment & Bequest Fund of the Home. The Home was extremely fortunate this year in that the residents of the Home contributed \$42,000.00 more money this year than last year. In fact they contributed 53% of the revenue received by the Home.

The Seal Program produced \$5,108.93 less than it did in the year ended in April 1970.

The remaining Fund of the Home is the Endowment and Bequest Fund. This Fund was created many years ago to receive moneys and securities through donations and bequests to provide funds to endow the Home and to pay costs of needed physical improvements. The Assets of this Fund at the close of the year amounted to \$2,915,469.86. These assets consist of \$68,647.95 in cash and \$2,846,821.91 in securities.

Income to this Fund comes from the income on investments and donations and bequests. Net investment income was \$146,160.79 and bequests and donations amounted to \$93,985.09. Expenditures charged

to the Fund was \$61,515.73 for improvements at the Home, leaving a balance of \$178,628.74 at year end. This was an increase over last year of \$45,000.00. After the transfer of \$80,000.00 to the General Fund this left a net balance of \$98,628.74 of income.

OPERATION OF THE NEBRASKA MASONIC HOME

In our report last year we set forth in detail the amount of money that had been transferred from the Endowment and Bequest Fund to support the operation of the Home. Since May, 1966, the Endowment and Bequest Fund has contributed to the General Fund, including the year ended April 30, 1971, \$323,142.25. If it had not been that persons admitted to the Home contributed \$42,000.00 over the amount received in previous years we would have been required to take from the Endowment and Bequest Fund \$100,000.00 for the General Fund. With rising costs we can only expect the amount to increase year by year and perhaps the entire income of the Endowment and Bequest Fund will be needed to defray the deficit of the General Fund. After that the principal will need to be used. It is for this reason that your Grand Lodge Officers and The Board of Trustees of the Home have asked for an increase in the Per-capita Tax.

ANALYSIS OF SECURITIES

Your Board of Grand Trustees reviews our holdings at least four times a year. We hold over 100 separate issues of Bonds in all Funds. With few exceptions, all Bonds are in the three highest ratings as assigned by the Rating Services. None of the Bonds are in default and are current as to payment of interest. All preferred and common stocks are regularly paying dividends. We hold seven real estate mortgage loans, six of which are of lodges, all loans are current as to payment of interest and principal.

There will be attached to this report when published figures taken from the Audit showing the assets and liabilities, surplus and Fund Balances reflecting the financial condition of the Grand Lodge and The Nebraska Masonic Home. It is requested that the Grand Trustees be authorized to incorporate these figures as part of the annual proceedings.

GRAND LODGE A. F. & A. M. OF NEBRASKA
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
April 30, 1970 and 1971

ASSETS
GENERAL FUND

	1971	1970
CASH ON HAND AND ON DEPOSIT	\$ 22,946.17	\$17,008.42
INVESTMENTS		
Bonds	827,921.44	820,544.40
Stocks	148,597.59	148,597.59
Total Investments	976,519.03	969,141.99
SUPPLY INVENTORY--At Cost	2,921.66	4,438.97
OTHER ASSETS:		
Stock in The Nebraska Masonic Home		
1,518 shares capital stock	1.00	1.00
Stock in Masonic-Eastern Star Home	1.00	1.00
Furniture and fixtures	1.00	1.00
Total other assets	3.00	3.00
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	<u>\$1,002,389.86</u>	<u>\$990,592.38</u>

LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY
GENERAL FUND

LIABILITIES--Accrued withholding taxes	<u>39.05</u>	<u>44.88</u>
GENERAL FUND EQUITY:		
General	\$904,985.32	\$898,583.58
Supply Account	17,539.99	18,464.22
Relief Account	79,711.50	73,438.70
Geo. Washington Memorial	114.00	61.00
	<u>\$1,002,350.81</u>	<u>\$990,547.50</u>
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	<u>\$1,002,389.86</u>	<u>\$990,592.38</u>

ASSETS RETIREMENT FUND

CASH:		
Checking account	\$ 7,330.50	\$ 4,157.06
Certificate of deposit		<u>3,078.75</u>
Total Cash	7,330.50	7,235.81
INVESTMENTS:		
Bonds	151,127.76	121,215.23
Stocks	<u>21,512.33</u>	<u>21,512.33</u>
Total Investments	<u>172,640.09</u>	<u>142,727.56</u>
TOTAL RETIREMENT FUND	<u>179,970.59</u>	<u>149,963.37</u>

RETIREMENT FUND EQUITY
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY

RETIREMENT FUND EQUITY	179,970.59	<u>149,963.37</u>
TOTAL RETIREMENT FUND	<u>\$179,970.59</u>	<u>\$149,963.37</u>

THE NEBRASKA MASONIC HOME
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
April 30, 1971 and 1970

ASSETS GENERAL FUND

	1971	1970
CASH ON DEPOSIT	\$ 51,688.60	\$ <u>37,862.30</u>
PAYROLL TAX DEPOSIT		<u>1,750.00</u>
INVESTMENTS:		
Bonds	204,121.52	184,192.90
Stocks	<u>9,532.88</u>	<u>9,532.88</u>
Total Investments	\$ 213,654.40	\$ 193,725.78
PROPERTY:		
Buildings & Grounds--Masonic Home	1.00	1.00
Furnishings--Masonic Home	<u>1.00</u>	<u>1.00</u>
Total Property	2.00	2.00
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	\$ <u>265,345.00</u>	\$ <u>233,340.08</u>

LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY
GENERAL FUND

GENERAL FUND EQUITY:		
Capital Stock--authorized 10,000 shares, par value \$100.00	\$ 1.00	\$ <u>1.00</u>
Other Equity Accounts:		
General	222,395.08	195,038.03
Memory Account	40,177.17	35,524.17
Room furnishings account	1,114.20	1,114.20
Edwards memorial account	262.55	267.68
Evers memorial account	<u>1,395.00</u>	<u>1,395.00</u>
Total Other Equity Accounts	265,344.00	233,339.08
Total General Fund Equity	<u>265,345.00</u>	<u>233,340.08</u>
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	265,345.00	233,340.08

ENDOWMENT AND BEQUEST FUND
ASSETS

CASH ON DEPOSIT	\$ 68,647.95	\$ 68,603.40
INVESTMENTS:		
Bonds	\$2,578,798.25	\$2,489,638.57
Stocks	219,902.09	202,327.82
Mortgages.....	48,121.57	56,271.33
Total Investments	<u>\$2,846,821.91</u>	<u>\$2,748,237.72</u>
TOTAL ENDOWMENT AND BEQUEST FUND.....	<u>\$2,915,469.86</u>	<u>\$2,816,841.12</u>

W. George W. Rosenlof, 314, Grand Historian, presented his report which was adopted.

Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Brethren:

During the year just drawing to a close we can report that five constituent lodges celebrated their 100th anniversary:

1. Beatrice Lodge No. 26
2. Jordan Lodge No. 27 at West Point
3. Blue River Lodge No. 30 at Milford
4. Tekamah Lodge No. 31
5. Platte Valley Lodge No. 32 at North Platte

Let me remind the Brethren that Lodge No. 28 in Pass City, Wyoming Territory transferred to the Wyoming Jurisdiction and Hope Lodge No. 29 at Hillsdale, Nemaha County, Nebraska, was consolidated with Nemaha Valley Lodge No. 4 at Brownsville in 1869.

According to the records of our Grand Jurisdiction, only one of our constituent lodges will have the high honor of celebrating its Centennial Celebration during 1971--Ashlar Lodge No. 33 at Grand Island. In 1972, there will again be four lodges, located at Schuyler, Fairbury, Central City and Crete holding their Centennial Celebrations. It is not too soon for these lodges to begin planning an appropriate series of events in commemoration of their chartering.

One hundred years ago, the Grand Lodge of Nebraska, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons held its Fourteenth Annual Communication in Lincoln on the 22nd and 23rd of June 1871. The Most Worshipful Grand Master, Harry P. Deuel, making his annual address said, and I quote: "Another Masonic Year has passed. Time, with relentless hand, has marked upon the dial of our existence another number; and again have we come together to deliberate upon those things that may prove advantageous to our Order, and result in strengthening the ties of brotherly love and friendship that unite us together."

The Grand Master reminded the brethren then assembled that while Masonry was an ancient institution, it was, at the same time, progressive, and necessarily so since mankind has advanced in knowledge, manners, customs and requirements. Even so, while people may change, Masonry conforms and adapts itself in regard to local conditions and regulations. However, this does not mean that the broad principles of morality and virtue taught in Masonry must change. They must not. Neither can our esoteric work, nor our landmarks, nor the foundations upon which Masonry has been built be subject to meaningless or weakening alteration. This was the impelling plea of Grand Master Deuel in 1871.

Today, one hundred years later, your Grand Historian, reviewing the present disorder, distress and destruction rampant on a world-wide basis, makes bold to suggest that there be a recrudescence of Masonic

loyalty to that which has ever held us together. With the thinking and persuading of Past Grand Master Deuel refreshed in our memories, may we devote and dedicate ourselves to both the preservation of the tried and found true principles of our Order but also to the amelioration of the wrongs inflicted upon our society in these most recent years. What could be more challenging? May the Supreme Architect of the Universe find us equal to that task and may we remind ourselves that to neglect our obligations we do so at our peril.

At the same time, we must remind ourselves of the concluding statement of Brother Deuel, indicating his confidence in the Masonic Fraternity. These were his words: "It affords me pleasure to report to you that our Order is in a most flourishing condition; our numbers are rapidly increasing; our lodges are flourishing; our Grand Lodge of Nebraska is taking a position of influence along with her sister Grand Lodges.

Surely we also can take renewed confidence in these times. While numbers may not be increasing as they have been heretofore, the Fraternity is none-the-less a most significant force for good. Our officers are as strong as ever they have been; our activities are no less successful; our ideals and purposes continue to be of the same high order. The Grand Historian fifty years from today will be recording events equally as encouraging as this, indicative of continuing faith, hope and charity, all of which have been manifest in spite of increasing difficulties.

The statistics of growth and development and of increased economic resources need not be here stated in any detail. There are others whose reports will reflect the facts better than your Grand Historian. There are more important matters about which we might be concerned.

Brethren, your Grand Historian has completed a second volume of "Selected Orations" delivered by our Grand Orators in the second quarter of our first one hundred years of existence--1882-1907. We have thought of these as being vital to the times when delivered and still valuable for reference and inspiration today. They are envisioned as being extremely valuable for our Committee on Masonic Education and for all the education committees of our constituent lodges. It is hoped that they may be the source of many instructive experiences of our membership in the months ahead.

I am happy, Most Worshipful Grand Master, to have been able to serve in the office to which appointed during recent years. The experience has at times been time consuming but notwithstanding it has been challenging. I can only hope it has been productive of much good to our Order in preserving the historical records for years to come.

I thank you, Most Worshipful Sir, for the privilege of this valuable association with you and your officers and the brethren of this Grand Lodge. It has been a wonderful year in all respects. I could wish that I had been able to be present at every activity involving the officers of this Grand Lodge. Regretably I was frequently absent. Please, forgive us for that.

May the all-wise and ever-present Supreme Architect of the Universe bless and keep you and us strong and productive of good!

M.:W.:John H. Brown, Grand Master:

Brethren, at this time we will discuss the proposed Amendments to our By-laws. These were presented at the 113th Annual Communication and were held over for action at this Communication.

RESOLUTION

1. BE IT RESOLVED: We the undersigned Master Masons of Nebraska, do hereby, respectfully request that the Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Nebraska give serious consideration to participating in the Masonic Service Association program regarding Masonic Hospital Visitors in the three Veterans Hospitals, located at Omaha, Lincoln and Grand Island, Nebraska.

We feel that well-trained Masonic Hospital Visitors in these three Hospitals would fill a much needed gap and would be the means of presenting the proper Masonic image which is needed in our Grand Jurisdiction in Nebraska.

RESOLUTION

2. Most Worshipful Grand Master, Grand Lodge Officers and Brothers: Be it resolved that in compliance with Section 1-502 of the By-laws of the Grand Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Nebraska that Section 2-901 entitled "No Religious Test" be amended to read as follows:

No religious test shall be required of any petitioner for the degrees of Masonry other than a steadfast belief in the existence and perfections of God, and no lodge shall receive any candidate without acknowledgment of such belief. A petitioner must be nineteen years old at the time of signing his petition. (The only change being the last sentence which has been changed from twenty-one to nineteen years old.)

RESOLUTION

3. "We the undersigned members of the Grand Lodge, A.:F.: & A.:M.: of Nebraska, do hereby propose and second the following amendment to Part III, Chapter 1, Section 3-102 (d) of the By-laws of the Grand Lodge, A.:F.: & A.:M.: of Nebraska be amended as follows:

Section 3-102 Enumerated — the following are specifically declared to be Masonic offenses:

(d) Engaging in the manufacture, bottling, blending, selling, bartering, transporting, delivering, furnishing or possessing any alcoholic liquor for beverage purpose contrary to or in violation of the laws of the state of Nebraska.

Section 3-102 (d) and subsequent amendments thereto are repealed.

RESOLUTION

1. Be it resolved that Paragraph 3 of Section 2-601 and Section 1-407 of the Grand Lodge By-laws be amended to read as follows:

Section 2-601--Paragraph 3: The phrase "the sum of \$4.00" shall be amended to read "the sum of \$6.00."

Section 1-407--be amended to read:

"The percapita tax of \$6.00 shall be divided as follows:

To The Nebraska Masonic Home	\$4.00
To the Committee on "Masonic Relief . . . . .	.20
To the General Fund	1.80

The initiation fee of \$10.00 and all affiliation fees shall be allotted to the General Fund.

2. That original Section 2-601, paragraph 3 and Section 1-407 enacted in 1969 be repealed.

M. . W. . John H. Brown, Grand Master:

Now, my Brethren, these resolutions are open for discussion before we vote. I am assuming that all of you were informed that these By-laws were up for ballot at this time. If any Brother wishes to speak for or against these By-laws he may do so at this time. After the discussion we will vote on the proposed amendments and also on the Election of Officers of this Grand Lodge for the ensuing year.

M. . W. . John H. Brown, Grand Master:

I would like to appoint W. . Brother Harold D. Weddel and ten of his Assistant Grand Custodians to be judges and tellers. Please collect the ballots and tabulate them.

W. Earl H. Furman, Chairman presented the report of the Committee on Reinstatements, which was adopted.

The Reinstatement Committee has been quite active this year. We are pleased to report a total of 40 reinstatements were handled and this is quite an improvement over previous years.

We are most pleased with the splendid way the applications are being completed by the Secretaries. In all instances they are insisting that all the questions be answered and are very accurate and thorough with their information.

This makes it much easier for the Committee to act wisely and properly.

Thank you all for your help and cooperation.

W. Brother Alfred E. Geschke, 25, Chairman, presented the report of the Committee on Grand Lodge office, which was adopted:

The members of this Committee met on several occasions this spring to discuss various matters. As a result, we make the following recommendations, effective May 1, 1971.

1. To increase the salary of the Grand Secretary by \$600.00 to \$10,800.00 yearly.
2. To increase the salaries of our three office employees by \$25.00 per month, or an annual increase of \$300.00 each.
3. This item pertains to the Grand Custodian and his car expenses. Worshipful Brother Gerry travels about 25,000 miles each year, two-thirds or approximately 17,000 miles of which are traveled solely on the Grand Custodian's business. As with all others, we pay him at present eight cents per mile traveled on the 17,000 miles. Out of this eight cents per mile, he must pay for his gasoline, two-thirds of his depreciation and maintenance, two-thirds of his taxes and insurance, as well as for tires and repairs. This, as you can see, is an almost impossible situation.

The Committee on Work has asked us to look into the matter for an adequate solution. We, therefore, make the following recommendation: That we pay the Grand Custodian the sum of \$75.00 per month as a car allowance, in addition to the eight cents per mile traveled.

We commend Most Worshipful Brother Norris W. Lallman for running an efficient and harmonious operation of the Grand Lodge office. We also commend the employees for their zeal and faithfulness.

Most Worshipful Grand Master, I move the adoption of the report.

Fraternally submitted for the Committee

W. Donald G. Hafer, 306, presented the report of the Committee on Temple Building, which was adopted:

There is continued activity in building, purchasing and remodeling structures for better lodge facilities.

The purchase by the Temple Craft Board in Broken Bow of the former Methodist Church, mentioned in last year's report, was accomplished, all necessary remodeling completed, and the building dedicated about a month ago. The former corner stone had been removed, and the laying of the new corner stone was more symbolical than usual, having been performed in the basement during a rainstorm. Emmett Crawford Lodge No. 148, and associated bodies, now have one of the more beautiful and outstanding temples in the state.

Relief Lodge No. 219 at Coleridge was given permission to purchase a former church building and the necessary plans for remodeling approved in March. We presume the remodeling may not yet be completed nor the formal dedication held.

The Masonic Temple Company at Crawford purchased and remodeled a commercial building for the use of Faith Lodge No. 181 and associated bodies. Our first information came when the lodge requested permission to move. Approval of the remodeling was given with some additional requirements.

We are not informed relative to the situation of DeWitt Lodge No. 111 at DeWitt. They were planning to construct a new building and preliminary plans were submitted, but no final plans or the financing have been approved. Possibly a planned fund raising drive has not been successful. According to our records they are now occupying the Episcopal Parish House as temporary quarters.

Within the past month, Sioux Lodge No. 277 at Harrison made inquiry relative to the purchase and remodeling of a building for their use. The necessary information has been furnished them.

Approval of the plans for remodeling a former church building for the occupancy of a new lodge being formed in Millard, on a lease basis, were approved last October.

Inquiry was received last September from Trowel Lodge No. 71 at Neligh relative to remodeling and moving downstairs from their present location. Tentative plans were received, but no approval has been given because of failure to receive necessary financial information.

A joint application of Shiloh Lodge No. 327 and Omaha Lodge No. 288 for the purchase of the former church building now occupied by Shiloh Lodge was given approval subject to their ability to obtain a \$15,000 loan from the Grand Lodge Trustees. Final plans for remodeling and the necessary financing has not yet been approved.

Melrose Lodge No. 60 at Orleans submitted plans for remodeling the lower story of the building they own and in which they have been occupying the upper floor. The plans were approved and the lodge had sufficient funds to cover the expense. Dedication should be soon forthcoming.

Wolbach Lodge No. 292 completed purchase of a former theatre building. However, we have not yet received plans for the necessary repairs, remodeling and financing.

M. W. Louis V. Sylvester, 281, presented the report of the Committee on Work, which was adopted:

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

The report of the Grand Custodian for 1971 has been submitted to us. It reflects the method and manner in which the promulgation of the work has been carried on and indicates that it has been effectively done.

We have examined the proposed budget of the Grand Custodian and his department. There is no request for an increase in this budget even though inflation continues to take its toll. The budget remains at \$8,100 exclusive of the Grand Custodian's salary.

We have been requested to make a few decisions pertaining mostly to the floor work in the conferring of degrees. Decisions were made as follows:

1. After leaving the stairs and approaching the South, West and East in the Middle Chamber work, the basic diagram places the candidate on the pedestal. Is this correct and, if so, why?

Ans. It is correct for the reason that there is no physical contact between the candidate and the officer.

1A. The Grand Master recommends that the Bible be placed on the Altar before lodge is opened and left there until after lodge is closed. We ask that this matter be laid over for the consideration of this committee until next year.

2. Basic Diagram 11 of the floor work indicates that what is termed the inside line shall be followed in proceeding from the altar to the East in the Entered Apprentice and Fellowcraft Degrees. Nothing is shown as to how this movement shall be made in the Masters Degree. Ans. The Committee interprets the floor work to mean that the inside line shall be followed in all three degrees.

3. There is a difference in the esoteric and monitorial work in the introductory portion to the seven liberal arts and sciences in the Middle Chamber work of the Fellowcraft Degree. This appears to result from an overlooked mistake in proofreading the last printed monitor. The Committee rules that the esoteric work as approved by the Grand Lodge be followed and that the correction be made in the monitor when and if a reprint becomes necessary. (New page No. 42 is being printed to replace page 42. Reason that 1800 copies of monitor are on hand, presently.)

4. The floor work as approved by this Grand Lodge fixes a line one-third the distance between the West and the altar, nearest the West, as a fixed line for certain movements. In addition thereto, it provides for two steps being taken to the west of the one-third line. In many small lodges this places the Candidate up against the station of the Senior Warden. We recommend that the two-step movements be eliminated and that the Candidate remain on the one-third line.

5. The Grand Custodian has requested this Committee to rule on the proper use of the canvas in the Master Mason's Degree. This Committee has never ruled on this problem. Previous Grand Custodians have instructed differently on this phase of the work with the result that different methods are being used and, in some instances, different equipment has been purchased to meet the directions of the changing views of changing Grand Custodians. Your Committee makes the following recommendations: The canvas at its lower end will be held four inches above the floor. It will be held tight with no attempt to move it toward the Candidate. The two brethren will hold the elevated west end of the canvas. Brethren will hold the sides as needed.

We next considered a communication from Chairman Al Geschke of the Grand Lodge Office committee regarding an increase in salary for the Grand Custodian. It was our opinion that consideration should be given to the purchase or lease of an automobile for the use of the Grand Custodian in lieu of an increase in salary. A new car is sorely needed.

We prefer a lease rather than a purchase if the financial situation warrants it. Last year we paid mileage on 17,000 miles which is a sizeable item to be considered. By leasing, we can eliminate taxes, insurance, and sizeable repair bills. We communicated our views of the Office committee for its consideration.

The Committee formally approved the following new Assistant Grand Custodians whom we had previously approved by mail: D. Wayne Ericson, Jachin Lodge No. 146, Holdrege; Walter S. Cork, Frank Welch Lodge No. 75, Sidney; and Richard L. Mauch, Bassett Lodge No. 254 at Bassett.

The work of the Grand Custodian and the Assistant Grand Custodians was reviewed and found to be good. Your Committee appreciates the dedication of these Brethren in the performance of their duties.

The Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment at 4:40 p.m. by the R. W. Deputy Grand Master.

GRAND ORATION

Friday evening, June 11, 1971—Grand Lodge Banquet

THE BUILDERS

by W. Jack H. Hendrix, Grand Orator

Most Worshipful Grand Master, Most Worshipful Past Grand Masters, Grand Lodge Officers, Distinguished Guests, Brethren and Ladies. In some of that introduction your Grand Master is correct. It is true that I am still the Grand Orator, and it is true that I am still the Judge of the Fourteenth Judicial District. In these respects I may be like the Judge handling misdemeanor cases. One dreary morning the Judge looked down from the bench to see the town drunk standing before him. The jurist commented angrily; "You've been popping up before me regularly for twenty years." The drunk answered, "Can I help it if you don't get promoted?"

Now that I have cut myself down to proper size, I feel free to proceed to the topic of "building." It is no accident that masonry, divinely blessed and the object of our great admiration and respect, has itself been constructed upon a foundation of building. It is no happenstance that Masons are known throughout the world as "the builders." It is no coincidence that a brotherhood based upon building has become the largest fraternal organization in the world.

And yet, modern building has grown into disfavor. The mature say, "They don't build them like that anymore," and the young make fun

of the gross national product and do things like the students at San Jose State College who pooled \$2,500.00 to buy a new yellow sports car and ceremoniously buried it. Even those who profess to be proud of construction have their reservations. There is the story of the guide showing tourists the new factory. From its four smoke stacks there spewed dark clouds; from the mill race sewage gushed forth; and from the factory itself came decibels and decibels of noise. After a recital of the facts and figures, the guide stated; "And it ain't done yet. They are going to improve it even worse." I enjoy telling the story of the astronaut perched high on the rocket waiting to be blasted to the moon. His friend radioed up, "How do you feel?" The reply was, "How would you feel if you were riding on a rocket made up of 50,000 components, all purchased from the lowest bidder?"

What I propose for tonight is that we look at the current vogue of blaming building for our ills, either because it exists at all, or because it isn't perfect.

Let us start with the basic element, the, "person." Without doubt the most important building we do is building an individual. We are born absolutely helpless, and would stay that way until almost immediate death if it were not for the labors of medical people. We are then released to our parents. Without their labors in starting our education we would be but animals. Through our lives we are molded and built by lay teachers, religious teachers, lodge brethren, friends, colleagues, the news media, politicians and many others. And yet, there is a growing segment of our population who advocate that children be allowed to build themselves or not be built, according to their own whim. This has always been, and now is, the feeling of teenagers. Only recently, however, has there been a substantial number of adults who believe that children should be allowed to form their own character and personality, in part because parental influence is not flawless. In truth when this is allowed to occur, either by design or neglect, children are still molded by others, most of whom do not furnish guidance as pure as their parents. Obviously self-reliance is one of the things that must be built, and individuality must be allowed to develop, but surely only the unthinking and the lazy advocate that a teenager should not be taught to know and respect the wisdom of the ages which our forefathers have discovered and perpetuated by their sacrifices. Our masonic work teaches us that we hope to arrive at a state of perfection by a virtuous education, our own endeavors and the blessings of God. The building of a person requires these three elements, and it cannot be properly done by permitting a child to do what it wants to do when it wants to do it.

Progressing to our organized society, it has long been recognized that the, "family," is the basic unit, and of course the marriage is the basis of the family. There can no longer be any doubt that the foremost cause of such problems as crime, drug use, delinquency and racial violence is the break down of the family unit. As early as 1954, a study in the State of Utah revealed that 57% of the inmates at the industrial

school had not more than one parent in the home. It is easy to find statistics on legal divorce such as that one marriage in four in this country now ends in legal separation. But statistics fail to reveal the real heart-break as does Louis Nizer in his book, *My Life in Court*, where he says:

"...Litigations between husband and wife exceed in bitterness and hatred those of any other relationships...A man whose sense of honor may be punctilious and whose restraint under extreme provocation may be admirable, will unhesitatingly insist on making charges against his wife which, even if true, would not be entertained by any decent man, particularly against the mother of his children. A woman who all her life has been kindly and gentle may turn so vengeful against her husband that she will write obscene and poisonous letters to his friends...Either may disregard their children's welfare by making them pawns in the battle, filling their ears with loathing for the other. There is no limit to the blazing hatred, the unquenchable vengefulness, the reckless abandonment of all standards of decent restraint, which a fierce matrimonial contest engenders."

Divorces are only part of the problem. For every marriage that ends in divorce, there is probably another that fails to provide happy, contented and secure surroundings for the parties to the marriage and the children. Obviously some of these marriages fail because of a mis-match, but more fail because the parties have not expended the necessary effort to build a marriage, and a marriage must be built like most good things. Only by acts of kindness, by consideration, by showing affection and by loyalty and patience can romantic love ripen into married love. These are the stones with which a marriage is built. Now there abounds in this land a new threat, under the guise of new freedom, of many who advocate that marriage itself is just a superstition of middle class morality. These people live together when they please. They have their old man or old woman, for the time being. Where the Victorian sought to have love without falling into sex, today's free spirit seeks to have sex without falling into love. They glorify doing as they please and without labor and responsibility. They scorn laboring on the temple of marriage. The result is that they themselves are most miserable, and they leave behind a trail of unhappy adults, unhappy children, and a society suffering from some of the throes of a moral recession.

And what of our, "nation," the most complicated organized society of all times, should it now cease to build either morally or materially? Should we turn our backs on early Masons like Joseph Warren, Colonel William Prescott, John Hancock, Benjamin Franklin and George Washington? Should we forget that of the 128 general officers and regimental commanders at Valley Forge, 51 have been verified as members of the Masonic fraternity? We must not. We must remember that our theme is not the use of the temple, but the building of the temple. Our greatest satisfaction is in making things better, not in keeping them as they are.

In our national affairs, as in other affairs, there are innumerable problems which can only be solved by building, and innumerable opportunities which can only be seized by building. The areas are limitless, but let us talk about ecology for the present, since this is an area where building is getting the blame. I certainly do not expect to spend much time on the problem itself, since you know, as well as I, the seriousness of our pollution. One personal reference, however, since I found it surprising. Last summer our family drove through eastern Canada and northeastern United States. From the time we left upper Michigan, to Quebec and back to Des Moines, Iowa, we never experienced a time when there was not some smog-city or country. Fishing was prohibited in the St. Lawrence River because of the mercury content and the noise level in all cities was terrific. Just the garbage dumps we saw staggered the imagination. We were not surprised to discover that an American family, on the average, discards some 80 pounds of garbage a week. In our country we pile up 3-1/2 million tons of rubbish each year. After the 57 day, 3270 mile voyage of Thor Hayerdahl's papyrus boat, Ra II across the Atlantic, Navigator Norman Baker said: "We saw no sign of man--except his garbage and we saw that all the time." The problem must be solved. The trouble is that I find a negative philosophy in dealing with the problem. I find that many people profess that they want to, "go back"--they really don't. 150 years ago life was very brief. The life expectancy was 38 years for males, and it was a hard 38 years. The work week was 72 hours, and the average pay was \$300.00--per year. The women had it worse. Their work week never ended. Part of their routine was helping care for the sick. Often these were the victims of cholera, yellow fever and typhoid, diseases rare in our country today--and this was in an age when the rivers and lakes were crystal clear. We must have a solution, but that solution will have to come through science and effort. Our people are not going to do without lights, heat, appliances, motor vehicles and the other things, the production of which, causes much of the pollution. Technological science must and will provide the answer if insisted upon. I picked up the May 28, 1971 issue of Science magazine the other day, and found articles on:

Nuclear Safety

Corporate Responsibility for Pollution

Global Effect of Environmental Pollution

A Study on Carbon Monoxide in Rainwater

Residues of Mercury and Salt in Lake Trout

Obviously, with environmental protection, production is going to cost more and this will mean some less goods and services, but to take the advice of some and halt production, would be foolhardy. Vice Admiral Rickover testified before the Senate Committee on Appropriations during the SST controversy. Like him I take no position, one way or the other, on whether it should have been financed or not. My reason may be different than his, however, since mine is that I don't know enough about it, but, like him, I worry about our loss of confidence in science and building in science. At those hearings he stated in part:

"Man, from the beginning of his evolution, has directed his actions toward transformation of the earth from its natural state to one more suitable for human habitation. Some believe that in light of past mistakes this goal must be completely renounced...

I would suggest, however, that in actual fact, and despite all its shortcomings, the world of 1971 is a much safer and pleasanter place for nearly all human beings than the world of 10,000 BC....."

And so it is with other national problems. The solutions will come with building, and those who wish to split, or drop out, or freak out, or like we used to say, give up, are exceeded in their detriment only by those who wish to tear down. Each, since not part of the solution, must be classified as part of the problem.

Let us move on to the organized society with which we are particularly concerned tonight, "Masonry." As in all ages of its existence, it is faced with its own problem of building and re-building. As ever, that problem consists principally of apathy from within and threat from without. This grand lodge communication, and the fact that there are about 640 Masons and their ladies here tonight is proof, if proof were needed, that Masons are by and large eager, enthusiastic and working. As Masons find the great truths attacked, they are becoming more aggressive on behalf of the order. Nevertheless, there are exceptions. Masonic brothers have for generations experienced the joys of their fraternity--the friendships fostered, the charity dispensed, the lessons learned, the inspiration received and the degrees conferred. Because these have for so long existed, there are those who accept the benefits without accepting the corresponding duty to build and re-build. There are even those who through lassitude do not even bother to reap the benefits which are available for the taking. Perhaps all of us have at some time or another followed the old adage:

"Beware of the Worshipful Master
When through the room he's peering
And never, never scratch your head
He'll think you're volunteering."

The favorite parting remarks these days are "take care," and, "survive." These are certainly fitting good-bys, but it would be most refreshing to hear the word, "build" on one of these occasions, particularly when building not only encompasses survival and taking care, but goes that last step to encompass progress. I suppose that masonry has the reputation of being a conservative organization, because Masons believe in eternal truths which are unchanging. In this respect Masonry is undoubtedly conservative; but Masonry is likewise progressive! In the extolling of building, we are extolling progress and change. True Masonic building must come from the individual lodge. The grand lodge may assist

and perhaps inspire, but if the building is not done in the individual lodge, it will never be done. As for threats from without, we have plenty, but Masonry is not now singled out as a target as it has been in the past. Many of you, I suppose, know the story of the little lodge in Batavia, New York. A traitor to Masonry, a man by the name of Morgan, disappeared under strange circumstances. There was an unproven charge that this lodge was responsible, and it was hounded unmercifully. The story is told as follows by Masonic Historian Worshipful Brother Bede:

"In June of 1827, a year after the start of the anti-masonic movement, which nearly drove Freemasonry to the breaking point, this lodge publicly announced that it would attend church services on the anniversary of St. John the Baptist. When the day came, a hostile throng which had been estimated to have numbered 12,000 had assembled in the little village of 1350 people. Some of the fearful brethren urged postponement--and their advice may have been good--but stalwart leaders decided that they could not afford to show fear or shame. Clothed in white gloves and aprons, the Brethren of the little lodge, undoubtedly with cold shivers running up and down their spines, with a few goose pimples mixed in, marched to the church through the hostile throng, which opened to let them pass. There were many insulting words and an untoward act might have brought violence; but the Brethren reached the church--greatly relieved to get there safely--listened to a sermon by a preacher who feared only his God, and quietly returned to their lodge room and dispersed. Those Freemasons of Batavia may have been foolhardy. Their act may have fanned the flames of intolerance and bigotry, but they were men--red blooded men--brave men--fearless men--men who dared to stand against the storm until its fury was spent."

Our outside troubles today stem primarily from the revolt against all established institutions. We are not singled out now, and Masonry does not stand alone as it did in 1827, but the threat may be greater for that reason. Whatever the future, I hope we can all wear our Masonry proudly, openly, with pride and dignity as did those valiant men of Batavia.

There are those who will say that in glorifying labor, work and building, Masonry is relegating its members to a humdrum and unhappy existence. Nothing could be further from the truth. Building and rebuilding is the key to the internal glow which we call happiness. To the best of my recollection, I have never seen a happy person who did not like the work he or she is doing, or if retired, the work he or she has done. I am, of course, using the word, "work," in its broad meaning of labor to build, and not just services performed for the reward of money. It may include the housewife, the lodge brother, the flower grower, and all others who labor for accomplishment. Even rats are

happier in accomplishment. In Canada, scientists working with laboratory rodents offered them the alternative of free food in a dish, or food obtained by pressing a lever. The rats were so enthusiastic about eating their food that they learned to push dishes of free food aside so that they could reach the lever. The researchers increased to ten the number of lever pushes required to get a portion of food before the rats decided it was just too much work, and went back to their free food dishes. Plainly, rats prefer to earn their daily bread. I suppose we could also pick up another lesson here--it being not to overburden any one brother. This year an educated army of 816,000 are graduating from college campuses. For a number of reasons, many of them are going to try to find happiness without love of their work. Some will do so because work that they would love is not available, some will do so because large corporations have often been unable to provide a feeling of accomplishment to a small cog in a big machine, and some will do so just because they do not like to work. For the first two, we hope that they will eventually find an identity in their work, and that whether they do or not, that they will, like us, find identity and meaningful work in Masonic lodges.

Ask any Mason; "Who built the temple?" He will reply; "King Solomon and his followers." We are entering upon a new era, with the stakes higher than just our happiness, when we must turn again to the inspiration of the temple. While it was a great, magnificent structure, it was not an end in itself. The great Temple has, as all man made objects are destined to do, crumbled to the dust. The value of the Temple is for us to use it as our inspiration to build for the future.

And now, one final poem which I know will be most welcome:

I love a finished speaker
I really and truly do.
By finished, I don't mean polished.
I just mean one who is through.

Jack H. Hendrix
Grand Orator

SATURDAY, JUNE 12
SECOND DAY--MORNING SESSION

At 8:30 a.m. the Grand Lodge was called from refreshment to labor.

M. W. Merle M. Hale, 54, presented the report of the Board of Trustees of The Masonic-Eastern Star Home for Children, which was adopted:

Most Worshipful Grand Master and Distinguished Guests:

Laughter, like gay ribbons
Drifts when children play,
And with its happy streamers
I bind this lovely day!

In behalf of the Board of Trustees, it is my pleasure to inform you about the activities of the Masonic-Eastern Star Home for Children at Fremont. It is fully staffed, and may I add, with a dedicated personnel. Our children are all in good health and there are no serious problems. Our sincere thanks to the Superintendent and the House Parents.

This year has been little different from previous years. Our family now consists of 29 children. 22 boys and 7 girls. This includes two sets of twins.

Because there were only five girls in the Senior Girls Home, we closed this home last summer and moved these girls into the Junior Girls Home.

Our Homes have received generous donations from chapters, lodges, and many groups during the year. The Job's Daughters and Rainbow donated money which was used for swimming suits and tickets. The country schools collect, repair, and paint toys for the Home. Girl Scouts bake and bring large boxes of cookies. Kennington's make mittens and slippers and donate towels, pillowcases and bedspreads.

In November two members from Owaissa Chapter came to the home and repaired the emblems at the entrance to the Home at no cost except for materials used. The Universal Neon Sign Company of Omaha, contributed two signs with the names of the Homes thereon. They will identify our grounds in Fremont. We would like to thank all who have contributed any part in this good work.

Improvements and replacements are always under consideration at the home. This year we re-decorated and refurnished the Junior Girls Home. This is the third home in the past four years to be taken care of through our Worthy Grand Matron's and Worthy Grand Patron's projects. Also through these projects, the farm buildings have been repainted. This past winter has caused heavy damage to the trees so plans are being made to replace these through last years, "Project Pride."

I thought maybe you might be interested in our childrens activities during this past year. All of them have a two weeks vacation in the summer. They either go to relatives or friends. One boy visited a relative in California last summer. He had earned almost enough money for his transportation and the relative took care of the rest. Martha Jane Dud-

den, P.G.M., and a former board member, had two of the senior girls in her home for two weeks. During the summer the children work in the morning while it is cool. They help with the housework, mow lawns, weed gardens, and work on their 4-H Projects. Their afternoons are spent swimming. Several of the Senior boys work, at a Furniture Store, Variety Store, Motel, A & W, and the Brestwood Restaurant. If they are unable to help at the home because of their work, they use some of their earnings to help buy their clothes. One bought a record player, but part of it always goes into a savings account. Many of the boys are Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts. Our Superintendent's wife is an assistant Den Mother. The boys meet in her home, and many of the boys are from outside the circle. Some go to summer camps. At Camp Eagle a Boy Scout Camp, and Camp Calvin Crest a Church Camp. We also have fifteen taking piano lessons. Every home has one hour for study each night. The children receive complimentary tickets for the Shrine Circus, Professional Basketball in Omaha and the Shrine Football Game in Lincoln. They all look forward to the Shrine Picnic at Peony Park in the fall. At Christmas time gifts and money are received from the Masters & Wardens Club, Butternut and Eastern Star Chapters. Each home has a Christmas program. Their packages are opened here so the donors will be sure to receive a "thank you" note from them. Punch, coffee and cookies are served to their guests. Each child goes home or to a relative for Christmas vacation. Usually they are gone one and one half weeks. The Home gives each child \$4.00 to use for gifts for whomever they are spending Christmas with. This year the Junior Girls House Parents took their vacation at Christmas time, going to Colorado and taking one of the older girls with them paying all of her expenses. Easter and Thanksgiving are spent with their families also.

One activity that our children have that involves almost all of the youngsters 9 years old and above is our 4-H Club. Until this year we have had both calves and sheep as projects. We will not have sheep this year because of the persistent efforts of some wild dogs that killed most of our sheep.

Each year interested individuals, Lodges, Chapters, Shrine Clubs contribute the animals that then become the children's projects. One or two children are assigned to an animal which then becomes their responsibility. They have to train the animal to lead so that it may be shown at the fairs, it also takes a lot of washing and trimming to get the animal ready to show. We attend two fairs each year, the Fremont 4-H Fair and the Dodge County Fair. Shortly after attending the Fairs we have an Achievement Day where we invite anyone interested to come and view the animals and the awards they receive. After that the calves are sold. The cost of the feed is deducted from the sale price and the remainder is placed in the child's savings account.

Each fall the Club holds a Chili Feed in order to make money to operate the Club. Home made chili and chicken noodle soup is served with all the trimmings. This is the final project of the 4-H year.

Mr. Howard Cozad of Schuyler is the owner of a large Variety Store. Each summer he asks the children there for the day. After a swimming party he gives each child \$4.00 to spend in his store. Can you imagine 25 to 30 children loose in a store with \$4.00 to spend? After they have made their purchases, a picnic supper is served by the local Lodge and Chapter.

We have had wonderful cooperation from the Professional People, Schools and the school counselors. The business places generally give a 10 to 15% discount on merchandise purchased for the home.

On Sunday the children go to the church of their choice which includes Methodist, Presbyterian, Christian, Lutheran and Catholic.

We are happy to report that for the most part we were able to operate the Home this past year within the budget adopted a year previously. We are constantly faced, however, with the struggle all such homes are having, solving the problem of inflation and the cost-of-living increase. Fortunately the income from parents and guardians to assist in the support of our boys and girls has increased slightly over the past several years. We are extremely pleased to report that income from investments in our Endowment Fund has been on the increase for several years. Right now the income from investments will supply about 25% of our financial needs. For the past two years our financial asking from the Grand Lodge and the Grand Chapter has been slightly less than the year before, although our overall budget has increased some. Our Finance Committee works constantly in an effort to keep our expenditures to a minimum. This past year we were obliged to install a fire alarm system in the Senior Boy's Home and Junior Girl's Home on the recommendation of the State Fire Marshal at a total cost of \$8,291.56. If we had not done so, our license to operate the Home was in jeopardy.

We are pleased to report that during the past year our Home has been remembered as a beneficiary in the estates of several deceased brothers and sisters who were members of both Grand bodies. The number of such gifts has been on the increase, for which we are eternally grateful.

The Board of Trustees was saddened when Judge Wilfred Nuernberger of Lincoln, found it necessary to resign this year. His service to the Home has been of much value and his wise counsel is beyond compare.

To Fred and the Board of Trustees: It is said that within the heart of each of us there is a desire to do good, to share, to build, and to leave the world a little better. After working with you another year I am sure all of you are living up to this description. Thank you so much for the devotion you have shown.

Most Worshipful Grand Master, it has been a pleasure to attend your Annual Session and to bring you greetings and this report from the Masonic-Eastern Star Childrens Home.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret Worthman, P.G.M., President

M. W. Herbert A. Ronin, 210, Chairman, presented the report of the Masonic Service Association, which was adopted:

Most Worshipful Grand Master and Brethren:

The Masonic Service Association serviced the Grand Masters' Conference held in Washington, D.C. during the week of February 22, 1971, and also our Association held its Annual Meeting which was attended by the Grand Masters of the 43 Grand Lodges who are members of the Masonic Service Association. Our Grand Master, John H. Brown, served on the Foreign Relief Committee, whose report was adopted by the Association. Our Grand Senior Warden, R. W. Howard J. Hunter, and our Grand Secretary, M. W. Norris W. Lallman were also in attendance at our Annual Meeting.

Nebraska is a member of the Masonic Service Association and through it our lodges receive the monthly short talk bulletins which continue to receive appreciative comments from readers from around the world. Various digest and publications were issued by the Association including a comprehensive list of Masonic Periodicals, a list of the oldest living Freemasons in the U. S. in point of membership. The oldest living Master Mason is Brother John A. Walker of Port Arthur, Ontario, Canada who became a Master Mason on April 15, 1890. A list of 265 Masonic Research Lodges in our Grand Jurisdictions was also printed together with the name and address of each of their secretaries, as well as those in other countries. Nebraska of course does not have any research lodges.

At the request of the 1971 Grand Masters' Conference our Association is surveying all of the Masonic Education programs that we have in the U. S., and will analyze and make comparisons of the same, with the objective that knowledge of the educational programs in other Grand Jurisdictions may give impetus to suggested improvements.

The Hospital Visitation Program of our Association has existed since 1944, and has been stepped up recently because of the Vietnam War. Today we have 88 Field Agents Serving 90 of the 160 Veteran Hospitals in the U. S. There are 33 Grand Jurisdictions who participate in the Hospitalization Program. Nebraska does not belong to the M.S.A. Hospital Program. The need is increasingly great. Our Hospitalized veterans need this Masonic Service and we are not realizing this opportunity for ser-

vice. We have an excellent rating with the Veterans Administration and are recognized as a skilled Voluntary Service Organization. DeMolay Boys have been taking part as volunteers in this program for many years, especially as escorts to wheel patients to chapel services on Sunday mornings. They serve under the direction of our Field Agents and the Veterans enjoy the young hospital visitors.

The passage of the Resolution yesterday by our Grand Lodge that we seriously consider the advisability of participation in the Hospital Visitation Program of the M.S.A. is most encouraging. This is not an expensive program. We had \$350.00 in the Budget last year for training some Nebraska Mason to undergo training under a Field Agent in a M.S.A. Hospital as in Des Moines, Iowa. None of this money was spent.

I recommend the appropriation of another \$350.00 which can only be expended under the express approval of the Grand Master. This sum to be employed in funding the necessary expenses in implementing the Resolution enacted yesterday. There is an increasing amount of interest in such a program of service in Nebraska, and one of our very fine, retired brother Veteran Masons expressed a desire to me yesterday that he would like to be a Hospital Field Agent. The M.S.A. office and field agents would be pleased to discuss the feasibility of initiating such a program in Nebraska.

"To help, aid, and assist" a worthy brother is the purpose of this great program of service and the projected extension of performing our Masonic teachings. I hope that in the near future that such a program can be initiated in Nebraska, which is now being so enthusiastically carried on in the majority of our neighboring states.

The report of the Committee on Public Relations was given by M. W. Norris W. Lallman, Grand Secretary, in the absence of the Chairman, John S. Savage. Report was adopted:

During the past year, the Public Relations Committee has carried out its designated assignment of preparing and releasing information on the activities of the Grand Lodge of Nebraska to the news and electronic media and to the wire services of the state.

In addition to the usual news releases regarding dedication ceremonies, area meetings by the committee on Masonic Education and other activities of the Grand Lodge we also released information about the activities of the Grand York Rite and Scottish Rite bodies.

The announcement of this 114th Annual Communication was given state-wide coverage two weeks ago and information has been obtained and ready for release today regarding the election and appointments of Grand Lodge Officers for 1971-72.

This committee respectfully requests better cooperation from the secretaries of Masonic Lodges in Nebraska in reporting activities for publication during the coming year.

The chairman also wishes to express appreciation for the valuable help from W. Joe H. Hartley, 54, in mailing out releases for this meeting.

W. Sebert A. Stover, 281, Chairman, presented the Report on Returns, which was adopted:

Your Committee on Returns respectfully submits the following report.

The Committee has examined the Monthly and Annual Returns of the 258 subordinate Lodges for the 1970 and find that in general, these reports are satisfactorily prepared by the Lodge Secretaries.

While checking these Monthly Reports and Annual Returns, we find the following omission errors:

42 Lodges failed to apply their Official Seal imprint on Annual Returns.

10 Lodges did not show the name of their Jordan Medal Number and date of presentation.

There were many Lodges filing incomplete reports causing much correspondence in maintaining up-to-date records.

Many corrections on Monthly Reports are being caused to be made by the Grand Secretary's Office which could be avoided by Local Lodges compiling their reports in compliance with instructions furnished.

We find cases of lateness in Lodges submitting their reports on schedule and in one particular instance, one Lodge had not filed a Monthly report since last June.

It is the suggestion of the Committee that Lodge Secretaries carefully review the instructions of the Grand Lodge Secretary in compiling these Monthly and Annual Returns before mailing and that they are mailed on schedule. That the Monthly Progress report be kept up to date in each Lodge which will enable them to file a correct report.

With very 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.

We also wish to commend the Grand Secretary and his efficient staff for the excellent manner in which these records are maintained and the courteous cooperation extended the Committee while checking these returns.

W. Harry M. Green, 25, Chairman, presented the Report on Charters and Dispensations, which was adopted:

Your Committee on Charters & Dispensations submits the following report to the 114th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge Ancient Free & Accepted Masons of Nebraska for its consideration and approval.

The following named Lodges of their own free will and accord voted for consolidation and were accepted as follows:

Alexander Lodge No. 74 voted for consolidation with Hebron Lodge No. 43 at Hebron and was accepted.

Pythagoras Lodge No. 156 voted for consolidation with Diamond Lodge No. 291 at Orchard and was accepted.

Grace Lodge No. 226 voted for consolidation with Jaehin Lodge No. 146 at Holdrege and was accepted.

We concur with the Grand Master in his approval of the consolidations of the above named Lodges as it is for the good of Masonry.

The following named Lodges which were cited to appear before our Committee for violations of the Grand Lodge Law, Sec. 2-514 having failed to be represented at the last two consecutive Annual Grand Lodge Communications, the 112 & 113th, appeared and were represented as follows:

Mount Nebo Lodge No. 125, Genoa, Nebraska. Worshipful Master Clarence Christensen, Senior Warden David F. Olson & Junior Warden Vern Hugenbuck appeared and gave a satisfactory explanation.

Porter Lodge No. 106, Loup City, Nebraska. Worshipful Master Carl E. Diers appeared and gave a satisfactory explanation.

Siloam Lodge No. 147, Stuart, Nebraska. Past Master Ora Yarges appeared as proxy for the Worshipful Master, Brother Charles Mulford appeared as a proxy for the Senior Warden. Satisfactory explanation was given.

Tyrian Lodge No. 243, Oak, Nebraska. Worshipful Master Robert E. Montgomery wrote a letter explaining extenuating circumstances and why it was impossible for anyone to be in attendance at the last Grand Lodge 112th & 113th Annual Communications. This committee recommends that any further action be held in abeyance while the Grand Secretary is trying to work out a satisfactory solution by a possible consolidation.

The following named lodge failed to be represented at the 113th & 114th Annual Grand Lodge Communications and should be cited to appear before the Grand Lodge Committee on Charters & Dispensations at the 115th Annual Grand Lodge Communication to show cause while that Communication is in session why their charter should not be lifted

for violation of Section 2-514 or forfeited according to the circumstances. Zeredatha Lodge No. 160, Reynolds, Nebraska.

R. W. Howard J. Hunter, 59, Chairman, presented the Report on Masonic Education which was adopted:

We planned for eleven Area Meetings throughout the state in this Masonic year and for the first time in many years we had to cancel a meeting in the spring, that of Fremont on March 19, 1971, because of a blizzard that had blocked the roads in the area. With this exception, we had some excellent Area Meetings that were well attended and well represented by both subordinate lodges and officers of the Grand Lodge.

We started out early in September with meetings at Wayne and O'Neill. In the middle of the month of October we went to North Platte and Scottsbluff and on October 30th and 31st we had meetings at Superior and Kearney. In the spring we had an excellent meeting hosted by Lancaster Lodge #54 at Lincoln on March 27, and on April 2nd at York, April 3rd at Beatrice and at Omaha on April 10th where Nebraska Lodge #1 was the host lodge, this being the lodge of our Grand Master.

We had fine participation from the representatives of the various Lodges in our meetings as we discussed problems and the members brought up questions that were of interest to their particular lodges and to Masonry generally. We attribute much of the success of these meetings to faithful attendance of Grand Lodge Officers, Committeemen and their wives. We especially encourage the attendance of the ladies with their husbands at these meetings. The host lodge ladies have been very cooperative in making the ladies from the guest lodges and from the Grand Lodge and its committees welcome while their husbands attended our meeting after which we all joined together for the dinner at 6:15 p.m. to hear the message of the Grand Master. Our Grand Master John H. Brown had the ability to bring us some especially fine addresses that were informative and timely. We always conclude these dinners at an early hour so the brethren and the ladies can visit or start for home quickly if they have some distance to travel. We are certain these Area Meetings keep our lodge officers and the Grand Lodge officers in harmony and aware of current trends and problems as these occasions give the local officers an informal and unhurried opportunity to meet and ask questions of their Grand Lodge officers.

On April 30th to May 1st we hosted the Midwest Conference on Masonic Education at its 22nd annual conference at Omaha. This was the

first trip of the Conference to Nebraska. It originated in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and we consider the wonderful Iowa Grand Lodge Library there as home of the Conference. Iowa has been generous to us. Our Grand Master greeted our visitors from the twelve grand jurisdictions which constitute the Midwest Conference. The Nebraska Education Committee took care of the details and arrangements of the meeting. There were over fifty registered delegates and about thirty ladies attending the dinner. M. W. H. Dwight McAlister of South Carolina, Grand Secretary and Past Grand Master, gave the keynote address of the meeting and also spoke at the dinner. Our Committeeman Lewis R. Ricketts was a member of the Program Committee. The Grand Master, Grand Secretary and all of our Nebraska Education Committeemen and their ladies were out in force and with the Grand Secretary's assistance handled the administration of the meeting. The Nebraska ladies hosted a brunch for the visiting ladies and took them on trips to points of interest in the Omaha vicinity. Next year's meeting of this Conference will be in Ohio. This Conference is the pioneer of Educational conferences in America and keeps its members abreast of the times. It is invaluable in its benefits. Nebraska has been an active member from the start. We have contributed to and received much benefit from the Midwest Conference.

We are planning ten Area Meetings for next year, six in the fall and four in the spring. The Committee at its preliminary planning meeting planned a whole new format for this coming year which should prove very interesting to the attendants of these meetings.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS

W. William M. Hisey, 210, Chairman, presented the report of the Committee on Credentials which was adopted:

Your Committee on Credentials report that all lodges are represented except Nos. 38, 52, 67, 95, 100, 101, 117, 127, 138, 145, 154, 160, 165, 168, 170, 171, 175, 189, 190, 207, 214, 217, 243, 245, 264, 273, 276, 277, 282, 285, 291, 293, 294, 295.

Total number of lodges 255, number not represented 34. Lodges not represented for the last two Annual Communications: 160. For three years not represented No. 243.

All Grand Officers are present and all Past Grand Masters except M. W. Charles A. Chappell, George A. Kurk, William C. Schaper, Edward Huwaldt.

REPRESENTATIVES OF LODGES

LODGE	NO.	MASTER	SENIOR WARDEN	JUNIOR WARDEN
Nebraska	1	Joel N. Lindquist	Clyde J. Birch	Abraham Tomin
Western Star	2	William T. Brockley	.....	Alvin A. Willis
Capitol	3	Robert E. Noah	Ray G. Campbel	*Rudy Melchior
Nemaha Valley	4	Calvin White	*Dale Skeen	.....
Omadi	5	Leland George	Gene W. Robertson	*Leland George
Plattsmouth	6	Roger T. Wehrbein	Joseph A. McCool	Norman S. Henry
Falls City	9	R. L. Vinsonhaler	G. I. Griffiths, Jr.	R. L. Vinsonhaler
Solomon	10	Ralph W. Steyer	Clarence L. Adams	Philip A. Lorenzen
Covert	11	John C. Williams	*Herbert T. White	*G. F. Millington
Orient	13	Lester E. Baker	Marvin E. Yoesel	Ralph M. Clark
Peru	14	John A. Stevenson	.....	.....
Fremont	15	Roy M. McCabe	Floyd R. McKenzie	*Grant C. Freeman
Tecumseh	17	*Willis Sellhorn	Paul H. Thom	Willis Sellhorn
Lincoln	19	Marvin K. Morehead	Neil S. Travert	*Richard L. Wait
Washington	21	.....	.....	H. E. Heinzerling
Pawnee	23	Otto M. Mach	*Otto M. Mach	.....
St. Johns	25	William E. Reibold	Vern S. Dirgo	*Alfred E. Geschke
Beatrice	26	John A. Brandt	.....	T. R. Leitshuck, Jr.
Jordan	27	Melvin Troe	Franklin Johnson	Fred B. Hartman
Blue River	30	Richard T. Dugdale	.....	.....
Tekamah	31	Lewis McNear	R. I. Breckenridge	Ralph M. Anderson, J
Platte Valley	32	Neal H. Powell	Merle K. Myers	.....
Ashlar	33	*Robert W. Boon	Henry J. Ballard	*D. M. Peterson
Acacia	34	Alfred Tichacek	*Joseph Hoffman	.....
Fairbury	35	John E. Metcalf	Keith Richardson	Clarence F. Black, Jr
Lone Tree	36	J. F. Jefferson	Gerald M. Gleason	Harley T. Riley
Crete	37	David A. Johnson	J. B. Logsdon III	.....
Oliver	38	.....	.....	.....
Papillion	39	Dale E. Karloff	Clair W. Conrad	*Dale E. Karloff
Humboldt	40	C. W. Hilgenfeld	Galen W. Vaughn	*H. S. Heim
Northern Light	41	*Walter Lamml	*Walter Lamml	*Walter Lamml
Hebron	43	William H. Easton	*William H. Easton	*D. B. Shearer
Harvard	44	*C. R. Farrand	*C. R. Farrand	C. R. Farrand
Rob Morris	46	M. A. Meredith	*M. A. Meredith	*Dick Cepel
Fairmont	48	Lloyd E. Dawson	*Lloyd E. Dawson	*Lloyd E. Dawson
Evening Star	49	Merrill D. Barnell	*Robert Reighter	*John A. Bottorf
Hastings	50	Wayne A. Dillin	*Wayne A. Dillin	Robert L. Gipe
Fidelity	51	.....	.....	*Charles E. Baker
Hiram	52	.....	.....	.....
Charity	53	Robert E. Sutter	*Chester Hodge	Carl L. Ware
Lancaster	54	Frank W. Brooks	Lester Way	Melvin E. Hatfield
Mosaic	55	*Dale Kube	*Harley Kelly	*C. G. McNamee
York	56	Arnold C. Gill	*Arnold C. Gill	Harold Elkins
Mt. Moriah	57	Daniel Gellerman	*Don Craig	.....
Wahoo	59	Harold L. Miller	Rex A. Buchanan	*Alfred G. Wurst
Melrose	60	Elva L. Simpson	W. L. Havenridge

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Thistle	61	Philip E. Darby, Jr.
Keystone	62	Robert F. Peard	*Paul R. Weber	*Robert C. Mabon
Blue Valley	64	.....	.....	Richard G. Rains
Osceola	65	M. E. Ransom, Jr.	*M. E. Ransom, Jr.	*M. E. Ransom, Jr.
Edgar	67	.....	.....	.....
Aurora	68	*Charles F. Adams	.....	.....
Sterling	70	*Landis A. Rulla	*Landis A. Rulla	*Landis A. Rulla
Trowel	71	Eugene J. Udey	*Harold A. Tilton	J. Otto Beyer
Hooper	72	Cecil W. Hocking	*Herman Lallman	*Arthur Swartz
Friend	73	Amzi McBride	Orville Cogswell	.....
Frank Welch	75	*Harold K. Bond	Benjamin Spady	*Walter S. Cork
Nelson	77	Richard Wroughton	*Frank R. Harris	J. P. Wehrman
Albion	78	Alan D. Smith	John S. Williams	*Roy L. Smith
Geneva	79	*D. A. Portwood	.....	.....
Composite	81	Fred Forney	Leo Aldrich	.....
St. Paul	82	Joseph L. Krepel	.....	.....
Corinthian	83	*T. M. Gustafson	T. M. Gustafson	*T. M. Gustafson
Fairfield	84	*Warren M. Wilson	*Warren M. Wilson	*Warren M. Wilson
Ionic	87	Carl V. Crosley	*Donald Jones	*Carl V. Crosley
Star	88	Clark Beck	Robert Baker	*Frank Conklin
Cedar River	89	K. E. Cunningham	Arna A. Peterson	*K. E. Cunningham
Oakland	91	Michael G. Nelson	.....	.....
Beaver City	93	Ferril Dillin	*Ferril Dillin	Victor A. Graham
Bennett	94	James E. Bulin	*Donald C. Carter	*Donald C. Carter
Garfield	95	.....	.....	.....
Utica	96	Harold K. Kruse	G. Eberspacher	.....
Euclid	97	*Charles Sphr	J. J. Twomey	*J. J. Twomey
Republican	98	*Tom F. Chandler	.....	.....
Shelton	99	F. M. Wiseman	.....	.....
Creighton	100	.....	.....	.....
Ponca	101	.....	.....	.....
Waterloo	102	Donald P. Feller	L. A. Neidermyer	H. W. Hansen
Ord	103	Bud T. Brickner	*Bud T. Brickner	H. D. Stephens
Wymore	104	*D. R. Leitschuck	*D. R. Leitschuck	D. R. Leitschuck
Stella	105	Glenn G. Gassman	W. A. Armstrong	.....
Porter	106	Carl E. Diers	*Carl E. Diers	*Carl E. Diers
Table Rock	108	*Fred J. Jelinek	*Fred J. Jelinek	*Fred J. Jelinek
Pomegranate	110	George W. Hunt	A. W. Laughlin	Robert E. Jones
DeWitt	111	*D. Plucknett	*D. Plucknett	D. Plucknett
Springfield	112	Robert L. Larson	.....	.....
Globe	113	*Guy Basse	.....	.....
Wisner	114	R. J. Breithkruetz	*Judson Meier	*Ray Johnson
Harlan	116	*Allen W. Parker
Hardy	117
North Bend	119	Paul R. Eveland	H. N. Lechtenberger

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Wayne	120	Robert A. Carhart	*Robert Carhart	*Robert Carhart
Superior	121	Richard W. Winebar	*R. W. Winebar	*R. W. Winebar
Auburn	124	Durwood R. Stuart	.....	*C. E. Matthews
Mt. Nebo	125	C. E. Christensen	*V. Hagenbuch	David F. Olson
Stromsburg	126	Francis L. Crowe	.....	.....
Minden	127	.....	.....	.....
Guide Rock	128	Jess H. Petsch	R. L. Ely Jr.	*Dean Curtis
Scribner	132	Murray Hormel	Delwin J. Rumery	R. H. Swanson
Solar	134	Earl W. Ferguson	Philip E. Foulk	.....
McCook	135	B. O. Neiman	R.W.Linnemeyer,Sr.	*W. Upton Dawson
Long. Pine	136	*Gwynne Neubauer	.....	.....
Upright	137	Leonard Stinsen	*Don Van Winkle	.....
Clay Centre	139	*Nelson L. Hughes	Nelson L. Hughes	*Glenn F. Sperry
Western	140	Leonard Karl	Wm. Krajnik, Jr.	*Leonard Karl
Crescent	143	Alex Long	N.A. Martinsen, Jr.	.....
Bancroft	145	.....	.....	.....
Jachin	146	A.B.Richmond, Jr.	*Arthur Anderson	.....
Siloam	147	*Ora Yarges	*Ora Yarges	*Charles Mulford
Custer	148	Alfred V. Peltzer	*Harry Cosner	*Duane C. Wright
Cambridge	150	*H. W. Eisenhart	*H. W. Eisenhart	*H. W. Eisenhart
Evergreen	153	.....	.....	.....
Lily	154	*Vivian H. Virchow	.....	.....
Hartington	155	*Louis G. Riibe	*Louis G. Riibe	*Louis G. Riibe
Samaritan	158	G. R. Nowlan	*Gerald V. Inslee	*Warren Lichty
Ogalalla	159	Don M. West	*H. Oehlerking	*K. Loy Baumann
Zeredatha	160	.....	.....	.....
Mt. Zion	161	B. R. Wagner	*Robert L. Jones	*Robert L. Jones
Trestle Board	162	C. W. Boellstorff	*Floyd Christy	H. R. Aldrich
Unity	163	Harold L. Jewett	G. H. Hansen	*L. D. Jeffrey
Atkinson	164	Cliff Pacha	*Cliff Pacha	Ervin I. Krumm
Barneston	165	.....	.....	.....
Mystic Tie	166	*Ray Barkdoll	*Ray Barkdoll	*Ray Barkdoll
Elwood	167	Robert Bartruff	*Herman Weissert	.....
Curtis	168	.....	.....	.....
Amity	169	*Robert M. Higgs	.....	Robert M. Higgs
Mason City	170	.....	.....	.....
Merna	171	.....	.....	.....
Robert Burns	173	*H. D. Wimer	*H. D. Wimer	*Clyde H. Jones
Culbertson	174	*Jack Hendrix	*Jack Hendrix	*Jack Hendrix
Temple	175	.....	.....	.....
Gladstone	176	Anton J. Bubak	.....	.....
Hay Springs	177	Allen E. Alcorn	.....	.....
Prudence	179	E. L. Wollen	*E. L. Wollen	*E. L. Wollen
Justice	180	Harry P. Martin	*Joe Haley	Kenneth Frazier

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LODGE	NO.	MASTER	SENIOR WARDEN	JUNIOR WARDEN
Faith	181	*David C. Kennec
Alliance	183	Morace M. Smith	Orris J. PeCoy	*LeRoy J. Traber
Bee Hive	184	*M. Maldonado, Jr.	L. H. Armstrong	Larry T. Gift
Boaz	185	*W. F. McCarty	.....	.....
Meridian	188	Morse Umshler	*Morse Umshler	*Morse Umshler
Granite	189	.....	.....	.....
Amethyst	190	.....	.....	.....
Crystal	191	Alfred R. Kenoyer	Roy A. Foxworthy	*Ray Salter
Minnedadusa	192	*U. Wesley Fox	.....	.....
Signet	193	*F. Otto Nelson	*F. Otto Nelson	.....
Highland	194	Leland J. Lawrence	*Ernie R. Miller	*Eugene Stanley
Arcana	195	Otto J. Roberts	*Otto J. Roberts	*Frank Capler
Purity	198	Richard R. Bell	.....	.....
Gavel	199	*M. K. Brinegar	.....	.....
Blazing Star	200	L. F. Delashmutt	.....	.....
Scotts Bluff	201	Albert E. Christy	*Wayne Thompson	*Wayne Thompso
Golden Sheaf	202	*M. Dean McGrew	*M. Dean McGrew	*M. Dean McGrew
Roman Eagle	203	*Dr. V. E. Lovell	Harold D. Lewis	*L. J. Callahan
Plainview	204	Fred C. Gardner	.....	.....
Golden Fleece	205	Darrell Clark	Lawrence F. Lehm	Lendyl R. Duffiel
Parian	207	.....	.....	.....
Canopy	209	Wendell O. Cook	.....	Keith R. Althous
East Lincoln	210	George R. Osborn	Vernon J. Clark	Gladwyn A. Youl
Cement	211	Arthur M. Hauke	.....	*John H. William
Plumblin	214	.....	.....	.....
Occidental	215	Perry Laten	.....	*Arnold H. Hahr
Palisade	216	William E. Smith	Bernes J. Schutte	Fred C. Krutter
Wauneta	217	.....	.....	.....
Bloomfield	218	Robert T. Harm	.....	.....
Relief	219	Donald J. Juhlin	*C. T. Wilkerson	.....
Magnolia	220	Wynn W. Carter	.....	.....
Woodlake	221	Jon. D. Sullens	.....	.....
Landmark	222	C. C. Brodersen	James O. Thone	*Wayne W. Loftis
Eminence	223	Howard Bieck	.....	Gerald A. Higgin
Silver Cord	224	Frank T. Hinricks	.....	.....
Cable	225	Ken C. Weheman	.....	.....
North Star	227	Dale E. Wallin	*Dale E. Wallin	*Dale E. Wallin
Bartley	228	*Daniel L. Mitchell	.....	.....
Comet	229	.....	Gerald R. Brodd	.....
Mt. Hermon	231	Warren D. Brown	.....	.....
John S. bowen	232	R. C. Anderson	*Henry Sass	Archie T. Neet
Gilead	233	*A. P. Andersen	*Elmer Holm
Zion	234	LeRoy Evans
Fraternity	235	Orville D. Lage	*Gail Axen	Leo Jensen

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LODGE	NO.	MASTER	SENIOR WARDEN	JUNIOR WARDEN
Golden Rule	236	H. S. Gillaspie	*H. S. Gillaspie	*H. S. Gillaspie
Cubit	237	.....	Walter McPherson	Walter L. Hartman
Friendship	239	Robert E. Comer	.....	.....
Pilot	240	*Robert Little	*D. A. Swanson	Walter Sorensen
Geo. Armstrong	241	Lyle D. Curley	Byron Bartling	.....
Tyrian	243	.....	.....	.....
Hampton	245	.....	.....	.....
Nehawka	246	*L. W. Rogers	Robert R. Attebery	.....
Laurel	248	David W. Curtiss	*Richard Herse	*Everett Burns
Gothenburg	249	F. M. Raetz	Arlond F. Garrett	*F. M. Raetz
G. Washington	250	Allen D. Johnson	*F. L. Lehr	Charles G. Shell
Wausa	251	*Melvin Rosen	*Melvin Rosen	*Melvin Rosen
Beemer	253	.....	Melvin Long	.....
Bassett	254	Rauley W. Connell	*R. W. Connell	Norman H. Hixon
Hickman	256	John D. VerMaas	*James A. Mulder	Neal H. Pewton
Anselmo	258	Alvin L. Daily	.....	.....
Ornan	261	Elmer Foster	.....	.....
Endeavor	262	*Levi Burton	.....	.....
Mitchell	263	Lloyd C. Strong	Jay R. Rogers	*Lloyd C. Strong
Franklin	264	.....	.....	.....
Rob't. W. Furnas	265	Glen E. Helm	.....	.....
Silver	266	B. L. Frizzell	Chapin E. Peterson	*Bruce L. Frizzell
J. A. Tulleys	267	*Russell M. Warren	.....	.....
G. W. Lininger	268	David W. Haggart	.....	K. E. Fridrich
Oasis	271	*B. L. Walker	.....	.....
Lee P. Gillette	272	.....	Irvin Griepenstroh	.....
Crofton	273	.....	.....	.....
Olive Branch	274	*Lester Hrdy	.....	.....
Ramah	275	*Robert L. Davis	*Robert L. Davis	*Robert L. Davis
Antelope	276	.....	.....	.....
Sioux	277	.....	.....	.....
Litchfield	278	Delbert Burton	.....	.....
Wallace	279	*D. C. Jameson	D. C. Jameson	.....
Swastika	280	*W. W. Steen	*W. W. Steen	*W. W. Steen
Florence	281	Frank J. Velasco	R. L. Tollander	Maurice W. Hall
Mullen	282	.....	.....	.....
Senca	284	*G. W. Merz	*G. W. Merz	.....
Camp Clarke	285	.....	.....	.....
Oshkosh	286	T. A. Wiseman	.....	.....
Union	287	Milton C. Leefers	*Leonard Vaughn	*Leon Barkdoll
Omaha	288	Jerry E. McGee	Virgil O. Johnson	*Geo. E. Johnson
Lotus	289	F. Mac Campbell	*F. Mac Campbell	*F. Mac Campbell
John J. Mercer	290	Paul E. Austin	*R. D. McBride	Carl E. Parmenter
Diamond	291	.....	.....	.....

REPRESENTATIVES OF LODGES

LODGE	NO.	MASTER	SENIOR WARDEN	JUNIOR WARDEN
Wolbach	292	*Niles Jorgensen	.....	*Niles Jorgensen
Monument	293	.....	.....	.....
Kimball	294	.....	.....	.....
Minatare	295	.....	.....	.....
Cotner	297	*John Quinn	*Donald Ball	Harlan H. Adams
Chester	298	Don R. Duey	Richard A. George	Neal J. Eickman
Sutherland	299	Floyd E. Weyer	.....	.....
Liberty	300	Robert J. Reitz	O. D. Van Zandt	B. J. Bouslough
Bayard	301	.....	*Frank H. Smith	.....
Mizpah	302	Lanny F. Godsey	Paul Youngstrom	John T. Crowley
Right Angle	303	Hollis E. Gwin	Lyle B. Clifton	Don L. Mahan
Newman Grove	305	Rolland D. Wilcox	Donald J. Molt	*Lester C. Nelson
Golden Rod	306	*Don Hafer	*R. R. Carleton	.....
Perkins	308	Harry L. Saum	.....	Arthur L. McCorn
Winnebago	309	Neal Nelson	*Carl O. Swanson	.....
Victory	310	Harold Knaus	*S. E. Burke	.....
Polk	311	Donald G. Hudson	Vern Samuels	.....
Oak Leaf	312	*Harry D. Moffett	*D. D. Johnson	.....
Potter	313	*Samuel E. Smith	*Samuel E. Smith	*Samuel E. Smith
Craftsmen	314	*August Edling	Warren D. Lichty	Thomas C. Fisher
Alpha	316	D. A. Appleton	*C. C. Kleinberg	*Charles Bradley
Mid-West	317	D. L. Swingle	Alfred M. Harvey	R. M. Goehring
Grand Island	318	Mylus E. Robison	*Albert B. Osborn	Earl N. Hanel
Bladen	319	William Van Kirk	.....	.....
College View	320	Roy A. Lerdahl	.....	*Rex Ottges
Harmony	321	J. Dale Flora	.....	.....
Lebanon	323	Roger F. Hill	*Harold Wurdeman	Gerald L. Overtu
Cairo	324	L. O. Rolofson	Franklin Myers	.....
Bellevue	325	C. W. Jacobs	Harold W. Noble	*R. M. McLaugh
Centennial	326	*Alfred F. Walter	Glenn A. Goodrich	Melvin Selberg
Shiloh	327	*D. V. Delehoy	D. V. Delehoy	Jack A Zerzan

W. Paul L. Toombs, 290, Chairman, presented the report of the Committee on Masonic Relief, which was adopted:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, The Grand Lodge A. F. F. & A. M. of Nebraska and Brethren:

Your Committee on Masonic Relief has had a relatively routine year with only payments to our regular annuitance.

Our payments totaled \$2,150.00 this past year, from May 1st to April 30th, inclusive. On the basis of 41,740 members on the rolls as of December 31, 1970 this averages out to just over 5¢ per member.

We had a request for assistance from the Masonic Relief Association of St. Louis and it appeared that the individual was using the name of a Nebraska Lodge member. However, it may have been only that the initials were confused. The thing that we suggest to any lodge is that you be sure that you have a legitimate member before granting assistance. A file is maintained of those posing as members and if you have any question please contact the Grand Lodge office before granting assistance.

We commend each individual lodge for the fact that they have cared for their own this past year without assistance from the Committee on Masonic Relief. However, do not hesitate to call upon us if you have any question or need help.

Fraternally and sincerely submitted,

M. .W. .John H. Brown, Grand Master:

W. . Harold D. Weddel, Chairman of the Election Committee will now announce the results on the Election of Officers and also the result of the Proposed Amendment to the By-laws.

W. . Harold D. Weddel, 61, Assistant Grand Custodian:

M. .W. . Grand Master, the tellers are ready to report.

On the proposed amendment 2-601 (proposed raise in per capita for The Nebraska Masonic Home, for 242; against 178. This amendment did not receive the necessary 2/3 majority and was not approved.

Proposed amendment 3-102 (d) (Intoxicating beverages), for 234; against 176. This proposed amendment did not receive the necessary 2/3 majority and was not approved.

Proposed amendment 2-901 (to lower age to 19), for 154; against 249. This amendment was not approved.

The resolution that we give serious consideration to participating in the Masonic Service Association Hospital program in the three veterans Hospitals was approved.

The following officers were elected to serve:

- Brother Russell L. Fickes, 33 M. .W. . Grand Master
- Brother Howard J. Hunter, 59 R. .W. . Deputy Grand Master
- Brother Frank J. Mattoon, 75. R. .W. . Grand Senior Warden
- Brother Donald R. Swanson, 54 R. .W. . Grand Junior Warden
- Brother Norris W. Lallman, 72 M. .W. . Grand Secretary

Later in the Communication appointment was made of:

- Brother Walter O. Samuelson, 326. V. .W. . Grand Chaplain
- Brother Jack H. Hendrix, 174 W. . Grand Orator
- Brother George W. Rosenlof, 314 W. . Grand Historian
- Brother Ralph W. Gerry, 281 W. . Grand Custodian
- Brother Harold Wurdeman, 323 W. . Grand Marshal
- Brother Harold Hultman, 39 W. . Grand Senior Deacon
- Brother T. Leo Stines, 36 W. . Grand Junior Deacon
- Brother Robert W. Boon, 33 W. . Grand Tyler

GRAND LODGE COMMITTEES

Application for Reinstatement: W. Earl H. Furman, 290, Chairman; Donald R. White, 327; Elmer E. Smith, 326.

Appropriations: W. Alfred B. Saum, 46, (1975), Chairman; Thomas W. Tye, 46, (1972); Walter E. Truex, 55, (1973); E. Forrest Estes, 19, (1974); Robert A. Carhart, 120, (1976).

Finance: W. Fitzhugh L. Browne, 290, (1973), Chairman; Howard L. Patterson, 303, (1976); LeRoy C. Sutton, 1, (1972); Harold E. Day, Jr., 150, (1974); Ansel Toft, 232, (1975).

Fraternal Dead: W. Levi B. Williams, 1, Chairman; Robert L. Murphy, 32; Raymond Ruth, 121.

Fraternal Relations: M. W. Norris W. Lallman, 72, Chairman; M. W. William B. Wanner, 9.

George Washington Masonic National Memorial: M. W. Charles F. Adams, 68, Chairman; W. Cary W. Dressler, 32; W. Bayard H. Payne, Jr., 33.

Grand Lodge Office: W. Alfred E. Geschke, 25, (1976), Chairman; M. W. Merle M. Hale, 54, (1975); W. Harold C. Wurdeman, 323, (1972); W. William L. Hopson, 327, (1974); Thomas H. Blanchard, 21, (1974).

Grand Trustees: M. W. John F. Fatcher, 302, (1976), Chairman; W. Robert A. Wekesser, 54, (1974); Alfred E. Geschke, 25, (1975); Fred S. Kuethe, 1, (1972); Harold E. Gabrielson, 302, (1973).

Grievances: W. Clarence M. Pierson, 19, Chairman; Robert Imig, 38; Marshall N. Zalkin, 25.

Masonic-Eastern Star Student Fund: W. Delbert H. Pinkerton, 324, Chairman; M. W. Elmer E. Magee, 227; W. Roy L. Smith, 78.

Masonic Education: R. W. Howard J. Hunter, 59, (1972), Chairman; Alfred G. Wurst, 59, (1973); Edward H. Lockwood, 265, (1973); M. W. Louis V. Sylvester, 281, (1974); M. W. John H. Brown, 1, (1974); E. Forrest Estes, 19, (1972).

Masonic Relief Committee: W. Paul L. Toombs, 290, (1972), Chairman; James A. Bradley, 1, (1976); Richard L. Newlun, 55, (1975); Otto W. Burkhardt, 55, (1973); Earl W. Schultz, 75, (1974).

Nebraska Work: M. W. Edward F. Carter, 201, (1973), Chairman; M. W. Louis V. Sylvester, 281, (1972); M. W. John A. Bottorf, 49, (1974).

Public Relations: W. John S. Savage, 11, Chairman; Al Ray Brown, 50; Rex H. Laten, 33.

Temple Buiding Advisory: W. Donald F. Sampson, 36, (1973), Chairman; Donald G. Hafer, 306, (1974); Robert E. Wolf, 1, (1972).

Lodge Advisory: M. W. Joseph C. Tye, 46, (1973), Chairman; M. W. Herbert A. Ronin, 210, (1972); M. W. Hugh W. Eisenhart, 150, (1974).

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON JURISPRUDENCE

M. W. Hugh W. Eisenhart, 150, Chairman, presented the report of the Committee on Jurisprudence, which was adopted section by section, then as a whole:

DECISIONS

The action of the Jurisprudence Committee was to approve Decision Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6, and I presume, M. W. Sir, as has been the practice in the past, that I would move for action by the Grand Lodge on each one of these decisions and then at the conclusion on the section as a whole. I move that:

Decision No. 1 be approved. Carried.
Decision No. 2 be approved. Carried.
Decision No. 3 be approved. Carried.
Decision No. 4 be approved. Carried.
Decision No. 6 be approved. Carried.

It is the action of the Jurisprudence Committee that Decision No. 5 be disapproved, because we feel that the facts indicate a non-compliance with Masonic Law. Motion carried.

DISPENSATIONS

We approve Dispensation No. 1. Carried.

We disapproved No. 2, and point out that the Grand Master can only grant Special Dispensation under Article 10 of our Constitution, for the holding of election of Officers at times other than the regular periods and that other business can not be taken up at other than a regular communication. No. 3 and 4 were approved. Carried.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Beginning on page 25 of the Grand Master's address.

The Committee is sympathetic to the feelings expressed by the Grand Master in Recommendation No. 1 concerning proxies, but disapproved the recommendation because it is contrary to and in violation of both articles 2 and 13 of the Grand Lodge Constitution, which provides the only way our Constitution may be amended.

No. 2. The Committee approved the same, feeling that such name as will reflect the duties and services of our Assistant Grand Custodians should be encouraged and approved the recommendation adding that Section 1-202 should be amended accordingly.

BY-LAWS

The Jurisprudence Committee approved the action of the Grand Master regarding the By-laws submitted and indicated that it wishes

to call to the attention of the Brethren Section 2-206, requiring that the name of the chartered lodge must be approved by the Grand Lodge and we therefore recommend that as a part of the approval of the Grand Master's action, recommend the Specific approval of the change of the name of Emmet Crawford No. 148 to Custer No. 148.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON REVISION OF BY-LAWS

This Special Committee was created out of an approved recommendation made by the Grand Master at the Communication of the Grand Lodge last year. As follows: I recommend that the Grand Lodge authorize the issuance of a new bound volume of the Constitution and By-laws of the Grand Lodge, codified to date, including current decisions and annotations, and that the incoming Grand Master be authorized to expedite such publication through the Codification of the Law Committee and the Grand Secretary's office in consultation with the Jurisprudence Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CODIFICATION OF THE LAW

W. Bernard T. Pipher, Chairman gave the report which was adopted:

Your Committee on Codification of the Law submit its report and recommends amendment to the By-laws of the Grand Lodge, A.F.F. & A.M. of Nebraska as follows:

That Section 1-202-Grand Custodian be amended by deleting the words "Assistant Custodians" or "Assistant Custodians Emeriti" wherever the same now appear in said section of the code and substituting in place thereof the words "Deputy Grand Custodians" or "Deputy Grand Custodians Emeriti" respectively, and in all other respects that said section remain unchanged.

The approved decisions of the Grand Master should be placed as annotations to the proper sections of the By-laws of this Grand Lodge, so far as the same are not repetitive of already annotated decisions.

M. W. John H. Brown, Grand Master:

I have in my hand, a beautiful medallion. On one side is the Grand Seal of the Grand Lodge of the State of Pennsylvania, Ashby B. Paul, Grand Secretary of Pennsylvania, presented this to me, and on the back side, it says, "Hiram P. Ball" and around that it says, R. W. Grand Master. Now, R. W. in Pennsylvania is as high as you get so if someone ever called you R. W., believe me he is paying you an honor. It says, "R. W. Grand Master of Masons of Pennsylvania, 1971." This is the Grand Seal of the Grand Master.

We will now have the final report of the Committee on Appropriation by W. Brother Alfred B. Saum.

FINAL REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATION

This budget covers the period of the Finance Committee and the Auditors report which covers the period May 1, 1971 to April 30, 1972.

Under Annual Communication:

Grand Master's Dinner PGM and Guests, increase the appropriation from \$1200 to \$1300 making the total appropriation for the Annual Communication \$18,000.

This changes the preliminary report to a total appropriation of \$564,902.30.

We the Committee wish to thank the Grand Master, Grand Secretary and other Grand Officers and the Grand Lodge Committees for their promptness and their fine cooperation in arriving at this budget.

M. W. John H. Brown, Grand Master:

We have some resolutions to read. I will let our Grand Secretary read them.

RESOLUTIONS

We have two resolutions to be presented. These will be held over until the next Annual Communication.

BE IT RESOLVED, that we the undersigned Masons of Nebraska, do hereby request that this Grand Lodge amend Section 2-1001 of its By-laws to provide that two black cubes must be cast in the ballot to reject a petition for initiation. This is signed by six members of five different chartered lodges within the Grand Jurisdiction of Nebraska.

BE IT RESOLVED, that Section 3-102 (d) of the By-laws of the Grand Lodge be amended as follows: Section 3-102--Enumerated. The following are specifically declared to be Masonic offenses. Engaging in the manufacture, bottling, blending, selling, bartering, transporting, delivering, furnishing or possessing any alcoholic liquor for beverage purpose, contrary to or in violation of the laws of this state of Nebraska. This is signed by seven brethren of seven chartered lodges.

These will be placed on file.

M. W. Louis V. Sylvester, Past Grand Master:

M. W. Grand Master, may I make the following motion? That the published proceedings of the 113th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M. of Nebraska, held June 9 and 10, 1970 and all previous proceedings of the Grand Lodge published and distributed by the Grand Secretary, be ratified and approved.

M. W. Hugh W. Eisenhart, Past Grand Master:

M. W. Grand Master and Brethren, I would feel that we were remiss if we did not make it a matter of record thanking the Committee on Arrangements for all of the fine arrangements that have been made for this Grand Communication, and I certainly would want to feel that we were voicing appreciation of this Grand Lodge to the Scottish Rite in Omaha for the use of these fine facilities.

Grand Lodge called from labor to refreshment.

W. Donald R. Swanson, Grand Senior Deacon, presented the Grand Guardian, Geneva Olson, of Jobs Daughters and the Grand Bethel Honored Queen of Nebraska, Miss Karen Black.

Karen Black honored Queen of Nebraska:

Thank you very much for your hearty welcome. M. W. Grand Master, your friendship to Jobs Daughters is a treasure that cannot be measured by monetary means, but we wish you would accept this gift of money for your project. It is my privilege to present this from the Grand Guardian's project, which all the girls all over the state of Nebraska have contributed.

M. W. John H. Brown, Grand Master:

Thank you, Karen, we appreciate this. I am happy to tell you that we as Masons are becoming more and more aware of our wonderful youth groups and certainly the Jobs Daughters, as they light the eyes and minds of all of us Masons. We thank you for this recognition to the Grand Lodge and I personally appreciate your being here. Thank you so much, Karen.

Bethel No. 62 Order of Jobs Daughters of Lincoln, Nebraska presented a drill.

M. W. John H. Brown, Grand Master:

Wasn't that a beautiful presentation. My sincere thanks goes to those adults who are doing so much to help these young people grow up with an element of spiritualism in their thinking and in their doing. They have presented me with an open Bible. It is beautiful and it quotes Matthew 7:12.

Thank you for the check for The Nebraska Masonic Home. I think this is a mighty generous contribution from these young ladies.

W. Donald R. Swanson, Grand Senior Deacon, presented the State Master Counselor of DeMolay, Larry Austin. I had two invitations today, one to come here and one to go down to Crete with the Rainbow Girls. Look where I am. Believe me, it wasn't my choice. No offense. I really enjoy being here. If it wasn't for the Master Masons of Nebraska, where would DeMolay be today. Holding the office of State Master Counselor for the last ten months, has done me a great deal of pleasure and I have had the opportunity to visit with many Masonic Leaders throughout the state of Nebraska and many jurisdictions in the United States and foreign countries.

I want to express on behalf of the Order of DeMolay our very deep thanks to you and to the brethren of Nebraska, for your concern and for your support of the Order of DeMolay this last year.

M. W. John H. Brown, Grand Master:

I would like to thank Larry for attending our Grand Lodge Communication. I am very gratified to tell you that during my year as Grand Master, I have seen very definite and great strides made in the State of Nebraska. Thank you, Larry, for honoring us with your presence.

The Grand Senior Deacon then presented Walter Miller, Executive Officer of DeMolay in Nebraska. Brother Walter thanked the 350 Master Masons in Nebraska who are spending their time in working in the 26 chapters of DeMolay. He presented M. W. John H. Brown with a lapel pin making him an accredited Advisor of the Order of DeMolay. He also thanked the Grand Master for all the work he has done during the past year to further the cause of DeMolay.

M. W. John H. Brown, Grand Master:

Thank you, Brother Walter, for this honor you have bestowed upon me. Brethren, I was amazed by the dedication of these brethren who keep on working day after day with these young people. I thank all of them through you, Walter, for their dedicated service.

Walter Miller:

It is my honor and pleasure to make a presentation, and I am going to ask M. W. Brother Russell L. Fickes, Grand Master-elect of the Grand Lodge of Nebraska, if he will now accompany me at the podium.

At the Supreme Council Session, Brother Fickes was elected by the Supreme Council to receive the Honorary Legion of Honor of the Order of DeMolay. I have been designated by the Supreme Council as its representative in the state of Nebraska, to present this to you. R. W. Howard J. Hunter, Deputy Grand Master-elect, was designated by our Supreme Council to receive the Legion of Honor of the Order of DeMolay. This will be presented to Brother Hunter in full ceremony this fall.

SECOND DAY AFTERNOON SESSION OPEN INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

At 2:30 p.m. Grand Lodge was called from refreshment to labor.

M. W. John H. Brown, Grand Master:

Brethren and Ladies, we are very happy to welcome you to this installation of Officers of the Grand Lodge for the new year. It is my pleasure to introduce the Installing Officer M. W. John A. Bottorf, he will introduce the rest of his installing officers.

M. W. John A. Bottorf, Past Grand Master:

It is my pleasure to present the other Installing Officers: Installing Grand Marshal, M. W. Ernest O. Van Wey; Installing Grand Secretary, M. W. Lewis R. Ricketts; Installing Grand Chaplain, M. W. Louis V. Sylvester; Installing Grand Organist, W. Edward H. Lockwood.

THE NEW GRAND MASTER

M. W. RUSSELL L. FICKES, GRAND MASTER

Russell L. Fickes, Grand Master:

Thank you very much, Brother John, I wish to thank you, the other installing officers for this splendid installation. Wish to thank the brethren for electing me and more especially for electing the other officers who will be helping me in this coming year. I will need their help. I also wish to thank those who accepted my appointments, I am sure that they will fulfill the expectations I have for them. This being the beginning of the 115th year of Masonry in Nebraska, I have no illusions of making any major changes and any great events taking place during my year. As I recall a few weeks ago, our V. W. Grand Chaplain, at the dedication at Broken Bow, pointed to the great light of Masonry and stated, if all Masons would follow that great light as well as they knew how and would pray for guidance, we would change the world. I fully believe that, my sole purpose, my major purpose in this year, will be to encourage first the following of the great light of Masonry. Thank you.

At this time I would like to introduce those of my family who have been able to be here this afternoon. My wife, Margaret; my son John and perhaps you just as well hold your applause until they are all introduced, there are several of them, I think. My only daughter, actually daughter-in-law, Cathy; my cousin very good friend from Council Bluffs, Margaret Baldwin, her son Gene. Thank you very much.

PRESENTATION OF PAST GRAND MASTER'S JEWEL AND APRON

M. W. Louis V. Sylvester, Past Grand Master

M. W. Brother John, the time has arrived when I have the opportunity of making official something which we did Thursday noon, when we admitted you as a member of the Past Grand Masters Association of Nebraska. It is my pleasure at this time to present to you your jewel of office as a Past Grand Master, and a member of the Past Grand Masters Association. M. W. Brother John, I think one of the greatest anticipations and the greatest pleasure that a Grand Master has upon his installation, is to make an appointment in the advancing line of our Grand Lodge, which subsequently would lead to exalted position of Grand Master. I recall so vividly a number of years ago when it fell to my lot to appoint an individual in the advancing line as our Grand Junior Deacon. Prior to that time, I knew you, yes, but I was not what you might call personally acquainted with you and your lovely wife, Ruth, but I had the opportunity, over a period of time, of observing your dedication and devotion to freemasonry, particularly to your work as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Plattsmouth Home.

I knew also of the fact that you were certified in the work of the Grand Lodge and it was my impression that I could not, under any other circumstances, find a more devoted and more sincere individual, than you to appoint as our Grand Junior Deacon. I have watched with a great deal of pride, your advancement and your accomplishments as you have served in the Grand Lodge line, and especially have I admired you by the leadership which you presented to this Grand Lodge during this past year. I am proud and I am deeply grateful for the privilege which I had at that time of appointing you in that line, and I shall never forget the friendship that has resulted therefrom, with both you and Ruth and Dorothy and myself.

It is my pleasure now to officially present you with this Past Grand Master's Jewel, which has your name engraved on it and on the back of it, the year which you served the Grand Lodge as our Grand Master.

Congratulations, John, for a tremendous job particularly this past year and how grateful all of us are to you for the leadership which you have rendered.

Now, M. W. Brother John, during your Masonic career you have been presented with, I believe three aprons, your first apron when you became an Entered Apprentice Mason, a number of years ago. Subsequently, as you entered the line of our Grand Lodge, you were presented with another beautiful apron which set you apart as the particular

office which you occupied each year as you advanced. Now as Past Grand Master, you are to be decorated with another apron, one which specifically designates you as a Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Nebraska. But I know that you recognize the fact that in all of these three aprons, each one in turn stands for the same thing, purity of life and rectitude of conduct. I know that as you wear this apron as a Past Grand Master, you will do so proudly and with the intent of fulfilling those things which were expressed to you when you received your first apron as an Entered Apprentice Mason. I am delighted to have this privilege of clothing you with this apron, John. You will probably tie it like the rest of us after I get out of here but for the time being, you wear it this way. God Bless you, we welcome you into the ranks of Past Grand Masters.

M. W. John H. Brown, Grand Master:

Thank you, M. W. Brother Lou. You know I just really got used to having the brethren stand when I was introduced, and then to have you make so many kind remarks about me, it could sort of get a person a little bit up tight. But I do thank you, M. W. Brother Lou, for giving to me the greatest honor that has ever been given to me and I thank the brethren for the privilege which was mine to serve as a Grand Lodge Officer and finally as your Grand Master this past year. Ruth and I have enjoyed every minute of it, because we like people. This has been a very fine opportunity for us to go about the state and get acquainted with people we think are the salt of the earth.

I don't know any other way to express my gratitude and my true feelings. I want to congratulate you, M. W. Grand Master, and all of your Grand Lodge Officers, and I want to congratulate M. W. Brother John for the fine job of installing. I wish to thank all my Grand Lodge Officers for all the help they have given me during the year and yes, the fun we had in doing it. Thank you.

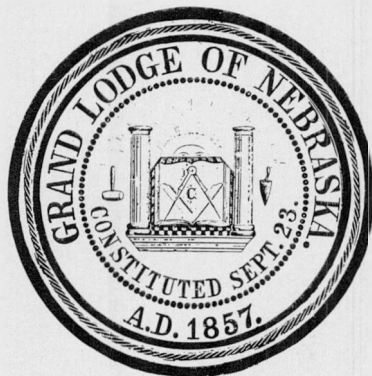
At 4:45 no further business appearing, after prayer by the V.V.W. Grand Chaplain, the Grand Lodge was closed in ample form.

Grand Master

Attest:

It is hereby certified that the above and foregoing is a full, true and complete record of the Proceedings of the One Hundred Fourteenth 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 2nd day of July, 1971.



Norman W. Lallman

Grand Secretary

WE HAVE SET APART THIS PAGE DEDICATED TO THE
MEMORY OF THE PAST GRAND MASTERS WHO HAVE
PASSED BE YOND 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) 1860-61-62
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. 21, 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
Robert E. French	Feb. 16, 1927	46	(25th) 1890
Bradner 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	(30th) 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

NAME	Died	Lodge	Year Served
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
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 B. Johnstor	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	Aug. 7, 1956	26	(70th) 1934
William C. Ramsey	May 19, 1938	268	(71st) 1935
Chancellor A. Phillips	Sept. 12, 1968	150	(72nd) 1936
William A. Robertson	July 3, 1944	6	(73rd) 1937
Walter R. Raecke	April 9, 1960	36	(74th) 1938
William J. Breckenridge	Nov. 16, 1951	317	(75th) 1939
Earl J. Lee	Dec. 15, 1963	15	(76th) 1940
Roscoe Pound	July 1, 1964	54	(Honorary) 1949
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
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

PAST GRAND MASTERS
 PERMANENT MEMBERS OF THE GRAND LODGE
 A. F. & A. M. of Nebraska

CHARLES A. CHAPPELL, 127.....	(58th) ..	1923
Box 269 Minden 68959		
EDWARD F. CARTER, 201.....	(77th) ..	1941
State House, Lincoln 68509		
GEORGE A. KURK, 54.....	(78th) ..	1942
1085 Santa Cruz Ave., Apt. 1, Menlo Park, California 94025		
WILLIAM B. WANNER, 9.....	(79th) ..	1943
2017 Stone St., Falls City 68355		
WILLIAM C. SCHAPER, 148.....	(80th) ..	1944-1945
345 South 10th Avenue, Broken Bow 68822		
BENJAMIN F. EYRE, 1.....	(81st) ..	1946
3644 Grand, Omaha 68111		
EDWARD HUWALDT, 318.....	(82nd) ..	1947
Lakeview Nursing Home		
ELMER E. MAGEE, 227.....	(83rd) ..	1948
2132 Calvert, Lincoln 68502		
THOMAS J. ARON, 37.....	(86th) ..	1951
Crete State Bank, Crete 68333		
EDWARD M. KNIGHT, 183.....	(87th) ..	1952
Alliance National Bank, Alliance 69301		
CHARLES F. ADAMS, 68.....	(89th) ..	1954
Box 167, Aurora 68818		
HERBERT T. WHITE, 11.....	(90th) ..	1955
643 Omaha National Bank Bldg., Omaha 68102		
MERLE M. HALE, 54.....	(91st) ..	1956
1915 D, Lincoln 68502		
JOSEPH C. TYE, 46.....	(94th) ..	1959
Box 636, Kearney 68847		
JOHN F. FUTCHER, 302.....	(95th) ..	1960
5224 Crown Point, Omaha 68104		
HERBERT A. RONIN, 210.....	(96th) ..	1961
Court House, Lincoln 68508		
ERNEST O. VAN WEY, 249.....	(97th) ..	1962
802 11th Street, Gothenburg 69138		
HARRY A. SPENCER, 227.....	(99th) ..	1964
State Capitol, Lincoln 68509		
LOUIS V. SYLVESTER, 281.....	(100th) ..	1965
801 S. 52nd, #2105, Omaha 68106		
LEWIS R. RICKETTS, 19.....	(101st) ..	1966
600 South 11th, Lincoln 68508		

JOHN A. BOTTORF, 49.	(102nd) ..	1967
Sutton 68979		
NORRIS W. LALLMAN, 72.	(103rd) ..	1968
201 Masonic Temple, Omaha 68102		
HUGH W. EISENHART, 150.	(104th) ..	1969
Box 250 Cambridge, 69022		
JOHN H. BROWN, 1.	(104th) ..	1970
2506 No. 55, Omaha 68104		
CARL R. GREISEN, 32.	(HONORARY) ..	1966
Box 68, Boone, 68625		

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 4, 1862 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 6, 1968, to April 5, 1969
- NORRIS W. LALLMAN. June 4, 1969
- *Deceased

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Alabama	Gordon L. Evatt	Box 6195, Montgomery 36106
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Arkansas	Jack B. Donham	700 Scott St., Little Rock 72201
Austria	Hans Kloser Homma	9 Gussenbauergesse, Vienna a-1090
Belgium	Clement Ceuppens	265 Rue Royale, Brussels
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Brazil, Pernambuco	Pedro Soares de Queiroz	Caixa Postal 1415 Recife
Brazil, United Grand Lodge of Bahia	Ivo Lopes da Silva	Masonic Temple Rua Carlos Gomes, N. 21, Salvador P.O. Box 1128 Federal Dist.
Brazil, Brasilia		
Brazil, Ceara	Antonio Zelalon Filho	Box 76, Fortaleza
Brazil, Matto Grasso	Acyilno P. Baptista	Caixa Postal 130, Campo Grande
Brazil, Minas Gerais	Sergio Alexandre Ivanenko	Avenida do Brasil, 478, Box 5, Belo Horizonte
Brazil, Rio Grande do Sul	Kurt Max Hauser	Box 683, Paraco Garibaldi 21, Porto Allegro
Brazil, Grand Lodge of Guanabaro	Jose Isaac Kac	Box 2215, Rio de Janeiro
Brazil, Santa Catarina	Sergio Bopppe	Caixa Posta D-33 Florianapolis Catarina, Brazil
Brazil, Sao Paulo	Erwin Seignemartin	Av Brigadeiro Luis Antonio 1195, Apt. 72, Sao Paulo
Brazil, Grand Lodge of Paraiba	Napoleon Grispem	Box 3, Paraiba
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Colorado	Dean C. Settle	Suite 300, Masonic Temple, Denver 80202
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Honduras	Juan Rees	Apartado 336, Tegucigalapa
Iceland	Karl Gudmundsson	Frimurarareglan a Islandi 4, Reykjavik
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Illinois	Paul R. Stephens	Box 110, Rushville 62681
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Iran	Amad Aliabadi	Teheran P. O. Box 11-1777
Ireland	J. O. Harte	Freemasons Hall, Dublin
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Japan	Noheo O. A. Peck	Masonic Bldg., Sakae-Cho, Minatoku, Tokyo 13
Kansas	Albert O. Arnold, Jr.	320 W. 8th, Topeka 66601
Kentucky	Joe C. McClanahan	1000 S. 4th St., Louisville 40203
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Peru	Lizardo Lopez Torres	Box 587, Lima
Philippines	Esteban Munariz	1440 San Marcelino, Manila
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Puerto Rico	Juan L. Matos-Cintrón	Box 8385, Ferndon's Juice Station, Santurce
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Saskatchewan	T. M. Spencer	P. O. Box 246, Regina
Scotland	Alexander F. Buchan	Freemasons Hall, 96 George St., Edinburgh
Southern Africa	C. Graham Vos	608-613 Nataid House, 14 Plyein St., Johannesburg
South America	Victor M. Osorio	Apartado Aeres 6672 or de Bogotá, Colombia
South America	Alfredo de La Cuesta	Apartado No. 209, Santa Do- mingo, Republic Dominicana
South Australia	J. H. R. Garde	Freemasons Hall, North Ter- race, Adelaide
South Carolina	H Dwight McAlister	1401 Senate St., Columbia 29209
South Dakota	John S. Rowe	Box 468, Sioux Falls 57101
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Switzerland	Jean Wille	Brunngassi 30 - 3000 Berne
Tamaulipas	Armando Garcia Pena	F. A. de Olmos No. 101 Nte. Altos, Tampico
Tasmania	A. J. Barren	44 Huntington St., Hobart
Tennessee	Wallace P. Douglas	Box 216, Nashville 37202
Texas	Harvey C. Byrd	Box 446, Waco 76703
Turkey	Nafiz Ekemen	Nuriziya Sak. No. 25, Istanbul
Utah	Clarence M. Groshell	Masonic Temple, Salt Lake City 84102
Vermont	D. Burleigh Smalley, Jr.	Masonic Temple, Box 443, Burlington 05402
Victoria	Garnet W. Jackson	300 Albert St., East Mel- bourne, Australia Victoria
Virginia	Archer B. Gay	Masonic Temple, Richmond 23220
Washington	Edward L. Bennett	Masonic Temple, 47 St. Helens Ave., Tacoma 98402
Western Australia	D. K. Sawyer	P. O. Box 6015 Hay Street East 6000
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Wisconsin	Carl L. Payne	1123 N. Astor St., Milwaukee 53202
Wyoming	Marcus R. Nichols	Box 459, Casper 82602

VETERAN GRAND LODGE ATTENDANTS
WHO HAVE ATTENDED GRAND LODGE 21 YEARS OR MORE.

Charles A. Chappell, 59 Years	1912-13-14-15-16-17-18-19-20-21-22-23-24-25-26-27- 28-29-30-31-32-33-34-35-36-37-38-39-40-41-42- 43-44-46-47-48-49-50-51-52-53-54-55-56-57-58- 59-60-61-62-63-64-65-66-67-68-69-70
Benjamin F. Eyre, 49 Years	1923-24-25-26-27-28-29-30-31-32-33-34-35-36-37-38- 39-40-41-42-43-44-46-47-48-49-50-51-52-53-54- 55-56-57-58-59-60-61-62-63-64-65-66-67-68-69 70-71
Carl R. Greisen, 48 Years	1922-25-26-27-28-29-30-31-32-33-34-35-36-37-38-39- 40-41-42-43-44-46-47-48-49-50-51-52-53-54-55- 56-57-58-59-60-61-62-63-64-65-67-68-69-70-71
William B. Wanner, 45 Years	1926-27-28-29-30-31-33-34-35-36-37-38-39-40-41-42- 43-44-46-47-48-49-50-51-52-53-54-55-56-57-58- 59-60-61-62-63-64-65-66-67-68-69-70-71
Pearl C. Hillegass, 40 Years	1927-30-31-32-33-34-35-36-37-38-39-40-41-42-43-44- 46-47-48-49-50-51-52-53-54-55-56-57-58-59-60- 64-65-66-67-68-69-70-71
Herbert T. White 41 Years	1931-32-33-34-35-36-37-38-39-40-41-42-43-44-46-47- 48-49-51-52-53-54-55-56-57-58-59-60-61-62-63- 64-65-66-67-68-69-70
George A. Kurk, 36 Years	1930-32-33-34-35-37-38-39-40-41-42-43-44-46-47-48- 49-50-51-52-53-54-55-56-57-58-59-60-61-62-63- 65-66-67-68-69-70
Elmer E. Magee, 36 Years	1927-35-36-37-38-39-40-41-42-43-44-46-47-48-49-50- 51-52-53-54-55-56-57-58-59-60-61-62-63-65-66- 67-68-69-70-71
C. Ray Macy, 34 Years	1924-25-26-27-28-29-30-31-32-33-34-35-36-37-38-39- 40-41-42-43-44-46-47-48-49-50-51-52-53-54-55- 56-57
Otto Nelsen, 34 Years	1935-36-37-38-39-40-41-42-43-44-46-47-48-49-50-51- 52-53-54-55-56-57-58-59-60-61-62-63-64-65-66- 67-70
Harold H. Thom, 33 Years	1925-26-27-28-29-30-31-32-33-34-35-46-47-48-49-50- 51-52-53-54-55-56-57-58-59-60-61-62-63-64-65- 66-67
Edward F. Carter, 34 Years	1932-33-34-35-36-37-38-39-40-41-42-43-44-46-48-49- 50-51-53-54-55-56-57-58-59-61-62-63-64-66-67- 68

Merle M. Hale, 34 Years	1936-37-38-39-40-41-42-43-44-46-47-48-49-50-51-52- 53-54-55-56-57-58-59-60-61-62-63-65-66-67-68- 69-70-71
William C. Schaper, 32 Years	1929-37-38-39-40-41-42-43-44-46-47-48-49-50-51-52- 53-54-55-57-58-59-60-61-62-63-64-67-68-69-70
Robert E. Lund, 32 Years	1937-38-39-40-41-42-43-44-46-48-49-50-51-52-53-54- 55-56-57-58-59-60-61-62-63-64-65-66-67-68-69- 70
Thomas J. Aron 32 Years	1930-31-32-33-39-40-42-44-47-48-49-50-51-52-53-54- 55-56-57-58-59-60-61-62-65-66-67-68-69-70-71
Edward M. Knight, 30 Years	1938-39-40-41-42-43-46-47-48-49-50-51-52-53-54-55- 56-57-58-59-60-61-62-63-66-67-69-70-71
Norris W. Lallman 29 Years	1939-41-44-46-47-49-50-51-52-53-54-55-56-57-58- 59-60-61-62-63-64-65-66-67-68-69-70-71
Ralph R. Carleton 24 Years	1941-42-47-48-50-51-52-53-54-55-56-57-58-59- 60-61-62-63-64-65-66-68-70-71

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LODGE	No.	TOWN	COUNTY	CREATED	CHARTERED
Nebraska	1	Omaha	Douglas	February —, 55	Oct. 3, 55 *1
Western Star	2	Nebraska City	Otoe	May 10, 55	May 28, 56 *2
Capitol	3	Omaha	Douglas	January 9, 57	June 3, 57 *3
Nemaha Valley	4	Brownville	Nemaha	December 15, 57	June 2, 58
Omadi	5	Dakota City	Dakota	January 18, 58	June 2, 58
Plattsmouth	6	Plattsmouth	Cass	January 18, 58	June 2, 58
Falls City	9	Falls City	Richardson	October 4, 64	June 23, 65
Solomon	10	Fort Calhoun	Washington	August 15, 65	June 22, 66
Covert	11	Omaha	Douglas	July 24, 65	June 22, 66
Orient	13	Rulo	Richardson	June 23, 66	June 19, 67
Peru	14	Peru	Nemaha	May 23, 67	June 19, 67
Fremont	15	Fremont	Dodge	July 3, 66	June 20, 67
Tecumseh	17	Tecumseh	Johnson	December 7, 67	Oct. 28, 69
Lincoln	19	Lincoln	Lancaster	May 4, 68	June 25, 68
Washington	21	Blair	Washington	February 24, 68	June 25, 68
Pawnee	23	Pawnee City	Pawnee	January 4, 69	Oct. 28, 69
St. Johns	25	Omaha	Douglas	May 28, 69	Oct. 28, 69
Beatrice	26	Beatrice	Gage	March 23, 70	June 22, 70
Jordan	27	West Point	Cuming	December 25, 69	June 23, 70
Blue River	30	Milford	Seward	April 25, 70	June 23, 70
Tekamah	31	Tekamah	Burt	August 19, 69	June 23, 70
Platte Valley	32	North Platte	Lincoln	January 15, 70	June 23, 70
Ashlar	33	Grand Island	Hall	August 11, 70	June 22, 71
Acacia	34	Schuyler	Colfax	July 18, 70	June 19, 72
Fairbury	35	Fairbury	Jefferson	June 30, 71	June 19, 72
Lone Tree	36	Central City	Merrick	August 9, 71	June 19, 72
Crete	37	Crete	Saline	January 8, 72	June 19, 72
Oliver	38	Seward	Seward	July 25, 71	June 18, 73
Papillion	39	Papillion	Sarpy	November 18, 72	June 18, 73

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Humboldt	40	Humboldt.....	Richardson.....	December 16, 72...	June 18, 73
Northern Light	41	Stanton.....	Stanton.....	January 20, 73...	June 18, 73
Hebron	43	Hebron.....	Thayer.....	March 10, 73...	June 18, 73
Harvard	44	Harvard.....	Clay.....	March 25, 73...	June 18, 73
Rob Morris	46	Kearney.....	Buffalo.....	February 21, 73...	June 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.....	Butler.....	January 19, 74...	June 26, 74
Hiram	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	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
Osecola	65	Osecola.....	Polk.....	November 23, 76...	June 20, 77
Edgar	67	Edgar.....	Clay.....	February 27, 77...	June 20, 77
Aurora	68	Aurora.....	Hamilton.....	February 10, 76...	June 19, 78
Sterling	70	Sterling.....	Johnson.....	July 16, 77...	June 19, 78
Trowel	71	Neligh.....	Antelope.....	January 28, 78...	June 19, 78
Hooper	72	Hooper.....	Dodge.....	March 19, 78...	June 25, 79
Friend	73	Friend.....	Saline.....	May 4, 78...	June 25, 79
Frank Welch	75	Sidney.....	Cheyenne.....	December 26, 78...	June 25, 79
Nelson	77	Nelson.....	Nuckolls.....	March 15, 79...	June 23, 80

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Albion	78	Albion.....	Boone.....	August 1, 79...	June 23, 80
Geneva	79	Geneva.....	Fillmore.....	November 24, 79...	June 23, 80
Composite	81	Rising City.....	Butler.....	March 20, 80...	June 22, 81
Saint Paul	82	Saint Paul.....	Howard.....	April 15, 80...	June 22, 81
Corinthian	83	Wakefield.....	Dixon.....	April 22, 80...	June 22, 81
Fairfield	84	Fairfield.....	Clay.....	September 3, 80...	June 22, 81
Ionic	87	Niobrara.....	Knox.....	January 24, 81...	June 20, 82
Star	88	Decatur.....	Burt.....	September 17, 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
Creighton	100	Creighton.....	Knox.....	August 19, 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	Ord.....	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	108	Table Rock.....	Pawnee.....	January 24, 83...	June 19, 83
Pomegranate	110	Ashland.....	Saunders.....	February 13, 83...	June 19, 83
DeWitt	111	DeWitt.....	Saline.....	February 28, 83...	June 19, 83
Springfield	112	Springfield.....	Sarpy.....	March 30, 83...	June 19, 83
Globe	113	Madison.....	Madison.....	February 16, 82...	June 24, 84

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LODGE		TOWN	COUNTY	CREATED	CHARTERED
Wisner	No. 114	Wisner.....	Cuming.....	February 12, 83...	June 24, 84
Harlan	" 116	Alma.....	Harlan.....	July 12, 83...	June 24, 84
Hardy	" 117	Hardy.....	Nuckolls.....	July 18, 83...	June 24, 84
North Bend	" 119	North Bend.....	Dodge.....	September 5, 83...	June 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.....	December 25, 83...	June 24, 84
Mount Nebo	" 125	Genoa.....	Nance.....	January 1, 84...	June 24, 84
Stromsburg	" 126	Stromsburg.....	Polk.....	January 16, 84...	June 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	" 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
Bancroft	" 145	Bancroft.....	Cuming.....	April 30, 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	" 150	Cambridge.....	Furnas.....	March 31, 85...	June 17, 86
Evergreen	" 153	Pierce.....	Pierce.....	November 27, 85...	June 17, 86

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Lily	154	Davenport.....	Thayer.....	November 28, 85...	June 17, 86
Hartington	155	Hartington.....	Cedar.....	January 26, 86...	June 17, 86
Samaritan	158	Chadron.....	Dawes.....	March 17, 86...	June 16, 87
Ogallala	159	Ogallala.....	Keith.....	August 14, 86...	June 16, 87
Zeredatha	160	Reynolds.....	Jefferson.....	August 21, 86...	June 16, 87
Mount Zion	161	Shelby.....	Polk.....	August 25, 86...	June 16, 87
Trestle Board	162	Brock.....	Nemaha.....	October 9, 86...	June 16, 87
Unity	163	Greenwood.....	Cass.....	December 18, 86...	June 16, 87
Atkinson	164	Atkinson.....	Holt.....	August 19, 86...	June 21, 88
Barneston	165	Barneston.....	Gage.....	August 20, 86...	June 21, 88
Mystic Tie	166	Tilden.....	Madison.....	February 18, 87...	June 21, 88
Elwood	167	Elwood.....	Gosper.....	June 21, 87...	June 21, 88
Curtis	168	Curtis.....	Frontier.....	June 21, 87...	June 21, 88
Amity	169	Rushville.....	Sheridan.....	July 29, 86...	June 21, 88
Mason City	170	Mason City.....	Custer.....	August 1, 87...	June 21, 88
Merna	171	Merna.....	Custer.....	August 2, 87...	June 21, 88
Robert Burns	173	Stratton.....	Hitchcock.....	November 15, 87...	June 21, 88
Culbertson	174	Culbertson.....	Hitchcock.....	November 16, 87...	June 21, 88
Temple	175	Filley.....	Gage.....	December 9, 87...	June 21, 88
Gladstone	176	Ansley.....	Custer.....	February 18, 88...	June 21, 88
Hay Springs	177	Hay Springs.....	Sheridan.....	February 20, 88...	June 21, 88
Prudence	179	Beaver Crossing.....	Seward.....	August 24, 88...	June 20, 89
Justice	180	Benkelman.....	Dundy.....	October 8, 88...	June 20, 89
Faith	181	Crawford.....	Dawes.....	December 13, 88...	June 20, 89
Alliance	183	Alliance.....	Box Butte.....	January 18, 89...	June 20, 89
Bee Hive	184	Omaha.....	Douglas.....	January 22, 89...	June 20, 89
Boaz	185	Danbury.....	Red Willow.....	January 24, 89...	June 20, 89
Meridian	188	Cozad.....	Dawson.....	February 4, 89...	June 20, 89

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LODGE	No.	TOWN	COUNTY	CREATED	CHARTERED
Granite	189	Gibbon	Buffalo	February 18.89	June 20.89
Amethyst	190	Stapleton	Logan	August 5.89	June 20.90
Crystal	191	Scotia	Greeley	August 7.89	June 20.90
Minnekadusa	192	Valentine	Cherry	August 15.89	June 20.90
Signet	193	Leigh	Colfax	September 3.89	June 20.90
Highland	194	Cortland	Gage	September 21.89	June 20.90
Arcana	195	Gordon	Sheridan	October 17.89	June 20.90
Purity	198	Imperial	Chase	December 24.89	June 20.90
Gavel	199	Carleton	Thayer	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
Roman Eagle	203	Pender	Thurston	August 30.90	June 18.91
Plainview	204	Plainview	Pierce	September 1.90	June 18.91
Golden Fleece	205	Chappell	Deuel	September 2.90	June 18.91
Parian	207	Callaway	Custer	January 31.91	June 18.91
Canopy	209	Elmwood	Cass	September 4.91	June 16.92
East Lincoln	210	Lincoln	Lancaster	November 5.91	June 16.92
Cement	211	Wood River	Hall	November 27.91	June 16.92
Plumblin	214	Adams	Gage	November 17.91	June 15.93
Occidental	215	Cedar Bluffs	Saunders	July 16.92	June 15.93
Palisade	216	Palisade	Hitchcock	July 18.92	June 15.93
Wauneta	217	Wauneta	Chase	December 7.92	June 15.93
Bloomfield	218	Bloomfield	Knox	January 18.93	June 15.93
Relief	219	Coleridge	Cedar	January 19.93	June 15.93
Magnolia	220	Emerson	Dixon	January 21.93	June 15.93
Wood Lake	221	Wood Lake	Cherry	September 22.92	June 21.94

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Landmark	222	Herman.....	Washington.....	March 1, 93...	June 21, 94
Eminence	223	Giltner.....	Hamilton.....	September 26, 93...	June 21, 94
Silver Cord	224	Ainsworth.....	Brown.....	October 17, 93...	June 21, 94
Cable	225	Arnold.....	Custer.....	November 17, 93...	June 21, 94
North Star	227	Lincoln.....	Lancaster.....	July 28, 94...	June 13, 95
Bartley	228	Bartley.....	Red Willow.....	November 23, 94...	June 13, 95
Comet	229	Ceresco.....	Saunders.....	December 5, 94...	June 13, 95
Mount Hermon	231	Cook.....	Johnson.....	December 19, 94...	June 13, 95
John S. Bowen	232	Kennard.....	Washington.....	February 6, 95...	June 13, 95
Gilead	233	Butte.....	Boyd.....	November 22, 94...	June 10, 96
Zion	234	Hyannis.....	Grant.....	July 19, 95...	June 10, 96
Fraternity	235	Winside.....	Wayne.....	August 2, 95...	June 10, 96
Golden Rule	236	Allen.....	Dixon.....	August 3, 95...	June 10, 96
Cubit	237	Douglas.....	Otoe.....	August 9, 95...	June 10, 96
Friendship	239	Chapman.....	Merrick.....	October 7, 95...	June 10, 96
Pilot	240	Lyons.....	Burt.....	November 29, 95...	June 10, 96
George Armstrong	241	Craig.....	Burt.....	August 1, 95...	June 17, 97
Tyrian	243	Oak.....	Nuckolls.....	August 24, 98...	June 8, 99
Hampton	245	Hampton.....	Hamilton.....	July 13, 99...	June 7, 00
Nehawka	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	250	Lincoln.....	Lancaster.....	June 20, 00...	June 6, 01
Wausa	251	Wausa.....	Knox.....	November 18, 00...	June 6, 01
Beemer	253	Beemer.....	Cuming.....	January 1, 02...	June 5, 02
Bassett	254	Bassett.....	Rock.....	October 8, 02...	June 4, 03
Hickman	256	Hickman.....	Lancaster.....	December 7, 03...	June 9, 04
Anselmo	258	Anselmo.....	Custer.....	December 10, 04...	June 7, 05

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Ornan	No. 261	Spencer.....	Boyd.....	March 5, 06...	June 5, 07
Endeavor	" 262	Indianola.....	Red Willow.....	June 28, 06...	June 5, 07
Mitchell	" 263	Mitchell.....	Scotts Bluff.....	July 5, 06...	June 5, 07
Franklin	" 264	Franklin.....	Franklin.....	June 11, 07...	June 10, 08
Robert W. Furnas	" 265	Scottsbluff.....	Scotts Bluff.....	June 21, 07...	June 10, 08
Silver	" 266	Silver Creek.....	Merrick.....	June 14, 07...	June 10, 08
James A. Tulleys	" 267	Overton.....	Dawson.....	December 26, 07...	June 10, 08
George W. Lininger	" 268	Omaha.....	Douglas.....	February 26, 08...	June 10, 08
Oasis	" 271	Morrill.....	Scotts Bluff.....	June 14, 09...	June 8, 10
Lee P. Gillette	" 272	Dunbar.....	Otoe.....	June 14, 09...	June 8, 10
Crofton	" 273	Crofton.....	Knox.....	July 10, 09...	June 8, 10
Olive Branch	" 274	Walthill.....	Thurston.....	September 20, 09...	June 8, 10
Ramah	" 275	Bertrand.....	Phelps.....	November 8, 09...	June 8, 10
Antelope	" 276	Elgin.....	Antelope.....	January 12, 10...	June 8, 10
Sioux	" 277	Harrison.....	Sioux.....	June 10, 10...	June 6, 11
Litchfield	" 278	Litchfield.....	Sherman.....	December 19, 10...	June 6, 11
Wallace	" 279	Wallace.....	Lincoln.....	February 25, 11...	June 4, 12
Swastika	" 280	Sargent.....	Custer.....	October 18, 12...	June 4, 13
Florence	" 281	Omaha.....	Douglas.....	January 17, 13...	June 4, 13
Mullen	" 282	Mullen.....	Hooker.....	July 22, 13...	June 9, 14
Seneca	" 284	Theford.....	Thomas.....	September 29, 13...	June 9, 14
Camp Clarke	" 285	Bridgeport.....	Morrill.....	October 16, 13...	June 9, 14
Oshkosh	" 286	Oshkosh.....	Garden.....	November 25, 13...	June 9, 14
Union	" 287	Palmyra.....	Otoe.....	December 15, 13...	June 8, 15
Omaha	" 288	Omaha.....	Douglas.....	March 24, 14...	June 8, 15
Lotus	" 289	Ravenna.....	Buffalo.....	June 11, 14...	June 8, 15
John J. Mercer	" 290	Omaha.....	Douglas.....	November 21, 14...	June 8, 15
Diamond	" 291	Orchard.....	Antelope.....	November 23, 14...	June 8, 15
Wolbach	" 292	Wolbach.....	Greeley.....	December 18, 14...	June 8, 15
Monument	" 293	Arapahoe.....	Furnas.....	December 18, 14...	June 8, 15

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Kimball	No. 294	Kimball.....	Kimball.....	June 10, 15	June 7, 16
Minatare	" 295	Minatare.....	Scotts Bluff.....	June 10, 15	June 7, 16
Cotner	" 297	Lincoln.....	Lancaster.....	June 15, 17	June 5, 18
Chester	" 298	Chester.....	Thayer.....	June 27, 17	June 5, 18
Sutherland	" 299	Sutherland.....	Lincoln.....	June 23, 17	June 5, 18
Liberty	" 300	Lincoln.....	Lancaster.....	January 10, 18	June 5, 18
Bavard	" 301	Bayard.....	Morrill.....	January 19, 18	June 5, 18
Mizpah	" 302	Omaha.....	Douglas.....	November 12, 18	June 4, 19
Right Angle	" 303	Omaha.....	Douglas.....	September 24, 19	June 9, 20
Newman Grove	" 305	Newman Grove.....	Madison.....	January 14, 20	June 9, 20
Golden Rod	" 306	Lodgepole.....	Cheyenne.....	August 19, 20	June 8, 21
Perkins	" 308	Grant.....	Perkins.....	December 1, 20	June 8, 21
Winnebago	" 309	Winnebago.....	Thurston.....	December 6, 20	June 8, 21
Victory	" 310	Valley.....	Douglas.....	December 27, 20	June 8, 21
Polk	" 311	Polk.....	Polk.....	January 4, 21	June 8, 21
Oak Leaf	" 312	Lynch.....	Boyd.....	June 23, 21	June 7, 22
Potter	" 313	Potter.....	Cheyenne.....	September 10, 21	June 7, 22
Craftsmen	" 314	Lincoln.....	Lancaster.....	March 22, 22	June 5, 23
Alpha	" 316	South Sioux City.....	Dakota.....	January 27, 25	June 10, 25
Mid-West	" 317	Hastings.....	Adams.....	January 8, 25	June 10, 25
Grand Island	" 318	Grand Island.....	Hall.....	April 1, 25	June 9, 26
Bladen	" 319	Bladen.....	Webster.....	January 11, 26	June 9, 26
College View	" 320	Lincoln.....	Lancaster.....	July 1, 27	June 6, 28
Harmony	" 321	Dalton.....	Cheyenne.....	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, 37
Bellevue	" 325	Bellevue.....	Sarpy.....	March 5, 55	June 8, 55
Centennial	" 326	Omaha.....	Douglas.....	November 26, 55	June 6, 56
Shiloh	" 327	Omaha.....	Douglas.....	September 3, 65	June 10, 66

LODGES ORGANIZED IN TERRITORY OTHER THAN NEBRASKA

Name of Lodge	Location
Summit No. 7	- Parkville, Colorado . . Instituted May 6, 1861. Chartered June 5, 1861. Transferred to Grand Lodge of Colorado, August 2, 1861.
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. .	- Bannack City, Idaho . . Instituted April 1863, or June 21, 1863.
Monitor Lodge, U. D. .	- United States Army . . Instituted July 30, 1863. Became extinct, prior to 1867.
Idaho Lodge, U. D. .	- Nevada City, Idaho . . Instituted November 17, 1863. Became extinct June 23, 1864.
Wyoming Lodge No. 28	- South Pass City, Wyoming . . Instituted November 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.
- Square & Compass 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.

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, 1971.

NAME & LOCATION	DATE OF BECOMING EXTINCT
Decatur No. 7 - Decatur	June 18, 1873
Columbus No. 8 - Columbus	June 25, 1868
Nebraska City No. 12 - Nebraska City	March 10, 1903
Eureka No. 16 - Arago	December 23, 1875
Ashland No. 18 - Ashland	August 17, 1881
Rock Bluff No. 20 - Rock Bluff	July 16, 1884
Macy No. 22 - Plattsmouth	December 31, 1877
Lafayette No. 24 - Lafayette Pct. (later Grant)	March 27, 1877
Palmyra No. 45 - Palmyra	November 20, 1901
Salem No. 47 - Salem	June 18, 1891
Lebanon No. 58 - Columbus	June 6, 1928
Livingstone No. 66 - First	June 5, 1907
Fortitude No. 69 - Ulysses	July 14, 1887
Waco No. 80 - Waco	January 31, 1885
Steele City No. 107 - Steele City	August 13, 1902
Arapahoe No. 109 - Arapahoe	June 8, 1904
Brainard No. 115 - Brainard	September 5, 1903
Doric No. 118 - Dorchester	June 4, 1930
Jasper No. 122 - Odell	April 24, 1901
Indianola No. 123 - Indianola	June 8, 1904
Ark & Anchor No. 131 - Ainsworth	September 2, 1890
Summit No. 141 - Johnson	February 5, 1900
Anchor No. 142 - North Loup	June 5, 1901
Square No. 151 - Valparaiso	October 9, 1962
Parallel No. 152 - Liberty	January 2, 1940
Grafton No. 172 - Grafton	December 31, 1948
Hesperia No. 178 - Shickley	September 9, 1905
Plumb No. 186 - Grant	November 15, 1897
Israel No. 187 - Ulysses	December 18, 1956
Gauge No. 208 - Areadia	May 29, 1965
Square & Compass No. 213 - Miller	June 6, 1918
Ithmar No. 238 - Crab Orchard	February 9, 1903
Orion No. 242 - Ravenna	July 6, 1904
Sincerity No. 244 - Battle Creek	June 6, 1928
Springview No. 260 - Springview	August 6, 1920
Huntley No. 270 - Huntley	June 7, 1939
Holbrook No. 257 - Holbrook	June 11, 1959
Exeter No. 283 - Exeter	December 16, 1952
Cowles No. 296 - Cowles	December 31, 1946
William E. Hill No. 307 - Otoe	December 15, 1964
Doniphan No. 86 - Doniphan	May 12, 1966

REPRESENTATIVE	ADDRESS	DATE OF APPOINTMENT	GRAND LODGE	REPRESENTATIVE	ADDRESS	DATE OF APPOINTMENT
Hubert P. Key	Birmingham	Feb. 3, 1960	Alabama	John W. McLane, 150	Cambridge	Aug. 7, 1969
F. Whitfield	Edmonton	Mar. 7, 1944	Alberta	Edward H. Lockwood, 205	Hastings	Dec. 15, 1959
Jose Gonzalez Ledo		Jan. 10, 1964	Argentina	Pearl C. Hillegass, 81	Rising City	Sept. 15, 1954
John Fletcher Sills, Jr.	Prescott	Apr. 13, 1949	Arizona	Erwin J. Imig, 38	Seward	Aug. 6, 1960
Frank A. Smith	Little Rock	Jan. 27, 1958	Arkansas	Elmer E. Magee, 227	Lincoln	Aug. 24, 1944
Hugo Barber	Vienna	Mar. 22, 1951	Austria	O. Robert H. Beezley, 250	Lincoln	Apr. 21, 1965
Rene Desgain		Nov. 13, 1962	Belgium	Leonard B. Woods, 103	Ord	Nov. 6, 1962
			Bolivia	Harold A. Tilton, 71	Neligh	Dec. 1, 1963
			Brasilia	Allerd G. Bates, 1	Omaha	June 4, 1971
Raul Ballalai de Carvalho	Val do Salvador	Sept. 19, 1936	Brazil, Bahia	Alfred E. Geschke, 25	Omaha	Sept. 23, 1964
Roumond Nonata do Vale	Ceara	Sept. 21, 1949	Brazil, Ceara	Stanley E. Brunton, 222	Herman	
			Brazil, Matto Grasso	Gwynne L. Neubauer, 258	Brewster	
Jose Cesario Horta	Minas Gerais	Sept. 21, 1949	Brazil, Minas Gerais	Ernest E. James, 1	Omaha	Jan. 7, 1950
Oscar de Paula Assis	Rio de Janeiro	Aug. 1, 1969	Brazil, Guanabaro	Cecil C. Gates, 227	Lincoln	Sept. 19, 1941
Ewald Helmuth Langweiler	Rio Grande do Sul	Feb. 18, 1965	Brazil, Rio Grande do Sul	Clarence G. McNamee, 55	Norfolk	Sept. 23, 1964
Jose Agular E. Silvia	Para.	Oct. 10, 1968	Brazil, Para	Gerald A. Moller, 15	Fremont	Dec. 10, 1968
Joao Bento	Paraiba	Oct. 23, 1957	Brazil, Paraiba	Benjamin F. Eyre, 1	Omaha	Jan. 3, 1936
Habib-Chehad Jeha	Parana	Mar. 7, 1968	Brazil, Parana	Nelson W. Rittenburg, 210	Lincoln	Mar. 7, 1968
Jose Aguiar E. Silva	Pernambuco	Oct. 22, 1968	Brazil, Pernambuco	William M. Hisey, 210	Lincoln	June 4, 1971
			Brazil, Santa Catarina	Wallace E. Moffett, 312	Lynch	Sept. 7, 1963
Walter Pinto	Sao Paulo	Nov. 14, 1951	Brazil, Sao Paulo	Clyde D. Worrall, 59	Wahoo	Jan. 9, 1962
Nicholas Mussallem	Vancouver	Apr. 13, 1965	British Columbia	Thomas J. Aron, 37	Crete	July 10, 1947
Harold Loewenthal	Eureka	Apr. 23, 1969	California	Herbert T. White, 11	Omaha	July 26, 1958
F. W. Nance Kivell		Dec. 16, 1965	Canada	Edward F. Carter, 201	Lincoln	June 22, 1937
Jorge A. Wachholtz	Taiwan	Jan. 10, 1962	Chile	David O. Kipling, 281	Omaha	June 4, 1971
TzeTsing Tuan	Barranquilla	Sept. 14, 1962	China	Earl H. Furman, 290	Omaha	Apr. 13, 1960
Jose Maria Serna		July 31, 1951	Columbia Nat'l Grand Lodge	Clifford D. Webster, 321	Sidney	July 30, 1957
			Colorado	Carl R. Greisen, 32	Omaha	June 23, 1943
Thomas H. Cox	Olathe	Feb. 20, 1932	Connecticut	Arnold F. Mains, 15	Fremont	Dec. 13, 1968
Vincent Vernon	Collinsville	Mar. 18, 1969	Costa Rica	George W. Rosenlof, 314	Lincoln	Nov. 9, 1962
Carlos Miranda		Oct. 22, 1968	Cuba in Exile	Joseph C. Tye, 46	Kearney	June 25, 1954
V.H.F.E. Gracia		Nov. 5, 1952	Delaware	T. Leo Stines, 36	Central City	Feb. 18, 1967
Paul E. Ellis		Jan. 28, 1971	Denmark	Alton S. Mote, 183	Alliance	Dec. 2, 1968
Knwd V. Raude		Sept. 23, 1971	Dist. of Columbia	Herbert A. Ronin, 210	Lincoln	May 13, 1954
Godfrey L. Munter	Guayaquil	May 6, 1969	Ecuador	Clarence M. Pierson, 19	Lincoln	Sept. 14, 1962
F.G. Araya		June 17, 1953	England	Charles F. Adams, 68	Aurora	Dec. 2, 1968
Sir Knox Cunningham		Dec. 29, 1970	Finland	Sebert A. Stover, 281	Omaha	Feb. 9, 1968
Kalle Putkisto	Helsinki	Dec. 15, 1969	Florida	Byron C. Jenkins, 325	Bellevue	Aug. 8, 1966
Wm. C. Mitchell		June 23, 1970	France Nat'l Grand Lodge	Robert D. Cresap, 158	Omaha	Oct. 5, 1966
Edward Jeanmonod	Paris	Sept. 14, 1954	Georgia	Raymond F. Evers, 6	Plattsmouth	Aug. 3, 1960
			Germany	J.F.M. Heumann, 290	Omaha	July 28, 1965
John M. McClurd	Frankfurt	May 13, 1969	Greece	Stephen W. Beck, 43	Hebron	Sept. 3, 1960
Heinz Ziemer	Athens	Dec. 26, 1963	Honduras	Gordon Chard, 240	Lyons	Nov. 3, 1962
Geo. Sakelloriou		Apr. 10, 1954	Iceland	John Nelson	Lincoln	
Angel G. Guzman	Helgafell	Aug. 13, 1963	Idaho	James M. Paxson, 302	Omaha	Aug. 11, 1960
Bjarne Bjarnason	Kendrich	Jan. 7, 1953	Illinois	Warren W. Kelley, 290	Omaha	May 13, 1959
Eugene Taylor	Decatur	Nov. 9, 1966	Indiana	Norris W. Lallman, 72	Omaha	May 21, 1959
Harry L. Kline	South Bend	July 11, 1950	India	Warren K. Urbom, 314	Lincoln	Sept. 7, 1966
John P. Lippincott	Bombay	Feb. 26, 1949	Iran	Joel N. Lindquist, 1	Omaha	June 4, 1971
H.J. Engineer		Aug. 7, 1963	Israel	Richard L. Ely, 128	Guide Rock	June 17, 1958
			Israel, State of	William Grodinsky, 11	Omaha	July 26, 1954
James E. Weir	Dublin	June 19, 1970	Italy	Lewis R. Ricketts, 19	Lincoln	Sept. 14, 1962
Israel Levin	Tel Aviv	Sept. 14, 1965	Japan	Delbert H. Pinkerton, 314	Lincoln	July 31, 1958
Maurizio Segre	Rome	Feb. 9, 1967	Kansas	Howard J. Hunter, 59	Wahoo	Jan. 13, 1950
Edward W. Knepper		Sept. 17, 1965	Kentucky	Ralph S. Tully, 25	Omaha	Jan. 23, 1958
Richard K. Hart	Topeka	Jan. 6, 1964	Louisiana	John A. Bottorf, 49	Sutton	Feb. 23, 1958
C. James Hyde	Louisville	Sept. 18, 1962	Luxembourg	Stuart A. Johnson, 169	Rushville	Mar. 21, 1968
Philip O. McLaughlin		Jan. 23, 1961				

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Robert M. Fletcher		Dec. 15, 1970	Maine	Ralph W. Gerry, 281	Omaha	Aug. 7, 1969
Clarence V. Antenburg	Winnipeg	Mar. 22, 1951	Manitoba	Harry N. Ahl, 112	Louisville	Sept. 12, 1962
Clifford S. Hubbard		Apr. 19, 1961	Maryland	W.O. Samuelson, 326	Omaha	Dec. 6, 1968
James E. Roy	Worcester	Aug. 30, 1964	Massachusetts	William B. Wanner, 9	Falls City	June 22, 1937
George Sanfor	Mexico City	Aug. 8, 1969	Mexico York Grand Lodge	Russell L. Fickes, 33	Grand Island	Apr. 13, 1968
Willard Sauer	Sparta	Feb. 14, 1958	Michigan	John H. Brown, 1	Omaha	Nov. 1, 1965
Herbert S. Ramberg	Ada	Jan. 16, 1953	Minnesota	Merle M. Hale, 54	Lincoln	Feb. 14, 1952
Orman R. Smith	Corinth	June 21, 1957	Mississippi	Louis V. Sylvester, 281	Omaha	Sept. 8, 1953
Wm. R. Robbins	Springfield	July 23, 1963	Missouri	William F. Patterson, 327	Omaha	June 3, 1964
J.R.P. Reinemer	Circle	Feb. 3, 1953	Montana	C. Harold Edwards, 105	Lincoln	Oct. 21, 1965
J.F.A. Gravenberch		Dec. 14, 1960	Netherlands	W. Linton Dawson, 135	McCook	May 6, 1965
Lee Griswold	Eureka	Aug. 5, 1968	Nevada	Alfred B. Saum, 48	Kearney	Jan. 30, 1958
Kenneth R. Nelson	St. John	Oct. 21, 1955	New Brunswick	Frank H. Smith, 301	Bayard	Jan. 31, 1958
Ellis W. Howard	Littleton	June 14, 1962	New Hampshire	Clyde H. Jones, 173	Stratton	Sept. 27, 1956
John A. Stecker	Labanon	Aug. 11, 1947	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	Oct. 18, 1943
Frederick J. Hayward	Mosman	Mar. 10, 1950	New South Wales	Harry A. Spencer, 227	Lincoln	Apr. 8, 1957
Mark R. Chaffee		Jan. 4, 1969	New York	George R. Porter, 11	Omaha	Oct. 19, 1931
T. W. Pairman	Mangaweka	Dec. 4, 1956	New Zealand	Carl D. Ganz, 209	Lincoln	Oct. 19, 1962
Nathaniel C. Dean		July 26, 1965	Nicaragua	Paul D. Fleming, 93	Beaver City	Dec. 9, 1941
Calvin E. Rustad	Grand Forks	Sept. 7, 1955	North Carolina	Levi B. Williams, 1	Omaha	Sept. 17, 1962
Han Oluf Lorentzen	Oslo	March 2, 1971	North Dakota	Hugh W. Eisenhart, 150	Cambridge	Apr. 28, 1965
C. Fraser Lorimer	Stellarton	July 28, 1952	Norway	Einar Hoel, 327	Omaha	June 9, 1964
Juan L. Arocha	Monterray	Oct. 23, 1950	Norwa Scotia	Curtis J. Griess, 49	Grand Island	Dec. 2, 1968
E. L. Galbraith		Apr. 23, 1969	Nuevo Leon	Robert W. Boon, 33	Grand Island	Mar. 6, 1967
Aubrey R. Erhart	Guymon	July 23, 1963	Ohio	Otto Nelsen, 300	Lincoln	Feb. 17, 1958
Norman W. Oliver	Burns	May 5, 1964	Oklahoma	Ralph R. Carleton, 306	Omaha	Feb. 6, 1958
Elias S. Mizrahi	Panama	Jan. 13, 1953	Oregon	Frank J. Mattoon, 75	Sidney	Dec. 4, 1968
F. A. Zumaeta	Lima	Oct. 23, 1957	Panama	Arthur S. Dye, 317	Hastings	July 28, 1965
Aurelio B. Aquino	Manilla	Jan. 23, 1946	Peru	Richard L. Mauck, 254	Bassett	June 4, 1971
Allan C. Jenkins	Summerside	April 8, 1971	Philippines	Donald A. Kyeckelhahn, 210	Lincoln	Aug. 7, 1969
A. D. Lightbourn	Fajards	Aug. 3, 1966	Prince Edward Island	Donald C. Smith, 1	Omaha	Jan. 17, 1945
T. H. Whitman		Aug. 3, 1966	Puerto Rico	Herman O. Hansen, 3	Omaha	June 4, 1971
W. R. Gailey	Cranston	Feb. 29, 1960	Quebec	Charles J. Black, 290	Omaha	Nov. 10, 1965
Grafton H. Willey, Jr.	Regina	Jan. 24, 1947	Queensland	Edward Huwaldt, 318	Grand Island	Oct. 31, 1940
Gaylord C. Wright	Edinburgh	Apr. 13, 1965	Rhode Island	Edward A. Hoagland, 25	Omaha	July 3, 1942
William Sloss	Bogota	Aug. 30, 1963	Saskatchewan	Robert E. Lund, 323	Columbus	Sept. 17, 1962
George C. Hobson		Dec. 3, 1968	Scotland	Harold H. Thom, 1	Omaha	Sept. 17, 1962
Pafael F. Moreno			Southern Africa	Gerald V. Inslie, 148	Chadron	Dec. 2, 1968
M. D. J. C. Navarro		Aug. 25, 1969	South America Colombia	Jack H. Hendrix, 174	Trenton	Aug. 7, 1969
Cyril W. C. Peaks		Sept. 9, 1959	South America Dominicana	Alfred R. Kenoyer, 191	Scotia	Aug. 7, 1969
Rhoden D. Batson	Greenville	July 6, 1971	South Australia	Walter Brown, 1	Omaha	May 12, 1970
Lawrence J. Larson	Sioux Falls	June 17, 1971	South Carolina	Mark Mitchell, 138	Oxford	Jan. 1, 1962
Hi. August Lind	Linkoping	Apr. 4, 1958	South Dakota	Charles A. Chappell, 127	Minden	Aug. 26, 1918
Eric C. Monk	Zurich	Feb. 24, 1967	Sweden	Lillard S. Jensen, 232	Omaha	Nov. 17, 1965
German Barrera	Victoria	Aug. 27, 1970	Switzerland	Ralph I. Berry, 256	Hickman	Nov. 5, 1965
S. V. Tilley	Hobart	Mar. 27, 1957	Tamilapuas	Homer C. Davey, 317	Hastings	Aug. 3, 1960
J. Turner Williams	Nashville	Oct. 28, 1968	Tasmania	Lloyd I. Edwards, 110	Ashland	Sept. 8, 1960
Harold A. Bateman	Dallas	July 28, 1952	Tennessee	William C. Schaper, 148	Broken Bow	May 4, 1939
Nebil Sarpel	Istanbul	July 19, 1963	Texas	Donald A. Keys, 300	Lincoln	Dec. 20, 1961
John J. Greiner	Ogden	Sept. 10, 1959	Turkey	Melvin E. Johnson, 112	Oakdale	Aug. 27, 1963
David A. Smith	Shelburne	May 16, 1962	Utah	Richard L. Wait, 19	Lincoln	Jan. 23, 1958
Farrin Webb	Melbourne	Mar. 23, 1946	Vermont	Cary W. Dresslar, 32	North Platte	Nov. 14, 1956
P. O. Shephard, Jr.	S. Arlington	Jan. 2, 1952	Victoria	Mathias E. Mauel, 173	Stratton	Aug. 2, 1960
Malcolm L. Wilkinson	Tacoma	April 14, 1971	Virginia	Ernest O. Van Wey, 249	Gothenburg	Jan. 28, 1952
F. G. Hatcher		Dec. 17, 1960	Washington	Edward M. Knight, 183	Alliance	June 27, 1941
J. K. Ferguson		Sept. 28, 1961	West Australia	Ward McGlashan, 180	Benkelman	Dec. 10, 1968
George J. Schreiber	Milwaukee	Mar. 23, 1946	West Virginia	William I. Lewis, Jr. 9	Falls City	Mar. 15, 1960
			Wisconsin	Harlan W. Cane, 227	Lincoln	Dec. 30, 1964

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 Depositionis (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: 1971 and 4,000 — 5971.

Royal Arch Masons — Add 530 to the current year, thus: 1971 and 530 — 2499.

Royal and Select Masters — Add 1,000 years to current year, thus: 1971 and 1,000 — 2971.

Knights Templar — From the Christian era take 1,118; thus 1,118 from 1971 — 851.

Order of High Priesthood — To the Christian era add 1913, the year of the blessing, thus 1971 — 3880.

Scottish Rite — Add 3,760 to the current year; thus 1971 and 3,760 — 5729.

THE ROLL OF ASSISTANT 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, 6.....1870	L. S. Moe, 15.....1877
John Reed, 2.....1871	Roland H. Oakley, 19.....1877
Robert W. Furnas, 4.....1871	James R. Cain, 9.....1877
D. F. Powell, 3.....1871	Albert K. Marsh, 49.....1877
A. Atkinson, 3.....1871	Jess T. Davis, 21.....1877
H. O. Hanna, 9.....1872	Charles H. Willard, 21....1878
Milton E. Pinney, 2.....1873	Samuel W. Hayes, 55.....1879
William B. Wharton, 12...1875	Marshall Smith, 2.....1878
Edward K. Valentine, 27...1875	James McNaughton, 4....1879
Newton R. Persinger, 36...1876	Joseph H. McConnel, 32....1879
David K. Hume, 3.....1876	Edward F. Thorp, 2.....1879
Hiram C. Ryder, 37.....1876	George W. Mowrey, 50....1880
Frederick N. Dick, 32....1876	Charles A. Holmes, 17.....1880
George W. Lininger, 3....1877	

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."

*Samuel S. Whiting, 54....1910	*Ira C. Freet, 56.....1913
*Walter W. Wells, 192....1910	*Benjamin Wood, 210.....1913
*Ensign J. Rix, 55.....1910	*Edward M. Wellman, 1....1913
*James D. Phillips, 93....1910	*Charles A. Eyre, 268.....1913
*Frederick L. Wolff, 135...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	*Levi D. Phipps, 31.....1916

*Alfred G. Hunt, 33	1916	*Stanley B. Fryar, 139	1940
*Harry L. F. Proffitt, 50	1916	*Roy S. Planck, 15	1940
*Walter W. Wells, 192	1917	*Buren P. Wells, 315	1940
*Orville A. Andrews, 19	1917	Clarence G. McNamee, 55	1941
*Barclay M. Hickman, 38	1916	*F. Ray Dilts, 83	1942
*Andrew H. Viele, 55	1917	*Ernest C. Purdy, 195	1942
*Walter W. Wells	1917	Lewis E. Baker, 135	1943
*Maro C. Shipherd, 15	1920	*Howard E. Bradstreet, 261	1943
*Vinsent S. Ramsey, 205	1920	George S. Schwab, 49	1946
*Jesse Lowther, 219	1920	Louis V. Sylvester, 281	1945
*Franklin C. Tym, 25	1920	*Irving S. Johnson, 148	1946
*Lute M. Savage, 3	1920	*LaVerne A. Walker, 55	1946
Frank M. Johnson, 188	1920	Ernest E. James, 1	1948
*Lamont L. Stephens, 106	1922	*Frank A. Anderson, 17	1949
*Frances S. Robey, 19	1922	*Robert W. Cook, 33	1949
*John B. Lichtenwallner, 275	1923	Paul D. Fleming, 93	1949
*Harry R. Belville, 146	1923	Charles M. Frederick, 136	1949
*George R. Patterson, 136	1923	*Sylvester Shumard, 227	1949
*William J. Birkoffer, 249	1923	*Ralph M. Carhart, 120	1950
*D. Horace Schall, 307	1923	*Morris V. Balcom, 46	1950
*Stanley P. Bostwick, 3	1924	*William F. Flickinger, 56	1951
*William D. Edson, 53	1926	*Forest A. Lape, 183	1951
*Francis B. Rodwell, 224	1926	Delbert H. Pinkerton, 314	1954
*Edwin H. Gerhart, 305	1926	Harold M. Wilkerson, 54	1954
*William McCormack, 268	1926	Willard I. Lewis, Jr., 9	1955
*Harry L. Mantor, 306	1927	Clifford D. Webster, 321	1956
*John R. Easley, 49	1927	Mathias E. Mael, 173	1956
*I. Donald Huston, 65	1928	Frank H. Smith, 301	1957
*Elmer Surber, 95	1928	*Ward V. Whitaker, 310	1957
*John M. Bennett, 19	1928	Richard L. Ely, 128	1957
*Earl Barnett, 146	1929	Asa J. Farnham, 106	1958
*Jonathan Frye, 1	1929	Robert B. Conrad, 125	1958
*Ernest R. Reynolds, 124	1930	Winston C. Swanson	1958
*Osborne P. Simon, 174	1930	*Lyle A. Van Arsdol, 210	1959
*Doc L. Redfern, 300	1930	*Edmund D. Shaw, 254	1959
Austin F. Whitmire, 306	1931	Harry N. Ahl, 112	1959
*Henning C. Johnson, 171	1932	Alfred R. Kenoyer, 148	1960
Carroll C. Raymer, 164	1932	Lloyd I. Edwards, 110	1960
*Ward B. Schrack, 46	1933	T. Leo Stines, 36	1960
*Byron S. Peterson, 25	1933	Erwin J. Imig, 38	1960
*Raymond C. Cook, 6	1933	Sebert A. Stover, 281	1960
*Ray B. Bottorf, 33	1933	Stanley E. Brunton, 222	1961
*Wallace E. Linn, 1	1934	Glenn W. Binder, 23	1961
*Jesse P. Enriken, 295	1934	Richard L. Wait, 19	1962
Harold D. Weddel, 208	1937	Gordon Chard, 240	1962
Cecil C. Gates, 227	1938	Harold A. Tilton, 71	1962
*Fred G. Christensen, 33	1938	Stuart A. Johnson, 169	1964
*Ross Van Sickle, 184	1938	Arthur S. Dye, 317	1964
S. William Beck, 43	1940	W. Upton Dawson, 135	1964
		Donald R. Davis, 164	1964

Ralph L. Berry, 256	1965
Carl A. Johnson, 183	1965
Robert W. Boon, 33	1965
Augustus W. Clark, 318	1965
Alton A. Mote, 183	1965
Ralph W. Gerry, 281	1965
Arnold F. Mains, 15	1965
Nelson W. Rittenberg, 210	1965
Harold J. Oehlerking, 159	1966
Gwynne L. Neubaur	1966
Ward L. McGlashan	1966
Curtis J. Griess	1966
Walter Brown	1967
John C. Nelson	1967
Mervin E. Ransom, Sr.	1967
Donald A. Kyckelhahn	1967
Howard G. Whitmore	1967
Frank R. Harris	1967
Gerald V. Inslee	1968
John C. Sierks	1969
Paul D. Jacobsen	1969
David O. Kipling	1970
Herman O. Hansen	1970
E. Wayne Erickson, 146.	1970
Walter S. Cork, 75.	1970
Richard L. Mauch, 254.	1971

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