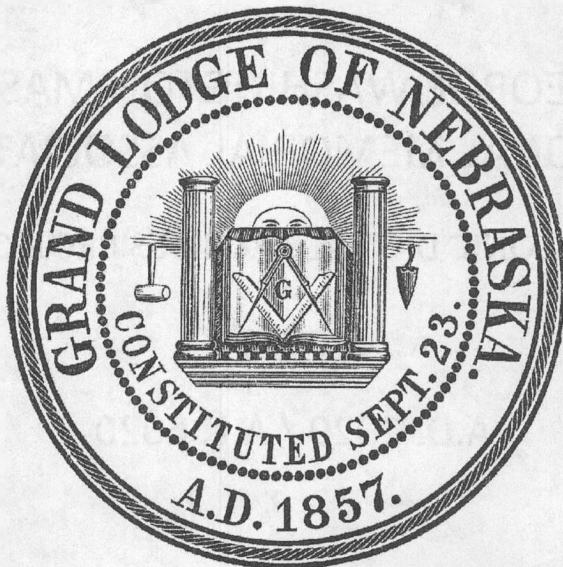


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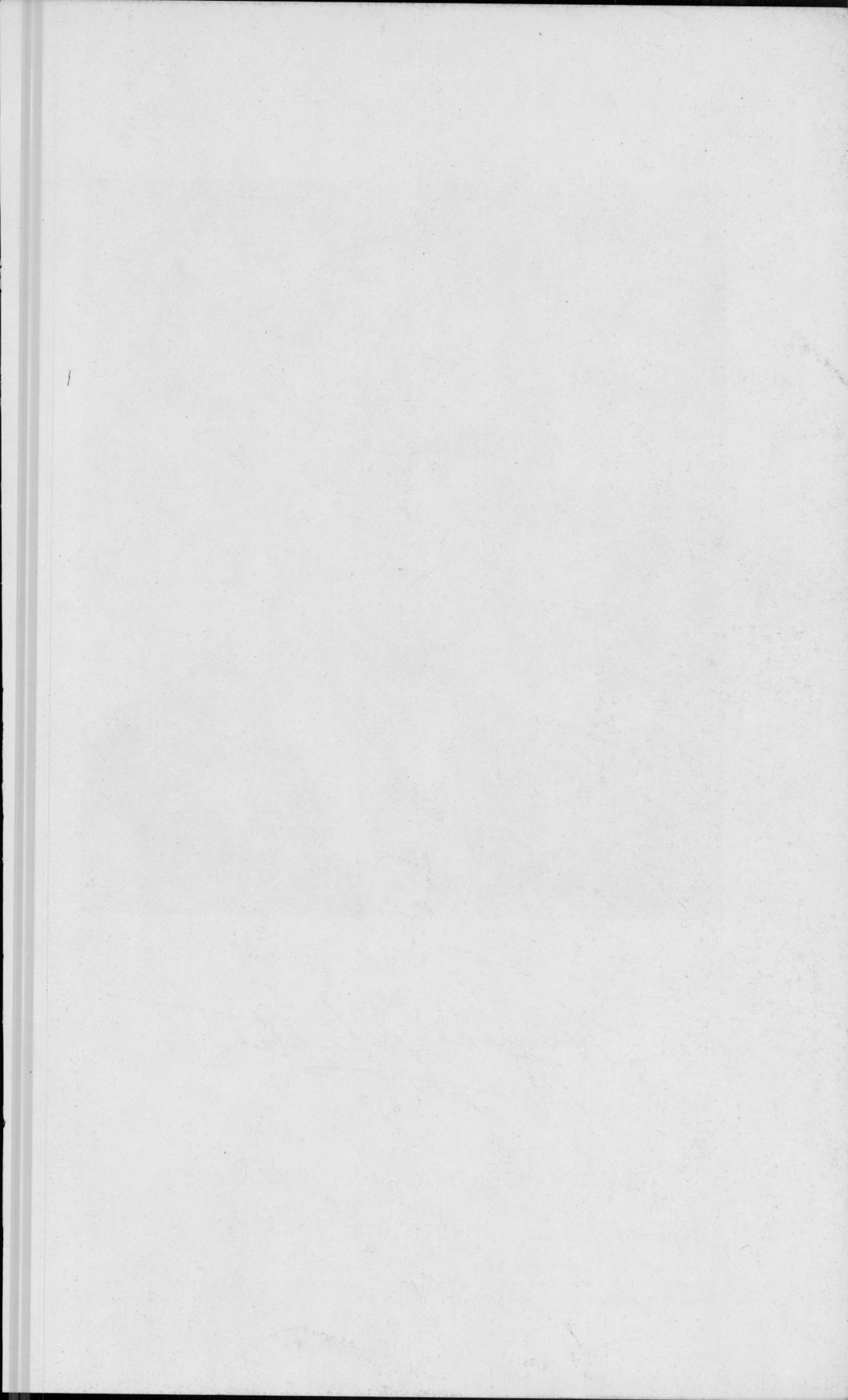
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Howard J. Hunter

GRAND MASTER OF MASONS OF NEBRASKA

1972-1973



Biographical



Howard J. Hunter

Howard Joseph Hunter, 107th Grand Master, son of Joseph B. and L. May Hunter, was born at Aurora, Nebraska, September 27, 1902. His early school life was in Beatrice and Lincoln. He attended the School of Agriculture at Lincoln and graduated L.L.B. from the University of Nebraska Law College. He was a supervisor of agents and salesman for Standard Oil Company in Nebraska for many years.

Howard J. Hunter and Elsie M. Paasch were married June 2, 1927. They have three children, sons, Jean J. Hunter of Omaha, David B. Hunter of Lincoln, and their only daughter, Nancy K. Parsons of Littleton, Colorado, and seven grandchildren.

Brother Hunter became a partner of M. W. Brother Ernest S. Schiefelbein, P.G.M., in the law firm of Schiefelbein & Hunter in Wahoo, Nebraska in 1955 and has been in active law practice ever since. He was a long time reservist in the U. S. Army. Entered active duty in WW 2 as a Captain, Infantry, and was promoted to Lieutenant Colonel, Infantry, in France in August 1944. He has been active in local affairs serving as first WW II Post Adjutant and Commander of Post No. 82, American Legion of Wahoo, member of the Nebraska Department Rehabilitation Committee for several years, first County Veterans Service Officer, member of the Wahoo Planning Commission since organization, and Justice of the Peace for Saunders County for many years. Member of First Church of Christ Scientist, Lincoln, Nebraska and the Mother Church, Boston Massachusetts.

MASONIC RECORD

Lodge: Wahoo Lodge No. 59. Initiated, passed and raised in 1924 in Liberty Lodge No. 300, Lincoln, Nebraska, demitted to Wahoo Lodge No. 59 in 1935, and served as Master in 1950.

Grand Lodge: Served on various Grand Lodge Committees and as Chairman of the Masonic Education Committee since 1954, Grand Representative of Kansas near Nebraska, appointed Grand Junior Deacon by M. W. Norris W. Lallman in June 1968, and installed as Grand Master June 10, 1972.

Chapter: Exalted in Lincoln Chapter No. 6, R. A. M. and in June 1951 demitted to Wahoo Chapter No. 43, R. A. M., served as High Priest in 1951-52 and '52-'53. Appointed Grand Lecturer by M. E. Harry Spencer in 1955 and in 1957 was appointed Grand Master of the First Veil by M. E. Louis V. Sylvester. Appointed Grand Representative of New South Wales in 1953. Elected and installed Grand High Priest, Royal Arch Masons of Nebraska, April 5, 1967.

Lincoln Council No. 4, R. & S. M.

Mt. Moriah Commandery No. 4, K. T.

Stella Chapter No. 57, O. E. S., Wahoo, Past Patron

Scottish Rite 32^o, Lincoln, Nebraska

Sesostris Temple, A.A.O.N.M.S., Lincoln, Nebraska

OTHER MASONIC BODIES

Nebraska Veteran Freemasons Association; Past Sovereign Sneh Bo Aire Council No. 17, Allied Masonic Degrees; Past Sovereign Coeur de Lion Conclave No. 10, Red Crodd of Constantine; Knight Mason of Ireland; Red Branch of Erie; National Sojourners and Heroes of '76; Past Master Counselor of Lincoln Chapter DeMolay, L. O. H.; Acacia Fraternity; Past President Midwest Conference on Masonic Education; member 1973 Conference Committee, Conference of Grand Masters of Masons in North America, Washington, D. C.

Nebraska Masonry has been fortunate this past year to have had for its Grand Master, M. W. Howard J. Hunter.

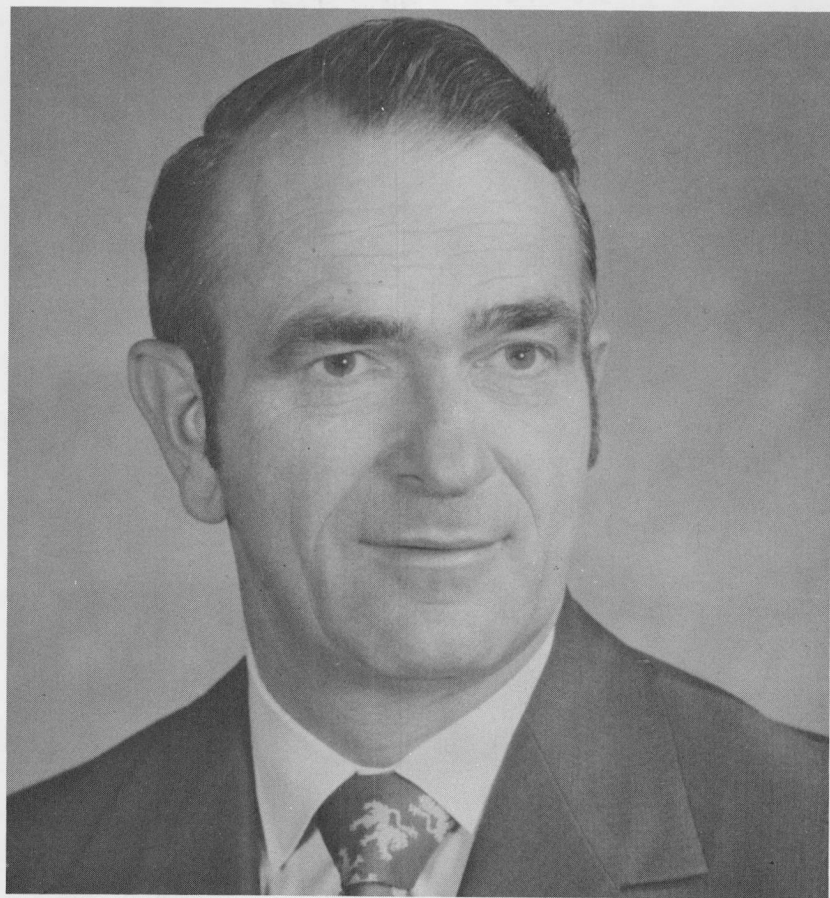
He is a recognized authority on Masonic Education, having served as Chairman of the Grand Lodge Committee on Masonic Education for 19 years, he also served as President of the Mid-West Conference on Masonic Education.

He has done much to promote DeMolay in the State, a number of years ago he served as Master Councilor of Lincoln Chapter of DeMolay.

Masonry is grateful for men of high morals and integrity and M. W. Brother Howard has exemplified these qualities.

M. W. Brother Hunter is and has been a student of Masonic tradition, and his Masonic knowledge and amiable personality have been particularly beneficial to the Grand Lodge during his term of office.

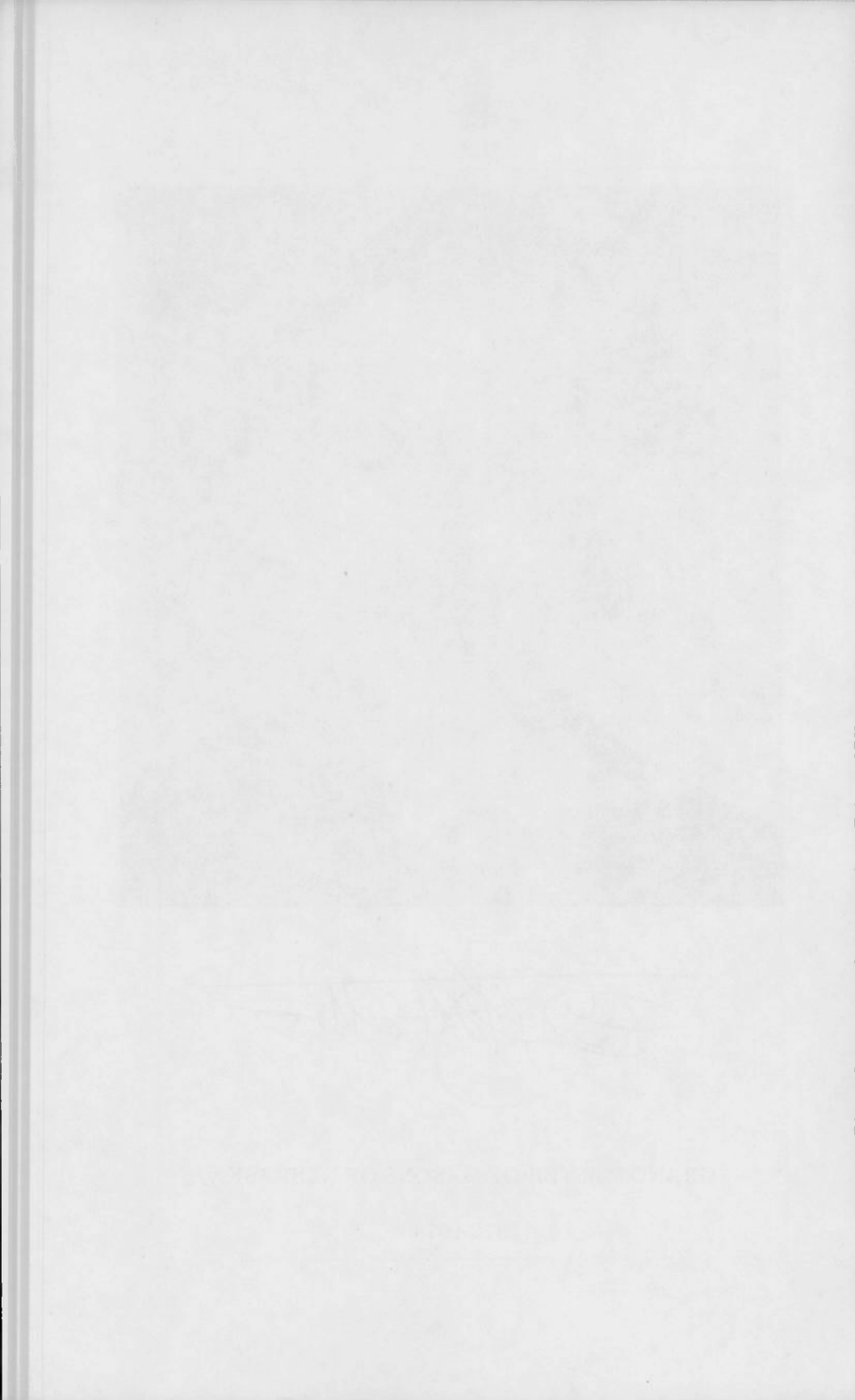
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*ONE HUNDRED SIXTEENTH ANNUAL
COMMUNICATION*

Held in Lincoln, June 8 and 9, 1973

FIRST DAY — MORNING SESSION

Friday, June 8, 1973

The Grand Lodge of the Most Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of Nebraska met in Annual Communication at the Pershing Auditorium, Lincoln, at 8:30 a.m. on Friday, June 8, A.D. 1973, A. L. 5973.

GRAND OFFICERS PRESENT

M. W. Howard J. Hunter, 59	Grand Master
R. W. Frank J. Mattoon, 75	Deputy Grand Master
R. W. Donald R. Swanson, 54.....	Grand Senior Warden
R. W. Harold Hultman, 39.....	Grand Junior Warden
M. W. Norris W. Lallman, 72	Grand Secretary
V. W. J. Dallas Gibson, 54.....	Grand Chaplain
W. Jack H. Hendrix, 174	Grand Orator
W. George W. Rosenlof, 314	Grand Historian
W. Ralph W. Gerry, 281	Grand Custodian
W. Harold C. Wurdeman, 323.....	Grand Marshal
W. T. Leo Stines, 36	Grand Senior Deacon
W. Alfred B. Saum, 46	Grand Junior Deacon
W. Alfred G. Wurst, 59.....	Grand Tyler

Promptly at 8:30 a.m. a Lodge of Master Masons was opened in form by Wahoo Lodge No. 59. A. F. & A. M.

M. W. Howard J. Hunter, Grand Master, was escorted to the East; by M. W. Norris W. Lallman, 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 116th Annual Communication of Grand Lodge of the Most Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of Nebraska opened in ample form and directed the Grand Marshal to make proclamation thereof.

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

PRESENTATION OF THE FLAG

Presentation of the Flag of the United States was made by Sir Knights of Mt. Moriah Commandery No. 4, K. T. T.

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

W. T. Leo Stines, Grand Senior Deacon presented the following Past Grand Masters according to seniority.

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
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
John H. Brown.....	(105th).....	1970
Russell L. Fickes	(106th).....	1971
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: George A. Kurk; William C. Schaper; Edward Huwaldt; Edward F. Carter; Herbert T. White and Merle M. Hale.

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:

Pennsylvania: R. W. Walter P. Wells, Junior Grand Warden and Personal Representative of M. W. Orville Kimmel, Grand Master, Grand Lodge, F. & A. M.

Delaware: M. W. Paul A. Ellis, Grand Master, Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M.

Missouri: R. W. Walter L. Walker, Deputy Grand Master and Personal Representative of M. W. W. Hugh McLaughlin, Grand Master, Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M.

Iowa: M. W. Charles Howard, Grand Master, Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M. of Iowa and R. W. Charles T. Jackson, Grand Secretary.

Minnesota: R. W. Otis H. Godfrey, Jr., Junior Grand Warden, Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M.

Kansas: M. W. J. Fred Williamson, Grand Master, Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M. and R. W. Forrest Haggard, Deputy Grand Master.

Colorado: R. W. Jess W. Gern, Junior Grand Warden and Personal Representative of M. W. Edward A. Martin, Grand Master, Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M.

Idaho: M. W. Gifford R. Shaffer, Grand Secretary and Personal Representative of M. W. Stephen Mahaffey, Grand Master, Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M.

Wyoming: M. W. Wayne F. Messenger, Grand Master, Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M.

South Dakota: M. W. Frank L. Roe, Grand Master, Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M.

Nebraska R. E. Ralph R. Carleton, Grand Secretary-Recorder, York Rite Bodies. M. E. Byron J. Mott, Grand High Priest, Grand Chapter, R. A. M., M. I. Curtis M. Maynard, Grand Master, Grand Council, R. & S. M. W. Charles A. Kurtz, Worthy Grand Patron, Grand Chapter, O.E.S., Brother William F. Patterson, President, The Nebraska Masonic Home, Brother Raymond F. Evers Superintendent of The Nebraska Masonic Home, Brother Fred Mulford, Superintendent, The Masonic-Eastern Star Home for Children, W. Walter Miller, Executive Secretary, International Order of DeMolay, Edwin G. Mortensen, Executive Secretary, Scottish Rite Valley of Omaha, Donald Madsen, Potentate, Tangier Temple, A.A.O.N.M.S.

M. W. Howard J. Hunter welcomed the Distinguished Guests with words of thanks for honoring our Communication.

GREETINGS AND MESSAGES

Charles A. Kurtz, Worthy Grand Patron

M. W. Grand Master, Distinguished Guests, Brethren:

I am delighted to share the moment in the East with you. The flowers are a token of our respect and from the Grand Chapter Order of Eastern Star of Nebraska, hoping to bring to you some of the beauty of the women of our organization on

who provide for so much beauty in our world, by their spirit and their commonyness. This our regards by a gift of \$3,000 for The Nebraska Masonic Home. I think all I should say in response to this gift is all the work we do as men and women together, that alleviates in any way or encourages those in need and distrust, is the works of the Orders.

M. W. Howard J. Hunter, Grand Master:

I don't need to tell you brethren of the help we all receive from the ladies of the Order of the Eastern Star. They have been most helpful to us and I greatly appreciate receiving this check and all the beautiful flowers like this in your presence.

INTRODUCTION OF DEPUTY GRAND CUSTODIANS

M. W. Howard J. Hunter, Grand Master introduced the Grand Custodian, W. Ralph W. Gerry, who in turn introduced the Deputy Grand Custodians and Deputy Grand Custodians Emeriti.

DEPUTY GRAND CUSTODIANS

Harold D. Weddel, 61	1937
Stephen W. Beck, 43	1940
Paul D. Fleming, 93	1949
Willard I. Lewis, Jr. 9	1955
Harry N. Ahl, 112.....	1959
Lloyd I. Edwards, 110.....	1960
Alfred R. Kenoyer, 191.....	1960
Stanley E. Brunton, 222.....	1961
Glenn W. Binder, 23	1961
Gordon Chard, 240	1962
Harold A. Tilton, 71.....	1962
Arthur S. Dye, 317.....	1964
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. Greiss, 49	1966
Walter Brown, 1	1967
John C. Nelson, 250.....	1967
Mervin E. Ransom, Sr., 65.....	1967
Donald A. Kyckelhahn, 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
D. Wayne Erickson, 146	1970
Walter S. Cork, 75.....	1970
Richard L. Mauch, 254	1971
O. Wayne Thompson, 201.....	1971
John A. Brandt, 26.....	1971
Dale E. Kube, 55	1971
Robert E. Kyes, 36.....	1972

DEPUTY GRAND CUSTODIANS EMERITI

- Austin F. Whitmire, 75
- Carroll C. Raymer, 164
- Cecil C. Gates, 227
- Clarence G. McNamee, 55
- Lewis E. Baker, 135
- Louis V. Sylvester, 281
- Geroge S. Schwab, 49
- Harold M. Wilkerson, 54
- Ernest E. James, 1
- Delbert H. Pinkerton, 314
- Mathias E. Mauel, 173
- Erwin J. Imig, 38
- Richard L. Wait, 19
- Sebert A. Stover, 281
- Clifford D. Webster, 321
- Frank H. Smith, 301
- Ralph I. Berry, 256
- W. Upton Dawson, 135
- T. Leo Stines, 36

PRESENTATIONS

M. .W. . Howard J. Hunter, Grand Master; It gives me a great deal of pleasure to present, in behalf of the Grand Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Nebraska, this plaque to M. .W. .Brother Carl R. Greisen, who has given many years of service to the Grand Lodge. It reads as follows:

“Presented by the Grand Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Nebraska, to M. .W. . Brother Carl R. Greisen, Honorary Past Master in recognition of 50 years attendance and dedicated service to the Grand Lodge.”

M. .W. . Carl R. Greisen, Honorary Past Master:

M. .W. . Grand Master, my brethren, I thank you for this plaque. I was surprised when the Grand Master asked me to be escorted to the East, I wondered what I had done. This is certainly a surprise, I appreciate it so very very much. Thank you. It has been a joy to me to be associated with the Grand Lodge these many years.

M. .W. . HOWARD J. HUNTER, GRAND MASTER:

Brethren, our Past Grand Master, Brother Benjamin F. Eyre collects plaques. Last year he got one for 50 years attendance to Grand Lodge, this year we are going to give him another. We feel that he is going to have to enlarge his room a little bit, but we are proud of him and I want to read to you what this nice plaque is.

“To Benjamin F. Eyre of Nebraska Lodge No. 1, A. .F. .& A. .M. . for 50 years of Certification from the Grand Lodge, A. .F. .&A. .M. . of Nebraska.”

Since you have just received the Deputy Grand Custodians, the Grand Custodian, whose work this is, I think it is only timely and fitting that at this time we present this plaque to you with our congratulations.

M. .W. . BENJAMIN F. EYER, PAST GRAND MASTER:

M. .W. . Grand Master, Distinguished Guests, brethren, I am trying my darnest to keep from being a Senior Citizen and then I seem to accumulate these fifty year plaques. I just wonder if I sort of am. Recently, I received a life membership in my Scottish Rite Bodies, in 1968. So I don't know where I am going, but I hope that when St. Peter reads the book, he says, “Well if you aren't welcome up here, you have a lot of company down below.”

REPRESENTATIVE OF OTHER GRAND LODGE NEAR THE GRAND LODGE OF Nebraska

M. .W. . Howard J. Hunter, Grand Master, requested the Grand Secretary to call the roll of Grand Representatives of other Grand Lodges. The Grand Master Attended them a hearty welcome and suggested that they convey his greetings to the Grand Lodge they represent. All Grand Lodges that were in the fraternal relations with the Grand Lodge of Nebraska, were present except Alabama, Austria, Belgium, Brasilia, Brazil, Bahia, Brazil, Matto Grasso, Brazil, Minas Gerais,

Brazil, Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil, Pernambuco, Brazil, Santa Catarina, Brazil, Sao Paulo, California, Canada, Chile, China, Costa Rica, Denmark, France National Guard Lodge, Idaho, Illinois, India, Iran, Ireland, Israel State of, Kentucky, Luxemborg, Minnesota, New Brunswick, New Zealand, North Carolina, Norway, Ohio, Prince Edward Island, Queensland, Scotland, South Australia, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Vermont, Victoria and Wisconsin.

Response given by M. .W. . Lewis R. Ricketts, Past Grand Master.

GREETINGS FROM DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

During the Grand Lodge Communication, we were privileged to hear from many of our Distinguished Guests. Included in this group were our Guests from Sister Jurisdictions.

ADDRESS OF WELCOME AND RESPONSE:

W. . MELVIN E. HATFIELD, MASTER OF LANCASTER
NO. 54

M. .W. . Grand Master, Past Grand Masters, Distinguished Guests and Brethren: It is an honor undeserved, but sincerely appreciated and a pleasure in the highest degree, that I am able to stand before you this morning in the name of Lancaster Lodge No. 54, and the Grand Lodge of Nebraska. To bid you a hearty welcome to this the 116th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge, Ancient and Free and Accepted Masons of Nebraska. I was indeed pleased when M. .W. . Grand Master, Howard J. Hunter, asked me to give this address of welcome. I consider this an honor, not only for myself, but also for Lancaster Lodge No. 54, which has the distinct honor of having four Past Grand Masters, one Honorary Grand Master and presently has in the Grand Lodge family, R. .W. . Donald R. Swanson, Grand Senior Warden and V. .W. . Brother J. Dallas Gibson, Grand Chaplain. Your attendance here is most welcome, for after all you and the officers of the subordinate lodges of this Grand Jurisdiction constitute the Grand Lodge of Nebraska. Without your cooperation and support this body would find it difficult, if not impossible, to function in this capacity. We appreciate the fact that many of you have made personal sacrifices, in taking time from your own business or profession, to be in attendance here. We honor you in the fact that you place the welfare of the institution ahead of your own pleasure and profit. You, who are here, are representatives of your respective lodges, and your brethren have placed in you the full confidence, that the business of this communication will be

transacted so as to reflect credit upon everyone. When you get down to the serious business at hand, your deliberation, remember that Freemasonry is far removed from all that is trivial, selfish and ungodly. This structure is build upon the everlasting function, foundation of the God given law, The Brotherhood of Man, and the family whose father is God. Be ever mindful, my Brethren, of the three great tenets brotherly love, belief and truth.

In closing we wish to pay tribute to our Grand Master, M. . W. . Howard J. Hunter, his officers and other members of the Grand Lodge who have assisted him during the past year. To our Grand Custodian, W. . Ralph W. Gerry and his Assistants, we say thanks for their untiring efforts to make Nebraska an outstanding work, better. We would like also to pay tribute to our Grand Master, M. . W. . Howard J. Hunter, for having introduced the Table Lodge to Nebraska lodges during the past year. This is a fine edition to Nebraska Masonry and I for one, would like to see the Table Lodge a part of our regular work in all our lodges.

Now, again, brethren, on behalf of the 9 Lincoln Masonic lodges I bid you a hearty welcome, may all of you have a very pleasant stay while in Lincoln, may God Bless you and give you wisdom. Thank you.

W. . Joseph C. Hranac, Fidelity Lodge No. 51, gave the Response to the Address of Welcome as follows:

W. . Master Hatfield, M. . W. . Grand Master, Howard J. Hunter, Past Grand Masters, Distinguished Guests and brethren. The City of Lincoln is indeed an appropriate sight for the Communication of the Grand Lodge of Nebraska. If you go through the City, you see many landmarks. Our beautiful Capitol Building is one of the most well known landmarks. O Street with its miles of unbending length is also a landmark. The University of Nebraska Campus is beginning to increase in importance and knowledge throughout the nation as the Home of the "Big Red". On that campus, on the corner of that campus is an old brick building and many years ago, about this time, M. . W. . Grand Master Howard and I stepped out of that building in preparation for hanging out our shingles.

Masonry has in some of its aspects, those ancient landmarks which are never subject to change, which are ever constant. I am sure that throughout this Annual Communication, we will have regenerated in us the spirit and the determination to go back to our lodge and carry forth with those ancient landmarks we have that will never change.

There are pleasures to be had, at this time, to answer to the address of welcome and we appreciate the welcome. Thank you.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF COMMITTEES

APPLICATION FOR REINSTATEMENTS: W. Earl H. Furman, 290, Chairman; W. Kenneth P. Lott, 184; W. Donald R. White, 327.

APPROPRIATIONS: W. Walter E. Truex, 55 (1973); Chairman W. Paul Eveland, 119 (1977); W. Robert A. Carhart, 120, (1976); W. Harry A. Tollander, 281, (1975); W. E. Forrest Estes, 19, (1974).

CHARTERS & DISPENSATIONS: W. Charles W. Jacobs, 325, Chairman; W. Donald L. Veskrna, 59; W. Harry M. Green, 25.

CODIFICATION OF THE LAW: W. Bernard T. Pipher, 31, Chairman; W. Joseph N. Linquist, 1.

CREDENTIALS: W. Clyde H. Jones, 173, Chairman; W. Glenn F. Sperry, 139; W. William W. Steen, 280; W. Gary L. Powell, 19; W. Albert B. Osborn, 318; W. Glen F. Hancock, 59; W. Kenneth C. Kling, 314.

DOINGS OF GRAND OFFICERS: W. Byron C. Jenkins, 325, Chairman; W. Neal H. Penton, 256; W. Robert E. McDaniel, 328.

ENTERTAINMENT OF DISTINGUISHED GUESTS: M. W. Louis V. Sylvester, 281; M. W. Lewis R. Ricketts, 19; M. W. John A. Bottorf, 49.

FINANCE: W. J. Ansel Toft, 232 (1975), Chairman; W. Fitzhugh L. Browne, 290, (1973); W. Harold E. Day, Jr., 150, (1974); W. Howard L. Patterson, 303, (1976); W. LeRoy C. Sutton, 1, (1977).

FRATERNAL DEAD: W. Levi B. Williams, 1, Chairman; W. Arnold H. Hahn, 15; W. Godfrey A. Machal, 34.

FRATERNAL RELATIONS: M. W. Norris W. Lallman, 72 Chairman; M. W. William B. Wanner, 9.

GEORGE WASHINGTON MASONIC NATIONAL MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION: M. W. Charles F. Adams, 68, Chairman; W. Bayard H. Paine, Jr., 33; W. Henry L. Rood, 59.

GRAND LODGE OFFICE: M. W. Merle M. Hale, 54, (1975), Chairman; W. Douglas D. Duey, 59, (1976); W. Harold C. Wurdeman, 323, (1977); W. William L. Hopson, 327, (1973); W. Thomas H. Blanchard, 21, (1974).

GRAND TRUSTEES: M. W. John F. Futcher, 302, (1976), Chairman; W. Robert A. Wekesser, 54, (1974); W. Frank V. Lawson, Jr., 302, (1977); W. Harold E. Gabrielson, 302, (1973).

GRIEVANCES: W. Clarence M. Pierson, 19, Chairman; W. Carl T. Johnson, 229; W. Claude D. Lutton, Jr. 110.

LODGE ADVISORY: M. W. Joseph C. Tye, 46, (1973), Chairman; M. W. Hugh W. Eisenhart, 150, (1974); M. W. Herbert A. Ronin, 210, (1975).

MASONIC-EASTERN STAR STUDENT FUND: W. Delbert H. Pinkerton, 314, Chairman; M. W. Elmer E. Magee, 227; W. Max O. Quick, 126.

MASONIC EDUCATION: M. W. Howard J. Hunter, 50, (1975), Chairman; M. W. John H. Brown, 1, (1974); M. W. Louis V. Sylvester, 281, (1974); W. E. Forrest Estes, 19, (1975); W. Alfred G. Wurst, 59, (1973).

MASONIC RELIEF: W. Paul L. Toombs, 290, (1977), Chairman; W. James A. Bradley, 1, (1976); W. Richard L. Newlun, 55, (1975); W. Earl W. Schultz, 75; W. Otto W. Burkhardt, 55, (1973).

NEBRASKA WORK: M. W. Edward F. Carter, 201, (1973), Chairman; M. W. John A. Bottorf, 49, (1974); M. W. Louis V. Sylvester, 281, (1975).

PUBLIC RELATIONS: W. Lester Way, 54, Chairman; W. John S. Savage, 11.

TEMPLE BUILDING ADVISORY: W. Donald F. Sampson, 36, (1973), Chairman; W. Donald G. Hafer, 306, (1974); W. Robert E. Wolf, 1, (1975).

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

A hearty welcome to you to this 116th Annual Communication of our Nebraska Grand Lodge. Our distinguished guests are given a special fraternal welcome and hope your visit will be as pleasant to you as to us.

At this time I wish to thank R. W. Donald R. Swanson and the Committee on Arrangements for this communication and the Worshipful Master, Wardens, officers and members of Wahoo Lodge No. 59 for their proficient opening of the lodge this morning and to the Sir Knights of Mount Moriah Commandery No. 4, K. T. of Lincoln for their part in this morning's opening ceremony.

This has been a happy year with peace and harmony prevailing. Appendant bodies have been most cooperative and we have tried to be of help to them. Special emphasis has been given to our youth groups and we are pleased with their cooperation and zeal. We must pay more attention to them.

DISPENSATIONS

Dispensations to permit conferring of degrees without regard to time for brethren in the Military Services were granted to: Nebraska Lodge No. 1; Covert Lodge No. 11; Fremont Lodge No. 15; Robert W. Furnas Lodge No. 265 and Bloomfield Lodge No. 218.

Miloma Lodge No. 328 was authorized to move their charter to the lodge room of Waterloo Lodge No. 102 at Elkhorn until further notice as their home lodge building was sold and they had to move. The fraternal offer by Waterloo Lodge No. 102 at Elkhorn to share their hall was noted and appreciated.

Northern Light Lodge No. 41, Stanton was authorized to move their charter temporarily to the Fellowship Hall of the Congregational Church as their building had deteriorated to the extent it had to be torn down in preparation for rebuilding.

Harvard Lodge No. 44 was authorized to move their charter to their new building at Harvard. This was necessitated by the condition of the old building.

Florence Lodge No. 281 requested a dispensation to change their regular stated meeting because of a conflict with a sports event. I advised I had no authority to grant one but suggested they might wish to change their by-laws to allow a change of meeting night when it falls on the same date as a national holiday in the future.

Special dispensations were granted to the following lodges to elect certain officers out of time:

Mizpah Lodge No. 302 to hold an election for Junior Warden on December 29, 1972.

McCook Lodge No. 135 to elect a Junior Warden in January 1973 to be installed in January 1973 to serve in 1973 after proper installation.

Grand Island Lodge No. 318 to elect and install in January 1973 a Treasurer for the lodge to replace the former Treasurer now deceased.

Temple Lodge No. 175 of Filley to elect and install in January 1973. They were unable to elect at their regular meeting in December at which they lacked a quorum because of weather.

Wahoo Lodge No. 59 to elect a Secretary in January 1973 to serve in 1973 after proper installation.

East Lincoln No. 210 to install their Junior Warden in February 1973 (as he was in Europe in January).

Hay Springs No. 177 to install their Junior Deacon in March 1973.

Miloma No. 328 to hold election of Officers and install them at their first regular meeting in July 1972.

Western Lodge No. 140 to install officers in February 1973 became of special conditions.

Wisner Lodge No. 114 to install their Senior Warden in April 1973 because of inability to be installed previously due to illness.

Special dispensations to hold an outdoor Master Mason degree at especially selected and carefully tiled locations, were granted to Ogalalla Lodge No. 159 and to Solomon Lodge No. 10 and Scotts Bluff Lodge No. 201.

Wahoo Lodge No. 59 was granted permission to move their charter to Pershing Auditorium, Lincoln, Nebraska, for June 8 and 9, 1973, for the purpose of hosting the 116th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M. of Nebraska.

AMENDMENTS TO BYLAWS

Five amendments to bylaws of subordinate lodges were approved to make changes in their regular meeting dates: Temple No. 175, Jordan No. 27, Bayard No. 301, Lotus No. 289 and Florence No. 281.

Sixteen amendments changing dues were approved as requested by the following lodges: Wahoo No. 59, Hay Springs No. 177, Right Angle No. 303, Golden Sheaf No. 202, Blazing Star No. 200, Covert Lodge No. 11, Mizpah No. 302, Bee Hive No. 184, Chester No. 289, Trowel No. 71, Pomegranate No. 110, Bancroft No. 145, Cotner No. 297, Upright No. 137, Thistle No. 61, Purity No. 198. Right Angle No. 303 and Mizpah No. 302 raised their fees and these were approved.

DECISIONS

I disapproved of the action of the Master of Ogalalla Lodge No. 159 in dispensing with the July regular communication of his lodge because it fell on the 4th of July. I advised him the lodge would have to amend its bylaws to accomplish such a change.

An appeal from the Worshipful Master of Miloma Lodge No. 328, disapproving an objection to the advancement of a member of Miloma Lodge, was rescinded and I upheld the objection.

I was asked as to accepting a petition from a Korean War Veteran to McCook No. 135 who can conform to our ceremonies except he cannot walk barefoot but must wear protective hose. I recommended, if accepted, he be prepared in the usual manner and stand, then don his protective hose and proceed with an appropriate mention by the Master to the Lodge of the token preparation.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. A Bicentennial Committee should be authorized to be appointed to prepare appropriate celebration by the Masons of Nebraska of the 200th year of our nation reminding our members of the active part taken by our Masonic forebears.

2. Authority for a Youth Committee to be appointed by the incoming Grand Master is needed. I suggest members be appointed on a 3, 2, and 1 year basis.

3. Since inflation is with us, I recommend mileage be allowed on a basis of 10¢ per mile rather than the 8¢ presently allowed which is far from adequate.

4. I recommend our Grand Lodge adopt the Scottish "Lewis" practice of allowing the son of a Mason to petition for the degrees of Masonry between age 18 and 21. We have been losing too many of these young men as they go to college, the military service and seek their fortunes away from their home Masonic community at much earlier ages than in bygone years. Idaho and North Dakota now allow all petitioners to apply at age 18. We are playing in a new ball game brethren.

5. Lack of Grand Lodge communication direct to each of its members is becoming more and more serious. I recommend the incoming Grand Master be authorized to appoint a three man committee to work with the Grand Secretary and the Committee on Masonic Education to establish the publication of a low-cost bulletin to be sent every member at least four times a year with an initial appropriation of \$2,500.00 to start the program.

TRIAL COMMISSIONS

I appointed three Trial Commission for alleged violations of Section 3-102 of the Masonic Code.

A member of North Star Lodge No. 227 was found guilty as charged by the Trial Commission and expelled.

A member of Wahoo No. 59 charged with unmasonic conduct is still in the hands of the Trial Commission.

A member of Fremont No. 15 was found guilty and was suspended indefinitely by the Trial Commission.

REINSTATEMENTS

Twenty-one applications for reinstatement were approved during the year. My thanks to the Committee on Reinstatements for their work and recommendations.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

I recommended the following to be Grand Representatives of other Jurisdictions near Nebraska: U. Welsey Fox, South Dakota; Henry L. Rood, Maryland; Carl E. Diers, Vermont; E. Forrest Estes, Quebec;

Alfred G. Wurst, Germany; Frank I. Vlasak, Bahia Brazil; Henry E. Olson, Colorado; Earl N. Hanel, Guanbara.

Grand Representatives commissioned as follows: Yasuhiko Ide, Japan; Carlos Pena, Peru and Robert W. Emery, New Jersey,

CONSOLIDATIONS

I approved the consolidation of Tyrian No. 243 of Oak into Nelson No. 77; Mystic Tie No. 166 into Trowel No. 71; Roman Eagle No. 203 into Bancroft No. 145; Prudence No. 179 into Utica No. 96; Amethyst No. 190 into Cable No. 225.

More consolidations from sparsely settled locations can be expected, but more new lodges should be constituted in heavily populated localities. Lodges should be located where the people live, and where whole families can be involved.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE AND GRAND CUSTODIAN

Our Grand Lodge Education Committee and the Grand Custodian and his Deputies have worked on our separate fields of education with full cooperation and appreciation of the other groups responsibility and problems. I am sure we will continue to do so. Participation in the Midwest Conference on Masonic Education has been valuable over the years and will be in the future. Pooling of the experience of our twelve Grand Jurisdictions saves us from individual Grand Lodge expensive experiments and gives us the opportunity to share.

CORNERSTONES — DEDICATIONS

On April 28, the Grand Lodge laid the cornerstone for Jefferson School and Edith Abbott Memorial Library at Grand Island. Ashlar Lodge No. 33 and Grand Island No. 318 were joint hosts and their committee on arrangements performed their duties admirably. The Grand Island Lodges are to be commended for their hospitality and devotion to Freemasonry.

They are awake to opportunity to be of service in their community.

The new Temple of Landmark No. 222 at Herman was dedicated by the Grand Lodge officers on November 15, 1972. It was a most pleasurable occasion and the lodge members and their ladies were gracious hosts.

CONSTITUTION

On June 28, 1972 the Grand Lodge constituted Miloma Lodge No. 328 at Omaha near Millard. This lodge meets a great need in this community and has performed admirably, both before and after it was formally constituted.

CEREMONIES AND VISITATIONS

Mrs. Hunter and I were privileged to attend the following out of state Meetings. We were very well received and extended every courtesy.

Grand Lodge of Wisconsin; Wyoming; Iowa; Royal Arch Triennial, Las Vegas; Grand Lodge of Illinois; Kentucky; Pennsylvania; Colorado; Oklahoma; Kansas; Minnesota and Grand Masters Conference, Washington, D. C.

RECEPTIONS AND VISITATIONS

Reception -- Wahoo Lodge No. 59; Jobs Daughters Session; Worthy Grand Patron Hanel's Reception; Received in Lancaster Lodge No. 54 and a Table Lodge; Table Lodge, Falls City No. 9; Two meetings with Nebraska Committee on Masonic Education; DeMolay Conclave, Doane College; Wahoo Rainbow Assembly; Past Matrons and Past Patrons party for Grand Master; Order of The Eastern Star Annual meeting; TriTemple Shrine dinner, Bowl Parade and Game; Reception by East Lincoln No. 210; Stag dinner and receive the Grand Master, Lincoln No. 19; Lincoln Valley, Scottish Rite Reception; Grand Master's Class Nebraska DeMolay; Lincoln DeMolay Homecoming; Scottish Rite Reunion, Lincoln; Sesostris Ceremonial; Daughters of the Nile, Lincoln; John J. Mercer No. 290, Past Masters Night; "The Word" Hastings; Reception Occidental No. 215, 50 year pin; Three 50-year pins and Jordan Medal at Victory No. 310; Scottish Rite Reunion and dinner, Omaha; Received in Craftsmen No. 314 and presented three 50-year pins; Fidelity No. 51 honored Jobs Daughters; Table Lodge, North Star No. 227; Presentation of 2- 50 year pins in Comet No. 229; Red Cross of Constantine; Table Lodge, Lancaster No. 54; Install Royal Arch Masons at Wahoo; Install Officers Utica No. 96, presented a 50 year button; Installation, Fremont No. 15; Installation of Sesostris Shrine; Installation Stella Chapter, O.E.S., Wahoo; Installation, Fairbury No. 35; Wahoo No. 59, presented two 50 year buttons; North Bend No. 119, presented three 50 year pins; Tehama Potentate's Ball; Friendship Night, Fremont No. 15, presentation of 50 year pins; Tangier Potentate's Ball; Nile Installation, Sat-ra Temple; Chapter No. 1, R.A.M. Allbright Night; Mizpah No. 302; dinner dance, Scottish Rite Education Meeting, Lincoln; Naphis Temple, Nile installation; Scottish Rite Reunion, Lincoln; Sesostris Temple Ceremonial; Scottish Rite Reunion, Omaha; Hiram Club, Lincoln; Lincoln, speaker; Capitol No. 3 dinner, presented three 50 year buttons; Wahoo No. 59, presented four 50 year buttons; Nebraska No. 1 dinner; Solomon No. 10, presented two 50 year buttons; Hickman No. 256, Grand Chapter, O.E.S. Lincoln.

CENTENNIALS

Lone Tree No. 36; Crete No. 37; Acacia No. 34; Fairbury No. 35 and Papillion No. 39.

FIFIETH ANNIVERSARIES

Craftsmen No. 314; East Lincoln No. 210.

GRAND LODGE AREA MEETINGS

I attended a Grand Lodge Area Meeting on Masonic Education at Alliance on October 21, 1972, and Mini-Area Meetings at Tekamah No. 31; Justice No. 180; Cambridge No. 150; Superior No. 121 and Lancaster No. 54.

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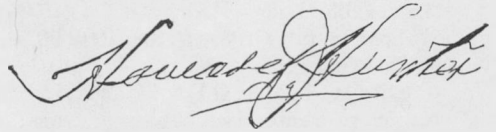
We are consolidating our position as far as membership is concerned but our lodges are sadly lacking in membership in younger ages and are out of balance agewise. Encouragement of our youth groups is vitally

necessary and participation of our younger members must be encouraged in our lodge activities and administration. We cannot afford to be thought of as an organization made up solely of men over 45 years old.

APPRECIATION

I appreciate the confidence of you brethren and can assure you this has been a busy year for me and my wife. Elsie, but one filled with the joy of serving the Grand Lodge. Only through the constant direction and guidance of Almighty God can one hope to cope. My sincere thanks for the help and cooperation of my dear wife, Elsie, and the brethren and their wives as a whole. Hospitality, cooperation and kindness have been the rule. I have been pleased with an outstanding corps of officers who have never failed to act, and especially our Grand Secretary, Norris W. Lallman and his wife, Alice.

Fraternally,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Howard J. Hunter". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned centrally on the page.

Grand Master

REPORT OF THE GRAND SECRETARY

The Grand Secretary presents his report as follows:

Complete returns have been received from 254 Lodges and all dues and fees for the year of 1972 have been paid in full.

CONSOLIDATIONS

Tyrian No. 243, Oak voted to consolidate with Nelson No. 77. Nelson No. 77 voted to accept Tyrian No. 243 in consolidation. The date of the consolidation is June 9, 1972.

Mystic Tie No. 166, Tilden voted to consolidate with Trowel No. 71, Neligh. Trowel No. 71 voted to accept Mystic Tie No. 166 in consolidation. The date of the consolidation is June 12, 1972.

Roman Eagle No. 203, Pender voted to consolidate with Bancroft No. 145. Bancroft No. 145 voted to accept Roman Eagle No. 203 in consolidation. The date of the consolidation is January 8, 1973.

Amethyst No. 190, Stapleton voted to consolidate with Cable No. 225, Arnold. Cable No. 225 voted to accept Amethyst No. 190 in consolidation. The date of the consolidation is April 20, 1973.

Prudence No. 179, Beaver Crossing voted to consolidate with Utica No. 96. Utica No. 96 voted to accept Prudence No. 179 in consolidation. The date of consolidation is April 20, 1973.

GRIEVANCES

There were three trial commissions appointed during the year. We have not had any petitions for restoration.

FIFTY YEAR BUTTONS

There were 365 Buttons presented this year. In many cases special meetings were held for the presentation ceremony.

JORDAN MEDALS

Many special meetings were held this year for the presentation of the Robert Carrel Jordan Medal to the senior member of a Lodge, based on years of membership and who was a resident of Nebraska.

GOLD JORDAN MEDAL

W. Brother J. Frank Heywood is the wearer of the Gold Jordan Medal. W. Brother Heywood is a member of Peru Lodge No. 14. He has been a member of the Fraternity for more than 77 years. He will celebrate his 100th birthday in October of this year.

SECRETARIES MEETINGS

The Grand Secretary attended several area meetings this year and a number of mini-area meetings. I am sorry that the format of these meetings was such that I was unable to spend more time with the Secretaries of constituent Lodges.

We have about 35 new Secretaries this year and meeting with them is very helpful to both the Lodge and the Grand Lodge.

LOCAL MASONIC RELIEF ASSOCIATION

We express our thanks to the Brethren of the Omaha and Lincoln Relief Associations. They continue to assist out-state Lodges in hospital calls, etc., as well as sojourning Masons, their widows and orphans.

MEMORIAL LODGE OF OMAHA U. D. D.

Memorial Lodge of Omaha, U. D. D. is called upon many times during the year to conduct the funeral of a sojourning Brother. W. Brother Warner White and the officers and Brethren of Memorial Lodge are to be commended for their efforts.

CHARTERED LODGES

Bancroft No. 145, Bancroft; Merna Lodge No. 171, Merna; Parian No. 207, Callaway; and Sioux No. 277 Harrison were not represented at the last two annual Communications and have been cited to appear before the Committee on Charters & Dispensations. Amethyst No. 190, Stapleton has consolidated with No. 225, Arnold.

GRAND LODGE OFFICES

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

M. W. Brother John F. Fatcher, chairman of the Board of Grand Trustees works many long hours for this Grand Lodge. His counsel is timely and good and is very much appreciated by me.

All Masons in Nebraska are invited to visit the Grand Lodge offices, they are most welcome.

GRAND CUSTODIAN

The Grand Secretary's office works very closely with the Grand Custodian W. Brother Ralph W. Gerry and his fine group of Deputy Grand Custodians. These men are ready at all times to be of assistance, our sincere thanks to all of them.

FRATERNAL REVIEW

M. W. William B. Wanner has prepared for distribution at this Communication an outstanding review, one that should be read by every Master Mason in Nebraska.

FINANCIAL REPORT
General Fund Receipts

Cash, U. S. National Bank, April 30, 1972	\$ 175,761.48
Per Capita Tax \$4.00 per member	160,116.00
Initiations \$10.00 per member	4,800.00
Surety Bond Premiums	651.80
Liability Insurance Premiums	2,798.04
Supplies	2,297.61
George Washington Masonic Nat'l Memorial Association	391.00
Custodial Fees	855.00
Interest & Dividends on Investments	48,334.19
Affiliations	50.00
Re-Instatements	720.00
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	\$ 396,775.12

DISBURSEMENTS

Bonds Purchased	20,228.68
Liability Insurance Premium	3,381.00
George Washington Masonic Nat'l Memorial Association	356.00
Supply Account	1,955.94
The Masonic-Eastern Star Home for Children ..	24,046.00
The Nebraska Masonic Home--General Fund	79,916.00
Short Term Investments.....	155,010.00
1972-1973 General Budget	104,563.19
Cash, U.S. National Bank, April 30, 1973	7,319.21
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	\$ 396,775.12

RETIREMENT FUND
Receipts

Cash, U.S. National Bank, April 30, 1972	\$ 7,660.73
Interest and Dividends on Investments	15,100.03
Grand Lodge A.F.F. & A.M. & The Nebraska Masonic Home.....	31,334.00
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	54,094.76

DISBURSEMENTS

Securities Purchased	35,224.11
Payments to retired Employees	8,073.20
Cash, U.S. National Bank, April 30, 1973	10,797.45
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	\$ 54,094.76

RETURNS

Number of Chartered Lodges last year		254
Number of Lodges Chartered this year		1
Charters Consolidated		5
Number of Chartered Lodges		250
Number Initiated	505	
Number Passed	403	
Number Raised	392	
Number Affiliated	168	
Number Dual Members	37	
Number Reinstated	171	
Number Consolidated	108	
Number Gained--other causes	10	
Total gross increase		<u>886</u>
Number Demitted	190	
Number Deceased	1,064	
Number Suspended N.P.D.....	594	
Number Expelled	0	
Lost by other causes--Consolidations	117	
Total gross loss		<u>1,965</u>
Net Loss for year ending		
December 31, 1972		1,077
Number of Master Masons on Rolls Dec. 31, 1971		39,958
Number of Master Masons on Rolls Dec. 31, 1972		38,879

I wish to express my personal appreciation to those who have been so cooperative during the past year, especially do I wish to thank the many fine Secretaries in our Constituent Lodges throughout the State.

Fraternally submitted,

Louis W. Lallman

Grand Secretary

NAME OF LODGE	NO.	E. A. F. C. C.											Total Loss	On Rolls Dec. 31, 1972	No. of Lodge						
		MASTER MASONS																			
		GAIN						LOSS													
		Initiated	On Rolls Dec. 31, 1972	Passed	On Rolls Dec. 31, 1972	Membership Dec. 31, 1971	Raisings	Affiliations	Dual Membership	Reinstated	Consolidated	Other Causes	TOTAL	Demitted	Deaths	Suspended	Expulsions	Other Causes			
Nebbraska Western Star	1	8	2	9	0	2537	10	4	1	5	0	0	957	6	27	12	0	0	45	912	1
Capitol Nemaha Valley	2	0	7	0	4	255	4	4	0	0	0	0	266	1	6	8	0	0	15	251	2
Omaha	3	7	7	5	4	388	2	1	0	3	0	0	396	4	28	4	0	0	36	560	3
	4	0	3	0	0	65	0	0	0	0	0	0	66	0	2	1	0	0	3	63	4
	5	3	3	0	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	100	1	1	1	0	0	3	97	5
Plattsmouth	6	6	6	4	2	317	3	0	0	1	0	0	321	1	9	2	0	0	12	309	6
Falls City	9	2	5	2	2	194	3	3	0	4	0	0	204	0	8	2	0	0	10	194	9
Solomon	10	2	1	1	0	105	1	1	1	1	0	0	108	0	3	2	0	0	5	103	10
Covert	11	17	8	18	3	1500	19	1	0	1	0	0	1521	10	45	13	0	0	68	1453	11
Orient	13	1	1	0	0	46	0	0	0	2	0	0	48	0	0	0	0	0	0	48	13
Peru	14	0	0	9	5	95	0	0	0	0	0	0	95	0	6	0	0	0	6	89	14
Fremont	15	13	14	0	0	624	10	0	0	4	0	0	639	0	13	7	0	0	20	619	15
Tecumseh	17	0	7	0	1	127	0	2	0	1	0	0	130	0	5	2	0	0	7	123	7
Lincoln	19	1	4	2	0	770	2	1	0	4	0	0	777	2	23	7	0	0	32	745	19
Washington	21	4	2	3	0	157	4	2	0	1	0	0	164	1	5	4	0	0	10	154	21
Dawne	23	0	0	0	0	104	0	2	0	0	0	0	106	0	2	0	0	0	2	104	23
St. Johns	25	11	9	9	3	770	6	0	1	0	0	0	777	2	23	12	0	0	37	740	25
Beatrice	26	9	1	6	2	352	4	2	0	1	0	0	359	3	8	3	0	0	14	345	26
Ordan	27	2	2	1	1	70	1	1	0	0	0	0	72	0	3	0	0	0	4	68	27
Blue River	30	2	1	2	1	75	2	1	0	0	0	0	78	0	1	3	0	0	4	74	30
Lakamah	31	2	2	2	2	186	2	0	0	3	0	0	188	0	6	1	0	0	7	181	31
Latte Valley	32	5	17	4	3	512	4	2	1	0	0	0	521	2	11	4	0	0	17	504	32
Shlar	33	0	7	0	0	459	3	1	0	10	0	0	474	8	17	2	0	0	27	447	33
Garcia	34	2	1	2	2	160	2	0	0	0	0	0	163	0	5	2	0	0	8	156	34
Garbury	35	1	1	0	0	229	0	2	0	0	0	0	231	0	7	1	0	0	7	223	35
Kone Tree	36	1	2	1	2	179	0	2	0	1	0	0	182	0	2	0	0	0	2	180	36
Frete	37	2	2	3	3	185	1	1	3	0	0	0	190	0	3	3	0	0	8	182	37
Oliver	38	7	13	6	5	135	0	2	1	0	0	0	137	1	1	0	0	0	3	134	38
Apillion	39	1	1	1	1	309	1	4	1	0	0	0	316	1	3	0	0	0	4	312	39
umboldt	40	0	0	0	0	92	1	0	0	2	0	0	95	0	5	3	0	0	8	87	40
northern Light	41	1	0	1	0	67	2	0	0	0	0	0	69	2	4	1	0	0	5	64	41
ehron	43	0	0	2	0	115	2	0	0	0	0	0	117	0	1	0	0	0	4	113	43
arvard	44	0	2	0	0	78	0	0	0	0	0	0	78	1	3	0	0	0	4	74	44
ob Morris	46	5	10	4	4	337	3	0	0	0	0	0	341	2	11	8	0	0	21	320	46
airmont	48	0	3	0	0	70	0	0	0	0	0	0	70	1	0	0	0	0	3	67	48
vening Star	49	2	1	2	0	94	2	0	0	1	0	0	97	0	2	0	0	0	2	95	49
astings	50	7	10	8	5	461	9	1	0	0	0	0	471	1	9	7	0	0	17	454	50
idelly	51	0	3	0	0	128	3	0	0	0	0	0	129	0	4	0	0	0	4	125	51
iram	52	0	0	0	0	78	0	0	0	0	0	0	81	0	2	0	0	0	2	79	52
harily	53	0	0	0	1	130	1	0	0	0	0	0	131	0	5	3	0	0	8	123	53
anastser	54	21	12	15	1	839	15	3	0	3	0	0	860	3	20	12	0	0	35	825	54
osak	55	1	2	1	1	237	0	0	0	1	0	0	276	2	11	7	0	0	20	236	55
ork	56	7	6	8	1	237	0	0	0	0	0	0	243	1	11	2	0	0	14	229	56
t. Moriah	57	0	3	0	2	88	0	0	0	0	0	0	89	0	3	0	0	0	14	86	57
ahoo	59	0	1	1	1	265	0	0	0	0	0	0	266	0	7	0	0	0	14	252	59

DGE	ME	NO.	E. A. F. C. C.													No. of Lodge				
			MASTER MASONS											Total Loss	On Rolls Dec. 31, 1972					
			GAIN						LOSS											
Initiated	On Rolls Dec. 31, 1972	Passed	On Rolls Dec. 31, 1972	Membership Dec. 31, 1971	Raisings	Affiliations	Dual Membership	Reinstated	Consolidated	Other Causes	TOTAL	Demitted	Deaths	Suspended	Expulsions	Other Causes	Total Loss	On Rolls Dec. 31, 1972		
ice		180	1	3	1	1	1	0	0	0	134	1	4	0	0	0	0	5	129	180
h		181	1	3	1	1	1	2	0	0	86	3	1	3	0	0	0	7	79	181
ance		183	8	4	8	1	0	1	0	0	333	8	8	6	0	0	0	14	319	183
Hive		184	5	15	2	1	0	19	0	0	946	2	22	34	2	0	0	58	888	184
z		185	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	50	3	3	3	0	0	0	5	45	185
dian		188	4	3	2	0	0	1	0	0	133	0	3	3	0	0	0	5	127	188
ite		189	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	72	1	0	0	0	0	0	6	67	189
thyst		190	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	41	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	41	190
tal		191	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	71	0	5	0	0	0	0	5	66	191
ekadusa		192	3	7	2	4	4	0	2	0	150	0	3	3	2	0	0	5	145	192
et		193	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	43	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	43	193
land		194	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	41	0	1	1	0	0	0	2	39	194
na		195	1	4	0	1	1	0	0	0	134	1	3	5	0	0	0	9	125	195
y		198	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	125	1	5	0	0	0	0	5	120	198
il		199	0	3	0	1	1	0	0	0	36	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	35	199
ng Star		200	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	76	1	2	0	0	0	0	3	73	200
ts Bluff		201	1	4	1	0	1	1	0	0	184	0	6	2	0	0	0	8	176	201
en Sheaf		202	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	56	1	0	0	0	0	2	54	202	
an Eagle		203	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	62	4	4	7	0	47	62	0	203	
view		204	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	98	0	3	0	0	0	0	3	95	204
en Fleece		205	2	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	156	1	6	0	0	0	0	7	149	205
n		207	2	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	45	0	2	0	0	1	0	3	42	207
py		209	3	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	93	1	7	2	0	0	10	83	209	
Lincoln		210	17	12	9	2	1088	10	12	0	1113	7	33	22	0	62	1051	1051	210	
ent		211	0	0	0	0	67	0	0	0	67	1	2	2	0	0	0	5	62	211
bline		214	0	0	0	0	31	0	0	0	31	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	30	214
ental		215	2	0	0	0	63	0	0	0	63	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	62	215
de		216	2	0	3	1	100	3	0	0	103	0	1	0	0	0	1	102	216	
beta		217	1	1	0	0	53	0	0	0	54	1	0	2	0	0	0	3	51	217
ntfield		218	0	0	0	0	73	3	2	0	78	0	1	1	0	0	0	2	76	218
f		219	0	3	0	1	47	0	1	0	49	0	1	1	0	0	0	2	47	219
olia		220	0	0	0	0	43	0	0	0	44	0	2	0	0	0	0	42	42	220
h Lake		221	3	1	4	1	71	3	0	0	77	2	1	0	0	0	0	3	74	221
mark		222	0	3	0	0	93	0	0	0	94	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	93	222
ence		223	0	0	0	0	52	1	0	0	54	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	54	223
Cord		224	1	2	1	2	127	2	1	0	132	2	3	0	0	0	0	5	127	224
		225	0	2	0	2	76	0	0	0	76	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	75	225
y Star		227	3	7	2	2	435	2	1	0	441	0	11	10	0	0	1	23	418	227
et		228	0	7	0	2	47	0	0	0	47	0	1	0	0	0	0	3	44	228
		229	1	6	1	0	114	1	0	0	115	0	3	3	0	0	0	3	112	229
ernon		231	0	0	2	2	29	0	0	0	29	0	3	0	0	0	0	3	26	231
S. Bowen		232	0	2	0	2	73	0	0	0	74	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	73	232
d		233	0	0	0	0	41	0	0	0	41	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	41	233
		234	0	2	0	2	99	0	0	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	98	234
rnity		235	0	1	1	1	54	0	0	0	54	0	2	2	0	0	0	2	52	235

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		Initiated	On Rolls Dec. 31, 1972	Passed	On Rolls Dec. 31, 1972	Membership Dec. 31, 1971	GAIN						LOSS								
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North Bend	119	2	0	2	0	96	2	1	0	0	0	0	99	1	4	0	0	0	5	94	11
Wayne	120	3	1	2	0	189	2	2	0	0	0	0	193	1	7	3	0	0	11	182	12
Superior	121	2	2	1	1	168	1	0	0	0	0	0	169	1	4	2	0	0	7	162	12
Auburn	124	2	0	2	1	115	1	1	0	1	0	0	118	0	2	1	0	0	3	115	12
Mt. Nebo	125	2	2	0	0	72	0	0	0	0	0	0	72	0	1	0	0	0	1	71	12
Stromsburg	126	1	8	2	2	149	3	1	0	0	0	0	153	1	3	1	0	0	5	148	12
Minden	127	1	1	2	4	88	1	0	0	0	0	0	89	0	3	0	0	0	3	86	12
Guide Rock	128	2	3	0	0	78	0	2	0	0	0	0	80	0	2	0	0	0	2	78	12
Scribner	132	0	0	0	0	43	0	2	1	0	0	0	46	1	2	2	0	0	5	41	13
Solar	134	0	1	0	0	66	0	0	0	0	0	0	66	0	3	0	0	0	3	63	13
McCook	135	8	11	5	2	312	5	2	0	2	0	0	321	0	15	1	0	0	16	305	13
Long Pine	136	0	1	0	0	41	0	0	0	0	0	0	41	1	0	0	0	0	1	40	13
Upright	137	0	0	0	0	52	0	0	0	0	0	0	52	0	1	1	0	0	2	50	13
Rawalt	138	3	5	2	3	79	1	0	0	0	0	0	80	0	3	1	0	0	4	76	13
Clay Centre	139	2	2	2	2	61	1	0	0	0	0	0	62	0	1	0	0	0	1	61	13
Western	140	0	3	0	1	33	0	0	0	0	0	0	33	0	0	0	0	0	0	33	14
Crescent	143	3	5	1	1	28	1	1	1	0	0	0	31	0	2	0	0	0	2	29	14
Bancroft	145	0	0	0	0	46	0	0	0	0	0	47	1	94	0	1	0	0	1	93	14
Jachin	146	4	5	2	0	190	2	0	0	2	0	0	194	2	3	8	0	0	13	181	14
Siloam	147	0	0	0	0	26	1	0	0	0	0	0	27	0	0	0	0	0	0	27	14
Custer	148	2	4	1	0	185	1	0	0	0	0	0	186	1	4	2	0	1	8	178	14
Cambridge	150	0	0	0	1	93	0	0	0	0	0	0	93	0	1	3	0	0	4	89	15
Evergreen	153	0	0	0	0	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	50	0	2	0	0	0	2	48	15
Lily	154	0	0	0	0	57	0	1	0	0	0	0	58	1	2	1	0	0	4	54	15
Hartington	155	1	1	1	0	56	1	0	0	0	0	0	57	1	1	0	0	0	2	55	15
Samaritan	158	2	4	2	1	223	2	1	0	1	0	0	227	0	10	5	0	0	15	212	15
Ogalalla	159	3	2	5	3	146	5	3	1	0	0	0	155	2	5	0	0	0	7	148	15
Zeredatha	160	0	2	1	1	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	36	0	0	1	0	0	1	35	16
Mt. Zion	161	1	1	0	0	48	2	0	0	0	0	0	50	0	2	0	0	0	2	48	16
Trestle Board	162	1	1	1	0	68	1	0	0	0	0	0	69	0	2	0	0	0	2	67	16
Unity	163	0	0	0	0	74	0	0	0	0	0	0	74	1	2	3	0	0	6	68	16
Atkinson	164	1	2	1	0	50	1	0	0	0	0	0	51	0	0	0	0	0	0	51	16
Barneston	165	0	0	0	0	45	0	0	0	0	0	0	45	0	0	1	0	0	1	44	16
Mystic Tie	166	0	0	0	0	42	0	0	0	0	0	0	42	1	2	2	0	37	42	0	16
Elwood	167	2	2	0	0	53	1	0	0	0	0	0	54	1	1	4	0	0	6	48	16
Curtis	168	0	2	0	0	69	0	0	0	0	0	0	69	1	3	0	0	0	4	65	16
Amity	169	1	1	1	0	81	1	0	0	0	0	0	82	1	4	3	0	0	8	74	16
Mason City	170	0	0	0	2	23	0	0	0	0	0	0	23	1	3	2	0	0	6	17	16
Merna	171	0	1	0	0	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	50	0	1	0	0	0	1	49	16
Robert Burns	173	2	4	0	0	78	0	0	0	0	0	0	78	0	1	0	0	0	1	77	16
Culbertson	174	0	2	0	2	65	0	0	0	1	0	0	66	1	3	2	0	0	6	60	16
Temple	175	0	0	1	1	38	0	0	0	0	0	0	38	0	2	0	0	0	2	36	16
Gladstone	176	0	0	0	0	65	0	0	0	0	0	1	66	0	12	8	0	0	20	46	16
Hay Springs	177	0	1	0	3	108	0	0	0	0	0	0	108	1	1	1	0	0	3	105	16
Prudence	179	0	0	0	0	42	0	0	0	0	0	0	42	0	1	1	0	0	2	40	16

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Golden Rule	236	0	0	0	0	53	0	0	0	0	0	53	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	53	236
Cubit	237	0	0	0	0	36	0	0	0	0	0	36	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	35	237
Friendship	239	1	3	0	0	52	0	0	1	0	0	53	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	52	239
Plot	240	4	2	4	1	108	3	2	0	0	0	113	0	2	2	0	0	0	4	109	240
George Armstrong	241	1	1	0	0	59	0	0	0	0	0	59	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	57	241
Tyrian	243	0	0	0	0	22	0	0	0	0	0	22	0	0	0	0	22	22	0	243	
Hampton	245	2	2	2	2	39	2	0	0	0	0	41	0	4	0	0	0	4	38	245	
Nehavka	246	2	2	1	2	103	1	0	1	0	0	105	4	0	0	0	0	4	101	246	
Laurel	248	1	0	1	1	75	2	0	0	0	0	77	1	1	0	0	0	2	75	248	
Gothenburg	249	2	1	1	1	147	2	0	1	0	0	150	0	2	0	0	0	2	148	249	
George Washington	250	6	5	5	2	303	3	0	0	0	0	306	2	5	2	0	0	9	297	250	
Wausa	251	0	1	0	0	41	0	0	0	0	0	41	0	3	1	0	0	4	37	251	
Beemer	253	1	0	0	0	33	1	0	0	0	0	34	0	0	0	0	0	0	34	253	
Basset	254	5	12	1	1	68	0	0	0	0	0	68	0	1	0	0	0	1	67	254	
Hickman	256	5	5	1	1	76	3	1	2	0	0	82	0	0	0	0	0	0	82	256	
Anselmo	258	1	3	0	0	79	0	0	0	0	0	79	0	1	0	0	0	1	78	258	
Oman	261	0	0	0	0	54	0	0	0	0	0	54	4	0	0	0	0	4	50	261	
Endevor	262	0	0	2	1	82	1	0	0	0	0	83	0	3	0	0	0	3	78	262	
Mitchell	263	1	0	0	0	149	1	1	0	0	0	151	1	5	1	0	0	5	146	263	
Franklin	264	1	1	0	1	80	0	0	0	0	0	80	0	4	1	0	0	5	75	264	
Robert W. Furnas	265	4	8	5	0	395	6	1	3	0	1	406	3	5	1	0	0	9	397	265	
Silver	266	0	0	0	1	54	0	2	0	0	0	56	1	1	0	0	0	1	55	266	
James A. Tulleys	267	0	3	0	0	90	2	0	0	0	0	92	0	1	0	0	0	1	91	267	
Geo. W. Liminger	268	2	2	5	0	231	5	1	0	0	0	237	0	2	2	0	0	4	233	268	
Oasis	271	2	2	2	2	186	2	0	0	0	0	188	0	5	0	0	1	6	182	271	
Leef. Gillette	272	0	0	0	0	57	0	0	0	0	0	57	0	2	0	0	0	2	55	272	
Crofton	273	0	1	0	0	30	0	0	0	0	0	30	0	2	0	0	0	2	28	273	
Olive Branch	274	0	2	0	1	47	0	0	0	0	0	47	0	1	0	0	0	2	45	274	
Ramah	275	1	1	0	0	35	0	0	1	0	0	36	0	2	0	0	0	3	35	275	
Antelope	276	1	5	1	0	54	1	0	1	0	0	56	1	0	4	0	0	5	51	276	
Sionch	277	0	3	1	0	39	1	0	0	0	0	40	0	1	0	0	0	1	39	277	
Litchfield	278	1	5	1	0	30	0	0	0	0	0	30	0	2	1	0	0	3	29	278	
Wallace	279	1	1	1	1	34	0	0	0	1	0	35	0	2	1	0	0	3	32	279	
Swaстика	280	1	2	0	0	77	0	0	0	0	0	77	0	1	0	0	0	3	74	280	
Florence	281	10	1	11	0	712	11	7	0	7	0	797	4	28	10	0	0	42	755	281	
Mullen	282	2	4	0	0	59	0	1	0	0	0	60	0	2	0	0	0	3	58	282	
Seneca	284	0	3	0	0	56	0	0	0	0	0	57	1	2	0	0	0	3	54	284	
Camp Clarke	285	0	3	1	1	137	1	0	1	0	0	138	2	2	10	0	0	14	124	285	
Dankosh	286	1	5	1	0	94	1	0	0	0	0	95	1	2	0	0	0	5	90	286	
Union	287	0	0	0	0	56	0	0	0	0	0	56	1	0	2	0	0	3	53	287	
Omaha	288	1	3	1	2	413	1	0	0	0	0	418	0	13	11	0	0	24	394	288	
John Mercer	289	0	2	1	2	141	0	0	0	0	0	142	0	2	3	0	0	8	134	289	
Diamond	290	19	6	15	0	1542	19	3	0	0	0	1566	6	24	28	0	0	58	1508	290	
Monument	291	0	0	0	2	86	0	0	0	0	0	86	0	1	0	0	0	1	85	291	
	293	0	0	0	0	59	0	0	0	0	0	59	0	4	0	0	0	4	55	293	

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Kimball	294	1	10	0	1	174	1	0	0	4	0	0	179	1	3	5	0	0	9	170	294
Minatare	295	2	2	0	0	73	0	2	0	1	0	0	76	2	3	0	0	0	5	71	295
Cotner	297	2	7	3	2	283	3	4	1	0	0	0	291	0	4	9	0	1	14	277	297
Chester	298	1	1	1	0	53	3	1	0	0	0	0	57	0	3	3	0	0	6	51	298
Sutherland	299	1	0	1	0	78	1	0	0	0	0	0	79	0	1	0	0	0	1	78	299
Liberty	300	5	2	4	1	409	3	2	0	7	0	0	421	2	7	9	0	0	18	403	300
Bayard	301	0	1	0	0	74	0	0	0	0	0	0	74	1	0	0	0	0	1	73	301
Mizpah	302	12	14	8	2	1020	8	1	0	8	0	0	1037	6	25	12	0	0	43	994	302
Right Angle	303	2	5	3	0	465	3	0	0	0	0	0	468	0	18	5	0	0	23	445	303
Newman Grove	305	0	0	0	0	56	0	0	0	0	0	0	56	0	0	0	0	0	0	56	305
Golden Rod	306	1	1	1	0	70	1	0	0	0	0	0	71	0	1	0	0	0	1	70	306
Perkins	308	0	0	0	1	92	0	2	0	0	0	0	94	0	1	0	0	0	1	93	308
Winnebago	309	0	3	0	1	53	0	0	0	0	0	0	53	0	1	0	0	0	1	52	309
Victory	310	1	1	1	1	192	0	0	0	0	0	0	192	2	6	10	0	0	18	174	310
Polk	311	2	2	1	0	68	1	0	0	0	0	0	69	0	0	3	0	0	3	66	311
Oak Leaf	312	0	0	0	0	38	0	0	0	0	0	0	38	1	0	0	0	0	1	37	312
Potter	313	0	1	0	0	89	0	0	0	1	0	0	90	1	1	1	0	0	3	87	313
Craftsmen	314	8	2	6	1	548	6	2	1	1	0	0	558	4	19	4	0	0	27	531	314
Alpha	316	2	4	3	2	173	3	0	0	0	0	0	176	1	2	3	0	0	6	170	316
Mid-West	317	4	8	4	2	641	6	3	0	0	0	0	650	3	13	8	0	0	24	626	317
Grand Island	318	4	11	1	1	331	1	5	1	0	0	0	338	2	10	3	0	0	15	323	318
Bladen	319	1	1	1	1	34	1	0	0	0	0	0	35	0	1	0	0	0	1	34	319
College View	320	3	1	2	0	151	2	1	0	1	0	0	155	1	5	0	0	4	10	145	320
Harmony	321	3	2	1	1	53	0	0	0	0	0	0	53	1	0	3	0	0	4	49	321
Lebanon	323	3	4	4	1	210	4	0	0	0	0	2	216	0	6	11	0	0	17	199	323
Cairo	324	6	5	6	1	68	5	0	0	1	0	0	74	0	3	0	0	0	3	71	324
Bellevue	325	11	6	10	1	446	10	1	3	2	0	0	462	3	2	26	0	0	31	431	325
Centennial	326	6	8	3	4	483	2	0	0	1	0	0	486	3	10	12	0	0	25	461	326
Shiloh	327	2	1	2	1	86	2	1	0	0	0	0	89	0	1	0	0	0	1	88	327
Miloma	328	22	15	7	1	—	6	23	0	0	0	0	29	0	0	0	0	0	0	29	328

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VETERAN SECRETARIES

Who have served 25 years or more.

Roy T. Stiehl	Hay Springs No. 177	38 years
William E. Edwards	Alliance No. 183.....	38 years
Harve I. Lang.....	Litchfield No. 278.....	35 years
Floyd Christy	Trestle Board No. 162.....	33 years
Warren C. Hall	Nelson No. 77	33 years
F. Otto Nelson	Signet No. 193	30 years
Wayne Warden Loftis	Landmark No. 222	30 years
Bernard Besse Harris.....	Robert W. Furnas No. 265	30 years
Donald S. Hinman	Antelope No. 276.....	30 years
Clyde H. Jones	Robert Burns No. 173	30 years
Albert B. Osborn.....	Grand Island No. 318.....	29 years
Harley I. Simons	Cambridge No. 150.....	27 years
Harold K. Bond.....	Frank Welch No. 75	27 years
Merle P. Hayes	Superior No. 121	27 years
John J. Carter	Cement No. 211	26 years
Alvin C. Groesser.....	Euclid No. 97.....	26 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:

Your Grand Custodian has been back on the job full time this past year with no side effects whatsoever, insofar as his health is concerned.

Schools were held in Grand Island, Broken Bow, Stuart, Plainview, Beaver City, Tekamah, West Point, Bancroft, Lyons, Allen, Wakefield, South Sioux City, Wayne, Arlington, North Bend, Hooper, Fremont, Fullerton, Clarks, Columbus, Central City, Ashland, Ceresco, Elkhorn, Wahoo, Alliance, Morrill, Kimball, Omaha, Lincoln, Beemer, Madison, Norfolk and Wisner. Attendance in most Central Schools was good and it appears each year we have less errors to correct, making for better schools.

LODGE CERTIFICATION

We now show a total of 138 lodges certified, an increase of two over last year. Golden Sheaf No. 202 is back after losing them in 1966. Harlan Lodge No. 116 is back after many years absence. Potter Lodge No. 313 is back after an absence of three years. Our congratulations to these fine officers who want to see their lodges certified.

Your Grand Custodian is working on the records of each certified lodge to determine how many consecutive years they have been certified. This record should be completed this next year and recorded in the Proceedings of the 117th Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge.

This information now appears on the bottom of each certificate.

INDIVIDUAL CERTIFICATION

Following is the list, who have received their first certificate.

William G. Hurst	54	Roland E. McKinsey	302
Lester E. Sherfey	159	Leslie G. Weber	204
Saul Libowski	3	M. Dean McGrew	202
Thomas G. Nuss	121	Marvin R. Weber	202
Kenneth C. Kling	314	Kenneth G. Fleming	75
Carleton J. Crawford	281	Clarence R. Kuehn	210
Frank H. Koch	290	Phillip Warren	177

Robert C. Lawrence 183

Congratulations from your Grand Lodge, Brethren.

On April 8, 1973 your Grand Custodian along with T. Leo Stines, Grand Senior Deacon, Jack H. Hendrix, Grand Orator, Harold C. Wurde-man, Grand Marshal, Paul D. Fleming and D. Wayne Erickson, Deputy Grand Custodians, joined with the Officers and members of Harlan Lodge No. 116 and their ladies to honor W. . Axel T. Danielson.

A special plaque was presented to W. .Danielson for 50 years of continuous certification, making him the oldest certified man in the Grand Jurisdiction of Nebraska.

A special banquet was furnished by the Colonial Villa Rest Home in Alma with about 70 persons in attendance.

CORRECTION OF RECORDS

James A. Scott of Mid West Lodge No. 317, was first certified March 1, 1933. Somehow this date was in error and listed as 1953, a difference of 20 years. On November 22, 1972 the Grand Master issued a 20 year certificate of merit along with 25, 30, 35, and 40 year cards which were presented by Deputy Grand Custodian Arthur S. Dye in Hastings.

George B. Tonner of East Lincoln Lodge No. 210 was first certified November 1, 1932. This, too, was listed in error as 1952, a difference of 20 years. On October 24, 1972 the Grand Master issued a 20 year certificate of merit, and 25, 30, 35 and 40 year cards.

On November 16th, M. .W. . Brother Carl R. Greisen, who resides in Sun City, Arizona, along with M. .W. . Robert Henderson, Grand Master of Arizona, and M. .W. . Brother Gerald Craig, Grand Secretary Emeritus of Arizona, visited Brother Tonner in Phoenix and personally presented the honors on behalf of our Grand Master, M. .W. .Howard J. Hunter and your Grand Custodian. Our congratulations to Brothers Scott and Tonner and our heartfelt thanks to M. .W. . Brother Carl R. Greisen.

CERTIFICATES OF MERIT

We are again proud to issue Certificates of Merit for 20 years of service to the following brethren:

George S. Schwab	49	Lyman M. Campbell	33
Clyde Stratton	183	Arch Church	94
Elmer L. Pullen	277	Jerome Trunecek	184
Ross R. Robinson	54	W.J.B. McDonald	209
Loren J. Stromer	210	Richard L. Ely	128
George C. Mann	54	Fred M. Stearns	2
Lynn C. Moomey	56	Everett K. Dappen	265
Gerald D. Young	61	William G. Smith	313

George D. Brock 64

DEPUTY GRAND CUSTODIANS

The ranks of our Deputy Grand Custodians have remained constant this year and they are serving this Grand Lodge with labors well be-

yond the call of duty. How does this Grand Lodge say "thank you" to thirty-eight brethren for so much faithful devotion?

IN MEMORIAM

Charles M. Frederick, Deputy Grand Custodian Emeritus, Parian Lodge No. 207, Callaway. Born July 1, 1890, departed this life September 28, 1972. He received his degree in Long Pine Lodge No. 136 in the year of 1914, Demitted to Callaway in 1946. Declared the oldest certified man in this Grand Jurisdiction, June 1970, having first certified under Bob French in 1917. Served as Assistant Custodian from 1949 to 1964. Well done good and faithful servant, enter Thou into the joy of Thy Lord.

Most Worshipful Grand Master we hope we have served this Grand Lodge to your satisfaction and we thank you for the honor of the appointments.

My thanks to M.'W.'. Norris W. Lallman, Grand Secretary for his assistance.

To the Committee on Work, M.'W.'. Edward F. Carter, Chairman; M.'W.'. Louis V. Sylvester and M.'W.'. John A. Bottorf, thanks for your time and attention to the affairs of my office when necessary.

It is my hope that our ritual will remain at a high standard of proficiency, and that this time honored Fraternity shall always have workmen who needeth not be ashamed.

Fraternally submitted
Ralph W. Gerry,
Grand Custodian

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DOINGS OF
GRAND OFFICERS

The Committee respectfully submits as its report that the Address of M. W. Howard J. Hunter, be referred as follows:

To the Committee on Jurisprudence:

- The section on Dispensations.
- The section on Amendments to By-Laws.
- The section on Decisions.
- The section on Recommendations.

To the Committee on Grievances:

- The section on Trial Commissions.

To the Committee on Charters and Dispensations:

- The section on Consolidation.

The entire address reflects the Grand Master's devotion and service to the Fraternity. The Community recommends that all matters not herein specifically referred to Committee 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 Dispensations:

- The section on Consolidations.
- The section on Chartered Lodges.

To the Committee on Grievances:

- The section on Grievances.

To the Committee on Finance:

- The section on financial report, all report schedules relating to funds, statistical tables and reports relating to membership.

To the Committee on Returns:

- The section on Returns.

Our Grand Secretary continues to exemplify his ability to attend to the duties of his office. The Committee recommends that all matters not herein specifically 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. We are all indebted to the Grand Custodian and his assistants for their unselfish service to the Craft. The Committee recommends that all matters not herein specifically referred to Committee be approved and ratified.

Fraternally submitted

W. Byron C. Jenkins, 325 Chairman

W. Neal H. Penton, 256

W. Robert E. McDaniel, 328

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

W. J. Ansel Toft, Chairman, presented the report which was adopted:

Your Committee on Finance respectfully submits the following report: Each and every claim, supported by properly approved vouchers, was examined. The Auditor's report includes the individual receipts and expenditures, therefore, we do not deem it necessary to duplicate in this report.

ACTUAL INCOME 1972-73

Number of Master Masons on roll 12/31/71 - 39958.....	\$ 79,916.00
at \$2.00	
480 Initiation Fees at \$10.00	4,800.00
Investment Income.....	48,334.19
Sub-Total	133,050.19
General Fund cash on hand April 30, 1973.....	163,419.21
Affiliations 5 on demits more than 12 mo. old.....	50.00
Reinstatements (180).....	720.00
Miscellaneous Income	866.00
Custodial Fees	855.00
George Washington Memorial Association.....	391.00
	2,882.00
Unexpended Fund.....	\$23,924.92
	<u>299,451.40</u>

Due to the efficiency of the Grand Secretary and his staff, there were no exception of consequence to be reported at this time.

Your Committee Chairman expresses appreciation to W. Howard L. Patterson, W. Fitzhugh L. Browne, W. LeRoy C. Sutton and W. Harold E. Day, Jr., for their cooperation and help in making this survey and preparing this report.

PRELIMINARY REPORT OF THE
APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

W. Walter E. Truex, 55, Chairman, presented the report.

ANNUAL COMMUNICATION:

Payroll, 1973 Communication.....	\$ 8,000.00
Grand Master's Dinner	750.00
Printing Proceedings, Annual Communications	4,200.00
Grand Lodge Dinner — Delegatee —	1,800.00
Entertainment Distinguished Guests	800.00
Preparing Fraternal Review	300.00

Printing Fraternal Review	400.00
Printing Secretary's Desk Book.....	650.00
Printing Programs & Incidental Expense	650.00
Auditorium Expense.....	250.00
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	17,800.00

GRAND LODGE COMMITTEES:

Masonic Education.....	4,600.00
Masonic Relief Committee	50.00
Trial Commission	100.00
Grand Trustees (Audit Expense).....	2,530.00
Appropriations	25.00
Grand Lodge Office Committee	50.00
Finance	50.00
Nebraska Work.....	50.00
Grand Historian Expense	100.00
Relief Fund	5,000.00
Revision of law Committee	500.00
Masonic-Eastern Star Student Fund.....	1,200.00
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	\$ 14,255.00

TRAVELING EXPENSE:

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 direc- tion of Grand Master.....	2,000.00
Deputy Grand Master—Grand Masters Conference	450.00
Grand Masters Conference and Grand Secretary's Conference—dues and expenses.....	550.00
Masonic Service Association Training Program.....	350.00
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	\$ 17,450.00

SALARIES:

Grand Secretary.....	\$ 11,340.00
Grand Custodian	9,450.00
Grand Lodge Clerical Staff.....	18,750.00
Social Security	2,400.00
Federal & State Unemployment Insurance.....	450.00
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	\$ 42,390.00

FIXED EXPENSE:

Rent—Grand Lodge Offices.....	\$ 8,100.00
Museum and Library.....	150.00

Office Expense	6,600.00
Jewel, Apron for retiring Grand Master.....	300.00
Grand Lodge Supplies.....	4,000.00
Legal Fees	100.00
Fifty Year Buttons	1,000.00
Fifty Year Booklets.....	210.00
Retirement Benefit C.R.G.	4,646.40
Contribution to Retirement Fund.....	<u>4,057.00</u>
	\$ 29,163.40

INSURANCE ASSESSMENTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS:

Workmen's Compensation & Liability.....	75.00
Masonic Relief Association Dues	325.00
Surety Bond for Grand Lodge Officers and Employees	300.00
Grand Master's and Employees Car Insurance.....	275.00
Comprehensive Liability Insurance (all lodges).....	3,650.00
Office Contents—Fire Insurance	124.00
Masonic Service Association Dues	1,130.33
George Washington Masonic Memorial Association	700.00
Bi-Centennial Celebration in 1976	500.00
Hospitalization Insurance, Grand Lodge Employees.....	1,450.00
Nebraska De Molay	<u>750.00</u>
	\$ 9,279.33
Grand Lodge Operation — Total	130,337.73

GRAND LODGE RESPONSIBILITIES:

Masonic-Eastern Star Home for Children	\$ 24,030.00
Total Grand Lodge Budget.....	\$154,367.73
The Nebraska Masonic Home Budget	\$470,713.39
GRAND TOTAL	\$625,081.12

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.

This year, confronted with a rash of recognitions for the Grand Loja of Maranhao, situated between the states of Para and Ceara, both of whom have state grand lodges and both of which we recognize. My thought was, well we did that last year. But on re-reading that report, I found that although discussed, through some reason, hasty proof reading or something, I failed to actually move that they be recognized. So I do now formally move that the Grand Loja of Maranhao be recognized and Representatives appointed. Kurt Max Hansen is Grand Secretary of Foreign Relations; Nonato Augusto Barbosa is Grand Secretary and the address is Rua Jose Augusto Correia, Caixa Postal No. 4, Codo, P.E. Maranhao, Brazil.

We have also received in August, 1972, a request for recognition from the Grande Loja Do Estado De Goias. They were chartered in 1951 by Sao Paulo, whom we have long recognized. They now have 29 lodges. They seem to be well in order and I now move that they be recognized and representatives appointed. They seem to have been already recognized by 13 United States Jurisdictions, as well as all Brazilian and others in Mexico and South America. Their address is Ronaldo Jayme, Grand Secretary for Foreign Relations, Caixa Postal Relations 332, Ociaania, Goias, Brazil.

In reading the proceedings, I find many mention of requests from several Mexican Grand Lodges, but to date, we have had requests from none of them. We have long recognized the York Grand Lodge of Mexico, who are universally recognized by all United States and by most other Jurisdictions, but by a very few in Mexico itself, as it has lodges scattered over many State Grand Lodges and this is resented. Masonry in Mexico is nothing new. There have been lodges there since 1865. There are 20 State Grand Lodges, 19 of whom are recognized by one or more United States Jurisdictions.

Last year I mentioned trouble between England and Switzerland and that on May 10th, 1971 England had broken relations with that country. Now I have some good news. On June 14th, 1972, England rescinded their action and they are now in accord. We rejoice that this trouble has been resolved, at least for the present, and hope for always. Only Maine, Alabama, Florida and Georgia, in the United States followed England in this action. Ireland and Scotland did not. Most of the Australians and Canadians did not. As you all know, Switzerland has three borders: France, Germany and Italy. The lodges along these borders use the language of that district. As I understand the matter, their Grand Masters are elected in rotation from these three districts. Hence it would appear to me that it depends greatly upon which district the Grand Master comes from, that the strict enforcement of illicit visitation (mostly France) depends. They have many ties with the Grand Lodge of France, dating back to World War II.

Last year I made mention of action taken in regard to lowering of age limitation for candidates. So far as I know, North Dakota is the only state that has adopted age 18 as legal. It has been up in ten states and defeated mostly by large majority. The boys themselves have rejected it for in June 1972, at their Supreme Council Session, they considered the matter and expressed themselves as not in favor.

The Grand Lodge of China on Taiwan, held their 18th (they call it) session with the completion of the translation of the three degrees into Chinese. This has been a project almost from the start of this Grand Lodge. It lapsed from grace for several years, but was reactivated in 1961. They claim to show that our excellent tenets are and were in accord with the ancient sages in China. Hence they are more readily acceptable to the thinking mind of the Chinese candidate. To understand the difficulty of this work, you must remember that English and Chinese are two entirely different languages, without similar equivalents in many cases. However improvements in phraseology were made when deemed proper and necessary. Their Grand Master states that the translation is faithful to and as closely as possible to the original English text. M. W. Henry C. Clausen, head of the S.R.S.J. visited them this past year. They are now recognized by 82 jurisdictions. They have at least one DeMolay Chapter. They have three scholarships for students at their three Universities. Membership is about 800, with several hundred still behind the Bamboo Curtain. They are actually 22 years old.

For the first time England has recognized a Grand Lodge in Italy: the Grand Orient. They state that it is the predominant Masonic organization there, although there are other splinter groups, likely to continue, for as they say, Italy as a nation is only a century old. The Grand Orient has for twenty years avoided any political interference and has eliminated from their petition any reference to political affiliation whatever.

Turkey continues to increase its recognition list, the latest being that of Tasmania. After long investigation, the Grand Lodge of England has finally recognized it.

The Grand Master of British Columbia made a world tour last year, visiting England, Scotland and Ireland, India, China and others. In India he was much impressed at a church service by the presence of seven different Chaplains or Fathers of seven different religions, all members of lodges in India, who assisted.

Iran was recognized by Indiana, they now have at least 41 American recognitions. They seem to be getting along real well.

Now a little about the Grand Lodge of Japan. In their 15th year they have expanded from 11 lodges to 21. They have also increased from 2300 to now about 4781. Their goal of mostly Japanese is gradually being attained. After several translations, they have now found one to suit, having the same trouble as the Chinese, since many of their characters have the same phonetic pronunciation, but entirely different meanings. The appropriate Volumns of Sacred Law of the principle religions in Japan are now placed upon the altar. This is gratifying to those especially

born before 1941, who were taught that Masonry was an undesirable organization. Many Japanese have now been Master of their lodges and 5 or 6 have been Grand Masters. The Grand Lodge of England still has one lodge there; Scotland has two; Massachusetts one and the Philipines still has seven. The net gain last year in Japan was 75. 2,529,400 Yen was spent for charitable purposes, most of it for children. One lodge sent through high school, nine children, who otherwise would not be able to go. Their Sight Assistance Program has not done so well this year, because they had difficulty in obtaining corneas.

India is progressing in a satisfactory manner. Their 10th Anniversary was well carried out and attended by many outstanding Masons the world over. India has five different volumes of the Sacred Law on their altars, with a Bible Bearer for each. On three days no lodge can meet: Republic Day, Jan. 26th; Independence Day, Aug. 15th; and Mahatma Ghandi's birthday, Oct. 2nd. They now have 186 lodges and about 10,000 members. One cornerstone was laid for a new hall for Yadarindrah Lodge No. 141, the first in their history. Donoughmore No. 458 sent to Ireland the following volumes of the sacred law of India, same name as the Grand Master of Ireland: Bhagavigita, Garanth Sahib and the Zend Avesta.

The report of Grand Master Donoughmore of Ireland is filled, as can be expected, with fires, explosions, etc. The Grand Lodge met last October in the Province of Antrim, in Belfast. They met in the afternoon, since no transportation is available at nite at all. Several Temples have been severely damaged by bombs, but no lives have been lost, but damage has been extensive. Starting in 1921, Ireland became a republic, but the six Northeast Counties elected to remain with England and have representation in Parliment. These counties are mostly Protestant. In Dublin, seat of Grand Lodge there are 81 Lodges, in Belfast there are 120. Lodges all over Ireland change their place, date and time of meeting when necessary for safety and security. But in spite of it all, the Brethren are carrying on with good spirits and much faith. Two new lodges were warranted in Ghana. Like England and Scotland, Ireland has lodges the world over. They recognized Iran. The principle item of interest to us, was the closing of their Girl's School in June 1972. The reason given was the continual drop of applicants, especially from Protestant Ireland, where most of the girls came from. The reason for the drop was, that in this area, school facilities are now so good that it is unnecessary to leave home. In the South, not enough applicants were obtained. Capacity was 105 and only 59 were there then. They are not going to neglect these however, they will be placed in other schools. They are also going to make provision for the Staff also.

The Philipines have a very large territory. They have lodges in Guam, Okinawa, Japan, the Marshal Islands, the Marianas, Korea and Viet Nam. They are hopeful of improved relations with the Catholic Church. We wish them a lot of luck in that.

Australia is a large place, as I have said elsewhere in my regular report. New Zealand does not have a funeral service. Immediately after

the Minister has finished, the Master will announce: "Friends, these sprigs of Acacia are symbols of our Masonic belief, that death is not the end of all, but that life goes beyond the grave and in love and sorrow, we lay them on the casket of our brother, firm in that faith." They then pass around and deposit the same. No other statement is made and no signs are given. New South Wales has a fund to assist small lodges to buy or build adequate accommodations. They elect both Wardens together, the one getting the larger vote becomes the Senior and the other the Junior. Their Grand Master laid down strict rules for Masonic Dress, which seems peculiar to us. The Grand Lodge of Victoria is the Junior in rank there having been formed only in 1889. At that time they had 137 lodges and 7,000 members. Now they have 826 lodges and 100,000 members. In the past three years they have erected their new Temple in Melbourne. This cost five million dollars and will be paid for in five years, all by voluntary donations. Then they have a hospital that cost two million, with 160 beds, open to all, with only about 40% masonic patient load. Then they have a nursing home with 200 beds for elderly people, probably the best Geriatric Hospital in Australia. They have a new booklet for the non-Mason to read. Their Grand Master, who is a doctor, always tells his staff, many of whom are Catholics where he is going on a trip and why. He is proud to be a Mason and thinks that every Mason should be and that if we are to succeed, we must do more for the community in which we live. In his own lodge, Philatelic, they had three candidates this year, against none for three years but he says stamp collectors are a funny bunch. Another example of class lodges. He said, speaking of another Grand Master: "who but an inspired leader would come and give a lecture, eat supper, finish the lecture and then drive 400 miles to his home." He is confident that Masonry will continue to be a force, since it has the attributes that have endured for centuries. Tasmania has 76 lodges and 8457 members. They recognized Turkey. They have two Homes. They always seem to get fine Grand Masters. South Australia has two Homes, which seem to be on a pay basis, but at such low rates, residence is almost a gift. Sitting room/bed flats are \$3.50 a week; 3 room flats are \$4; double units are \$4.75 and some others \$2.50 and this includes everything. New buildings are planned with all expenses to be borne by the State and from donations. They publish a paper with a years subscription of about the cost of 7 pkgs of cigarets. West Australia has what they call the Apprentice Hour. All E.As. are welcome the 4th Tuesday after they are initiated. They inspect their wonderful building at Perth, meet the Grand Master and other officers, have refreshments, etc. They turn down Jobs Daughters. They placed a Memorial Stone in their Temple at Perth in honor of those lost in their armed services. Outside they care for 32 children, 10 men and 85 widows.

Last year I asked for \$100 for the Commission on Recognition of the Grand Masters Conference, but I cannot find that anything was done about it. I see where little Idaho, with a few thousands of members gave their usual \$25.

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. M. .W. .

Sir: I move that this report be received and adopted, spread in full on its minutes, and that its recommendation be adopted and followed.

Sincerely and fraternally submitted--
William Ballou Wanner
March 2nd, 1973

At 11:50 the Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment.

FRIDAY, JUNE 8
FIRST DAY AFTERNOON SESSION

At 1:30 the Grand Lodge was called from refreshment to labor.

PRESENTATION OF THE SUNSHINE BUGGY
BY
CHARLES TANSLEY, MOBILE NOBLES

Brother Charles Tansley of the Mobile Nobles of Tangier Shrine of Omaha presented to President Wm. F. Patterson the Keys to a new Sunshine Buggy for the Nebraska Masonic Home at Plattsmouth.

Brother Tansley called the attention of Grand Lodge to the beautiful building that houses our Home.

He had a breakdown by ages of the residents of the Home and made a beautiful talk that was of great interest to all present.

He emphasized the care and functions of our Home to again remind all the Brethren how valuable a part our Home plays in the lives of our less fortunate members who find it a haven in time of distress.

The Sunshine Buggy had not arrived so slides were shown of one like it. There is a hydraulic lift to raise wheel chairs which will be helpful. It is air conditioned and specially heated for winter.

Everything modern and new has been incorporated in the new Buggy to make it the very finest.

Following the showing of the slides and Brother Tansley's Presentation, the Key was handed to President Patterson who spoke in acceptance of this great gift as follows:

WILLIAM F. PATTERSON, PRESIDENT OF THE NEBRASKA MASONIC HOME GAVE THE RESPONSE:

From: The Badge of a Shriner:

"We have taught the world it's something to be chosen by the Shrine."

To that I'm sure we'll all agree.

I've found it's something to be a mobile noble also.

Please remember that this is only one unit of Tangier Shrine.

These men have all paid a per-capita tax in their Blue Lodge. Also, \$15,000 for the Shrine Hospitals of North America. That is in addition to their dues.

They have accepted their obligation to the activities of their Temple, local and national and found the ability to serve others less fortunate such as the residents of our Home.

What else these fine Nobles do, I do not know, but I know that they do other wonderful things without saying much about it.

Now here is their record with your Home.

Organized in 1959, chartered in 1960.

First year — a Crate of oranges.

All the money they had. Following that each year, have remembered the Home at Christmas or during the year.

In 1965, gave the Home the present "Sunshine Buggy". Fully paid for when we got it.

We have used it daily. Wheel chair residents specially appreciate it.

Following this, we needed an amplifier for our P.A. System. They gave it. Then they asked one year what else we needed.

We needed a pool table. We got one, cues and balls. It's still in use but this year they recovered the worn top.

Then we got a set of new tires for the present buggy.

All the last year we've heard we might someday get a new buggy.

Today, we have it. And what a buggy.

Brethren and Nobles, our cup runneth over.

To the Lord of all peoples I pray:

*That the sunshine may always be warm on your face
and the wind of cool evening be refreshing to your back.*

May you never thirst for water nor friendship.

*I beg that both be clear, sweet and fresh as a mountain
spring and as abundant.*

May every person you speak to be friend.

*Not as men are so often called Friend,
but as firm as your faith in a hereafter and as everlasting
as the sands of time.*

*May you be nourished by the milk of human kindness
stimulated by the music of good companionship
and exalted by the faith of all whom you meet.*

*And when your day is ended, be it to wake again
on this Earth or with Him — my life is richer
for I am one of those who call you — Friend.*

REPORT OF THE NEBRASKA MASONIC HOME

My Brethren:

On behalf of the Officers and Trustees of your Home, I am pleased to give you our report at this Communication.

As to our Residents, the population continues to remain constant between the 70's and 80's. Less than half that number are ambulatory. The others must be cared for in their rooms and require considerable nursing care. Many will never be out of bed again. Some must be spoon fed.

This condition has always prevailed. No person requests residence at the Home until they find they are unable, by lack of health or funds, to make it outside. This is a perfectly human trait. While every effort is made to preserve human dignity in our Home, some of it must essentially be lost in group living.

I would venture to estimate that no Home in this country goes as far to assure each resident's complete dignity as does your Home, yet it is a rare case that comes to us unless and until they have to.

With the average, I have reported to you in numbers and with an average age above 80 and rising, nursing care around the clock is a major requirement.

Our nursing staff more than measures up to this need.

A long time ago we found that diet was most important to elderly people. It is carefully observed. Plenty of good food subject only to diet requirements regularly plays an important part in the general health of our residents.

We also determined that the average person does well on three meals a day. They gain on four.

If you have ever been hospitalized, you probably got a snack either in the afternoon or in the evening. We do the same thing and for the same purpose. Our people stay remarkably well.

We add one more ingredient to all this care. A very simple commodity. It's love.

Many of our people at this age level have few, if any, friends or relatives yet living. Therefore, it is all the more necessary for them to have someone sincerely concerned about them. They get it and we mean it. This is why most of our residents are happy people.

Medical and Dental Care is kept at its usual level of excellence. The new Dental room right in our own building is now in regular use. We are indebted to good friends for this as we have reported before.

We continue to be remembered in wills and bequests of friends who dearly love us. In most cases, we do not know until they are gone that quietly and without ostentation they have seen to it that we were remembered. We are most grateful.

We have told you many times that the Endowment Fund is our only hope for total Endowment.

This fund started when the Home first came into being. It is still going and slowly growing. We can only use the income from this Fund which in late years we have had to do but the principal will forever remained untouched.

This is nothing new. The Masonic-Eastern Star Home for Children at Fremont, Nebraska, has an Endowment Fund.

The Shrine has one that started years ago for their hospitals only. Many of its hospitals are now totally endowed while others are on the way.

Rising costs delay these matters but they work so long as believing friends such as ours continue to remember to leave something behind for suffering humanity.

All these Orders including ours will in time reach its goal.

When that great day comes, the income takes over the expense of making certain for all time, operating costs are paid.

There could be no greater aspiration. I again invite your consideration to join in the privilege of helping make certain your Home will always be here to do the job we have set for it to do.

You could leave no greater monument to your love of your fellow man.

The Seal Fund continues to do its important part in assisting in the constantly rising cost of operating your Home.

I'm sure its not news to you that at Thanksgiving time our ever faithful friends, 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 rolled in on time with those big semi's full to the brim with food.

Lodge after Lodge contribute to this each year and we thank each and every one of them for never failing to remember us.

I've been reporting this each year to you for a long, long time, but everybody connected with the home each year get a new feeling of goose bumps to see this unfold.

This is hard work, Brethren, and it takes dedicated men and Lodges to keep it up year after year. I wish there was a better way than this feeble effort to let them know how this is appreciated. It is needed and they know it and they know how we all love them for it.

I can't help but also wish that more Lodges and members could catch some of the fire behind this wonderful act of Brotherly Love. If that ever happens, we'll all be off to the races.

Christmas as always was a big event. There were many guests Christmas Eve. There were presents for all our residents in abundance made possible by the Masters and Wardens of all the Lodges in our State.

In addition, the Shrine Legion of Honor of Tangier Temple, Omaha, presented the Home a portable T.V. set. Badly needed and much appreciated. They are also recovering our pool table.

Our entire nursing staff spent Christmas Eve and Christmas Day with their charges. A pretty nice Christmas gift itself.

Now, the Christmas tree is down and we're back to the job as before.

We hope for a continuance of your support in what we do in your behalf.

The Mobile Nobles of Tangier Temple have purchased a new "Sunshine Buggy" for the Home. It is equipped with Air conditioning, Power Steering, Power Brakes, Heavy Duty Heater, and it will also have a tail gate lift for the easy handling of wheel chair residents. This replaces the Sunshine Buggy that was presented to the Home in 1965 by the Mobile Nobles. Words cannot express our gratitude for this wonderful gift. This is one of the the Mobile Nobles Philanthropic projects, and will be appreciated by every one in the Home.

Space is too limited to thank but a few of the many, many friends to whom we owe so very much. The Lodges, Chapters, Councils, Commanderies, Masters and Wardens, Order of the Eastern Star Chapters, the Youth Groups, to name a few.

We are indebted to Sister Catherine Kennedy, worthy Grand Matron, and Brother Earl N. Hanel, worthy Grand Patron of the Order of the Eastern Star for their support and help throughout the year.

Our Grand Master, M. W. Howard J. Hunter is also a Trustee of our Home. His assistance in the Government of our Home, as well as in his position as Grand Master, has been invaluable.

Our Superintendent, Raymond F. Evers, remains tireless in a job that knows no hours. Efficient, skilled, touched with loving tenderness, he is loved by all our residents.

Our Secretary, M. W. Norris W. Lallman is not permitted by Grand Lodge to receive pay for his work for the Home. He works hour after hour as if he was the highest paid man in Nebraska. It is his labor of love.

Now lastly to my Brother Trustees, uncompensated except for the satisfaction of serving those less fortunate in this crazy world where peace is prayed for but rarely found.

This breed of men, ten of them past Grand Masters out of the fifteen.

Four of the 15 are 33 Degree Masons.

All of the 15 are either past Masters of their Lodge or affiliated bodies they work hard, with all the talent they possess to make your Home something to be proud of. They succeed.

I salute them.

Thank you, my Brethren, and may God bless you.

President William F. Patterson

REPORT OF THE
MASONIC EASTERN STAR STUDENT FUND

M. W. Elmer E. Magee, 227, presented the report, which was adopted:

To the Grand Master and the Members of the Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Nebraska:

Your Masonic-Eastern Star Student Fund Committee submits the following report:

As many of you are aware, the responsibility of our joint committee is that of sponsoring our young people who are residents of the Children's Home in Fremont in their further education after high school graduation.

A year ago our Committee requested an appropriation of \$625.00 from each of the Grand Bodies to assist a high school graduate from the Home through his first year of higher education at Kearney State College. However, during the summer this lad made the decision to defer his college education until some later time and did not enroll in college last fall. Therefore, this appropriation was not used this past year.

This spring another young man has graduated from Fremont High School. We interviewed him in February with respect to his college education, and as a result of this interview together with other pertinent information obtained by our Committee, we have approved him for sponsorship at the University of Nebraska at Lincoln, beginning with the summer school session. We estimate financial assistance required to provide this sponsorship through the two summer sessions and the first school year will be \$2,400.00, to be shared equally by the two Grand Bodies. The Grand Chapter O. E. S. has approved their half at their Grand Chapter meeting last month.

We respectfully request that the Grand Lodge approve an appropriation of \$1,200.00 as our share of the cost of the education of this lad through next May.

The young man we propose to sponsor has been a resident of the Children's Home in Fremont since he was a small lad, and our Committee is confident that he intends to pursue his studies with the ultimate goal of a degree in psychiatry with a sincere appreciation to the Grand Lodge and Grand Chapter for making his college education possible.

ELECTION OF GRAND OFFICERS

M. W. HOWARD J. HUNTER, Grand Master, announced that the hour had arrived for the election of Grand Officers, and appointed the Deputy Grand Custodians to act as tellers, W. Harold D. Weddel, 61, Chairman.

The following Grand Officers were elected:

Brother Frank J. Mattoon, 75	Grand Master
Brother Donald R. Swanson, 54	Deputy Grand Master
Brother Harold Hultman, 39	Grand Senior Warden
Brother T. Leo Stines, 36.....	Grand Junior Warden
Brother Norris W. Lallman, 72	Grand Secretary

Later in the session appointment was made of:

Brother Harold B. Taylor, 6	Grand Chaplain
Brother Bevin B. Bump, 158	Grand Orator
Brother George W. Rosenlof, 314	Grand Historian
Brother Ralph W. Gerry, 281.....	Grand Custodian
Brother Harold C. Wurdeman, 323.....	Grand Marshal
Brother Alfred B. Saum, 46	Grand Senior Deacon
Brother Jack H. Hendrix, 174	Grand Junior Deacon
Brother Kenneth G. Fleming, 75.....	Grand Tyler

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON GRIEVANCES

W. Clarence M. Pierson, 19, Chairman, presented the report, which was adopted:

Your Committee on Grievances reports that a member of Fremont Lodge No. 15 was suspended on January 31, 1973 after a trial held on said date on a complaint of unmasonic conduct; that the findings of the Trial Commission of indefinite suspension is not commensurate with the severity of the offense committed and should be modified, and your Committee offers the following resolution and moves its adoption:

BE IT RESOLVED that the findings of the Trial Commission be modified and that the former member of Fremont Lodge No. 15 be expelled.

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

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

The 63rd Annual Meeting of the Association was held on Monday, February 19, 1973, at the Memorial building in Alexandria, Virginia. In attendance from Nebraska were M. .W. . Howard J. Hunter, Grand Master, R. .W. . Frank J. Mattoon, Deputy Grand Master, M. .W. . Norris W. Lallman, Grand Secretary, M. .W. . Carl R. Greisen, Grand Secretary Emeritus, M. .W. . Herbert A. Ronin and M. .W. . Charles F. Adams. Vice President of the Association.

We were pleased to see that work of installing the exterior granite around the base of the building had been completed so that the Memorial Building is not fully constructed. We also learned that the exterior lighting on the tower had been installed for the upper floors and that it would be extended to the lower floors in the near future. The Grand Lodge of New York provided the funds for this improvement.

M. .W. . Brother John H. Hessey, Past Grand Master of Maryland, declined re-election as President of the Association and First Vice President Raymond C. Ellis, Past Grand Master of New York, was elected to the Presidency. Your Chairman was advanced from the office of Second Vice President to that of First Vice President. This is an honor that comes to but few of our Grand Jurisdictions, particularly those in the middle or far western parts of our nation. In my opinion, Nebraska should respond with generous financial support for the Memorial. It is the only monument or edifice in the United States in which all of the Masons from all of the Grand Lodges are participating.

M. .W. . Brother Ellis, our new President, will shortly issue a communication to all Grand Masters and Deputy Grand Masters concerning the finances of the Association, particularly the Endowment Fund. We are still short of our goal of \$5 million and it is up to many of the state Grand Jurisdictions, including Nebraska, to discharge their obligation under the so-called Pennsylvania Plan of contributing to the Endowment Fund an amount equal to \$1.00 per member and \$10.00 per lodge. Nebraska's quota under this plan will amount to approximately \$42,500.00. Your Committee feels that this money should not come out of Grand Lodge funds but should be provided by Nebraska lodges and Nebraska Masons on an individual basis.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FRATERNAL DEAD

W. L. LeRoy C. Sutton, presented the report.

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

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 respectand tribute to a select group of men who have lived and died, but have given much to the on-going cause of Freemasonry among us. All of these served well in their respective offices within our Grand Jurisdiction and within the framework of the Fraternity in other places. We, therefore, desire 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 the time they lived and served. We recognize the fact that they served well, but have completed their work, and have been called to higher duty.

The Grand Lodge of Nebraska has been blessed during this past year in not losing any of its Grand Officers or Past Grand Officers. For this the Grand Lodge should offer its gratitude to Almighty God for His favor extended to our men in this service to the Grand Lodge.

However, it is with sadness that we take note of the fact that there were 1,064 of our brethren within the Grand Jurisdiction of Nebraska that passed away during the year. We take note of the fact that these brethren served well, and have now entered into their reward after laying down their working tools that must be taken up by those of us who remain. Let our hearts be warmed by remembering them, and by following in their footsteps in the work of our craft. To each of these we believe has come the "welcome home" by a gracious Father Who is indeed appreciative for such service as all these men have given during their lives as Free Masons.

In addition to our losses, the Grand Secretary received notices that other Grand Jurisdictions have suffered the loss of twenty-five Grand Masters from twenty Grand Jurisdictions in the United States, five Grand Masters from five Jurisdictions in Canada, One Grand Master from Costa Rica, one Grand Master from Iceland, one Grand Master from India, one Grand Warden from New Jersey, one Grand Secretary from New Jersey, one Junior Grand Steward from New Jersey, and one Right Excellent Grand King from Indiana.

To the survivors of all these Brethren we offer our deepest sympathy and concern for the welfare of their families and Lodges. These Brethren will be remembered by our Grand Lodge for many years. We are all encouraged to keep these families in our thoughts and prayers for a long time believing that the work and activities of our Fraternity may be a comfort and encouragement to the memory of all of these.

REPORT
BOARD OF GRAND TRUSTEES
AS OF APRIL 30, 1973

M. W. John F. Fitcher, 302, Chairman, presented the report, which was adopted:

Again, as last year, we are compelled to report the loss of a most valued and dedicated member of our committee. Brother Fred S. Kuethe was killed in an auto accident on July 26, 1972. Brother Fred had a wide experience in the investment field. He was first employed, after graduation from college, in a large brokerage firm, later by an insurance company and at the time of his death he was the Investment Council for the State of Nebraska. Brother Fred had competed for and received the highest honor his profession can bestow on its members, that of Chartered Financial Analyst. He was a member of Nebraska Lodge No. 1, and a Past President of the Omaha-Lincoln Financial Analyst Society. His experience and desire to help the Grand Lodge in financial matters will be sorely missed in our future activities.

The Board of Grand Trustees has full charge of the purchase and sale of all investments and the management of the investment portfolio of both the Grand Lodge and The Nebraska Masonic Home. Among other things it is required to make an annual report to the Grand Lodge of its actions during the previous year. This includes advising the members of the Grand Lodge of the financial condition of both organizations.

FINANCIAL OPERATIONS OF THE GRAND LODGE

There are two Funds in the Grand Lodge which we must report on. The General, or operating, Fund and the Retirement Fund. Income for the use of the General Fund of the Grand Lodge amounted to \$142,008.46 with expenses of operation of \$135,396.91 leaving an excess of income over expenses of \$6,611.55. Income to the General Fund consists of dues, fees and miscellaneous sums received from the lodges, together with interest and dividends from investments. The sums received in 1973 Fiscal Year from lodges was down by \$3,600.00 and the expenses of operation of the Grand Lodge increase by \$5,095.54. Investment income amounted to 48,300, this sum together with the dues and other fees was used in the operation of the Grand Lodge except for 6,600 which was the surplus increased over that received in 1972 by approximately \$1,100.00.

More simply and briefly said our income is going down (and has been since 1969) and our expenses of operation are going up, so that our surplus is declining.

We suggest that we should begin to think seriously about this situation and move to either increase our dues for the operation of the Grand Lodge or find some way to reduce expenses. After all, a surplus of 6,600 can be wiped out in one year. In fairness we emphasize that it is not so much the increase in expenses of operation as it is a decline in receipt of dues and fees from the lodges. We are listing below the receipts from lod-

ges for dues and fees for the years shown.

1973 — \$85,050.00	
1972 — 88,661.00	1970 — \$90,964.00
1971 — 89,184.00	1969 — 93,160.00

Assets of the General Fund of the Grand Lodge amounted to \$1,023,069.50 an increase over 1972 of \$6,612.45. Assets consist of Cash, Investments (bonds and stock), Supply Inventory and nominal amounts for furniture and our interest in the Masonic Homes. Liabilities consist only of a small item of \$62.87 for taxes and in addition of course the General Fund Equity.

The Board of Grand Trustees operates the Retirement Fund of the Grand Lodge. Income to the Fund consists of contributions of the Grand Lodge and The Nebraska Masonic Home and Investment income. The Fund was established in 1965 by the Grand Lodge to provide Retirement Benefits for the Home and Grand Lodge employees in accordance with a Retirement Plan then adopted. Income to this Fund for the year ended April 30, 1973 amounted to \$46,360.53. Benefits paid out of the Fund to retired employees were \$8,073.20. The excess of \$38,287.33 has been invested to defray future liabilities of the Fund. Last year the Grand Lodge contributed \$6,334.00 and the Home \$25,000.00. Assets of the Fund comprising cash and investments total \$248,904.66. This is an increase over 1972 of \$38,360.83.

FINANCIAL OPERATIONS OF THE NEBRASKA MASONIC HOME

Income to the General or Operating Fund of the Home for the year ended April 30, 1973 was \$284,111.17 and expenses of Operation were \$469,494.80 resulting in an excess of expenses over Income of \$185,383.63. This deficit was defrayed by the transfer of money from the Endowment & Bequest Fund.

Income to the General Fund was derived as follows: Per Capita Tax or dues (\$79,916.00), Residents of the Home (\$147,977.20), Donations (\$12,726.38), and the Seal Program (\$43,491.59). The 1973 income to the General Fund was \$87,450.64 less than 1972.

Expenditures for operation of the Home exceeded those of 1972 by \$67,890.22.

Assets of the General Fund consist of Cash of \$96,262.20, Building and Grounds \$1.00 and Furnishings \$1.00.

All gifts and bequest to the Home are placed in the Endowment and Bequest Fund unless otherwise designated by the donors. Income to this Fund comprises Investment Income and bequests and gifts. There rarely is any expense of this Fund. Income from Investment of this Fund in 1973 was \$205,034.78. Gains from the sale of securities \$6,268.78 from gifts and bequest \$435,998.63. Bequest in 1973 exceeded those of 1972 by \$319,054.54.

Assets of the Endowment and Bequest Fund consist of Cash, Bonds, Stocks and Mortgages and as of April 30, 1973 amounted to \$3,819,129.41. This is an increase over 1972 of \$487,251.86.

Your Board of Grand Trustees pursuant to the requirement of our Law reviewed our security holdings at least four times this last year. We hold Bonds of at least 100 different Companies in all our Funds. With very few exceptions, all Bonds are in the three highest ratings as assigned by the Rating Services. All of the Bonds we hold are current in the payment of interest. All preferred and common stocks are regularly paying dividends. We hold six real estate mortgages which are to lodges and all loans are current as to payment of interest and principal.

INVESTMENT POLICY

At our meetings we discussed the many financial and political problems with which our economy was faced. Many of the problems definitely led us to the belief that the equity and money markets would probably react from time to time in a very indecisive way.

In the absence of dramatically favorable news the Board decided to assume a defensive posture and wait for more positive indications of the course of these markets. To make our money work to the fullest extent this indicated investments in short maturity securities.

In November 1972 we purchased Government Agency notes to mature on August 1, 1973. Other short term investments were made during the year until the total sum will amount to approximately \$450,000.00. Our goal is an 8% money market and an improved stock market this fall.

As we have stated the Endowment & Bequest Fund income has been used for a number of years to pay a portion of the operating cost of the Home. In view of the fact that \$185,000.00 of our \$205,034.98 income was used for this purpose, leaving only \$25,000.00 of that income, we examined our Bond maturity schedule more closely than in the past. This to protect against the eventuality of not having money available. Finding some early years when there were no maturities we purchased a total of \$100,000.00 Bonds maturing in amounts of \$25,000.00 in each of the years 1976, 1978, 1979 and 1983. This to protect against the eventuality of not enough income being available

The Board requests authority to attach to this report the usual figures from the Audit when it is received showing the financial condition of the Grand Lodge and The Nebraska Masonic Home.

Most Worshipful Grand Master, each member of your Board wishes to express its sincere appreciation for the opportunity to serve the Grand Lodge in its financial Affairs.

GRAND LODGE A. F. & A. M. of NEBRASKA
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
April 30, 1973 and 1972

ASSETS
GENERAL FUND

	1973	1972
Cash on hand and on deposit	7,344.21	175,786.48
Due from retirement fund	<u>73.50</u>	
INVESTMENTS:		
Commercial paper	155,010.00	
Bonds (quoted market value) \$592,292.50	709,792.95	688,755.53
Stocks (quoted market value) \$85,092.00..	148,597.59	148,597.59
Total investments	1,013,400.54	837,353.12
SUPPLY INVENTORY	<u>2,248.25</u>	<u>3,314.45</u>
OTHER ASSETS:		
Stock in 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.....	<u>1.00</u>	<u>1.00</u>
Total other assets	3.00	3.00
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	<u><u>\$1,023,069.50</u></u>	<u><u>\$1,016,457.05</u></u>

LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY
GENERAL FUND

LIABILITIES--Withheld payroll taxes.....\$	<u>62.87</u>	<u>61.97</u>
GENERAL FUND EQUITY.....	<u>1,023,006.63</u>	<u>1,016,395.08</u>
Total General Fund	\$ 1,023,069.50	1,016,457.05

RETIREMENT FUND

CASH -- Checking account.....\$	10,797.45	7,660.73
INVESTMENTS:		
Bonds (quoted market value) \$195,955.00	211,363.78	181,370.77
Stocks (quoted market value) \$22,777.50).	26,743.43	21,512.33
Total investments.....\$	<u>238,107.21</u>	<u>202,543.83</u>
TOTAL RETIREMENT FUND \$	<u><u>248,904.66</u></u>	<u><u>210,543.83</u></u>

THE NEBRASKA MASONIC HOME
 STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
 April 30, 1973 and 1972

ASSETS GENERAL FUND

	1973	1972
CASH ON DEPOSIT	\$ 96,262.20	121,645.83
PROPERTY:		
Buildings and grounds--Masonic Home	1.00	1.00
Furnishings--Masonic Home	1.00	1.00
Total property	2.00	2.00
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	96,264.20	121,647.83

GENERAL FUND EQUITY:

Capital stock--authorized 10,000 shares par value \$100.00 per share issued and outstanding 2,229 shares	1.00	1.00
Fund Surplus	\$ 96,263.20	121,646.83
Total General Fund Equity	96,264.20	121,647.83
TOTAL GENERAL FUND	96,264.20	121,647.83

ENDOWMENT AND BEQUEST FUND

CASH ON DEPOSIT	\$ 70,017.12	40,825.13
INVESTMENTS:		
Commercial paper	50,010.00	
Bonds (quoted market value, \$2,763,512.07)	3,073,516.27	2,782,279.72
Stocks (quoted market value, \$432,682.61)	576,016.68	453,202.97
Mortgages	49,569.34	55,569.73
Total investments	3,749,112.29	3,291,052.42
TOTAL ENDOWMENT AND BEQUEST FUND	\$ 3,819,129.41	\$3,331,877.55

REPORT OF THE GRAND HISTORIAN

W. George W. Rosenlof, Grand Historian, gave the report, which was adopted:

At this, the One hundred and sixteenth Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Nebraska, we have every reason to rejoice and be glad in the knowledge that our fore-runners did so well the tasks that were set before them. Were there any doubting Thomases among them, they have been difficult to find. With each succeeding year, these pioneers faced, with undoubted courage and unrelenting determination the many challenges facing them.

During these years, sixteen in all, we were ably led by seven individual Grand Masters, each in turn making an unquestioned contribution. Of the leadership of William E. Hill we need only to remind ourselves that it was he who had contributed so much to the establishment of our Masonic Home at Plattsmouth, the Boys and Girls Homes at Fremont and the creation of the Orphans Education Fund.

Plans are already being made for the suitable One Hundredth Anniversary Celebration of the Boys and Girls Home at Fremont just two years from now.

Certainly, we must remind ourselves that it was the Grand Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star that did yeoman service in the founding and establishing of this Home, or I should more properly say these Homes. This fact, does not in any sense of the word, minimize the efforts of this Grand Lodge of Masons. We should take a just pride in having a part to play in the joint effort thus undertaken and achieved.

During the coming months these lodges will be celebrating the one hundredth anniversary of their chartering:

1. Oliver Lodge No. 38, at Seward
2. Papillion Lodge No. 39, at Papillion
3. Humboldt Lodge No. 40, at Humboldt
4. Northern Lodge, No. 41, at Stanton
5. Hebron Lodge No. 43, at Hebron
6. Harvard Lodge No. 44, at Harvard

No less than eight lodges will be celebrating their one hundredth anniversary in 1974.

The Committee on Credentials submitted the customary report of a statistical nature. This committee indicated that there were 36 chartered lodges and furthermore 10 lodges under dispensation. The whole number of Master Masons was shown to be nineteen hundred and forty-three (1943). Significantly enough, there had been two hundred and sixty-three initiations (263); two hundred and twenty-one passings (221); and one hundred and ninety seven (197) raisings. Moreover, there were one hundred and twenty-seven admissions (127). In brief this represented an increase in membership of slightly less than 75 Master Masons. The Grand Orator,

Luther W. Osborne had observed that in every portion of the globe—including the Nebraska jurisdiction there has been a steady and sure increase in membership. In every portion of the globe where the elevating and refining influences of civilization and Christianity had been brought to bear upon mankind. Within the limits of our own order there had never been a more healthy and prosperous condition. Every increase of our population had added strength and stability to our Masonic institution. To quote him further "There has been a tide that has known no ebb, a vast tide of humanity constantly rolling over our borders. It has swept on in a resistless sway. It has covered our river bottoms; it has expanded over our broad, fertile, unbroken prairies and is opening up to civilization and to man a majestic commonwealth whose increasing grandeur the coming generations will perpetually unfold." He concluded from all this that they found a proportionate number of those who love and cherish and sacred principals of Free Masonry.

Free masonry, the Grand Orator maintained, was a universal morality which attached itself to the inhabitants of all climes and to the men of every worship. Its precepts, simple yet beautiful, were recognized then and they are so recognized in 1973. Any avoidance of these can surely be fatal to us now.

"Be just because equity sustains the human race.

"Be good—because goodness enchains all hearts.

"Be indulgent because, feeble thyself, Thou shouldst bear with the feebleness of others.

"Be kind because kindness secures affection.

"Be grateful—be modest—pardon injuries, render good for evil, be forebearing, temperate, chaste.

"Be a citizen and defend thy country with thy life."

Brethren, we were so admonished in 1873. Grant to us in 1973 the willingness to continue to be so admonished anew and incessantly.

These are critical days facing us now. Can we face them with the same high degree of loyalty, perseverance and steadfastness? Our answer must continue to be the answer of the pioneers in 1873.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON REINSTATEMENTS

M. W. Norris W. Lallman, 72, presented the Report for the Committee, the report was adopted:

This year, we handled twenty-nine or thirty applications for reinstatement. However, all of these have not been completed. Of this number twenty-one were recommended for reinstatement and the balance will be cleared up very shortly.

In filling out your applications be particular to include all information as this is very necessary. The Committee has agreed to reinstate any brother, if at all possible.

Thanks for your wonderful support and cooperation.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON GRAND LODGE OFFICES

W. L. Thomas H. Blanchard, presented the report which was adopted:

The members of the Grand Lodge Office Committee met on June 1st to discuss various matters pertaining to the operation of the Grand Lodge Office. As a result of this meeting we make the following recommendations:

1. We recommend that should any office equipment be needed during the next year that it be purchased and be paid for from the budget of Grand Lodge office expense.

2. We recommend that the salaries of all Grand Lodge Office employees be increased by 5%.

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.

REPORT OF TEMPLE BUILDING ADVISORY

W. L. Donald G. Hafer, 306, presented the report, which was adopted:

Activity of this committee has been at a minimum this year.

Culbertson Lodge No. 174 has made inquiry relative to remodeling the lower floor of the building occupied by the Lodge. However, this is a rented building and the problems arising incidental thereto have not been resolved at the time of writing this report.

Trowel Lodge No. 71 at Neligh submitted plans last August, apparently for remodeling of an existing building, but have never submitted any further information relative to ownership or financing, nor have they ever asked for approval of this committee.

A letter requesting some information on behalf of Oakland Lodge No. 91 was received last September, but there have been no further communications.

Northern Light Lodge No. 41 at Stanton, Nebraska forwarded a sketch of floor plans and exterior appearance, together with an estimate of partial costs, in March, 1973, but they have thus far not submitted any complete cost figures or any financial statement.

This committee has therefore approved no plans for the building or remodeling of any Lodge this past year.

This report is being written April 30, as the Chairman is leaving on April 25 for a vacation in Ireland, England, Wales and Scotland, and may or may not be back before the convention.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NEBRASKA WORK

M. W. Louis V. Sylvester, 281, presented the report which was adopted:

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

Your Committee on Work is pleased to advise that the report of your Grand Custodian has been submitted to us and continues to reflect the fine method and manner in which the promulgation of both the standard floor work and esoteric work has been carried on, and which report and from personal knowledge, indicates that it has been effectively done.

We are happy to advise that Worshipful Brother Gerry has fully recovered from the heart attack suffered a year ago. Although he is still under the supervision of his doctor, he has learned to space himself and as a consequence has been able to carry on his full normal schedule. The work throughout the state is being carried on in a most proficient manner and this Grand Lodge and the Committee on Work owe, to the Grand Custodian and to his faithful and dedicated Deputies, a great sense of gratitude for maintaining in the subordinate lodges, a standard of proficiency which has been the envy of many other Grand Jurisdictions. With very small remuneration for their many hours and long distances traveled, theirs is certainly a labor of love.

All vouchers and expense items of the Grand Custodian were submitted to and approved by the Committee on Work. The Grand Custodian has operated his department well within his appropriated funds. His concern in this regard attests to his sincere desire to operate his office with real fiscal responsibility. The Committee has examined the proposed budget of the Grand Custodian and we approve his request in the amount of \$8,600, exclusive of the Grand Custodian's salary. This is the same amount requested and appropriated last year.

No matters relative to the work were referred to the Committee for decision. This indicates that the standard esoteric and floor work has been accepted by the brethren, generally speaking, and that the little problems besetting us for a while have now vanished.

The Grand Custodian was again re-examined as to proficiency both in the floor and esoteric work in the three degrees, and your Committee is happy to advise that he retains an extremely high proficiency in these matters. In addition, the Deputy Custodians were all examined during the Custodian School in September, held in Grand Island. Two members of your Committee were present for these sessions and personally witnessed the proficient manner in which all work was done by these dedicated Deputies.

No new appointments as Deputies was recommended to the Committee, and subsequently to the Grand Master, for commissioning during this past year.

We now have serving in their respective districts 38 Deputies out of a permissible 40. As a result almost every lodge has the services of a Deputy who is ready and willing to help in that lodges desire to attain a high degree of proficiency. There are at present two districts or areas which could use a Deputy and the Grand Custodian is looking for a qualified brother to take over the work in these instances. We are hopeful that within the year this problem can be resolved.

This has been an extremely rewarding year for the advancement of the work in the lodges and your Committee on Work most humbly acknowledges the hard work contributed by our Grand Custodian and his Deputies.

At 4:15 p.m. Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment.

GRAND ORATION

Friday Evening, June 9, 1973 — Grand Lodge Banquet

FROM A COMMUNICATION TO A COMMITMENT

by W. J. Jack H. Hendrix, Grand Orator

Masons are justly proud of their use of colorful phraseology. Our ritual contains a flow of words which has been described by many linguists as the most beautiful in existence. It has been plagiarized by clubs and organizations and by most other lodges, but has never been equaled in style and grace. So, upon becoming a Mason, I was not particularly surprised to find that Masons did not have a "convention". Instead, they had a "communication." We are now holding our 116th Annual Communication.

As I advanced in Masonic knowledge, it became apparent that the words selected by the ancient Masons, propagated and altered by their successors, were chosen, retained and deleted primarily on the standard of meaning and not on the standard of form. And again, using this higher standard, it became obvious that our predecessors had chosen their word well.

The word "convention" comes merely from the word "convene", which generally means to get together. In this day and age at least the word has come to denote a frivolous get together. The usual vision of a convention is that of a collection of business or professional men overindulging in food, drink and risqué parties, and underindulging in the business at hand.

The word "communication", however, springs from the Latin word "communis"—to have in common. It means not only to convene, but further denotes communion, communication and community. And so we get together, not just for the pleasure of the moment, but for the higher purpose of communicating our respective ideas about Masonry and serving as a community of Masons with the overriding purpose of improving the Masonic community we love so much.

You know, the communication of ideas is a most rewarding process. Let's say you have a dollar and I have a dollar. We each have a dollar, we swap. Now, you have my dollar and I have your dollar. We still each have a dollar and nothing has really been accomplished. BUT, let us say you have an idea and I have an idea. We swap. I still have my idea and in addition I have your idea. You still have your idea and in addition you have my idea. We each have two ideas and we each are ahead of the game by one idea. There is an additional plus in the communication of ideas, because in our communion there lies inspiration which may actually create ideas. Ideas do not materialize in a vacuum; they materialize by stimulation, and communication with a brother is the best source of Masonic stimulation.

There is a further connotation of "communis", one that requires me to take some liberties with my Latin. But, as my old Latin teacher always knew, about the only talent I had in Latin was taking liberties with proper usage. This further connotation is verbally arrived at by changing the U and N to I and T and forming the word "commit" or "commitment". Communication can only result in action upon proper commitment. An idea not implemented is an idea deceased. Unless this communication results in commitments to action, we will have had nothing but a convention.

Like all good advice, giving it is easy, while following it is difficult. I see two principal obstacles in our path, the path of Masonic commitment.

FIRST: lethargy

SECOND: conflict between change and tradition.

Our natural lethargy is overcome by motivation. What may motivate each individual Mason certainly varies. As examples we might use some of our more prominent brethren such as:

Rudyard Kipling who appeared to be primarily motivated by a desire to create true friendships among men of every country, sect and opinion.

George Washington who appeared to be primarily motivated by a desire to enhance the love of God and spiritual teachings.

Caleb B. Smith, a moving force against the anti-masons, who appeared to be primarily motivated to preserve the ancient customs and usages.

Frank S. Land, DeMolay Dad No. 1 who appeared to be primarily motivated by a desire to create a new Masonic order for youth.

and yes

Solomon, King of Isreal, who appeared to be primarily motivated by the desire to build a new temple.

But whatever may be our individual motivation, we must always be cognizant of the motivating forces which may be moving in others, and which are also of benefit to masonry generally.

A strong deterrent to our commitments is the age-old conflict between change and tradition. In Luke 5:36 we read, "the new agreeth not with the old". Masonic lodges are particularly vulnerable to this obstacle because unified action requires substantial agreement of the brethren. There are bound to be differences of opinion, particularly where there has been original thought, but we cannot, we must not permit these to stultify and retard our progress.

And there is an alternative. Commitments may be made whereby our efforts proceed along the two avenues, each avenue culminating in better constituent lodges and a better Grand Lodge. One avenue preserves and improves, the old and one avenue initiates the new. Both avenues must be taken for real success and both have a proper place in our fraternity.

One of the things that gravitates men to Masonry is its ability to modernize while retaining basic principals. It is not necessary that we follow the watered down course of: "keep up with the times, but at a reasonable distance". You know change—whether to do it or not—how fast it should be done—and the areas of change—make up the decisions of life and the politics of the world. In every democratic country there are political parties representing conservatives and liberals. They may be called by different names, such as tory and whig or democrat and republican, but essentially in each country they represent two points of view regarding change.

One extreme point of view is that nothing should be changed.

Another extreme point of view is that everything should be changed.

But in reality, we are all a mixture of conservative and liberal, and the political parties gravitate toward being liberal in some things and conservative in others, until on occasion the very labels seem misnomers.

And so Masonry provides that ideal balance of permanency and change which accomodates good men of various political and personal persuasion. Among our brothers are or have been, such political liberals as:

Benjamin Franklin
William Jennings Bryan
Franklin D. Roosevelt
and Harry S. Truman,

and such political conservatives as:

Charles A. Lindberg
Douglas McArthur
Norman Vincent Peale
and J. Edgar Hoover.

Our conservative bent is easy to illustrate. We have but to refer to the first word in our title—it is not the word “Nebraska, the word “Mason”, nor even the word “free”. It is, instead, the word “Ancient” and embodies the thought that there are certain principles which we believe are unchanging and unchangeable. I must admit that I was disturbed to find that our landmarks could not be changed. After all, I had the feeling that all rules were subject to change. Upon reflection, however, it finally dawned on me that the landmarks were so basic that their abrogation would cause the fraternity to cease to exist as a Masonic Lodge. There might even be a fine organization left, but it wouldn't be Masonry. The commitments that might be made by the conservative Mason for the improvement of the fraternity are unlimited in number of course, but three examples of commitments which might be made by a Mason of a conservative nature are these:

FIRST EXAMPLE of such a commitment would be to provide recognition for accomplishment. When I was first appointed Grand Orator a teacher asked my daughter if I liked that sort of thing. “Oh yes” she answered, “he likes to write a speech, he likes to give the speech, and oh, how he does love afterward when people tell him how good he was”. Now, I am positive that speaking is over-recognized and other things are under-recognized. In our lodge we had what I believe to be the best oyster stew cook in the state. He did more for lodge morale than a flock of speeches, but I regret to say he didn't get the proper recognition. His health failed, and he resigned from our “stew crew”. We then remembered the old adage, “you don't miss the water until the well runs dry”. Some of us might like to commit ourselves to recognizing the water that is still with us.

A SECOND EXAMPLE of a commitment which might be made by one of conservative leanings would be to work in the ritual. To some Masons our ritual IS Masonry. To all, it remains the single most important area of Masonic existence. It distinguishes us from the myriad of “eat and burp” clubs and from the social clubs. Our work, shoddily performed, performed with levity, or performed without feeling alienates the candidate and the Mason alike. A commitment to the work may involve arduous chores, but is rewarded by benefit to the individual and to the fraternity.

A THIRD EXAMPLE of a commitment which might be made by one of conservative tastes would be in the nature of fellowship. Every person wants a companion. Without other people, there is no meaning in life. No thing on earth would be of importance if there were no other person alive. During WWII I had occasion in training to be all alone in the desert and observe the most beautiful sunsets imaginable. However, because I was alone, the beauty only made me more lonely. I longed to share the beauty, and was comforted only by the fact that I could try to describe them in a letter to my loved

ones. An indispensable part of Masonry is friendship and a brother who commits himself to making his lodge friendly for all, while perhaps not being original, is performing his great service. As long as there is a brother, in any lodge, who feels unwanted or ignored, we have, to that extent, failed our Masonic traditions.

Now let us turn to some of the progressive facets of Masonry. Masonry recognizes that times are constantly changing. Masonry flourished, not in the dark ages, but in the age of the renaissance. Only the very basic precepts of Masonry are forbidden from change. Generally, the means by which these precepts are promulgated may be altered and expanded according to the exigencies of the times and the desires of the brethren. While perhaps no more important than the retention of old ideas, the vision and implementation of new ideas comes about only infrequently, and requires more effort as well as the inspiration. Albert Einstein has said that he had only two absolutely original ideas in his whole life. Thanks to the Creator, there are those of us who can create—not heaven and earth of course, but something new for Masonry. Illustrations of new things are impossible, since if I know them, they are not new, but bear with me for some examples of the general areas where original thought is particularly required for the benefit of the fraternity.

FIRST EXAMPLE of an area where a progressive Mason might make a commitment would be in the building or remodeling of a temple. A change in our life style has accustomed us to more beautiful surroundings, air conditioning, wall to wall carpeting and other luxuries and ornaments. The symbols of Masonry are largely taken from the building of a beautiful temple. Of all places, our temples should be beautiful and modern. Yet, many do not reflect this ideal. A Mason with vision and drive might like to work in this field.

A SECOND EXAMPLE of a possible commitment for the Mason who may be full of inspiration and vigor would be in the sponsoring of a new chartered lodge. New suburban communities are springing up. If Masonry is to thrive, new lodges must become a part of new communities. No longer do we have just urban and rural in Nebraska. Suburbia is with us, and suburbia appears to be the wave of the future. You will recall in pioneer days a new town was shortly followed with a new Masonic lodge. Perhaps some of you can have a part in the formation of a new lodge. From talking to those who have had such a part, I can assure you that it is a most satisfying contribution to Masonry.

A THIRD EXAMPLE of a commitment which might be made by an enterprising and imaginative Mason might be to work on a special membership committee. Although our membership loss has been dwarfed by losses in many other established in-

stitutions, no loss is a good loss, and the decline of members in this Grand Jurisdiction of 906 from December of 1971 to December of 1972 must be of concern to us. I am reminded of the old gentleman who used to lay in bed and count the chimes of the grandfather clock. One night something went wrong with the mechanism, and he counted 10-11-12-13-14, and then he realized that something was amiss. He shook his wife and said, "Ma, Ma, wake up. It is later than it ever was". I am happy to state that our Grand Secretary reports a substantial upswing in our initiations for the first half of this year, but am sure that it is time for our most original thinking and prompt action regarding membership.

This is my fourth Grand Oration. Three years ago I gave my first. Its subject was the desirability of youth in our fraternity. My conclusion tonight, in my last Grand Oration, is like unto it, and may I express it as a fashion show. We certainly need the Mason in the black suit, white shirt, black tie and black shoes; but we also need the Mason in the hounds tooth double knits, pink shirt, flowered tie and white shoes—and of course we need all Masons who wear something in between.

SATURDAY, JUNE 9
SECOND DAY — MORNING SESSION

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

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Masonic Eastern Star Home for Children

W. J. Joe N. Lindquist, presented the report which was adopted:

Most Worshipful Grand Master and Distinguished Guests:

As President of the Board of Trustees of your Home for Children at Fremont, I am very pleased to bring you greetings from the Trustees, the personnel at the Home, and from the children.

It is also my pleasure to make this official report of the Board whom you have selected to manage the Masonic-Eastern Star Childrens Home at Fremont. The responsibility for the management of the Home rests with the Board of Trustees, consisting of seven members as representatives of the Grand Lodge and seven members as representatives of the Order of the Eastern Star. They are elected at the stockholders meeting in July and come from all over the state. This Board functions through many committees which are served by the various members of the Board who give a considerable amount of their time and efforts. I want to express my personal thanks to all members of the Board and to the Chairman of these various committees, who have cooperated so willingly. Without them, your Home could not function. Their only compensation is the pleasure and satisfaction which are theirs in doing a job they feel to be one of the most worthwhile assignments of our two Grand Bodies.

At the stockholders meeting last July, our Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Catherine Kennedy and our Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Earl Hanel, suggested since there was money available in their project fund, that air-conditioners be purchased. Two were placed in the Senior Boys Home and two in the Girls Home. Another thing they plan to take care of through their project is seven broken and leaking lavatories in the Senior Boys Home. They are over 50 years old.

There is considerable repair work that needs attention on the buildings this spring and summer. It is time again to paint the outside trim on all the homes. The gutters leak on all buildings, and the roof on the Administration building leaks in different places. The showers in the Senior Boys Home do not work. Concrete work needs to be done especially on the steps and sidewalks.

Trees are to be replaced but that will come from Sister Gertrude Placek, P.G.M., and Brother Ray Ruth, P.G.P.'s, "Project Pride."

Next years budget is \$118,060.00 as compared to the sum of \$116,092.00 for last year, but our askings from Grand Lodge and Grand Chapter is less than last year. Operational costs, salaries, food and supplies have necessarily been increased even though the number of children in the home has decreased. At the present time there are 15 boys and 5 girls. We have one boy graduating this year and he plans to go to the University of Nebraska and is sponsored by the Masonic-Eastern Star Student Fund.

Our endowment fund has been increased considerably this year through the estates of deceased Sisters and Brothers. Several general gifts have been received by the Home with instructions that the funds be used for capital improvements. The many contacts made by our Publicity Committee through their Mothers Day and Christmas Letters have brought in a sum that has helped tremendously. We would also like to thank the Shrine Clubs, Rainbow for Girls, Job's Daughters and DeMolay for all of their donations this past year.

Our children receive much more than just their physical needs of food, clothing and a place to live. They are given many opportunities to become involved in numerous and varied activities. For instance, many of our older children are given the opportunity to secure part-time employment. We feel this work experience will benefit them greatly when they leave the Home and begin their life's work. All children who have part-time employment are required to put part of their earnings in their savings accounts. When the child leaves the Home, this money becomes extremely important, especially if the child is seeking education beyond high school.

Our children are also involved in numerous organized activities such as Scouting, 4-H, DeMolay, etc. We encourage our youngsters to become involved in these organized activities since we feel they not only bring the children enjoyment but also teach many valuable lessons that will help them to become well-rounded citizens. We also encourage our children to become involved in their schools extra-curricular activities. We have several boys involved in sporting activities and some of them have done very well by winning varsity letters. Two of the boys have done especially well. Tom Bucy, who graduates this year, has been on Fremont's Varsity Swimming Team for three years with diving being his specialty. This year in Big Ten competition, he won the diving championship and in doing so, established a new record for most points ever scored in this event. Another one of our boys whom we feel is doing well is Scott Swift, who is only an 8th grader, but has already established himself as a fine wrestler. Scott is a big boy, over 6' tall and weighs over 200 lbs. I might also point out that both of these boys, besides being good athletes, are also fine students. We are very proud of these two boys but we are also proud of all our children who work hard to improve themselves whether it be in sports, music or school work. We know that not everyone can be a winner but the important thing is that they try.

We are again looking forward to another full summer of activities. Our 4-H program continues to serve as an important part of these activities. We will have beef cattle and sheep as our projects this year. Almost all the children have the opportunity to be involved in our 4-H activities

for which we are extremely grateful. Again, this would not be possible if our friends throughout the State did not support us by the donation of these animals.

This is everyones opportunity to practice Masonry in its most practical form. Many people ask, "What can I do as my part in this great work?" There are a great many things each member can do in furthering this work, maintain a high interest in the Home; be watchful for children of the proper affiliation who need the care of our Home; take part in Chapter and Lodge projects for the Home; acquaint new members with the work of the Home and their responsibility in assuring its success; and finally, perpetuate the ideals and principles of Masonry so that future generations may judge our efforts with pride in the care of needy and less-fortunate children.

"Sharing our good, whatever it is, will give to our hearts deepest joy;
No greater work can be done in this work than helping a girl or boy."

Most Worshipful Grand Master, it has been a pleasure to attend your 116th Annual Communication and to bring you greetings and this report from the Masonic-Eastern Star Home for Children.

REPORT OF THE MASONIC SERVICE ASSOCIATION

M. W. L. Herbert A. Ronin, Chairman, presented the report which was adopted:

Most Worshipful Grand Master and Brethren:

The Masonic Service Association once again serviced the Grand Masters' Conference traditionally held in Washington, D.C. during the week of February 22, 1973. The Annual Meeting of the M.S.A. was also held, which was attended by the Grand Masters of the 44 Grand Lodges who are members. Our Grand Master served on the Education and Publications Committee, whose report was adopted by the Association. Our Deputy Grand Master, R. W. Frank J. Mattoon, our Grand Secretary, M. W. L. Norris W. Lallman, M. W. L. Louis Sylvester and myself were also in attendance.

The subject of lowering the age at which one may be made a Mason was one of the highlights of the Conference. North Dakota and Idaho are two Grand Jurisdictions which have already enacted such legislation. Our Grand Master presented a very timely and scholarly message on "Masonic Age." I have noted that a number of Masonic publications have reproduced it and it is provocative of further consideration of this new development in Masonry.

Digests, Short Talk Bulletins, and reports were distributed by the M. S.A. to those designated by our member Grand Lodge Jurisdictions. An April, 1972 Bulletin was issued on Cabinet Members, Justices of the Su-

preme Court, Senators and Representatives who are Master Masons. Another Bulletin was issued in October, 1972 entitled "Masonic Questions Answered by the Courts" by Alphonse Cerza, 33^o of Illinois, which contains a brief description of judgments in actual cases in which Masons or Masonic Bodies were involved. A current list of Oldest Living Freemasons with the names of men who have been Masons 70 years of more was published.

In 1972 Special Reports included "Membership Statistics - U.S. Grand Lodges, 1971"; "Lowering Age for Initiates", and a survey on "Life Memberships".

To supply the continuing demand for copies of previous Digests, Bulletins, Plays, or other materials compiled by the Association, considerable reprinting had to be done in 1972. There are over 600 Short Talk Bulletins available, most of them being reprints for which requests continue for these useful essays on a wide variety of Masonic subjects, providing good Masonic literature at low cost. Our research library and reference files enable us to answer many inquiries from Masonic students and scholars from all over the world.

The Masonic Service Hospital Visitation Program continues to expand thus serving more patients. The number of hospitalized veterans continues to grow annually. The patients are increasing their requests for assistance. Many volunteer groups assist our Masonic Field Agents. As Masons we are proud of this service which is being conducted in the Veterans' Administration Hospitals in 33 of our states. Nebraska joined the Masonic Service Association for educational purposes only and has never joined in the Hospital Visitation Service which requires additional expense. This expense is not great as our Field Agents are generally Masons who are retired from their usual vocation and enjoy this benevolent work even though this compensation is limited. Our neighboring jurisdictions of Wyoming, North and South Dakota, Minnesota, Iowa, Missouri and Kansas enthusiastically maintain Hospital Visitation Programs.

We had \$350.00 in our Budget again last year for the expenses of some Nebraska Mason to undergo training under an experienced Field Agent in a Veteran's Hospital. None of this was spent. One interested brother applied, but an illness prevented him from taking the necessary training. I recommend reappropriation of another \$350.00 for this purpose which sum can only be expended under the express approval of our Grand Master. I would be delighted to hear from any Master Mason who would be interested in becoming a Field Agent.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RETURNS

M. W. Herbert A. Ronin, Past Grand Master, presented the report which was adopted:

Your Committee on Returns respectfully submits the following report:

The Committee has examined the Annual Returns of the 253 subordinate Lodges for the year 1972 and find that in general, these reports are satisfactorily prepared by Lodge Secretaries.

These Annual Reports are due to reach the Grand Secretary's Office on or before February 10th and we wish to report that all Lodges have filed their Annual Returns with the exception of three Lodges delinquent in their Monthly Reports.

While omissions of required information on these Annual Returns do occur through oversight, we wish to commend the Lodge Secretaries for their prompt and efficient rendition of their Annual and Monthly reports.

Annual Returns requires the imprint of Lodge Seal of which we found 29 Lodges overlooked applying to their reports.

Name and date of presentation of Bronze Jordan Medal Member should be shown on report each year regardless of any change in name fo wearer. 15 Lodges omitted the name of their distinguished member.

These reports should be personally signed by the Master and Secretary of each Lodge and we must report that several Lodges were not in compliance with this requirement.

It is the suggestion of this committee that Lodge Secretaries make continued use of the Monthly Progress Report, keeping it up to date to avoid errors in Membership accounting.

We also wish to highly 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 Annual Returns.

REPORT OF PUBLICITY COMMITTEE

W. L. Lester Way, Chairman, presented the report which was adopted:

Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers of the Grand Lodge, Brethren:

It is with regrets that I must report that your Publicity Committee has not for more than two years functioned as it should. However, the Committee has made every effort in recent months to correct this situation.

The Committee has forwarded releases concerning this Grand Lodge communication to over 260 newspapers, 7 radio stations and 13 television stations across the state.

We hope that with additional personnel on the Committee (and an increase in the budget, if allowed) we cannot only give better coverage of Grand Lodge activities, but also, provide written communications between Grand Lodge and Constituent Lodges and in this manner provide communication between the Constituent Lodges.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHARTERS & DISPENSATIONS

W. Charles W. Jacob, Chairman, presented the report which was adopted:

Your Committee on Charters and Dispensations respectfully submits the following report for the consideration and approval of the 116th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Nebraska.

The following lodges were consolidated:

Mystic Tie No. 166 at Tilden with Trowel No. 71 at Neligh on June 12, 1972.

Roman Eagle No. 203 at Pender with Bancroft No. 145 on January 8, 1973.

Prudence No. 179 at Beaver Crossing with Utica No. 96 at Utica on April 20, 1973.

Amethyst No. 190 at Stapleton with Cable No. 225 at Arnold on April 20, 1973. We concur with these consolidations.

The following lodges failed to be represented at the 114th & 115th Annual Grand Lodge Communications.

Bancroft Lodge No. 145, Bancroft
Merna Lodge No. 171, Merna
Parian Lodge No. 207, Callaway
Sioux Lodge No. 277, Harrison
Amethyst Lodge No. 190, Stapleton

Amethyst Lodge No. 190 at Stapleton has since consolidated with Cable No. 225 at Arnold.

Bancroft No. 145 was represented by W.M. Floyd Glissman and Senior Warden Harold Lewin who gave a satisfactory explanation.

Merna Lodge No. 171 was represented by W.M. Robert L. Hostick who gave a satisfactory explanation.

Parian Lodge No. 207 was represented by Past Master Al Asmus who gave a satisfactory explanation.

Sioux No. 277 was represented by Past Master Arthur From who gave a satisfactory explanation.

The following named lodges failed to be represented at the 115th and 116th Annual Grand Lodge Communications and should be cited to appear before the Grand Lodge Committee on Charters and Dispensations at the 117th Annual Communication to show cause why their charter should not be forfeited in accordance with Section 2-514.

Mt. Moriah	No. 57	Syracuse
Faith	No. 181	Crawford
Crystal	No. 191	Scotia

Beemer	No. 253	Beemer
Ornan	No. 261	Spencer
Oasis	No. 271	Morrill
Newman Grove	No. 305	Newman Grove

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MASONIC EDUCATION

M. W. Howard J. Hunter, 59, Chairman, presented the report, which was adopted:

Your Grand Lodge Committee has put in a year of trial effort in finding out what type of meetings would be of most service to our Craft in Nebraska.

We conducted some of our area meetings of 20 to 25 lodges calling for Masters and Wardens and other interested Master Masons with a dinner, including the ladies, concluding an afternoon meeting.

We also conducted pilot meetings called Mini-Area Meetings, consisting normally of 6 lodges a piece at a tiled Table Lodge in the evening only with a light meal and holding our instruction at the Table Lodge. These pilot meetings held at various parts of the state were an unconditioned success. We had 100% attendance in each case with joyful participation and fellowship.

Our conclusion was that both type meetings were useful and necessary to the Nebraska Craft.

This coming year we will be stressing the need of leadership training and selection in the officers of each of the subordinate lodges and will continue to be of any help desired by the Master, Wardens and brethren of those lodges particularly to their local Education Committee. It is hoped that the present Wardens will be carefully considering the selection of members of their Education Committees and utilize their help in making their programs for the year interesting and informative.

I am especially grateful for the individual support and contribution to our work by our Committeemen.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS

W. Clyde H. Jones, 173, Chairman, presented the report which was adopted:

Your Committee on Credentials report that all lodges were represented except the following: 52, 57, 64, 68, 87, 95, 98, 100, 113, 126, 127, 168, 181, 185, 191, 193, 202, 253, 258, 261, 266, 271, 273, 274, 276, 291, 295, 305, 310.

Total number of lodges 250, number not represented 29. Lodges not represented for the last two Annual Communications: 57, 181, 191, 253, 261, 271, 305.

All Grand Officers were present and all Past Grand Masters except M. W. Edward F. Carter, George A. Kurk, William C. Schaper, Edward Huwaldt, Herbert T. White and Merle M. Hale.

REPRESENTATIVES OF LODGES

		MASTER	SENIOR WARDEN	JUNIOR WARDEN
Nebraska	1	Abraham Temin	Howard C. Speck	Ralph R. Carleton*
Western Star	2	Alvin A. Willis	Melville E. Conley*	Henry E. Schemmel*
Capitol	3	Wesley Lindahl*	Saul Libowski	John H. Gardner
Nemaha Valley	4	Melvin Andres	Clay W. Kennedy*	John Sierks
Omadi	5	Roger Bartels	William F. Haafke	George Paulsen*
Plattsmouth	6	Norman Henry	Theodore Yelick	Roy L. Smith
Falls City	9	J. Chris Horn	W. L. Hull*	Harvey D. Hinz*
Solomon	10	Philip A. Lorenzen	.....	.....
Covert	11	Stanley P. Street*	Albert O. Bangert	D.D. Meinershagen
Orient	13	Louis L. Buising*	.....	.....
Peru	14	John Grafton	.....	.....
Fremont	15	Floyd R. Mckenzie*	Larry D. Ludvigsen	George A. Iverson
Tecumseh	17	.....	Willis H. Sellhorn	.....
Lincoln	19	Clarence L. Weaver	Floyd A. Sterns	Robert W. Gettman
Washington	21	Harvey Heinzerling	.....	.....
Pawnee	23	Charles K. Harding	Donald Glenn	.....
St. Johns	25	Kazou Ikebasu	Max E. Obrecht	Albert L. Johnson
Beatrice	26	Theodore R. Leitschuck	Larry D. McKee	Ronald L. Miller
Jordan	27	Donald C. Gerberling	.....	.....
Blue River	30	.....	Ronald F. Minchow	.....
Tekamah	31	Ralph M. Anderson, Jr.	Richard W. Miller	Ralph M. Anderson, Jr.*
Platte Valley	32	Robert L. Petersen	.....	Loren J. Stevens
Ashlar	33	Roland G. Scott	Norman Brock-elsby	Richard H. Reed
Acacia	34	Joseph Hoffman*	.....	Emil Payer
Fairbury	35	Clarence F. Black, Jr.	.....	.....
Lone Tree	36	Harley T. Riley	Richard H. Svitak	.....
Crete	37	Carl A. Boden	.....	G. Everett Darrington
Oliver	38	Richard L. Besse	.....	.....
Papillion	39	Ernest B. Sowl	Richard E. Doll	Paul F. Opocensky
Humboldt	40	J. M. Stalder	Galen Vaughn*	.....
Northern Light	41	Loren D. Tejkl*	.....	.....

Hebron	43	Jack E. Chapman	.....	Lloyd O. Schepler
Harvard	44	Clarence R. Farrand	Carl H. von- Spreckelsen	.....
Rob Morris	46	Richard L. Cepel	Alfred B. Saum*	Alfred Schadt
Fairmont	48	.....	.....	Harry L. Bohling
Evening Star	49	William D. Bergen	Duane E. Mau	.....
Hastings	50	Robert L. Gipe	Robert A. Bennett	Melvin L. Carlson
Fidelity	51	Frank Straka	Herman F. Hansen	.....
Hiram	52	.....	.....	.....
Charity	53	Ivan C. Miller	.....	.....
Lancaster	54	Melvin E. Hatfield	Ernest M. Barney	Eugene C. Sibley
Mosaic	55	.....	Walter E. Truex*	.....
York	56	Harold D. Elkins	Owen L. Donohoe*	.....
Mt. Moriah	57	.....	.....	.....
Wahoo	59	Donald L. Veskrna	Willia A. Salkeld	Marion Moline
Melrose	60	Ernest A. Humes	Roscoe N. Johnson*	.....
Thistle	61	Harold D. Weddel*	Harold D. Weddel*	.....
Keystone	62	Robert C. Mabon*	Robert F. Peard*	Tom Reinecke
Blue Valley	64	.....	.....	.....
Osceola	65	Edward E. Watts	.....	.....
Edgar	67	.....	.....	.....
Aurora	68	.....	Kenneth Killion	Kenneth Killion*
Sterling	70	Robert L. Albrecht	Ivan Lamb	.....
Trowel	71	J. Otto Beyer	.....	Melvin E. Johnson
Hooper	72	Irwin Osterloh	Lawrence Huntman	Jack E. Luther*
Friend	73	Marvin H. Kraus	.....	.....
Frank Welch	75	.....	Keith L. Simpson	Kenneth G. Fleming
Nelson	77	J. Philip Wehrman	Ivan L. Schafer*	Frank Harris*
Albion	78	John S. Williams	John S. Williams	John S. Williams*
Geneva	79	Howard W. Hamilton	Steven L. Flader	.....
Composite	81	Wendell Ruth*	Leonard Davis*	.....
St. Paul	82	Henry Kilpatrick*	.....	.....
Corinthian	83	Thomas M. Gustafson	Thomas M. Gustafson*	Thomas M. Gustafson*
Fairfield	84	Warren Wilson*	.....	.....
Ionic	87	.....	.....	.....
Star	88	David R. Farber	Clark Beck*	Victor N. Webster
Cedar River	89	.....	Arna A. Petersen*	K.E. Cunningham
Oakland	91	Melvin R. Linder	Harry L. Scheffel*	.....
Beaver City	93	Victor A. Graham	Glenn W. Cornell	Victor A. Graham*
Bennett	94	George E. Barksdoll	Larry TeSelle	Richard D. Miller
Garfield	95	.....	.....	.....
Utica	96	Ray E. Cain	.....	Arvon Engel
Euclid	97	Ronald D. Svoboda	Harold J. Domingo	.....
Republican	98	.....	.....	.....
Shelton	99	Alvin A. Jacke*	Walter Rayback*	.....
Creighton	100	.....	.....	.....
Ponca	101	J. B. Choat	Richard Taylor	Harry Stammer
Waterloo	102	Harvey W. Hansen	Dean D. Bull	.....

Ord	103	Howard D. Stephens	Keith D. Belton	.....
Wymore	104	Don Leitschuck	.....	.....
Stella	105	Earl Hicks*	Earl Hicks	Earl Hicks*
Porter	106	Austin S. Bacon*	.....	.....
Table Rock	108	Gary H. Bedea	.....	.....
Pomegranate	110	Robert E. Jones	Burdette L. Perryman	Arthur W. Laughlin*
DeWitt	111	Ralph Devol*	.....	.....
Springfield	112	Harry N. Ahl*	Harry N. Ahl*	Harry N. Ahl*
Globe	113	.....	.....	.....
Wisner	114	Gerald D. Johnson	Gerald D. Johnson*	A. K. Gentzler*
Harlan	116	Robert A. Lloyd	Robert A. Lloyd*	Robert A. Lloyd*
Hardy	117	Clyde Washington	Clyde Washington*	Clyde Washington*
North Bend	119	Willis Walla	Kenneth D. Beeve	Willis Walla*
Wayne	120	Kenneth L. Dahl	John V. Addison	George O. Macklin*
Superior	121	Tom Nuss	Dale C. Gourley	.....
Auburn	124	Claude Matthews*	Frank A. Able	Frank A. Able*
Mt. Nebo	125	David F. Olson*	David F. Olson	Clarence E. Christensen*
Stromsburg	126	.....	.....	.....
Minden	127	.....	.....	.....
Guide Rock	128	Dean E. Curtis	Rodney P. Ely	.....
Scribner	132	Richard H. Swanson	Richard L. Porter	Murray Hormel*
Solar	134	Danial G. Grafe	Danial G. Grafe*	Danial G. Grafe*
McCook	135	Chester J. Johnson	Walter J. Hosick	Dwight L. McKee
Long Pine	136	Norman Johnson*	Norman Johnson*	Norman Johnson*
Upright	137	Glen Leitschuck	William Yarge*	Leonard Steiner*
Rawlat	138	Alfred H. Nissen*	Alfred H. Nissen*	Alfred H. Nissen*
Clay Centre	139	Glenn F. Sperry*	Wesley E. Keiser	Glenn F. Sperry*
Western	140	Rolland L. Winter	William Krajnik	Rolland L. Winter*
Crescent	143	Warner Doughty	Alex Long*	.....
Bancroft	145	Floyd H. Glissman	Harold D. Lewin	Floyd H. Glissman*
Wachin	146	Arthur Anderson*	.....	Harley G. Lofton Sr*
Wiloam	147	Ora R. Yarges*	Ora R. Yarges*	Ora R. Yarges*
Custer	148	Ivan D. Nelson	Marvin R. Talbot	Harold Grooms
Cambridge	150	John H. Brown*	John H. Brown*	John H. Brown*
Evergreen	153	Hans A. Little	Homer F. Birch*	Hans A. Little*
Lily	154	Vivian Virchow*	Vivian Virchow*	Vivian Virchow*
Hartington	155	Louis G. Riibe*	Louis G. Riibe*	Louis G. Riibe*
amaritan	158	John B. Seikert	Alfred D. Barker	.....
Ogalalla	159	K. Loy Baumann*	K. Loy Baumann	Paul Pascoe*
Merredatha	160	Willard Gumaer*	Willard Gumaer*	Willard Gumaer*
Mt. Zion	161	Harry Lees	Harry Lees*	Harry Lees*
Restle Broad	162	C.W.Boellstorff*	C.W.Boellstorff	C.W.Boellstorff*
Unity	163	Louis D. Jeffrey*	Louis D. Jeffrey*	William L. Jeffrey
Atkinson	164	Ervin L. Krumm	L.F. Griffin	Erwin L. Krumm*
Arneston	165	Dale L. Novotny	Donald D. Riemann	.....
Wood	167	Henry J. Roether	Henry J. Roether*	Willard Jack*
Curtis	168	.....	.....	.....
Unity	169	Robert M. Higgs*	Robert M. Higgs	Robert M. Higgs*
Mason City	170	Clarence A. Lamb	Clarence A. Lamb*	Clarence A. Lamb*

Merna	171	Robert L. Hostik	Robert L. Hostik*	Robert L. Hostick*
Robert Burns	173	Daniel J. Rife	Daniel J. Rife*	Daniel J. Rife*
Culbertson	174	Jack H. Hendrix*	Jack H. Hendrix*	.....
Temple	175	Carl O. Dixon*	Carl O. Dixon	Carl O. Dixon*
Gladstone	176	Anton J. Bubak*	Anton J. Bubak*	Anton J. Bubak*
Hay Springs	177	Charles W. Fortune	Charles W. Fortune*	Charles W. Fortune*
Justice	180	Kenneth L. Fraiser, Jr.	Thomas M. Jones	K.L. Frasier, Jr.*
Faith	181	.....	.....	.....
Alliance	183	John C. Wright*	John C. Wright	.....
Bee Hive	184	Joseph R. Grady	H. L. Getzschman	Joseph Horky
Boaz	185	.....	.....	.....
Meridian	188	William LaCroix*	Gary D. Wilcher	.....
Granite	189	Edgar A. King*	Edgar A. King	Edgar A. King*
Crystal	191	.....	.....	.....
Minnekadusa	192	Deal B. Barnes	Wm. H. Luther*	U. Wesley Fox*
Signet	193	.....	.....	.....
Highland	194	Carl Bonebright	Carl Bonebright*	Carl Bonebright*
Arcana	195	William R. Annett, Jr.	Eugene F. Harris	.....
Purity	198	James H. Bragg*	James H. Bragg	James H. Bragg*
Gavel	199	M. K. Brinegar*	M. K. Brinegar*	M. K. Brinegar*
Blazing Star	200	Dean Robinson	Dean Robinson*	Dean Robinson*
Scotts Bluff	201	M.W. Steinbrecker	M.W. Steinbrecker*	Ezra A. Good
Golden Sheaf	202	.....	.....	.....
Plainview	204	Fred C. Gardner*	.....	.....
Golden Fleece	205	Lynn Clark*	Douglas E. Smith	Douglas E. Smith*
Parian	207	Allston Asmus*	Allston Asmus*	Allston Asmus*
Canopy	209	R.K. Althouse	R.K. Althouse*	R.K. Althouse*
East Lincoln	210	Gladwyn A. Youngs	N. H. Dusenberry	Nelson W. Rittenburg*
Cement	211	P.A. Quisenberry	P.A. Quisenberry*	John Williams*
Plumblin	214	Earl S. Dorsey	Earl S. Dorsey*	Earl S. Dorsey*
Occidental	215	Arnold H. Hahn	.....	Richard M. Nielsen
Palisade	216	Fred C. Krotter	.....	.....
Wauneta	217	Teddy D. Anderson*	Teddy D. Anderson*	Teddy D. Anderson*
Bloomfield	218	Robert L. Kuhl	William D. Cook	Robert L. Kuhl*
Relief	219	Chalmer T. Wilkerson*	C. T. Wilkerson*	C. T. Wilkerson*
Magnolia	220	T. Ray Hill	Leonard A. Gutzman	T. Ray Hill*
Wood Lake	221	Gene Schlueter	Kenneth D. Wheeler	Gene Schlueter*
Landmark	222	William R. Trotter*	Cameron Jackson	Wayne W. Loftis*
Eminence	223	Gerald A. Higgins	.....	.....
Silver Cord	224	Clyde Pike*	Clyde Pike*	Clyde Pike*
Cable	225	Wm. M. Watkins	Wm. M. Watkins*	Wm. M. Watkins*
North Star	227	Merril Stewart	Dennis R. Smith	Ray C. Sperry*
Bartley	228	Roy Hart, Jr.*	Roy Hart, Jr.*	Roy Hart, Jr.*
Comet	229	Kenneth L. Hanson, Jr.	Jerry Mullins	Jerry Mullins*
Mt. Hermon	231	Douglas A. Brown*	.....	.....

John S. Bowen	232	.....	Lowell E. Neumeyer	Walter Wrich*
Gilead	233	Max O. Brown	William P. Wills	.....
Zion	234	Gerald J. Kaschube	Gerald J. Kaschube*	Gerald J. Kaschube*
Fraternity	235	Gail Axen	Leo Jensen	Owen Jenkins*
Golden Rule	236	Kenneth L. Linofelter*	.....	.....
Cubit	237	Walter L. Hartman	Lloyd Ferguson	.....
Friendship	239	Robert E. Comer	.....	.....
Pilot	240	Donald A. Swanson	Garland O. Ramsey	Walter Sorensen*
George				
Armstrong	241	Gerald B. Eriksen	Lloyd Hurrell	Lyle D. Curley
Hampton	245	Kenneth Schultz*	Kenneth Schultz*	.....
Nehawka	246	Marvin Gregg	Wilber Whited	Edward H. Snyder
Laurel	248	Robert E. Mason	.....	Walter Brachvogel*
Gothenburg	249	Gordon Williams	Gordon Williams*	Gordon Williams*
Geo. Washington	250	Charles G. Shell	Ardiane M. Davis	Scott R. Brown, Jr.
Wausa	251	Lynn Doty	Walter Lundeen	Floyd Dawson*
Beemer	253	.....	.....	.....
Bassett	254	Norman J. Hixson	Norman J. Hixson*	Richard Mauch*
Hickman	256	Neal H. Penton	.....	D.G. Buettgenbach
Anselmo	258	.....	.....	.....
Ornan	261	.....	.....	.....
Endeavor	262	Louis C. Puelz*	.....	.....
Mitchell	263	Stevan V. Johnson	.....	.....
Franklin	263	.....	.....	.....
Robert W.				
Furnas	265	Frank S. Buck	Richard A. Jolliffe	Willard J. Moore
Silver	266	.....	.....	.....
James A.				
Tulleys	267	Max L. Keim	.....	.....
George W.				
Lininger	268	Edward C. Reynolds*	Merrill Carlson	Lauren D. Faist
Oasis	271	.....	.....	.....
Lee P. Gillette	272	Harry H. Moller*	.....	.....
Crofton	273	.....	.....	.....
Olive Branch	274	.....	.....	.....
Ramah	275	Robert L. Davis*	Robert L. Davis*	Robert L. Davis*
Antelope	276	.....	.....	.....
Sioux	277	Arthur From*	Arthur From*	Arthur From*
Litchfield	278	Harve I. Lang*	.....	.....
Wallace	279	Dwight S. Jameson	.....	.....
Swastika	280	William W. Steen*	.....	William W. Steen*
Florence	281	L. Kenneth Frost	C. J. Crawford	.....
Mullen	282	John M. Jones	.....	.....
Seneca	284	Jake R. Hanks*	George W. Merz*	.....
Camp Clarke	285	Louis C. Newkirk	.....	.....
Oshkosh	286	Clifford Stahly*	.....	.....
Union	287	Merl C. Sorensen	B.D. Weatherhogg*	Merl C. Sorensen*

Omaha	288	Herbert M. Chambers	Myron J. Widger, Jr	.....
Lotus	289	Robert R. Swanda	Grant Asher	.....
John J. Mercer	290	Carl E. Parmenter	Richard L.Savicky	Wm. A. Blake*
Diamond	291	.....	.....	.....
Monument	293	Allen H. Chambers	.....	.....
Kimball	294	John D. Knapp*	John D. Knapp	John D. Knapp*
Minatare	295	.....	.....	.....
Cotner	297	Harlan H. Adams	Russell Quinn	Frank S. Dougherty
Chester	298	Neal J. Eickman	Wilbert E. Crouse	Clarence E. Palmer*
Sutherland	299	.....	Wm H. McCune	.....
Liberty	300	Burney J. Bouslough	Raymond S. Prieb	Donald D. Nielsen
Bayard	301	Maurice Anderson*	.....	.....
Mizpah	302	John F. Futcher*	William F. Fuller	John F. Futcher*
Right Angle	303	Donald L. Mahan	Wade E.Sheppard*	Richard T.Allbright*
Newman Grove	305	.....	.....	.....
Golden Rod	306	George Hillman	Morris Hermbloom	Leonard B. Bond*
Perkins	308	Arthur L. McCormick	Martin N. Olsen	Arthur L. McCormick*
Winnebago	309	Clarence J. Allen	Douglas E. Wilcox	Neal Nelson*
Victory	310	.....	.....	.....
Polk	311	Don Shoup	Carroll Shenk	Mervin Carlson
Oak Leaf	312	John Lightfoot*	John Lightfoot*	.....
Potter	313	Ralph E. Anderson	Ralph E. Anderson*	Ralph E. Anderson*
Craftsmen	314	.....	Randall L. Keefe	Reinholdt Drieth
Alpha	316	Frank J. Boeshart	Keith Rector	.....
Mid-West	317	Richard M. Goehring	Arthur S. Dye*	Homer C. Davey*
Grand Island	318	Earl N. Hanel	Gary F. Albright	Albert B. Osborn*
Bladen	319	Harold Lutkemeier	.....	.....
College View	320	Beryl Copas	R. George Meininger*	.....
Harmony	321	James B. High	.....	.....
Lebanon	323	Gerald L. Overturf	Robert E. Lund*	L.S. Pennington*
Cairo	324	Raymond E. Johnson	Richard Heckman*	Franklin Myers*
Bellevue	325	Charles W. Jacobs*	Byron C. Jenkins*	James L. Hoover, Jr.
Centennial	326	Melvin Selberg	R.L. Schellhase	Charles B. Tansley*
Shiloh	327	Jack A. Zerzan	John W. Laughlin	Eugene J. Clifton
Miloma	328	Robert E. Mc Daniels	Herbert Moberg	Howard Muckey

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RELIEF

W. Paul L. Toombs, 290, Chairman, presented the report, which was adopted:

Most Worshipful Sir:

Your Committee on Relief has had another routine year.

During the past year we responded to the request of the Most Worshipful Grand Master to contribute to Disaster Funds of Rapid City South Dakota in the amount of \$500.00 and to Nicaragua in the amount of \$200.00. We assisted Covert Lodge No. 11 with \$100.00 for their relief. The total amount expended was \$2,642.00 which includes our regular annuitants and the above. Considering the number on the rolls as of December 31, 1972 this amounts to \$.068 per member. The disaster funds make this a little higher than usual.

We work closely with the Masonic Relief Association of Omaha and have wonderful cooperation from them.

As we have had no other requests for relief assistance, it is assumed that the constituent lodges are handling their own, without assistance.

M. W. Howard J. Hunter, Grand Master:

At this time we will discuss the proposed amendments to the By-laws that we will have to vote on. M. W. Grand Secretary will you read the amendment?

RESOLUTION NO. 1 — BE IT RESOLVED: that section 1-104--Votes in Grand Lodge of the Constitution, to read as follows:

Section 1-104 -- Votes in Grand Lodge -- Every officer and member of the Grand Lodge, including Deputy Grand Custodians shall be entitled to one vote in his individual right and no other, nor shall any member vote by proxy, except as provided in Section 1-102 of the code. A majority of the votes cast shall determine all questions, except as provided in Section 1-502 of the code. A roll call shall be ordered at the request of three members. This change will give the Grand Tyler and the Deputy Grand Custodians a vote in Grand Lodge.

M. W. Charles F. Adams, Past Grand Master:

In the opinion of your Paliamentarian, you can not properly amend a By-law and attempt to give a vote to a person who is not a member of the Grand Lodge. In my opinion, and I believe I speak for the Grand Master, in order to create someone or some group other than those already created as members, it will be necessary to amend Article II of the Constitution.

M. W. Howard J. Hunter, Grand Master:

Thank you, M. W. Brother Charles. It is my ruling, brethren, and I think it is fair and right and if it is decided in the wisdom of the Craft that such or any such move is necessary or appropriate, they should take the necessary steps to do it properly. So, will the Grand Secretary read the second proposed amendment.

RESOLUTION NO. 2 — BE IT RESOLVED: that the Grand Lodge delete Section 3-102 (d) Chapter 1 under Masonic offenses. This does not intend to alter Section 2-904 which has to do with a petitioner.

M. W. Howard J. Hunter, Grand Master:

Now my brethren, this resolution is open for discussion before we vote. I am assuming that all of you were informed that this By-law is up for ballot at this time. If any Brother wishes to speak for or against this By-law, he may do so at this time. After the discussion we will vote on the proposed amendment.

I would like to appoint W. Brother Harold D. Weddel and ten of his Deputy Grand Custodians to be judges and tellers.

The proposed amendment did not receive the necessary two-thirds majority and the resolution was defeated.

RESOLUTIONS PRESENTED

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

The undersigned, being members of The Grand Lodge of the Most Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of Nebraska, do hereby propose and second the following Amendment to the Constitution of the Grand Lodge:

1. That Article II MEMBERS be amended to read:

ARTICLE II MEMBERS

The Grand Lodge shall consist of a Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master, Grand Senior Warden, Grand Junior Warden, Grand Secretary, Grand Chaplain, Grand Orator, Grand Historian, Grand Custodian, Grand Marshal, Grand Senior Deacon, Grand Junior Deacon, Grand Tyler, Deputy Grand Custodians with such other officers as it may from time to time create; together with the Masters and Wardens or their proxies, duly constituted, of the charters lodges under its jurisdiction; and such Past Grand Masters and Past Deputy Grand Masters as are members of a subordinate lodge

2. That the original Article II is hereby repealed.

BE IT RESOLVED — that Section 1-407—ALLOCATION OF FUNDS— be amended to read as follows:

The per capita tax of \$5.00 shall be divided as follows:

The Nebraska Masonic Home	\$2.00
To the General Fund	3.00

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

Previous section 1-407 and subsequent amendments be repealed.

M. .W. . Howard J. Hunter, Grand Master:

The above resolution will be placed on file to be acted upon at the 117th Annual Communication.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON JURISPRUDENCE

M. .W. . Russell L. Fickes, Chairman, presented the report of the Committee on Jurisprudence, which was adopted section by section, then as a whole.

Those sections of the report of the Grand Master which were referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence, have been carefully reviewed and your committee makes the following recommendations pertaining thereto:

DISPENSATIONS

The several dispensations requested and granted, as shown by the report, appear proper. The refusal by the Grand Master to grant a dispensation to change the date of a regular stated meeting also appears to have been proper. We believe that, in future reports, a Grand Master will provide guidance to the craft by a brief summary of the basis upon which all such requests are made.

We recommend the approval of the section on Dispensations of the Grand Master's report.

AMENDMENTS TO BY-LAWS

We recommend the approval of this section of the Grand Master's report.

DECISIONS

1. We recommend the approval of Decision number 1 and call attention to the fact that the by-laws of a subordinate lodge may be amended to provide that when a regular meeting falls on a legal holiday a substitute date may be designated, however, the meeting must be held on a date as established by the by-laws.

2. We recommend the approval of decision number 2 of the report.
3. Masters and subordinate lodges are now responsible for the determination as to physical capability of a petitioner (Sec 2-904 as amended 1960) We feel that decision number 3 is more of a personal recommendation than a decision as Grand Master. In that light, we recommend its approval and that the same not be annotated in the Code.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. We recommend approval of recommendation number 1.
2. Recommendation number 2 is for the appointment of a standing committee and would require an amendment to Section 1-301. We suggest that a Grand Master has authority to appoint a special committee for the accomplishment of any Masonic purpose and to assist him in the guidance and administration of the Grand Lodge. We recommend disapproval of Recommendation number 2.
3. We recommend that Recommendation number 3 be limited to allow payment of 10¢ per mile only where the established rate is now .08¢ per mile and that this recommendation not be construed as amending any by-law regarding transportation to the Grand Lodge. With this limitation, we recommend approval of recommendation number 3.
4. As presented, recommendation number 4 would be discriminatory. We recommend that this recommendation be disapproved.

The jurisprudence Committee recommends that the Codification Committee be requested to prepare an amendment to Section 2-901 of the By-laws to provide for reduction of the age of a petitioner from 21 years to 19 years.

5. The income of the Grand Lodge is not sufficient to carry out the program proposed by recommendation number 5. We therefore recommend disapproval of such recommendation number 5.

At the 1970 Grand Lodge Communication, a recommendation was made by the Grand Master that a committee be appointed to revise the Grand Lodge Constitution and By-Laws. No report of such committee has been received.

We feel that this is an urgent matter which needs to be completed. We recommend that the Grand Master Elect appoint a Special Committee with directions to prepare and present to the next Annual Communication a re-codification of our Constitution and a revision of our By-Laws.

We further recommend that such committee substantially follow the existing form and content but with discretion to recommend revision and deletion of words or sections which are no longer considered applicable or pertinent; That such revision delete obsolete and repetitive annotations of decisions.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CODIFICATION OF LAW

W. Bernard T. Pipher, 31 Chairman, presented the report which was adopted.

M. W. Grand Master, Grand Officers and Brethren:

Your Committee on Codification of the Law submits its report and recommends amendments to the By-laws of this grand Lodge as follows:

That section 2-901 of the By-laws be amended to read as follows: Section 2-901--NO RELIGIOUS TEST.--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 an acknowledgment of such belief. A petitioner must be nineteen years old at the time of signing his petition.

That original of said section be repealed.

The proposed amendment to Section 2-901, was voted on by the Grand Lodge and passed by the necessary two-thirds majority.

We also recommend that any approved decisions of the Grand Master, which are not repetitive of existing annotations, should be placed in the code as annotations to the pertinent sections.

FINAL REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

This budget covers the period of the Finance Committee and the report which covers the period May 1, 1972 to April 30, 1973.

Under Grand Lodge Committees add:

Bi-Centennial Committee, Nebraska Grand Lodge	\$500.00
Grand Lodge Committee on Masonic Publicity	500.00
Coordination of DeMolay, Jobs Daughters & Rainbow	200.00

Changing the total expense of the Grand Committee Expense from \$14,255.00 to \$15,455.00.

Under Insurance assessments and contributions:

Committee on Recognition of the Grand Masters Conference	100.00
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Changing the total expense of the Insurance and Assessments and Contribution from \$9,279.33 to \$9,379.33.

Grand Lodge Operation Total	131,637.73
Total Grand Lodge Budget	155,667.73

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

ANTICIPATED INCOME	\$135,500	(in round numbers--see following also in round numbers)
Master Masons---39,000@ \$2.00		78,000
500 Initiation Fees @ 10.00		5,000
Investment Income		50,000
Miscellaneous Income		2,500
Not including Geo. Washington Memorial Assoc.		
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		135,500

Appropriated:	
	155,667.73
Anticipated Income	135,500.00
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Excess Appr.	20,167.73

GRAND LODGE COMMITTEES APPOINTED

APPLICATION FOR REINSTATEMENT: W. Earl H. Furman, 290, Chairman; Donald R. White, 327; Kenneth P. Lott, 184.

APPROPRIATIONS: W. Walter E. Truex, 55 (1978) Chairman; W. Paul Eveland, 119 (1977); W. Harry A. Toller, 281 (1975); W. Robert A. Carhart, 120 (1976) and W. E. Forrest Estes, 19 (1974).

FINANCE: W. LeRoy C. Sutton, 1 (1977), Chairman; W. Howard L. Patterson, 303, (1976); W. J. Ansel Toft, 232 (1975); W. Harold E. Day, Jr., 150 (1974); W. Fitzhugh L. Browne, 290 (1978).

FRATERNAL DEAD: W. Gail Axen, 235, Chairman; W. Robert D. Spearow, 75; W. Willard L. Soper, 159.

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. Bayard H. Paine, Jr., 33; W. Phillip A. Lorenzen, 10.

GRAND LODGE OFFICES: M. W. Merle M. Hale, 54 (1975), Chairman; W. Douglas D. Duey, 59 (1976); W. Harold C. Wurdeman, 323 (1977); William L. Hopson, 327 (1978); W. Thomas H. Blanchard, 21 (1974).

GRAND TRUSTEES: M. W. John F. Futcher, 302 (1976), Chairman; W. Robert A. Wekesser, 54 (1974); W. Frank V. Lawson, Jr., 302 (1977); Harold E. Gabrielson, 302 (1978).

MASONIC-EASTERN STAR STUDENT FUND: W. Delbert H. Pinkerton, 314 Chairman; M. W. Elmer E. Magee, 227; W. Perley F. Bates, Jr., 26.

MASONIC EDUCATION: M. W. Howard J. Hunter, 59 (1975) Chairman; W. E. Forrest Estes, 19 (1975); M. W. John H. Brown, 1 (1974); M. W. Louis V. Sylvester, 281 (1974); W. Alfred G. Wurst, 59 (1976); W. Paul R. Pierce, 50 (1976).

MASONIC RELIEF: W. Paul L. Toombs, 290 (1977) Chairman; W. James A. Bradley, 1, (1976); W. Richard L. Newlun, 55 (1975); W. Earl W. Schultz, 75 (1974); W. Melvin E. Hatfield, 54 (1978).

NEBRASKA WORK: M. W. Louis V. Sylvester, 281, Chairman (1975); M. W. John A. Bottorf, 49 (1974); M. W. Lewis R. Ricketts, 19 (1976).

PUBLIC RELATIONS: W. Lester Way, 54 (1977), Chairman; John S. Savage, 11 (1976); John H. Brown, 1 (1978); Jack W. Payne, 1 (1975).

TEMPLE BUILDING ADVISORY: M. W. Russell L. Fickes, 33 (1978) Chairman; W. Robert E. Wolf, 1 (1975); Donald G. Hafer, 306 (1974).

LODGE ADVISORY: M. W. Joseph C. Tye, 46 (1978) Chairman; M. W. Herbert A. Ronin, 210 (1975); M. W. Hugh W. Eisenhart 150 (1974).

W. . Ralph W. Gerry, Grand Custodian:

May I present the following motion that the published proceedings of the 115th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge, A. . F. . & A. . M. . of Nebraska, held June 9 and 10, 1972 and all previous proceedings of the Grand Lodge published and distributed by the Grand Secretary, be ratified and approved.

M. . W. . Howard J. Hunter, Grand Master:

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 the work that they have expanded for this Grand Lodge Communication.

At 11:30, The Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment.

SATURDAY, JUNE 9 — AFTERNOON SESSION

W. . T. Leo Stines, Grand Senior Deacon presented Linda Greenwald, Grand Bethel Honored Queen. She told of the origin of the Job's Daughters Organization. She urged all of us to attend a Job's Daughters meeting at any time and also presented a check to Howard J. Hunter, Grand Master, from their organization.

M. . W. . Howard J. Hunter, Grand Master, thanked the Job's Daughters for their recognition to the Grand Lodge and also for the check they presented.

W. . T. Leo Stines, Grand Senior Deacon presented Patricia Lockenour, Worthy Grand Adviser of the Order of Rainbow for Girls. She thanked the Grand Master for inviting her to represent the Order of Rainbow for Girls at our Annual Communication. She also presented a check from her organization to Howard J. Hunter, Grand Master.

M. . W. . Howard J. Hunter, Grand Master, thanked the Order of Rainbow Girls for their recognition to the Grand Lodge and also for the check they presented.

M. . T. Leo Stines, Grand Senior Deacon presented William Wallace, State Master Counselor for DeMolay. He thanked the Grand Master and the Grand Lodge for everything they have done for the Order of DeMolay and for the resources and benefits of the leadership being provided by Grand Lodge. He also thought that changing the age limit to 19 years of age was probably the greatest thing that had happened to Masonry for a long time.

M. . W. . Howard J. Hunter, Grand Master thanked the State Master Counselor for being present at our Annual Communication and assured him that the Grand Master elect will be giving all the help he can to DeMolay during the next year.

Brethren, of this Grand Lodge, I think a great deal of the youth groups, and we have very dedicated members working with them, and one in particular has worked with DeMolay, I wish he would stand and be recogniz-

ed. I won't ask him to come up at this time because everyone knows him, but I do want to give him special recognition, Walter Miller, Executive Director of DeMolay in Nebraska. He has worked with his good wife tirelessly with DeMolay throughout many years, and we appreciate it and I know DeMolay appreciates it, Walter.

JUNE 9th -- AFTERNOON SESSION

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

OPEN INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

M. . W. . Howard J. Hunter, 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. . Hugh W. Eisenhart, he will introduce the rest of his Installing Officers.

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

It is my pleasure to present the other installing officers:

Installing Grand Marshal, M. . W. . Harry A. Spencer; Installing Grand Secretary, M. . H. . Joseph C. Tye; Installing Grand Chaplain, M. . W. . Lewis R. Ricketts.

Frank J. Mattoon, New Grand Master:

I know that Brother Hugh mentioned to you that he appointed me in line and I have always been quite grateful for the appointment. I am sure you will agree with me, however, that this was a masterful job in performing the ceremonies of installation this afternoon, on his part and the other officers who participated. So you know that the request of his services today was more than just custom. I sure wanted you, as my friend and brother, to be the installing officer. I also would like to acknowledge at this time, the other installing officers. All of the installing officers at least two, have done more things in common. First of all, they are all Past Grand Masters and as such members of the august Jurisprudence Committee. And not only that, but they are all very fine and confident lawyers. So they have these items in common. At any rate, M. . W. . Brother Harry, thank you very much. You know I went to law school under Judge Harry Spencer and this is the first time I have ever said "Harry" out loud like this. I certainly appreciated your participation as installing Marshal. Thank you.

And M. . W. . Brother Lewis Ricketts, I wanted to acknowledge your participation as Installing Chaplain, you know some years ago, then W. . Master Dick Ricketts, of Lincoln No. 19, signed my petition for entrance there as an Entered Apprentice Mason and I was raised to Master Mason in that lodge, so thanks, M. . W. . Brother Dick, he is also a college fra-

ternity brother of mine. And M. W. Brother Joseph Tye, thank you very much for your participation. I have known Joe in Bar Association Circles and served on numerous committees in various capacities with and under his leadership. Thanks a lot, Joe, for participating. I have known Joe in Bar Association Circles, served on numerous committees in various capacities with and under his leadership.

Brother Keith Simpson from Frank Welch Lodge No. 75 with a surprise. It is a surprise to see him carrying a box up here, I don't know if it has dynamite in it or what.

Keith Simpson, Senior Warden, Frank Welch No. 75:

M. W. Sir, I noticed you struggling with your hat. On behalf of Frank Welch Lodge No. 75, it gives me great pleasure and it is indeed a privilege for me to present you this hat, the emblem of your station and we hope you will wear it with pleasure to yourself and honor to the Fraternity.

M. W. Frank J. Mattoon, Grand Master:

Thank you very much, Brother Keith, I will put it in on right away. Great! and it fits.

At this time, I would like to present the members of my family. First my wife, Treva. I think I will let them all get up and then if you want to acknowledge their presence with applause, why you can. Next, my daughter Susan, my son Steven was here, Brother Steven is taking his E. A. degree and looking for more degree work, he had to be on his way to a wedding in Colorado. Hope he drives carefully, but he left in his stead, his good friend Cathy Gains and I want to also acknowledge the presence with Susan, Janie Wake, who has been a member of our family for over 12 years, my mother Mrs. Harold Mattoon from Beatrice, and my mother-in-law Mrs. Moore from Lincoln, and my sister-in-law, Marjorie Rodequer and my niece Judy. There isn't anybody else in here that I am related to, is there?

It is always nice to have your family back of you on occasions of this nature. I would like to do something now, not to much in detail, I know that we have been here a long time, but I would like to acknowledge the presence of those who have some come Sidney to attend this Grand Lodge and just have them stand in place, if you would. I want to give you a big hand, thanks a lot for being here. Also my friends from the joining neighborhood Lodgepole, would you please stand.

There are some other introductions I want to make, these are the people really who stimulate the officers of the lodge in the Grand Lodge line, Grand Lodge family to do a good job, so I am going to introduce all of these wives and counterparts.

It is with a sense of mixed emotions that when one engages in the responsibilities of a Grand Lodge office such as that which I have been honored to assume, it is with a great deal of trepidation. I think you can agree with me though that we have a fine staff of officers, a fine staff of Com-

mittee members, we have fine people in all of the several stations including the help in the Grand Lodge office, so I am not confronting this year with any degree of fear, as such, but I know it is going to be a big job. I think we are going to do a good job. In any event, I know that I will have the support personally of my Grand Lodge officers. In turn it is going to be a very humble experience for me to serve with such capable Masons. Hope that we can all do a good job for the betterment of Masonry in Nebraska. Yesterday, I outlined a few points that I felt were pertinent, the brethren here have heard them and probably the other guests would not be as vitally interested so I shall not go into them at this time. Except I do want to extend my appreciation and my thanks for the confidence that you have reposed in me and on behalf of the officers here elected and appointed, the confidence you have reposed in them. God willing we will have a good year. Thank you very much.

Brother Grand Senior Deacon, will you escort M. .W. . Brother Howard Hunter to the East?

Norris W. Lallman, Grand Secretary:

M. .W. . Brother Howard, the time has arrived when I have the opportunity of making official, something which we did Thursday noon, when you were inducted into the Past Grand Masters Association of Nebraska.

M. .W. . Brother Howard, it is indeed a pleasure for me to present to you, on behalf of this Grand Lodge, the Past Grand Master's Jewel. This jewel holds for you memories and values that you alone can measure. It shows that you have received the highest honor which may come to a Master Mason.

I recall vividly a few years ago when it became my privilege to appoint you in the advancing line as the Grand Junior Deacon. Throughout the years you have distinguished yourself. The high esteem that you have merited is not only held by the members of this Grand Jurisdiction, but also in our sister jurisdictions.

You served for many years as Chairman of the Committee on Masonic Education in this Grand Lodge and also as President of the Mid-West Conference on Masonic Education, which comprises a group of 13 states. You are a recognized authority on Masonic Education throughout the Mid-West.

You and your devoted wife have given, during the past Masonic year, all of your talents and energy to the advancement of this the greatest fraternity in the world. At this moment I am more proud than ever of the appointment I was privileged to make five years ago.

On behalf of your Grand Lodge, I present you this jewel, knowing that you will wear it with pride to yourself and honor to the Fraternity.

And, M. .W. . Brother Howard, at the present time you are not wearing a Masonic apron of any kind and your brethren of this Grand Lodge wish to see that you are properly clothed. M. .W. . Brother Howard, at this time you now stand as a full fledged Past Grand Master.

M. .W. . Howard J. Hunter, Past Grand Master:

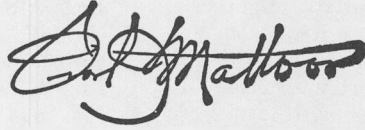
I just had to display that beautiful apron and this beautiful jewel. My wife, Elsie, and I are most appreciative of the kindness and cooperation that has been rapped to us in the years that we have been working in Grand Lodge. That has been more years than we care to mention. There was one thing I couldn't help it notice a little while ago, and that was that the M. .W. . Grand Master was having trouble with the hat that he was wearing and he was so pleased to place it on the chair behind, and he said that he had trouble with the Grand Master's hat during the communication and that he was having still more trouble with this one. Now for his education, it is one and the same hat. We have been blessed in the past years with a wonderful staff of officers and I am so happy that they are carrying on and that the Grand Lodge is in such good hands. M. .W. . Norris Lallman, I just don't know how to express my gratification that you have carried from the honor you gave me in the first place, to give me this final honor. Thank you, again and your good wife, Alice.

M. .W. . Frank J. Mattoon, Grand Master:

M. .W. . Brother Howard, I want you to know, on behalf of the Grand Lodge officers, that they extend to you hearty congratulations for a most successful 116th Annual Communication culminating an excellent and tremendous year of Masonry in Nebraska, and I would like to have everyone rise and give M. .W. . Brother Howard a standing round of applause. At this time we will again call upon your indulgents in leaving the lodge hall so that we can close. Thank you all very much.

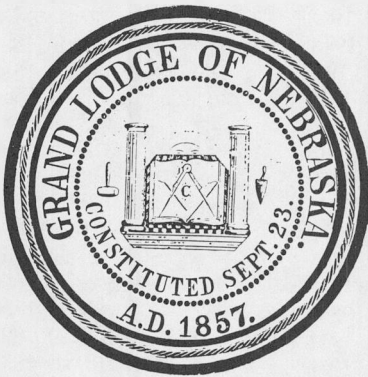
I believe we need to go back to the record, Brother Secretary, because we need a specific authorization, I understand for having the Grand Lodge in Kearney rather than just an announcement of the same. It has been brought to my attention as such. I would like to propose now a motion that the Grand Lodge approve my request of having the 117th Annual Communication in Kearney, Buffalo County, Nebraska. Moved and seconded. Carried.

At 3:45 no further business appearing after prayer by the V. L. W. Grand Chaplain, the Grand Lodge was closed in ample form.



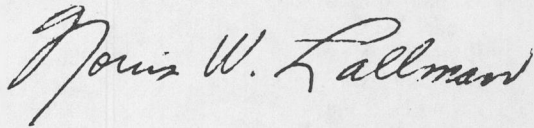
Grand Master

Attest:



It is hereby certified that the above and foregoing is a full, true and complete record of the Proceedings of the One Hundred Sixteenth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of the Most Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of Nebraska, June 8 and 9, and printed under my direction.

Witness my hand and the seal of the Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Nebraska this 5th day of July, 1973.



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
Charles A. Chappell	Nov. 21, 1971	127	(58th) 1923
Robert R. Dickson	June 18, 1941	95	(59th) 1924
John Wright	Oct. 29, 1936	19	(60th) 1925
Edwin D. Crites	Nov. 7, 1953	158	(61st) 1926
Albert R. Davis	Mar. 7, 1929	120	(62nd) 1927
Frank H. Woodland	Oct. 23, 1940	25	(63rd) 1928
Ira C. Freet	Oct. 13, 1944	56	(64th) 1929
Orville A. Andrews	Oct. 16, 1936	19	(65th) 1930
John R. Tapster	Mar. 21, 1954	119	(66th) 1931
Edwin R. 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

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
7312 Maple, Apt. 7, Omaha 68134		
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 (105th) . . 1970
 2506 No. 55. Omaha 68104
- RUSSELL L. FICKES, 33 (106th) . . 1971
 1022 West 8th St. Grand Island 68801
- HOWARD J. HUNTER. (107th) . . 1972
 First National Bank Bldg. 68048
- 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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Belgium	Clement Ceuppens	265 Rue Royale, Brussels
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Brazil, Ceara	Antonio Zelalon Filho	Caixa Postal 130, Campo Grande
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Brazil, Minas Gerais	Sergio Alexandre Ivanenko	Box 683, Paraco Garibaldi 21, Porto Allegro
Brazil, Rio Grande do Sul	Kurt Max Hauser	
Brazil, Grand Lodge of Guanabaro	Jose Isaac Kac	Box 2215, Rio de Janeiro
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Brazil, Sao Paulo	Joas Zimmerman Fo	Caixa Postal, 8343
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Brazil, Grand Lodge, Parana	Angelo Palhares	Caixa Postal 1363, Cuistiba
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Chile	Rene Court Portales	Box 758, Taipei, Taiwan.
China	C. C. Tsao	
Colorado	Dean C. Settle	Suite 300, Masonic Temple, Denver 80202
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Germany, United Grand Lodge	Gerd Honisch	Emser St. 12-13, Berlin 31
Greece	George Seropoulos	Tektonikon Idrma, 39 Ypsil- antou, St. Athens-140
Guatemala	Jesus Joaguin Alvarez De	P. O. Box 34, Guatemala, C.A.
Honduras	Juan Rees	Apartado 336, Tegucigalapa
Iceland	Karl Gudmundsson	Frimurarareglan a Islandi 4, Reykjavik
Idaho	Gifford R. Shaffer	Box 1677, Boise 87301
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India	P. M. Sundaram	Freemasons Hall, Janpath, P. O. Box 681, New Delhi
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Iowa	Charles T. Jackson	Box 279, Cedar Rapids, 52406
Iran	Amad Aliabadi	Teheran P.O. Box 11-1777
Ireland	J. O. Harte	Freemasons Hall, Dublin
Israel	J. Bar Nar	P. O. Box 2080, Tel Aviv
Italy	Guiseppe Telaro Campagne	Palazzo Giustiniani Via, Giustiniani 5, Rome
Japan	Noheo O. A. Peck	1-3 Shibakren, 4 Chrome Minatoku Tokyo 66601
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	Jamie Dorich	Box 587, Lima
Philippines	Esteban Munarriz	1440 San Marcelino, Manila
Prince Edward Island	Frank A. Van Iderstine	Box 337, Charlottetown
Puerto Rico	Juan L. Matos-Cintrón	Box 8385, Ferndon's Junece Station, Santurce
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Queensland	W. P. Walker	Box 675, Brisbane
Rhode Island	Albert W. Abramson	388 Hillard Ave. Warwick 02886
Saskatchewan	T. M. Spencer	P. O. Box 246, Regina
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South America	Victor M. Osorio	Apartado Aeres 6672 or de Bogota, Colombia
South America	Alfredo de La Cuesta	Apartado No. 209, Santa Do- mingo, Republic Dominicana
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South Carolina	H. Dwight McAlister	1401 Senate St. Columbia 29209
South Dakota	John S. Rowe	Box 468, Sioux Falls 57101
Sweden	Sigfrid V. Brinck	Frimurareorden Blasieholms- gatan 6, Stockholm
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	B. M. W. Bridgeman	P. O. Box 6015 Hay Street East 6000
West Virginia	Julian B. Hollingsworth	P. O. Box 2346, Charleston 25328
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

Benjamin F. Eyre 51 years	1923-24 25-26-27-28-30-31-32-34-35-36-37-38- 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- 66-67-68-69-70-71-72-73
Carl R. Greisen 50 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- 65-66-67-68-69-70-71-72-73
William B. Wanner 47 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- 68-69-70-71-72-73
Herbert T. White 42 years	1931-32-33-34-35-36-37-38-39-40-41-42-43-44- 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- 72
Pearl C. Hillegass 41 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 57-58-59-60-64-65-66-67-68-69-70-71-73
Elmer E. Magee 39 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- 62-63-65-66-67-68-69-70-71-72-73
George A. Kurk 38 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
Merle M. Hale 36 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- 65-66-67-68-69-70-71-72
Edward F. Carter 34 years	1932-33-34-35-36-37-38-39-40-41-42-43-44-46- 48-49-50-51-53-54-55-56-57-58-59-60-61- 62-63-64-66-67-68
Otto Nelson 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
Thomas J. Aron 34 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- 68-69-70-71-72-73

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
Robert E. Lund 34 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- 66-67-68-69-70-72-73
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
Louis V. Sylvester 32 years	1942-43-44-46-47-48-49-50-51-52-53-54-55-56- 57-57-58-59-60-61-62-63-64-65-66-67-68- 69-70-71-72-73
Edward M. Knight 32 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- 70-71-72-73
Norris W. Lallman 31 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- 71-72-73
Albert B. Osborn 30 years	1943-44-46-47-48-49-50-52-53-54-55-56-57-58- 59-60-61-62-63-64-65-66-67-68-69-70-71- 72-73
Clyde H. Jones 30 years	1944-46-47-48-49-50-51-52-53-54-55-56-57-58- 59-60-61-62-63-64-65-66-67-68-69-70-71- 72-73
Charles F. Adams 28 years	1946-47-48-49-50-51-52-53-54-55-56-57-58-59- 60-61-62-63-64-65-66-67-68-69-70-71-72- -73
Arthur Anderson 28 years	1942-43-46-47-48-49-50-51-52-53-55-57-58-59- 61-62-63-64-65-66-67-68-69-70-71-72-73
E. Forrest Estes 27 years	1943-44-46-47-48-49-50-51-52-53-54-55-56-57- 58-59-60-61-62-63-64-65-66-67-69-71-73
Richard L. Wait 27 years	1947-48-49-50-51-52-53-54-55-56-57-58-59-60- 61-62-63-64-65-66-67-68-69-70-71-72-73
Ralph R. Carleton 26 years	1941-42-47-48-50-51-52-53-54-55-56-57-58-59- 60-61-62-63-64-65-66-67-68-69-70-71-72- -73

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LODGE		TOWN	COUNTY	CREATED	CHARTERED
Nebraska	No. 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.....	Merriek.....	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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LODGE		TOWN	COUNTY	CREATED	CHARTERED
Humboldt	No. 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
Osceola	" 65	Osceola.....	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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LODGE		TOWN	COUNTY	CREATED	CHARTERED
Albion	No. 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.....	Bocne.....	January 24, 85...	June 24, 85
Bancroft	" 145	Bancroft.....	Cuming.....	April 30, 85.....	June 24, 85
Jaclin	" 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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LODGE		TOWN	COUNTY	CREATED	CHARTERED
Lily	No. 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	Brook.....	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
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	Fillev.....	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
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		TOWN	COUNTY	CREATED	CHARTERED
Granite	No. 189	Gibbon	Buffalo.....	February 18.89...	June 20.89
Crystal	" 191	Scolia.....	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
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
Wanneta	" 217	Wanneta.....	Chase.....	December 7.92...	June 15.93
Bloomfield	" 218	Bloomfield.....	Knox.....	January 18.93...	June 15.93
Relief	" 219	Coleridge.....	Cedar.....	January 19.93...	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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LODGE		TOWN	COUNTY	CREATED	CHARTERED
Landmark	No. 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	Hyaunis	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
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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LODGE	No.	TOWN	COUNTY	CREATED	CHARTERED
Ornan	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. Tullevs	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
Monument	293	Arapahoe	Furnas	December 18, 14	June 8, 15

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LODGE		TOWN	COUNTY	CREATED	CHARTERED
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
Miloma	" 328	Omaha.....	Douglas.....	January 19, 72	June 28, 72

LOGGES 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.
Naphthali 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.
Wolbach No. 292 with St. Paul No. 82, Dec. 23, 1971.
Tyrian No. 243 with Nelson No. 77, June 9, 1972.
Mystic Tie No. 166 with Trowel No. 71, June 12, 1972.
Roman Eagle No. 203 with Bancroft No. 145, Jan. 8, 1973
Amethyst No. 190 with Cable No. 225, Apr. 20, 1973
Prudence No. 179 with Utica No. 96, Apr. 20, 1973

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
Macoy 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

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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, 265	Hastings	Dec. 15, 1959
Jose Gonzalez Ledo	Prescott	Jan. 10, 1964	Argentina	Pearl C. Hillegass, 81	Rising City	Sept. 15, 1954
John Fletcher Sills, Jr.	Little Rock	Apr. 13, 1949	Arizona	Erwin J. Imig, 38	Seward	Aug. 6, 1960
Frank A. Smith	Vienna	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	Vienna	Nov. 13, 1962	Belgium	Leonard B. Woods, 103	Ord	Nov. 6, 1962
			Bolivia	Harold A. Tilton, 71	Neligh	Dec. 1, 1963
			Brasil	Alfred G. Bates, 1	Omaha	June 4, 1971
Raul Ballalai de Carvalho	Val do Salvador	Sept. 19, 1936	Brazil, Bahia	Frank I. Vlasak, 119	North Bend	July 6, 1972
Roumundo 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	Earl N. Hanel, 318	Grand Island	July 6, 1972
Ewald Helmut Langweiler	Rio Grande do Sul	Feb. 18, 1965	Brazil, Rio Grande do Sul	Clarence G. McNamee, 55	Norfolk	July 6, 1972
Jose Aguiar 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-Chehade 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			
			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
A.G. Mitchell	Eureka	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
Tze-Tsing Tuan	Taiwan	Sept. 14, 1962	China	Earl H. Furman, 290	Omaha	Apr. 13, 1960
Jose Maria Serna	Barranquilla	July 31, 1951	Columbia Nat'l Grand Lodge	Henry E. Olsen, 54	Lincoln	July 6, 1972
Thomas H. Cox	Olathe	Feb. 20, 1932	Colorado	Carl R. Greisen, 32	Omaha	June 23, 1943
Vincent Vernon	Collinsville	Mar. 18, 1969	Connecticut	Arnold F. Mains, 15	Fremont	Dec. 13, 1968
Carlos Miranda		Oct. 22, 1968	Costa Rica	Geroge W. Rosenlof, 314	Lincoln	Nov. 9, 1962
V.H.F.E. Gracia		Nov. 5, 1952	Cuba in Exile	Joseph C. Tye, 46	Kearney	June 25, 1954
Paul E. Ellis		Jan. 28, 1971	Delaware	T. Leo Stines, 36	Central City	Feb. 18, 1967
Knud V. Raude		Sept. 23, 1971	Denmark	Alton S. Mote, 183	Alliance	Dec. 2, 1968
Godfrey L. Munter		May 6, 1969	Dist. of Columbia	Herbert A. Ronin, 210	Lincoln	May 13, 1954
F.G. Araya	Guayaquil	June 17, 1953	Ecuador	Clarence M. Pierson, 19	Lincoln	Sept. 14, 1962
Sir Knox Cunningham		Dec. 29, 1970	England	Charles F. Adams, 68	Aurora	Dec. 2, 1968
Kalle Putkisto	Helsinki	Dec. 15, 1969	Finland	Sebert A. Stover, 281	Omaha	Feb. 9, 1968
Wm. C. Mitchell		June 23, 1970	Florida	Bryon C. Jenkins, 325	Bellevue	Aug. 8, 1966
Edward Jeanmonod	Paris	Sept. 14, 1954	France Nat'l Grand Lodge	Robert D. Cresap, 158	Omaha	Oct. 5, 1966
John M. McClurd		May 13, 1969	Georgia	Raymond F. Evers, 6	Plattsmouth	Aug. 3, 1960
Heinz Ziemer	Frankfurt	Dec. 26, 1963	Germany	Alfred G. Wurst, 59	Lincoln	July 6, 1972
Geo. Sakelloriou	Athens	Apr. 10, 1954	Greece	Stephen W. Beck, 43	Hebron	Sept. 3, 1960
Angel G. Guzman		Aug. 13, 1963	Honduras	Gordon Chard, 240	Lyons	Nov. 3, 1962
Bjorne Bjarnason	Helgafell	Jan. 7, 1953	Iceland	John Nelson	Lincoln	
Eugene Taylor	Kendrick	Nov. 9, 1966	Idaho	James M. Paxson, 302	Omaha	Aug. 11, 1960
Harry L. Kline	Deatur	July 11, 1950	Illinois	Warren W. Kelley, 290	Omaha	May 13, 1959
John P. Lippincott	South Bend	Feb. 26, 1949	Indiana	Norris W. Lallman, 72	Omaha	May 21, 1959
H.J. Engineer	Bombay	Aug. 7, 1963	India	Warren K. Urbom, 314	Lincoln	Sept. 7, 1966
			Iran	Joel N. Lindquist, 1	Omaha	June 4, 1971
James E. Weir	Dublin	June 19, 1970	Ireland	Richard L. Ely, 128	Guide Rock	June 17, 1958
Israel Levin	Tel Aviv	Sept. 14, 1965	Israel, State of	William Grodinsky, 11	Omaha	July 26, 1954
Maurizio Segre	Rome	Feb. 9, 1967	Italy	Lewis R. Ricketts, 19	Lincoln	Sept. 14, 1962
Yasuhiko Ide			Japan	Delbert H. Pinkerton, 314	Lincoln	July 31, 1958
Richard K. Hart	Topeka	Jan. 6, 1964	Kansas	Howard J. Hunter, 59	Wahoo	Jan. 13, 1950
C. James Hyde	Louisville	Sept. 18, 1962	Kentucky	Ralph S. Tully, 25	Omaha	Jan. 23, 1958
Philip O. McLaughlin		Jan. 23, 1961	Louisiana	John A. Bottorf, 49	Sutton	Feb. 23, 1958
			Luxembourg	Stuart A. Johnson, 169	Rushville	Mar. 21, 1968

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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	Jan. 12, 1962
Clifford S. Hubbard		Apr. 19, 1961	Maryland	Henry L. Rood, 59	Wahoo	June 22, 1937
James E. Roy	Worcester	Aug. 30, 1964	Massachusetts	William B. Wanner, 9	Falls City	Apr. 13, 1930
George Sanior	Mexico City	Aug. 8, 1969	Mexico York Grand Lodge	Russell L. Fikes, 33	Grand Island	
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
Wm. W. Widstrand	St. Paul	Feb. 9, 1972	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.F.P. Reinemer	Circle	Feb. 3, 1953	Montana	C. Harold Edwards, 105	Lincoln	Oct. 21, 1965
J.F.A. Gravenberch		Dec. 14, 1960	Netherlands	W. Upton Dawson, 135	McCook	May 6, 1965
Lee Griswold	Eureka	Aug. 5, 1968	Nevada	Alfred B. Saum, 46	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
Robert W. Emery	Old Bridge	Sept. 15, 1972	New Jersey	John F. Futcher, 302	Omaha	July 21, 1955
Howard M. Sleeper	Santa Fe	Apr. 9, 1953	New Mexico	Harold D. Weddel, 61	Lexington	Oct. 18, 1943
Frederick J. Hayward	Mosman	Mar. 10, 1950	New South Wales	Harry A. Spencer, 227	Lincoln	Apr. 8, 1957
Wm. Cahn	Lido Beach	Dec. 30, 1971	New York	George R. Porter, 11	Omaha	Oct. 19, 1931
T. W. Pairman	Mangaweka	Dec. 4, 1956	New Zealand			
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		Omaha	June 9, 1964
Juan L. Arocha	Monterray	Oct. 23, 1950	Nova 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
Carlos Pena	Lima	Sept. 1, 1972	Panama	Arthur S. Dye, 317	Hastings	July 28, 1965
Aurelio B. Aquino	Manila	Jan. 23, 1946	Peru	Richard L. Mauch, 254	Bassett	June 4, 1971
Allan C. Jenkins	Summerside	April 8, 1971	Philippines	Donald A. Kyckelhahn, 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		Feb. 29, 1960	Quebec	E. Forrest Estes, 19	Lincoln	July 6, 1972
Grafton H. Willey, Jr.	Cranston	Jan. 24, 1947	Queensland	Edward Huwaldt, 318	Grand Island	Oct. 31, 1940
Gaylord C. Wright	Regina	Apr. 13, 1965	Rhode Island	Edward A. Hoagland, 25	Omaha	July 3, 1942
William Sloss	Edinburgh	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	Bogota		Southern Africa	Gerald V. Inslee, 148	Chadron	Dec. 2, 1968
			South America	Jack H. Hendrix, 174	Trenton	Aug. 7, 1969
			Colombia			
M. D. J. C. Navarro		Aug. 25, 1969	South America	Alfred R. Kenoyer, 191	Scotia	Aug. 7, 1969
			Dominicana			
Cyril W. C. Peaks		Sept. 9, 1959	South Australia	Walter Brown, 1	Omaha	May 12, 1970
Rhoden D. Batson	Greenville	July 6, 1971	South Carolina	Mark Mitchell, 138	Oxford	Jan. 1, 1962
Lawrence J. Larson	Sioux Falls	June 17, 1971	South Dakota	U. Wesley Fox, 192	Kilgore	July 6, 1972
Hj. August Lind	Lindkopj	Apr. 4, 1958	Sweden	Lillard S. Jensen, 232	Omaha	Nov. 17, 1965
Eric C. Monk	Zurich	Feb. 24, 1967	Switzerland	Ralph I. Berry, 256	Hickman	Nov. 5, 1965
German Barrera	Victoria	Aug. 27, 1970	Tamlaupias	Homer C. Davey, 317	Hastings	Aug. 3, 1960
S. V. Tilley	Hobart	Mar. 27, 1957	Tasmania	Lloyd I. Edwards, 110	Ashland	Sept. 8, 1960
J. Turner Williams	Nashville	Oct. 28, 1968	Tennessee	William C. Schaper, 148	Broken Bow	May 4, 1939
Harold A. Bateman	Dallas	July 28, 1952	Texas	Donald A. Keys, 300	Lincoln	Dec. 20, 1961
Attila Atli	Istanbul	Dec. 29, 1971	Turkey	Melvin E. Johnson, 112	Oakdale	Aug. 27, 1963
John J. Greiner	Ogden	Sept. 10, 1959	Utah	Richard L. Wait, 19	Lincoln	Jan. 23, 1958
David A. Smith	Shelburne	May 16, 1962	Vermont	Carl E. Diers, 106	Loup City	July 6, 1972
Farrin Webb	Melbourne	Mar. 23, 1946	Virginia	Mathias E. Mauel, 173	Strotton	Aug. 2, 1960
P. O. Shephard, Jr.	S. Arlington	Jan. 2, 1952	Washington	Ernest O. Van Wey, 249	Gothenburg	Jan. 28, 1952
Malcolm L. Wilkinson	Tacoma	April 14, 1971	West Australia	Edward M. Knight, 183	Alliance	June 27, 1941
E. G. Hatcher		Dec. 17, 1960		Ward McGlashan, 180	Bonkman	Dec. 10, 1968

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
 *Harry L. F. Proffitt, 50 1916
 *Walter W. Wells, 192 1917
 *Orville A. Andrews, 19 1917
 *Barclay M. Hickman, 38 1916
 *Andrew H. Viele, 55 1917
 *Walter W. Wells 1917
 *Maro C. Shipherd, 15 1920
 *Vinsent S. Ramsey, 205 1920
 *Jesse Lowther, 219 1920
 *Franklin C. Tym, 25 1920
 *Lute M. Savage, 3 1920
 Frank M. Johnson, 188 1920
 *Lamont L. Stephens, 106 1922
 *Frances S. Robey, 19 1922
 *John B. Lichtenwallner,
 275 1923
 *Harry R. Belville, 146 1923
 *George R. Patterson, 136 1923
 *William J. Birkoffer, 249 1923
 *D. Horace Schall, 307 1923
 *Stanley P. Bostwick, 3 1924
 *William D. Edson, 53 1926
 *Francis B. Rodwell, 224 1926
 *Edwin H. Gerhart, 305 1926
 *William McCormack, 268 1926
 *Harry L. Mantor, 306 1927
 *John R. Easley, 49 1927
 *I. Donald Huston, 65 1928
 *Elmer Surber, 95 1928
 *John M. Bennett, 19 1928
 *Earl Barnett, 146 1929
 *Jonathan Frye, 1 1929
 *Ernest R. Reynolds, 124 1930
 *Osborne P. Simon, 174 1930
 *Doc L. Redfern, 300 1930
 Austin F. Whitmire, 306 1931
 *Henning C. Johnson, 171 1932
 Carroll C. Raymer, 164 1932
 *Ward B. Schrack, 46 1933
 *Byron S. Peterson, 25 1933
 *Raymond C. Cook, 6 1933
 *Ray B. Bottorf, 33 1933
 *Wallace E. Linn, 1 1934
 *Jesse P. Entriaken, 295 1934
 Harold D. Weddel, 208 1937
 Cecil C. Gates, 227 1938
 *Fred G. Christensen, 33 1938
 *Ross Van Sickle, 184 1938
 S. William Beck, 43 1940
 *Stanley B. Fryar, 139 1940
 *Roy S. Planck, 15 1940
 *Buren P. Wells, 315 1940
 Clarence G. McNamee, 55 1941
 *F. Ray Dilts, 83 1942
 *Ernest C. Purdy, 195 1942
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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: 1973 and 4,000 — 5973.

Royal Arch Masons — Add 530 to the current year, thus: 1973 and 530 — 2499.

Royal and Select Masters — Add 1,000 years to current year, thus: 1972 and 1,000 — 2973.

Knights Templar — From the Christian era take 1,118; thus 1,118 from 1973 — 851.

Order of High Priesthood — To the Christian era add 1913, the year of the blessing, thus 1973 — 3880.

Scottish Rite — Add 3,760 to the current year; thus 1973 and 3,760 — 5729.

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