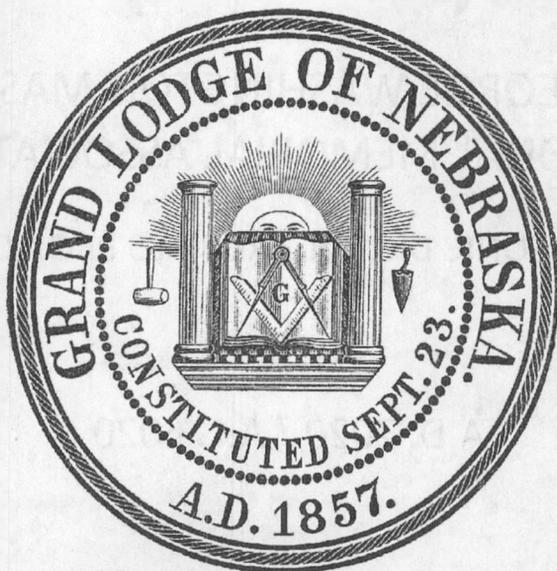


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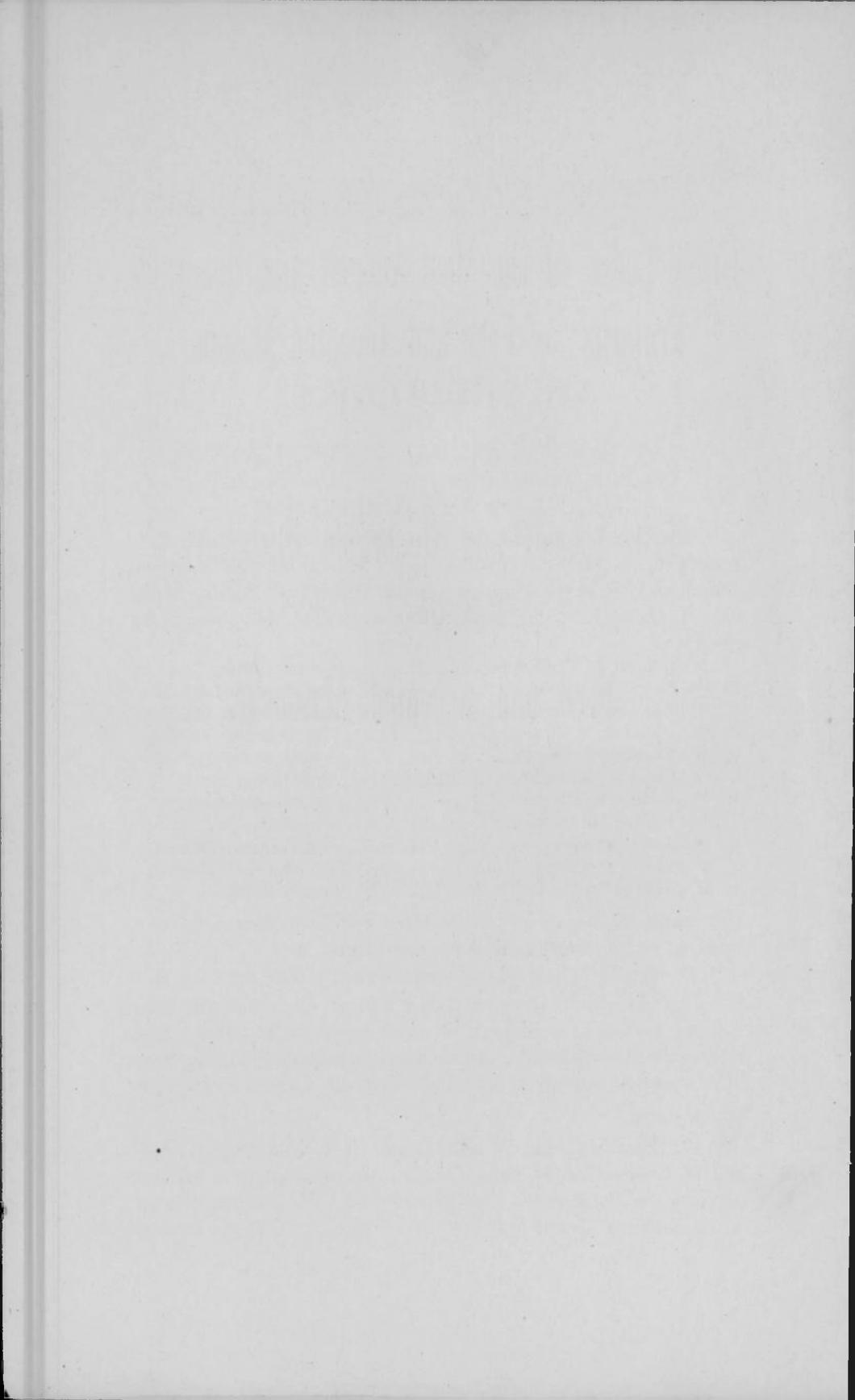
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SIXTY-FOURTH ANNUAL COMMUNICATION,
HELD IN OMAHA, JUNE 7TH, 8TH, AND 9TH, 1921.
FIRST DAY—MORNING SESSION.

The Grand Lodge of the Most Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of Nebraska met in annual communication in the Masonic Temple, Omaha, on Tuesday, June 7th, A. D. 1921, A. S. L. 5921, at ten o'clock, A. M., there being present:

M. W. JOSEPH B. FRADENBURG.....	Grand Master,
R. W. LEWIS E. SMITH.....	Deputy Grand Master,
R. W. EDWARD M. WELLMAN.....	Grand Senior Warden,
R. W. CHARLES A. CHAPPELL.....	Grand Junior Warden,
R. W. FRANCIS E. WHITE.....	Grand Secretary,
V. W. CHARLES M. SHEPHERD.....	Grand Chaplain,
M. W. ROBERT E. FRENCH.....	Grand Custodian,
W. ROBERT R. DICKSON.....	Grand Marshal,
W. JOHN WRIGHT.....	Grand Senior Deacon,
W. EDWIN D. CRITES.....	Grand Junior Deacon,
W. ALEXANDER E. PORTER.....	Grand Tyler,

and representatives from two hundred and thirty-five of the two hundred and seventy-seven chartered lodges.

A lodge of Master Masons was opened in due form by R. W. Lewis E. Smith, Deputy Grand Master, and all of the Past Grand Masters present were received at the Altar, where they were warmly welcomed. As each one was presented, the year of his service was given, and some facts in connection with his official record.

W. Brothers John Wright, Grand Senior Deacon, and Edwin D. Crites, Grand Junior Deacon, accompanied by a brother carrying the Book of the Law, escorted M. W. Brother Joseph B. Fradenburg, Grand Master, to the lodge room, where he was

welcomed by the brethren, given the honors of Masonry by three times three, and assumed his station as Grand Master.

A quorum of lodges being found to be represented, the Most Worshipful Grand Master declared the sixty-fourth annual communication of the Grand Lodge opened in ample form for the transaction of such business as might be brought before it, and due proclamation thereof was made by W. Brother Robert R. Dickson, Grand Marshal.

The following letters and telegrams were received and sent:
 "The Iowa, Washington, D. C.
 May 6th, 1921,

R. W. Francis E. White,
 Grand Secretary, A. F. & A. M.,
 Omaha, Nebr.

Dear Brother:—I thank you for the announcement of the annual communication of our Grand Lodge, with the accompanying notice of the Masonic Service Association of the United States; as to the latter I had received from Brother Schoonover of Iowa, the prospectus and a number of papers on the subject. I am studying them, not having much else to do since my retirement from the U. S. service.

I had hoped to attend the coming communication of our Grand Lodge but I now fear that that will not be possible, but I can assure you that I will be with you in spirit.

My highest regards to you and our Grand Master and the fraters of the Grand Lodge.

MILTON J. HULL,
Past Grand Master."

"Kirkwood, Missouri,
 June 5th, 1921.

M. W. Grand Master and Dear Brethren of the Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M. of Nebraska, now in its sixty-fourth annual communication, in Omaha Nebraska.

Greetings:—

A severe attack of arthritis confines me to my home and bed and compels me to greet you by letter rather than by cordial handshakings and fraternal inquiries as to your welfare.

To the Grand Lodge I send hearty congratulations upon its long and successful supervision of the Craft, and express the hope that the work of this communication will still further add to its reputation for fidelity to the principles and landmarks of Freemasonry.

To this fidelity may be attributed the solid foundations of our institution in Nebraska, and the amazing growth of our blue lodge membership. The magnitude of this growth has induced in many

thoughtful Freemasons the fear that the qualifications of candidates for the degrees were being laxly scrutinized. Membership in a blue lodge should be a certification of good moral character, loyal citizenship, sufficient education to be an intelligent reader and student, and of mental ability above the average of the adult male population of the jurisdiction. "Keep up the quality," is a common business motto which wisdom bids us follow in determining who may be admitted to membership in our blue lodges.

In respect to matters Masonic, such as the origin, history, literature, and purposes of our institution, it should spare no pains or expense in providing its members with means of information, and with inspiration to make full use of the same; but there is serious doubt whether it be a function of Freemasonry to educate and train its members after taking the degrees, in those things which are a part of a common school education, and which every person ought to know before he seeks the dignity and benefits of membership in such a Fraternity as ours. This doubt has taken so strong a hold on my mind that I beg leave to express it, should discussion of any question make the expression pertinent.

My dear brethren, I wish you all great happiness and benefit in this communication of the Grand Lodge, and a safe return to your homes, with the consciousness of duty earnestly and faithfully performed.

Most fraternally and sincerely,

WILLIAM W. KEYSOR,
Past Grand Master."

"Omaha, Nebraska, June 7, 1921.

William W. Keysor,
Kirkwood, Missouri.

The Grand Lodge in annual communication assembled sends greetings. We regret to learn of your illness and express the hope that you may soon be restored to health. We remember with gratitude your services as Grand Master. We wish for you an abundance of health, prosperity and happiness.

JOSEPH B. FRADENBURG,
Grand Master."

"Lincoln, Nebraska, May 19th. 1921.

Francis E. White, Grand Secretary,
Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M.,
Omaha, Nebraska.

My dear Brother:—

This is to inform you that it will be impossible for me to be present on the 6th and 7th of June, for the good reason that Mrs. Whiting and myself will celebrate our Golden Wedding on the 7th of June; also inform the Grand Master that I can't meet with him on the 6th.

But I expect to be there on the 8th, and this will give me an unbroken record of being present at Grand Lodge for twenty-one years, all of which I wish to be recorded, as twenty-one more years will put me beyond the time for man to attend Grand Lodge.

With kindest regards, I am

Fraternally yours,

SAMUEL S. WHITING.

Past Grand Master."

"Omaha, June 7th, 1921.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel S. Whiting,
Lincoln, Nebraska.

The Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M. of Nebraska, in annual communication assembled, extends to you our heartiest congratulations on this the fiftieth anniversary of your wedding day, with best wishes for the years to come.

JOSEPH B. FRADENBURG.

Grand Master."

Most Worshipful Brother Joseph B. Fradenburg, Grand Master, delivered the following address:

ADDRESS.

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

It is with pleasure that I come before you to present you an account of my stewardship. The past year, as with all Grand Masters, has been an extremely busy one. The fraternity has grown and prospered, and with its growth and prosperity there is the ever increasing volume of business which must receive the attention of the Grand Lodge officers.

While engaged in work of this kind, time flies because it is so pleasant a task. The earnest co-operation you receive at every hand, the courtesy extended to you by every one, the love and kindness shown you by the brethren, and the consciousness that you are at least attempting to do your share in the cause of humanity, render all your burdens lighter.

The condition of the Craft throughout the state is most satisfactory. Lodges have grown rapidly in numbers and I hope and believe that many real Master Masons have been raised. There has been no friction of any kind among the lodges, nor between this Grand Jurisdiction and any other Grand Jurisdiction. The utmost peace and harmony have prevailed everywhere, and all seem to be working to that common end, that the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man may truly exist everywhere.

FRATERNAL DEAD

We again bow our heads in sorrow over the loss of three of our beloved brethren who have served us so faithfully in times when service was so badly needed.

On July 8th, 1920, R. W. J. Newton Wise, Past Grand Secretary, was gathered to his Father's arms. His life in Masonry was filled with noble acts and his death was a distinct loss to Masonry and humanity.

On November 24th, 1920, M. W. James Robert Cain, Sr., Past Grand Master, entered into rest. His funeral was held at Falls City, on December 7th, 1920, and was conducted by M. W. Samuel P. Davidson, Past Grand Master, in a most beautiful and impressive manner. On every side were heard expressions of sympathy for his family and words of praise for him. Our brother had reached a place, not only in the hearts of his brethren, but in the hearts of others with whom he came in contact, that made his death seem a distinct personal bereavement to a great circle of friends. He lived the life of a true Master Mason and has entered into a glorious eternity.

On May 5th, 1921, at Los Angeles, California, M. W. Michael Dowling, Past Grand Master, passed away. His funeral was held at Fremont, Nebraska, on May 13th. The funeral was in charge of North Bend Lodge No. 119, and the service was given by W. Brother Fred A. Howe in a most dignified and impressive manner. On this occasion I was accompanied by M. W. George H. Thummel, P. G. M., M. W. John A. Ehrhardt, P. G. M., M. W. Samuel S. Whiting, P. G. M., R. W. Francis E. White, Grand Secretary, and V. W. Charles M. Shepherd, Grand Chaplain. This Grand Jurisdiction has had few Grand Masters who more keenly appreciated the honor the Fraternity had bestowed upon him and who by a moral and upright life in turn reflected honor upon us.

Very shortly after this we were all shocked to hear of the death of Worshipful Brother Fred A. Howe, Deputy Grand Custodian, on May 18th at his home near North Bend. Funeral services were conducted by North Bend Lodge No. 119, and were very largely attended. Few brethren in this jurisdiction were better known or better loved than Fred A. Howe, and his death was a great loss to the Masons of this jurisdiction.

BY-LAWS.

During the year I have approved amendments to by-laws of the following lodges: Fairbury, No. 35; Nebraska, No. 1; Lancaster No. 54; Mt. Moriah, No. 57; Fremont, No. 15; Lebanon, No. 58; Fairmont, No. 48; Emmet Crawford, No. 148; John S. Boyen, No. 232; Osceola, No. 65; James A. Tulleys, No. 267; Right Angle, No. 303; Wahoo, No. 59; Wymore, No. 104; Crete, No. 37; Bayard, No. 301; Tekamah, No. 31;

Robert W. Furnas, No. 265; Alliance, No. 183; Oliver, No. 38; Plainview, No. 204; Liberty, No. 300; Ruskin, No. 304; Bee Hive, No. 184; Newman Grove, No. 305; Falls City, No. 9; Prudence, No. 179; Waterloo, No. 102; Ashlar, No. 33; Western Star, No. 2; Euclid, No. 97; Table Rock, No. 108; Sioux, No. 277; Ramah, No. 275; Wood Lake, No. 221; Blue Hill, No. 129; George Washington, No. 250; Porter, No. 106; Stromsburg, No. 126; Wisner, No. 114; Springfield, No. 112; Geneva, No. 79; Thistle, No. 61; Omadi, No. 5; Bloomfield, No. 218; Mizpah, No. 302; Ponca, No. 101; Curtis, No. 168; and Alexandria, No. 74.

Most of these changes related either to increase of dues or of fees for initiation, and are not of any general interest to the Craft.

DISPENSATIONS.

During the year I have issued special dispensations authorizing the conferring of degrees without regard to time, to the following lodges, collecting from them the required fees: Doric No. 118, Master Masons degree upon Ross W. Byers; North Bend, No. 119, Master Masons degree upon Willis B. Miller; Crete, No. 37, Fellow Craft and Master Masons degrees upon Shirley D. Mann; Beatrice, No. 26, Master Masons degree upon John G. Kelley; Grafton, No. 172, Master Masons degree upon Robert B. Rinehart; Osceola Lodge No. 65, Master Masons degree upon Paul Loraine Vance. Many requests of this nature were refused, and the above were granted under very exceptional circumstances.

Special dispensations for other purposes have been issued as follows: North Bend, No. 119, to elect and install a Master; Justice, No. 180, to install the Junior Warden-elect; Hiram, No. 52, to install officers; Scotts Bluff, No. 201, to install the Master-elect; Level, No. 196, to install officers; Cotner, No. 297, to install the Senior Deacon; Franklin, No. 264, to install officers; Globe, No. 113, to install officers; Ogalalla, No. 159, to elect and install officers; Nemaha Valley, No. 4, to install officers; and Guide Rock, No. 128, to install officers.

LODGES INSTITUTED.

Under date of August 19th, 1920, I authorized by dispensation the formation of Golden Rod Lodge U. D. of Lodgepole, with Brother George E. Minshall as Worshipful Master, Brother Isaac L. Callison as Senior Warden, Brother Harry L. Mantor as Junior Warden, and fifteen other brethren. This lodge was duly instituted on September 10th, 1920, by Worshipful Brother John R. Wertz, Past Master of Golden Fleece Lodge No. 205.

On November 8th, 1920, I issued a dispensation for the formation of William E. Hill Lodge U. D. of Otoe, with Brother D. Horace Schall as Worshipful Master, Brother Samuel A. Naffziger as Senior Warden, Brother Paul W. King as Junior Warden, and seventeen other

brethren. R. W. Brother Edward M. Wellman instituted this lodge on November 12th, 1920.

On December 1st, 1920, I issued a dispensation for the formation of Perkins Lodge U. D., of Grant, with Brother Rollo L. Carothers as Worshipful Master, Brother Blaine D. Hatch as Senior Warden, Brother John S. Myers as Junior Warden, and twenty-nine other brethren. This lodge was instituted on December 6th, 1920.

I authorized by dispensation the formation of Winnebago Lodge U. D., at Winnebago, on December 6th, 1920, with Brother Dudley A. Moore as Worshipful Master, Brother Martin S. Mansfield as Senior Warden, Brother Orville E. Buckley as Junior Warden, and twenty-seven other brethren. On December 10th, 1920, M. W. Brother Andrew H. Viele instituted Winnebago Lodge U. D.

On December 7th, 1920, I issued a dispensation to form Pacific Lodge U. D. at Valley, with Brother Robert B. Budd as Worshipful Master, Brother George A. Harris as Senior Warden, Brother Elmer C. Merryweather as Junior Warden, and thirty-three other brethren. Brother Fred A. Howe instituted this lodge on December 28th, 1920.

On January 4th, 1921, I authorized by dispensation the formation of Polk Lodge U. D. at Polk, with Brother I. Donald Huston as Worshipful Master, Brother William H. Pollock as Senior Warden, Brother John R. Leibe as Junior Warden, and twenty-three other brethren. On January 5th, 1921, Brother Ira C. Freet instituted this lodge.

LODGES CONSTITUTED.

At the last session of the Grand Lodge three new lodges were chartered, Right Angle Lodge No. 303, Ruskin Lodge No. 304, and Newman Grove Lodge No. 305.

Under date of June 21st, 1920, assisted by M. W. Brother E. French, Right Angle Lodge No. 303 was duly and formally constituted.

On June 19th, 1920, I issued my proxy to M. W. Brother Ambrose C. Epperson, and on July 6th, assisted by M. W. Brother Robert E. French, he duly constituted Ruskin Lodge No. 304.

On July 26th, 1920, assisted by M. W. Brother Robert E. French, I formally constituted Newman Grove Lodge No. 305.

From all information received these lodges are prospering and will no doubt be a credit to the Fraternity.

DEGREES CONFERRED FOR AND BY LODGES IN OTHER JURISDICTIONS.

The work of asking for degrees to be conferred for our lodges in other states, and for lodges in other states in Nebraska lodges still continues and a large number of requests have been made. I feel sure that our lodges have cheerfully complied with the requests I have made on them, and extend our thanks to the many Grand Masters of other Jurisdictions, and their lodges, who have so willingly done work for us.

SEALS APPROVED.

The Grand Secretary having certified that the designs for seals, chosen by the three lodges chartered last year were distinct from those heretofore approved for other lodges, I approved designs for seals for Right Angle Lodge No. 303, Ruskin Lodge No. 304, and Newman Grove Lodge No. 305.

REINSTATEMENT OF MEMBERS SUSPENDED FOR MORE THAN THREE YEARS.

A large number of requests for reinstatement of members who had been suspended for non-payment of dues for more than three years were received, and after considering the same and consulting with the committee as authorized at our last session, many were granted. A number were refused for what seemed to us to be good and sufficient reasons.

REINSTATEMENT OF SUSPENDED MEMBERS OF EXTINGUISHED LODGES.

Three suspended brethren, formerly belonging to lodges that are now extinct, paid the amount of their indebtedness and asked to be reinstated, and for demits for the purpose of applying for membership in other lodges. The requests were granted, and demits were issued to them.

REPRESENTATIVES TO AND FROM OTHER GRAND LODGES.

On March 7th, 1921, at the request of the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of New Brunswick, I appointed Brother LeBaron Wilson, of St. John, the representative of the Grand Lodge of Nebraska near the Grand Lodge of New Brunswick.

On May 2d, 1921, at the request of the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, I appointed Brother Frank Barnhouse, of Edmonton, the representative of the Grand Lodge of Nebraska near the Grand Lodge of Alberta.

The death of Past Grand Master James R. Cain, Sr., causing a vacancy in the office of representative of the Grand Lodge of New Jersey near the Grand Lodge of Nebraska, I recommended the appointment of Brother Edwin G. Whitford, Past Master of Falls City Lodge No. 9, as his successor. A commission, dated March 21st, 1921, was in due time received from the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of New Jersey and forwarded to Brother Whitford.

CORNER-STONES.

On June 18th, 1920, I issued my proxy to M. W. John J. Tooley, Past Grand Master, and he, assisted by R. W. Lewis E. Smith, Deputy Grand Master, laid the corner-stone of the new Normal School at

Chadron. Inasmuch as Brother Tooley was largely instrumental in having this school located at Chadron, it was most fitting that he should officiate upon this occasion. It was reported to me that this function was carried out in the most approved manner, as would be expected from such distinguished brethren.

On June 28th, 1920, it was my pleasure and privilege to lay the corner-stone of the Methodist Episcopal Church at Lodgepole. On this occasion I was assisted by M. W. Robert E. French, Grand Custodian, and needless to say the affair was handled in his usual careful and efficient manner.

The authorities of Brown County having made the usual request on September 11th, 1920, I, assisted by R. W. Brother Lewis E. Smith, Deputy Grand Master, and W. Robert R. Dickson, Grand Marshal, laid the corner-stone of the Brown County Hospital at Ainsworth. This was indeed an occasion to be long remembered. The entire town was decorated in a most charming manner, and over one hundred Master Masons were in the procession. I was honored by having Bethel Commandery No. 28, Knights Templar, Long Pine, act as an escort. The ceremony was a notable event in the Masonic history of Ainsworth, and one that will long be remembered by all those fortunate enough to participate therein.

On September 21st, 1920, assisted by W. Charles A. Chappell, as Grand Marshal, I laid the corner-stone of the Welpton Memorial Congregational Church at Ogalalla. This function was well arranged, and it was a pleasant as well as an inspiring occasion for all concerned.

I laid the corner-stone of the Scotts Bluff County Court House on October 12th, 1920, assisted by M. W. Samuel S. Whiting, Past Grand Master. This ceremony passed off in a most satisfactory manner and was enjoyed by all who were privileged to attend.

On November 30th, 1920, I issued my proxy to R. W. Lewis E. Smith, Deputy Grand Master, and he, assisted by W. Brother Edward M. Wellman and the brethren of Lebanon Lodge No. 58, laid the corner-stone of the Platte County Court House. From all reports received by me this work was conducted in a very dignified and impressive manner and the brethren at Columbus thoroughly appreciated the ceremony.

On June 1st, at the request of the Board of County Commissioners of Dundy County, assisted by Worshipful Brother Charles A. Chappell, Grand Junior Warden, I was pleased to lay the corner-stone of the Dundy County Court House at Benkelman, in accordance with the ancient rights and ceremonies.

NATIONAL MASONIC SERVICE ASSOCIATION.

On August 23d, 1920, accompanied by R. W. Brother Francis E. White, Grand Secretary, and R. W. Brother Lewis E. Smith, Deputy Grand Master, I attended a meeting of the Corn Belt Division of the

National Masonic Service Association. This division comprises the states of Iowa, Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, and our own state. The day was spent in discussing the methods of placing before the individual Mason the plans of education adopted by the association and much benefit was derived from the meeting.

The national meeting of the association was held at St. Louis on November 9th, 10th and 11th, 1920, and was attended by representatives of thirty-five Grand Jurisdictions. This Grand Body was represented by Past Grand Masters Keysor and Bullard, and myself. The work already has been prepared and the plans for the future were thoroughly discussed, and I am satisfied that there is a great future to the work undertaken, but as everywhere else, we get out of it only what we put into it.

The association stands ready to serve along educational lines in a manner which appeals to me most strongly, and it is incumbent upon us to take advantage of the opportunity offered by using the material which has been prepared for us and placing it before the lodges of the state so that it can reach each individual Mason. In that way, and in that way only, can the association be of any service to the Craft. I would therefore recommend that the sum of \$100.00 or so much as may be needed, be appropriated for expenses necessary to put into effect a working plan which will bring to the brethren the wonderful educational work of this association.

I am thoroughly convinced that there is real work to be done by Masons of the United States, that the great strength of this government lies in the education of its people, that concerted action is necessary to bring Masons to a realization of their full duty, not only as Masons, but as citizens of the greatest country the world has ever seen, and it behooves us to keep abreast of the times and avail ourselves of every opportunity to keep Masonry of Nebraska upon the high standard which it has always maintained.

DECISIONS.

There have been no questions of law asked me this year which could not be answered by simply referring to various sections of our law, and I am therefore happily relieved of rendering any decisions whatsoever.

GEORGE WASHINGTON MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting of this association was held at Alexandria, Virginia, on the 21st and 22d days of February, and was attended by representatives of nearly all of the Grand Jurisdictions of this country. The meeting was a very busy one and much real work was done. It was reported that over \$650,000.00 had been collected for the erection of a memorial, an additional twenty acres of ground had been pur-

chased and a contract was drawn with the Washington-Alexandria lodge relating to the priceless Masonic relics of Brother George Washington.

It is extremely difficult to convey to anyone the feeling of awe and reverence which steals over one as he contemplates the many relics of the Father of His Country. It brings to you a sense of realization of the part that Masonry has done for this country and that the greatest and best this country of ours has ever known has met upon the level with his brethren.

It is to be regretted that the Masons of this state have not contributed more liberally for such a patriotic and Masonic undertaking, and I recommend that the committee heretofore appointed be continued another year.

It was my pleasure at this meeting to be accompanied by Past Grand Master Hull, and he wished me to convey to each of you his love.

WEAK LODGES.

By action of the Grand Lodge at its last session, I was requested to investigate the matter of weak lodges, which I accordingly did as follows:

Springview Lodge No. 260, having voted to surrender its charter in February, 1920, but having done nothing more with reference thereto, I issued my proxy to R. W. Lewis E. Smith, Deputy Grand Master, to investigate the condition of this lodge and if in his judgment it was advisable to do so, to take up the charter. He immediately went to Springview and after investigating conditions, he took up their charter, forwarded the same to me, and I have formally declared that lodge extinct.

Solomon Lodge No. 10, at Calhoun, was one of the weakest lodges that we had. After some investigation by myself and on information received from the Grand Custodian and the Grand Secretary, and with the approval of the Master of that lodge, I arrested its charter and took possession of its property, believing it for the best interest of the Craft so to do.

Three lodges had not been represented at Grand Lodge for three years. I arrested their charters until they showed cause why they should be restored. In each case they promised they would not be derelict in this respect in the future and they were again permitted to resume work.

A number of other lodges had not been represented at Grand Lodge for two years, and I secured from them a promise that they would not disobey the law in this respect in the future, and having obtained it, I took no further action.

On reports of the Grand Custodian or his deputies I ascertained that none of the three principal officers of several lodges could confer

any of the degrees of Ancient Craft Masonry. I entered an order that they either fit themselves to confer the degrees within ninety days of the date of the order, or in default thereof, have their jewel of office arrested, and I am happy to say that although six or seven such orders were issued, in only one case was it necessary to arrest a jewel.

To a number of lodges which were weak I directed the Grand Custodian to give a ninety day notice that a formal inspection would be held and they would have to satisfy him that no good ground existed for the arrest of their charter. In every case the interest of the lodge was aroused when they realized the condition with which they were confronted, and nearly every member did his best to better the condition of his lodge.

The work could not all be done in one year, but I shall pass to my successor the information I have gathered and he can finish the work which I have begun.

While to some of you the steps I have taken may seem drastic and harsh, yet the apathetic conditions in some of the lodges demanded in my judgment vigorous measures, and the results which have been attained, to my mind justify the means. My sincere hope is that all the brethren belonging to the lodges to which I have directed my orders of the kind just referred to, will feel that I had no personal feeling in the matter, but that it was done only for what I deemed was for the best interest of the Craft and with a sincere desire to carry out the wishes of the Grand Lodge as expressed at its last communication. I may have made many mistakes but, my brethren, they were of the head and not of the heart, and I hope no one bears me ill.

MASONIC HOMES.

Our charities at Plattsmouth and Fremont are all that the words imply. They are homes in the best and truest sense of the word and in addition to that, if one can add anything to it, are nearly all we could wish Masonic homes to be. In other words, they are not institutions, but places where love and happiness reign supreme and places of which every man can be proud.

During the year I made several visits to our homes and words can not express my satisfaction with the condition that I found. At Plattsmouth the residents are contented and happy. In fact it seemed to me almost beyond belief that so much good could be done for the care and comfort of our old folks. Plattsmouth Lodge No. 6 has presented a moving picture machine to the home and through the courtesy of the film exchanges of Omaha, a moving picture show is given weekly, which greatly adds to the pleasure of the residents. There have been many improvements made at the home this year. The city of Plattsmouth and the Commercial Club of that city have taken a great interest in the home and have presented valuable property to it which greatly

adds to its attractiveness, and we are all under great obligation to them. We expect you to go to the home this afternoon and hope that all of you will be greatly pleased with the work of the Board of Trustees.

The one thing that is still needed to make the home even more successful is the personal interest of each individual brother, not to contribute money, but do some act which will make the residents happier, just such an act as you would like to have done for your father or mother to ease the last years of their life, some act of kindness that is evidence of a charitable heart. Thus each one can do his share in spreading the cement of brotherly love and affection.

The homes at Fremont are big families. Again the institutional spirit is missing. The characters of the boys and girls are being shaped by loving hands and hearts. They are being educated to be useful citizens in the world. They receive religious instruction and will make good Christian men and women, and every Mason should be proud to think of the privilege of being a part of any organization which does such a noble work. Such facilities as we have are of the best but the demands upon us exceed the accommodations we have just now, and another cottage must be erected in the near future and I heartily recommend that it be done at the earliest possible moment.

We do much charity, but we do too little even yet, and both of these projects deserve your wholehearted moral and financial support.

MASONIC HOSPITAL.

During the year a very distressing incident occurred which brought very vividly to my mind the necessity of a hospital, and after receiving a letter signed by the heads of all Grand Masonic bodies in this state, and consulting with a large number of brethren who have the interest of the Fraternity at heart, I decided that some definite plan should be laid before the Grand Lodge for action at this communication.

I consider it fortunate that I was attorney for a hospital company which has just recently completed and equipped one of the finest hospitals in the West, and arrangements can be made to purchase it under the most favorable conditions. Bearing in mind that I have no financial interest in the project whatsoever, but only on account of my intimate and accurate knowledge of the cost of the building and equipment, I felt that it was perfectly proper to recommend this plan. This hospital has been in operation since last October and it is thoroughly modern and up-to-date in every possible way. We could save between \$175,000.00 and \$200,000.00 in what it cost to build and equip it, and would also have the advantage of a complete staff of nurses and other employees so that we could at once begin to function. If this purchase should be made there are no commissions to be paid and no one is making one dollar of profit in the transaction in any way whatsoever.

The Grand Commandery of Nebraska at its last conclave unanimously endorsed the hospital project and resolved to give it their unqualified moral and financial support.

The Grand Chapter of the Eastern Star has considered this proposition and have agreed to devote the amount now on hand in the hospital fund and assess each member \$1.00 per year for three years.

My plan would be to form a corporation to take over this hospital and secure subscriptions to its stock from all Masonic organizations in the state and from individual Masons. I firmly believe that they will unitedly support such a project and I recommend that a committee of three be appointed at once to investigate this proposition, that they be given full power to act and to purchase said hospital if in their judgment it appears an advantageous thing to do, to incorporate an organization to handle this or some other project of this kind, and to raise funds in such manner as it thinks advisable. In this connection I recommend that the amount in the War Relief fund be devoted to this purpose and the resolution introduced last year be passed and the money realized be devoted to hospital purposes.

GROWTH.

We have had a wonderful growth during the past Masonic year. Four thousand three hundred candidates were raised to the sublime degree of a Master Mason. How many Master Masons have been made, no one knows. The amount of work which has been done by some lodges has been really appalling, and has left little time for the social and educational side of Masonry. The ritualistic side has predominated and much remains to be done in our lodges, not merely repeating to our candidates our beautiful lessons, but to impress our members, new and old, that Masonry is an actual living vital force which if properly applied will do much toward solving many of the trying problems of the day. In that way its real aims and purposes can be accomplished and Masonry maintain the exalted position it has ever held and will always hold.

I am not pessimistic over the outlook. The material we have welcomed to our arms is the flower of the land, and they come to us for light and if we but give it to them, the future of Masonry and America is in safe hands. We have taken the responsibility and it rests upon you and me to see that every candidate raised becomes a credit to Masonry and a real brother to each of us and to humanity.

GRAND LODGE OFFICERS.

It does not seem to me that prior to my elevation to the Grand East I appreciated the duties which I owed to the Grand Lodge. It is certain that I received better than I gave. Throughout the whole year a mere intimation of a desire for assistance brought to me help

of the kind which really counts. To enumerate specifically the names of all those who so loyally assisted would be merely to name over the officers of the Grand Lodge, practically all of the Past Grand Masters, and a large number of other brethren.

Especial mention must be made, however, of the assistance which I received from the Grand Secretary and the Grand Custodian. Our good Brother White has always been ready, willing and able to whisper words of good counsel, and many a problem which seemed complex to me was with his help quickly settled, and with his wealth of experience and his sense of justice it would be hard to conceive a more faithful advisor, friend and brother.

The Grand Custodian has always been at the call of the Grand Master. His knowledge of the condition of the Craft in the state, his love of Masonry, and his high ideals make his help priceless. I have been called upon to do many things which were somewhat of an innovation but which I deemed worth while and whenever called upon, Brother French performed his duty as a man and a Mason and no higher compliment could be paid to a mere mortal.

So long as the Masons of Nebraska are aided by men of the caliber of these, no fear need be felt for the safety of the Craft.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

I

I recommend that a law be passed forbidding a Master Mason from petitioning either the Scottish or York Rite bodies until he shall have been a Master Mason for one year and shall have passed a satisfactory examination in the Master Masons degree, and further that if it should be brought to the attention of the Grand Master that the said bodies are receiving petitions of Master Masons who are not so qualified, he shall have the power to declare said body clandestine.

II

I suggest that a system of District Deputy Grand Masters be considered. This Grand Jurisdiction has reached a size that it is impossible for the Grand Master to keep in touch with the various lodges. In addition thereto, under our system the office of Grand Master is rarely held more than one year while I believe that the District Deputy Grand Masters could continue from year to year and by calling upon them the Grand Master would secure accurate, first-hand knowledge of the conditions existing in the various lodges in the state and the reasons and history leading up to them, in this way being of much more service to the Craft.

III

On January 1st, 1920, I increased the salary of Miss Bertha White, assistant to the Grand Secretary, to \$1200.00 per year. This is even

less than she is worth to this Grand Lodge and she should be paid that sum in the future and I so recommend.

IV

I further recommend that the history of Monitor Lodge U. D. G. as compiled by our Grand Secretary, Francis E. White, be published as a part of the proceedings for this year so that the same may be retained in permanent form.

CONCLUSION.

Thus, my brethren, have I served you as Grand Master for the past year. It has been one of the busiest as well as the most pleasant in my life and if I have done a few acts which meet with your approval I am content. The mistakes I have made were unintentional and I hope they will be overlooked and only the acts which meet with your approval be remembered. Through all the remaining years of my life, my fondest recollection will be the pleasure of a year's service to you and to the cause of Masonry, and this of itself is and always will be a wonderful recompense for the time and effort expended. As I surrender my gavel to my successor I can only wish for him the same wonderful co-operation and brotherly love that you have given me, and for myself, that you will call upon me to serve you whenever and wherever you think I can be of usefulness, and that I may be able to render such service to your satisfaction.

By service and by service only, can each of us render unto Masonry that which is her due, and if I can be permitted to do my part in building upon a sure foundation, I then will not have worked in vain.

Thus I close reiterating and repeating the great obligation I am under to each of you for the honor, privilege, and pleasure of serving you, and may my successor receive that same whole-hearted support and encouragement you have ever given me.

Fraternally submitted,

JOSEPH B. FRADENBURG.

Grand Master.

The address of the Grand Master, together with the following reports of the Grand Secretary, the Grand Custodian, and the Trustees of the Nebraska Masonic Home in charge of the Orphans Educational Fund, were referred to the Committee on Doings of Grand Officers:

REPORT OF THE GRAND SECRETARY.

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

I submit herewith my report for the year ending June 6th, 1921.

LODGES UNDER DISPENSATION.

Necessary papers from the following lodges, with applications for charters have been referred to the Committee on Charters and Dispensations:

- Golden Rod Lodge U. D. Lodgepole, Nebraska
- William E. Hill Lodge U. D. Otoe, Nebraska
- Perkins Lodge U. D. Grant, Nebraska
- Winnebago Lodge U. D. Winnebago, Nebraska
- Pacific Lodge U. D. Valley, Nebraska
- Polk Lodge U. D. Polk, Nebraska

RETURNS FROM LODGES.

After more than the usual amount of labor, correspondence, telephoning and telegraphing, we succeeded in getting returns from all the lodges. It is useless to repeat annually the necessary amount of time wasted to accomplish such results, and I have concluded that if Masters will not assist their Secretaries, and help them get out their returns promptly, nothing that I can say from this end of the line will be of any benefit.

BOUND VOLUMES.

Nothing has been done in the way of binding Volume 11, which includes proceedings from 1913 to 1917. At the present high price for this work, it has been deemed advisable to do nothing in the matter, or at least until the Grand Lodge directs that it be done.

NEW MASONIC TEMPLE.

During the past year a large amount of work was necessary on account of the change in the grade on Dodge street. Tons and tons of material in the lower vault, books, pamphlets and everything which we had so carefully stored away, had to be moved out until the remodeling was done and the ceiling of the vault completely changed. The moving out of the material was paid for by the Masonic Temple Craft, and the restoring and replacing the contents of the vault, which cost \$250.43, was paid for by the Grand Lodge, on the authority of the Committee on Grand Lodge Accomodations in New Masonic Temple. But little work was done in the Grand Lodge Library, the Grand Master's room, the Grand Secretary's office, or the working room. Some money should be appropriated for additional furniture, and perhaps for a complete overhauling and redecorating of some of the rooms, if the Grand Lodge deems this is advisable and necessary.

FURNITURE AND FIXTURES.

But little was added to the furniture and fixtures during the year. An extension of the card register cabinet has been purchased, and an

extension of the upright filing case has also been ordered. It is just possible that the Grand Lodge or the committee may decide that some other furniture is necessary. The committee should be continued with full power and authority to purchase what they deem necessary.

COLLECTIONS OF ANCIENT WEAPONS.

Owing to the high prices prevailing during the past year, nothing has been done in regard to caring for, in a proper manner, the ancient weapons, armor, etc., that were presented to the Grand Lodge by Mrs. John J. Monell as a memorial for her husband. The question has been carefully considered from time to time, but no definite conclusion has been reached. In order to properly care for the collection referred to, suitable cases should be provided, and the collection so arranged that it can be easily seen and examined. Before anything definite is done, permanent arrangements should be made with the Masonic Temple Craft as to where the collection should be placed, and as to the rights of the Grand Lodge to the property, and some assurance given as to the permanency of the location. In fact, all details remain to be worked out, and I think the committee should be continued.

COMPENDIUMS FOR LODGES.

Some time ago the question of dispensing with the use of compendiums, and substituting ledgers with record headings, or card registers, was submitted to the Grand Lodge. No definite action was taken, further than that the Grand Lodge did not recommend or endorse the dispensing with the use of compendiums. No provision has been made, however, for supplying the lodges with compendiums. Some requests have come to this office recently for compendiums, but I have none to fill the orders, and have no authority to purchase them. Compendiums are an expensive problem. I assume that they would cost anywhere from \$25.00 to \$40.00 each, in lots of twenty-five. The Grand Lodge, some time ago, recommended the use of a ledger with a heading for the brother's record, and ordered a number of these printed. Some have been ordered and are in use, and some lodges are still using the old system. The entire subject should be considered by the Grand Lodge, or disposed of by a competent committee. If the lodges are to continue using compendiums, arrangements should be made by the Grand Lodge for purchasing them in reasonable quantities. I could not even guess at what the cost of one compendium would be. Personally, I do not believe that lodges should be required to continue the use of compendiums. A simple card register and small cabinet, I believe, will give better satisfaction. Theoretically, compendiums are all that could be desired, but they do not seem to work out practically. The trouble is that the system is too complex and requires so much time that secretaries will not make the necessary entries in the three separate parts.

However it is a matter which should be decided by the lodges, and not by any Grand Officer.

GRAND LODGE AND MONELL LIBRARY.

With the proceedings of other Grand Lodges neatly bound and properly cared for in the library, with the addition of the valuable books that were presented to the Grand Lodge by Mrs. John J. Monell as a memorial for her husband, with the large, well lighted and ventilated, and furnished library room, it is to be hoped in the future, that some of the brethren will avail themselves of library privileges, and that at some time in the future we may take up the question of loaning some of the books in the library. The Grand Lodge of Iowa is following out a system where the treasures of their library become available to members of the Fraternity.

The Freemasons of our Grand Jurisdiction are drawing freely upon the generosity of our Iowa brethren in this matter. In addition to loaning the books in their library, they also are sending out a large number of traveling libraries. North Dakota is, I believe, sending out traveling libraries to their members. To the extent that our brethren are availing themselves of the privilege of receiving books from the Iowa Masonic Library, it is stated that as many as nineteen separate packages of books were sent out to our Nebraska brethren in one day.

SPRINGVIEW LODGE NO. 260.

Springview Lodge No. 260, formerly located at Springview, was declared extinct on August 6th, 1920, and all but four members have taken out demits in accordance with the law. Notices were sent to these four brethren at their last known address, in regard to applying for demits, and I recommend that if they do not obey the law by August 6th, 1921, they be declared suspended—the specified year after the lodge became extinct expiring at that time.

OUR FIRST ENTERED APRENTICE.

Through the kindness of Past Grand Master George H. Thummel, I have received a portrait of Peter A. Sarpy, and it is now hanging in the Grand Secretary's office. The early records of our Nebraska Lodge No. 1, A. F. & A. M., formerly located at Bellevue, have been lost. Brother Addison R. Gillmore, in writing the history of Capitol Lodge No. 3, located at Omaha, included some of the history of Nebraska Lodge No. 1, and says:

"During the fall of 1855, General Peter A. Sarpy handed in his petition for initiation," and that a few evenings thereafter, some of the officers and members accompanied the candidate to Council Bluffs; that after Bluffs City Lodge No. 71, A. F. & A. M., of Council Bluffs, transacted the regular business, it tendered to our Nebraska Lodge No. 1,

the use of its room, fixtures and paraphernalia, for the purpose of conferring the Entered Apprentice Degree upon General Peter A. Sarpy, "the hardy pioneer and Indian trader of thirty years' standing." Brother Gillmore did not give the date when this interesting incident took place, but after diligent search, Brother George W. Lipe, Secretary of Bluff's City Lodge No. 71, found the following entry under date of January 5th, 1856: "On motion the Bellview Lodge have the use of this lodge this evening for the purpose of conferring an Entered Apprentice Degree on Peter A. Sarpy, who has been balloted for in their lodge, and duly elected."

It is unfortunate that the records of our first lodge have been lost, and that all of the papers that were on file in the Grand Lodge of Illinois, by whom the lodge was chartered, were destroyed by fire.

EUROPEAN WAR RELIEF FUND.

June 7th, 1920, amount on hand.....	\$1,000.00	
June 12th, 1920, interest collected.....	22.22	
November 15th, 1920, interest collected.....	21.72	
Contributed to the fund.....	6.06	
November 15th, 1920, draft sent to William B. Melish, Chairman, for Masonic Orphans and Widows in Belgium, Serbia, Armenia and France.....	\$1,000.00	
November 26th, 1920, sent to a former Nebraska Free- mason, residing in Warsaw, Poland.....	50.00	
		\$1,050.00
		\$1,050.00

A full statement of all money received and disbursed, on account of the fund, except the \$1,050.00 accounted for in this statement, can be found on page 397, proceedings of 1920.

MASONIC SERVICE ASSOCIATION OF THE UNITED STATES.

The following is our account with said association, to date:

Our original contribution.....	\$1,000.00	
Orders Nos. 4564-5	178.48	
Call, December, 1919	\$281.18	
Call, May, 1920	281.18	
Call, November, 1920	308.06	
Call, April, 1921	308.06	
		\$1,178.48
		\$1,178.48

GRAND LODGE WAR RELIEF FUND.

Includes all collections and disbursements and amount on hand from October 8th, 1918 to May 20th, 1921.

Total amount collected on 26,549 members at \$1.00 each	\$26,549.00	
Total amount of interest collected on daily balances	505.17	
Returned by Grand Lodge for Committee on Children's Homes	17,500.00	
Dec. 15, 1920, Interest on Victory Loan bonds.....	617.50	
Paid for care of soldiers' children.....		\$ 1,006.80
Paid for Masonic Service Association.....		1,000.00
Paid for care of two French orphans.....		73.00
Paid to Committee on Relief & Care of Orphans...		17,500.00
Paid for \$26,000.00 Victory Loan bonds.....		24,897.60
Paid for interest on above bonds.....		44.20
Transferred to Grand Lodge account.....		28.42
Paid for \$600.00 Victory Loan bonds.....		571.86
Paid for interest due on above bonds.....		.18
Balance to the credit of the fund on Grand Lodge ledger		49.61
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	\$45,171.67	\$45,171.67
May 20, 1921, amount on hand to date,		
Victory Loan Bonds, par value \$26,600.00, cost.....	\$25,469.46	
Due from Grand Lodge.....	49.61	
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		\$25,519.07

SUPPLY ACCOUNT.

Amount on hand as per last report.....	\$1,056.02	
Purchased during the year to May 20, 1921.....	6,390.60	
Amount sold during the year to March 31, 1921.....		\$6,004.65
Amount issued free during the year.....		108.45
Amount on hand as shown by the ledger.....		1,333.52
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	\$7,446.62	\$7,446.62

The above account is the amount shown by the ledger, and does not include any profit gained by the difference in cost and the prices at which supplies are sold. There is a gain in the sale of the large monitors, but the net gain has not been computed.

GENERAL RELIEF FUND.

May 20, 1920, balance on hand.....	\$4,162.65
May 20, 1921, 10 percent of dues, March 31, 1921.....	4,598.40
May 20, 1921, 10 percent of fees, March 31, 1921.....	2,132.50
June 30, 1920, amount paid to Committee on Relief and Care of Orphans.....	\$4,162.65

May 20, 1921, balance on hand.....	\$ 6,730.90	
		\$10,893.55
May 20, 1921, balance on hand.....		\$10,893.55
		\$6,730.90

GRAND LODGE GENERAL FUND, CASH DEBIT.

Balance on hand, June 8, 1920.....	\$52,032.42
Fees on 4,265 initiations at \$5.00 each.....	21,325.00
Dues on 30,806 members, less 83 members exempt, 21 members of Springview Lodge No. 260, extinct, and 46 members of lodges U.'D.', net number collected on 30,656, at \$1.50 each	45,984.00
Penalties assessed against lodges, 1920.....	60.31
Supplies sold to lodges.....	6,004.65
Received from Springview Lodge No. 260, when it became extinct	38.26
Received from Springview Lodge No. 260 for dues of members	47.75
Expenses of Grand Chaplain, 1919-1920, (returned).....	44.22
Charter fee for three lodges, 1920.....	150.00
Returned account of error in pay-roll.....	15.84
Sale of old electrotype plate.....	838.80
War Relief Fund, interest on daily balances.....	4.15
War Relief Fund, interest on bonds.....	617.50
Interest on general fund.....	716.73
Fees for special dispensations.....	200.00
Interest on U. S. Liberty Loan bonds.....	425.00
Fees for dispensations, six lodges U.'D'.....	150.00
Fees overpaid by lodges on 7 initiations.....	35.00
Charter fees for 5 lodges.....	375.00
Part of charter fee for one lodge.....	50.00
Fee for dispensation for proposed lodge at Lynch.....	25.00
Unclaimed mileage and per diem, 1919.....	23.72
Transferred from War Relief Fund.....	28.42
	\$129,191.77

GRAND LODGE GENERAL FUND, CASH CREDIT.

Janitor	\$ 85.00
Postage	320.46
Blanks	329.75
Incidental Expenses	44.53
Grand Tyler, annual communication, 1920.....	15.00
Organist, annual communication, 1920.....	10.00
Stenographer, annual communication, 1920.....	10.00
Committee on Relief and Care of Orphans.....	4,162.65
Committee on Childrens Homes.....	4,000.00
Stationery	76.50

Committee on correspondence.....	\$ 200.00
John A. Ehrhardt, balance due on trip to England,.....	800.00
(Attending Peace Jubilee of Grand Lodge)	
Childrens Homes	17,500.00
Expenses of Deputy Grand Master Lewis E. Smith, to St. Paul, Minnesota, to attend the meeting of the Masonic Service Association	57.53
Expenses of Grand Secretary Francis E. White, St. Paul, Minnesota, to attend the meeting of the Masonic Service Association	39.28
Premium on bond of Grand Secretary	15.00
Printing charters for three lodges	60.00
Expenses of Past Grand Master Frank E. Bullard, to St. Louis, Missouri, to attend the meeting of the Masonic Service Association	23.15
Printing proceedings and reports of Grand Officers.....	1,054.00
Paid rent for Springview Lodge No. 260, extinct.....	50.00
War Relief fund, \$600.00 Victory Loan bond	571.86
War Relief fund, interest on above .....	.18
Expenses moving books, papers, etc., from lower vault	250.43
Expense of Grand Chaplain, 1920-1921	50.00
Premium on fire insurance policy on books, supplies, etc.	39.20
The Nebraska Masonic Home, per capita tax, 1920	23,007.75
300 copies, List of Regular Lodges	115.53
Returned to lodges, over-payments on fees	35.00
Moving and furnishing, new Temple	170.24
Supplies for sale and issue	6,390.60
Promulgation of the Work	951.23
Pay-roll, 1920	4,243.64
Expenses of Grand Custodian	587.25
Expenses of Grand Master	774.98
Clerk hire for Grand Master	600.00
Francis E. White, Grand Secretary	2,400.00
Robert E. French, Grand Custodian	1,800.00
Masonic Temple Craft, rent to December 31st, 1920	556.00
Grand Secretary, clerk hire	2,100.00
Masonic Relief Association of the United States, 1920	154.03
Telephone	52.80
Masonic Service Association	178.48
Balance in the Norfolk National Bank, Norfolk, Nebraska.....	55,309.72
	\$129,191.77

THE NEBRASKA MASONIC HOME

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Nebraska Masonic Home was held January 24th, 1921, and a pamphlet containing a record

of the meeting, and an account of the affairs at the Home for the year 1920, was sent to all lodges, Past Grand Masters, Grand Officers, representatives, and many individuals. The 516 shares of stock which the Grand Lodge owns, were represented at the meeting by Grand Master Fradenburg. The following may be of interest:

On January 24th, 1921, there were 22 men and 14 women at the Plattsmouth Home; and 18 boys and 21 girls at the Plattsmouth and Fremont Homes. One brother and seven children have been admitted since that time, and one brother has died. During 1920 seven adults were admitted and eleven died. Fourteen children were admitted during that year, and six left to be with a surviving parent, or were placed elsewhere.

The average cost per capita for each meal served was 13.8 cents. The average food cost per capita per month was \$12.62. 423 meals were served to visitors in 1920.

Relief is furnished to 47 others outside the Homes, the Grand Lodge for the most part assisting in keeping families together at their own homes.

At the Christmas Observance in 1920 the commanderies contributed \$651.55 for medical supplies, and to be applied to the salaries of the nurses and physicians. Chapters of Royal Arch Masons have contributed \$557.74 for the same fund for the Childrens Homes.

The city of Plattsmouth vacated and donated for the use of the Home all of the street lying west of the original block, and the Chamber of Commerce of Plattsmouth, and interested citizens purchased the north half of the block west of the original plot and presented it to the Home; the Trustees purchased for \$4,500.00 the house and the south half of the block west of the original plot. This property is being graded and beautified, and a porte cochere is being added to the house and other improvements are being made.

COMPARISON OF AMOUNTS, PAID FOR 1919 AND 1920.

	1919	1920	Inc.	Dec.
Printing, stationery, etc.....\$	97.45	\$ 95.56	.....	\$ 1.89
Postage	27.10	42.88	\$ 15.78	.....
Salaries and labor	4,201.80	5,832.79	1,630.99	.....
Fuel	2,054.57	2,508.78	454.21	.....
Light	180.39	235.57	55.18	.....
Power for laundry, etc.....	213.10	204.07	.....	9.03
Water	403.55	218.85	.....	184.70
Maintenance	7,683.38	8,768.60	1,085.22	.....
Expenses of residents visiting				
Omaha physicians.....	8.90	32.27	23.37	.....
Nursing	1,275.00	1,799.80	524.80	.....
Physicians' services.....	321.00	326.00	5.00	.....
Medical supplies.....	378.72	581.38	202.66	.....

Expense visiting applicants for admission	\$	20.31	\$	20.31	.....
		<u>\$16,844.96</u>	<u>\$20,666.86</u>	<u>\$4,017.52</u>	<u>\$195.62</u>
Increase					\$4,017.52
Decrease					195.62
Net increase for the year.....					\$3,821.90
Increase for 1919 over 1918.....					2,602.42
Increase for 1918 over 1917.....					1,879.46
Increase for the last three years.....					<u>\$8,303.78</u>

ENDOWMENTS AND BEQUESTS.

September 2, 1910, Samuel Johnson, Canopy Lodge No. 209....	\$1,000.00
January 24, 1911, Miss Laura MacColl, for her brother.....	1,000.00
April, 1912, Henry E. Palmer, Covert Lodge No. 11.....	500.00
September 27, 1912, Thomas Wilkinson, Washington Lodge No. 21	1,000.00
February 27, 1913, Frank G. Recknor, Atkinson Lodge No. 164..	250.00
September 16, 1916, Past Grand Master William E. Hill, Western Star Lodge No. 2.....	1,000.00
February 10, 1915, Edwin J. Carter, Temple Lodge No. 175....	2,700.00
December 5, 1917, Liberty Class, Hastings Consistory, A. & A. S. R., Hastings (Liberty Bond).....	100.00
December 5, 1917, Bradshaw Lodge No. 255 (Liberty Bond)....	100.00
May 1, 1918, Orin A. H. Bruce, Creighton Lodge No. 100.....	270.00
March 7, 1919, George Tilden, Capitol Lodge No. 3.....	500.00
May 5, 1920, Mr. and Mrs. Stephen C. Houghton, Hampton Lodge No. 245.....	100.00
Total	<u>\$8,520.00</u>

GENERAL LEDGER BALANCES AFTER CLOSING THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING MAY 20th, 1921.

Inventory	\$185,967.55
516 shares of stock in the Nebraska Masonic Home	\$ 51,600.00
Furnishing new Temple.....	4,068.47
General Relief fund.....	6,730.90
U. S. Liberty Loan bonds.....	10,000.00
Supplies	1,333.52
Cash	55,309.72
Six lodges, U. D., charter fee paid less \$25.00 due	425.00
Fee for a proposed lodge U. D.	25.00
Childrens Homes, Fremont.....	67,500.00

Grand Lodge jewels.....	\$ 233.00	
O. E. S. Hospital, 10 shares of stock.....	1,000.00	
Monell library.....	971.17	
Grand Lodge library.....	1,182.18	
Victory Loan bonds, \$26,600.00.....	25,469.46	
Profit and Loss.....		\$ 25,469.46
War Relief fund.....		49.61
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	\$218,667.52	\$218,667.52

INVENTORY.

516 shares of stock in the Nebraska Masonic Home	\$ 51,600.00	
Furniture and fixtures.....	4,068.47	
U. S. Liberty Loan bonds	10,000.00	
Supplies for sale and issue	1,333.52	
Cash on hand	55,309.72	
Childrens Homes, Fremont	67,500.00	
Grand Lodge jewels	233.00	
10 shares of stock in O. E. S. Hospital.....	1,000.00	
Monell library	971.17	
Grand Lodge library	1,182.18	
Victory Loan bonds, \$26,600.00	25,469.46	
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		\$218,667.52
War Relief fund for bonds.....	\$ 25,469.46	
War Relief fund, cash	49.61	
Lodges for charter fee, etc.	450.00	
General Relief	6,730.90	
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		32,699.97
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Net assets May 20th, 1921		\$185,967.55
Net assets May 20th, 1920		165,493.44
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Net increase for the year		\$ 20,474.11

RETURNS.

Number of chartered lodges.....	277
Number of lodges under dispensation....	6
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Total	283
Number initiated during the year.....	4,265
Number passed during the year.....	4,365
Number raised during the year.....	4,404

Number affiliated during the year.....	718	
Number reinstated during the year.....	127	
Number gained by other causes during the year.....	75	
Total gross increase.....		5,324
Number demitted during the year.....	985	
Number deceased during the year.....	325	
Number suspended during the year.....	147	
Number expelled during the year.....	2	
Number lost by other causes during the year.....	24	
Total loss.....		1,483
Net gain for the year ending March 31st, 1921.....	3,841	
Number of Master Masons on the rolls April 1st, 1920.....	30,806	
Number of Master Masons on the rolls March 31st, 1921.....	34,647	

In accordance with the law, penalties are charged against lodges for failure to have their returns in the office of the Grand Secretary by the tenth day of April, as follows:

Lodge	Date Returns Received	No. of Members	No. of Days	Penalty
29.....	April 12, 1921	32	2	\$.64
78.....	April 12, 1921	109	2	2.18
103.....	April 26, 1921	79	16	12.69
117.....	April 12, 1921	50	2	1.00
128.....	April 12, 1921	37	2	.74
134.....	April 18, 1921	73	8	5.84
137.....	April 22, 1921	66	12	7.92
140.....	April 26, 1921	78	16	12.48
168.....	April 13, 1921	77	3	2.31
202.....	April 12, 1921	107	2	2.14
206.....	April 16, 1921*	27	40**	26.80
228.....	April 19, 1921	55	9	4.95
229.....	April 12, 1921	59	2	1.18
269.....	April 13, 1921	41	3	1.23
299.....	April 14, 1921	31	4	1.24
Total				\$83.34

*One copy only.

**Penalty charged to May 20th, 1921, the date when the law says the books must be closed.

Returns from all lodges have been received, the cards have been made up, checked, and counted, and the statistical table is presented herewith.

The following lodges do not report whether they carry insurance or not: Nos. 201, and 279.

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		No. Initiated	No. on Rolls, March 31, 1921		No. Passed	No. on Rolls, March 31, 1921		No. Suspended	No. on Rolls, March 31, 1921		GAIN				LOSS					No. on Rolls, March 31, 1921			
			No. on Rolls, March 31, 1921	No. on Rolls, March 31, 1921		No. on Rolls, March 31, 1921	No. on Rolls, March 31, 1921		No. on April 1, 1920	By Raising	By Admission	Reinstatement	Other causes	Total	By Demission	By Death	By Suspension	By Expulsion			Other causes	Total Loss	
																							No. on April 1, 1920	By Raising	By Admission	Reinstatement	Other causes	Total	By Demission	By Death	By Suspension	By Expulsion	Other causes	Total Loss
Nebraska	1	159	91	171	44	..	73	1158	173	14	5	..	1350	28	4	..	..	..	..	..	32	1318	1
Western Star	2	31	42	24	28	..	43	191	16	11	..	..	218	7	2	..	..	..	..	..	9	209	2
Capitol	3	115	76	115	40	7	138	917	107	15	3	..	1042	19	9	7	..	..	..	..	35	1007	3
Nemaha Valley	4	4	7	5	3	2	19	68	6	..	..	..	74	3	1	2	..	..	..	..	6	68	4
Omaha	5	25	18	30	12	..	22	113	27	1	1	..	142	5	2	..	..	..	..	..	7	135	5
Plattsmouth	6	22	25	30	10	..	25	159	28	4	..	..	191	1	7	..	..	..	..	..	8	183	6
Falls City	9	35	37	39	12	..	37	220	40	5	..	..	265	3	4	..	..	..	..	..	7	258	9
Solomon	10	..	10	..	1	..	1	30	1	..	..	..	31	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	28	10
Covert	11	114	94	121	41	6	153	1072	127	13	1	..	1213	18	10	6	..	..	..	..	34	1179	11
Orient	13	10	5	9	3	2	3	51	8	1	..	..	60	2	..	2	..	..	..	..	4	56	13
Peru	14	6	9	8	2	..	15	80	10	5	1	..	96	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	94	14
Fremont	15	54	17	55	10	2	21	395	55	9	1	..	460	8	6	2	..	..	..	..	16	444	15
Tecumseh	17	13	22	14	6	..	26	130	18	2	..	..	150	3	1	..	..	..	..	..	4	146	17
Lincoln	19	131	80	150	29	1	75	1038	160	33	1	..	1232	30	11	1	..	..	..	..	42	1190	19
Washington	21	5	6	6	8	..	17	111	5	4	..	..	120	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	4	116	21
Pawnee	23	8	10	11	5	1	22	125	12	2	..	..	139	8	1	1	..	..	..	..	10	129	23
St. Johns	25	131	118	131	42	..	178	1040	146	17	8	..	1211	22	16	..	..	..	..	..	38	1173	25
Beatrice	26	25	50	22	16	1	73	326	39	4	3	..	372	8	1	1	..	..	..	..	10	362	26
Jordan	27	5	6	8	4	..	13	70	7	2	..	..	79	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	78	27
Hope	29	2	11	1	6	..	22	32	..	1	..	..	33	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	32	29
Blue River	30	11	5	14	2	..	10	73	14	1	..	..	88	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	2	86	30
Tekamah	31	10	9	6	3	..	8	163	6	3	..	..	172	9	2	..	..	..	..	..	11	161	31
Platte Valley	32	40	43	32	13	1	47	255	38	4	1	..	298	1	3	1	..	..	..	..	5	293	32
Ashlar	33	78	49	78	27	1	51	455	81	5	..	..	541	7	4	1	..	..	..	..	12	529	33
Acacia	34	25	22	23	4	..	26	70	23	..	..	..	93	3	1	..	..	..	..	..	4	89	34
Fairbury	35	18	36	24	6	9	39	189	30	13	3	..	235	11	6	9	..	..	..	..	26	209	35
Lone Tree	36	18	10	14	8	..	36	198	19	10	2	..	229	9	4	..	..	..	..	..	13	216	36
Crete	37	21	16	26	7	..	26	123	25	5	..	..	153	6	3	..	..	..	..	..	9	144	37
Oliver	38	15	20	14	6	1	31	144	13	5	1	..	163	6	1	1	..	..	..	..	8	155	38
Papillion	39	8	13	8	5	..	16	67	7	3	..	..	77	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	74	39
Humboldt	40	15	12	13	6	..	10	79	9	2	..	..	90	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	89	40
Northern Light	41	8	11	5	5	..	18	79	5	..	..	..	84	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	2	82	41
Juniaata	42	7	15	8	1	..	14	52	8	1	..	..	61	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	58	42
Hebron	43	8	14	10	3	1	29	100	10	5	..	..	115	2	3	1	..	..	..	..	6	109	43
Harvard	44	12	13	7	2	..	10	60	6	1	..	..	67	1	2	..	..	..	..	..	3	64	44
Rob Morris	46	35	36	37	18	..	51	286	30	10	..	..	326	10	2	..	..	..	..	..	12	314	46
Fairmont	48	5	17	4	2	1	29	82	6	..	..	..	88	6	1	1	..	..	..	..	8	80	48
Evening Star	49	17	12	11	3	..	13	89	13	6	..	..	108	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	106	49
Hastings	50	45	43	57	12	2	36	409	59	14	3	..	485	13	3	2	18	467	50
Fidelity	51	20	18	19	5	1	30	131	19	3	153	3	3	1	7	146	51

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								No. April 1, 1920	By Raising	By Admission	Reinstatement		Other Causes	By Demission	By Death	By Suspension				By Expulsion	Other Causes
Hiram	52	6	10	6	4	1	23	74	6	1	...	81	3	4	1	...	8	73	52		
Charity	53	10	22	8	7	2	31	111	9	...	120	1	2	...	3	117	53	53			
Lancaster	54	90	90	89	27	1	62	834	92	23	1	950	36	9	1	...	46	904	54		
Mosaic	55	35	36	41	7	1	42	195	54	9	1	259	2	2	1	...	5	254	55		
York	56	13	9	14	1	...	22	290	15	7	...	312	7	5	...	12	300	56			
Mt. Moriah	57	28	19	28	3	1	9	86	27	1	...	114	18	...	1	...	19	95	57		
Lebanon	58	18	28	17	4	...	21	189	20	4	...	213	3	3	...	6	207	58			
Wahoo	59	34	10	35	8	1	19	150	30	7	...	187	2	3	1	...	6	181	59		
Melrose	60	11	10	10	1	...	11	78	10	...	...	88	1	1	...	2	86	60	
Thistle	61	13	8	23	3	...	20	121	26	2	1	150	2	2	...	4	146	61			
Keystone	62	5	11	3	1	1	9	66	4	1	2	73	3	1	1	...	5	68	62		
Riverton	63	...	8	...	...	...	12	51	...	1	...	52	2	1	...	3	49	63
Blue Valley	64	13	3	15	3	...	14	79	15	...	...	94	5	...	...	5	89	64
Osceola	65	7	12	11	10	...	15	122	8	4	...	134	3	4	1	...	8	126	65		
Edgar	67	9	6	12	1	...	6	122	13	3	...	138	5	1	...	6	132	67			
Aurora	68	20	27	12	10	7	41	170	11	4	3	188	5	...	7	...	12	176	68		
Sterling	70	16	18	15	4	...	12	69	13	1	...	83	2	...	...	2	81	70	
Trowel	71	13	17	11	7	...	22	99	13	...	1	113	1	1	...	2	111	71			
Hooper	72	8	14	9	...	...	7	97	9	...	...	106	2	2	...	4	102	72
Friend	73	4	8	6	5	...	18	77	4	1	...	82	3	1	...	4	78	73			
Alexandria	74	6	3	6	2	...	7	47	7	2	...	56	1	...	...	1	55	74	
Frank Welch	75	36	24	35	9	...	21	232	42	12	1	287	5	4	...	9	278	75			
Joppa	76	2	4	3	2	...	11	61	3	...	...	64	5	...	...	5	59	76
Nelson	77	10	11	9	3	3	20	65	10	3	2	80	1	2	3	...	6	74	77		
Albion	78	15	18	20	13	...	14	109	14	2	...	125	14	...	...	14	111	78	
Geneva	79	15	14	13	9	...	17	165	9	5	1	180	5	...	...	5	175	79	
Composite	81	9	6	10	3	...	13	48	10	2	1	61	...	...	...	...	61	81
St. Paul	82	25	17	27	10	...	34	157	24	2	...	183	4	2	...	6	177	82			
Corinthian	83	7	6	8	3	...	7	53	8	...	...	61	1	1	...	2	59	83	
Fairfield	84	12	16	11	1	...	18	81	10	2	...	93	4	...	...	4	89	84	
Tyre	85	2	16	4	2	...	23	41	4	...	...	45	3	1	...	4	41	85	
Doniphan	86	3	5	4	5	...	15	43	4	...	...	47	...	...	...	...	47	86
Ionic	87	17	27	12	6	...	15	106	16	2	1	125	4	1	...	5	120	87			
Star	88	10	14	5	2	2	11	74	4	...	1	79	2	1	2	...	5	74	88		
Cedar River	89	11	16	9	5	...	19	102	11	2	1	116	4	...	...	4	112	89	
Elk Creek	90	13	9	9	5	...	11	35	8	4	...	47	...	2	...	2	45	90			
Oakland	91	12	10	8	3	...	3	96	7	1	...	104	5	1	...	6	98	91			
Hubbell	92	2	6	2	...	...	7	31	2	1	...	34	1	...	...	1	33	92
Beaver City	93	7	10	10	4	6	29	122	12	1	...	135	2	1	6	...	9	126	93		
Bennett	94	8	9	9	1	2	12	59	13	2	2	76	2	3	2	...	7	69	94		

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									By Raising	By Admission	Reinstatement	Other Causes		By Demission	By Death	By Suspension	By Expulsion			Other Causes	
																					Total	By Demission	By Death	By Suspension	By Expulsion	Other Causes
Garfield.....	95	16	12	11	4	..	24	71	10	..	..	..	81	3	3	..	..	..	6	75	95
Utica.....	96	12	9	12	3	..	4	65	13	1	1	..	80	1	..	..	..	..	1	79	96
Euclid.....	97	16	8	18	5	..	14	76	20	3	..	..	99	7	1	..	..	..	6	91	97
Republican.....	98	5	9	3	12	..	5	66	4	3	..	..	73	3	2	..	..	..	5	68	98
Shelton.....	99	5	15	3	2	..	10	61	6	..	1	..	68	2	..	..	..	..	2	66	99
Creighton.....	100	8	16	5	4	1	19	98	5	2	..	..	105	3	1	1	..	..	5	100	100
Ponca.....	101	9	9	9	3	..	18	74	9	..	..	..	83	4	1	..	..	..	5	78	101
Waterloo.....	102	13	12	15	3	..	15	119	13	..	..	..	132	26	..	..	..	..	26	106	102
Ord.....	103	11	13	8	8	..	33	79	1	3	2	..	85	3	..	..	..	..	3	82	103
Wymore.....	104	11	19	11	12	..	32	167	9	1	1	..	178	6	4	..	..	..	10	168	104
Stella.....	105	1	6	4	3	..	8	72	5	..	..	..	77	3	1	..	..	..	4	73	105
Porter.....	106	8	7	6	3	..	10	55	9	1	..	..	65	2	..	..	..	..	2	63	106
Table Rock.....	108	9	5	13	1	..	8	58	15	..	..	..	73	1	..	..	..	..	1	72	108
Pomegranate.....	110	6	13	6	3	..	10	144	5	..	..	..	149	1	1	..	..	..	2	147	110
De Witt.....	111	10	17	6	2	1	29	70	6	1	1	..	78	2	..	..	..	..	3	75	111
Springfield.....	112	11	22	3	4	..	21	88	9	..	..	..	97	2	2	..	..	..	4	93	112
Globe.....	113	8	12	11	3	..	13	54	10	..	..	..	64	1	1	..	..	..	2	62	113
Wisner.....	114	11	13	9	3	..	13	102	11	3	1	..	117	3	1	..	..	..	4	113	114
Harlan.....	116	5	9	5	4	1	13	85	5	3	..	..	93	3	1	..	..	..	4	89	116
Hardy.....	117	6	6	4	3	..	6	50	1	..	..	..	51	4	1	..	..	..	5	46	117
Doric.....	118	3	7	3	1	..	9	49	4	1	..	..	54	..	..	..	..	..	..	54	118
North Bend.....	119	7	5	9	3	..	8	106	8	2	1	..	117	1	..	..	..	..	1	116	119
Wayne.....	120	21	18	24	8	..	11	150	24	3	..	..	177	11	..	..	..	..	11	166	120
Superior.....	121	13	5	17	9	..	18	151	13	2	1	..	167	6	5	..	..	..	11	156	121
Auburn.....	124	7	7	10	1	..	12	110	9	2	1	..	122	7	..	..	..	..	7	115	124
Mount Nebo.....	125	6	9	12	5	1	31	75	11	3	1	..	90	1	1	..	..	..	2	88	125
Stromsburg.....	126	16	7	14	5	2	6	124	13	5	..	..	142	2	2	2	..	..	6	136	126
Minden.....	127	5	11	8	6	..	16	77	7	..	..	..	84	3	..	..	..	..	3	81	127
Guide Rock.....	128	3	8	3	2	..	3	37	3	..	..	..	40	1	..	..	..	..	1	39	128
Blue Hill.....	129	3	6	2	2	..	25	65	2	..	..	..	67	3	..	..	..	..	3	64	129
Tuscan.....	130	1	4	1	1	..	4	64	1	..	..	..	65	3	..	..	..	..	3	62	130
Scribner.....	132	11	6	10	6	..	6	61	9	1	..	..	71	5	..	..	..	..	5	66	132
Elm Creek.....	133	5	7	6	3	..	9	51	5	..	..	..	56	2	1	..	..	..	3	53	133
Solar.....	134	3	5	3	2	..	5	73	5	..	..	..	78	4	1	..	..	..	5	73	134
McCook.....	135	19	28	16	4	2	39	202	14	2	1	..	219	6	3	2	..	..	11	208	135
Long Pine.....	136	7	10	6	5	1	8	86	6	1	..	..	93	3	1	1	..	..	5	88	136
Upright.....	137	3	10	3	1	..	4	66	3	..	..	..	69	1	1	..	..	..	2	67	137
Rawalt.....	138	5	4	5	1	..	14	90	6	1	97	1	1	2	95	138
Clay Centre.....	139	6	6	7	12	68	7	2	1	..	78	3	3	75	139
Western.....	140	2	4	2	1	..	8	78	4	82	5	5	77	140

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									By Raising	By Admission	Reinstatement	Other Causes	Total	By Demission	By Death	By Suspension	By Expulsion			Other Causes	Total Loss
Crescent	143	10	10	9	5	11	79	7	2	88	6				6	82	143				
Kenesaw	144	4	10	7	3	11	74	10		84	2				2	82	144				
Bancroft	145	6	20	6	4	26	70	5		75	1	1			2	73	145				
Jachin	146	11	21	12	2	35	150	17	5	172	4				4	168	146				
Siloam	147	4	12	4	3	13	37	4		41	1	1			2	39	147				
Emmet Crawford	148	12	18	17	7	17	168	19	7	194	3	1			4	190	148				
Jewel	149	3	3	2	1	9	33	5	3	42	1	2			3	39	149				
Cambridge	150	10	10	12	3	6	78	13	3	96	2	2			3	92	150				
Square	151	7	18	5	4	14	70	5	2	77	4	1			5	72	151				
Parallel	152	7	14	6	11	21	55	4	1	60	3				3	57	152				
Evergreen	153	2	2	6	3	17	62	6	1	69	1	1	1		3	66	153				
Lily	154	7	4	8	2	7	67	7	2	76	2				2	74	154				
Hartington	155	19	21	20	9	19	70	14	2	86	2	2	1		5	81	155				
Pythagoras	156	7	20	7	8	13	64	5	1	70	3	2			5	65	156				
Valley	157	13	12	16	5	16	49	13	2	65	2	1			3	62	157				
Samaritan	158	24	15	26	13	2	181	19	10	210	4	3	2		9	201	158				
Ogalalla	159	17	19	21	10	4	113	17	3	133	7	1	4		12	121	159				
Zeredatha	160	3	2	2	2	16	35	1		36					1	36	160				
Mount Zion	161	9	6	16		9	54	17	1	73	1				1	72	161				
Trestle Board	162	3	2	7	1	7	76	6		82	3	3			6	76	162				
Unity	163	14	12	11	3	8	65	10	1	76	2	1			3	73	163				
Atkinson	164	6	10	7		8	49	8	2	59	2				2	57	164				
Barneston	165	6	10	3	2	13	44	1	1	46	2				2	44	165				
Mystic Tie	166	7	7	9	1	7	54	11		65	1				1	64	166				
Elwood	167	7	6	8	5	12	59	8		67	2				2	65	167				
Curtis	168	16	15	13	6	11	77	13	2	92	2				2	90	168				
Amity	169	6	11	8	5	4	71	7	2	80	2				2	78	169				
Mason City	170	15	6	13	10	11	62	10	4	76	3				3	73	170				
Merna	171	9	19	10	4	16	99	14	1	115	4	1		1	6	109	171				
Grafton	172	1	7	1		9	61	1		62	1				1	61	172				
Robert Burns	173	7	15	3	1	14	28	3	2	33	1	2			3	30	173				
Culbertson	174	6	6	7	5	11	38	7		45	3	1			4	41	174				
Temple	175	1	6	2	7	14	71	2		73	3	2			5	68	175				
Gladstone	176	8	10	10	2	7	122	12	2	136	3				3	133	176				
Hay Springs	177	9	4	15	2	6	58	14	1	73	1	2			3	70	177				
Prudence	179	9	14	10	4	2	81	8	1	90	5	2			7	83	179				
Justice	180	10	8	21	10	10	80	14	2	96					96	180	180				
Faith	181	16	19	13	5	36	122	15	3	144	3	2			5	139	181				
Incense	182	7	10	4	4	12	44	3		47	1				1	46	182				
Alliance	183	44	49	43	18	1	296	41	2	339	18	2	1		21	318	183				

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									By Raising	By Admission	Reinstatement	Other Causes	Total	By Demission	By Death	By Suspension	By Expulsion		Other Causes	Total Loss
Bee Hive.....	184	69	32	72	8	..	27	376	77	2	1	..	456	7	5	..	12	444	184	
Boaz.....	185	14	15	6	3	6	12	76	4	1	..	81	..	6	..	6	75	185		
Israel.....	187	9	5	6	4	1	22	64	4	..	1	69	5	1	1	..	7	62	187	
Meridian.....	188	8	8	9	4	1	12	104	5	3	..	112	5	1	1	..	7	105	188	
Granite.....	189	2	8	4	7	..	14	75	5	..	..	80	1	1	..	..	2	78	189
Amethyst.....	190	9	13	6	1	..	1	51	7	..	..	58	1	1	..	..	2	56	190
Crystal.....	191	14	17	11	8	..	8	69	6	2	..	77	4	2	..	..	6	71	191
Minnekadusa.....	192	12	22	16	11	10	21	140	14	1	4	159	3	2	10	..	15	144	192	
Signet.....	193	13	13	18	3	..	7	60	18	..	..	78	1	..	..	..	1	77	193
Highland.....	194	2	7	1	5	..	12	50	1	..	..	51	..	1	..	..	1	50	194
Arcana.....	195	15	17	14	3	..	10	93	15	6	1	115	1	1	..	1	3	112	195	
Level.....	196	2	4	..	..	..	7	39	..	2	..	41	1	1	..	..	2	39	196
Morning Star.....	197	5	7	4	1	..	7	70	4	1	..	75	2	..	..	..	2	73	197
Purity.....	198	9	18	6	7	..	8	69	3	1	..	73	2	..	..	..	2	71	198
Gavel.....	199	12	2	15	4	..	7	37	13	3	..	53	2	..	..	..	2	51	199
Blazing Star.....	200	10	5	10	3	1	8	100	10	4	..	114	1	1	1	..	3	111	200	
Scotts Bluff.....	201	17	19	19	4	..	6	83	16	4	..	103	2	1	..	..	3	100	201
Golden Sheaf.....	202	16	22	16	2	4	19	107	16	5	1	129	1	..	4	..	5	124	202	
Roman Eagle.....	203	3	19	6	2	2	25	64	5	1	2	72	5	..	2	..	7	65	203	
Plainview.....	204	15	12	12	5	1	7	92	15	2	..	109	6	..	..	..	7	102	204
Golden Fleece.....	205	12	6	17	4	..	6	83	20	1	..	104	18	..	..	..	18	86	205
Napthali.....	206	6	7	6	7	..	7	67	2	..	..	69	3	..	..	..	3	66	206
Parian.....	207	4	8	7	3	1	5	85	7	1	..	93	3	..	1	..	4	89	207	
Gauge.....	208	6	10	8	2	1	18	53	10	1	1	65	..	1	..	..	4	64	208
Canopy.....	209	19	14	18	5	..	7	124	17	1	..	142	2	1	..	..	3	139	209
East Lincoln.....	210	142	39	135	27	5	31	468	130	6	7	611	16	5	5	..	26	585	210	
Cement.....	211	5	3	6	1	1	6	80	6	2	..	88	1	1	1	..	3	85	211	
Compass & Square.....	212	6	10	5	3	..	17	63	5	2	..	70	1	..	..	..	1	69	212
Plumbline.....	214	6	2	9	1	..	4	64	9	1	1	75	1	2	..	..	3	72	214
Occidental.....	215	10	5	8	..	..	7	83	10	..	..	93	4	..	..	..	4	89	215
Palisade.....	216	6	10	5	2	..	16	59	7	..	..	65	1	..	..	..	1	65	216
Wauneta.....	217	2	4	2	1	1	17	43	2	2	1	48	3	..	1	1	5	43	217	
Bloomfield.....	218	14	14	19	2	..	18	96	20	2	2	120	4	1	..	..	5	115	218
Relief.....	219	7	15	10	..	..	..	52	13	2	..	67	2	..	..	..	2	65	219
Magnolia.....	220	6	6	5	1	2	9	87	5	1	..	93	1	..	2	..	3	90	220	
Wood Lake.....	221	3	4	3	2	1	3	65	7	3	..	75	1	..	1	..	2	73	221	
Landmark.....	222	7	1	6	3	..	4	109	4	1	..	114	3	..	..	..	3	111	222
Eminence.....	223	3	5	5	3	..	2	65	7	..	2	74	5	1	6	68	223	
Silver Cord.....	224	15	12	11	6	..	10	80	7	5	..	92	2	2	90	224	

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								No. on Rolls April 1, 1920	By Raising	By Admission	Reinstatement	Other Causes	Total	By Demission	By Death	By Suspension	By Expulsion			Other Causes	Total Loss
Cable	225	8	7	7	2	..	2	92	8	2	..	102	3	3	..	6	96	225			
Grace	226	7	6	9	3	..	10	27	11	1	1	40	1	1	..	2	38	226			
North Star	227	27	18	31	3	..	16	176	33	5	..	214	5	3	..	8	206	227			
Bartley	228	7	2	5	..	..	5	55	5	..	..	60	..	1	..	1	59	228
Comet	229	7	4	6	4	..	11	59	6	..	..	65	3	..	..	3	62	229
Delta	230	13	11	11	4	1	4	54	8	3	..	65	3	1	1	..	5	60	230		
Mount Hermon	231	2	4	3	3	..	4	68	2	..	..	70	1	1	..	2	68	231	
John S. Bowen	232	11	3	11	2	..	5	49	10	..	..	59	2	..	..	2	57	232
Gilead	233	4	15	5	5	..	7	45	4	3	..	52	3	..	..	3	49	233	
Zion	234	6	14	7	3	3	6	105	9	..	..	114	..	3	..	3	111	234	
Fraternity	235	5	7	4	2	..	8	52	3	1	..	56	3	..	..	3	53	235	
Golden Rule	236	2	20	2	4	..	5	40	2	2	..	44	..	1	..	1	43	236			
Cubif.	237	11	3	10	1	..	5	58	10	2	..	70	1	..	..	1	69	237	
Friendship	239	4	2	6	3	..	5	55	7	2	1	65	..	3	..	3	62	239			
Pilot	240	6	11	4	2	..	12	86	4	1	1	92	..	..	..	..	92	240
George Armstrong	241	10	10	11	2	..	..	78	11	1	..	90	3	1	..	4	86	241	
Tyrian	243	1	6	..	1	1	6	49	49	10	2	1	..	13	36	243		
Sincerity	244	3	6	2	1	..	2	40	2	1	..	43	1	1	..	2	41	244			
Hampton	245	10	16	7	..	..	..	69	10	1	..	80	2	..	..	2	78	245
Nehawka	246	14	3	14	5	..	2	78	11	..	..	89	1	..	..	1	88	246
Corner-stone	247	12	18	17	8	1	15	64	10	1	1	76	6	1	1	..	8	68	247		
Laurel	248	16	20	20	4	..	13	81	19	4	1	105	3	2	..	5	100	248			
Gothenburg	249	17	6	20	4	..	1	77	22	1	..	100	1	..	..	1	99	249	
George Washington	250	30	11	24	9	3	22	153	23	1	11	188	5	3	3	..	11	177	250		
Wausa	251	7	8	12	4	..	4	64	11	3	..	78	3	1	..	4	74	251			
Hildreth	252	4	5	5	1	..	8	55	6	1	..	62	2	..	..	2	60	252	
Beemer	253	3	5	3	1	..	5	55	4	3	1	63	3	..	..	3	60	253	
Bassett	254	5	14	6	2	..	4	67	6	..	..	73	..	..	..	..	73	254
Bradshaw	255	5	7	3	1	..	..	55	2	2	..	59	2	..	..	2	57	255
Hickman	256	5	5	5	..	..	1	36	5	..	..	41	3	..	..	3	38	256
Holbrook	257	4	7	6	2	..	4	61	6	..	..	67	3	1	..	4	63	257	
Anselmo	258	4	11	4	6	..	4	90	7	1	..	98	1	..	..	1	97	258	
Bee	259	3	2	5	..	..	5	29	5	..	..	34	1	..	..	1	33	259
Springview	260	..	..	..	..	..	..	21	..	..	..	21	..	..	21	21	..	260
Ornan	261	8	9	4	4	..	..	68	3	3	..	74	3	2	..	5	69	261	
Endeavor	262	4	3	3	1	..	5	40	3	..	..	43	1	1	..	2	41	262	
Mitchell	263	15	11	11	..	1	8	101	14	4	..	119	1	2	1	..	4	115	263		
Franklin	264	1	4	2	..	..	1	71	2	3	..	76	1	..	..	1	75	264
Robert W. Furnas	265	26	17	26	6	114	24	14	..	152	5	5	147	265			
Silver	266	10	5	13	4	..	2	33	10	2	..	45	3	2	..	5	40	266			

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									By Raising	By Admission	Reinstatement	Other Causes		By Demission	By Death	By Suspension	By Expulsion	Other Causes		Total Loss
James A. Tulleys	267	12	5	16	1	1	2	56	16	3			75	4		1			5	70
George W. Lininger	268	35	17	27	3		1	201	30	17			248	1	4				5	243
Riverside	269	11	10	10	3		1	41	10	1			52	4					4	48
Huntley	270		3	2	2		2	38	2	1			41							41
Oasis	271	23	13	23	7	1	2	69	26	7			102	2		1			3	99
Lee P. Gillette	272	7	9	6	1			78	7				85	1	1				2	83
Crofton	273	7	8	10	4		3	56	10	5	1		72	4					4	68
Olive Branch	274	8	10	8	6			91	8	1			100	3					3	97
Ramah	275	3	2	3	2			24	2				26							26
Antelope	276	8	4	13	5			33	9				42							42
Sioux	277	9	1	8				46	9				55	1	2				3	52
Litchfield	278	11	5	10	6			65	9	3			77	3					3	74
Wallace	279	4	8	2	1	1	1	44	2		1		47	1		1	1		3	44
Swastika	280	8	7	8	3			57	8	2			67	1					1	66
Florence	281	68	15	62	18		2	107	59	5			171	2	1				3	168
Mullen	282	8	7	6				58	8	2			68	3					3	65
Exeter	283	6	7	6	3			42	3	1			46	2					2	44
Seneca	284	13	9	10	7			88	12	1			101	5	2				7	94
Camp Clarke	285	13	22	15	7			78	17	6			101	4	1				5	96
Oshkosh	286	11	12	11	5	1	1	63	14	2			79	1	1	1			3	76
Union	287	8	5	6				53	6				59		2				2	57
Omaha	288	65	28	69	18	3	2	362	66	16			444	4	2	3			9	435
Lotus	289	11	12	11	3			94	9	2			105	3	1				4	101
John J. Mercer	290	23	7	24	4			128	31	8			167	1	1				2	165
Diamond	291	6	1	10	1			39	14	2			55	1					1	54
Wolbach	292		2	3	1		1	46	4	1			51	1					1	50
Monument	293	6	3	7	1			47	6				53							53
Kimball	294	12	3	14	1	1	1	69	16	7			92	3		1			4	88
Minatare	295	3	5	9	2			40	11	3			54	1					1	53
Cowles	296	6	1	7	1			29	6				35	1					1	34
Cotner	297	23	12	15	1			61	15	2			78	3	1				4	74
Chester	298	5		7	1			30	6	1			37							37
Sutherland	299	9	6	8	3			31	8	3			42							42
Liberty	300	71	11	79	8			118	89	6			213	3					3	210
Bayard	301	11	12	6	9			33	3	2			38							38
Mizpah	302	140	19	141	23			90	144	8			242	2					2	240
Right Angle	303	68	11	71	11			41	67	3	18		129							129
Ruskin	304	5	2	5	2			5	5	1	19		30							30
Newman Grove	305	9	3	12	1				15	1	17		33							33
Golden Rod U. D.		5		5					5				5							5
William E. Hill U. D.		17	1	16	3				13				13							13
Perkins U. D.		9	5	4					4				4							4
Winnebago U. D.		4	1	3					3				3							3
Pacific U. D.		14	5	9	1				8				8							8
Polk U. D.		7	1	6					6				6							6
Extinct			71		16		199				3	21	24	14					14	10
Grand Totals		4265	3814	4365	1445	147	4203	30806	4404	718	127		75361	30985	325	147	224	1483	3464	

The following lodges report carrying no insurance: Nos. 23, and 254.

The following lodges do not report the mileage: Nos. 27, 81, 125, 190, 201, and 206.

The following lodges report having no delinquent dues: Nos. 23, 30, 33, 48, 53, 56, 57, 59, 61, 63, 67, 70, 81, 82, 84, 87, 93, 98, 116, 130, 149, 150, 164, 172, 182, 184, 185, 188, 193, 195, 201, 204, 233, 240, 241, 245, 249, 251, 255, 273, 275, 281, 282, 286, 296, 298, and 304; a total of 47, six more than last year, and of these twenty-one reported having no delinquent dues in 1920.

The following lodges make no report concerning the delinquent dues: Nos. 6, 13, 29, 32, 50, 51, 58, 89, 100, 120, 137, 140, 158, 159, 163, 166, 168, 171, 175, 194, 222, 226, 228, 237, 244, 246, 253, 256, 259, 270, 277, 279, 283, 292, 295, and 299. Fourteen of these thirty-six lodges did not report whether they had any delinquent dues last year or not.

The total amount of delinquent dues reported is \$13,235.92, and the amounts delinquent in lodges range from \$3.00 to \$675.00. 1,889 members are reported to be delinquent, an average of \$7.01 each.

In 1899, when I became Grand Secretary, the number initiated was 574; the net gain was 173, and the total membership was 11,948 in the 231 lodges in existence at that time.


Francis E. White
Grand Secretary.

REPORT OF THE GRAND CUSTODIAN.

To the Grand Lodge and Loyal Craftsmen of A. F. & A. M. throughout the Grand Jurisdiction of Nebraska:

Fraternal Greeting to One and All:

Again the unerring strokes of the hammer of time
Ring out in tones from its silvery chime,
That we must render an account of all our acts
In cold figures and plain facts.
It is not for us to say how we have worked,
Whether we were honest or whether we shirked;
We'll leave to you the "What and how" it is done
As we jog along toward life's setting sun.

CONSTITUTING OF NEW LODGES.

It has been truthfully said, no matter where we may roam,
"Be it ever so humble, there is no place like home."

So it may be truthfully said of the Ancient and Free
They like to dwell under their own vine and fig tree.

At the request of the Grand Master, and in line with the formal duties of the Grand Custodian, we perfected all the preliminary details and were present at and assisted in the ceremonies of constituting the three lodges granted charters at the last communication of the Grand Lodge, June, 1920; viz: at Omaha, Ruskin, and Newman Grove. All of these functions were perfected in a creditable manner by all those who were present and took an active part.

NEW LODGES.

You will find six lodges under dispensation,
Working on time while under probation.
May they all prove to be of the right brand,
Though last, not the least, the best in the land.

We have formally recommended six petitions for dispensation located as follows: Lodgepole, Grant, Otoe, Winnebago, Valley, and Polk. All of the proposed officers at the above named places proved their ability to the entire satisfaction of the Grand Custodian in strictly complying with all the requirements of the constitution to confer the several degrees of Ancient Craft Masonry with all the accompanying lectures in a suitable and impressive manner. They have secured safe and suitable lodge rooms for all the transactions of Masonry, and have formally pledged themselves to furnish and equip their lodge rooms with all the necessary paraphernalia and accessories to render the work in a way that will be a credit to Masonry.

OBSEQUIES.

We have planted the evergreen over the tomb
Of two departed brethren in memory to bloom.
Thus, one by one they are passing away,
Brothers of adoption, friends of other days.

One, a worthy member of Lone Tree Lodge No. 36, Central City, was interred at Schuyler; the other was an active and honored member of Granite Lodge No. 189, Gibbon, and an old time friend and brother of the Grand Custodian.

REGULAR SCHOOLS OF INSTRUCTION.

According to custom and long established rules
We assigned, dated and perfected ninety-four schools;
Held by Custodians, each, one and all,
The attendance of some was large; some quite small.

In the following lodges, viz: Numbers 5, 21, 23, 29, 40, 48, 57, 61, 67, 53, 68, 75, 76, 78, 82, 83, 88, 90, 95, 96, 105, 108, 112, 114, 116, 119.

132, 133, 137, 144, 147, 155, 156, 159, 161, 162, 163, 164, 166, 169, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 179, 180, 183, 184, 185, 191, 192, 193, 195, 198, 202, 203, 208, 212, 214, 216, 217, 219, 220, 221, 226, 228, 230, 231, 232, 233, 237, 243, 244, 253, 254, 258, 261, 262, 267, 270, 272, 273, 274, 276, 277, 286, 291, 293, 298, 299, 301, 304, 305. Total, 94.

Numbers 120, 270, 276 and 291 were special schools for which they paid the expenses as they were not entitled to schools according to established rule and custom. Total, 4.

The following lodges were all within the compass and jurisdiction of the central schools, viz: Number 1, 3, 11, 19, 25, 31, 33, 36, 54, 55, 56, 104, 121, 135, 146, 158, 201, 210, 288, 300, 303, 304. Total, 21. There were nine cancellations for different reasons, all of which have been re-assigned and worked out.

The following lodges are entitled to regular schools the coming year, according to the expiration of time and the right of turn, viz: Numbers 2, 4, 9, 13, 26, 27, 35, 50, 79, 84, 94, 97, 111, 120, 127, 139, 150, 152, 160, 170, 172, 182, 190, 194, 205, 207, 209, 227, 235, 241, 250, 256, 263, 264, 266, 281, 287, 289, 290, 295, 298, 297. Total, 42.

If we have not erred in our computation, there will be no lodge in this Grand Jurisdiction that has not had a central or regular school of instruction in the last two years—*A Clean Sheet!*

REGULAR SCHOOLS.

Lodges should understand for once and all time that when the expiration of time and it is their right by turn, they will be assigned, dated a regular school of instruction, which will be held either by the Grand Custodian or a regular commissioned deputy custodian, under a formal order of the Grand Master, embodied in a formal notice, setting forth all of the conditions required of the lodge and what is expected of them to make the school one of interest and of practical benefit to all concerned, especially the present officers. A detailed report will be made to the Grand Master, including all facts concerning said school. It behooves you to set your house in order and have your lamps trimmed and burning so as not to be censured for dereliction of duty in permitting yourselves to fall into an apathetic and indifferent condition. A hint to the wise ought to be sufficient. See that you do not cancel your dates after they have been accepted by formal card.

CENTRAL SCHOOLS.

As suggested, thirteen of these schools of this brand
Met upon the level with a hearty grasp of hand.
It seemed to be good to the many that were there,
To meet as Masons, and to part upon the square.

These central schools were located and dated at the following places, viz: Tekamah, the Grand Master was officially represented by

R. W. Edward M. Wellman, Grand Senior Warden, who proved to be a prince among his equals. There were nine sessions, nineteen lodges represented, with a total attendance of 351.

Wymore: The Grand Master was officially represented by M. W. Samuel S. Whiting, P. G. M. Brother "Sam" always fills the bill when it comes to the "I am." An adept in the art of playing his part. Nine sessions were held, fifteen lodges were represented, with a total attendance of 305.

York: The Grand Master honored this school with his presence, and in his genial way made many lasting friends. Brothers Freet and Bolen, Assistant Custodians, rendered excellent service in aiding in the work of the school, for which we extend them our sincere thanks. There were nine sessions held, twenty-six lodges represented, with a total attendance of 203. (The Custodian was absent the last two sessions.)

Lincoln: The Grand Master was not officially represented at this school. Weather conditions were not propitious for attendance, the dew was falling in big drops. However, there was a fair turnout of the Craft and a lively interest was manifested all along the line. Brothers "Andrews and Wood" were in attendance and lent a helping hand, which was duly appreciated by the Custodian. Brother Frank M. Johnson, another Assistant Custodian, made himself useful in many parts of the work. There were eight sessions held, thirty-five lodges represented, with a total attendance of 475.

Grand Island: Again the Grand Master was present in person and witnessed the conferring of the degree of a Master Mason on an actual candidate by the efficient officers of Ashlar Lodge No. 33, in a most solemn and impressive manner. At the aftermath of this school, Hon. Robert D. Graham, Author and Masonic Lecturer, entertained a large and interested number of the Craft with one of his characteristic lectures on Cabalistic and Ancient Symbolism which was a real treat and highly appreciated by all present. Brother Alfred G. Hunt was present and took an active part, also Brother Robert B. Walker, both Deputy Custodians.

Norfolk: Grand Master was not present nor represented at this school. However, P. G. M.'s Ehrhardt and Viele were present. Brother Ehrhardt entertained the brethren with many interesting details of his recent visit over seas, attending the Peace Jubilee, as well as addressing them on the last postulate of Ancient Craft Masonry, "The Immortality of the Soul." It is the opinion of the Custodian that more of such talks would prove of lasting benefit to the Craft in general. Brothers Rix, Howe, Viele and Lowther, Assistant Custodians, all took an active part in the exercises of the school as well as the work. There were nine sessions held, forty-one lodges represented with an attendance of 375.

Superior: Grand Master not represented. The conditions were not propitious for a good attendance at this school—almost impassable roads, and the last day was the anniversary of the signing of the armistice, which virtually closed the school at the end of the second day. There were seven sessions held, nineteen lodges represented, and the attendance was 159.

Omaha: Grand Master, Grand Senior Warden, Grand Chaplain and Brothers Franklyn Tym and Charles A. Eyre were present. This school was held at the special request of the Grand Master, and the several lodges of Omaha through their representative, W. Frank Wilcox, Secretary of No. 1. It is a question in my mind as to whether there was any real necessity for holding this school so far as the letter of the work is concerned. For all the officers that demonstrated the work at the school are on a high plane of proficiency, although there were many of the officers of the different lodges who were engaged in the work of conferring the degrees in their respective lodges (being compelled to do so in order to keep their work up) who were not present at the school. There were seven sessions held, seventy-four lodges represented, and visitors from thirty-two other Grand Jurisdictions. Total attendance, 808.

Central City: Grand Master was present in person, also the Grand Chaplain, as well as Brother Alfred G. Hunt of No. 33, Assistant Custodian. The last afternoon was devoted to the conferring of the degree of a Master Mason on an actual candidate, Brother Alfred G. Hunt, presiding. As a whole it was a successful school. There were nine sessions held, nineteen lodges represented. Total attendance, 309.

Holdrege: Grand Master represented by R. W. Charles A. Chapell, Grand Junior Warden, who was a host in himself and a real live wire in the exalted position that he so ably filled. The last afternoon was employed in the work of conferring the degree of a Master Mason on two actual candidates of No. 146. The aftermath was a royal banquet, four large tables and then there was an overflow with enough left to have filled another table. There were four little roast pigs got caught in the swim, and that was the last we saw of them. Eight sessions, thirty-seven lodges represented, total attendance, 402.

McCook: Grand Master represented by W. James D. Phillips of No. 93, Assistant Custodian, an able representative, but did not get in until the eleventh hour, and was only partly accorded the honors which were due the exalted position which he represented. Eight sessions held, twenty lodges represented, total attendance 233.

Chadron: Grand Master represented by R. W. Lewis E. Smith, D. G. M., who filled the official position with credit to himself and honor to the fraternity. The interest manifested at this school cannot be expressed. It was felt. W. Edwin D. Crites, G. J. D. and W. George A. Stevens, Assistant Custodian, by their presence and valuable assistance, added much to the ceremonies of fully exemplifying the

work. There were nine sessions held, forty-two lodges represented, and the total attendance was 762.

Gering: Grand Master represented by M. W. Fred L. Temple, P. G. M., who took an active part in the actual work of conferring the degree of Master Mason. Brother Temple was at his best, doing the part of Master in a most impressive and solemn manner. His work was freely commented upon by all who were present. W. Vincent S. Ramsey, Assistant Custodian, was present and took an active part in all the work from start to finish, demonstrating his rare talent and ability as a workman that needeth not to be ashamed. He proved to be a valuable acquisition to the corps of assistant custodians, the right man in the right place. There were nine sessions held, thirty-six lodges represented, with a total attendance of 483.

FRATERNAL VISITATIONS.

When and wherever it was possible without any additional expense, the Grand Custodian has made it a point to spend an evening with the Craft in what they term "heart to heart" talks along such lines as seemed most profitable. The attendance and the attention at these meetings manifested by the brethren is very gratifying and is very convincing that the Craft is interested in the Study side of Masonry, and its deeper aspects along the line of history, philosophy, jurisprudence, mission, symbolism and legends, and is all-sufficient proof that other Grand Jurisdictions who are endeavoring to promulgate a practical plan along the line of higher education than formal ritualism are awakening to a necessity that has long demanded more light on the path that leads from darkness to light. We have made these visitations at the following places, viz: Nebraska City, Seward, Cozad, Gothenburg and Falls City.

There are many in this day and age who are like those in the time of early Christianity, of whom Paul in his letter to Timothy, Chapter III, 7th Verse, says, "Ever learning, and never able to come to the knowledge of the Truth."

The habit of our people is to read books, take lessons from teachers, and spend their time and money in finding out what someone else knows; but never able to know anything themselves. They should remember that such is not knowledge to them; no man can give you knowledge; that can be obtained only through experience, and the experience must be your own. May the time hasten and draw near when there will be less talk and more practice in the line of doing things pertaining to the higher truths.

Noise is not music, it is expression, rhythm and rhyme,
 With the genius of the muse in harmonious tune and time.
 Softly, sweetly blending with nature as a whole,
 Calmly soothing the sorrows of the troubled soul.

FORMAL INSPECTIONS.

As the busy days of the "good old summer time" draw nearer and nearer, it becomes more and more difficult to get a sufficient attendance of officers and members to justify the effort and expense of assigning and dating regular schools.

Instead of assigning schools, we have, with the knowledge and approval of the Grand Master, instituted a series of formal inspections for the one purpose—if there is an actual necessity of assigning regular schools in all of the lodges, or only those that are not and cannot comply with the letter of the law requiring proficiency in all of the work and accompanying lectures to enable them to present the work in a concise, correct and impressive manner. For when a lodge cannot exemplify the work in an intelligent manner to an intelligent man, then it has no business to tamper with the product.

Perhaps the plan will be more agreeable to those lodges that are maintaining the letter of the law than to assign them arbitrary dates when they are not in need of formal instruction in the work. It will also save the Grand Lodge as well as the lodges the expense both in time and money.

Under this head we have inspected the following lodges, viz: Numbers 46, 50, 129, 189, 258, 171, 148, 278, 210, 19, 93, 170, 188, 158, and 55.

ASSISTANT CUSTODIANS.

"Blest be the tie that binds" us heart to heart
That time and distance cannot sever, tho' far apart.
O'er ocean, o'er land, and o'er seas, the oneness
Of one to one wafts sweetly on each gentle breeze.

Two of our experienced assistants have retired from active work in the field because conditions were such that they could not do justice to themselves and continue the active work of a custodian—M. W. Samuel S. Whiting and W. Frank L. Haycock.

We regret the loss of these experienced and loyal brethren. Custodians are not made in a fortnight. It takes "time, patience and perseverance" to accomplish the task of mastering the letter of the work so as to be sure of your bearings at all times and under all conditions. There are many that will miss you, but none as much as "Uncle Bob," the Veteran.

There has been but one new assistant custodian commissioned this year, viz: W. Frank M. Johnson, present Master of Meridian Lodge No. 188, Cozad. I believe this brother will fully measure up to all the requirements and qualifications of an excellent assistant when he has had the practice, experience and acquaintance.

The matter of assistant custodians is no longer a project, but is an established fact proven by time, and has been thoroughly tried

and tested out beyond all cavil or controversy so far as the practicability of the proposition is concerned. I do not refer to the present method of handling them. Like all other propositions where there are a number of men engaged in a certain line of work, it is generally supposed that there is a directing hand. The letter of the law (Section 8, Chapter II of the Code) clearly defines that the Grand Master is that directing power so far as the Grand Custodian's duties are concerned, but makes no provision for the management of the assistants of the Grand Custodian. For the last ten years, the duties of the assistant custodians, by order of the Grand Master, have been under the direction and control of the Grand Custodian.

Are you cock-sure that this is the best plan, and that you are sure of your conclusions along these lines? There is more care and responsibility connected with it than you are aware of unless you have had a chance to be in close touch with the working of all the machinery of the Grand Custodian's office in connection with this important matter. I do it, and have for the time above stated, because the different Grand Masters have formally ordered the Grand Custodian to do so, and, as obedience to constituted authority is characteristic of all loyal Masons, that settles the whole matter.

Of the six new lodges recommended for dispensations, five of them secured an assistant custodian to perfect them in the letter of the work. Just think what that means to this Grand Jurisdiction. The petitioners paid all the expenses of the assistant custodian as well as his per diem, and they have something for their money. If all the chartered lodges were as proficient in the letter of the work as these lodges U. D. are, there would be no necessity for an appropriation for the promulgation of the work for some time to come. You may ask how I account for it. This is an easy question to reply to, viz: *The present Grand Custodian will not recommend them if they do not fully comply with all the requirements of the law.* Section 8, Chapter II of the Code is clear, specific and definite on this point of proficiency. Why is it not enforced and the same results secured from the chartered lodges that are secured from lodges U. D.? *Because the letter of the law is not enforced.* And who is to blame for this dereliction of duty? If "stand to and abide by" does not mean all that it says, let us not say it. (The above is not meant to be personal in any way. Simply a matter of principle—a plain statement based on facts and conditions.)

FORMAL INSPECTIONS AND INVESTIGATIONS.

This is not a pleasant subject for an aftermath,
 But sometimes shadows must darken our path,
 It may be for the best so we'll cease our repining,
 With the hope this cloud may have a silver lining.

By reason of several adverse reports from the Grand Custodian as well as from the assistant custodians, and in accordance with the

recommendation of Grand Master Tooley as approved by the Grand Lodge, there was but one course for the Grand Master to pursue, and that was to get at all of the facts of the why and wherefore of all those lodges which unfortunately had allowed themselves to fall into an apathetic rut of indifference. By and under his official order, the Grand Custodian has made a thorough inspection and investigation of all the lodges embodied in the Grand Master's official order, and has submitted to him our findings in each and every case, with the hope that these derelict lodges will awaken to a full sense of their duty and in the future will not prove recreant to the trust reposed in them.

However, there are existing conditions for which some of these lodges are in no way responsible, neither can they overcome or improve them, viz: limited jurisdiction caused by the creating of new lodges in their territory, unfavorable environment, prejudicial opposition, with many other organizations whose propaganda knows no limit in soliciting membership, as well as many other conditions that tend toward reducing their already small membership.

As Masons, we should refrain from unrighteous judgment and unjust criticism. But there are some conditions that they can help, and they should do so without any action from this Grand Lodge, but let us give them an opportunity to remedy those things before we take any further action toward arresting their charters.

QUALIFICATIONS OF MASTERS.

We must as Masons ever keep in view,
That which as Masons "we come here to do,"
Well skilled in the royal art before our induction,
So as to enable us to give "good and wholesome instruction."

Serving as a warden and receiving the degree of Past Master does not and is not sufficient qualification to entitle a brother to preside in the East. Virtue and Genius should be the essentials to place in the offices of honor and trust as the reward of merit. How important then that none but the experienced, the talented, the informed, the virtuous be placed in the responsible position of Master of a Masonic lodge. It can not be denied that the success and permanency of a lodge depends to a great measure upon the unwearied zeal and fidelity of the Master. It is said that the stream never rises above the fountain head. When the first fervor of a new lodge cools, as cool it will, nothing will keep the fire burning on the hearth stone save the breath, skill and zeal of the Master.

How conducive to the interest and stability of a lodge that such a man once found should be retained in office until another is fully qualified to fill his position without disturbing the equanimity and harmony of the working of the lodge. This modern fad of rotating officers annually should have no place in Masonry. It is not every Past Master that is wise in his day and generation. It would have been

better for the interests of Masonry if they had passed some of us before they overtook us. You may ask if I have a remedy. Yes, sir! You may call it a Utopian dream. That may be true, but in olden time, it is said in the book that we swear by and on, that they dreamed dreams and saw visions.

Here it is in the American tongue with the French accent. Make the law such as to require each and every Master-elect before installation to pass a thorough examination before a regularly commissioned Custodian and prove himself well qualified to comply with the letter of the law in the important matter of proficiency in all the work and accompanying lectures of each degree, as well as being well informed in the law. Then give him a duly attested certificate, making that an essential qualification for installation. Is that placing the interests of Masonry on any higher plane than it rightfully belongs? We should be willing to admit that official position does not lift a man above what he is.

“Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of my brethren,
ye have done it unto me.”

Such was the precept and practice of the “Master”
As taught by the Ancient and the Free.

Shielded from the summer's heat, sheltered from the storm,
Within our homes peaceful retreat, protected from all harm,
Our loved and worthy ones, they of our own household,
Calmly, peacefully resting in the harbor of its fold.
Guiding the orphans' tender feet, that they may never stray
In thorny and forbidden paths along life's rugged way.
Comforting the aged, consoling them in their many fears,
While drifting in the twilight of their ten and three score years.
Noble hearted men are they of this ancient and honorable band,
That time and distance can not stay the kindly work of their hands,
Solving many an intricate problem oft-times difficult and hard,
Patiently serving day and night without the hope of fee or reward.

Brethren, are we doing as we would wish to be done by; are we in a position to judge of the worry and vexation of spirit that the officers and trustees have had to pass through in their unselfish labor of managing and caring for the interests of Our Home, the Masons Home? What do those of us who have never given an hour or spent a farthing know of what these faithful servants have given and are spending in demonstrating the golden tenets of Masonry? Would it not prove our sincere appreciation of their untiring efforts if we would quit looking for the flaws as we go through life and help bear some of the burdens of toil and strife?

How many of us are ready and willing to lay hold of the cable-tow and help pull over the many steep grades as these loyal Masons have done? Mournful dirges and a few flowers scattered over their tomb

will not take the place of the gratitude that in our hearts should bloom. There is a time coming, and we know not how soon some one will have to take their places. Who can or will be more devoted and loyal to the trust that they have never betrayed than they have been?

A true Mason is one that is broad minded, charitable, and tolerant in his judgment of his fellow man, measuring out that full measure of brotherly love to others that he would like measured out to him under like conditions. It was resolved last year that the Custodians should devote some time to speaking of the Home. We have said just what we know, and mean more than we have said. "Your orders have been obeyed."

There have been many calls on "Uncle Bob's" time
 To give heart to heart talks in prose and rhyme,
 Of the when, where and what of this ancient clan
 Whose father is God, whose brother is man to man.

Titles and badges will never make any man wise,
 He must be and do or he never will win the prize,
 In our wanderings and ponderings from darkness to light
 We should be Masons in fact, in all that is right.

CALLING OFF.

We have concluded it wise not to mention or say
 Anything further of our "Observations on the way."
 Thinking it better to be both deaf, dumb and blind,
 Than to tell all we see or utter words that are unkind.

Finally, may I again call your attention to the fact that in the future, as in the past, I shall endeavor to abstain from taking sides in mere personal differences, or the making of any decisions pertaining to the letter of the law, or its interpretation, or its application. Masonry is not founded on arbitrary opinions, nor dictatorial commands. No human being ever reached, nor ever can reach the pinnacle of infallibility.

APPROPRIATION AND EXPENSE.

It makes me tired and gives me a pain,
 Whenever I ride on a rail road train;
 When a brass button "Con" with greedy hand and smile,
 Punches the face of my ticket, cost four cents a mile

Appropriated by Grand Lodge, June 9th, 1920.....	\$600.00
Transportation	\$187.13
Maintenance	238.63
Stenographer	7.05
Telegrams	13.42
Telephones	23.90

Taxi	\$ 9.13
Postage	34.89
Supplies	45.39
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Total	\$559.54
Amount of appropriation not drawn.....	\$ 12.75
May 9th, 1921, balance in hands of Grand Custodian....	27.71
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	\$600.00

It is hereby certified by Robert E. French, Grand Custodian, that the above expense account as verified by original vouchers in the hands of the Finance Committee is correct to the best of my belief and knowledge, and was expended as recommended by the formal report of the committee last year and as the letter of the law defines, "Under the direction and control of the Grand Master."

I accept no gifts or favors from any man,
 For the reason I am not made on that plan;
 I pay for what I get and get what I need,
 That is Uncle Bob's idea of a square Creed.

All of which is fraternally submitted.

ROBERT E. FRENCH, Grand Custodian.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE NEBRASKA MASONIC HOME IN CHARGE OF THE ORPHANS EDUCATIONAL FUND.

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

The following report for the year ending May 20th, 1921, is fraternally submitted by the Trustees of the Nebraska Masonic Home:

Securities on hand last report	\$104,797.95
<i>Purchased or renewed during the year:</i>	
No. 259, Moore, 152.4 acres, Nance County	3,000.00
No. 260, Wilcox, 120 acres Thurston county	5,000.00
No. 261, Bloedorn, 137.61 acres, Knox county	5,000.00
No. 262, Beacom, 97 acres, Dakota county	2,400.00
No. 263, Pendergast, 80 acres, Pierce county	3,000.00
No. 264, Davidson, 80 acres, Sarpy county	4,000.00
No. 265, Wegner, 80 acres, Stanton county	2,000.00
No. 266, Fenrich, 80 acres, Thurston county	3,000.00
No. 267, Karre, 160 acres, Greeley county	3,000.00
No. 268, Kayl, 80 acres, Dixon county	3,600.00
No. 269, Smith, 70 acres, Dakota county.....	5,000.00
No. 270, Wilcox, 120 acres, Thurston county	5,000.00
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Total	\$148,797.95

Securities renewed or paid off:

Nebraska Masonic Home	\$1,597.95
No. 244, part, Purcell	500.00
No. 224, Boyd	2,500.00
No. 257, Okbloom	6,000.00
No. 257, Davidson	4,500.00
No. 249, Zvacek	2,500.00
No. 223, Davidson	4,000.00
No. 259, Moore	3,000.00
No. 261, Bloedorn	5,000.00
No. 230, Masonic Temple Craft, Calloway	1,200.00
No. 227, Karre	3,000.00
No. 226, Layher	1,800.00
No. 260, Wilcox	5,000.00
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	\$108,200.00

LIST OF SECURITIES ON HAND.

Mortgages owned by the Orphans Educational Fund, May 20th, 1921:

No.	Borrower	Property located in	Amount
208,	Goll	40 acres, Burt county	\$1,000.00
232,	Trimble	80 acres, Nemaha county	3,200.00
233,	Leibhart	160 acres, Merrick county	5,000.00
235,	Ackerman	80 acres, Burt county	4,000.00
236,	Whipperman	40 acres, Thurston county	2,000.00
238,	Mark	610.23 acres, Garfield county	4,000.00
239,	Lederer	159 acres, Pierce county	3,000.00
240,	Addison	160 acres, Dixon county	4,500.00
241,	First Liberty loan bonds		5,000.00
242,	Kelly	160 acres, Thurston county	5,000.00
243,	Stickney	85½ acres, Saunders county	5,000.00
244,	Purcell	160 acres, Custer county	500.00
245,	Rafferty	159.05 acres, Thurston & Burt counties	2,500.00
246,	Nelson	128 acres, Douglas county	5,000.00
247,	Davidson	120 acres, Sarpy county	2,500.00
248,	Kelly	160 acres, Dixon county	5,000.00
251,	Korff	80 acres, Cedar county	5,000.00
252,	Moe	160 acres, Merrick county	2,000.00
254,	Sandoe	320 acres, Boyd county	5,000.00
256,	Warren	92.13 acres, Burt county	5,000.00
258,	Cedar	160 acres, Nance county	3,000.00
262,	Beacom	97 acres, Dakota county	2,400.00
263,	Pendergast	80 acres, Pierce county	3,000.00
264,	Davidson	80 acres, Sarpy county	4,000.00
265,	Wegner	80 acres, Stanton county	2,000.00

266, Fendrich .....	.80 acres, Thurston county	\$3,000.00
267, Karre .....	.160 acres, Greeley county	3,000.00
268, Kayl .....	.80 acres, Dixon county	3,600.00
269, Smith .....	.70 acres, Dakota county	5,000.00
260, Wilcox .....	.120 acres, Thurston county	5,000.00
Cash in Omaha National Bank		271.40
Total securities on hand		\$108,471.40
Securities on hand last report		104,797.95
Increase in assets for the year		\$ 3,673.45

CASH.

Interest on mortgages	\$ 5,729.92
Interest on Government bonds	212.50
Securities paid off	28,597.95
Securities purchased during the year	\$32,000.00
Interest due on loans when purchased	42.97
Amount paid Committee on Relief & Care of Orphans	2,200.00
Cash book and ledger, \$22.00, blank orders \$4.00..	26.00
Balance in the Omaha National Bank	271.40
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	\$34,540.37 \$34,540.37

All of the securities renewed recently, or purchased, are based on a 6½ percent rate of interest, payable semi-annually. All interest to May 1st, 1921, has been paid, and there are no mortgages due or unpaid at this time. The statement of cash does not include any mortgages that were renewed, but is the actual cash transaction. As in former reports, I again state, that all securities that were renewed, or purchased, were approved by the Master of the lodge in the locality where the land on which the mortgage was made, is located.

FRANCIS E. WHITE,

Secretary, Nebraska Masonic Home.

M.:W.:Brother Joseph B. Fradenburg, Grand Master, announced the following committees, and they entered on the discharge of their duties:

Annuity Plan—Bros.: George H. Thummel, 33; Samuel S. Whiting, 54; Frank Wilcox, 1; David C. Hilton, 19; and John R. Webster, 3.

Applications for Reinstatement: Bros.: Bernard N. Robertson, 3; Charles H. Marley, 1; Andrew H. Viele, 55.

Charters and Dispensations: Bros.: Herbert L. Underwood, 1; Earl M. Bolen, 130; Alfred G. Hunt, 33; Charles C. Haynes, 3; Robert O. Hodgman, 54; George A. Volland, 50.

Childrens Homes: Bros. Carroll D. Evans, 58; Charles B. Nico-demus, 15; Alpha Morgan, 148; O. Edwin Mickey, 65.

Codification of the Law: Bros. Frank H. Woodland, 25; Edward M. Wellman, 1; Amos Thomas, 268.

Credentials: Bros. Frank M. Johnson, 188; Ora A. Vandervort, 162; Edward S. Prohs, 201; Harry R. Belville, 146; Henry F. Finke, 46.

Doings of Grand Officers: Bros. George H. Thummel, 33; Fred J. Stack, 11; James Hodge, 25; Robert E. Gilmor, 288; William N. Paxton, 184.

Finance: Bros. Arthur M. Anderson, 31; Perley I. Beach, 183; Clyde J. Hornsby, 181; Albert M. Keyes, 257.

Foreign Correspondence: Bros. Francis E. White, 6; John A. Ehrhardt, 41; Frank L. Haycock, 207.

Fraternal Dead: Bros. Charles M. Shepherd, 54; Walter W. Wells, 192.

Grand Lodge Accomodations in New Masonic Temple: Bros. George H. Thummel, 33; James R. Cain, Jr., 105; Francis E. White, 6.

George Washington Memorial Fund: Bros. George C. Mason, 300; Orville A. Andrews, 19; Robert O. Hodgman, 54.

Grievances: Bros. George C. Mason, 300; Charles F. Beck, 14; Anson L. Havens, 302; Arthur W. Ladd, 78; Benjamin F. Thomas, 1.

Jurisprudence: All Past Grand Masters present with M. W. John J. Tooley, Chairman.

Pay-roll: Bros. Frank L. Haycock, 207; William C. Ogilvie, 189; Theophilus C. Wilson, 33; Walter L. Gregory, 19; Charles E. Alter, 116.

Physical Qualification of Petitioners and Recognition of other Grand Lodges: Bros. Andrew H. Viele, 55; James R. Cain, Jr., 105.

Promotion of the World's Peace: Brother Samuel S. Whiting, 54.

Promulgation of the Work: Bros. George H. Thummel, 33; Charles E. Burnham, 166; James R. Cain, Jr., 105.

Relief and Care of Orphans: Bros. Robert E. Evans, 5; O. Edwin Mickey, 65; Charles A. Chappell, 127; Alpha Morgan, 148; John A. Ehrhardt, 41.

Unfinished Business: Bros. Charles E. Burnham, 166; David C. Spangler, 41; Harold S. Gow, 55; Clifton McGrew, 38.

Visiting Brethren: The Grand Custodian, Assistants to the Grand Custodian and Omaha brethren.

War Relief Fund: Bros. Robert E. Evans, 5; John R. Webster, 3.

The following report, read by Past Grand Master George H. Thummel, was adopted:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON DOINGS OF GRAND OFFICERS.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M. of Nebraska:

Your Committee on Doings of Grand Officers would respectfully

report and recommend that the subject matter of the Grand Master's address under its designated heads be referred as follows:

To the Grand Lodge—

Masonic Hospital;
Additional Cottage at Fremont.

To the Committee on Jurisprudence—
Recommendations I and II.

That the appropriation of \$100.00 for the Masonic Service Association, Recommendations III and IV, and all other acts and doings of the Grand Master not otherwise specially referred be approved.

Report of the Grand Secretary—

That so much as relates to:
New Masonic Temple,
Furniture and Fixtures,
Collection of Ancient Weapons, etc.,
Grand Lodge and Monell Library, and the
Recommendations relating thereto be approved.

To the Committee on Finance—

All matters relating to Finance and Accounts.

To the Grand Lodge—

The matter of Compendiums, etc.

Report of the Grand Custodian—

To the Committee on Promulgation of the work:

Your committee have been greatly interested in the address of the Grand Master, the report of the Grand Secretary, and the report of the Grand Custodian. A careful perusal of each is recommended to the Craft, as thereby each brother will have an accurate and gratifying knowledge of the true condition of Masonry throughout the jurisdiction.

The Grand Lodge was called to attention and sang "Nearer, My God, to Thee," after which V. W. Brother Charles M. Shepherd, Grand Chaplain, read the following report; at the conclusion of the reading the brethren sang "Blest be the Tie that Binds," and the report was adopted:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FRATERNAL DEAD.

To the Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons:

In the hurry and turbulence of this onrushing age, we may well pause long enough, to give ungrudgingly the time necessary for words of tenderest farewell for our departed ones.

Indeed Masonry has never withheld the ministry of hand and heart, nor the utterance of kindly recognition for our fallen comrades. Their dust is gently borne by loving hands to the green fields, and laid rev-

erently beneath the turf and flowers. Their virtues we recall, to be cherished forever in memory. Nor has Masonry withheld the kindest expression of sympathy, for the bereaved; chivalric care for the lonely women; steady hands, for the form of age; and compassionate guidance for the fatherless. In this spirit we come today, with fresh flowers of affection and tokens of tender, and loving recollection, for those who have passed to the great beyond.

Two Past Grand Masters, James R. Cain, Sr., and Michael Dowling, with Past Grand Secretary J. Newton Wise, have joined the number of the exalted during the past year. These brethren were rare types of our great fraternal, social and political leaders, who for the last half century, have given unsparingly of their graces and talents, for the furtherance of the interests which minister best to our state and nation.

Two former Assistants to the Grand Custodian, Franklyn Tym, and Fred A. Howe, have ceased their labors here. The latter with fine skill and full vigor, held at Fremont the funeral services for Past Grand Master Michael Dowling, and then a little more than a few hours after, his own heart ceased its throbbing, and he laid aside forever the implements of earthly toil.

In all, three hundred and twenty-five of our brethren of Nebraska lodges have been called from the Democracy of the living to the Democracy of the dead, yet they are not lost to us.

There have been tears, and heart aches because they are away, lonely firesides, vacant chairs where loving glances linger long, as twilight shadows quicken unforgetting hearts of love; but their bravest words, their noblest thoughts, their loftiest deeds, have joined them to the immortals; and in that faith we journey whither they have gone before.

“Our loved and lost. Why do we call them lost?
Because we miss them from our onward road?
God's unseen angel o'er our pathway crossed,
Looked on us all, and loving them the most
Straightway relieved them from life's weary load.

Death hath made no breach,
In love and sympathy, in hope and trust,
No outward sign our ears can reach;
But there's an inward spiritual speech
That greets us still, tho mortal tongues be dust;
It bids us do the work that they laid down,
Take up the song where they broke off the strain,
So journeying till we reach the heavenly town.
Where are laid up our treasures and our crown,
And our lost loved ones will be found again.”

That which is most helpful and kindest, in thought and utterance, we would extend to the bereaved and lonely of these far-spread house-

holds. To their memory, we will bring our best tribute; which must ever be, an enlarging ministry of love for those who live, and the constant cultivation of those qualities, which in them were undimmed by the shadows of the valley.

Our hearts are as one, for all who sorrow, as we record the names of our Fraternal Dead.

M. W. WILLIAM H. H. CLAYTON.....	Past Grand Master, Arkansas
R. W. CHARLES HENRY JACOBSON....	Grand Secretary, Colorado
M. W. WALTER S. MOYLE.....	Past Grand Master, Connecticut
M. W. HENRY BANKS.....	Past Grand Master, Georgia
M. W. JOHN D. BLOOMFIELD.....	Past Grand Master, Idaho
R. W. CALVIN W. PRATHER.....	Grand Secretary, Indiana
M. W. JOHN QUINCY LOOK.....	Past Grand Master, Michigan
M. W. NEAL McMILLAN.....	Past Grand Master, Michigan
M. W. ARTHUR MIDDLETON.....	Past Grand Master, Missouri
M. W. JACOB LAMPERT.....	Past Grand Master, Missouri
R. W. CHARLES SUMNER BURCH....	Grand Chaplain, New York
M. W. JOHN A. PERCIVAL.....	Past Grand Master, North Dakota
M. W. ROBERT MORRISON.....	Past Grand Master, North Dakota
M. W. LEWIS PHILLIP SCHAUS....	Past Grand Master, Ohio
M. W. EDWARD ELMER KIDDLE.....	Past Grand Master, Oregon
M. W. CHARLES HILL.....	Past Grand Master, South Dakota
M. W. ARCHIBALD N. SLOAN.....	Past Grand Master, Tennessee
M. W. T. WILBUR HENNEN.....	Past Grand Master, West Virginia

Past Grand Master John A. Ehrhardt submitted the following report, and it was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE

To the Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M. of Nebraska:

Your Committee on Foreign Correspondence respectfully report on a matter which to the mind of the committee is of special interest and importance at this time.

It is deemed essential to Ancient Craft Masonry that action should be taken by this Grand Lodge to limit the use of membership in Ancient Craft Masonry as a basis for membership in other organizations. In our large lodges very few Master Masons are permitted to stop and attain adequate knowledge of the Craft before they are importuned to "advance." In many cases, even in our smaller lodges, there are solicitors who importune the candidate for the degrees of Ancient Craft Masonry to sign applications for some so-called "higher bodies" before they have attained the sublime degree of Master Mason. Clubs, societies, and other organizations organize teams and are advertised as star attractions. As a usual thing, the brethren wrapped

up in these so-called "higher degrees" seldom remain to hear the beautiful lecture closing the Master Masons degree. Your committee think that it is the positive duty of the Grand Lodge to protect the dignity, solemnity, and importance of her degrees and the obligations upon which they are based, and in that way see that the young men seeking admission into Masonry be educated in the great principles of Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth. That they be taught that we, as Masons, believe in the Fatherhood of God, the Brotherhood of Man, and the Immortality of the Soul, and that the great principles of Morality and Virtue are the basis upon which rests the entire superstructure of Masonry.

We therefore recommend that the petition for initiation be amended to contain the following provision:

"In the event that I am elected a member of this lodge and receive the degrees of Entered Apprentice, Fellow Craft, and Master Mason, I promise and declare that I will not petition for membership in any lodge, chapter, consistory, commandery, or any other society claiming to be Masonic, until after I have been a Master Mason for one year and have attended at least twelve regular meetings of this lodge or a lodge of like grade."

We further recommend that it be made a Masonic offense to solicit or propose a Master Mason for membership in any organization for which that standing is a qualification, until such person shall have been a Master Mason for a period of not less than one year, and that our law be amended, providing for indefinite suspension for the violation of any of the provisions of such law.

The following report of the Committee on Unfinished Business was presented by W. Brother Harold S. Gow, 55, and was adopted:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

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

Your Committee on Unfinished Business fraternally report that the members have carefully examined the proceedings of the Grand Lodge for 1920, and the reports of the Grand Officers for 1921, and find the following matters not disposed of:

Reports are due from the Committee on Physical Qualifications of Petitioners and the Recognition of other Grand Lodges; the committee to which shall be referred the matter of the delay of lodges in answering correspondence in regard to their returns; the Committee on the War Relief Fund; and the Committee on Annuity Plan.

The Committee on Jurisprudence should also report on Decision No. 1, of Grand Master John J. Tooley, made in 1920.

Action should be taken on the amendment to the Grand Lodge law, proposed by W. Brother O. Edwin Mickey, 65, in regard to a per capita assessment on the membership and an increase in the fee paid by each

Apprentice, to the Grand Lodge. See pages 465 and 466 proceedings of 1920.

Past Grand Master Alpha Morgan submitted the following report, which was adopted:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RELIEF AND CARE OF ORPHANS.

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

Your Committee on Relief and Care of Orphans fraternally submit a report of receipts and disbursements for the year ending May 31st, 1921.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand as per last report.....	\$3,266.55
10 per cent. of the fees and dues to the Grand Lodge for 1920..	4,162.65
Orphans Educational Fund.....	2,200.00
Refund from the Order of the Eastern Star Home Board.....	50.00
Custer State Bank, 4 per cent. interest on daily balances.....	208.00
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	\$9,887.20

DISBURSEMENTS.

Widow of a member of Western Star Lodge No. 2.....	\$ 120.00
Member of Electa Chapter No. 8, O. E. S.....	174.50
Widow and four children, Platte Valley Lodge No. 32.....	120.00
Widow of a member of Ashlar Lodge No. 33.....	90.00
Member of Northern Light Lodge No. 41.....	55.00
Member and his wife, Friend Lodge No. 73.....	30.00
Widow of a member of Beaver City Lodge No. 93.....	300.00
Widow and four children of a member of Hardy Lodge No. 117	210.00
Member of Evergreen Lodge No. 153.....	70.00
Widow and four children of a member of Atkinson Lodge No. 164	315.00
Widow and four children of a member of Prudence Lodge No. 179	180.00
Widow and two children of a member of Alliance Lodge No. 183	100.00
Widow and four children of a member of Roman Eagle Lodge No. 203	150.00
Member of East Lincoln Lodge No. 210.....	45.00
Member of Relief Lodge No. 219 and daughter.....	150.00
Widow and four children of a member of Cubit Lodge No. 237	185.00
Rent of Childrens Home, No. 2, (refunded).....	50.00
Order of the Eastern Star Home Board, furniture and rent, Childrens Home, No. 2.....	2,200.00
Order of the Eastern Star Home Board, clothing for children for the year.....	1,501.13
Order of the Eastern Star Home Board, food for children for the year	2,698.76
Certified check herewith to balance.....	1,142.81
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	\$9,887.20

It is the judgment of your committee that the same amount in general relief will be expended another year, together with such amount as may be necessary for any new cases that may be found worthy and that must be taken care of.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, reviewing the proceedings of other Grand Lodges, was presented by Past Grand Master John A. Ehrhardt, and on motion was ordered published with the proceedings.

On behalf of the Committee on Promulgation of the Work, Past Grand Master George H. Thummel submitted the following report, and it was adopted:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PROMULGATION OF THE WORK.

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

Your Committee on Promulgation of the Work to which was referred the report of the Grand Custodian, would respectfully commend the same to the Craft throughout the jurisdiction; particularly that part requiring a certificate as to proficiency before the Master-elect can be installed and recommend the matter to the careful consideration of the Craft, to the end that if the Grand Custodian shall at the next session of the Grand Lodge recommend the same, the brethren may be fully advised and be prepared to vote thereon.

Your committee states that the particular work for which this committee was created, was finished several years ago; that in 1910, at the request of the present Grand Custodian, the committee was continued for another year as Advisors to the Grand Custodian, and seemingly under this your committee has been continued from year to year.

As the duties of the committee are merely nominal and of no practical benefit either to the Grand Custodian or the Craft, your committee recommend that it be discharged from further service.

W. Brother George C. Mason, 300, presented the following report, and it was adopted:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON GEORGE WASHINGTON MEMORIAL FUND.

To the Grand Lodge of Nebraska:

The Committee on the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association beg leave to report:

There has been collected to June 6th, 1921, \$6,734.00.

25 lodges have through their members paid in 100 per cent of their membership, and will receive a diploma, or Roll of Honor.

90 lodges are still working, and are sending in amounts as they are

collected; many of these will make their full quota.

34 lodges have been individually written to by the committee, without any other help from the lodges except a roster.

130 lodges have not yet answered any letter sent them, or have appointed committees that have not reported; these lodges have had a letter from the committee each month since the work began in September.

The expense to date is as follows:

Stenographic, which included the rent of a small office	\$895.00
Envelopes, postage stamps, ink, and small items.....	226.93
On deposit in banks, on interest.....	2,687.00
For National Committee Diplomas.....	500.00
Account, First National Bank, Lincoln.....	2,425.07
	\$6,734.00

We recommend that further time be granted the committee to complete its work, as many of the lodges will not complete their work for some time to come, and for the further reason that the year has been an especially hard one, on account of the financial situation. Many letters from various parts of the country have been received, which promise results in the near future.

As most of the work is individual correspondence, the committee would further ask that all lodges be directed to send a complete roster to this committee for such work.

At twelve o'clock M., the Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment until six o'clock P. M.

VISIT OF THE GRAND LODGE TO THE NEBRASKA MASONIC HOME.

At two o'clock P. M., Tuesday, June 7th, 1921, a special train on the Burlington Railroad, left Omaha, with 259 members of the Grand Lodge, their wives, sisters and friends. The special train reached Plattsmouth according to schedule time, and was met by a large number of citizens of Plattsmouth, members of Plattsmouth Lodge No. 6, accompanied by the Elks Band, and with a sufficient number of automobiles to convey the visitors to the Nebraska Masonic Home grounds. No more hearty and cordial greeting could have been extended by any city or town, than we received. The city was nicely decorated, and the citizens and brethren were all anxious to make their guests truly welcome. On arriving at the Home, the members of the Grand Lodge and

their guests, singly and in groups, went over the grounds and through the building, and made a thorough investigation of both of these, talked with the residents, and inspected the building from top to bottom. Members of the Grand Lodge exchanged views as to conditions as they found them, and without a single exception, it may be said, that every one expressed himself as highly pleased with the Home and the way it is managed. Some of those who had not visited the Home previously voiced their wonder and surprise as to the completeness of the Home, its management, the grounds, and everything connected with it.

After giving the visitors an opportunity to look over the Home, Brother James T. Begley, Master-elect of Plattsmouth Lodge No. 6, extended a very cordial welcome to the guests and expressed the great pleasure the citizens of Plattsmouth and the Masonic Fraternity felt by being honored by such distinguished visitors. He pledged the support of the citizens of Plattsmouth and the Masonic Fraternity to co-operate in every way with the Board of Trustees of the Nebraska Masonic Home in making the Home what it was intended to be—a place where rest and comfort could be found for those who are entitled to our care and consideration. M. W. Brother Joseph B. Fradenburg, Grand Master, responded briefly, thanking the citizens and the Fraternity for their hospitality and the very perfect manner in which they had arranged for entertaining the Grand Lodge and its visitors. He then introduced V. W. Brother Charles M. Shepherd, Grand Chaplain, who also thanked the citizens and the Fraternity for the warm welcome and hospitality extended, and spoke of the privileges of those who had passed the meridian of life, and especially of the peace, calm, and contentment that should come to those who had ceased to be active in the affairs of the world, and whose declining years should be full of sweet contentment, sunshine, and happiness. He also offered a fervent prayer to the Great Architect of the Universe for His care and protection of the Home, the residents thereof, and for all the members of our Fraternity and their loved ones.

At the conclusion, Home Chapter No. 189, Order of the Eastern Star, served delicious refreshments to all of the assembled guests. During the afternoon the Elks Band played a number of selections, and the music was greatly enjoyed by all.

Brother Eugene O. Mayfield, a member of Bee Hive Lodge No. 184, South Side, Omaha, and Sunday Editor of the Omaha World-Herald, had arranged to have photographs taken of the festivities, among them being one showing a number of the people who had gathered at the Home for the occasion. Others included the Grand Master and the Grand Secretary, and the Board of Trustees of the Home. Brother Mayfield published a very good account of the visit in the Sunday World-Herald of June 12th, 1921.

The Plattsmouth Evening Journal also had a very good edition of its paper, devoted almost exclusively to the Home and our Fraternity, and copies of it were freely furnished to all of our visitors. Some of the early history of Plattsmouth Lodge No. 6, A. F. & A. M., Nebraska Chapter No. 3, R. A. M., and Mt. Zion Commandery No. 5, K. T., all of Plattsmouth, was included in the edition. Mention was also made of Freemasons who had assisted in the formation and building up of the lodge, chapter, and commandery in pioneer days—days in which the future of Freemasonry was not so bright as it is today.

Altogether the visit may be considered a complete success, and one that was enjoyed by all of those who were present, either as a citizen of Plattsmouth, a member of the Masonic Fraternity, a member of the Grand Lodge, or a guest.

At four forty-five o'clock P. M., the visitors were taken to the waiting train, and returned to Omaha.

INFORMAL SESSION OF THE GRAND LODGE, A. F. & A. M., Tuesday evening, June 7th, 1921.

On the evening of June 7th, 1921, after the return of the Grand Lodge from the Masonic Home at Plattsmouth, at the hour of 6 o'clock, P. M., the members of the Grand Lodge, preceded by Grand Master Fradenburg, Grand Secretary White, and the many Past Grand Masters, were conducted to the spacious dining room on the third floor of the Temple where they were the guests of the eleven Omaha lodges at dinner. The Grand Master called for attention and invited Grand Chaplain Shepherd to invoke the Divine Blessing, after which the dinner was served and thoroughly enjoyed by all present.

The Y. M. C. A. Quartette, composed of Brothers Wallace, Williams, Smith, and Campbell, was introduced and led the three hundred voices present in "America" and the "Battle Hymn of the Republic." They then rendered the "Chinese National Anthem," the "Scotch National Anthem," and the "French National Anthem," receiving great applause after each number.

The announcement was made that the address of welcome to the visiting brethren was to have been delivered by Brother Titus Lowe, who was unavoidably absent. Brother Carl E. Herring was introduced, and if any of the brethren felt that they were not welcome when he finished his address they must have been hard of hearing. Brother Herring said the right things and the thoughts of welcome were dwelt on by the speaker in such a manner as was pleasing to both host and visitor.

The Quartette then rendered by request "Home Again—America for Me."

The Grand Chaplain, V. W. Brother Charles M. Shepherd, responded to the address of welcome for the visiting brethren, and in such an effective, kindly manner that everyone was glad to be present. It was a masterful effort and the brethren manifested their approval by prolonged applause.

The Quartette—after parodies on the Grand Chaplain, Brother Shepherd, and "Uncle Bob"—sang "Old Black Joe." Brother Walter W. Wells offered prayer and another splendid get-together Grand Lodge dinner became history.

At the conclusion of the dinner given by the Omaha lodges the brethren met in the asylum of Mt. Calvary Commandery No. 1, K. T., of Omaha, in Masonic Temple, 19th and Douglas streets, and were called to order by M. W. Joseph B. Fradenburg, who introduced to the brethren W. Brother Frank G. Smith, Grand Orator, who delivered the following:

ORATION

Most Worshipful Grand Master and Brethren of the Craft:

I want to assure you with my very first word today that I have a deep and abiding sense of the importance of this occasion, and a corresponding consciousness of the inadequacy of any effort I may here put forth as compared with the hunger of my heart to bring you the message which this hour so deeply deserves and richly merits. Many men have spoken upon the subject of Masonry, and yet it is a theme

which is perennially fresh. It is a mine that is never worked out but yields Gold and Jewels with each new excursion into its hidden depths; yea, it is a spring that never runs dry. I could wish, therefore, that some of my brethren who are in this assembly, who have spent long years in Masonic work and Masonic research, might occupy the time which has been assigned to me that they might bring to us a message more instructive and perhaps more inspiring. Time is precious, however and must not be spent in wishes or apology, however sincere they may be. I can only do my best, and that is all any of us can do any time.

It has been my pleasure to hold the office of Grand Orator in the Grand Lodge of Nebraska now for the past year. There is a certain sense in which I have felt unworthy of the exalted honor thus conferred upon me. I have always had a great desire to go through the chairs and do the work of the lodge, but my work is of such a nature that my evenings are most always engaged, making regularity of attendance impossible, thus depriving me of what I would esteem as a great privilege and pleasure. Because of this I did not feel that I merited the honor of a Grand Lodge Office. But while it has been impossible for me to do this work to which I have referred, my brethren, I have been most careful and zealous about other things that deeply concern us; I have been most careful to do my best to incarnate and exemplify the great truths for which our Order stands, and to exalt them before the world on every possible occasion.

The position of Grand Orator is not an exceedingly difficult one to fill. It does not require that one shall have a commanding presence, a brilliant and easy flow of language, a rich and powerful voice, or a magnetic personality. As I have studied the office and tried to fill it to the best of my ability I have found that it makes only about two fundamental requirements: first, that one should think pure, noble, exalted, helpful thoughts, and second, that he should be ready to convey them to his brethren in the simplest language possible when the occasion requires. This has been my only ambition during the work of this year, and is still my highest ideal today.

The age in which we live is an intensely practical age. It is an age in which everything is being measured and weighed by the standard of practical value. It is an age when everything and everybody is asked to make good. Even the very largest school of Philosophy takes on this color of the practical by assuming and asserting that the thing that works is true. That it is valuable. And the thing that does not work is not true and therefore valueless. If an institution renders a valuable service to humanity, one that is easily recognized, it is founded on truth and right principles, and should be maintained and perpetuated; if not, it is false and useless and should be allowed to perish from the face of the earth. Education and the various institutions through which it finds expression, Religion and the various forms,

ceremonies, creeds, rituals and symbolisms by which it is made manifest, are all being submitted to this practical test. Our Institution, even though so large a part of its work is secret, cannot escape this same test. Let us make earnest inquiry then today into the origin, nature and practical value of this Institution we love and represent.

The last two of these questions, the nature and practical value of Masonry, will be comparatively easy to answer. Not so as to the first one, namely, its origin. For when we seek for the origin of this great Institution that has belted the earth with its power and influence, history carries us far back into the past, and where history leaves off tradition takes us up and carries us farther and still farther until mystery and obscurity cover us like a garment; after all perhaps the profoundest secret of our great secret order is the secret of its origin. But in all this history and tradition there is one thing that stands out very prominently and pre-eminently, and this after all is the important thing, namely, that the germinal principle of Masonry in all its history is the building instinct: Masonry had its origin no doubt among builders; craftsmen, skilled artisans, master builders, men with great dreams, high ideals, and rare skill in the realm of material construction. For centuries and centuries it remained an operative craft; and the world is strewn with monuments, magnificent temples, tombs, palaces, and the decaying ruins of vast achievements in the material realm, all representing the work, the finished product of Masonry while it remained an operative craft.

Now it is well that we should pause here to fix firmly in our minds the vital relationship between the Masonry of that day and the Masonry of our day. In order that we may best do this let us study for a moment the necessary steps in the construction of a temple. First of all there must be a plan. It must be dreamed out by someone. It must live in the mind of someone. It must be actually builded in all its minutest details in the mind of man. All material construction is but the realization of mental dreams. The splendid pieces of statuary that have thrilled the hearts of men for ages are only the beautiful dreams of great souls frozen into marble. The great pictures that have hung in the world's galleries for centuries, and stirred the hearts of men, have been made possible only because hand and eye became sufficiently skilled by long and patient practice to realize in color and form the beautiful dream that hung upon the walls of some man's inner life. Indeed the great artist is he who has the most beautiful dream and possesses the rarest skill in its material realization. The same is true of the things that do not belong to the realm of art: Temples, Palaces, Bridges, Arches; all things that the eye beholds that have been constructed by the hands of man lived in the mind of man before being realized in material form. Indeed it has been said by one that man himself was a thought before he was a thinker.

Now the second step in the process of material construction is the revelation of this dream in a plan of construction so that those who are to perform the actual toil of construction shall be able to see the vision and catch the ideals of the dreamer, the architect. In other words, the plans of the architect constitute the second step in the process of material construction. Then these plans must go to the builders, presided over and guided by a Master-builder, and then follows the selection and rejection and gathering of materials, and finally days of toil in hewing and polishing and fitting and joining in an endeavor to realize in that which man's eyes may behold and his hands may handle the exact dream of the Architect. And the finished product, the completed work, will reveal the dream of the Architect just in proportion to the skill of the builders and their fidelity to his plans. It is said that John Augustus Roebling, the pioneer in suspension bridge-building in America, after he had achieved a number of minor successes, undertook at last the construction of the great Brooklyn Bridge, at that time the wonder of the world in civil engineering. An accident, however, ended his life in the early stages of this great undertaking. The work was assumed and undertaken by his son, who was an invalid part of the time and confined mostly to his room. But it is said that when the great structure was finished and they carried him out to behold it, a work begun by his father in 1867 and completed under his guidance in 1883, when he beheld it he burst into tears of joy and cried out in ecstasy and enthusiasm, "It looks just like I thought it would." And what did this mean? It meant that all who had wrought there were skilled and competent artisans; yes, but it meant more than that. It meant that every man who had wrought there through all those years had been absolutely faithful and loyal to the dreams and plans of the architect. Standing over against this is a little incident that came under my own observation. Once in a city where I lived I had a friend who was building a fine structure. One day as I passed by I noted that work upon it had ceased. I sought out my friend and inquired the cause. He said, "Mr. Smith, it is a sad story: a story of the infidelity and cupidity of man." Then he told me how the building had begun to settle and crack before it was completed, and upon examination they found that the builders had been untrue to the Architect's plan; under certain great pillars where twelve courses of stone were called for only three or four had been used and so on throughout the entire structure. There it stood, even before its completion, a ruin by the infidelity of the Builder to the Architect's plans.

There are two great essentials, two mighty fundamentals, in the material realization of dreams; they are Ability and Fidelity; Skill and Loyalty; Knowledge and Truth. If we would realize a dream we must know not only how to accomplish its realization, but we must be honest and faithful and true to our knowledge. This was one of the

great lessons taught by operative Masonry; absolute fidelity to our tasks and our toil, however humble our station may be in the world's great program. What a splendid lesson it is to learn! If by some magic word we could teach every human soul this lesson today how far the world would move forward in the solution of some of her most perplexing problems. There is no greater lesson the world could possibly learn than that of absolute fidelity to the best we know in the toil and the tasks of life. It was this thought that was in the mind of him who has so beautifully revealed his thought in those striking lines:

"Let me but do my work from day to day,
 In field or forest, at the desk or loom,
 In roaring market-place or tranquil room;
 Let me but find it in my heart to say,
 When vagrant wishes beckon me astray,
 'This is my work, my blessing, not my doom;
 Of all who live I am the one by whom
 This work can best be done, in the right way;"
 Then shall I see it not too great nor small a task
 To suit my spirit and to prove my powers;
 Then shall I cheerful greet the laboring hours,
 And cheerful turn when the long shadows come
 To play, and love, and rest,
 Because I know for me my work is best."

But my brethren, splendid as were the achievements of operative Masonry, I need not remind you today that we have passed from operative Masonry to Reorganized Masonry. But the silver cord has not been broken; the great elemental principle of our Order is the same; the vital, fundamental, abiding characteristic of Masonry was and is and ever will be the Building Instinct. Then it was to build temples of brick and stone and marble; now it is to build temples of human life and character. Then it was to bring to realization dreams and plans and ideals that stamped our brethren as Master Builders among our fellow craftsmen: now it is to be Master Builders of character; now it is to take the ideals, the plans, which the Supreme Ruler of the Universe has for a human life and work them out into such matchless temples of almost Divine Life as shall command the admiration and respect and love of our brother man and our Father God even as these ancient temples commanded the admiration of the fellow craftsmen of our Ancient Brethren. As already indicated, there is a sense in which our task is very similar to theirs; there is an exceedingly close relationship. She spoke wisely indeed who said:

"Souls are built as temples are;
 Sunken deep, unseen, unknown,
 Lie the sure foundation stones.
 Then the courses, framed to bear,

Lift the cloistered pillars fair;
 Last of all the airy spire,
 Soaring heavenward, higher and higher,
 Nearest sun and nearest star.

Souls are built as temples are;
 Here a carving rich and quaint,
 There the image of a saint;
 Here a deep-hued pane to tell
 Sacred touch or miracle;
 Every little helps the much,
 Every careful, careless touch
 Adds a charm or leaves a scar.

Souls are built as temples are;
 Inch by inch in gradual rise
 Mount the layered masonries;
 Warring questions have their day,
 Kings arise and pass away,
 Still the temple is not done;
 Still completion seems afar.

Souls are built as temples are;
 Based on truth's eternal law,
 Sure and steadfast, without flaw,
 Through the sunshine, through the snow,
 Up and on the building goes;
 Every fair thing finds its place,
 Every hard thing lends a grace,
 Every hand can make or mar;—
 For, souls are built as temples are."

According to law, according to plan, according to design that has been eternally in the mind of the great Master Architect of the Universe, and is revealed to man through countless influences and agencies that culminate in a light that shines in the deep hidden chambers of his own inner life; in a still small voice that calls to the best there is in his soul; in a constant power that tugs at his heart and seeks to woo him onward and upward and outward. To walk in that best light that shines and to listen to that truest voice that calls and to respond to that tenderest power that tugs is to follow the Architect's plans, until some day our temple shall stand resplendent, beautiful, glorious! But to refuse so to walk and listen and respond means to bring down our possible temple a hopeless and everlasting ruin about our heads even while we have supposed it to be in process of completion.

Let us draw a little nearer and take a still closer view of the relation between Ancient and Modern Masonry, and of the larger signi-

cance and importance of the Masonry of our times. For just as a man is greater than the house in which he dwells, and as every human soul is vastly larger and more important than this little mud house, this little tenement of clay in which it dwells for a few years, so our task is vastly more important than that of our ancient Brethren. I am sure I speak a truth today that needs no emphasis when I say that there is no problem, no question, so baffling, so mysterious and yet so thrilling in its interest to all humanity as the great Life Problem. One of our ancient Brethren has truly said, "All that a man hath will he give in exchange for his life." And the greatest teacher and moulder of thought and character the world has ever seen once said, "What shall it profit a man if he shall gain the whole world and lose his own soul; or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?"—his inner life; his conscious personality; his spiritual being around which his physical being gathers and from which it receives its vitality, its beauty, and its glory. How true these sayings are! How perfectly they square with human life and experience! Once I saw a little fair-haired, sweet-faced girl in a home; the roses were in her cheeks and the star-light was in her eyes and the glint of sunshine was in her hair. She was an only child. One day the roses began to fade in her cheeks, and the physician said an awful, relentless disease had taken hold of her. Then those parents converted all their earthly goods into money and started out, and with their hands linked together and their hearts intertwined they poured out their strength and their time and their money, all of it, as freely as water that they might bring the roses once more to the cheeks from which they had faded. That they might be assured that their child had a new lease on life. So overmastering is the great life problem when compared with any and all other problems. It stands pre-eminent and alone. And if I seek for the solution of the great life problem, if I ask what it is and whence it came and whither it is going, I may travel afar and find no satisfactory answer to my questions. Science with all its vast achievements shakes its head in silence and honestly admits that it has no adequate answer to the question. Literature gleams and glistens and glitters with many golden thoughts and jeweled teachings about and interpretations of life, but has no satisfactory answer anywhere to the one all-important question, its mystery.

But I come today in solemn silence with bowed heart to the door of Masonry, and I knock, and being assured of the sincerity of my quest, I am conducted to the altar and there kneel in reverence before the great light in Masonry, and opening its sacred pages I read its precious answer to my heart's hungry question—the only satisfactory answer the world has ever been given. There I learn that life is the Gift of God: that back of the flowers and the stars and the suns and all manifested reality about us; back of our own lives and in them all, bearing it all up and guiding it all, there is a Great, Supreme, Spiritual

Personality, Our Father God, whose law is truth and whose motive is love and whose essence is goodness and whose atmosphere is peace and good will to men; it is He who gave us life; it is He that hath begotten us and not we ourselves; ah yes, he spoke a far truer word perhaps than he knew who said:

“Fair are the flowers and the children,
 But their subtle suggestion is fairer;
 Rare is the rose-burst of morn,
 But the secret that clasps it is rarer;
 Sweet is the exultance of song,
 But the strain that preceeds it is sweeter;
 Never a poem yet writ
 But the meaning exceded the metre.

Never a daisy that grows
 But a mystery guideth its growing;
 Never a river that flows
 But a majesty sceptres its flowing;
 Never a Shakespeare that soared
 But a greater than he did enfold him;
 Never a prophet that tells
 But a mightier seer hath foretold him.

Back of the canvas that throbs
 The painter is hinted and hidden;
 Into the statue that breathes
 The soul of the sculptor is bidden;
 Back of the sound broods the silence,
 Back of the gift is the giving,
 Back of the hand that receives
 'Thrill the sensitive nerves of receiving.

Great are the symbols of being,
 But that which is symbolod is greater;
 Vast the create and beheld,
 But vaster the inward creator;
 Under the joy that is felt
 Lie the infinite issues of feeling;
 Crowning the glory revealed
 Is the glory that crowns the revealer.

Space is as nothing to spirit;
 The deed is outdone by the doer;
 Warm is the heart of the wooing,
 But warmer the heart of the wooer;
 And up from the pits where these shiver,

And down from the heights where those shine,
Twin shadows and voices swim starward,
And the essence of life is Divine."

Aye verily we are all sparks from the Eternal Flame; all thoughts from the Infinite Mind; all throbs from the Eternal Heart.

If this be true then, my brethren, and I am sure you all know that it is true, that it is the great truth that lies at the very heart of Masonry; I say if this be true, if we have a great Spiritual Father who hath begotten us, then we find the second and only other great fundamental of Masonry: namely, that He has a way that He wants us to go, and that to find that way and to walk in it is the chief end of every true and accepted Mason. From the time we enter the door of the Lodge Room there isn't a teaching, there isn't a symbol, or a sign, or a robe, or a vestment that does not find its place in the one great program of teaching man the one mighty fact of life, that he has a spiritual Father God who has a way He wants him to live, and to find that way and walk in it is the chief end of man and the only worthy object to which he may set his endeavors and toward which he may direct his efforts and ambitions. One who has tried among many others to interpret to us that way, to teach us in a few words what the great way is, has likened man's life to the figure given us in Revelation of the Holy City. It lieth foursquare; the length of it and the breadth of it and the height of it are equal. So this Great Heart hath taught us that man's life hath three dimensions and that they too must be equal. The length of life is its onreach toward some noble goal in temporal achievement; the power of life to project itself forward into the world's affairs and achieve. The breadth of life is its outreach toward its fellow men in deeds of sympathy and charity and love and helpfulness. And the height of life is its upreach toward God in faith and trust and daily fellowship and communion, looking to Him alone for guidance, and depending upon Him alone for grace and strength. And when these three dimensions are equal, its onreach and its outreach and its upreach, then the life is well rounded, symmetrical, approaching the Divine; building according to the plans of the great Supreme Architect of the Universe. But to neglect any one of these, to make any one of them less than the others, means to mar life, to throw it out of balance, to destroy the temple, and ultimately to bring it down in ruins.

Many and various are the sources and the agencies by which the Father seeks to reveal unto us that way; that well-rounded life. There is the Great Light in Masonry, The Bible, finding its culmination in the life and deeds of that matchless teacher of men, the Man of Galilee, the Lion of the Tribe of Judah. There is the great open book of nature about us, with its pages close written with the manifestations of Infinite Love and Wisdom and Power; with its eternal and irrevocable

laws stamped upon every page so that he who runs may read. There is that voice that abidingly whispers to the great fathomless deep of man's inner life, and that light that eternally shines upon an upward pathway. But can all these voices and influences and teachings and revelations be summed up in one great law that a Mason can bind upon his heart as a guiding principle, a beacon light that shall daily link his heart up closer to the heart of his Father God; that shall daily bring his feet more certainly into the way He would have him to go; and that shall at last lead him into the Eternal Presence and Likeness of the Father in that vast Spiritual Realm that lies now beyond the quiet veil of mystery men call death? Is there, I say, such a law, such a guiding principle? I think there is; I want to give it to you today for my closing word. In all the realm of material achievement, the things to which you set your hand and your brain, never do less than the best you can; and in all the realm of moral and spiritual achievement, the problems of right and wrong that present themselves to you, never do less than the best you know. Living by this great rule, following this beacon light, walking in the glow of this guiding principle, we shall so incarnate the spirit of the teachings of our historic and noble Order that we shall vitalize all its forms and symbols with an unconquerable power, and realize all its ideals and ambitions in a manner never before known in the history of this Ancient and Honorable Institution.

I plead then today at this meeting of the Grand Lodge of our splendid state, I plead with all true Masons everywhere for such an incarnation of the realities and vitalities of our Order as shall send us forth, living apostles, read and known of all men. I plead today for such an abiding vital faith in God and in the revelation of His way for us, and for such a faithful and perfect walk in that way, as shall enable us to view the whole program of life with the calm serenity and trust of him whose heart broke forth into song in these words:

“Let me but live my life from year to year,
With forward face and unreluctant soul;
Not hastening to nor turning from the goal;
Not longing for the things that disappear
Into the dim and shadowy past,
Nor holding back in fear from what the future holds.
But with a whole and happy heart
That pays its toll to youth and age,
And travels on with cheer;
So let the way wind up the hill or down,
Though rough or smooth the journey will be joy;
Still seeking what I sought when but a boy,
New friendship, high adventure, and a crown.
I shall grow old, but never lose life's zest,
Because for me the road's last turn will be the best.”

My brethren, if we interpret our lives by that splendid ideal, an ideal that is justified by the tenets and teachings, the history and experience of our splendid Order, we shall breathe forth an atmosphere that will honor God and serve and glorify man. Then will we be not only an honor to our Order and a benediction and blessing to our homes, but we will be likewise a benediction and blessing to our country, helping to bear up without a stain her beautiful flag through all the days of our age and generation, thus bequeathing to the generations yet unborn a priceless heritage that moth and rust doth not corrupt and that thieves cannot break through and steal; a heritage that shall enable each new generation down the ages with ever-increasing fervor to join their hearts and voices in that patriotic prayer breathed by him who set the throbs of his heart to the music of verse when he cried in a moment of exaltation and inspiration:

“Our Father’s God, from out whose hands
The centuries fall like grains of sand,
We meet today, united, free,
And loyal to our land and Thee,
To thank Thee for the era gone,
And trust Thee for the coming one.

O keep Thou us through centuries long,
In peace secure, in justice strong,
Around our gift of freedom draw
The safeguard of Thy righteous law;
And cast in some Diviner mould,
Let each new era shame the old.”

To this end, my brethren, let us be faithful; to these high ideals of individual life, of home life, of Fraternal life, finding their only full and perfect expression in Divine life, let us be constant and true. Then some day, out of the blue and stillness of elsewhere, we shall hear a voice, and the great Architect of the Universe, the great Father of Mankind, the great Master of the final and ultimate Grand Lodge, will be pleased to receive us and own us as true and worthy Masons.

At the conclusion of the Grand Oration, an inspiring and patriotic address was delivered by Brother W. Ernest Stockley, assisted by Brother William H. Roberts, both of Iowa, with a moving picture machine, and was thoroughly enjoyed by all who were privileged to hear it. This was done under the auspices of the Masonic Service Association of the United States, and gave the brethren of Nebraska an opportunity to judge the great work which this association is doing.

The oration, patriotic addresses, and moving pictures were greatly enjoyed by all of the brethren who were present, and they expressed the feeling that the evening had been pleasantly and profitably spent.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION

Wednesday, June 8th, 1921.

The Grand Lodge resumed labor at the appointed hour, with officers and members as at the preceding session, M. W. Joseph B. Fradenburg, Grand Master, presiding. Prayer was offered by the Grand Chaplain, V. W. Charles M. Shepherd.

A letter was read from M. W. Brother Henry H. Wilson, Past Grand Master, expressing his regret at being unable to attend the session, which he had expected to do until the last moment.

The report of the Committee on Credentials was presented by the Chairman, W. Brother Frank M. Johnson, 189, subject to corrections during the session. As finally made and adopted, the report is as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

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

Your Committee on Credentials reports that all lodges in this Grand Jurisdiction are represented at this annual communication, except the following: Nos. 2, 10, 29, 44, 53, 64, 72, 74, 92, 101, 124, 125, 128, 151, 159, 160, 163, 165, 167, 168, 176, 185, 204, 208, 212, 218, 222, 230, 234, 235, 239, 241, 251, 252, 255, 258, 259, 261, 270, 273, 290, 292; of these Nos. 72, 128, 159, 167, 185, 204, 218, 139, 259, and 273, were not represented at the 1920 communication.

The following were present:

GRAND OFFICERS.

M. W. JOSEPH B. FRADENBURG	Grand Master,
R. W. LEWIS E. SMITH	Deputy Grand Master,
R. W. EDWARD M. WELLMAN	Grand Senior Warden,
R. W. CHARLES A. CHAPPELL	Grand Junior Warden,
R. W. FRANCIS E. WHITE	Grand Secretary,
V. W. CHARLES M. SHEPHERD	Grand Chaplain,
W. FRANK G. SMITH	Grand Orator.
M. W. ROBERT E. FRENCH	Grand Custodian,
W. ROBERT R. DICKSON	Grand Marshal,

W. JOHN WRIGHT.....Grand Senior Deacon.
 W. EDWIN D. CRITES.....Grand Junior Deacon.
 W. ALEXANDER E. PORTER.....Grand Tyler.

PAST GRAND MASTERS.

M. W. Brothers George H. Thummel, Robert E. French, Samuel P. Davidson, John A. Ehrhardt, Robert E. Evans, Frank E. Bullard, Charles E. Burnham, Henry Gibbons, James R. Cain Jr., Alpha Morgan, Samuel S. Whiting, Andrew H. Viele, Ambrose C. Epperson, and John J. Tooley.

ASSISTANTS TO THE GRAND CUSTODIAN

Brothers Walter W. Wells, Ensign J. Rix, Robert B. Walker, Alfred G. Hunt, Charles A. Eyre, Vincent S. Ramsey, Earl M. Bolen, Ira C. Freet, Jesse Lowther, Maro C. Shipherd, Lute M. Savage, Frank M. Johnson, and Orville A. Andrews.

REPRESENTATIVES OF OTHER GRAND LODGES NEAR THE GRAND LODGE OF NEBRASKA.

Alabama, Alpha Morgan; Arkansas, Walter W. Wells; British Columbia, John Finch; Canada, John R. Webster; Colorado, Robert E. Evans; Connecticut, Samuel P. Davidson; Delaware, Carroll D. Evans; England, Francis E. White; Florida, Ambrose C. Epperson; Illinois, George H. Thummel; Ireland, Henry Gibbons; Kansas, Henry H. Heiler; Maine, Thomas K. Sudborough; Michigan, Lewis E. Smith; Missouri, Samuel S. Whiting; Montana, Charles S. McGill; Nevada, Frank, L. Haycock; New York, Edward M. Wellman; North Dakota, Henry H. Andrews; Philippine Islands, John J. Tooley; Prince Edward Island, Charles E. Burnham; Puerto Rico, John A. Ehrhardt; Quebec, Edwin D. Crites; Queensland, Robert B. Walker; Scotland, William Cosh; South Australia, Joseph B. Fradenburg; South Carolina, James R. Cain, Jr.; South Dakota, Charles A. Chappell; Texas, Robert R. Dickson; Utah, Robert E. French; Virginia, John S. Davisson; Washington, Andrew H. Viele; and Wisconsin, Robert O. Wolf.

REPRESENTATIVES.

LODGE		MASTER	SENIOR WARDEN	JUNIOR WARDEN
Nebraska	No. 1	Herbert L. Uderwood	William G. Shriver	David Northup
Western Star	" 2			
Capitol	" 3	Charles C. Haynes	Stanley P. Bostwick	Theo. W. McCullough
Nemaha Valley	" 4	*Robert W. Furnas		John S. Furnas, Jr.
Omadi	" 5	Walter E. Miller		
Plattsmouth	" 6	William F. Evers	James T. Begley	Leon L. McCarty
Falls City	" 9	Ralph P. Roberts		
Solomon	" 10			
Covert	" 11	Fred J. Stack	Ralph E. Hobart	John W. Disbrow
Orient	" 13	*William Shepherd	William Shepherd	
Peru	" 14	Charles F. Beck	Spencer W. Hacker	
Fremont	" 15			Lawrence M. Nichols
Tecumseh	" 17	*John S. Harman	*Harry S. Villars	
Lincoln	" 19	Warner L. Gregory	Francis A. Roby	
Washington	" 21	Harry L. Morris		Walter Larson
Pawnee	" 23		J. Ed. Liebendorfer	
St. Johns	" 25	James Hodge	Carl E. Herring	
Beatrice	" 26		Harold V. Stout	
Jordan	" 27	*Joseph F. Zajicek	*Joseph F. Zajicek	*Joseph F. Zajicek
Hope	" 29			
Blue River	" 30	*Clarence C. Wertman	Clarence C. Wertman	
Tekamah	" 31	Arthur N. Anderson	Bonno I. Penry	
Platte Valley	" 32		Ralph E. Hanson	*Samuel Gozee
Ashlar	" 33	Theophilus C. Wilson	Silas A. Wilson	Claude E. Reuting
Acacia	" 34		Walter B. Sadilek	
Fairbury	" 35		Charles A. Westling	
Lone Tree	" 36	Julius G. Zamzow		Theodore L. Haden
Crete	" 37			
Oliver	" 38	Clifton McGrew	Walter E. Beck	
Papillion	" 39	Charles D. Martin		
Humboldt	" 40		S. Ray Gist	
Northern Light	" 41	David C. Spangler	*James Brooks	Henry J. Shultz
Juniata	" 42	*Frank R. Hughes		
Hebron	" 43			Will Edwin Boyes
Harvard	" 44			
Rob Morris	" 46	Henry F. J. Finke	*Henry F. J. Finke	*Henry F. J. Finke
Fairmont	" 48	Harry W. Smith		
Evening Star	" 49	Dwight W. Dulaigh		
Hastings	" 50	George A. Volland	Charles E. Hughes	Robert Graham, Jr.
Fidelity	" 51	Alex E. Etting		
Hiram	" 52	Joseph C. Chapman		Harold D. Weber
Charity	" 53			
Lancaster	" 54	Robert O. Hodgman	Joseph L. Hickman	
Mosaic	" 55	Harold S. Gow	*Guy L. Evans	Floyd E. Wilson
York	" 56		Robert G. Stewart	
Mt. Moriah	" 57	*Lewis S. Fallers		
Lebanon	" 58	Edgar Howard	Lowell L. Walker	
Wahoo	" 59	John O. Thorson		
Melrose	" 60	Charles H. Gourley		
Thistle	" 61		Fred. P. Naffzinger	

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LODGE	MASTER	SENIOR WARDEN	JUNIOR WARDEN
Keystone	No. 62	Scott E. Hinesman	
Overton	63	Nathan R. Morrow	
Blue Valley	64		
Beola	65	George E. Campbell	
Elgar	67	*Wm. J. Breckinridge	Stephen A. Beck
Horora	68	*George W. Haworth	John J. Reinhardt
Merling	70	John B. Shadley	
Howel	71	Herbert G. Maybury	Leo C. Hewitt
Hooper	72		
Friend	73		George E. Gallup
Alexandria	74		
Frank Welch	75		George W. Brewer
Oppa	76	Al T. Reams	
Elson	77	*Arthur F. Ely	Arthur F. Ely
Union	78	Arthur W. Ladd	Robert F. Flotree
Geneva	79	*William E. Bruce	*Lonnie E. Cummins
Composite	81	*Charles J. Perry	William E. Bruce
Paul	82		Chris. W. McCracken
Crinthian	83	F. Ray Dilts	
Irfield	84	Edwin H. Burnham	M. Homer Garvin
Fre	85		Floyd J. Patten
Omiphan	86		*John Gallacher
Maic	87	*Charles Michel	
Mar	88	*Ray L. Grosvenor	
Madar River	89	Peter J. Ballenger	James W. Campbell
Mc Creek	90	Edwin R. Merwin	
McKland	91	Nevin W. Hopkins	Charles W. Johnson
McAbbell	92		
Maer City	93	Harry B. Hall	Richard A. Bronhard
Mcnett	94	*Roy Church	Earl E. Prideaux
Mcfield	95	Elmer Surber	
Mcica	96	*Reginald E. Davies	Reginald E. Davies
Mcclid	97	*John McKay	
Mcpublican	98	George H. Woolman	
Mcclon	99	Norman E. Peirce	
Mcighton	100	Carl M. Anderson	
Mcna	101		
Mcaterloo	102	*Henry Bay	
Mcld	103	Claude A. Davis	
Mcymore	104	Franklin W. Meyers	
Mcella	105	John F. Weddle	
Mcarter	106	*Lamont L. Stephens	
Mcble Rock	108		W. Lawrence Griffing
Mcgranate	110		Charles W. West
McWitt	111	*James L. Norton	
Mcringfield	112		Earl J. Haney
Mcobe	113	Newton A. Housel	
Mcisner	114		Clark B. Evans
Mcrlan	116	Axel T. Danielson	*Charles E. Alter
Mcardy	117		George B. McDowell

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LODGE	MASTER	SENIOR WARDEN	JUNIOR WARDEN
Iloric No. 118	<i>*Thomas Gray</i>	Thomas Gray	<i>*Thomas Gray</i>
North Bend " 119	John R. Tapster		Edward L. Knight
Wayne " 120	<i>*James H. Mines</i>	<i>*Albert R. Davis</i>	
Superior " 121	<i>*Roy W. Hunter</i>		
Auburn " 124			
Mt. Nebo " 125			
Stromsburg " 126	<i>*Albin E. Rodine</i>	Albin E. Rodine	<i>*Wilfred W. Ilgenfrit</i>
Minden " 127	<i>*Charles A. Chappell</i>	William H. Emel	<i>*Charles A. Chappell</i>
Guide Rock " 128			
Blue Hill " 129	Frank E. Britton		
Tuscan " 130	W. Eugene Parks		
Scribner " 132		Ernest Dau	
Elm Creek " 133			Roy Ulrich
Solar " 134	Claude M. Dexter	Charles A. Thomas	
McCook " 135		Elmer C. Penney	
Long Pine " 136	<i>*Lewis W. McDonald</i>	<i>*Arthur G. DeLong</i>	<i>*John S. Davisson</i>
Upright " 137		Allen A. Crawley	
Rawalt " 138	Edward E. Duryee		
Clay Center " 139	Loy J. Gilkeson		
Western " 140		Floyd L. Sims	
Crescent " 143		William C. Tredway	
Kenesaw " 144		Frank M. Townley	
Bancroft " 145	<i>*Charles S. Stewart</i>		
Jachin " 146	Harry R. Belville	Lawrence A. Trumbo	<i>*William Eberspacher</i>
Siloam " 147		John Shawl	
Emmet Crawford " 148	Charles S. Tooley		
Jewel " 149	<i>*William E. Mead</i>		
Cambridge " 150	Harry W. Thorndike	Harley L. Bellamy	
Square " 151			
Parallel " 152	John H. Gear		<i>*Edmund Harden</i>
Evergreen " 153		Raymond L. Mallory	
Lily " 154	<i>*L. Clark Minard</i>		
Hartington " 155		Louis R. Eby	Harvey R. Sorensen
Pythagoras " 156	Andrew J. Davis		
Valley " 157			Charles Mousel
Samaritan " 158	<i>*Benjamin F. Pitman</i>	<i>*Benjamin F. Pitman</i>	Eugene R. Phillips
Ogalalla " 159			
Zeredatha " 160			
Mt. Zion " 161	Henry Humiston		
Trestle Board " 162	Ora A. Vandervort	Charles L. Yocum	<i>*Edwin C. Yont</i>
Unity " 163			
Atkinson " 164	Carroll C. Raymer		
Barneston " 165			
Mystic Tie " 166	<i>*Charles A. Smith</i>		
Elwood " 167			
Curtis " 168			
Amity " 169	<i>*John C. Dullaghan</i>		John C. Dullaghan
Mason City " 170		Frank M. O'Brien	
Merna " 171	Floyd A. Johnson		
Grafton " 172		George Casten	

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LODGE	MASTER	SENIOR WARDEN	JUNIOR WARDEN
Robert Burns . . . No. 173	William W. Wenstrand		
Culbertson . . . " 174			Osborne P. Simon
Temple . . . " 175	Lewis C. McClung	John M. Veach	
Gladstone . . . " 176			
Hay Springs . . . " 177		Joe V. Tulloss	
Prudence . . . " 179	*Thurman N. Austine	Thurman N. Austine	
Justice . . . " 180		Frank B. Keene	
Faith . . . " 181	Clyde J. Hornsby	Robert N. Henry	
License . . . " 182	*William H. Weiss		
Alliance . . . " 183	Perley I. Beach		
Bee Hive . . . " 184	William N. Paxton	Claud Clifton	John R. Hughes
Boaz . . . " 185			
Israel . . . " 187	Allen W. Withers		
Meridian . . . " 188	Frank M. Johnson	Ray E. Kline	*Ray E. Kline
Granite . . . " 189	William C. Ogilvie	Mack C. McConnell	
Amethyst . . . " 199	*Allen C. Kirby		
Crystal . . . " 191	Stephen T. Grohosky		
Finnekadusa . . . " 192		Joseph H. May	
Signet . . . " 193	*Thomas Mortimer		
Highland . . . " 194		Edmund C. Calland	
Arcana . . . " 195		Charles R. Versaw	
Level . . . " 196	George J. Dold		
Morning Star . . . " 197		Benjamin K. Sperry	
Purity . . . " 198	Rolley W. Arterburn		
Gavel . . . " 199		*James H. Bryant	
Blazing Star . . . " 200			Guy T. Gerber
Scotts Bluff . . . " 201	Edward S. Prohs		
Golden Sheaf . . . " 202	George I. Reed		
Roman Eagle . . . " 203	*Samuel D. Love		
Plainview . . . " 204			
Golden Fleece . . . " 205		Glen S. LaSalle	
Sapthali . . . " 206	*William H. Snyder		William G. Robertson
Parian . . . " 207	*Frank L. Haycock	Willis F. Haycock	*Frank L. Haycock
Gauge . . . " 208			
Canopy . . . " 209		John Gerry Stark	
East Lincoln . . . " 210	George A. Bloom		
Cement . . . " 211	*Arthur E. Hauke		
Comp. & Square . . . " 212			
Plumbline . . . " 214	Joseph B. Steidley		
Occidental . . . " 215	David K. Miller		
Palisade . . . " 216	*Oliver W. Willis		
Vauneta . . . " 217	James N. Burham		
Bloomfield . . . " 218			
Relief . . . " 219	*Frank H. Peck		
Magnolia . . . " 220	Detlef Dohrman	George H. Haase	
Wood Lake . . . " 221	James S. Kreycik		
Landmark . . . " 222			
Luminence . . . " 223	Lloyd B. Campbell		
Silver Cord . . . " 224	Ben H. Burritt		
Cable . . . " 225		Rolly C. Leach	*John Finch

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LODGE	MASTEER	SENIOR WARDEN	JUNIOR WARDEN
Grace	No. 226 * <i>Ferdinand V. Halquist</i>		
North Star	" 227	John M. Paul	Arvid C. Eichberg
Bartley	" 228	Cecil Oberlies	
Comet	" 229	Frank W. Neff	Charles Neff
Delta	" 230		
Mt. Hermon	" 231 William F. Howarth		
John S. Bowen	" 232 John A. Burgess		
Gilead	" 233 * <i>Robert Ford</i>		
Zion	" 234		
Fraternity	" 235		
Golden Rule	" 236 * <i>Frank Clough</i>	* <i>Frank Clough</i>	
Cubit	" 237 * <i>Victor Goerke</i>		
Friendship	" 239		
Pilot	" 240	Frank B. Rhoda	
Tyrian	" 243 * <i>Ernest Meyer</i>		
Sincerity	" 244 * <i>Frank E. Martin</i>		
Hampton	" 245	Fred H. Wilmot	
Nehawka	" 246 * <i>Max E. Balfour</i>		Robert H. Chapman
Corner-stone	" 247 Burton Buchanan	William F. Schroeder	
Laurel	" 248	Roy L. Lathrop	
Gothenburg	" 249	Wayne T. Carroll	
Geo. Washington	" 250 * <i>James McKinney</i>		
Wausa	" 251		
Hildreth	" 252		
Beemer	" 253 George W. Hubenthal	Charles Albright	Ernest L. Fried
Bassett	" 254 William E. Preble		
Bradshaw	" 255		
Hickman	" 256 Thomas Coyne		
Holbrook	" 257 Albert M. Keyes		
Anselmo	" 258		
Bee	" 259		
Ornan	" 261		
Endeavor	" 262 * <i>George E. Mick</i>	George E. Mick	
Mitchell	" 263 Harry E. Ayres		
Franklin	" 264	Earl F. Austin	
Robt. W. Furnas	" 265	James G. Mothersead	
Silver	" 266		Glenn D. MacQueen
James A. Tulleys	" 267 John W. Dunaway		
Geo. W. Lininger	" 268 Amos Thomas	Vincent C. Hascall	* <i>Charles A. Eyre</i>
Riverside	" 269 * <i>Frank McCormick</i>		
Huntley	" 270		
Oasis	" 271 * <i>Charles M. Kearney</i>		
Lee P. Gillette	" 272	Reuben C. Johnson	
Crofton	" 273		
Olive Branch	" 274 Clinton I. Lennon	Cressie J. Blanchard	Carol Breatman
Ramah	" 275 Ward F. Dobbin		
Antelope	" 276 * <i>Paul L. Conwell</i>		
Sioux	" 277 * <i>Jesse L. Gerlach</i>	Jesse L. Gerlach	

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LODGE	MASTER	SENIOR WARDEN	JUNIOR WARDEN
itchfield No. 278	George W. Gowin
allace " 279	* <i>Emery B. Spencer</i> . . . . .	.....
avastika " 280	* <i>Harry A. Sherman</i>	Harry A. Sherman . . . . .	.....
lorence " 281	Edwin E. Gabrielsen	Will E. S. Thompson	Harrison M. Smith
ullen " 282	.....	James Kudrna . . . . .	.....
exeter " 283	.....	William C. Wullbrandt . . . . .	.....
eneca " 284	.....	Edgar T. Lay . . . . .	.....
amp Clarke " 285	Claibourne G. Perry . . . . .	.....	.....
shkosh " 286	.....	Hans P. Madison . . . . .	.....
nion " 287	.....	Thomas Starforth . . . . .	.....
maha " 288	Robert E. Gilmor	Frank A. Hughes . . . . .	.....
otus " 289	Frank V. Benesh . . . . .	.....	.....
ohn J. Mercer " 290	.....	.....	.....
iamond " 291	* <i>Theodore Phipps</i> . . . . .	.....	.....
olbach " 292	.....	.....	.....
onument " 293	Dell C. Mather . . . . .	.....	.....
imball " 294	.....	John T. Shehan . . . . .	.....
inatare " 295	.....	Kenneth P. Grier . . . . .	.....
owles " 296	Fred J. Fuller . . . . .	.....	.....
otner " 297	.....	Arthur J. Bailey . . . . .	.....
hester " 298	.....	Ira G. VonForell . . . . .	.....
utherland " 299	Ruffie I. Shappell . . . . .	.....	.....
iberty " 300	George C. Mason	George E. Brostrom . . . . .	.....
ayard " 301	.....	Yale H. Cavett . . . . .	.....
izpah " 302	Anson L. Havens . . . . .	.....	Louis F. Schonlau
ight Angle " 303	Raymond V. Cole	Walter L. Cropper	Grant Parsons
uskin " 304	Chauncey O. Hull
ewman Grove " 305	William C. Hastings	Edwin H. Gerhardt	Leslie E. Martin

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W. Brother John R. Webster, 3, read the following majority report of the Committee on the War Relief Fund, signed by M. W. Brother Robert E. Evans, Past Grand Master, John R. Webster, 3, George Burgert, 46, and Fred C. Foster, 54:

MAJORITY REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON WAR RELIEF FUND.

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

We, your committee, to whom was referred Section 8 of the report of the Committee on Jurisprudence in their report of 1920, beg leave to make the following report:

In the opinion of your committee, a sufficient time has not elapsed since the ending of the Great War to feel certain that there will be no further demands for war relief, and

Therefore, in our opinion, the time has not arrived to consider the diversion of this fund to some other purpose, however desirable that purpose may appear.

Your committee therefore recommends that this fund be kept intact until time shall demonstrate the wisdom of other action by the Grand Lodge.

Brother Webster also read the minority report, signed by W. Brother James H. H. Hewett, 183, of the committee, as follows:

MINORITY REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON WAR RELIEF FUND.

In the Matter of the Committee Report on the War Relief Fund.
To the M. W. Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of Nebraska:

The members of the committee except myself have formulated a report, of which they have advised me, and have afforded me an opportunity to consider and join in.

I was not present at the formal meeting of the committee November 15th, 1920, and may not appreciate some of the considerations that governed their conclusion. While I am loath to disagree, I can not follow my convictions and sense of right by concurring in their report.

I do not believe that the Grand Lodge should maintain a "Permanent War Relief Fund," and I am convinced that the Fraternity in this jurisdiction did not understand that the money was paid to a permanent fund, but did pay it as an emergency fund to be used on pending demands for relief. We might as well establish a "Permanent Influenza, or Epidemic Relief Fund" as to establish a Permanent War Relief Fund. Our provisions for such matters of relief should be general, and be available for one case of relief as readily as for another.

I maintain that if we sustain the dignity and integrity of this Grand Lodge, we can not divert this fund to any purpose, nor can we hold it indefinitely for purposes of investment.

I respectfully recommend that each lodge be credited on its account with this Grand Lodge for the current year, by the amount paid by that lodge into this fund; that each lodge be directed to credit each brother on his account for the current year with the dollar paid by him, and that any interest received by this Grand Lodge on this fund be transferred to the general fund of this Grand Lodge.

W. Brother Webster, 3, moved the adoption of the majority report of the committee, and the motion carried.

M. . W. . Brother Joseph B. Fradenburg, Grand Master, called upon the Deputy Grand Master to preside over the Grand Lodge, and made the following motion from the floor, after reading a letter from Brother Arthur J. Jackson, 25, relating to a hospital case:

"I move that a committee of three be appointed to act with the committee appointed by the Grand Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star and such other committees as may be hereafter appointed, to consider the advisability of establishing a Nebraska Masonic Hospital; that said committee shall have full power to act, and shall be authorized either to purchase or contract for a hospital as in their judgment should be deemed expedient; and that if the resolution introduced by W. . Brother O. Edwin Mickey, 65, shall be passed, the fund so derived shall be devoted to hospital purpose, and that said committee shall have full power to raise money in such manner as they see fit, but shall not have power to assess lodges or members thereof."

Remarks were made by the Grand Master, Brothers Carl E. Herring, 25, George H. Thummel, 33, Past Grand Master, Lamont L. Stephens, 108, O. Edwin Mickey, 65, Robert E. Evans, 5, Past Grand Master, Francis E. White, 6, James T. Begley, 6, Carroll D. Evans, 58, Edgar Howard, 58, Henry H. Andrews, 207, Theodore W. McCullough, 3, and Arthur J. Bailey, 297. W. . Brother Edgar Howard, 58, offered the following substitute motion, which was duly seconded and carried:

RESOLVED. That a committee of seven, of which M. . W. . Brother Joseph B. Fradenburg, shall be chairman, be appointed, to confer with representatives of other Masonic bodies, also with the Order of the Eastern Star, and the Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, and other associations, with reference to the advisability of the establishment of a Masonic Hospital at some proper place in Nebraska; that the committee shall make report of its conferences, together with their recommendations to the next annual communication of this Grand Lodge.

At twelve o'clock M., the Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment until two o'clock P. M.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION

Grand Master Joseph B. Fradenburg called the Craft to order at the proper hour, with officers and members as at the preceding session.

The Grand Master announced that as election of officers had been made a special order for two o'clock, the Grand Lodge would proceed with the ballot; the Assistants to the Grand Custodian present were appointed tellers, and choice was made of the following:

BRO. LEWIS E. SMITH, 136.....	Grand Master
BRO. EDWARD M. WELLMAN, 1.....	Deputy Grand Master
BRO. CHARLES A. CHAPPELL, 127.....	Grand Senior Warden
BRO. ROBERT R. DICKSON, 95.....	Grand Junior Warden
BRO. FRANCIS E. WHITE, 6.....	Grand Secretary

Later in the session the following appointments were made, the Grand Lodge approving the appointment of the Grand Officers:

BRO. CHARLES M. SHEPHERD, 54.....	Grand Chaplain
BRO. GEORGE A. BEECHER, 268.....	Grand Orator
BRO. ROBERT E. FRENCH, 46.....	Grand Custodian
BRO. JOHN WRIGHT, 19.....	Grand Marshal
BRO. EDWIN D. CRITES, 158.....	Grand Senior Deacon
BRO. ALBERT R. DAVIS, 120.....	Grand Junior Deacon
BRO. ALEXANDER E. PORTER, 19.....	Grand Tyler

Brothers Frank H. Woodland, 25; Daniel H. McClenahan, 54; Loy J. Gilkeson, 139; Committee on Codification of the Law.

Brothers Francis E. White, 6; John A. Ehrhardt, 41; Frank L. Haycock, 207; Committee on Foreign Correspondence.

Brothers O. Edwin Mickey, 65 (1 year); Charles A. Chappell, 127 (2 years); Alpha Morgan, 148 (3 years); John A. Ehrhardt, 41 (4 years); Robert E. Evans, 5 (5 years); Committee on Relief and Care of Orphans.

Brothers Charles M. Shepherd, 54; Walter W. Wells, 192; Sheldon L. Kier, 210; Committee on Fraternal Dead.

Brothers O. Edwin Mickey, 65 (5 years); Burlingame Walker, 119

(4 years); Carroll D. Evans, 5 (3 years); Charles B. Nicodemus, 15 (2 years); Alpha Morgan, 148 (1 year); Committee on Childrens Homes.

Brothers Bernard N. Robertson, 3; Charles H. Marley, 1; Andrew H. Viele, 55; Advisory Committee on Applications for Reinstatement.

Brother George C. Mason, 300; Orville A. Andrews, 19; Robert O. Hodgman, 54, Henry H. Andrews, 207; Committee on George Washington Memorial Fund.

Brothers Joseph B. Fradenburg, 3, John A. Ehrhardt, 41, George H. Thummel, 33; Committee on Plan to District the State.

Brothers James R. Cain, Jr., 105; William G. Shriver, 1; Frank A. Hughes, 288; Committee on Uniform Plan for Accounts,

Brothers David C. Hilton, 19 (5 years); George H. Thummel, 33 (4 years); John R. Webster, 3 (3 years); Samuel S. Whiting, 54 (2 years); and Frank Wilcox, 1 (1 year); Board of Masonic Annuities and Gifts.

Brothers Joseph B. Fradenburg, 3; Charles E. Burnham, 166; O. Edwin Mickey, 65; John R. Webster, 3; James R. Cain, Jr., 105; George C. Mason, 300; James T. Begley, 6; Committee on Nebraska Masonic Hospital.

The following resolution, offered by W. Brother James N. Burham, 217, was adopted:

RESOLVED, That the committee of seven who has charge of the Hospital Movement, make their report to the Grand Secretary on or before the first day of March 1922, and that the Grand Secretary report the findings of the committee to every subordinate lodge in the jurisdiction at least thirty days before the next annual communication of the Grand Lodge.

W. Brother David C. Hilton, 19, chairman of the Committee on Annuity Plan, presented the report of the committee, and on his motion it was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ANNUITY PLAN.

To the Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M. of Nebraska:

We, your Committee on Annuity Plan, beg leave to submit the following report:

We unanimously endorse the Annuity Plan for this Grand Lodge. Our decision has been reached after mature deliberation on a basis of facts gained by investigating the practical operation of this plan, and by an estimate of its prospective value to this Grand Lodge.

We recommend: First, that a board to be known as The Board of Masonic Service Annuities and Gifts, be created by this Grand Lodge.

The Board shall solicit and receive bequests, devises, residuary estates, and other gifts for this Grand Lodge and for educational, charitable, or other institutions and activities operated by it or in connection with it. It shall also conduct the affairs relative to special gift agreements and annuity service bonds to be issued thereunder.

Second, the Board shall consist of five members, nominated by the Grand Master and confirmed by the Grand Lodge, to serve for one, two, three, four and five years, respectively. Members designated to fill vacancies created by expired terms of service on the Board shall serve for five years.

Third, the Grand Master shall be an ex-officio member of the Board.

Fourth, the Board shall organize itself subject to the approval of the Grand Master.

Fifth, no officer of the Board shall receive a salary, except the Secretary, and no salary shall be paid during the ensuing year.

Sixth, the Board shall make a report in writing at the regular annual communication of this Grand Lodge, year by year, and file a copy of it with the Grand Secretary.

Seventh, this Grand Lodge shall grant a reasonable sum of money to initiate the work of the Board.

W. .Brother David C. Hilton, 19, offered the following motion, which was approved:

"I move that this Grand Lodge appropriate the sum of three hundred dollars (\$300.00) for incidental expenses of the Board of Masonic Service Annuities and Gifts, and also that five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) be set aside for the purpose of a reserve to be drawn on from time to time by said Board as contracts under the special Gift Agreements require."

The amendment to Section 81, Chapter XI of the law, proposed in 1920, by W. .Brother O. Edwin Mickey, 65, and laid over for consideration until this year, was brought up, and after remarks by Brothers Lewis S. Fallers, 57; John Wright, 19;

O. Edwin Mickey, 65; Edgar Howard, 58, and James T. Begley, 6, the motion to adopt the amendment was not carried, and was declared lost. Brother Mickey thereupon offered the following amendments to the law, seconded by five brethren, to lie over for consideration until 1922:

1st. Amend Section 81 by substituting in line three for the word "five," the word "fifteen."

2d. Amend Section 81 by substituting in line three for the word "five," the word "ten."

3d. Amend Section 81 by substituting in line six for the words "one dollar and fifty cents," the words "two dollars and fifty cents, of which one dollar shall be put to a fund to be known as the Benevolent Fund."

On motion the use of the compendium was abolished.

W. Brother Charles A. Smith, 166, moved that the Grand Lodge discontinue to publish in the annual proceedings the list of dead in the subordinate lodges. The motion did not prevail.

Unanimous consent being refused to consider the following amendment, offered by W. Brother L. Edgar Sprague, 158, and seconded by representatives of five lodges, it lies over for consideration until the next annual communication:

Be it resolved by the Grand Lodge, that Section 115, of the by-laws, be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 115.—Essentials.—It is not necessary for an Apprentice Mason or Fellow Craft Mason to petition his lodge in writing for advancement, unless he has been rejected, or a period of five years has elapsed since taking the preceding degree. But he must be examined in open lodge, at any meeting, either regular or special, thereof, and show a thorough knowledge of at least the first section of the lecture of the preceding degree. An interval of four weeks shall intervene between the examinations."

That Section 115 of the by-laws of the Grand Lodge as now existing be and the same is hereby repealed.

W. Brother Herbert L. Underwood, 1, offered the following report, and it was adopted:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CHARTERS AND DISPENSATIONS.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Nebraska:

We, your Committee on Charters and Dispensations, to whom was referred the petitions of Golden Rod Lodge U. D. of Lodgepole; Wil-

liam E. Hill Lodge U. D. of Otoe; Perkins Lodge U. D. of Grant; Winnebago Lodge U. D. of Winnebago; Pacific Lodge U. D. of Valley; and Polk Lodge U. D. of Polk, for charters, beg leave to report that we have carefully examined all records and papers submitted to us relative thereto, and we respectfully recommend that charters be granted by this Grand Lodge in the following names and numbers:

William E. Hill Lodge No. 307, Otoe, Nebraska.

Perkins Lodge No. 308, Grant, Nebraska.

Winnebago Lodge No. 309, Winnebago, Nebraska.

Victory Lodge No. 310, Valley Nebraska.

Polk Lodge No. 311, Polk, Nebraska.

It being the unanimous vote of the members of Pacific Lodge U. D. that their name be changed from Pacific to Victory, we, your committee, recommend that the change be made.

We also recommend that a charter be granted in the name and number of Golden Rod Lodge No. 306, at Lodgepole, Nebraska, upon inspection and a favorable report of the Grand Custodian. The committee feel justified in making this recommendation on account of the irregularities in the records of Golden Rod Lodge U. D.

We further recommend that a duplicate charter be granted to Nelson Lodge No. 77, at Nelson, Nebraska, as the original charter was destroyed by fire February 4th, 1921, payment for the same to be made by the lodge.

W. Brother O. Edwin Mickey, 65, presented the report of the Committee on Childrens Homes, and moved its adoption, which was carried. The report follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CHILDRENS HOMES.

To the Grand Lodge:

Balance on hand at last report.....	\$1,978.85
Received from the Grand Lodge, 1920 session.....	4,000.00
June 19, 1920, Interest, Security Savings Bank, Fremont.....	31.04
July 15, 1920, Rebate on trees and shrubs.....	6.30
Sept. 28, 1920, Calf sold.....	22.32
Nov. 13, 1920, Returned premium on Insurance.....	22.96
Dec. 30, 1920, Interest, Osceola Bank, on account.....	92.91
Jan. 8, 1921, Returned premium on Insurance.....	47.71
Febr. 19, 1921, Potatoes \$23.00; chickens \$2.00.....	25.00
March 22, 1921, Potatoes.....	1.00
March 22, 1921, 395 bushels of corn @ 40c.....	158.07
March 31, 1921, Returned premium on insurance.....	2.55
May 26, 1921, calf sold \$5.00; potatoes \$6.00; hay \$20.00.....	31.00
Amount of overdraft at bank.....	572.09

\$6,991.80

DISBURSEMENTS

Feed and seed	\$ 334.30
Extra Labor	311.85
Superintendent's salary	1,200.00
Telephone, freight and express	70.50
Improvements	1,876.57
Repairs and supplies	1,082.83
Light and water	79.10
Betterments	1,225.77
Insurance	422.73
Stock purchased	388.15
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Total.....	\$6,991.80

The following resolution, proposed by W. Brother O. Edwin Mickey, 65, was referred to the Finance Committee:

RESOLVED, That the sum of thirty thousand (\$30,000.00) dollars is hereby appropriated out of the Grand Lodge funds for the purpose of erecting another building on the grounds at Fremont, to be expended under the direction of the Grand Master and the Committee on Relief and Care of Orphans and the Committee on Childrens Homes.

Past Grand Master George H. Thummel offered the following report, and moved its adoption; the motion prevailed:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON GRAND LODGE
ACCOMODATIONS IN NEW MASONIC TEMPLE.

To the Grand Lodge of Nebraska:

Your Committee on Grand Lodge Accomodations in the New Masonic Temple would respectfully report that on account of prices, etc., the cases and cabinets requisite to the proper housing of the Monell collection have not been purchased.

Within the past few days arrangements satisfactory to your committee have been made with the Temple Craft of Omaha to install this collection on the east wall of the Library Room of the Temple Craft, and your committee will at once proceed with the work, and also complete the furnishings of the office of the Grand Secretary.

It is suggested that the committee be continued, and that the sum of \$2,500.00 as heretofore appropriated, be continued.

On behalf of Mrs. William E. Hill, widow of Past Grand Master Hill for whom the lodge was named, Past Grand Master George H. Thummel presented to William E. Hill Lodge No. 307,

of Otoe, recently chartered, a beautiful set of jewels, in the following words:

Most gladly I embrace the opportunity to present this beautiful set of jewels to William E. Hill Lodge No. 307 A. F. & A. M. of Otoe, Otoe County, Nebraska, on behalf of its donor, Mrs. Jean E. Hill, in memory of her husband, William E. Hill, Past Grand Master of Nebraska.

Mr. Hill came to Nebraska in 1856, was a resident of Otoe County for many years, spent practically all of the years of an active business life at Nebraska City.

I first met Brother Hill half a century ago at the session of the Grand Lodge at Lincoln in 1871, at which time he was elected Grand Master. Mr. Hill was one of those early pioneers of Masonry in Nebraska who laid the foundation of our Fraternity on broad and secure lines. He composed one of that illustrious group of Masons—Jordan, Furnas, Wheeler, Hill, Deuel, and Dunham—under whose guiding hand our Grand Lodge was formed and moulded. To the wisdom and skill of these builders, Masonry in Nebraska owes a debt it can never repay. Who can grasp the mighty results of the past fifty years—Nebraska just emerging from the swaddling clothes of a territory, looking out with hope and confidence to the future—not a railroad had crossed the Platte River to Lincoln; we were without dining cars, paved streets, elevators, telephones, kodaks, moving pictures, steel construction of buildings, cement, typewriters, shorthand reporters, steam heat, base-burners, electricity in its multiplied forms, the then almost useless product of gasoline which, with the electric spark, has revolutionized trade and traffic of earth and air, and has created one of the great, if not the greatest industry of the world; the wonderful development in agriculture as best exemplified in the cowboy country of the western part of our state, often sneeringly referred to as the "Great American Desert," now the happy home of a prosperous, contented people, rejoicing in its productive soil; and the old-time landmarks of Courthouse Rock and Chimney Rock, silent guardians of the great Platte Valley that were hoary with age when the lowly Nazarean walked the Galilean shores, now look on fertile fields of golden grain and green alfalfa, while its great sugar factories utilize the immense product of field and farm, and the automobiles of the thrifty husbandman pass swiftly over fine roads in wierd contrast to the slow-moving wagon trains of the Forty-niner, whose hopeful eyes and hearts venerated those ancient monuments as they pressed forward to the great unknown Empire beyond. We are awed as we contemplate the Then and the Now.

The growth and development of the state is but the growth and development of Masonry. We then had 1,579 Master Masons—now

over 35,000; then 33 lodges—now 283. Our Order has done its full part in the building of a great commonwealth and we have contributed our full measure of the brains and brawn of the state.

Brother Hill, in late January, 1872, visited Ashlar Lodge No. 33 in Grand Island. Most vividly I recall at that time, the meeting of Brothers Jordan and Hill, and the watchful care and solicitude they evinced for Masonry and its development in our young and growing state made a most lasting impression. I understood then as never before, as I listened to their conversation, the grasp and vision they had of the future, and how anxious they were that no mistakes be made and that the foundation stones be well and securely laid.

Pardon the allusion, but it has been my great pleasure to have known and have had intimate Masonic relations with every one of the Past Grand Masters of this jurisdiction and to have knelt with them from time to time at the altar of Masonry in our Grand Lodge; to have had more than a passing acquaintance with each lingers most delightfully in my memory.

They were giants in those days, and the rugged qualities of Grand Master Hill stand out in bold outline on the recorded pages of our Grand Lodge. He was intensely interested in our Masonic Home and his love and zeal for the Fraternity continued through life, and he generously remembered the Home in his last years.

In naming your lodge after Past Grand Master Hill, you but honor yourselves.

I trust that somewhat of his zeal for Masonry may be reflected in your lodge and that your every aim as Masons will be to prove yourselves worthy of being called by his name. May you practice the virtues he inculcated; May you follow and be guided by his recorded words to wisdom. I read from his address as Grand Master, 1872:

“Let us elevate the moral standard of Masonry in this jurisdiction by advancing a step higher, and admit none into our ranks who are not moral and upright before God, and who take the great light, the Holy Bible, as the rule and guide of faith. I am afraid that the qualifications required by a portion of our lodges, if not all, for admission into our Order, have been altogether too low. It has been said that it is much easier to get into some of our lodges than others; if this is true, I am sorry for it. Brethren, we should not receive an applicant into our Order because we know nothing against him, but rather let us ask ourselves the question, do we know any good reasons why he should be made a Mason; is he temperate, virtuous, honest, and intelligent; could we take him by the hand as a brother without feeling ourselves lowered in our own estimation; will he cheerfully conform to all the requirements of our Order; will he add wisdom, strength and beauty to the temple? If we cannot answer these questions in the affirmative, then the applicant ought not to be received; the introduction of unworthy men into our Order drives away the good and true.

Have we not often seen members, who, judging from their actions, have not appreciated or improved upon the moral teachings of our Order; one reason for this is, they have not been properly instructed; the degrees have been conferred in haste, and perhaps, without the solemnity that the occasion requires.

Another, and by far the most lamentable, reason for this evil is the frivolous conduct, and the careless example of older members of the Order out of the lodge room, through which the newly made brother is wrongly impressed at the beginning of his Masonic experience; the binding force of his obligation to be a good man and true fails to become a realization in his mind and heart, or soon discovering the feeble hold these sacred lessons have upon many of his brethren, he also relapses into the same state of insensibility and indifference of the real purpose and spirit of the Order."

May I add not only to you, but to all who are within the sound of my voice, guard well the outer door for therein lies the secret of lodge success and prosperity. Every profane may, if he so desires, make application for admission to Masonry, but every lodge brother has an absolute and undoubted right to say whether or not he shall be admitted. His reasons are his own and he is responsible only for an abuse thereof, if from unworthy or captious motives he interrupts or retards the legitimate work of his lodge.

Admit no one who is not moral and upright before God, and of good repute before the world, absolutely loyal to our country, our flag and our language. Character and service constitute the capital stock of a lodge—and the only stock that returns any Masonic dividends. Never admit any man to reform him—ours, in this respect, is not a reformatory institution.

Admit no one who is a cripple or maimed. Never lose sight of that ancient landmark of "Able body and limbs, whole as a man ought to be." Hew to the line in this respect and resolve all doubts as to qualifications of a candidate in favor of the lodge, then no mistakes will be made and you will never have to apologize for having initiated a brother.

Admit no one who is likely to become a charge upon the Craft—you will have all you can do "to help, aid and assist" those of your brethren who through adverse circumstances may have a claim on you as a Mason, without mortgaging the future to provide for those whom you can now see and know that if admitted will need help in the days that are to come.

You owe an obligation to the Craft, as well as yourselves, not to impose such burdens on the brethren throughout the jurisdiction in advance.

The prosperity of your lodge will depend entirely on the character of the men you initiate and your neighbors and friends who knew and honored Brother Hill for what he stood for, will measure your work and your success by the standard of his life and character.

Take then these jewels—the loving gift of his wife—zealously guard them, treasure them as the embodiment of the Reputation and Character of Brother Hill. Bring no stain or disgrace on his name by any act of yours, but by good work and true, make William E. Hill Lodge one of the banner lodges in this jurisdiction.

The jewels were accepted in the name of the lodge by Past Grand Master John A. Ehrhardt, and by W. Brother John B. Lichtenwallner, Past Master of Lee P. Gillette Lodge No. 272, the lodge nearest to the new lodge, who promised to deliver the gift.

W. Brother George C. Mason, 300, presented the report of the Committee on Grievances, as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON GRIEVANCES.

To the Grand Lodge:

We, your Committee on Grievances, beg leave to make the following report:

We have examined the recommendations for the reinstatement of expelled members of Hickman Lodge No. 256 and Republican Lodge No. 98, made by the lodges, and recommend that the brethren be again restored to full membership.

We have carefully considered the appeal of a brother who has been indefinitely suspended from George Washington Lodge No. 250, and recommend that the appeal be denied.

We have carefully considered the appeal of Lotus Lodge No. 289, in the matter of a sentence of reprimand of a brother, and recommend that he be expelled.

We have considered the appeal of a member of Emmet Crawford Lodge No. 148, who was indefinitely suspended, and recommend that the judgment appealed from be affirmed.

We have considered the appeal of the Junior Warden of Liberty Lodge No. 300, and recommend that the appeal of the Junior Warden be sustained, and that the brother be expelled.

We have carefully considered the matter pertaining to Solomon Lodge No. 10, wherein the M. W. Grand Master arrested the charter, for inactivities and other causes, and respectfully recommend that the action of the M. W. Grand Master be sustained.

Your Committee on Grievances respectfully report that we have had under consideration the question of a re-hearing on the action taken by the Grand Lodge at its session in June, 1920, rejecting the appeal of Hickman Lodge No. 256, and reinstating a suspended brother. Your committee respectfully report that all parties interested have appeared before your committee; additional evidence was submitted and a full

and complete hearing had, and your committee would respectfully recommend that the action of Hickman Lodge No. 256 be sustained, and that the said brother be indefinitely suspended.

On motion, all of the report excepting that referring to Solomon Lodge No. 10, was adopted. After remarks by R. W. Brother Francis E. White, 6, Past Grand Masters Robert E. Evans, Ambrose C. Epperson, John A. Ehrhardt, and M. W. Brother Joseph B. Fradenburg, Grand Master, the section of the report relating to Solomon Lodge No. 10 was amended so as to provide that all matters relating to the lodge be referred to the incoming Grand Master, and the report as amended was adopted.

Past Grand Master Charles E. Burnham moved that the Committee on Pay-Roll be instructed to make up the pay-roll for four days, and the motion carried.

For the Committee on Jurisprudence Past Grand Master John J. Tooley presented the following report and moved its adoption which was carried:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON JURISPRUDENCE.

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

We, your Committee on Jurisprudence, beg leave to submit our report upon such matters as have been referred to this committee and through inquiry.

The request of Brother Peter Laursen, a member of Faith Lodge No. 181, to have his name changed on our records to Morton P. L. Buck, is granted and the Grand Secretary is requested to notify Faith Lodge No. 181 of such action.

Decision No. 1, of Grand Master Tooley, action on which was deferred last year, is disapproved; the death of a petitioner prevents any further action upon the petition, except that of recording his death.

Recommendations of Grand Master Fradenburg:

No. 1. We recommend the enactment of the following sub-division of Section 148 of the Grand Lodge law:

"o. To apply to any Scottish or York Rite body, or for the degrees therein, or to solicit such a petition from another until after the lapse of one year from the time said petitioner has been made a Master Mason, and shall have attended at least twelve regular meetings of a Master Masons lodge or lodges, and shall have complied with the provisions of Section 66 of the Grand Lodge law as to proficiency."

And that the following be enacted as sub-division "p" of Section 148 of the Grand Lodge law:

"p. Petitioning the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine before five years have elapsed since being made a Master Mason."

Add to form 231, page 90, Law of Freemasonry in Nebraska, edition of 1919, the following paragraph:

"I will not apply to any Scottish or York Rite body for the degrees therein until at least one year has elapsed after I have received the degree of a Master Mason and shall have attended at least twelve regular meetings of a Master Masons lodge or lodges, and shall have complied with Section 66 of the Grand Lodge law as to proficiency; and will not make application to the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine until five years have elapsed since receiving the degree of a Master Mason."

No. 2. The committee approves tentatively the recommendation of the Grand Master, and recommends that M. W. Brother Joseph B. Fradenburg be the chairman of a committee of three to prepare and present to the Grand Lodge a workable plan of districting the state in conformity with the recommendation.

Recommendations Nos. 3 and 4 are hereby approved.

Unanimous consent was asked for and granted to consider the following amendment to Section 19 of the Grand Lodge law, proposed by W. Brother O. Edwin Mickey, 65, and the same was referred to the Committee on Codification of the Law:

Amend Section 19 of the Grand Lodge law by adding after the words "Orphans Educational Fund" in the third line, the words "and the accounts of any committee of this Grand Lodge who expend any appropriated money."

At five o'clock P. M., the Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment until half past seven o'clock P. M., this date, and the report of the Committee on Codification of the Law was made a special order for eight o'clock.

SECOND DAY—EVENING SESSION

Wednesday, June 8th, 1921.

M. W. Brother Joseph B. Fradenburg, Grand Master, called the Grand Lodge to order at the appointed hour, officers and members being present as at the previous sessions.

The Grand Master appointed Past Grand Masters Andrew H. Viele, John J. Tooley, and Samuel S. Whiting, as a committee to draw suitable resolutions of thanks to the Grand Orator for his oration delivered the previous evening; and thanking the

citizens of Plattsmouth, Plattsmouth Lodge No. 6, and Home Chapter No. 189, of the Order of the Eastern Star, for the courtesies shown the Grand Lodge on its visit to the Masonic Home on Tuesday afternoon.

It was moved that the action of the Grand Master in arresting the charter of Springview Lodge No. 260 be approved, and that those members who have not paid their dues and asked for demits at the expiration of the time provided by law, be declared suspended. The motion was adopted.

The following report of the Committee on Codification of the Law was presented by W. Brother Frank H. Woodland, 25:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CODIFICATION OF THE LAW.

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

We, your Committee on Codification of the Law, beg leave to submit the following report:

I.

Amend Section 148 of the By-laws of the Grand Lodge by adding thereto the following paragraphs, to-wit:

o. To apply to any Scottish or York Rite body for the degrees therein, or to solicit such petition from another, until after the lapse of one year from the time said petitioner has been made a Master Mason, and shall have attended at least twelve regular meetings of a Master Masons lodge or lodges, and shall have complied with the provisions of Section 66 of the Grand Lodge law as to proficiency.

p. Petitioning the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine before five years have elapsed since being made a Master Mason.

II.

Insert in the petition as set out on page 90 of the Law of Freemasonry in Nebraska (edition of 1919) being No. 231, following the second paragraph of said form of petition, the following paragraph:

"He further promises that he will not apply to any Scottish or York Rite body for the degrees therein until at least one year has elapsed after he has received the degree of a Master Mason and shall have attended at least twelve regular meetings of a Master Masons lodge or lodges, and shall have complied with Section 66 of the Grand Lodge law as to proficiency; and will not make application to the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine until five years shall have elapsed since receiving the degree of a Master Mason."

III.

Amend Section 19 of the Grand Lodge law, so that the section will read as follows:

"Sec. 19.—FINANCE.—The Committee on Finance shall examine the books and vouchers of the Grand Secretary, the Trustees of the Orphans Educational Fund, and the accounts of any committee of the Grand Lodge, and shall ascertain the just balance due thereon and report to the Grand Lodge the actual state of all of the different funds thereof; and shall consider and report upon the conditions of the funds and property of the Grand Lodge, all matters relating to its revenue, and all proposed appropriations to be made therefrom, and it may report such other recommendations as it may deem for the financial benefit of the Masonic institution. The accounts shall be annually examined, and the result thereof certified to the Grand Lodge. The committee shall have authority to employ an expert public accountant at the expense of the Grand Lodge, who shall be a Master Mason in good standing, to assist them, if in the judgment of the committee or the Grand Master it shall be deemed necessary."

Brother Woodland moved the adoption of the report of the committee. R. W. Brother Francis E. White, 6, moved to amend the report to provide that it shall lie over for consideration until the next session of the Grand Lodge. After remarks by Past Grand Masters John A. Ehrhardt, Samuel S. Whiting, Robert E. Evans, W. Brothers George C. Mason, 300, Anson L. Havens, 303, William A. Robertson, 6, and Brothers Elmer E. Zimmerman, 11, James T. Begley, 6, Robert F. Flotree, 78, Harry A. Sherman, 280, and John Gerry Stark, 209, a vote was taken and the motion to postpone consideration until next year was lost. Past Grand Master Robert E. Evans thereupon moved and it was carried that the report be divided and considered by sections. Paragraph 1, enacting sub-division *o* was then adopted as reported by the committee. Past Grand Master Whiting moved that one year be substituted for five in sub-division *p*. Brother Carl E. Herring, 25, moved an amendment to the amendment, substituting two for five. Brother Elmer E. Zimmerman, 11, moved a substitute amendment, substituting three for five. Vote was taken on the substitute motion, and it was lost. Vote was taken on the amendment substituting two for five, and this amendment carried, and sub-division *p* as amended was adopted. Sec-

tion II of the report of the committee was then adopted, as was the report of the committee as amended.

The Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment at nine o'clock P. M., until nine o'clock A. M., Thursday, June 9th, 1921.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION

Omaha, June 9th, 1921.

The Grand Lodge was called to order at the appointed hour by M. W. Brother Joseph B. Fradenburg, Grand Master, officers and members being present as at the previous sessions. Prayer was offered by the Grand Chaplain.

The following report of the Committee on Finance was presented by W. Brother Arthur M. Anderson, 31, who moved its adoption:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

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

Your Committee on Finance has examined the books and accounts of the Grand Lodge Officers and committees, which have been referred to us, and beg to submit the following report:

The Grand Secretary's records show:

General Fund:

Balance on hand May 20th, 1920.....	\$52,032.42
Received during the year	77,159.35

Total	\$129,191.77
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Paid out during the year.....	73,882.05
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Balance on hand May 20th, 1921.....	\$ 55,309.72
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General Relief Fund:

Balance on hand May 20th, 1920.....	\$4,162.65
Received during the year.....	6,730.90

Total	\$10,893.55
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Paid out during the year.....	4,162.65
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Balance on hand May 20th, 1921.....	\$ 6,730.90
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Orphans Educational Fund:

Balance on hand May 20th, 1920.....	\$104,797.95
Securities purchased or renewed.....	44,000.00

Total	\$148,797.95
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Securities paid off or renewed.....	\$ 40,597.95
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Balance on hand May 20th, 1921.....	\$108,200.00
Childrens Home Fund:	
Balance on hand May 20th, 1920.....	\$1,978.85
Received during the year.....	4,440.86
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Total	\$6,419.71
Paid out during the year.....	6,991.80
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Account overdrawn	\$ 572.00
We recommend the following appropriations for the year ending June, 1922, or as much thereof as may be necessary:	
Pay-roll	\$4,817.08
Grand Master's expense	1,000.00
Grand Master's clerk hire	600.00
Grand Secretary's salary	2,400.00
Grand Secretary's clerk hire	2,700.00
Assistant to the Grand Secretary	2,400.00
Grand Custodian's salary	1,800.00
Grand Custodian's expense	600.00
Expenses of Assistants to the Grand Custodian	1,000.00
Grand Chaplain's expenses, 1921-1922	100.00
Grand Tyler, session of 1921	15.00
Committee on Foreign Correspondence	200.00
Organist, session of 1921	10.00
General Relief Fund	6,730.90
Masonic Service Association	1,000.00
Membership fee in the Masonic Relief Association of the United States and Canada	200.00
Library, purchasing and binding	200.00
Printing proceedings for 1921	1,100.00
Purchasing supplies for sale and issue	1,500.00
Fire insurance, books, supplies, etc.	40.00
Stenographer for the session	10.00
Grand Lodge office, rent, heat, and light	556.00
Grand Lodge office, janitor	100.00
Grand Lodge office, telephone	75.00
Postage, telegrams, telephone calls, and expressage	400.00
Stationery	100.00
Incidentals	100.00
Blanks	300.00
Grand Secretary's surety bond	20.00
Parchment charters for six new lodges	120.00
Maintenance and improvements, Childrens Homes	6,000.00

Grand Lodge accommodations in the new Masonic Temple, furnishings for the Monell Library and old armor.....	\$2,000.00
Certified accountant	150.00
Expense of Board of Masonic Service Annuities and Gifts.....	300.00
Jewel for Past Grand Master Fradenburg	
Total	\$38,643.89

We have carefully examined the securities in the possession of the Grand Secretary, and find the same in first class condition, the same being in first mortgages upon real estate in Nebraska, all of which we believe to be amply secured, and United States Liberty Loan bonds.

We find that interest on all mortgage loans has been paid promptly, and that there is no delinquent interest, with the exception of one small loan, which we are assured will be fully paid at once and the loan liquidated.

We have audited the accounts of the Committee on Relief and Care of Orphans, and find the account of receipts and expenditures correct in every particular. We have also audited the accounts of the Grand Secretary, and of the Nebraska Masonic Home, and we find all matters connected with the financial transactions thereof in excellent condition.

We have audited the account of the Grand Chaplain and find his report correct.

We have examined the accounts and vouchers of the Grand Custodian, and find them correct, and we concur in the report and recommendation of the Finance Committee of 1920 that none of the money appropriated for the Grand Custodian's expense, or for the promulgation of the work, be expended for any purpose but that of holding schools of instruction.

Your committee recommend that the books and accounts of the Grand Secretary be audited by a competent certified accountant to a date immediately preceding the next annual session of the Grand Lodge; this recommendation is made not because your committee believes that there are any irregularities existing in such books and accounts, as we believe them to be in very good shape, yet it is next to impossible for a Finance Committee of this Grand Lodge to give the matter of these records the necessary examination within the limited time, and at the same time be permitted to attend the sessions of this Grand Body. Your committee therefore have recommended that the sum of \$150.00 be appropriated for such examination.

Your committee recommends that the sum of \$5,000.00 be made available to be drawn on as a reserve fund in the putting into operation of a Board of Masonic Service Annuities and Gifts, as provided by the adoption of a report by this Grand Lodge.

Your committee has carefully considered the resolution of the Committee on Relief and Care of Orphans and the Committee on Childrens Home, asking that an appropriation of \$30,000.00 be made at this time for the purpose of erecting a permanent building at Fremont, and the committee is of the opinion that it is unwise at this time to appropriate such a sum of money on account of the present condition of the finances of this Grand Lodge and the general financial condition of the country, and recommend that the matter of further erection of buildings at Fremont be deferred until another session of the Grand Lodge.

W. Brother O. Edwin Mickey, 65, moved to amend the report by including therein an appropriation of \$30,000.00 to be used for the erection of an additional cottage at Fremont in connection with the Childrens Home. After remarks by Brothers Mickey, 65, Francis E. White, 6, Carl E. Herring, 25, and Past Grand Masters Robert E. Evans, Samuel P. Davidson, and John A. Ehrhardt the amendment was adopted, and the report as amended was adopted.

Past Grand Master Robert E. Evans moved that the incoming Grand Master appoint a committee of three to devise a system of keeping account of all funds which are appropriated through this Grand Lodge, and to put the plan into operation at once; the motion carried.

Past Grand Master Robert E. Evans asked for unanimous consent to consider a motion appropriating \$2,400.00 for the purpose of providing for an Assistant Grand Secretary. Consent was granted, and the motion was considered and adopted.

The Committee on Physical Qualification of Petitioners and Recognition of other Grand Lodges, through the Chairman, Past Grand Master Andrew H. Viele, submitted the following report, and on his motion, it was adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PHYSICAL QUALIFICATION OF PETITIONERS AND RECOGNITION OF OTHER GRAND LODGES.

To the Grand Lodge:

We, your special committee to whom was referred the question of physical qualification of petitioners and the recognition of other Grand Lodges, have had the same under consideration and respectfully report as follows:

1. That this Grand Jurisdiction adhere to its present policy and law with respect to the physical qualification of petitioners for the degrees.

2. That this Grand Jurisdiction declare its adherence to the policy heretofore followed by it, in the recognition of Grand Lodges. That a Grand Lodge asking for recognition must be one organized by no less than three lodges chartered by a regular Grand Lodge, and not by a Supreme Council or any other Supreme Body claiming to be Masonic.

W. Brother Frank L. Haycock, 207, presented the payroll, amounting to \$4,817,08, and it was ordered paid.

The following resolution of thanks, presented by Past Grand Master John J. Tooley, was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, on the occasion of the pilgrimage of three hundred members of the Grand Lodge to the Masonic Home at Plattsmouth, a welcome was accorded us of rare warmth and cordiality; and each individual member of the party was deeply impressed with the prevailing spirit of fraternity and good fellowship which found expression in the many conveniences and comforts provided for the visitors; the profusely decorated streets and business houses; the splendid music furnished by the Elks band; the sustaining refreshments provided by Home Chapter No. 189, Order of the Eastern Star; the many expressions of welcome found in the splendid special edition of the Plattsmouth Journal; as well as the hearty hand clasp met with in personal contact.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that for all of these courtesies, the Grand Lodge is most profoundly appreciative, and extends thanks, particularly to Plattsmouth Lodge No.6, Home Chapter No. 189 of the Order of the Eastern Star, the Chamber of Commerce, and all of the good citizens of that splendid little city, with the assurance that the Grand Lodge is more than ever convinced that the atmosphere surrounding our Home is all that could be desired.

Past Grand Master Tooley also presented the following resolution of thanks which was carried unanimously:

BE IT RESOLVED, That the thanks of this Grand Lodge are hereby extended to W. Brother Frank G. Smith, for the splendid oration delivered before this Grand Body, as Grand Orator. On rare occasions, indeed, have we had the good fortune of being honored with addresses more replete with such profound logic and inspiring eloquence, or a theme more appropriate.

R. W. Brother Francis E. White moved that the entire subject of returns be referred to the incoming Grand Master; the motion carried.

On motion of Past Grand Master George H. Thummel, seconded by Past Grand Master Robert E. French, the Grand Sec-

retary was instructed to purchase a Past Grand Master's jewel for M. W. Brother Joseph B. Fradenburg, and that this same courtesy be extended to all future retiring Grand Masters.

The following resolution, offered by W. Brother John Wright, 19, was adopted unanimously:

RESOLVED, That this Grand Lodge in its sixty-fourth annual communication express to the lodges of Omaha, Nebraska, our sincere appreciation for the many courtesies extended, the entertainment provided, and their generosity, not only on the evening of June 7th, 1921, but during the entire session.

Past Grand Master George H. Thummel inquired whether any steps had been taken by the Masonic Service Association towards relief for the unfortunate at Pueblo. The Grand Master stated that he was in receipt of telegrams from Pueblo stating that no temporary relief was required at present, but requesting that influence be used with our representatives at Washington to have the Federal relief asked for granted. The Grand Master stated that this request had been turned over to our representative in Washington.

Past Grand Master James R. Cain, Jr., moved and the motion carried unanimously that the thanks of the Grand Lodge be extended to M. W. Brother Joseph B. Fradenburg for the splendid and energetic services rendered as Grand Master during the year just closing.

The Grand Officers were all installed into office, and invested with the jewels of office, except W. Brother George A. Beecher, who was appointed Grand Orator. Authority was given the Grand Master to install Brother Beecher into office at his convenience. The installation ceremonies were conducted by Past Grand Master George H. Thummel assisted by Past Grand Master Charles E. Burnham.

At eleven o'clock A. M., Thursday, June 9th, A. D. 1921, A. L. 5921, no further business appearing, the Grand Lodge was closed in ample form, peace and harmony prevailing.

LEWIS E. SMITH,
Grand Master.

Francis E. White
Grand Secretary.

ADDENDA TO THE LAW.

Being Sections of the law as amended since the publication of the Law of Freemasonry, edition of 1919, approved decisions of the Grand Master, and motions made and adopted.

The fee for the charter, provided for in Section 4, Article XII of the constitution, was by motion increased to seventy-five dollars. 1920-430.

Section 19.—FINANCE.—The Committee on Finance shall examine the books and vouchers of the Grand Secretary, the Trustees of the Orphans Educational Fund, and the accounts of any committee of the Grand Lodge, and shall ascertain the just balance due thereon and report to the Grand Lodge the actual state of all of the different funds thereof; and shall consider and report upon the conditions of the funds and property of the Grand Lodge, all matters relating to its revenue, and all proposed appropriations to be made therefrom, and it may report such other recommendations as it may deem for the financial benefit of the Masonic Institution. The accounts shall be annually examined, and the result thereof certified to the Grand Lodge. The committee shall have authority to employ an expert public accountant at the expense of the Grand Lodge, who shall be a Master Mason in good standing, to assist them, if in the judgment of the committee or the Grand Master it shall be deemed necessary. 1921-615.

Sec. 80.—ASSESSMENT.—Chartered lodges shall have discretionary power to assess dues upon members who are Master Masons in good standing, and their by-laws shall designate the amount so assessed and the time for its payment. All lodges in fixing the dues of their members shall include the amount of Grand Lodge dues with the lodge dues. A brother desiring to demit shall be required to pay dues only for the time he is a member of the lodge, that is, to the end of the month in which he is demitted.

A lodge's floating debt does not rest *pro rata* on its members until so assessed. The dues owed by members to a lodge cannot be offset against any debts owed by the lodge to said members, except with the consent of the delinquent members. 1920-459

Sec. 115.—ESSENTIALS.—(To correct an error the Grand Lodge declared this section as it appears in the law, to be in full force and effect.) 1920-466.

Sec. 137.—The second paragraph is now null and void. 1920-390.

Sec. 138.—HOW OBTAINED.—Any brother desiring a demit must apply therefor in writing, stating that it is wanted for the purpose of enabling him to join another lodge of Freemasons, and said brother need not state with what lodge he intends to affiliate.

Such petition must be received and read at a regular meeting of the lodge, and if, after opportunity is given, no charges are preferred against the petitioner, and if the brother is clear on the books, the Master shall order that a demit be issued, and the Secretary shall make a record of such action. A demit may issue to any Entered Apprentice Mason or Fellow Craft Mason who shall have permanently removed from the jurisdiction of the lodge in which he received the degree or degrees, if an application for such demit shall be made within two years after the degrees of an Entered Apprentice Mason, or of a Fellow Craft Mason, as the case may be, shall have been received,

provided no charges are pending against him or objections filed to his advancement. 1920-459.

Sec. 141.—EFFECT.—The granting of a demit cannot be reconsidered, and it remits the remaining dues, and terminates membership with or without the certificate of demission. 1920-459.

Sec. 148-*m*.—The possession of or the use of all keys, ciphers, or printed matter relating to the ritualistic work of Ancient Craft Masonry. 1920-458.

o. To apply to any Scottish or York Rite Body for the degrees therein or to solicit such a petition from another until after the lapse of one year from the time said petitioner has been made a Master Mason, and shall have attended at least twelve regular meetings of a Master Masons lodge or lodges, and shall have complied with the provisions of Section 66 of the Grand Lodge law as to proficiency. 1921-615.

p. Petitioning the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine before two years have elapsed since being made a Master Mason. 1921-615.

Sec. 213.—(Second Paragraph.)—If the dues for which the brother shall have been suspended shall not be paid within three years from date of suspension, reinstatement shall not be had except on unanimous vote of the subordinate lodge and approval by the Grand Master. Each application for such reinstatement shall be accompanied by a statement showing the financial and physical condition of the applicant and of his immediate family. It shall be the duty of the lodge in which such applicant shall have been suspended, to carefully inquire into and ascertain all the facts in connection with such application and submit the same to the Grand Master with such application, so that as far as possible he may arrive at a full understanding whether such applicant will probably become a charge on the fraternity. To assist the Grand Master in arriving at such understanding, he shall appoint a standing committee of three, advisory to the Grand Master to which the application and all matters pertaining thereto shall be referred, and such committee shall secure such other information as in its discretion may be deemed advisable, and report to the Grand Master its recommendation. 1920-458.

The dues which a suspended member tenders with his application for reinstatement should not be retained by the lodge, if his application for reinstatement is rejected. Decision of Grand Master, 1920-389.

Insert in the petition as set out on page 90 of the Law of Freemasonry in Nebraska, (Edition of 1919) being No. 231, following the second paragraph of said form of petition the following paragraph:

He furthermore promises that he will not apply to any Scottish or York Rite body for the degrees therein until at least one year has elapsed after he has received the degree of a Master Mason and shall have attended at least twelve regular meetings of a Master Masons lodge or lodges, and shall have complied with Section 66 of the Grand Lodge law as to proficiency; and will not make application to the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine until two years shall have elapsed since receiving the degree of a Master Mason. 1921-615.

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Memory of

James Robert Cain, Sr.

GRAND MASTER, JUNE 23D, A. .L. .5881,
TO JUNE 21ST, A. .L. .5882.

Born December 29th, A. D. 1843, A. .L. .5843,

Died November 29th, A. D. 1920, A. .L. .5920.

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Michael Dowling,

GRAND MASTER, JUNE 10TH, A. L. 5909,
TO JUNE 8TH, A. L. 5910.

Born August 27th, A. D. 1846, A. L. 5846.

Died May 5th, A. D. 1921, A. L. 5921.

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J. Newton Wise,

GRAND SECRETARY, JUNE 23RD, A. .L. .5865,
TO OCTOBER 27TH, A. .L. .5869.

Born November 27th, A. D. 1832, A. .L. .5832.

Died July 8th, A. D. 1920, A. .L. .5920.

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NAME	LODGE	DATE OF DEATH
DANIEL T. CUSTER.....	Nebraska,	No. 1.. July 18, 1919
JOHN LINLEY.....	Nebraska,	No. 1.. April 4, 1920
LEROY S. ESTELLE.....	Nebraska,	No. 1.. Oct. 10, 1920
WILLIAM J. WILEY.....	Nebraska,	No. 1
ROBERT LORTON.....	Western Star,	No. 2.. July 1, 1920
SAMUEL GOLDBERG.....	Western Star,	No. 2.. Febr. 21, 1921
WILLIAM SALISBURY.....	Capitol,	No. 3.. Dec. 19, 1919
WILLIAM T. ROBINSON.....	Capitol,	No. 3.. April 19, 1920
GEORGE BURKE.....	Capitol,	No. 3.. May 9, 1920
J. NEWTON WISE.....	Capitol,	No. 3.. July 7, 1920
JOHN W. HERBERT.....	Capitol,	No. 3.. Aug. 25, 1920
ROLLAND C. PETERSEN.....	Capitol,	No. 3.. Oct. 5, 1920
JOHN H. WILLETTS.....	Capitol,	No. 3.. Dec. 19, 1920
ROBERT S. PURVIS.....	Capitol,	No. 3.. Jan. 6, 1921
LAURESTON A. MERRIAM.....	Capitol,	No. 3.. Jan. 28, 1921
KENNETH EARL YOUNG.....	Nemaha Valley,	No. 4.. Sept. 3, 1920
ALEXANDER H. BAKER.....	Omadi,	No. 5.. April 2, 1920
JOHN F. SIDES.....	Omadi,	No. 5.. Dec. 20, 1920
GUY D. McMAKEN.....	Plattsmouth	No. 6.. June 28, 1920
ALBERT D. DESPAIN.....	Plattsmouth	No. 6.. Oct. 7, 1920
EDWIN W. COOK.....	Plattsmouth	No. 6.. Oct. 15, 1920
DAVID HARRIS COOK.....	Plattsmouth	No. 6.. Nov. 20, 1920
JOSEPH M. ROBERTS.....	Plattsmouth	No. 6.. Dec. 27, 1920
ISAAC WILES.....	Plattsmouth	No. 6.. Jan. 19, 1921
LLOYD D. BENNETT.....	Plattsmouth	No. 6.. Febr. 21, 1921
ALEXANDER L. GRIFFIN.....	Falls City,	No. 9.. April 3, 1920
WALTER A. JONES.....	Falls City,	No. 9.. May 7, 1920
CHARLES F. CAIN.....	Falls City,	No. 9.. July 24, 1920
JAMES R. CAIN, SR.....	Falls City,	No. 9.. Nov. 29, 1920
JOHN C. HENDERSON.....	Covert,	No. 11.. April 4, 1920
CHARLES M. EATON.....	Covert,	No. 11.. April 21, 1920
HANS JENSEN.....	Covert,	No. 11.. May 22, 1920
CHARLES W. KALTEIER.....	Covert,	No. 11.. June 28, 1920
ANDREW TRAYNOR.....	Covert,	No. 11.. July 6, 1920
WALTER ANDERSON.....	Covert,	No. 11.. Aug. 16, 1920
GEORGE J. JONES.....	Covert,	No. 11.. Sept. 19, 1920
JOHN D. WARE.....	Covert,	No. 11.. Nov. 14, 1920
JAMES CATHROE.....	Covert,	No. 11.. Febr. 23, 1921
HAROLD E. FERNANDES.....	Covert,	No. 11.. March 12, 1921
EDWARD N. MORSE.....	Fremont,	No. 15.. June 26, 1920
ROBERT MILES GROSS.....	Fremont,	No. 15.. Aug. 25, 1920
ARTHUR TRUESDELL.....	Fremont,	No. 15.. Sept. 3, 1920
EBER PALMER.....	Fremont,	No. 15.. Nov. 20, 1920
JAY C. ROBINSON.....	Fremont,	No. 15.. Jan. 31, 1921

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EZRA M. COLLINS.....	Fremont,	No. 15..Febr. 28, 1921
LYMAN R. BAILEY.....	Tecumseh,	No. 17..Aug. 3, 1920
ALBERT J. CORNISH.....	Lincoln,	No. 19..April 18, 1920
FRANK I. RINGER.....	Lincoln,	No. 19..July 28, 1920
WARD B. RICHARDSON.....	Lincoln,	No. 19..July 28, 1920
GEORGE MACDOUGAL.....	Lincoln,	No. 19..Sept. 9, 1920
EDWARD J. ROBINSON.....	Lincoln,	No. 19..Sept. 11, 1920
AMBROSE E. McCRYSTAL.....	Lincoln,	No. 19..Oct. 30, 1920
WILLIAM J. HANNA.....	Lincoln,	No. 19..Dec. 30, 1920
FREDERICK A. MASON.....	Lincoln,	No. 19..Jan. 15, 1921
AMEL GUTTING.....	Lincoln,	No. 19..Febr. 10, 1921
ISAAC FRIEND.....	Lincoln,	No. 19..March 13, 1921
NELSON C. BROCK.....	Lincoln,	No. 19..March 22, 1921
EUGENE S. BEATTY.....	Washington,	No. 21..Jan. 1, 1921
RICHARD ALLBERY.....	Washington,	No. 21..March 3, 1921
PHILLIP JENKINS.....	Pawnee,	No. 23..July 27, 1920
CHARLES H. POOR.....	St. Johns,	No. 25..June 20, 1918
ERIK PETERSON.....	St. Johns,	No. 25..April 11, 1920
THOMAS RITCHIE.....	St. Johns,	No. 25..April 11, 1920
GUSTAVE ANDREEN.....	St. Johns,	No. 25..July 13, 1920
DICK C. HASS.....	St. Johns,	No. 25..Aug. 4, 1920
GLEN F. PARKHURST.....	St. Johns,	No. 25..Oct. 11, 1920
JOSEPH M. LEIDY.....	St. Johns,	No. 25..Oct. 12, 1920
JULIUS A. CUSHING.....	St. Johns,	No. 25..Nov. 14, 1920
JACOB MARTIN.....	St. Johns,	No. 25..Dec. 9, 1919
WILLIAM BRITTON.....	St. Johns,	No. 25..Dec. 11, 1920
MARK M. KANE.....	St. Johns,	No. 25..Jan. 1, 1921
JOHN H. DUMONT.....	St. Johns,	No. 25..Jan. 13, 1921
AUGUSTUS LOCKNER.....	St. Johns,	No. 25..Jan. 29, 1920
ALEXANDER MORRISON.....	St. Johns,	No. 25..Febr. 6, 1921
FRED W. KOETTER.....	St. Johns,	No. 25..March 9, 1921
EDWARD JOHNSON.....	St. Johns,	No. 25..March 30, 1921
FERDINAND BROTHER.....	Beatrice,	No. 26..Dec. 7, 1920
KIMBALL E. THOMPSON.....	Jordan,	No. 27..July 4, 1920
MORTIMER R. CRISP.....	Hope,	No. 29..Aug. 4, 1920
GEORGE W. BRANDON.....	Blue River,	No. 30..Oct. 31, 1920
ISAAC N. BRAMHALL.....	Tekamah,	No. 31..June 4, 1920
GEORGE C. LATA.....	Tekamah,	No. 31..Jan. 16, 1921
ERICK E. ERICKSON.....	Platte Valley,	No. 32..June 8, 1920
WILLIAM C. BLACKMORE.....	Platte Valley,	No. 32..June 9, 1920
JAMES H. BABBITT.....	Platte Valley,	No. 32..Nov. 21, 1920
GEORGE D. HETZEL.....	Ashlar,	No. 33..April 28, 1920
WILLIAM HALDEMAN.....	Ashlar,	No. 33..July 14, 1920
OLAF L. OTESSON.....	Ashlar,	No. 33..Oct. 27, 1920

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ALZA M. STEWART.....	Ashlar,	No. 33 .Dec. 26, 1920
JAMES HUGHES.....	Acacia,	No. 34 .June 16, 1920
HERMAN KUNZE.....	Fairbury,	No. 35 .April 2, 1917
HORACE C. GARABRANT.....	Fairbury,	No. 35 .Nov. 12, 1919
CHARLES J. BILLS.....	Fairbury,	No. 35 .July 11, 1920
GEORGE CROSS.....	Fairbury,	No. 35 .Sept. 2, 1920
CHARLES R. FOWLER.....	Fairbury,	No. 35 .Sept. 24, 1920
JOSEPH R. NELSON.....	Fairbury,	No. 35 .Febr. 16, 1921
CHARLES L. DONOVAN.....	Lone Tree,	No. 36 .June 20, 1920
WILLIAM H. CRITES.....	Lone Tree,	No. 36 .July 31, 1920
ANDREW MOBERG.....	Lone Tree,	No. 36 .Sept. 27, 1920
CARL NICHOLSON.....	Lone Tree,	No. 36 .Dec. 23, 1920
JOHN T. LANE.....	Crete,	No. 37 .May 5, 1920
HENRY DANIEL.....	Crete,	No. 37 .Nov. 19, 1920
WILLIAM H. MORRIS.....	Crete,	No. 37 .Dec. 7, 1920
ORRIN J. BURDROW.....	Oliver,	No. 38 .March 17, 1921
CHARLES WOOD.....	Northern Light,	No. 41 .July 16, 1920
CHARLES L. LAMB.....	Northern Light,	No. 41 .Dec. 18, 1920
JAMES W. MACKAY.....	Northern Light,	No. 41 .May 9, 1920
WILLIAM A. TAITE.....	Hebron,	No. 43 .
JOHN N. FITCHPATRICK.....	Hebron,	No. 43 .Sept. 19, 1920
NATHAN A. HEATH.....	Hebron,	No. 43 .March 2, 1921
CHARLES E. BROWNE.....	Harvard,	No. 44 .May 29, 1920
JAMES H. WEBSTER.....	Harvard,	No. 44 .Dec. 4, 1920
ALBERT E. REESE.....	Rob Morris,	No. 46 .Nov. 26, 1920
CHARLES A. HAZLETT.....	Rob Morris,	No. 46 .Nov. 29, 1920
ROBERT G. HALL.....	Fairmont,	No. 48 .Oct. 27, 1920
FRANK WHEAT.....	Hastings,	No. 50 .April 22, 1910
RICHARD C. MALONEY.....	Hastings,	No. 50 .Dec. 28, 1920
WILLIAM BRACH.....	Hastings,	No. 50 .March 21, 1921
WILLIAM BUNTING.....	Fidelity,	No. 51 .Nov. 21, 1920
HERMAN A. OHLSEN.....	Fidelity,	No. 51 .Febr. 16, 1921
IRA SLEEPER.....	Fidelity,	No. 51 .March 16, 1921
EDWIN E. McGAVERICK.....	Hiram,	No. 52 .
SIDNEY S. BLANCHARD.....	Hiram,	No. 52 .Aug. 1, 1920
FRANK J. BESSEY.....	Hiram,	No. 52 .March 8, 1921
WILLIAM H. GANNON.....	Hiram,	No. 52 .March 19, 1921
SOREN HANSEN.....	Lancaster,	No. 54 .April 21, 1920
WILLIAM A. ECKER.....	Lancaster,	No. 54 .April 29, 1920
EBEN H. SILLSBEE.....	Lancaster,	No. 54 .May 4, 1920
JOSEPH A. WATSON.....	Lancaster,	No. 54 .Aug. 1, 1920
GEORGE P. TUCKER.....	Lancaster,	No. 54 .Oct. 11, 1920
JOHN B. BARNES.....	Lancaster,	No. 54 .Jan. 15, 1921
LEWIS D. MYERS.....	Lancaster,	No. 54 .Febr. 12, 1921
LOUIS HAGEMAN.....	Lancaster,	No. 54 .March 25, 1921
WILLIAM A. HACKNEY.....	Lancaster,	No. 54 .March 31, 1921

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JOHN S. McCLARY.....	Mosaic,	No. 55..June 11, 1920
BURT MAPES.....	Mosaic,	No. 55..Nov. 7, 1920
FRANK M. COX.....	York,	No. 56..April 6, 1919
LEE M. STURTEVANT.....	York,	No. 56..April 13, 1920
LEWIS INBODY.....	York,	No. 56..Febr. 14, 1921
GEORGE E. PEABODY.....	York,	No. 56..Febr. 25, 1921
JAMES H. TYSON.....	York,	No. 56..March 8, 1921
MILTON G. BOWER.....	Lebanon,	No. 58..May 19, 1920
MORRIS H. WEITZENHOFF.....	Lebanon,	No. 58..Nov. 2, 1920
CHARLES A. BEARDSLEY.....	Lebanon,	No. 58..Jan. 18, 1921
HIRAM P. BELLOWES.....	Wahoo,	No. 59..April 24, 1920
WILLIAM H. McCORD.....	Wahoo,	No. 59..Febr. 12, 1921
JEROME BARNELL.....	Wahoo,	No. 59..March 25, 1921
WILLIAM J. NEFF.....	Melrose,	No. 60..April 15, 1920
OSMYN S. KINNEY.....	Thistle,	No. 61..Sept. 28, 1920
BENJAMIN F. KRIER.....	Thistle,	No. 61..Dec. 20, 1920
HENRY O. CONAWAY.....	Keystone,	No. 62..April 2, 1920
ROBERT L. AVEY.....	Riverton,	No. 63..June 24, 1920
IRVIN B. LEMAR.....	Osceola,	No. 65..May 25, 1920
LANSON SHAW.....	Osceola,	No. 65..Nov. 2, 1920
HERBERT T. ARNOLD.....	Osceola,	No. 65..Nov. 17, 1920
HOPEWELL P. SHORE.....	Osceola,	No. 65..Febr. 19, 1921
ERNEST SUGDEN.....	Edgar,	No. 67..April 24, 1920
JOHN MAYBURY.....	Trowel,	No. 71..Aug. 21, 1920
ANDREW MADSEN.....	Hooper,	No. 72..June 21, 1920
EDWARD EDELMAN.....	Hooper,	No. 72..Jan. 26, 1921
JOSEPH GILMORE.....	Friend,	No. 73..Sept. 1, 1920
CARL WIELAND.....	Frank Welch,	No. 75..April 3, 1920
FRANK D. GOULD.....	Frank Welch,	No. 75..Sept. 26, 1920
JAMES McLEARNON.....	Frank Welch,	No. 75..Oct. 30, 1920
JOHN J. PARKS.....	Frank Welch,	No. 75..Nov. 28, 1920
FRANCIS EDWARDS.....	Nelson,	No. 77..Febr. 17, 1921
WILLIAM C. HEIN.....	Nelson,	No. 77..Febr. 20, 1921
ROBERT MILLS.....	St. Paul,	No. 82..April 24, 1920
HARRY E. HANSEN.....	St. Paul,	No. 82..Febr. 27, 1921
WILLIAM H. TERWILLIGER.....	Corinthian,	No. 83..Aug. 24, 1920
JOHN H. HEISTER.....	Tyre,	No. 82..Febr. 27, 1921
WILSON E. FONER.....	Ionic,	No. 87..Jan. 21, 1921
WILLIAM R. EAGLETON.....	Star,	No. 88..Dec. 13, 1920
ISAAC H. BONHAM.....	Elk Creek,	No. 90..Dec. 18, 1920
JACOB T. BURRESS.....	Elk Creek,	No. 90..Dec. 28, 1920
OSCAR F. JOHNSON.....	Oakland,	No. 91..Jan. 17, 1921
B. CHARNOCKE SMITH.....	Beaver City,	No. 93..Febr. 11, 1921
EVERETT W. RANDALL.....	Bennett,	No. 94..April 23, 1920

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THOMAS J. DICKSON.....	Bennett.	No. 94.. Aug. 10, 1920
REUBEN SPRINGER.....	Bennett.	No. 94.. Oct. 14, 1920
OSCAR O. SNYDER.....	Garfield.	No. 95.. Nov. 10, 1920
FRANK W. PHILLIPS.....	Garfield.	No. 95.. Febr. 21, 1921
WILLIAM A. HAYNES.....	Garfield.	No. 95.. Febr. 25, 1921
CLARK S. NEWLON.....	Euclid.	No. 97.. March 20, 1921
FRANCIS E. HASKINS.....	Republican,	No. 98.. March 9, 1921
CARLTON BURNHAM.....	Republican,	No. 98.. March 13, 1921
CARL F. W. PAUL.....	Creighton,	No. 100.. Febr. 22, 1921
WILLIAM H. HUNTER.....	Ponca,	No. 101.. Nov. 11, 1920
JOHN B. O'CONNOR.....	Wymore,	No. 104.. April 25, 1920
CONRAD E. BEINERT.....	Wymore,	No. 104.. April 28, 1920
THOMAS LEWIS.....	Wymore,	No. 104.. June 11, 1920
ROBERT REILLY.....	Wymore,	No. 104.. Oct. 28, 1920
JOSEPH H. HOGREEFE.....	Stella,	No. 105.. July 6, 1920
EDGAR J. ROSE.....	Pomegranate,	No. 110.. Dec. 20, 1920
JOHN M. WARD.....	Springfield,	No. 112.. Aug. 7, 1920
WILLIAM A. MILLER.....	Springfield,	No. 112.. Nov. 8, 1920
DANIEL Q. NICHOLSON.....	Globe.	No. 113.. July 1, 1920
GUSTAVE MILLER.....	Wisner,	No. 114.. Nov. 20, 1920
WILLIAM H. SHORE.....	Hardy,	No. 117.. Jan. 1917
MICHAEL D. HODGES.....	Superior,	No. 121.. Jan. 15, 1920
ULYSSES G. BROWN.....	Superior,	No. 121.. Febr. 23, 1920
MELBOURNE HICKS.....	Superior,	No. 121.. May 5, 1920
LESTER HERSHALL.....	Superior,	No. 121.. May 29, 1920
WILLIAM J. ROSS.....	Superior,	No. 121.. Aug. 21, 1920
NEWTON L. NORDSTROM.....	Stromsburg.	No. 126.. Dec. 29, 1920
JOHN B. STEWARD.....	Stromsburg,	No. 126.. Jan. 4, 1921
JOHN COWDREY.....	Elm Creek,	No. 133.. Febr. 1, 1921
WILLIAM THOMPSON.....	Solar,	No. 134.. Dec. 16, 1920
JOSEPH D. ROBB.....	McCook.	No. 135.. July 16, 1920
HERBERT L. DONOVAN.....	McCook.	No. 135.. Dec. 9, 1920
CLARENCE B. GRAY.....	McCook.	No. 135.. Jan. 21, 1921
THOMAS S. HECK.....	Long Pine,	No. 136.. Jan. 30, 1921
JAMES PEPPERL.....	Upright,	No. 137.. May 8, 1920
W. OLIVER CRITCHFIELD.....	Rawalt,	No. 138.. Aug. 19, 1919
JOHN MUNT.....	Siloam,	No. 147.. June 12, 1920
GEORGE S. GILLESPIE.....	Jewel.	No. 149.. Aug. 26, 1920
WILLIAM F. GRAHAM.....	Jewel,	No. 149.. Dec. 19, 1920
FRANCIS KLAMBOROWSKI.....	Cambridge,	No. 150.. Aug. 23, 1920
WASHINGTON ENLOW.....	Cambridge,	No. 150.. Febr. 1, 1921
JOHN B. ROBERTS.....	Evergreen.	No. 153.. Nov. 26, 1920
EDGAR F. MORRIS.....	Hartington,	No. 155.. May 29, 1920
GEORGE F. SCOVILLE.....	Hartington,	No. 155.. Dec. 28, 1920

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NAME	LODGE	DATE OF DEATH
LEWIS A. COMBES.....	Pythagoras,	No. 156.. June 26, 1920
FREDERICK C. FELTZ.....	Pythagoras,	No. 156.. Aug. 18, 1920
ROBERT P. HIGH.....	Valley,	No. 157.. Jan. 1921
EMIL FAUST.....	Samaritan,	No. 158.. Sept. 21, 1920
SOLOMON HARTZEL.....	Samaritan,	No. 158.. Febr. 3, 1921
OMAHA H. WILSON.....	Samaritan,	No. 158.. Febr. 17, 1921
LYMAN D. PROPER.....	Ogalalla,	No. 159.. Dec. 1, 1920
AUGUST QUANTE.....	Trestle Board,	No. 162.. April 23, 1920
BENJAMIN S. MOTHERSHEAD..	Trestle Board,	No. 162.. July 2, 1920
LYMAN OSBORN.....	Trestle Board,	No. 162.. Febr. 23, 1921
SAMUEL M. STRODLEY.....	Unity,	No. 163.. Sept. 28, 1920
EMMOR K. RICE.....	Unity,	No. 163.. Oct. 5, 1920
JAMES S. FRANCIS.....	Merna,	No. 171.. May 17, 1917
WILLIAM A. MAGUIRE.....	Robert Burns,	No. 173.. June 9, 1920
THOMAS E. MORTEN.....	Robert Burns,	No. 173.. Sept. 24, 1920
JOHN M. WILLIAMS.....	Culbertson,	No. 174.. Nov. 5, 1920
ELIJAH FILLEY.....	Temple,	No. 175.. April 1, 1920
ANDREW M. TILTON.....	Temple,	No. 175.. April 20, 1920
HERMAN A. PETERS.....	Hay Springs,	No. 177.. March 14, 1921
ORIN J. MARCY.....	Hay Springs,	No. 177.. March 27, 1921
RALPH M. STURGEON.....	Faith,	No. 181.. Aug. 28, 1920
WILLIAM J. A. RAUM.....	Faith,	No. 181.. Febr. 25, 1921
CHARLES E. HERSHMAN.....	Alliance,	No. 183.. Dec. 20, 1920
GEORGE N. HOAG.....	Alliance,	No. 183.. Febr. 9, 1921
HERBERT R. COSSANO.....	Bee Hive,	No. 184.. June 3, 1920
HENRY L. GIBB.....	Bee Hive,	No. 184.. Aug. 23, 1920
GEORGE W. HOWE.....	Bee Hive,	No. 184.. Oct. 3, 1920
HENRY C. MILLER.....	Bee Hive,	No. 184.. Jan. 31, 1921
REUBEN BIGLOW.....	Bee Hive,	No. 184.. March 29, 1921
CLAUD B. COLEMAN.....	Israel,	No. 187.. Oct. 7, 1920
WINSLOW W. SMITH.....	Meridian,	No. 188.. Jan. 12, 1921
CHARLES M. BECK.....	Granite,	No. 189.. July 28, 1920
JOHN APPELEGATE.....	Amethyst,	No. 190.. Oct. 7, 1920
WELLINGTON E. DAILY.....	Crystal,	No. 191.. March 13, 1921
ISAAC P. HOFFMASTER.....	Crystal,	No. 191.. March 15, 1921
FRANCIS M. WALCOTT.....	Minnekadusa,	No. 192.. July 23, 1920
JONATHAN F. YOUNG.....	Minnekadusa,	No. 192.. Jan. 12, 1921
LEONARD GREISER.....	Highland,	No. 194.. July 10, 1920
JAMES A. WEIR.....	Arcana,	No. 195.. March 20, 1921
JOHN L. SANDERS.....	Level,	No. 196..
CECIL F. LAVERTY.....	Blazing Star,	No. 200.. Febr. 13, 1921
WARREN R. WOOLFENDEN.....	Scotts Bluff,	No. 201.. March 21, 1921
JOSEPH D. RYONS.....	Canopy,	No. 209.. Sept. 9, 1920
DAVID TOURTELOT.....	East Lincoln,	No. 210.. July 8, 1920

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NAME	LODGE	DATE OF DEATH
JOHN W. COOK.....	East Lincoln,	No. 210..Sept. 3, 1920
JAMES C. SHELDON.....	East Lincoln,	No. 210..Dec. 9, 1920
FLORENZO C. COCHRAN.....	East Lincoln,	No. 210..Febr. 13, 1921
IRVING L. LYMAN.....	East Lincoln,	No. 210..March 17, 1921
GEORGE BOWDEN.....	Cement,	No. 211..April 28, 1920
WILLIAM C. GRAY.....	Plumblin,	No. 211..June 4, 1920
JESSE A. MILLER.....	Plumblin,	No. 214..Aug. 29, 1920
JOHN D. MUNRO.....	Bloomfield,	No. 218..June 22, 1920
FRANK W. MATHER.....	Eminence,	No. 223..July 21, 1920
LEE NEWBURN.....	Cable,	No. 225..June 23, 1920
SOLOMON A. PERKINS.....	Cable,	No. 225..Aug. 25, 1920
JESSE B. McCOY.....	Cable,	No. 225..March 6, 1921
RALPH W. WILLMAN.....	Grace,	No. 226..Aug. 15, 1920
WILLIAM E. KERR.....	North Star,	No. 227..June 17, 1920
ED M. CLARK.....	North Star,	No. 227..June 22, 1920
JOHN ELLIOTT.....	North Star,	No. 227..March 22, 1921
JOHN E. HATHORN.....	Bartley,	No. 228..May 6, 1920
GEORGE I. CLARK.....	Delta,	No. 230..March 21, 1921
ADDISON H. VANDERBERG.....	Mt. Hermon	No. 231..
JAMES T. ROSE.....	Golden Rule,	No. 236..Dec. 23, 1920
JAMES VAUGHN.....	Friendship,	No. 239..Aug. 22, 1920
NICHOLAS LOIBL.....	Friendship,	No. 239..Jan. 14, 1921
JOHN G. HOLLISTER.....	Friendship,	No. 239..Jan. 15, 1921
JOHN S. BATCHELDER.....	George Armstrong,	No. 241..May 2, 1920
DAVID W. WORDEN.....	Tyrian,	No. 243..April 1, 1920
HARRY WASHINGTON.....	Tyrian,	No. 243..Febr. 20, 1921
LUTHER B. BAKER.....	Sincerity,	No. 244..Febr. 23, 1921
CHARLES CALUNDAN.....	Corner-stone,	No. 247..Nov. 14, 1920
JOSEPH F. GUSS.....	Laurel,	No. 248..Oct. 13, 1920
CLAY T. CHASE.....	Laurel,	No. 248..Febr. 19, 1921
ELLIS M. GRAHAM.....	George Washington,	No. 250..July 29, 1916
HARVEY C. DAILEY.....	George Washington,	No. 250..June 12, 1920
ROBERT AXEL FRICK.....	George Washington,	No. 250..Aug. 25, 1920
CARL O. NELSON.....	Wausa,	No. 251..June 22, 1920
CHARLES W. VAN CLEAVE.....	Holbrook,	No. 257..June 2, 1920
HENRY O. ARMOUR.....	Ornan,	No. 261..June 22, 1920
LEO S. LEGRO.....	Ornan,	No. 261..Nov. 22, 1920
ENOCH A. SEXSON.....	Endeavor,	No. 262..Jan. 13, 1921
CHARLES McCOMSEY.....	Mitchell,	No. 263..Nov. 25, 1920
GLENN FOREMAN.....	Mitchell,	No. 263..Dec. 29, 1920
HARRIS L. WALLACE.....	Silver,	No. 266..June 6, 1920
MONROE A. ROTH.....	Silver,	No. 266..March 3, 1921
HENRY L. AKIN.....	George W. Lininger,	No. 268..April 21, 1920
THOMAS W. WEIRICH.....	George W. Lininger,	No. 268..Sept. 11, 1920

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CLARK B. SHACKLEFORD.....	George W. Lininger, No. 268..	Oct. 18, 1920
JAY E. WHITE.....	George W. Lininger, No. 268..	Nov. 7, 1920
WILLIAM MAXWELL.....	Lee P. Gillette, No. 272..	May 7, 1920
ANDREW MCGINLEY.....	Sioux, No. 277..	Aug. 22, 1920
JOHN E. MARSTELLER.....	Sioux, No. 277..	Febr. 10, 1921
JAMES DICKISON.....	Florence, No. 281..	March 24, 1921
CLYDE O. LANAM.....	Seneca, No. 284..	Sept. 11, 1920
GEORGE E. STEELE.....	Seneca, No. 284..	Oct. 22, 1920
CHARLES D. CASPER.....	Camp Clarke, No. 285..	July 24, 1920
GEORGE B. ORR.....	Oshkosh, No. 286..	Jan. 17, 1921
MARTIN L. THOMAS.....	Union, No. 287..	May 4, 1920
JOHN NOBLE.....	Union, No. 287..	Febr. 5, 1921
OSCAR J. PICKARD.....	Omaha, No. 288..	May 28, 1919
PAUL M. JENSEN.....	Omaha, No. 288..	Sept. 20, 1920
LARUE P. SOUTHWORTH.....	Lotus, No. 289..	Jan. 6, 1921
FRANK L. BONER.....	John J. Mercer, No. 290..	Dec. 10, 1920
WILLIAM R. YORK.....	Cotner, No. 297..	May 15, 1920

VETERAN GRAND LODGE ATTENDANTS

WHO HAVE ATTENDED GRAND LODGE 21 YEARS OR MORE.

- Francis E. White, 1871-72-74-75-76-77-78-80-81-82-83-84-85-86-87-88-89-90-
49 Years. 91-92-93-94-95-96-97-98-99-00-01-02-03-04-05-06-07-08-
09-10-11-12-13-14-15-16-17-18-19-20-21.
- Samuel P. Davidson, 1875-79-80-81-82-83-84-85-86-87-88-89-90-91-92-93-94-
39 Years. 96-97-98-99-00-01-03-04-05-07-08-09-10-12-13-14-15-16-
17-19-20-21.
- Edwin F. Warren, 1873-74-75-76-77-78-79-80-81-82-83-84-85-86-89-92-93-94-
37 Years. 96-97-98-99-00-02-03-04-05-06-07-08-09-10-12-13-15-16-17-
18.
- George H. Thummel, 1872-73-74-75-76-77-78-79-81-85-89-90-94-97-98-99-00-
37 Years. 02-03-04-05-06-07-08-09-10-11-12-13-14-15-16-17-18-19-
20-21.
- Robert E. French, 1885-86-87-88-89-90-91-92-93-94-95-96-97-98-99-00-01-02-
37 Years. 03-04-05-06-07-08-09-10-11-12-13-14-15-16-17-18-19-20-
21.
- John A. Ehrhardt, 1881-85-86-87-88-89-90-91-92-93-94-95-96-97-98-99-00-01-
36 Years. 02-03-04-05-06-07-08-09-10-11-12-15-16-17-18-19-20-21.
- Robert E. Evans, 1889-92-94-95-96-97-98-99-00-01-02-03-04-05-06-07-08-09-
29 Years. 10-11-12-13-14-15-16-17-18-20-21.
- Henry H. Wilson, 1888-89-90-92-93-94-95-96-97-98-99-00-01-02-03-04-05-06-
28 Years. 07-08-10-12-13-14-15-16-17-19.
- Frank E. Bullard, 1877-78-79-80-81-82-90-91-92-95-96-97-98-99-00-01-02-03-
28 Years. 04-05-07-08-09-10-11-14-15-21.
- Henry Gibbons, 1879-80-81-85-87-90-92-97-98-99-01-02-03-04-05-06-07-08-
26 Years. 09-10-11-12-14-15-17-21.
- John Finch, 1898-99-00-01-02-03-04-06-07-08-09-10-11-12-13-14-15-16-
23 Years. 17-18-19-20-21.
- Charles E. Burnham, 1900-01-02-03-04-05-06-07-08-09-10-11-12-13-14-15-16-
22 Years. 17-18-19-20-21.
- Benjamin F. Pitman, 1900-01-02-03-04-05-06-07-08-09-10-11-12-13-14-15-16-
22 Years. 17-18-19-20-21.
- Samuel S. Whiting, 1901-02-03-04-05-06-07-08-09-10-11-12-13-14-15-16-17-
21 Years. 18-19-20-21.

Brethren who have attended Grand Lodge twenty-one times or more are requested to send their records to the Grand Secretary.

PAST GRAND MASTERS.

*Robert C. Jordan	1857-58-59
*George Armstrong	1860-61-62
*Daniel H. Wheeler	1863-64
*Robert W. Furnas	1865-66
*Orsamus H. Irish	1867-68
*Harry P. Deuel	1869-70
*William E. Hill	1871-72
*Martin Dunham	1873
*Frank Welch	1874
*Alfred G. Hastings	1875
George H. Thummel, Omaha, 404 South 38th Avenue	1876
*George W. Linsinger	1877
*Edward K. Valentine	1878
*Rolland H. Oakley	1879
*James A. Tulleys	1880
*James R. Cain, Sr.	1881
Edwin F. Warren, Nebraska City	1882
*Samuel W. Hayes	1883
John J. Wemple, Cleveland, Ohio, 322 Euclid Avenue	1884
*Manoah B. Reese	1885
*Charles K. Coutant	1886
Milton J. Hull, Washington, D. C., The Iowa, 13th & O Sts. N. W.	1887
*George B. France	1888
*John J. Mercer	1889
Robert E. French, Kearney	1890
*Bradner D. Slaughter	1891
Samuel P. Davidson, Tecumseh	1892
*James P. A. Black	1893
John A. Ehrhardt, Stanton	1894
Henry H. Wilson, Lincoln	1895
*Charles J. Phelps	1896
*John B. Dinsmore	1897
*Frank H. Young	1898
William W. Keysor, Kirkwood, Missouri	1899
*Albert W. Crites	1900
Robert E. Evans, Dakota City	1901
*Nathaniel M. Ayers	1902
Frank E. Bullard, Willow Springs, Howell Co., Missouri	1903
Charles E. Burnham, Norfolk	1904
*Melville R. Hopewell	1905
*Zuingle M. Baird	1906
Ornan J. King, Lincoln, 1126 N. Street	1907
*William A. DeBord	1908
*Michael Dowling	1909
Harry A. Cheney, Creighton	1910
Henry Gibbons, Kearney	1911
James R. Cain, Jr., Omaha, 1039 South 30th Avenue	1912
Alpha Morgan, Broken Bow	1913
*Thomas M. Davis	1914
Samuel S. Whiting, Lincoln, First National Bank Bldg.	1915
Andrew H. Viele, Norfolk, 400 South Eighth Street	1916
Frederic L. Temple, Lexington	1917
Ambrose C. Epperson, Clay Center	1918
John J. Tooley, Broken Bow	1919
Joseph B. Fradenburg, Omaha, 601 Keeline Bldg.	1920

*Deceased.

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

GRAND LODGE	GRAND SECRETARY	ADDRESS
Alabama.....	George A. Beauchamp.....	Montgomery.
Alberta.....	Stephen Y. Taylor.....	Calgary.
Arizona.....	George J. Roskrugs.....	Tucson.
Arkansas.....	Fay Hempstead.....	Little Rock.
British Columbia.....	William A. DeWolf-Smith.....	New Westminster.
California.....	John Whicher.....	Masonic Temple, San Francisco.
Canada.....	William M. Logan, Act.....	Hamilton, Ontario.
Colorado.....	William W. Cooper.....	Masonic Temple, Denver.
Connecticut.....	George A. Kies.....	Masonic Temple, Hartford.
Costa Rica.....	Jose Fabio Garnier.....	P. O. Box 1047, San Jose.
Cuba.....	Felix V. Preval Perez.....	Apartado 72, Havana.
Delaware.....	John F. Robinson.....	Wilmington.
District of Columbia.....	Arvine W. Johnston.....	Masonic Temple, Washington.
Egypt.....	J. D. Panayotti.....	P. O. Box 148, Cairo.
England.....	Philip Colville Smith.....	Freemasons Hall, London.
Florida.....	Wilber P. Webster.....	Jacksonville.
Georgia.....	Francis F. Baker.....	Macon.
Idaho.....	George E. Knepper.....	Boise.
Illinois.....	Owen Scott, act.....	Camp Point.
Indiana.....	William H. Swintz.....	Masonic Temple, Indianapolis.
Iowa.....	Newton R. Parvin.....	Cedar Rapids.
Ireland.....	Henry C. Shellard, Dep'y.....	Freemasons Hall, Dublin.
Kansas.....	Albert K. Wilson.....	Topeka.
Kentucky.....	Dave Jackson.....	Louisville.
Louisiana.....	John A. Davilla.....	Masonic Temple, New Orleans.
Maine.....	Charles B. Davis.....	Portland.
Manitoba.....	James A. Ovas.....	Masonic Temple, Winnipeg.
Maryland.....	George Cook.....	Masonic Temple, Baltimore.
Massachusetts.....	Frederick W. Hamilton.....	Masonic Temple, Boston.
Michigan.....	Lou B. Winsor.....	Masonic Temple, Grand Rapids.
Minnesota.....	John Fishel.....	Masonic Temple, St. Paul.
Mississippi.....	Oliver Lee McKay.....	Meridian.
Missouri.....	Frank R. Jesse, Act.....	Ninth and Locust Sts., St. Louis.
Montana.....	Cornelius Hedges, Jr.....	Helena.
Nebraska.....	Francis E. White.....	Masonic Temple, Omaha.
Nevada.....	Edward D. Vanderlieth.....	Carson.
New Brunswick.....	J. Twining Hartt.....	Ritchie's Bldg., St. John.
New Hampshire.....	Harry M. Cheney.....	Concord.
New Jersey.....	Isaac Cherry.....	Masonic Hall, Trenton.
New Mexico.....	Alpheus A. Keen.....	Albuquerque.
New South Wales.....	Arthur H. Bray.....	283 Castlereagh St., Sydney.
New York.....	Robert J. Kenworthy.....	Masonic Hall, New York.
New Zealand.....	Malcolm Niccol.....	P. O. Box 664, Dunedin.
North Carolina.....	William W. Willson.....	Raleigh.
North Dakota.....	Walter L. Stockwell.....	Fargo.
Nova Scotia.....	James C. Jones.....	Freemasons Hall, Halifax.
Ohio.....	Jacob H. Bromwell.....	Masonic Temple, Cincinnati.
Oklahoma.....	William M. Anderson.....	Masonic Temple, Oklahoma City.
Oregon.....	James F. Robinson.....	Masonic Hdqts., Multnomah Hotel, Portland
Pennsylvania.....	John A. Perry.....	Masonic Temple, Philadelphia.
Philippine Islands.....	Newton C. Comfort.....	P. O. Box 990, Manila.
Prince Edward Island.....	Edward T. Carbonell.....	Charlottetown.
Puerto Rico.....	Jose G. Torres.....	San Juan.
Quebec.....	W. W. Williamson.....	P. O. Box 3172, Montreal.
Queensland.....	Charles H. Harley.....	231 Elizabeth St., Brisbane.
Rhode Island.....	S. Penrose Williams.....	Freemasons Hall, Providence.
Saskatchewan.....	William B. Tate.....	Masonic Temple, Regina.
Scotland.....	David Reid.....	Freemasons Hall, 96 George St., Edinburgh.
South Australia.....	Charles R. J. Glover.....	Freemason's Hall, Adelaide.
South Carolina.....	O. Frank Hart.....	Columbia.
South Dakota.....	George A. Pettigrew.....	Sioux Falls.
Tasmania.....	John Hamilton.....	Hobart.
Tennessee.....	Stith M. Cain.....	Nashville.
Texas.....	William P. Pearson.....	Waco.
Utah.....	Freeman A. McCarty.....	Salt Lake City.
Vermont.....	Henry H. Ross.....	Burlington.
Victoria.....	Charles J. Barrow.....	Freemasons Hall, 25 Collins St., Melbourne.
Virginia.....	Charles A. Nesbitt.....	Richmond.
Washington.....	Horace W. Tyler.....	Masonic Temple, Tacoma.
Western Australia.....	J. D. Stevenson.....	Freemasons Hall, Perth.
West Virginia.....	John M. Collins.....	Charleston.
Wisconsin.....	William W. Perry.....	Milwaukee.
Wyoming.....	Joseph W. Lowndes.....	Masonic Temple, Casper.

REPRESENTATIVES OF OTHER GRAND LODGES NEAR THE
GRAND LODGE OF NEBRASKA.

GRAND LODGE	REPRESENTATIVE	ADDRESS	DATE OF APPOINTMENT
Alabama.....	Alpha Morgan, 148.....	Broken Bow.....	July 25, 1903
Alberta.....	Homer R. Hatfield, 56.....	Grand Island.....	Aug. 4, 1908
Arizona.....	Charles E. Gallagher, 251.....	Coleridge.....	Aug. 22, 1906
Arkansas.....	Walter W. Wells, 192.....	Schuyler.....	Dec. 19, 1913
British Columbia.....	John Finch, 225.....	Arnold.....	Oct. 15, 1920
Canada.....	John R. Webster, 3.....	Omaha.....	Aug. 21, 1918
Colorado.....	Robert E. Evans, 5.....	Dakota City.....	Dec. 20, 1915
Connecticut.....	Samuel P. Davidson, 17.....	Tecumseh.....	Oct. 10, 1889
Costa Rica.....	Benoni J. Lane, 135.....	McCook.....	April 30, 1919
Cuba.....	Charles W. Kraft, 54.....	Omaha.....	Aug. 17, 1904
Delaware.....	Carroll D. Evans, 58.....	Columbus.....	Aug. 3, 1900
Dist. of Columbia.....	Albert W. Jefferis, 1.....	Omaha.....	June 12, 1912
Egypt.....	Harry A. Cheney, 100.....	Creighton.....	Sept. 12, 1907
England.....	Francis E. White, 6.....	Omaha.....	Sept. 7, 1917
Florida.....	Ambrose C. Epperson, 139.....	Clay Center.....	Sept. 20, 1912
Georgia.....	Edwin F. Warren, 2.....	Nebraska City.....	March 31, 1883
Idaho.....	Albert R. Davis, 120.....	Wayne.....	June 20, 1921
Illinois.....	George H. Thummel, 33.....	Omaha.....	Jan. 1, 1915
Indiana.....	Earl B. Brooks, 23.....	Pawnee City.....	March 1, 1915
Ireland.....	Henry Gibbons, 46.....	Kearney.....	June 10, 1911
Kansas.....	Henry H. Heiler, 50.....	Hastings.....	April 10, 1919
Louisiana.....	Adam McMullen, 104.....	Wymore.....	Dec. 18, 1915
Maine.....	Thomas K. Sudborough, 25.....	Holdrege.....	Oct. 15, 1890
Manitoba.....	Elias W. Beghtol, 146.....	McCook.....	May 7, 1903
Maryland.....	Charles L. Fahnstock, 135.....	McCook.....	March 8, 1911
Michigan.....	Lewis E. Smith, 136.....	Long Pine.....	Aug. 29, 1917
Minnesota.....	George A. Beecher, 268.....	Hastings.....	March 17, 1904
Mississippi.....	John M. Burks, 19.....	Lincoln.....	Dec. 31, 1869
Missouri.....	Samuel S. Whiting, 54.....	Lincoln.....	Sept. 10, 1914
Montana.....	Charles S. McGill, 11.....	Omaha.....	April 9, 1915
Nevada.....	Frank L. Haycock, 207.....	Callaway.....	Oct. 25, 1915
New Brunswick.....	James W. Wynkoop, 210.....	Lincoln.....	Aug. 30, 1917
New Hampshire.....	Frederic L. Temple, 61.....	Lexington.....	Oct. 11, 1910
New Jersey.....	Edwin G. Whitford, 9.....	Falls City.....	March 21, 1921
New So. Wales.....	Frederick M. Weitzel, 78.....	Albion.....	July 26, 1905
New York.....	Edward M. Wellman, 1.....	Omaha.....	May 29, 1916
New Zealand.....	Frank E. Ward, 31.....	Ft. Calhoun.....	July 22, 1905
North Carolina.....	Walter M. Hopewell, 31.....	Tekamah.....	June 8, 1911
North Dakota.....	Henry H. Andrews, 207.....	Callaway.....	June 27, 1913
Nova Scotia.....	Henry H. Wilson, 19.....	Lincoln.....	Feb. 26, 1892
Ohio.....	George W. Little, 240.....	Lyons.....	June 23, 1905
Oklahoma.....	Louis P. Tonner, 153.....	Pierce.....	Jan. 13, 1917
Oregon.....	William T. Bourke, 268.....	Omaha.....	May 18, 1909
Philippine Islands.....	John J. Tooley, 258.....	Broken Bow.....	Oct. 10, 1913
P. Edward Island.....	Charles E. Burnham, 166.....	Norfolk.....	Oct. 21, 1902
Puerto Rico.....	John A. Ehrhardt, 41.....	Stanton.....	July 8, 1915
Quebec.....	Edwin D. Crites, 158.....	Chadron.....	April 20, 1920
Queensland.....	Robert B. Walker, 170.....	Mason City.....	Sept. 17, 1917
Rhode Island.....	Alexander R. Porter, 19.....	Lincoln.....	June 20, 1921
Saskatchewan.....	Claude L. Talbot, 184.....	Omaha, South Side.....	July 3, 1908
Scotland.....	William Cosh, 11.....	Omaha.....	Aug. 6, 1914
South Australia.....	Joseph B. Fradenburg, 3.....	Omaha.....	April 20, 1920
South Carolina.....	James R. Cain, Jr., 105.....	Omaha.....	July 12, 1907
South Dakota.....	Charles A. Chappell, 127.....	Minden.....	Aug. 26, 1918
Tennessee.....	Charles E. Allen, 188.....	Cozad.....	July 25, 1917
Texas.....	Robert R. Dickson, 95.....	O'Neill.....	May 3, 1915
Utah.....	Robert E. French, 46.....	Kearney.....	May 4, 1888
Vermont.....	Fred H. Barclay, 23.....	Pawnee City.....	Aug. 17, 1918
Victoria.....	John S. Bishop, 54.....	Lincoln.....	Feb. 19, 1904
Virginia.....	John S. Davison, 136.....	Omaha.....	July 14, 1900
Washington.....	Andrew H. Viele, 55.....	Norfolk.....	Oct. 10, 1910
West Australia.....	Ornan J. King, 54.....	Lincoln.....	Sept. 26, 1904
West Virginia.....	Frank M. Knight, 183.....	Alliance.....	July 3, 1900
Wisconsin.....	Robert O. Wolf, 54.....	Lincoln.....	Sept. 7, 1915

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Alabama.....	Lawrence H. Lee.....	Montgomery.....	July 30, 1909
Alberta.....	Frank Barnhouse.....	Edmonton.....	May 2, 1921
Arizona.....	Thomas A. Pascoe.....	Globe.....	June 24, 1913
Arkansas.....	Lewis C. Hall.....	Dardanelle.....	Feb. 15, 1911
British Columbia.....	Edward B. Paul.....	Victoria.....	Oct. 26, 1903
Canada.....	Frederick W. Harcourt.....	Toronto.....	April 15, 1907
Colorado.....	Edward P. Hufferd.....	Colorado Springs.....	Aug. 12, 1905
Connecticut.....	Henry H. Brautigam.....	Bridgeport.....	Feb. 27, 1919
Costa Rica.....	Cecilio Nieto.....	San Jose.....	Dec. 10, 1918
Cuba.....	Jose L. Hevia.....	Havana, Tejadillo, 1.....	May 12, 1919
Delaware.....	Harry J. Guthrie.....	Wilmington.....	Oct. 17, 1904
Dist. of Columbia.....	John Linn McGrew.....	Washington, 707 20th St. N. W.....	July 6, 1917
Egypt.....	Michael Bey Saleh.....	Cairo, P. O. Box 148.....	April 3, 1905
Florida.....	William M. Cannon.....	Palatka.....	April 11, 1910
Georgia.....	Isaac A. Bush.....	Camilla.....	Oct. 11, 1910
Idaho.....	Francis Jenkins.....	Moscow.....	Dec. 21, 1918
Illinois.....	Albert Jampolis.....	Chicago.....	Dec. 1, 1906
Indiana.....	Omar B. Smith.....	Rochester.....	Sept. 16, 1908
Ireland.....	John Gordon.....	Dublin.....	June 28, 1899
Kansas.....	William I. Stuart.....	Troy.....	Oct. 23, 1911
Louisiana.....	Adolph G. Ricks.....	New Orleans.....	Sept. 17, 1901
Maine.....	Edwin A. Porter.....	Pittsfield.....	Aug. 9, 1902
Manitoba.....	Henry E. Bletcher.....	Winnipeg.....	June 11, 1913
Maryland.....	William F. Broenning.....	Baltimore.....	July 25, 1919
Michigan.....	Frank W. Richey.....	Dowagiac.....	Feb. 23, 1907
Minnesota.....	Alfred G. Pinkham.....	St. Paul.....	April 7, 1906
Mississippi.....	James Finis Hill.....	Fayette.....	June 20, 1919
Missouri.....	Charles F. Vogel.....	St. Louis, 3150 Allen Ave.....	April 4, 1892
Montana.....	Henry M. Parchen.....	Helena.....	March 18, 1892
Nevada.....	Pearl E. Keeler.....	Tonopah.....	Nov. 22, 1910
New Brunswick.....	LeBaron Wilson.....	St. John.....	March 7, 1921
New Hampshire.....	Justin O. Wellman.....	New London.....	March 15, 1916
New Jersey.....	Robert J. Hanna.....	Paterson.....	Oct. 25, 1916
New So. Wales.....	William T. Wearne.....	Randwick, Sydney.....	Oct. 17, 1914
New York.....	Samuel M. Fleischman.....	New York City, 29 Nassau St.....	June 10, 1921
New Zealand.....	Oliver Nicholson.....	Auckland.....	Feb. 14, 1903
North Carolina.....	Joshua P. Pillsbury.....	Raleigh.....	Oct. 8, 1917
North Dakota.....	Theodore S. Henry.....	Valley City.....	Aug. 24, 1917
Nova Scotia.....	Marston Guilloid.....	Halifax, 126 South St.....	July 16, 1902
Ohio.....	Horace A. Irvin.....	Dayton.....	Jan. 8, 1903
Oklahoma.....	Randall U. Livesay.....	Anadarko.....	July 31, 1916
Oregon.....	Phil Metschan.....	Portland.....	May 22, 1893
Philippine Islands.....	Newton C. Comfort.....	Manila.....	Nov. 14, 1913
P. Edward Island.....	James D. Stewart.....	Georgetown.....	July 5, 1915
Puerto Rico.....	Manuel del Valle Atilas.....	San Juan.....	July 5, 1915
Quebec.....	Alex J. McRobie.....	Westmount, 453 Claremont Ave.....	March 23, 1910
Queensland.....	Ernest W. Bick.....	Brisbane.....	May 10, 1909
Rhode Island.....	Henry O. Dexter.....	Pawtucket.....	May 21, 1909
Saskatchewan.....	Duncan A. Kingsbury.....	Rouleau.....	Oct. 12, 1914
Scotland.....	Norman M. MacKean.....	Paisley.....	March 17, 1916
South Australia.....	Frank Ernest Haddick.....	Adelaide.....	June 9, 1910
South Carolina.....	Theo. E. Wannamaker.....	Cheraw.....	Sept. 10, 1914
South Dakota.....	Marshall R. Brown.....	Sioux Falls.....	Aug. 6, 1908
Tennessee.....	Isaac J. Thurman.....	McWinnville.....	April 19, 1899
Texas.....	James D. Grenshaw.....	San Antonio.....	Dec. 3, 1901
Utah.....	Abbot R. Haywood.....	Ogden.....	Feb. 20, 1892
Vermont.....	Edward C. Woodworth.....	Arlington.....	Aug. 9, 1907
Victoria.....	Francis W. W. Morton.....	Melbourne, Collins St.....	Jan. 1, 1904
Virginia.....	Sol Cutchins.....	Richmond.....	April 20, 1901
Washington.....	Archibald W. Frater.....	Seattle.....	April 13, 1900
West Australia.....	Thomas W. Paisley.....	Bunbury.....	July 19, 1902
West Virginia.....	Charles E. Bailey.....	Sistersville.....	June 17, 1910
Wisconsin.....	Frank E. Noyes.....	Marinette.....	Dec. 23, 1904

NEBRASKA LODGES ALPHABETICALLY ARRANGED.

- Acacia, 34.
 Adams, U. D., (extinct).
 Adoniram, 159.
 Ainsworth, U. D., (131).
 Albion, 78.
 Alexandria, 74.
 Allen, U. D., (236).
 Alliance, 183.
 Amethyst, 190.
 Amity, 169.
 Anchor, 142, (extinct).
 Anselmo, 258.
 Antelope, 276.
 Arapahoe, 109, (extinct).
 Arcana, 195.
 Ark and Anchor, 131, (ext.)
 Armada, U. D., (extinct).
 Ashland, 18, (extinct).
 Ashlar, 33.
 Atkinson, 164.
 Auburn, 124.
 Aurora, 68.

 Bancroft, 145.
 Bannack City, U. D., (ext.)
 Barneston, 165.
 Bartley, 228.
 Bassett, 254.
 Battle Creek, U. D., (ext.)
 Bayard, 301.
 Beatrice, 26.
 Beaver, U. D., (179).
 Beaver City, 93.
 Beaver Valley, U. D., (230).
 Bee, 259.
 Bee Hive, 184.
 Beemer, 253.
 Belgrade, U. D., (269).
 Bell Creek, U. D., (241).
 Benkelman, U. D., (180).
 Bennett, 94.
 Benson, U. D., (290).
 Blazing Star, 200.
 Bloomfield, 218.
 Blue Hill, 129.
 Blue River, 30.
 Blue Springs, U. D., (85).
 Blue Valley, 64.
 Boaz, 185.
 Bradshaw, 255.
 Brainard, 115, (extinct).
 Bromfield, U. D., (ext.)
 Bromfield, U. D., (223).
 Burchard, U. D., (137).
 Burnett, U. D., (166).
 Butte, U. D., (233).

 Cable, 225.
 Cambridge, 150.
 Camp Clarke, 285.
 Canopy, 209.
 Capitol, 3.
 Carleton, U. D., (199).
 Cedar, U. D., (13).
 Cedar Bluffs, U. D., (215).
 Cedar Rapids, U. D., (143).
 Cedar River, 89.
 Cement, 211.
 Central City, U. D., (ext.)
 Ceresco, U. D., (229).
 Chadron, U. D., (158).
 Chapman, U. D., (239).
 Charity, 53.
 Chester, 298.

 Clay Centre, 139.
 Columbus, U. D., (ext.)
 Columbus, U. D., (58).
 Columbus, 8, (extinct).
 Comet, 229.
 Compass and Square, 212.
 Composite, 81.
 Corinthian, 83.
 Corner-stone, 247.
 Cotner, 297.
 Covert, 11.
 Cowles, 295.
 Crab Orchard, U. D., (238).
 Crawford, U. D., (181).
 Creighton, 100.
 Crescent, 143.
 Crete, 37.
 Crofton, 273.
 Crystal, 191.
 Cubit, 237.
 Culbertson, 174.
 Cuming City, U. D., (21).
 Curtis, 168.
 Custer, U. D., (148).

 Dakota, (5).
 Danbury, U. D., (185).
 Davenport, U. D., (154).
 Decatur, 7, (extinct).
 Delta, 230.
 DeWitt, 111.
 Diamond, 291.
 Doniphan, 86.
 Doric, 118.
 Douglas, U. D., (237).

 East Lincoln, 210.
 Edgar, 67.
 Elk Creek, 90.
 Elm Creek, 133.
 Elwood, 167.
 Eminence, 223.
 Emmet Crawford, 148.
 Endeavor, 262.
 Euclid, 97.
 Eureka, 16, (extinct).
 Evening Star, 49.
 Evergreen, 153.
 Ewing, U. D., (156).
 Exeter, U. D., (extinct).
 Exeter, 283.

 Fairbury, 35.
 Fairfield, 84.
 Fairmont, 48.
 Faith, 181.
 Falls City, 9.
 Fortitude, 69, (extinct).
 Fidelity, 51.
 Firth, U. D., (66, ext.)
 Florence, 281.
 Fortitude, 69, (extinct).
 Franklin, 264.
 Frank Welch, 75.
 Fraternity, 235.
 Fremont, 15.
 Friend, 73.
 Friendship, 239.

 Garfield, 95.
 Gauge, 208.
 Gavel, 199.
 Geneva, 79.
 Genoa, U. D., (125).

 George Armstrong, 241.
 George Washington, 250.
 George W. Liningier, 268.
 Gibbon, (see 46).
 Gibbon, U. D., (189).
 Giddings, (2).
 Gilead, 233.
 Gladstone, 176.
 Globe, 113.
 Golden Fleece, 205.
 Golden Rod, 306.
 Golden Rule, 236.
 Golden Sheaf, 202.
 Gothenburg, 249.
 Grace, 226.
 Grafton, 172.
 Granite, 189.
 Grant, U. D., (34).
 Grant, U. D., (186).
 Greenwood, U. D., (163).
 Gresham, U. D., (197).
 Guide Rock, 128.

 Hamilton, U. D., (68).
 Hampton, 245.
 Hardy, 117.
 Harlan, 116.
 Harmony, U. D., (ext.)
 Harmony, U. D., (ext.)
 Hartington, 155.
 Harvard, 44.
 Hastings, 50.
 Hay Springs, 177.
 Hebron, 43.
 Hermon, U. D., (231).
 Hesperia, 178, (extinct).
 Hickman, 256.
 Highland, 194.
 Hildreth, 252.
 Hillsdale, U. D., (29).
 Hiram, 52.
 Holbrook, 257.
 Holdrege, U. D., (146).
 Hooper, 72.
 Hope, 29.
 Hubbell, 92.
 Humboldt, 40.
 Huntley, 270.
 Hyannis, U. D., (234).

 Idaho, U. D., (extinct).
 Imperial, U. D., (198).
 Incense, 182.
 Indianola, 123, (extinct).
 Ionic, 87.
 Israel, 187.
 Ithmar, 238, (extinct).

 Jachin, 146.
 James A. Tulleys, 267.
 Jasper, 122, (extinct).
 Jephtha, U. D., (264).
 Jewel, 149.
 John J. Mercer, 290.
 John S. Bowen, 232.
 Johnson, U. D., (141, ext.)
 Joppa, 76.
 Jordan, 27.
 Juniata, 42.
 Justice, 180.

 Kenesaw, 144.
 Keystone, 62.
 Kimball, 294.

- Lafayette, 24, (extinct).
 Lancaster, 54.
 Landmark, 222.
 Laurel, 248.
 Lebanon, 58.
 Lee P. Gillette, 272.
 Leigh, U. D., (193).
 Level, 196.
 Liberty, U. D., (152).
 Liberty, 300.
 Lily, 154.
 Lincoln, 19.
 Litchfield, 278.
 Livingstone, 66, (extinct).
 Lone Tree, 36.
 Long Pine, 136.
 Lotus, 289.
 Loup Fork, U. D., (8, ext.)
- Mackey, U. D., (242).
 Macey, 22, (extinct).
 Magic City, U. D., (184).
 Magnolia, 220.
 Mason City, 170.
 McCook, 135.
 Melrose, 60.
 Meridian, 188.
 Merna, 171.
 Miller, 213, (ext.)
 Minatare, 295.
 Minden, 127.
 Minnekaadusa, 192.
 Mitchell, 263.
 Mizpah, 302.
 Monitor, U. D., (extinct).
 Monument, 293.
 Morning Star, 197.
 Morrill, U. D., (271).
 Mosaic, 55.
 Mount Hermon, 231.
 Mount Moriah, 57.
 Mount Nebo, 125.
 Mount Zion, 161.
 Mullen, 282.
 Mystic Tie, 166.
- Napthali, 206.
 Nebraska, 1.
 Nebraska City, 12, (ext.)
 Nehawka, 246.
 Nelson, 77.
 Nemaha Valley, 4.
 Newman Grove, 305.
 Norfolk, U. D., (55).
 North Bend, 119.
 Northern Light, 41.
 North Loup, U. D., (142, ex.)
 North Star, 227.
- Oakland, 91.
 Oasis, 271.
 Occidental, 215.
 Odell, U. D., (122, ext.)
 Ogalalla, 159.
 Ohio, U. D., (182).
 Olive Branch, 274.
 Oliver, 38.
 Omadi, 5.
 Omaha, 288.
 Ord, 103.
 Orient, 13.
 Orion, 242, (extinct).
 Oman, 261.
- Oshkosh, 286.
 Overton, U. D., (267).
 Oxford, U. D., (138).
- Pacific, U. D., (310).
 Palestine, U. D., (extinct).
 Palisade, 216.
 Palmyra, 45, (extinct).
 Papillion, 39.
 Parallel, 152.
 Parian, 207.
 Pawnee, 23.
 Pawnee City, U. D., (23).
 Perkins, 308.
 Peru, U. D., (extinct).
 Peru, 14.
 Pilot, 240.
 Plainview, 204.
 Platte Valley, 32.
 Plattsmouth, 32.
 Plumb, 186, (extinct).
 Plumbline, 214.
 Polk, 311.
 Pomegranate, 110.
 Ponca, 101.
 Porter, 106.
 Prudence, 179.
 Purity, 198.
 Pythagoras, 156.
- Ramah, 275.
 Rawalt, 138.
 Relief, 219.
 Republican, 98.
 Reynolds, U. D., (160).
 Right Angle, 303.
 Rising, U. D., (81).
 Rising Star, U. D., (20, ex.)
 Riverside, 269.
 Riverton, 63.
 Robert Burns, 173.
 Robert W. Furnas, 265.
 Rob Morris, 46.
 Rock Bluff, 20, (extinct).
 Rocky Mountain, 8, (transferred).
 Roman Eagle, 203.
 Ruskin, 304.
- Saint Johns, 25.
 Saint Paul, 82.
 Salem, 47, (extinct).
 Saline, U. D., (73).
 Saline, U. D., (101).
 Saline, U. D., (118).
 Samaritan, 158.
 Samuel W. Hayes, U. D., (287).
 Scotia, U. D., (191).
 Scotts Bluff, 201.
 Scribner, 132.
 Seneca, 284.
 Seward, U. D., (38).
 Shelby, U. D., (161).
 Shelton, 99.
 Shickley, U. D., (178, ext.)
 Signet, 193.
 Siloam, 147.
 Silver, 266.
 Silver Cord, 224.
 Silver Creek, U. D., (ext.)
 Sincerity, 244.
 Sioux, 277.
 Solar, 134.
- Solomon, 10.
 Springfield, 112.
 Square, 151.
 Square & Compass, 213, (ext.)
 Stanton, U. D., (41).
 Star, 88.
 Steele City, 107, (extinct).
 Stella, 105.
 Sterling, 70.
 Stockville, U. D., (196).
 Stromsburg, 126.
 Summit, 7, (transferred).
 Summit, 141, (extinct).
 Superior, 121.
 Sutherland, 299.
 Swastika, 280.
 Syracuse, U. D., (57).
- Table Rock, 108.
 Talmage, U. D., (162).
 Tecumseh, 17.
 Tekamah, 31.
 Temple, U. D., (5).
 Temple, 175.
 Thistle, 61.
 Tobias, U. D., (149).
 Trenton, U. D., (extinct).
 Trestle Board, 162.
 Trilumular, U. D., (210).
 Trowel, 71.
 Tuscan, 130.
 Tyre, 85.
 Tyrian, 243.
- Clysses, U. D., (187).
 Union, 287.
 Unity, 163.
 Upright, 137.
 Utica, 96.
- Valentine, U. D., (113).
 Valley, 157.
 Valparaiso, U. D., (151).
 Valtary, 310.
- Waco, 80, (extinct).
 Wahoo, 59.
 Wallace, 279.
 Washington, 21.
 Waterloo, 102.
 Wauneta, 217.
 Wausa, 251.
 Wayne, 120.
 Weeping Water, U. D., (97).
 Western, 140.
 Western Star, 2.
 Wilcox, U. D., (226).
 William E. Hill, 307.
 Winnebago, 309.
 Winslow, U. D., (235).
 Winter Creek, U. D., (265).
 Wisner, 114.
 Wolbach, 292.
 Wood Lake, 221.
 Wymore, 104.
 Wyoming, 28, (transferred).
- York, 56.
- Zeredatha, U. D., (98).
 Zeredatha, 160.
 Zion, 234.

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- Adams, 214.
Ainsworth, 224.
Albion, 78.
Alexandria, 74.
Allen, 236.
Alliance, 183.
Alma, 116.
Anselmo, 258.
Ansley, 176.
Arapahoe, 293.
Arcadia, 208.
Arlington, 52.
Arnold, 225.
Ashland, 110.
Atkinson, 164.
Auburn, 124.
Aurora, 68.
- Bancroft, 145.
Barneston, 165.
Bartley, 228.
Bassett, 254.
Battle Creek, 244.
Bayard, 301.
Beatrice, 26.
Beaver City, 93.
Beaver Crossing, 179.
Bee, 259.
Beemer, 253.
Belgrade, 269.
Benkelman, 180.
Bennett, 94.
Benson, 290.
Bertrand, 275.
Bethany, 297.
Blair, 21.
Bloomfield, 218.
Bloomington, 76.
Blue Hill, 129.
Blue Springs, 85.
Bradshaw, 255.
Bridgeport, 285.
Brock, 162.
Broken Bow, 149.
Brownville, 4.
Burchard, 137.
Burwell, 200.
Butte, 233.
- Callaway, 207.
Cambridge, 150.
Carleton, 199.
Cedar Bluffs, 215.
Cedar Rapids, 143.
Central City, 36.
Ceresco, 229.
Chadron, 158.
Chapman, 239.
Chappell, 205.
Chester, 298.
Clarks, 134.
Clay Center, 139.
Coleridge, 219.
Columbus, 58.
Cook, 231.
Cortland, 194.
Cowles, 296.
Cozad, 188.
Craig, 241.
Crawford, 181.
- Creighton, 100.
Crete, 37.
Crofton, 273.
Culbertson, 174.
Curtis, 168.
- Dakota City, 5.
Danbury, 185.
Davenport, 154.
David City, 51.
Decatur, 88.
DeWitt, 111.
Diller, 206.
Doniphan, 86.
Dorchester, 118.
Douglas, 237.
Dunbar, 272.
- Edgar, 67.
Elgin, 276.
Elk Creek, 90.
Elm Creek, 133.
Elmwood, 209.
Elwood, 167.
Emerson, 220.
Ewing, 156.
Exeter, 283.
- Fairbury, 35.
Fairfield, 84.
Fairmont, 48.
Falls City, 9.
Filley, 175.
Florence, 281.
Fort Calhoun, 10.
Franklin, 264.
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LODGE		TOWN	COUNTY	REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING	MASTER	SECRETARY
Nebraska,	No. 1	Omaha	Douglas	First Tuesday	William G. Shriver	Frank Wilcox
Western Star,	" 2	Nebraska City	Otoe	Third Friday	D. Washington McCallum	Henry W. Carson
Capitol,	" 3	Omaha	Douglas	First Monday	Stanley P. Bostwick	Walter Willis
Nemaha Valley,	" 4	Brownville	Nemaha	Wednesday on or before○	John S. Furnas, Jr.	James W. Ford
5 Omadi,	" 5	Dakota City	Dakota	Saturday on or before○	Elmer H. Biermann	John H. Ream
Plattsmouth,	" 6	Plattsmouth	Cass	First and third Mondays	James T. Begley	Frank A. Cloidt
Falls City,	" 9	Falls City	Richardson	Second and fourth Mondays	Otto L. Lewis	James R. Jaquet
Solomon,	" 10	Fort Calhoun	Washington	Tuesday on or before○	*David W. Marr	*J. Howard Beales
Covert,	" 11	Omaha	Douglas	First Wednesday	Ralph E. Hobart	George R. Porter
10 Orient,	" 13	Rulo	Richardson	First and third Mondays	William Shepherd	John C. Shepherd
Peru,	" 14	Peru	Nemaha	Second Monday	Spencer W. Hacker	John B. Lewis
Fremont,	" 15	Fremont	Dodge	First Tuesday	Charles E. Miller	Matthew A. Priestley
Tecumseh,	" 17	Tecumseh	Johnson	First and third Saturdays	Clifford W. Jones	Leo B. Heskett
Lincoln,	" 19	Lincoln	Lancaster	First Tuesday	Francis A. Robey	John Wright
15 Washington,	" 21	Blair	Washington	Second Tuesday	Fred W. Jones	Charles E. Gaydou
Pawnee,	" 23	Pawnee City	Pawnee	First and third Tuesdays	J. Edward Liebendorfer	John H. Tracy
Saint Johns,	" 25	Omaha	Douglas	First Thursday	Carl E. Herring	Frank E. Underwood
Beatrice,	" 26	Beatrice	Gage	Second and fourth Mondays	Harold V. Stout	Clarence A. Shoup
Jordan,	" 27	West Point	Cuming	Second and fourth Tuesdays	Lawrence W. Johnson	Peter Poellot
20 Hope,	" 29	Nemaha City	Nemaha	Friday on or before○	Samuel C. Lawrence	William E. Seid
Blue River	" 30	Millford	Seward	Thursday on or before○	Clarence C. Wertman	Davison F. Todd
Tekamah,	" 31	Tekamah	Burt	First and third Wednesdays	Bonno I. Penry	Ray V. Kennedy
Platte Valley,	" 32	North Platte	Lincoln	Second and fourth Tuesdays	Ralph E. Hanson	Carl R. Greisen
Ashlar,	" 33	Grand Island	Hall	Second Thursday	Silas A. Wilsen	Robert R. Watson
25 Acacia,	" 34	Schuyler	Colfax	First Tuesday	Walter B. Sadilek	Edward E. Ruzicka
Fairbury,	" 35	Fairbury	Jefferson	First and third Mondays	Charles A. Westling	Arthur J. Denney
Lone Tree,	" 36	Central City	Merrick	First and fourth Wednesdays	Julius G. Zamzow	Seward E. Cogswell
Crete,	" 37	Crete	Saline	First Friday	Theodore L. Haden	Claude R. Davenport
Oliver,	" 38	Seward	Seward	First Friday	Walter E. Beck	Smith D. Atkins
30 Papillion,	" 39	Papillion	Sarpy	First and third Saturdays	William W. Startzer	Layton E. Bossard
Humboldt,	" 40	Humboldt	Richardson	Second and fourth Tuesdays	Alvin J. Gingerich	J. Frank Sneath
Northern Light,	" 41	Stanton	Stanton	Wednesday on or before○	Henry J. Shultz	George E. Pugh
Juniaata,	" 42	Juniaata	Adams	Monday on or before○	Frank R. Hughes	Kenneth Ormond
Hebron,	" 43	Hebron	Thayer	First Thursday	James H. Dorsey	John R. Sutton
35 Harvard,	" 44	Harvard	Clay	First and third Tuesdays	Carl H. Worley	Griffith J. Thomas

*From last report of officers installed.

	No. 46	Kearney	Buffalo	First Wednesday	Henry F. J. Finke	Paul R. Burgner
	48	Fairmont	Fillmore	Tuesday on or before○	Harry W. Smith	George W. White
	49	Sutton	Clay	Second and fourth Thursdays	Dwight W. Dulaigh	Herman H. Schultz
	50	Hastings	Adams	First Tuesday	Charles E. Hughes	Henry H. Heiler
40	51	David City	Butler	First Tuesday	Alex E. Etting	Ralph D. Fuller
	52	Arlington	Washington	Thursday on or before○	Chester G. Marshall	Joseph C. Chapman
	53	Red Cloud	Webster	First and third Fridays	Howard S. Foe	Benjamin F. Perry
	54	Lincoln	Lancaster	First Friday	Joe L. Hickman	Max Meyer
	55	Norfolk	Madison	First Tuesday	Floyd E. Wilson	George H. Burton
45	56	York	York	Last Friday	Robert C. Stewart	John Muir
	57	Syracuse	Otoe	Thursday on or before○	Paul W. King	William N. Hunter
	58	Lebanon	Platte	Second Wednesday	Lowell L. Walker	Clarence A. Pittman
	59	Wahoo	Saunders	First Wednesday	Ernest S. Schiefelbein	Denis A. Moyer
	60	Melrose	Harlan	Wednesday on or before○*	Charles H. Gourley	Albert J. Olson
50	61	Lexington	Dawson	Second Tuesday	Frederick P. Naffzinger	Benjamin L. Neff
	62	Phillips	Hamilton	Saturday on or before○	Scott F. Heinzman	Arthur J. Peterson
	63	Riverton	Franklin	Monday on or before○	Nathan R. Morrow	Rolland C. Shetler
	64	Wilber	Saline	Tuesday on or before○*	Henry Trobough	Joseph M. Korbel
	65	Osceola	Polk	First and third Fridays	Joel Hanson	Phillip B. Campbell
55	67	Edgar	Clay	Second and fourth Mondays	Stephen E. Beck	William J. Breckenridge
	68	Aurora	Hamilton	First and third Tuesdays	Albert L. Johnson	George W. Haworth
	70	Sterling	Johnson	Tuesday on or before○	John B. Shadley	Warren A. White
	71	Neligh	Antelope	First and third Tuesdays	Leo C. Hewitt	John W. Lamson
	72	Hooper	Dodge	First Friday	J. Sherman Zellers	William M. Zellers
60	73	Friend	Saline	Thursday on or before○*	George E. Gallup	Malcolm L. McFarlane
	74	Alexandria	Thayer	Second and fourth Mondays	James B. Butter	Benjamin L. Terry
	75	Frank Welch	Cheyenne	First Tuesday	George W. Brewer	Leslie Neubauer
	76	Joppa	Franklin	Friday on or before○	Clarence W. Nobling	William T. Britton
	77	Nelson	Nuckolls	Thursday on or before○	Arthur F. Ely	Howard W. Cottle
	78	Albion	Boone	Second and fourth Tuesdays	Robert T. Flotree	Albert N. Lamb
65	79	Geneva	Fillmore	Friday on or before○*	William E. Bruce	Tyler Edgecombe
	81	Composite	Butler	Tuesday on or before○	John F. Bates	Luther J. Saylor
	82	Saint Paul	Howard	Third Thursday	Edward F. Polansky	Frederick R. Haggart
	83	Wakefield	Dixon	Friday on or before○	Louis W. Schwedhelm	V. H. Robert Hanson
70	84	Fairfield	Clay	First and third Mondays	Homer Garvin	Edwin H. Burnham, acting
	85	Blue Springs	Gage	Tuesday on or before○	Floyd J. Patton	Robert N. Scott
	86	Doniphan	Hall	First Friday†	Carl M. Carlson	Alvie L. Johnson
	87	Niobrara	Knox	Thursday on or before○	John D. Forsyth	Joseph Stejskal
	88	Star	Burt	First Tuesday	Roy L. Grosvenor	John G. Maryott
75	89	Fullerton	Nance	First and third Mondays	James W. Campbell	*Maley W. Piecy
	90	Elk Creek	Johnson	Thursday on or before○	Frank A. Anderson	William F. York
	91	Oakland	Burt	Second and fourth Wednesdays	Nevin W. Hopkins	Arthur B. Peden
	92	Hubbell	Thayer	Second and fourth Tuesdays	Odes F. Brown	Ario P. Wilcox
	93	Beaver City	Furnas	Monday on or before○	Richard A. Brouhard	Roy A. Little

*And two weeks thereafter.

†And June 24th each year.

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LODGE		TOWN	COUNTY	REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING	MASTER	SECRETARY
80 Bennett.	No. 94	Bennett	Lancaster	Tuesday on or before○	Roy Church.	Henry F. May
Garfield.	" 95	O'Neill	Holt	First and third Thursdays	Harry E. Radaker	Elmer Surber
Utica.	" 96	Utica	Seward	Wednesday on or before○	Reginald E. Davies	Harry D. Snare
Euclid.	" 97	Weeping Water	Cass	First Monday	William L. Hobson	Everett B. Taylor
Republican.	" 98	Republican City	Harlan	Wednesday on or before○	Clifford C. Hoskins	Leonard L. Johnson
85 Shelton.	" 99	Shelton	Buffalo	Friday on or before○	Norman E. Pierce	Rolland D. Treat
Creighton.	" 100	Creighton	Knox	Tuesday on or before○	Carl M. Anderson	Walter T. Philbrick
Ponca.	" 101	Ponca	Dixon	Friday on or before○	Lloyd Lynde	Arthur H. Logan
Waterloo.	" 102	Waterloo	Douglas	First Tuesday	Henry Bay	Charles C. Peabody
Ord.	" 103	Ord	Valley	Wednesday on or before○	Claud A. Davis	James F. Colby
90 Wymore.	" 104	Wymore	Gage	Second and fourth Wednesdays	J. Carl Glenn	Charles P. Philbrick
Stella.	" 105	Stella	Richardson	Wednesday on or before○	Horace V. Davis	Fred L. Gilbert
Porter.	" 106	Loup City	Sherman	Second and fourth Tuesdays	Asa J. Farnham	Lamont L. Stephens
Table Rock.	" 108	Table Rock	Pawnee	Second and fourth Tuesdays	W. Lawrence Griffing	Clarence L. Bonham
Pomegranate.	" 110	Ashland	Saunders	First Friday	Charles W. West	S. Frank Woodward
95 DeWitt.	" 111	DeWitt	Saline	Monday on or before○	James M. Norton	Charles A. Rowlinson
Springfield.	" 112	Springfield	Sarpy	Second and fourth Saturdays	Earl J. Haney	Joseph M. Elwell, Jr.
Globe.	" 113	Madison	Saline	First Tuesday	Newton A. Housel	Earl J. Moyer
Wisner.	" 114	Wisner	Cuming	Second and fourth Wednesdays	Clark B. Evans	Neil D. Saville
Harlan.	" 116	Alma	Harlan	First and third Fridays	Axel T. Danielson	John T. Bauer
100 Hardy.	" 117	Hardy	Nuckolls	Thursday on or before○	George B. McDowell	James H. Fair
Doric.	" 118	Dorchester	Saline	Monday on or before○	Thomas Gray	J. Frank Longanecker
North Bend.	" 119	North Bend	Dodge	Second Tuesday	John R. Tapster	Burlingame Walker
Wayne.	" 120	Wayne	Wayne	Second and fourth Fridays	Leslie W. Ellis	J. Murray Cherry
Superior.	" 121	Superior	Nuckolls	Wednesday on or before○	Floyd A. Lyman	John T. Robbins
105 Auburn.	" 124	Auburn	Nemaha	Monday on or before○	Frederick G. Bosshammer	Homel L. Combs
Mount Nebo.	" 125	Genoa	Nance	Second and fourth Saturdays	Hugh A. Reed	C. John Elm
Stromsburg.	" 126	Stromsburg	Polk	Second Tuesday	Albin E. Rodine	James D. Edwards
Minden.	" 127	Minden	Kearney	Wednesday on or before○	William H. Emel	Charles A. Chappell
Guide Rock.	" 128	Guide Rock	Webster	Thursday on or before○*	Lloyd H. Hunter	Earl B. Cray
110 Blue Hill.	" 129	Blue Hill	Webster	Second and fourth Thursdays	Frank E. Britton	Oliver H. Martin
Tuscan.	" 130	Surprise	Dodge	Thursday on or before○	Arthur Kunzman	Amasa S. Chapman
Scribner.	" 132	Scribner	Dodge	First Wednesday	Ernest Dau	Clarence Ranselm
Elm Creek.	" 133	Elm Creek	Buffalo	First Tuesday	Paul Pierson	John L. Daul
Solar.	" 134	Clarks	Merrick	Tuesday on or before○	Charles A. Thomas	Charles E. Souser, Jr.
115 McCook.	" 135	McCook	Red Willow	First and third Tuesdays	Ebner C. Penney	Thomas G. Rees
Long Pine.	" 136	Long Pine	Brown	Second Monday	Charles M. Robinson	Tom M. Hutchinson
Upright.	" 137	Burchard	Pawnee	Wednesday on or before○*	Allen A. Crawley	Olay E. Cox
Rawalt.	" 138	Oxford	Furnas	Thursday on or before○	Andrew J. Hellner	William M. Banta

*And two weeks thereafter.

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Western.....	Saline.....
Cedar Rapids.....	Boone.....
Kenesaw.....	Adams.....
Bancroft.....	Cuming.....
Holdrege.....	Phelps.....
Stuart.....	Holt.....
Broken Bow.....	Custer.....
Tobias.....	Saline.....
Cambridge.....	Furnas.....
Valparaiso.....	Saunders.....
Liberty.....	Gage.....
Pierce.....	Pierce.....
Davenport.....	Thayer.....
Hartington.....	Cedar.....
Ewing.....	Holt.....
Wilsonville.....	Furnas.....
Chadron.....	Dawes.....
Ogallala.....	Keith.....
Reynolds.....	Jefferson.....
Shelby.....	Polk.....
Brock.....	Nemaha.....
Greenwood.....	Cass.....
Atkinson.....	Holt.....
Barneston.....	Gage.....
Tilden.....	Madison.....
Elwood.....	Cedar.....
Curtis.....	Gosper.....
Rushville.....	Frontier.....
Mason City.....	Sheridan.....
Merna.....	Custer.....
Grafton.....	Fillmore.....
Robert Burns.....	Wednesday on or before○*
Culbertson.....	Hitchcock.....
Temple.....	Hitchcock.....
Gladstone.....	Gage.....
Ansley.....	First and third Tuesdays.....
Hay Springs.....	Custer.....
Prudence.....	Thursday on or after○
Justice.....	Sheridan.....
Faith.....	Second and fourth Mondays.....
Incese.....	Seward.....
Alliance.....	Tuesday on or before○
Bee Hive.....	Dundy.....
Boaz.....	Friday on or before○
	Robert N. Henry.....
	First and third Thursdays.....
	Fillmore.....
	First and third Thursdays.....
	Box Butte.....
	Thursday on or before○
	Douglas.....
	First Thursday.....
	Red Willow.....
	Wednesday on or before○

Second and fourth Tuesdays.....	Loy J. Gilkeson.....
First and third Wednesdays.....	Floyd L. Sims.....
Third Wednesday.....	William C. Tredway.....
Friday on or before○	Frank N. Townley.....
Second and fourth Wednesdays.....	Charles S. Steuert.....
Third Thursday.....	Lawrence A. Trumbo.....
Friday on or after○	John Shall.....
Third Wednesday.....	Cyrus F. King.....
Second and fourth Tuesdays.....	William E. Meade.....
Tuesday on or before○*	Harley L. Bellamy.....
Second and fourth Tuesdays.....	Harry E. Mosgrove.....
Thursday on or before○	Nelson H. Olmstead.....
Second and fourth Tuesdays.....	Raymond L. Mallory.....
Friday on or before○	Harry H. Row.....
Wednesday on or before○	Louis R. Eby.....
Saturday on or before○†	Andrew J. Davis.....
Wednesday on or before○	Frank R. Parker.....
First and third Thursdays.....	Charles W. Philpott.....
Tuesday on or before○	Walter A. Harmon.....
First and third Thursdays.....	George E. Warren.....
Monday on or before○*	Henry Humiston.....
Saturday on or before○	Charles L. Yochum.....
Friday on or before○*	John McGill.....
First and third Wednesdays.....	Carroll C. Raymer.....
Tuesday on or before○*	Roy A. Roberts.....
Fourth Thursday.....	Charles A. Smith.....
Wednesday on or before○	Claude Smith.....
First and third Mondays.....	Fred J. Schroeder.....
First and third Tuesdays.....	John C. Dullaghan.....
Tuesday on or before○	Frank M. O'Brien.....
Saturday on or after○	Walter V. Davis.....
Wednesday on or before○*	Max Steiger.....
Second and fourth Mondays.....	Elmer Martin.....
First and third Wednesdays.....	Osborne P. Simon.....
First and third Tuesdays.....	Lewis C. McClurg.....
Thursday on or after○	Tompson Mills.....
Second and fourth Mondays.....	Joseph V. Tulloss.....
First and third Tuesdays.....	Thurman Anstine.....
Thursday on or after○	Frank B. Keene.....
Second and fourth Mondays.....	Robert N. Henry.....
Tuesday on or before○	Clyde Rakestraw.....
Friday on or before○	Orson F. Tracy.....
First and third Thursdays.....	Claude Clifton.....
First and third Thursdays.....	Chauncy S. Messner.....

Loy J. Gilkeson.....	Earl Fryar.....
Floyd L. Sims.....	Harry G. Taylor.....
William C. Tredway.....	William A. Gibson.....
Frank N. Townley.....	Liberty M. Robinson.....
Charles S. Steuert.....	Ross E. Cates.....
Lawrence A. Trumbo.....	Earl Barnette.....
John Shall.....	William A. Wilson.....
Cyrus F. King.....	Herman F. Hanson.....
William E. Meade.....	Charles W. Boggs.....
Harley L. Bellamy.....	Arthur C. Easton.....
Harry E. Mosgrove.....	Lloyd D. Mengel.....
Nelson H. Olmstead.....	Rufus G. McCue.....
Raymond L. Mallory.....	Edward B. Fanske.....
Harry H. Row.....	Benjamin W. Showalter.....
Louis R. Eby.....	Elmer F. Robinson.....
Andrew J. Davis.....	Garry Benson.....
Frank R. Parker.....	Clarence B. Johnson.....
Charles W. Philpott.....	William A. Danley.....
Walter A. Harmon.....	Theodore F. Goold.....
George E. Warren.....	Harry D. Hazlett.....
Henry Humiston.....	Richard T. Bielow.....
Charles L. Yochum.....	Almon C. DePue.....
John McGill.....	Charles E. Caltee.....
Carroll C. Raymer.....	Robert L. Hanks.....
Roy A. Roberts.....	Peter Bednar.....
Charles A. Smith.....	Henry Zinnecker.....
Claude Smith.....	Charles A. Yoeman.....
Fred J. Schroeder.....	Edgar L. Keith.....
John C. Dullaghan.....	Zadok T. Daniel.....
Frank M. O'Brien.....	Ralph F. McCloughan.....
Walter V. Davis.....	Francis Jacquot.....
Max Steiger.....	Frank H. Conrad.....
Elmer Martin.....	Wade R. Martin.....
Osborne P. Simon.....	Arvene C. Eisenhart.....
Lewis C. McClurg.....	Earle G. Frushour.....
Tompson Mills.....	Arthur Hein.....
Joseph V. Tulloss.....	Richard Gustafson.....
Thurman Anstine.....	John A. Witter.....
Frank B. Keene.....	F. George Burchell.....
Robert N. Henry.....	Harry N. Birney.....
Clyde Rakestraw.....	Fred Wolter.....
Orson F. Tracy.....	Perley I. Beach.....
Claude Clifton.....	August C. Heicke.....
Chauncy S. Messner.....	George R. Morgan.....

*And two weeks thereafter. †And Thursday before quarter moon.

ROLL OF EXISTING NEBRASKA LODGES, WITH LOCATIONS DATES OF REGULAR MEETINGS, OFFICERS, ETC.—Continued.

LODGE		TOWN	COUNTY	REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING	MASTER	SECRETARY	
	Israel	No. 187	Ulysses	Butler	Tuesday on or before○	Allen W. Withers	Anson B. Andrews
	Meridian	" 188	Cozad	Dawson	Third Tuesday	Ray E. Kline	Frank A. Behrens
165	Granite	" 189	Gibbon	Buffalo	First Tuesday	Mack C. McConnell	Ira A. Kirk
	Amethyst	" 190	Gandy	Logan	Second and fourth Saturdays	Allen C. Kirby	Albert C. Leshbaugh
	Crystal	" 191	Scotia	Greeley	Thursday on or before○	Stephen T. Grohosky	Theodore J. Stoetzel
	Minnekadusa	" 192	Valentine	Cherry	Third Tuesday	Joseph H. May	Luke M. Bates
	Signet	" 193	Leigh	Colfax	Friday on or before○	Joseph F. McKinley	Francis N. Nichols
170	Higland	" 194	Cortland	Gage	First Monday	Edmond C. Calland	Ivan H. Johnston
	Arcana	" 195	Gordon	Sheridan	First and third Mondays	Charles R. Versaw	Roy S. Ross
	Level	" 196	Stockville	Frontier	Saturday on or before○	George J. Dold	Alfred G. Williams
	Morning Star	" 197	Gresham	York	Friday on or before○	Benjamin K. Sperry	Samuel A. Tobey
	Purity	" 198	Imperial	Chase	Friday on or before○	Joseph F. McLain	Dwight M. Wiley
175	Gavel	" 199	Carleton	Thayer	Tuesday on or before○	Herbert B. Wittenberger	James H. Bryant
	Blazing Star	" 200	Burwell	Garfield	Thursday on or after○	Joseph E. Gaven	Robert W. Hanna
	Scotts Bluff	" 201	Gering	Scotts Bluff	First and third Fridays	Edward S. Prohs	Lloyd Wiggins
	Golden Sheaf	" 202	Randolph	Cedar	Monday on or before○	George I. Reed	Edgar W. Johnson
	Roman Eagle	" 203	Pender	Thurston	Tuesday on or before○	Reid A. Thomas	Adolph H. Wriedt
180	Plainview	" 204	Plainview	Pierce	First Tuesday	Charles E. Greene	Andy Hansen
	Golden Fleece	" 205	Chappell	Deuel	Thursday on or before○	Glen S. LaSelle	John M. Brownell
	Naphthali	" 206	Diller	Jefferson	Second and fourth Tuesdays	† Harry K. Shutt	† William A. Snyder
	Parian	" 207	Callaway	Custer	Thursday on or before○	Willis F. Haycock	Arthur J. Higbee
	Gauge	" 208	Arcadia	Valley	Tuesday after○*	J. Ray Golden	Charles H. Downing
185	Canopy	" 209	Elmwood	Cass	Saturday on or before○	John Gerry Stark	John H. Rogge
	East Lincoln	" 210	Lincoln	Lancaster	Second Thursday	Sheldon L. Kier	Lorenzen P. Ronne
	Cement	" 211	Wood River	Hall	Thursday on or before○	Arthur E. Hauke	Edward B. Persson
	Compass & Square	" 212	Summer	Dawson	Tuesday on or before○	William M. Davis	Jacob P. Serr
	Plumblins	" 214	Adams	Gage	Monday on or before○	Jcseph B. Steidley	John E. Killen
190	Occidental	" 215	Cedar Bluffs	Saunders	Tuesday on or after○	Grover F. Smith	David K. Miller
	Palisade	" 216	Palisade	Hitchcock	Tuesday on or before○	Oliver W. Willis	Frank A. Scheunemann
	Waumeta	" 217	Waumeta	Chase	First and third Thursdays	Leland H. Peterson	James W. Shrigley
	Bloomfield	" 218	Bloomfield	Knox	Tuesday on or before○	Howard F. Cunningham	Cornelius T. Heckt
	Relief	" 219	Coleridge	Cedar	Second Friday	Earle L. Waite	George R. Stone
195	Magnolia	" 220	Emerson	Dixon	Wednesday on or before○	George H. Haase	Forrest B. Smith
	Wood Lake	" 221	Wood Lake	Cherry	Fourth Saturday	James S. Kreycik	Henry Lausen
	Landmark	" 222	Herman	Washington	Tuesday on or before○	Allen Cameron	Charles R. Gray
	Eminence	" 223	Giltner	Hamilton	Second and fourth Tuesdays	George F. Washburn	Murlin F. Brock
	Silver Cord	" 224	Ainsworth	Brown	Second Saturday	George M. Ackerman	Ben H. Burritt
200	Cable	" 225	Arnold	Custer	First and third Saturdays	Rolly C. Leach	George Rath
	Grace	" 226	Wilcox	Kearney	Monday on or before○*	Ferdinand V. Hulquist	F. Olin Brown

*And two weeks thereafter.

†From last report of officers installed.

	North Star,	No 227	University Place	Lancaster	First Wednesday	John M. Paul	Leslie A. Thomas
	Bartley,	" 228	Bartley	Red Willow	Wednesday on or before	Cecil Oberlies	Floyd Cochran
	Comet,	" 229	Ceresco	Saunders	Thursday on or before	Frank W. Neff	Gus Johnson
205	Delta,	" 230	Saint Edward	Boone	Second and fourth Tuesdays	Robert W. Casper	Alfred Powell
	Mount Hermon,	" 231	Cook	Johnson	Wednesday on or before	Louis Richards	Ralph D. Mershon
	John S. Bowen,	" 232	Kenard	Washington	Third Saturday	James B. Andersen	J. Floyd McCann
	Gilead,	" 233	Butte	Boyd	Second and fourth Mondays	Guy C. Thatcher	Stephen A. Richardson
	Zion,	" 234	Hyannis	Grant	Wednesday on or before	Theodore A. Frye	George A. Martz
210	Fraternity,	" 235	Winside	Wayne	Third Wednesday	Harry E. Siman	Walter Gaebler
	Golden Rule,	" 236	Allen	Dixon	Thursday on or before	Frank Clough	Vernon W. McDonald
	Cubit,	" 237	Douglas	Otoe	Thursday on or before	Elmer E. Scott	Nathaniel C. Newlin
	Friendship,	" 239	Chapman	Merrick	Second and fourth Fridays	Adolph J. Frimann	Samuel W. Calhoun
	Pilot,	" 240	Lyons	Burt	Third Friday	Frank B. Rhoda	Richard A. McHale
215	George Armstrong,	" 241	Craig	Burt	First and third Tuesdays	Jacob L. Friis	William T. Minier
	Tyrian,	" 243	Oak	Nuckolls	First and third Wednesdays	Ernst Meyer	Robert D. Montgomery
	Sincerity,	" 244	Battle Creek	Madison	Second Tuesday	Clyde E. Baker	John B. Duphey
	Hampton,	" 245	Hampton	Hamilton	First and third Wednesdays	Fred H. Willmot	George E. Plotts
	Nehawka,	" 246	Nehawka	Cass	Wednesday on or before	Max E. Balfour	James W. Magney
220	Corner-stone,	" 247	Osmond	Pierce	Friday on or before	William F. Schroeder	James Cizek
	Laurel,	" 248	Laurel	Cedar	Second and fourth Wednesdays	Roy L. Lathrop	Gordon Leonard
	Gothenburg,	" 249	Gothenburg	Dawson	Second Wednesday	Wayne T. Carroll	John J. Jennings
	George Washington,	" 250	Havelock	Lancaster	Second and fourth Thursdays	James McKinney	Frank B. Young
	Wausa,	" 251	Wausa	Knox	First Thursday	Peter H. Peterson	Frank C. Genung
225	Hildreth,	" 252	Hildreth	Franklin	Wednesday on or before	Harold Neville	George M. Myers
	Beemer,	" 253	Beemer	Cuming	First and third Wednesdays	Charles S. Albright	Martin Belling
	Bassett,	" 254	Bassett	Rock	First Thursday	Joseph S. Kelly	Roy H. Patitz
	Bradshaw,	" 255	Bradshaw	York	First and third Mondays	Amer L. Lincoln	Enile C. Roggy
	Hickman,	" 256	Hickman	Lancaster	Thursday on or before	Neal O. Dodge	Cyrus Black
230	Holbrook,	" 257	Holbrook	Furnas	Second and fourth Fridays	Albert Phillipson	James W. Longbottom
	Anselmo,	" 258	Anselmo	Custer	Wednesday on or before	Leonard V. Lindly	Chalmers G. Empfield
	Bee,	" 259	Bee	Seward	Thursday on or before	Emery A. Hall	Frank W. Opocensky
	Ornan,	" 261	Spencer	Boyd	First, Third and Fifth Mondays	Wallace E. Moffett	William D. Spicknall
	Endeavor	" 262	Indianola	Red Willow	Thursday on or before	Lewis B. Elmer	Arthur C. Crabtree
235	Mitchell,	" 263	Mitchell	Scotts Bluff	Second Monday	Claude W. Wright	Oliver P. Burrows
	Franklin,	" 264	Franklin	Franklin	Second and fourth Mondays	Earl F. Austin	Henry Plank, Sr.
	Robert W. Furnas,	" 265	Scottsbluff	Scotts Bluff	Second and fourth Mondays	James C. Mothersead	Victor Fuehring
	Silver,	" 266	Silver Creek	Merrick	First Wednesday	Glenn D. MacQueen	John W. Jackman
	James A. Tulleys,	" 267	Overton	Dawson	Fourth Monday	John W. Dunaway	Arthur A. Foreman
240	George W. Lininger,	" 268	Omaha	Douglas	First Friday	Vincent C. Hascall	Isaac W. Moorman
	Riverside,	" 269	Belgrade	Nance	Friday before	Frank McCormick	Sylvester S. Poovorse
	Huntley,	" 270	Huntley	Harlan	Tuesday on or before	James O. Merryman	Charles L. Ray
	Oasis,	" 271	Morrill	Scotts Bluff	Thursday on or before	Charles M. Kearney	Oliver T. Attebury
	Lee P. Gillette,	" 272	Dunbar	Otoe	Monday on or before	Reuben C. Johnston	William G. Money

*And two weeks thereafter.

†And June 24th each year.

ROLL OF EXISTING NEBRASKA LODGES, WITH LOCATIONS, DATES OF REGULAR MEETINGS, OFFICERS, ETC.—Continued.

LODGE		TOWN	COUNTY	REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING	MASTER	SECRETARY	
245	Crofton,	No. 273	Crofton	Knox	Thursday on or before○	Cressie J. Blanchard	Charles Ruden
	Olive Branch,	" 274	Walthill	Thurston	Second Monday	Earl R. Poole	Alva L. Rousey
	Ramah,	" 275	Bertrand	Phelps	First Thursday	Ward F. Dobbin	W. Ross Pedley
	Antelope,	" 276	Antelope	Antelope	First and third Tuesdays	Paul L. Conwell	Rollie C. Huffman
	Sioux,	" 277	Elgin	Sioux	Second Monday	Jesse L. Gerlach	Yernard E. Marsteller
250	Litchfield,	" 278	Harrison	Sherman	Thursday on or before○	George Gowin	Charles A. Rydberg
	Wallace,	" 279	Litchfield	Litchfield	Tuesday on or before○	Harry Rees	Howard G. Spencer
	Swastika,	" 280	Wallace	Linceln	Tuesday on or after○	Harry A. Sherman	Frank L. Hicks
	Florence,	" 281	Sargent	Custer	First Monday	Will E. S. Thompson	Theodore R. Jacobsen
	Mullen,	" 282	Florence	Douglas	Tuesday on or before○	John Kudrna	Arthur G. Humphrey
255	Exeter,	" 283	Mullen	Hooker	Second and fourth Fridays	William C. Wullbrandt	Lee E. Harold
	Seneca,	" 284	Exeter	Fillmore	Wednesday on or before○	Edgar T. Lay	Thomas McCawley
	Camp Clarke,	" 285	Seneca	Thomas	First Tuesday	Claibourne G. Perry	Edward K. Milmine
	Oshkosh,	" 286	Bridgeport	Morrill	Wednesday on or after○	Hans P. Madison	Ed S. Wood
	Union,	" 287	Oshkosh	Garden	Wednesday on or before○	Thomas Starforth	Albert T. Cassel
260	Omaha,	" 288	Palmyra	Otoe	First Saturday	Frank A. Hughes	Edward L. Cain
	Lotus,	" 289	Omaha	Douglas	First Tuesday	Louis M. Ferrier	Archie A. Meek
	John J. Mercer,	" 290	Ravenna	Buffalo	First Tuesday	William H. Rodabaugh	Earl W. Dean
	Diamond,	" 291	Benson	Douglas	First and third Mondays	William E. Butler	Cedric D. Lucas
	Wolbach,	" 292	Royal	Antelope	First and third Wednesdays	George D. Meredith	Edwin L. Johnson
265	Monument,	" 293	Wolbach	Greely	Second and fourth Mondays	Dell C. Mather	Eugene L. Bellamy
	Kimball,	" 294	Arapahoe	Furnas	First Monday	John J. Sheahan	Irving S. Walker
	Minatare,	" 295	Kimball	Kimball	Second and fourth Fridays	Kenneth P. Grier	Rufus Jones
	Cowles,	" 296	Minatare	Scotts Bluff	First and third Wednesdays	Thomas H. Deakin	Horace G. Morse
	Cotner,	" 297	Cowles	Webster	Fourth Friday	Arthur J. Bailey	Joseph A. Moss
270	Chester,	" 298	Bethany	Lancaster	First and third Mondays	Ira G. von Forell	Thomas F. Antram
	Sutherland,	" 299	Chester	Thayer	First Wednesday	Elmer A. Crosby	Vernice A. Kessler
	Liberty,	" 300	Sutherland	Lincoln	First Thursday	George E. Brostrom	James F. Thompson
	Bayard,	" 301	Lincoln	Lancaster	Second and fourth Tuesdays	Yale C. Cavett	Vernon R. Askin
	Mizpah,	" 302	Bayard	Morrill	First Friday	E. Dan Shirey	Lemuel E. Fitch
275	Right Angle,	" 303	Omaha	Douglas	First Wednesday	Walter L. Cropper	Paul F. Griswold
	Ruskin,	" 304	Omaha	Douglas	Second and fourth Tuesdays	Frank Hopkirk	William H. Nelson
	Newman Grove,	" 305	Ruskin	Nuckolls	Second and fourth Mondays	Edwin H. Gehrbart	Arthur Still
	Golden Rod,	" 306	Newman Grove	Madison	Second Tuesday	Isaac L. Callison	Frank H. Wolf
	William E. Hill,	" 307	Lodgepole	Cheyenne	Third Tuesday	D. Horace Schall	Schuyler H. Buck
	Perkins,	" 308	Otoe	Otoe	First Monday	Rollo L. Carrothers	Gerald W. Collier
280	Winnebago,	" 309	Grant	Perkins	First Thursday	Dudley A. Moore	William Vogt, Jr.
	Victory,	" 310	Winnebago	Thurston	Second and Fourth Tuesdays	Robert B. Budd	Thorvald A. Resum
	Polk,	" 311	Valley	Douglas	First Tuesday	I. Donald Huston	Isaac T. Samuelson

ROLL OF EXTINGUISHED NEBRASKA LODGES.

LODGE	TOWN	COUNTY	CREATED	CHARTERED	BECAME EXTINGUISHED
Summit, No. 7*	Parkerville, Colorado		May 6, 1861	June 5, 1861	
Rocky Mountain, No. 8*	Gold Hill, Colorado		May 21, 1861	June 5, 1861	
Peru, U. D.	Peru	Nemaha	June 13, 1861		June 23, 1863
Central City, U. D.	Central City, Colorado		1860 or 61		
Decatur, No. 7	Decatur	Burt		June 3 or 4, 1862	June 18, 1873
Bannack City, U. D.	Bannack City, Idaho		{ April —, 1863 or } { June 21, 1863 }		
Monitor, U. D.	United States Army		July 30, 1863		Prior to 1867
Columbus, No. 8	Columbus	Platte	Aug. 25, 1863	June 23 or 24, 1864	June 25, 1868
Idaho, U. D.	Nevada City, Idaho		Nov. 17, 1863		June 23, 1864
Nebraska City, No. 12	Nebraska City	Otoe	Feb. 19, 1866	June 22, 1866	Mar. 10, 1903
Eureka, No. 16	Arago	Richardson	Jan. 27 or 29, 1868	June 24, 1868	Dec. 23, 1875
Ashland, No. 18	Ashland	Saunders	{ Jan. —, or } { April 10, 1868 }	June 24, 1868	Aug. 17, 1881
Rock Bluff, No. 20	Rock Bluff	Cass	July 15, 1867	June 24 or 25, 1868	July 16, 1884
Macey, No. 22	Plattsmouth	Cass	Feb. 10, 1869	Oct. 29, 1869	Dec. 31, 1877
Lafayette, No. 24	Lafayette Pct. (later Grant)	Nemaha	June 29, 1869	Oct. 27 or 28, 1869	Mar. 27, 1877
Wyoming, No. 28†	South Pass City, Wyoming		Nov. 24, 1869	June 23, 1870	
Harmony, U. D.	Saint Deroin	Nemaha	Nov. 26, 1870		1870
Columbus, U. D.	Columbus	Platte	Jan. 3, 1871		May 12, 1871
Harmony, U. D.	Saint Deroin	Nemaha	Jan. 3, 1871		June 19, 1873
Palmyra, No. 45	Palmyra	Otoe	Jan. 9, 1872	June 26, 1874	Nov. 20, 1901
Salem, No. 47	Salem	Richardson	Feb. 21, 1873	June 26, 1874	June 18, 1891
Livingstone, No. 66	Firth	Lancaster	Feb. 16, 1877	June 20, 1877	June 5, 1907
Fortitude, No. 69	Ulysses	Butler	April 24, 1877	June 19, 1878	July 14, 1887
Waco, No. 80	Waco	York	Mar. 20, 1880	June 23, 1880	Jan. 31, 1885
Steele City, No. 107	Steele City	Jefferson	Jan. 23, 1883	June 19, 1883	Aug. 13, 1902
Arapahoe, No. 109	Arapahoe	Furnas	Feb. 10, 1883	June 19, 1883	June 8, 1904
Brainard, No. 115	Brainard	Butler	July 11, 1883	June 24, 1884	Sept. 5, 1903
Jasper, No. 122	Odell	Gage	Nov. 26, 1883	June 24, 1884	Apr. 24, 1901
Indianola, No. 123	Indianola	Red Willow	Dec. 8, 1883	June 24, 1884	June 8, 1904
Ark & Anchor, No. 131	Ainsworth	Brown	July 3, 1884	June 24, 1885	Sept. 26, 1890
Summit, No. 141	Johnson	Nemaha	Dec. 6, 1884	June 24, 1885	Feb. 5, 1900
Anchor, No. 142	North Loup	Valley	Dec. 18, 1884	June 24, 1885	June 5, 1901
Silver Creek, U. D.	Silver Creek	Merrick	Feb. 26, 1886		June 17, 1886
Battle Creek, U. D.	Battle Creek	Madison	Aug. 23, 1886		June 21, 1888
Trenton, U. D.	Trenton	Hitchcock	June 27, 1887		June 20, 1889
Bromfield, U. D.	Bromfield	Hamilton	July 1, 1887		June 20, 1890
Hesperia, No. 178	Shickley	Fillmore	Jan. 11, 1888	June 20, 1889	Sept. 9, 1905
Palestine, U. D.	Beatrice	Gage	July 9, 1888		June 20, 1889
Plumb, No. 186	Grant	Perkns	Jan. 31, 1889	June 20, 1889	Nov. 15, 1897
Adams, U. D.	Adams	Gage	Jan. 18, 1890		June 20, 1890
Armada, U. D.	Armada, Miller and Sumner	Buffalo	Aug. 26, 1890		1891
Exeter, U. D.	Exeter	Fillmore	Feb. 21, 1894		June 10, 1896
Ithmar, No. 238	Crab Orchard	Johnson	Aug. 29, 1895	June 10, 1896	Feb. 9, 1903
Royal, U. D.	Savage	Antelope	Nov. 13, 1900		June 6, 1901
Crion, No. 242	Ravenna	Buffalo	Mar. 31, 1897	June 16, 1898	July 6, 1904
Springview, No. 260	Springview	Keya Paha	Feb. 27, 1906	June 5, 1907	Aug. 6, 1920

*Transferred to Grand Lodge of Colorado, Aug. 2, 1861. †Transferred to Grand Lodge of Wyoming, Dec. 15, 1874.

June, 1921.]

GRAND LODGE OF NEBRASKA

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REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of Nebraska:

I herewith submit a review of the proceedings of sixty-one Grand Lodges, which are in fraternal relation with our Grand Lodge; in eight of them there is a review of two sessions. This includes all the proceedings that have come into my hands during the Masonic year.

I have endeavored to comply with the directions of the Grand Lodge in confining the work to one hundred pages.

The several Grand Lodges, with few exceptions, seemed to have recovered from the hysteria occasioned by the World War, and are moving along in the even tenor of their way, and endeavoring to keep in sight of Masonic traditions.

The list of proceedings reviewed follows.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN A. EHRHARDT,

For the Committee.

Alabama	1920	New Hampshire	1920
Alberta	1920	New Jersey	1920
Arizona	1920	New Mexico	1920, 1921
Arkansas	1919, 1920	New South Wales	1920
British Columbia	1920	New York	1920
California	1920	New Zealand	1920
Canada	1920	North Carolina	1920
Colorado	1920	North Dakota	1920
Connecticut	1920, 1921	Nova Scotia	1920
Cuba	1920	Ohio	1920
Delaware	1919, 1920	Oklahoma	1920
District of Columbia	1920	Oregon	1920
Florida	1920, 1921	Pennsylvania	1920
Georgia	1921	Philippine Islands	1920
Idaho	1920	Prince Edward Island	1920
Illinois	1920	Queensland	1919
Indiana	1920	Rhode Island	1920
Iowa	1920	Saskatchewan	1920
Ireland	1920	South Carolina	1919, 1921
Kansas	1920, 1921	South Dakota	1920
Kentucky	1920	Tennessee	1921
Louisiana	1921	Texas	1920
Maine	1920	Utah	1921
Manitoba	1920	Vermont	1920
Maryland	1920	Victoria	1919
Massachusetts	1919	Washington	1920
Michigan	1920	Western Australia	1919
Minnesota	1920	West Virginia	1920
Mississippi	1920, 1921	Wisconsin	1920
Missouri	1920	Wyoming	1920
Montana	1919		

ALABAMA, 1920.

Montgomery.

December 1st, 1920.

100th Annual.

The Grand Master, Percy B. Dixon, in his address reports a successful year. The membership passed the forty thousand mark. He says that the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of man sums up for the Mason his whole creed, subdivide it, or enlarge upon it as we may. That a Freemason should find in every lodge a home, and in every Mason a true brother. He thinks that the doctrine which seeks to destroy faith in God or weaken the ties of brotherhood is unmasonic. There is a very profound religious strain running through the first part of his address that soothes the spirit of him who reads and ponders over it.

He reports one decision that is in accordance with Masonic law. As to maimed candidates, the subject was left generally to the chartered lodge, and when they voted unanimously to receive a petition, he approved the same but thinks it would be wise for the Grand Lodge to define the extent of loss of limb to be permitted, for fear the custom be abused.

The deaths of two Past Grand Masters are reported, with historical sketches and records of service.

The Grand Master recommends the withdrawal from the Masonic Service Association, and that any amount due be paid. This recommendation was approved and the relation severed by the Grand Lodge. There is a query in the minds of many brethren, if not the major portion, whether the fund paid into the treasury of the Masonic Service Association is not used for paying the expense of the Executive Board, in spreading the propaganda of its organization.

He recommends that the Grand Lodge donate one thousand dollars to the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association.

A splendid address, prepared by Past Grand Master Bilbro, was read by the Grand Secretary, the brother being prevented from being present by reason of an automobile accident.

The Trustees, Superintendent, and Secretary, of the Masonic Home made their reports, showing that the receipts were \$58,873.66, the operating expenses \$9,221.23, and supplies \$25,486.84. They had 9 men, 26 women, 78 boys and 77 girls, in the Home, November 1st, 1920.

A committee was appointed to prepare a program for the celebration of their Centennial.

A very interesting report was made by the Committee on Jurisprudence, covering:

- Patriotism as a Masonic Virtue;
- The Destruction of Ignorance;
- An Enlightened Citizenship;
- The Public School, the great agent of Civilization.

Brother Oliver Day Street submits another of his wonderful reviews, this being the fifth. While we cannot agree with his views on French and some other Masonry, we read with pleasure much that he gives us in his indefatigable research. He treats Nebraska more than kindly by copying in full the report made by Brother White, of his trip to the Peace Meeting in London.

Grand Master: Percy B. Dixon, Mobile.

Grand Secretary: George A. Beauchamp, Montgomery.

ALBERTA, 1920.

Banff.

June 9th, 1920.

15th Annual.

A fine picture of Grand Master W. J. Bottherill faces the title page of the proceedings, who in his address follows the beaten path of paying a tribute to the fraternal dead.

He reports a large number of visitations, and eight decisions, and refused a dispensation to a lodge to initiate more than five candidates at one meeting. With us, lodges do not ask the Grand Master for such dispensations, but just confer all the degrees they possibly can. He reports over \$45,000.00 invested in Dominion, and other securities, and quotes Mackey, Dr. Mackey, in his text-book on Masonic Jurisprudence, which says:

We need not fear that our institution will suffer from a deficiency of members. Our greater dread should be that in its rapid extension less care may be given to the selection of candidates than the interests and welfare of the Order demand.

They have \$3,672.42 in their War Relief Fund, and \$16,348.50 in all their benevolent funds, besides their permanent investments.

The Board of General Purposes, on the question of French Masonry reported:

That we recommend that the matter of recognition of the Grand Orient of France be laid on the table.

The report on correspondence is by the Grand Secretary, Stephen Y. Taylor. Nebraska is "not in it;" the review is a good one.

Grand Master: J. H. W. S. Kemmis, Cowley,

Grand Secretary: Stephen Y. Taylor, Calgary.

ARIZONA, 1920.

Phoenix,

February 10th, 1920.

38th Annual.

Grand Master James Henry Barrett, in his opening address, pays a tribute to the dead of his own, and other jurisdictions. He reports a number of decisions, almost all of local interest, and pertaining to matters of special interest to the brethren of Arizona. He reports dispensations granted for special purposes, and efforts made to effect

the organization of a Committee on Masonic Endowment Fund. He also reports the correspondence in reference to the organization of the Masonic Service Association, and gives reason why Arizona was not represented in the organization, which he regretted.

Past Grand Master Morris Goldwater presented a report of a special committee, as he called it, of himself, and Brother Johns, Past Grand Master, appointed to attend the Peace Jubilee, given by the Grand Lodge of England, and submits a very interesting report of such matters as he deemed best.

The George Washington Memorial Association was approved, and an appropriation of two hundred dollars made, and the incoming Grand Master was directed, if possible to secure the remainder of their share of the seven hundred and fifty thousand dollars to be raised by the association.

The Committee on Correspondence report that in the matter of the recognition of the Grand Lodge of Valle de Mexico, the so-called York Grand Lodge is going out of existence, and they recommend that the friendly relation be continued, and representatives appointed to the said Grand Lodge of Valle de Mexico. They started on a big War Saving Stamp Campaign, and requested each subordinate lodge to appoint a thrift agent and provide him with a revolving fund so that he may have a supply of War Saving Stamps and Thrift Stamps on hand at all meetings of the lodge for sale to the members. They reported against making any contribution to the Swiss Grand Lodge Alpina, for the International Bureau of Masonic Affairs. After the presentation of a Past Grand Master's Jewel to the retiring Grand Master, the Grand Lodge closed.

There is no report on correspondence, but the proceedings of the eleventh annual meeting of the Past Grand Masters Association were published with the proceedings.

Grand Master: Henry Gordon Grove, Nogales,
Grand Secretary: George J. Roskruge, Tucson.

ARKANSAS, 1919.

Little Rock,

November 18th, 1919.

78th Annual.

The Grand Master, G. W. Wells, reports eleven decisions, one that :

A Brother Mason, who sat in Lodge of Masons, of higher degrees than the Blue Lodge, may properly vouch for such an one in the Blue Lodge, although he has never sat in the Blue Lodge with him. This is an example of "lawful information."

This decision was disapproved; the trouble with the decision was, that it was contrary to an edict of their Grand Lodge. Ancient Craft Masonry is not a Blue Lodge any more than a chapter of Royal Arch is a Red Lodge. There is no higher degree in Masonry than that of Master Mason.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence is in favor of re-establishing fraternal relations with the Grand Orient of France, and entering into fraternal relations with the Grand Lodge of Serbia, Croates and Slovenes, Jugo-Slavia. The recognition of the Grand Orient of France was stricken out, and the other recognized.

There was a splendid oration by the Grand Orator, Brother S. O. Whaley, that gave a fine account of the part taken by Masons in the formation of this government, and breathed a pure American patriotism.

There is no review.

Grand Master: Louis Bauerlein, Camden.

Grand Secretary: Fay Hempstead, Little Rock.

ARKANSAS, 1920.

Little Rock,

November 16th, 1920.

79th Annual.

The Grand Master, Louis Bauerlein, in his address, in speaking of efforts made to organize Masonic Associations of various kinds, says:

Your Grand Master feels that it would be the part of wisdom for this Grand Lodge to act slowly and make thorough investigation before becoming a member of any organization which requires a surrender of any of our rights or privileges or in any way tends to concentrate authority in a national organization.

To raise funds for the aged, indigent and distressed, he sent an appeal to the lodges for voluntary contributions. Several decisions, all in accordance with their laws, were reported.

A meeting of the Masonic Service Association was held at Little Rock. The Grand Master was kept away by sickness, and the rest of the committee were on vacations.

He issued nine dispensations for new lodges. The Grand Lodge determined:

"That it is inadvisable for this Grand Lodge to join the Masonic Service Association of the United States."

They appropriated three thousand dollars to be paid in five annual payments to the George Washington Masonic Memorial Association.

The Trustees, Superintendent, and Matron, of the Home report having 35 boys, and 24 girls in their charge.

An oration by R. W. Brother G. S. Warren was both timely and good.

A brief report on correspondence contains the following:

In the light of information which has come before this Committee, and which our honored predecessors did not have before them, we respectfully recommend that the entire matter of French Masonry be referred to a special committee for investigation, and report at the next annual communication of this Grand Lodge.

Grand Master: W. W. McGee, Piggott.

Grand Secretary: Fay Hempstead, Little Rock.

BRITISH COLUMBIA, 1920.

Nelson,

June 17th, 1920.

49th Annual.

The Grand Master, M. W. Samuel J. Willis, submitted his report, and paid a tribute to the fraternal dead of his own and other jurisdictions. He reported thirteen decisions, six of them on physical qualifications; all of them were approved with the exception of one where he relaxed the rule. One of the rulings approved was:

The Order of the Eastern Star may not be allowed to meet in a Masonic Hall which has been dedicated.

He reports against collective balloting, and makes full report of his official visits.

The Grand Historian, Brother William Burns, closes his report with the optimistic hope that:

From this day henceforth and for ever the great Masonic principles of Friendship and Brotherly Love will so rule the world that wars shall cease and strife shall be no more.

Perhaps.

They have over twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000.00) in their Masonic Relief Fund.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is by Brother William A. DeWolf-Smith. He says:

Probably what strikes one most in this year's survey of the Masonic field is the fact that the Grand Lodges of the country which won the war have ceased falling over one another in their haste to recognize French Masonry, so-called. More, some Grand Lodges which gave recognition—not because they knew or cared anything about French Masonry, but simply because they felt they had to be in the procession—have now withdrawn it, and no doubt others will do likewise as soon as they decently can.

Nebraska was given two and a half pages of his splendid review of 185 pages.

Grand Master: Martin L. Grimmitt, Merritt.

Grand Secretary: William A. DeWolf-Smith, New Westminster.

CALIFORNIA, 1920.

San Francisco,

October 12th, 1920.

71st Annual.

The Grand Master delivered a message that called forth the following, from the Committee on Grand Master's Message:

After a careful consideration of the substance as well as the text of this important document, your committee is persuaded that it will be accepted not only at this time, but also in the years to come, as one of the most notable addresses ever presented to this Grand Body. Charming in its textual style, it may well be considered a distinctive contribution to Masonic literature.

He discusses the matter of balloting in groups, and recommends its adoption, which in the report of the committee was approved. At the present rate we are fast drifting to the time when we will not only ballot but initiate in groups; it saves time, you know. Louisiana, for instance.

He rendered seven decisions, granted the usual number of dispensations, reported on the Foreign Language Lodges, and recommended that one of the lodges be permitted to revive and use the German language in their work, which recommendation was approved by the Grand Lodge. He reports a visit to Honolulu, and there met the Prince of Wales. He devotes considerable space to politics, condemns the effort of some so-called Masonic gatherings in using the Order for political purposes, especially the Mystic Order Veiled Prophets of the Enchanted Realm.

There was a very full report of the work of the Committee of Masonic Education, which met his hearty approval. The Masonic Service Association was reported on, but with great reluctance he says he finds himself as Grand Master unable to recommend that the Grand Lodge become a member. He gave a full report of the Masonic Home and the work of the Endowment Committee. The Grand Master reports the deaths of Past Grand Masters James B. Stevens, James W. Anderson, George P. Adams, Grand Tyler, and Brother Matthew S. Hughes, a Bishop of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and many distinguished brethren of other jurisdictions, including our beloved brother, J. Newton Wise, Past Grand Secretary. In fact the entire 75 pages of his excellent message is well worth reading and re-reading.

They report \$279,685.67 in their permanent endowment fund of the Home. They report that \$30,000.00 was transferred from the War Fund to the Masonic Home Fund, leaving a balance in the fund of about \$5,000.00

The annual oration was delivered by W. Albert E. Boynton, for which a vote of thanks was tendered by the Grand Lodge.

There was a beautiful Memorial Service on the death of the distinguished brethren referred to by the Grand Master in his message. The mortgage on the Masonic Temple in San Francisco was reduced \$25,000.00 during the year.

The Committee on General Purposes recommended, and the Grand Lodge adopted the recommendation to hold the decision of uniting with the Masonic Service Association in abeyance until the next annual communication. The committee also reported that no action be taken on the George Washington National Memorial Association at this session.

There is a report on correspondence by Brother Jesse M. Whited. It is a topical report and as the brother says, "For home consumption."

Grand Master: George F. Rodden, San Francisco,

Grand Secretary: John Whicher, San Francisco.

CANADA, 1920.

Niagara Falls,

July 21st, 1920.

65th Annual.

M. W. Brother Frederick W. Harcourt, Grand Master, presiding. There was an address of welcome by the Mayor, and a brief reply by the Grand Master, after which the Grand Lodge was opened.

After an address by the members of the Craft in Niagara Falls to the members of the Grand Lodge, the Grand Master delivered his address. He was called on to rule that the Eastern Star was clandestine, but declined so to rule, although quoting from the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of England of September 3rd, 1919, where the brethren were cautioned against becoming members of such bodies.

There was a proposition to change the name of the Grand Lodge to "The Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons in Ontario," which after long discussion was deferred to the next annual communication.

The report of the Board of General Purposes on the condition of Masonry submitted a very full report. A report on Foreign Correspondence of 210 pages is submitted by Brother Edward B. Brown, wherein he reviews 64 proceedings of 59 Grand Lodges. He devotes four pages to Nebraska.

Grand Master: Frederick W. Harcourt, Toronto,

Grand Secretary: William M. Logan, Hamilton.

COLORADO, 1920.

Denver,

September, 21st, 1920.

60th Annual.

M. W. Brother James LeRoy Catron, Grand Master of Masons of Utah, was received with the honors of Masonry, and made a timely response for the honor conferred. A reception of "Old Glory" was held with suitable presentation by the color bearer, which was responded to by the Grand Master. A roll of the deceased Grand Masters was called and response made by the Grand Master, giving the time of their service and date of death of all of the deceased Grand Masters of that jurisdiction. The Grand Master, M. W. Frank L. Bishop, in his address says he made no decisions during his term of office; that while many questions were submitted to him, they were all answered by reference to the constitution, or had been decided by his predecessors.

He reported the death of Past Grand Masters William David Todd and Clarence M. Kellogg. Brother Kellogg, with Grand Secretary Charles H. Jacobson, represented Colorado, at the Peace Jubilee in London, where it was my pleasure to become acquainted with both of them, and since the close of the last annual communication, Brother Jacobson has also been called by the Grim Reaper.

The Grand Master reports not attending the meeting of the Masonic Service Association, as not being in sympathy with it, and recommended :

I therefore recommend that this Grand Lodge pay this Association the amount of one cent per capita, and withdraw from the Masonic Service Association of the United States, and that our Grand Secretary be instructed to so announce, as provided by the above mentioned by-law.

which recommendation was approved by the Grand Lodge. He condemns the Mystic Order of Veiled Prophets of the Enchanted Realm, deeming them unmasonic for advertising for members through Masonic lodges. He thinks some of the lodges are admitting too many to properly teach them what Masonry really is, and refers to the one fault in most of the jurisdictions, of the custom of some of the members being solicited to join other so-called Masonic bodies, even before they have received the Master Masons degree. His address was well received by the Grand Lodge.

The Trustees of the Benevolent Fund Association submitted the annual report showing the net income to be over \$28,000.00 and relief granted over \$26,000.00, with only \$171.00 for administration. The Committee on Correspondence report on Latin Masonry, saying :

Your committee is still unprepared to advise the recognition of either the Grand Lodge or the Grand Orient of France, and recommends that no present action be taken in the matter.

R. W. Brother John H. Gabriel, Grand Orator, delivered an oration.

Immediately following the announcement of ballot, the Grand Master-elect, asking the indulgence of the Grand Lodge, made an address that is well worthy of being quoted in full, but space forbids, yet I cannot refrain from copying the following :

I can conceive of no good reason for rotation in these offices. It certainly furnished neither a test of the officer's ability, nor a school in which he may be trained. One might be the best Grand Marshal in the world, yet he wholly unqualified to discharge the duties of Grand Master; he might be the best possible Grand Master and be a total failure as a Grand Marshal. So with the other offices. I wish, therefore, to now advise you that when I come to discharge the duties of Grand Master, I shall not be controlled in the least, in making appointments, by this custom of rotation. I shall appoint no man because some one else has appointed him, nor fail to do so because another has failed. I shall act solely for what I believe to be the highest welfare of this Grand Lodge.

A standing resolution was adopted as follows: That no Master Mason, a member of any lodge under the jurisdiction of Colorado, shall become a member by petition or otherwise, of the so-called Mystic Order of the Veiled Prophets of the Enchanted Realm (or Grotto), and any Master Mason who shall become a member of the so-called Mystic Order of the Veiled Prophets of the Enchanted Realm (or Grotto), shall be subject to Masonic discipline.

The report of the Masonic Soldiers' and Sailors' Welfare Committee was submitted, showing that the brethren of Colorado are doing a splendid work. The report on correspondence is submitted by Brother Stanley C. Warner, covering 75 pages, Nebraska being duly considered in two pages.

Grand Master: Haslett P. Burke, Denver,
Acting Grand Secretary: William W. Cooper, Denver.

CONNECTICUT, 1920.

Hartford,

February 4th, 1920.

132nd Annual.

M. W. Wallace S. Moyle, Grand Master, reports the death of Past Grand Master Randolph B. Chapman and others. He commends the work of the Order of the Eastern Star in voting to equip the new Hospital.

He reports fully on the Masonic Home, and of attending the meetings of George Washington Memorial Association, and the Masonic Service Association. He thinks the Washington Memorial will logically become the home of the Service Association, says the organization of the Masonic Association is the most important action of his time.

His report of sending delegates to Italy and Swiss Alpina by the Service Association seems to justify the fear of many able Masons, that the Association tends to the organization of a "General Grand Lodge." He thinks the funds for the Memorial Association and Service Association can and should be raised by voluntary contribution, and recommends that \$1,500.00 be set apart to meet the requirements of the two associations. Adopted.

The attempt to change the law and obligate in droves failed.

A review by M. W. Brother George A. Kies, of 90 pages is well worth mention, Nebraska being given due consideration.

Grand Master: Charles C. Perkins, New London,
Grand Secretary: George A. Kies, Hartford.

CONNECTICUT, 1921.

Hartford,

February 2d, 1921.

133d Annual.

The Grand Master, Charles C. Perkins, in his address, in referring to the great increase in membership, strikes an optimistic chord when he says:

I am convinced that the quality has been improved with the aid of experience and progressive science.

He refers feelingly to the death of their junior Past Grand Master, Wallace S. Moyle. He makes a strong plea for a liberal construction of the law of physical qualification.

The Committee on Jurisprudence reported adversely, but the Grand Lodge voted, "That it favors a liberal interpretation of the law of physical qualification." In this case the candidate had lost his left hand at the wrist.

The George Washington Memorial was endorsed, and an assessment equivalent to one dollar per capita was levied on each of the subordinate lodges to meet their quota. From the Grand Masters' report I gather that there is a movement or rather a sentiment to merge the Memorial and the Service Association. If so, it can be easily seen that the tendency is towards a General Grand Lodge, all the protests and declarations to the contrary notwithstanding.

The correspondence report is by Past Grand Master and Grand Secretary George A. Kies, and consists of 80 pages, Nebraska being accorded rather more than its share. He says that the H. C. of printing explains its bobtailed character.

Grand Master: Charles W. Cramer, Hartford.

Grand Secretary: George A. Kies, Hartford.

CUBA, 1920.

Havana,

June 22d, 1920.

Inasmuch as the entire proceedings, except the introduction to the Report of the Committee on Correspondence, are in Spanish, and the writer being unfamiliar with the language, no review is possible. No doubt the proceedings, especially the report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, would be very interesting reading, yet for the reason stated, we will have to lay aside this volume for a more convenient season.

Grand Master: Antonio de la Piedra, Havana.

Grand Secretary: Felix V. Preval, Havana.

DELAWARE, 1919.

Wilmington,

October 1st, 1919.

114th Annual.

The Grand Master, M. W. Victor Hughes, submitted a full report of the Masonic Service Association and of attending the meeting of the George Washington National Memorial Association; he also attended all meetings of the Masonic Home Board. He recommends that the office of the Grand Secretary be open one evening each week from 7:30 to 10:00 o'clock P. M., with the Grand Secretary present. He rendered a number of decisions, one as to physical qualification.

The question of the recognition of the Grand Lodge and Grand Orient of France was referred to the Grand Master and Grand Secretary and one other member to be selected by the Grand Master.

An amendment was proposed that every petition for the degrees and every applicant for membership shall pay ten dollars in addition to the sum required by the by-laws, for the maintenance of the Masonic Home. The Grand Lodge closed by singing "America."

There is no report on correspondence.

Grand Master: Harry Mayer, Dover,

Grand Secretary: John F. Robinson, Wilmington.

DELAWARE, 1920.

Wilmington,

October 6th, 1920.

115th Annual.

All but one of the lodges of this jurisdiction were represented. They sang two stanzas of the "Star Spangled Banner" in the opening exercise. The Grand Master presents a simple narrative of his official acts, and notes the death of the prominent Masons of his own jurisdiction. He reports his official visits to the lodges of his jurisdiction, and visits to the Grand Lodges of New Jersey and Pennsylvania. He reports on the Masonic Service Association, and the George Washington Memorial Association and approved both. One of his decisions was that one who had lost the index finger of the right hand at the second joint is disqualified to receive the degrees of Masonry. He thinks that the older Masons should see that the young men coming into the Institution should fully recognize that the "blue lodge" is pre-eminent in our system of Masonry. The thought occurs to the writer, why Blue Lodge Mason any more than Red Lodge of Grand Lodge Masons? Why not get back to the fundamental Ancient Craft Masonry?

The recommendation that the Board of Managers of the Masonic Home shall prepare a tentative building program was adopted by the Grand Lodge. A recommendation was adopted to remove the remains and monument of Gunning Bedford, Jr., first Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Delaware, from its present place of burial to the Masonic Home. There was a full report of the representatives of the George Washington Memorial Association. The report of the Committee on French Masonry was deferred until the next annual communication.

The report on Foreign Correspondence by Past Grand Master Thomas J. Day is a splendid condensed report of 64 jurisdictions, Nebraska being given its due portion.

Grand Master: William J. Highfield, Wilmington,

Grand Secretary: John F. Robinson, Wilmington.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, 1920.

Washington,

December 15th, 1920.

110th Annual.

Grand Master J. Harry Cunningham opened his address with the following:

Little by little the time goes by—
 Short, if you sing through it, long, if you sigh.
 Little by little—an hour a day,
 Gone with the years that have vanished away.
 Little by the little the race is run;
 Trouble and waiting and toil are done.

The report of the Grand Master on decisions would seem to indicate that they have collective balloting or test ballots in their lodges, and that on a test ballot ticket 14 candidates for the degrees and one for affiliation were elected. On the following day the Grand Master received a special delivery letter followed closely by another, objecting to the conferring of the degrees on all candidates declared elected at the communication of the day before. The Grand Master over-ruled the objection saying he would rather sacrifice his record than to have his lodge the subject of criticism and comment. Where then is the right of objection?

They have a committee to dispose of the Masonic Temple and build a larger one. The Masonic and Eastern Star Home receives the kindly commendation of the Grand Master. The George Washington National Memorial Association, the Masonic Service Association, Masonic Clubs, Masonic Employment Bureau, and Masonic Board of Relief all receive the hearty commendation of the Grand Master. He recommends a raise in the salary of the Grand Secretary.

Past Grand Master George W. Baird, Chairman of the Committee on Correspondence, made an interesting report in reference to the application of the several Foreign Grand Lodges and Grand Orients for recognition, and refers especially to a newspaper report of a cablegram from Paris in October, wherein it was stated that the French Freemasons just had a vigorous fight in a convention over the question of admitting women to membership in Masonic lodges. The principle was adopted by a meagre majority subject to modification when delegates from the Grand Lodge attend the Masonic World Conference this winter, and the committee advised awaiting the result of the conference before taking action in the matter.

The Masonic Employment Bureau made a report of its activities wherein they say that thousands of Government employees as well as those in every other line, have lost their positions and are seeking employment. Detailed report was given as to the number of applicants and the expense incurred.

The George Washington Masonic Association reported through Past Grand Master Charles E. Roberts, and the Masonic Service Association was reported on by Past Grand Master Joseph H. Milans.

The Committee on Jurisprudence reporting on the decision of the Grand Master in over-ruling objections, held that the objections were not valid ones and for that reason recommended the approval of the Grand Master in over-ruling them.

The report on correspondence is by Past Grand Master George W. Baird, who presents his 21st annual report, consisting of 146 pages. Nebraska being accorded two full pages. We would like very much to quote in full his excellent articles on the International Bureau and Masonic Federation, but space forbids.

Grand Master: Charles J. O'Neill, Washington, D. C.,

Grand Secretary: Arvine W. Johnston, Washington, D. C.

FLORIDA, 1920.

Jacksonville,

January 20th, 1920.

91st Annual.

Grand Master T. Picton Warlow reports the issuing of fifty-seven dispensations to confer degrees on petitioners in the army. He reports attending the meeting of the George Washington Memorial Association, and gives it his hearty approval. He also approved the Masonic Service Association, and reported attending the Peace Celebration of the Grand Lodge in England. The Deputy Grand Master, R. W. Reginald H. Cooper, who acted as Grand Master from June 9th to September 16th, during the absence of the Grand Master, seems to have had a very busy three months, judging from the report of his activities.

The Masonic Home was dedicated April 9th, 1919, and a very full report of the Trustees was submitted to the Grand Lodge. The Grand Lodge voted a per capita tax of one dollar per member per year for five years to provide a substantial endowment fund for the Home.

The Grand Lodge adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Regulation adopted in 1918 as printed on page 51, Appendix Part 1, of the proceedings of 1919, and relating to members of Lodges under the Jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Florida visiting Lodges under the Jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of France and the Scottish Rite Lodges, etc., be and the same is repealed.

Here is their determination on physical qualification:

The Lodge is the judge of his physical qualification, provided he is capable of conforming literally to the requirements of the several degrees. The question of the applicant's physical qualification is to be decided by a majority vote.

The report on correspondence is by Past Grand Master Silas B. Wright, it being his twentieth consecutive report. He has little or no use for the scissors, but gives us two hundred pages of mighty good reading.

Grand Master: Reginald H. Cooper, Palatka,

Grand Secretary: Wilber P. Webster, Jacksonville.

Florida, 1921.

Jacksonville,

January 18th, 1921.

92nd Annual.

Picture of M. W. Reginald H. Cooper faces the title page.

The Grand Master in his address after paying tribute to the dead of his own and other jurisdictions makes a full report of the activities of his office for the year. He reports twenty-one decisions; issued an edict against the Masonic chain prayer letter; endorsed the George Washington Masonic Memorial; and served notice on the Masonic Service Association of the withdrawal of the jurisdiction from membership, which was approved by the Committee on Jurisprudence, and unanimously adopted by the Grand Lodge. The ground was the tendency of the association to grow into a General Grand Lodge. The committee calls attention to the fact that the association has branched out on a line of general education that hardly seems justified by the results achieved. It will be remembered that at the organization of the Masonic Service Association, the representatives from Nebraska were fearful that it would result in the organization of a General Grand Lodge. No action was taken by the Association until the Nebraska delegation had left and the records show that:

To satisfy the Nebraska Brethren, a resolution was passed disclaiming the organization of a General Grand Lodge.

The Grand Orator, Brother Lincoln Hulley, Ph. D., read an original poem entitled "Hiram Abiff—the Builder," which is published in the proceedings and is well worth the careful reading by every Mason. We would like to copy it for our permanent record, but it would require one-fourth the space allotted to us in this review.

The report on correspondence is by M.'.W.'.Silas B. Wright, P.'.G.'. M.'. consisting of 183 pages of excellent reading. He speaks of our report last year as being exceedingly brief, so as to be of little value. We will try to do better next time, Brother Wright.

Grand Master: Charles H. Ketchum, Key West.

Grand Secretary: Wilber P. Webster, Jacksonville.

GEORGIA, 1921.

Macon,

October 26th, 1921.

134th Annual.

The Grand Master, M.'.W.'.Charles L. Bass, in his address, reports a year of great prosperity with peace and harmony prevailing. He pays a tribute to the Grand Secretary, Frank F. Baker, and reports the finances in excellent condition. He approves Masonic Clubs, and commends them and urges the organization of more; pays a tribute to Past Grand Master Henry Banks, who died during the year; says the endowment fund of the Home has reached \$123,000.00, all invested and bearing interest; says the Scottish Rite Hospital at Atlanta is doing wonderful work, and says he had some 200 questions submitted for opinion and decision, all of which could have been answered by the Masonic code.

The request for recognition by the Grand Lodge of Vienna was on motion of the chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence deferred for further investigation. A motion was made to divert \$40,000.00 of the Temple Fund to the Relief Fund, which was postponed for one year. Grand Master Lanham of South Carolina made an address in which he says:

We have been making Masons in a great hurry. Now may we not pause for one moment and consider the serious duty of re-making those which we have made in such haste?

They voted to continue membership in the Masonic Service Association, appropriated the sum of \$3,000.00 for the purpose and \$300.00 to pay the expense of their representatives at the meeting. A Past Grand Master's jewel was presented to Past Grand Master Robert J. Travis. We became well acquainted with Brother Travis on our trip to the Peace Celebration in London, and can appreciate the love and veneration that the brethren of Georgia have for him.

Brother Raymond Daniel presents one of his classical reviews. There are so many good things in his foreword, that we fain would copy, but we are confined to 100 pages, and his review is so good that it would take up all our space. His summary of the law and interpretation of Grand Lodges on physical qualifications and his decisions or exposition of French affairs, showed that our Grand Lodge made no mistake when they refused recognition to French Masonry.

In his review of Nebraska he devotes three pages.

Grand Master: Charles L. Bass, Atlanta.

Grand Secretary: Frank F. Baker, Macon.

IDAHO, 1920.

Boise,

September 14th, 1920.

53rd Annual.

There was an address of welcome by the Master of Oriental Lodge No. 60, which was responded to by the Grand Junior Warden, George M. Scott, after which Grand Master Arch Cunningham read his report. He pays a tribute to the dead of his own and other jurisdictions, reports attending the meeting of the Masonic Service Association, and also reports on their Masonic Charity Fund, which together with his report on the Masonic Service Association was referred to the Committee on Unfinished Business. Among his decisions is one that a young man blind in one eye is not debarred thereby from being received into the Masonic Fraternity. He takes strong ground against smoking in the lodge rooms during the session. He recommends a change in the law, striking out the provision that a Mason suspended for non-payment of his dues is still liable for dues while under suspension. He reports \$98,000.00 in the Orphans Fund, \$74,000.00 being invested in 4¼ per cent. Government Bonds.

The special committee to whom was referred the question of smoking in the lodge room report that in the opinion of the committee it is a question for local action, and they did not deem it wise to interfere in what seemed to them purely a personal question of propriety. The Committee on Unfinished Business, after fully considering the Masonic Service Association, recommended that the Grand Secretary be directed to give notice of the withdrawal from the Association as provided by its by-laws. This report is adopted, so Idaho with Washington and others are severing relations with the association.

A full list of all the members of constituent lodges is published with the proceedings. R. W. Brother George E. Knepper, Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, submitted an interesting report of 129 pages, reviewing 64 Grand Lodges, Nebraska being accorded over three pages of commendation.

Grand Master: Edgar Meek, Caldwell,

Grand Secretary: George E. Knepper, Boise.

ILLINOIS, 1920.

Chicago,

October 19th, 1920.

81st Annual.

Preceding the meeting of the Grand Lodge there was a musical program by the boys' and girls' band from the Orphans Home at La Grange, which received a vote of thanks. After an eloquent prayer by the Grand Chaplain, the Grand Marshal with the Grand Stewards retired and returned with the flag, which was placed in the Grand East, the brethren singing "America."

The Grand Master, M. W. Brother Daniel G. Fitzgerrell, announced the death of the distinguished brethren of his jurisdiction, and reported the Orphans Home at La Grange and Masonic Home at Sullivan in excellent condition.

He reported \$57,172.47 remaining in their National Defense (dollar) fund, and recommended that it be used in constructing new buildings at the Orphans Home. The recommendation was adopted, and the same was transferred to the charity fund, together with \$50,000.00 from the General Fund.

He reports on the pernicious practice of Masons being solicited in and around lodge meetings, to petition for membership in bodies other than Masonic and says:

This has gone so far and the abuse has become so flagrant that Entered Apprentices and Fellow Crafts are thus solicited to join so-called "higher bodies of Masonry." Even persons who have been elected to take the degrees in Masonry and have not been initiated have been urged to sign petitions to unite with these organizations.

Such practices are most reprehensible. The impression on the candidate is that Masonry is nothing more than a vestibule through

which he can become a "higher Mason." There are no higher degrees in Masonry.

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Unless over-zealous and fanatical members of so-called "higher bodies" can be curbed, it may become necessary to invoke disciplinary measures to safeguard the Ancient Craft.

He reported with approval the work of the Washington Memorial Association and in addition commended the work of Past Grand Master Owen Scott, who had devoted much time and energy to procure funds from the lodges, and recommended a substantial appropriation from the Grand Lodge. The recommendation was approved and \$5,000.00 donated in addition to the amount paid by the membership, of \$57,867.64.

The Grand Treasurer reports over one half million dollars of assets in the treasury.

There was a report of the Committee on the Masonic Service Association, adverse to the Grand Lodge becoming a member and recommending that hereafter representatives be not sent to any meetings of that association.

There was a vote of thanks to Oriental Consistory of Chicago for acquiring at a cost of \$16,000.00 and causing to be conveyed to the Grand Lodge for the use of the Masonic Orphans Home, additional land adjacent to the Home.

An excellent oration by Brother William H. Beckman was well received, and a rising vote of thanks given the Grand Orator.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is by Brother Delmar D. Darrah, and consists of 127 pages. He says the review presented by this committee is very short. Yes, it was, but that was the limit allowed the committee. Nebraska is accorded over two pages and the business of our Grand Lodge well digested.

Grand Master: Daniel G. Fitzgerrell, Normal,

Grand Secretary: Isaac Cutter, Camp Point.

We have just been advised of the death of Grand Secretary Cutter on June 15th, 1921.

INDIANA, 1920.

Indianapolis,

May 25th, 1920.

99th Annual.

A fine picture of Grand Master Richard H. Schweitzer faces the title pages of the proceedings.

They have a meeting preliminary to the opening of the Grand Lodge, at which the secretaries of the various lodges as guests of the Grand Lodge are entertained.

The Grand Master, Charles J. Orbison read a splendid address, leaving all reports as to visitation, dispensations, dedications, and necrology, with other matters pertaining to the routine work of the office,

to be published as an addenda.

He urges the study of the fundamentals of Masonry, and that candidates be disabused of the impression that Ancient Craft Masonry (I dislike the term "Blue Lodge") is simply a stepping stone to so-called "higher degrees."

He reports attending the meeting of the George Washington National Memorial Association, and recommends its endorsement, which was approved by the Grand Lodge. He reports a beautiful custom in one of their lodges of presenting each candidate upon receiving the Master Masons degree with a Bible properly marked as a gift from his lodge.

He reports attending the meeting of the Masonic Service Association, and recommends that the Grand Lodge do not join the association, which was approved by the Grand Lodge.

The Grand Master says the Masons of Indiana do not yet fully appreciate the importance of their Home, and he appeals to the brethren to be inspired with the principle of Masonic Benevolence. His call resulted in the appointment of a Masonic Home Committee in very lodge in the jurisdiction. They had a Home Day in the lodges that raised them over eleven thousand dollars. The total receipts for the year for the Home were almost one hundred thousand dollars. The Trustees as well as the Directors of the Home made full reports. A new building was recommended, containing sixty rooms, the contract for which was let, to cost \$148,725.00, all of which was approved by the Grand Lodge. The salary of the Grand Secretary was fixed at \$2,500.00, and that of the Grand Instructor at \$3,200.00.

The annual review is by Past Grand Master Elmer F. Gay, and consists of 102 pages, Nebraska being accorded its due portion.

Grand Master: Richard H. Schweitzer, Knightstown,
Grand Secretary: Calvin W. Prather, Indianapolis.

Since preparing this review Brother Calvin W. Prather, Grand Secretary, was called from his work to his eternal rest.

IRELAND, 1920.

Dublin,

December 27th, 1920.

The Deputy Grand Master delivered an address, and referred to the arduous services of R. W. Sir Charles Cameron, late Deputy Grand Master, who resigned on account of age, having reached 91 years. He speaks feelingly of the death of their Senior Grand Chaplain, John B. Crozier, Lord Primate of Ireland. He says that three candidates was quite the largest number that could be properly initiated or raised in one evening; and that by reason of additions and alterations in the Grand Lodge laws, governing subscriptions, it is necessary that more funds be procured.

There was a full report of the Board of General Purposes, and the Board of Benevolence. Very much of the report is taken up by their

acts and statistics, showing the expenditure of large sums for Masonic relief.

Grand Master: The Rt. Hon. The Earl of Donoughmore, K. P.
Grand Secretary: Rt. Hon. Lord Dunally.

IOWA, 1920.

Ft. Dodge,

June 8th, 1920.

77th Annual.

An excellent address of 29 pages was delivered by Grand Master William A Westfall. He says his services of the year was a labor of love, the love that Masonry taught, which caused the Master to see in the servant, a friend, which eventually makes us see in the other, a brother, the true quality of the plumb, square and level.

Never since the dawn of civilization has there been a time when humanity the world over needed an institution like this of ours, whose underlying principle is in the love and Brotherhood of Man and the Fatherhood of God.

He reports the growth in the Order, and submits an amended petition with questionnaire attached and the same was adopted.

He reports the death of Past Grand Master Henry M. Rothert, and other distinguished Masons. He recommends the adoption of the District Deputy Grand Master system. Among his decisions he held that it is illegal and not Masonic for a lodge to hold two meetings, one in the lodge room and one in the ante-room at the same time. He approves the Masonic Service Association and congratulates the Grand Lodge on their method of extending relief; he says giving the Grand Charity Fund \$10.00 from each initiatory fee is the greatest legislation ever passed by the Grand Lodge; thinks they ought to have a Speakers' Bureau so that when any of the lodges have a Masonic function, they would know where to procure a speaker; and says changing the law on physical qualification which was regarded with fear by some well-informed brethren proved such fear without foundation.

An attempt was made to turn the War Emergency Fund over to their Grand Charity Fund; the effort failed. The Trustees of the Grand Charity Fund paid out \$24,591.46 for relief.

The Committee on Fraternal Dead paid a just tribute to Past Grand Master Henry W. Rothert. It was the privilege of the writer to be present in 1876 when Brother Rothert presided over Grand Lodge, and as the committee say, he was an "ideal presiding officer."

There was a fine address by Brother George A. Dubble, on the "Working Tools of a Mason or Imperialism of Moral Law."

The question of the adoption of a Deputy Grand Master system was delegated to the incoming Grand Master and the Board of Custodians.

Past Grand Master George L. Schoonover reported on his trip to Europe which was approved and the report ordered printed.

The committee to whom was referred the question of Large vs. Small Lodges submitted an elaborate report, their conclusion being:

We feel that the solution of the question of the large lodge may be reached in either of two ways:

1. Through a highly organized lodge such as Palestine Lodge, of Detroit, where each individual is offered an opportunity to carry on such work as appeals to him; or.

2. By the separation of the existing lodges, and the formation of new groups, as provided under existing statutes.

This, in our judgment, must be a voluntary action, but can easily be fostered and encouraged by the Grand Master and his Deputies, and should receive the hearty support of the parent lodge.

There is so much in the proceedings that we fain would copy, yet our limitation is one hundred pages.

The review is by the talented Past Grand Master Louis Block, whose Foreword on Americanism is a classic, his after-word, a gem. He gives Nebraska more than three pages, and takes his annual shot at this writer for "making the common error of jumping at the conclusion that the Grand Orient of France is admittedly atheistic." He quotes our report on French Masonry, and says: "And the Grand Lodge adopted his recommendation." Well, why not?

Grand Master: Jesse Alden West, Des Moines.

Grand Secretary: Newton R. Parvin, Cedar Rapids.

KANSAS, 1920.

Topeka,

March 17th, 1920.

64th Annual.

A splendid picture of Grand Master Owen J. Wood faces the title page of the proceedings. The Grand Master reports the necessity of the postponement of the annual communication on account of the influenza epidemic from February 18th to March 17th. There are no decisions reported. He reports the dedication of the new Masonic Home, four of the units being completed and partially furnished. The fifth unit, the girls' cottage, was completed and dedicated by the Grand Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star. 29 men, 23 women, 38 boys, and 27 girls are residents of the Home. He makes no recommendations.

The brethren in Kansas are making an effort to obtain a history of all their chartered lodges. They keep their charters in the archives of the Grand Lodge, and certified copies are furnished to use in their lodge rooms. The proceedings contain a fine picture of the new Kansas Masonic Home. The request of the so-called Grand Lodge of Panama for official recognition is denied. Every lodge working under charter or dispensation must pay annually one dollar for each number raised for the endowment fund for the Home.

From the report of the Executive Committee of the Home, it is shown that the brethren of Kansas expended over three hundred thou-

sand dollars in the erection and furnishing of their Home. Good for Kansas.

The report on correspondence is by R. W. Brother Albert K. Wilson. Nebraska received kindly attention.

Grand Master: Hugh P. Farrelly, Chanute,

Grand Secretary: Albert K. Wilson, Topeka.

KANSAS, 1921.

Wichita,

February 16th, 1921.

65th Annual.

At the beginning of the procedure the Grand Master announced the following law adopted by the Council of Administration, relative to the payment of mileage:

No member of this Grand Lodge will be paid any mileage unless he is present and attends the several sessions thereof, except for good cause, he is excused in writing, signed by the Grand Master.

The Grand Master announced the serious illness of R. W. Albert K. Wilson, Grand Secretary. There was an introduction of the Grand Representatives, and M. W. Corona H. Briggs, Past Grand Master of Missouri, was introduced by a special committee. Grand Master Hugh P. Farrelly submitted his address; reports the activities of the year; urges that the Masonic History of the lodges be written up; approved the Acacia Fraternity. On the question of physical qualification he recommends:

That a discretionary power be lodged somewhere, by the enactment of a law, to the end that men possessing noble hearts and souls of courage, anxious to serve their fellows, may be permitted to embrace Freemasonry, notwithstanding some physical defect.

Although in all his ruling he held to the law of physical perfection, and said he had no power except to grant dispensations, to do in an irregular manner those things which by the laws and regulations may be done in regular order. He seemed to have put a "quietus" on the headquarters of the "Dancing Department" of King David Temple, and prohibited the use of the Masonic Temple for dancing purposes. He frowns upon the inclination, indirectly, if not directly in the solicitation of members. Says "Symbolic" Masonry recognizes none other than the three degrees;" that Masons should steer clear of commercialism. The writer would like to quote all he says on the Condition of the Order and Membership, but space forbids. There was a contribution by the Orient Lodge No. 51, of Topeka, to the Endowment Fund of the Masonic Home, of one thousand dollars. The report of the Committee of Grand Officers says of the Grand Master's report, that it is one of the most complete, satisfactory, and able documents ever contributed to the literature of the Grand Lodge. An oration by Brother Clarence E. Pile, was well received, for which a unanimous vote of thanks was extended.

A beautiful hand-wrought watch charm with the emblem of the lodge, chapter, council, and commandery was to be procured by one hundred of R. W. Brother Albert K. Wilson's friends, to have been presented to him at the annual communication, but on account of his illness a committee of four was appointed to go to Topeka and present the same to Brother Wilson who was ill at that place. They received as endowment donations to their Masonic Home, over \$11,000.00 during the year. The Committee on Masonic Customs referred to the recommendation of the Grand Master in regard to physical defects in candidates, and reported that any change of regulation by the Grand Lodge upon the subject would be unwise, which report was adopted.

The report on correspondence is by Brother Albert K. Wilson, who in 104 pages submits one of his splendid reviews. He notes the extremely interesting and complete report of our Grand Secretary of the Peace Celebration. He refers to Kansas being omitted in our brief review of last year. Brother Wilson, I am giving you a double portion this year.

Grand Master: Ben S. Paulen, Fredonia,
Grand Secretary: Albert K. Wilson, Topeka.

KENTUCKY, 1920.

Louisville,

October 19th, 1920.

120th Annual.

Grand Master Henry S. McElroy delivered a very comprehensive address of sixteen pages; reporting on Masonic Activities and special dispensations, he says:

During my administration I have granted so many dispensations to confer the Entered Apprentice degree on more than five candidates at one time that I deem it economy as well as advisable to omit from this address the names of the lodges to which granted and the dates. I have granted 162 during the year and they are on file in the office of the Grand Secretary. I have given this matter serious thought and am fully persuaded that this regulation should be repealed and so recommend.

To the mind of the writer it seems that it were far better that no dispensation be granted than that the regulation be ignored. We are so bent on making members and are paying such little regard to the making of Masons that Ancient Craft Masonry is becoming a mere stepping stone for their attainment to so-called "higher degrees."

Speaking of the Masonic Service Association, the Grand Master says that he has given the matter some thought and has reached the conclusion that this association will eventually encroach on the powers and duties of the subordinate lodges and Grand Lodge laws under its jurisdiction and centralize its powers within itself. He recommends that the Grand Secretary be directed to give notice that they withdraw from the association. He endorses fully the Masonic Home Journal and reports visiting the Old Masons' Home; says he was called upon to

render a great many opinions on a variety of subjects, but reports only a few. One of them approves collective balloting. All reported decisions were approved by the Committee on Jurisprudence, and adopted by the Grand Lodge. He reports the grand work of the Million Dollar Committee, a committee appointed to raise one million dollars for a new Masonic Widows and Orphans Home, and commends the work of the Order of the Eastern Star in their contribution to this worthy object. He suggests that the Grand Lodge authorize and procure a distinguishing Masonic emblem for their Past Grand Masters, and suggests a button to wear on the lapel of the coat, not to be expensive and yet one that would be treasured by every Past Grand Master.

He closes his address with the beautiful lines:

Be strong!

We are not here to play, to dream, to drift;
We have hard work to do and loads to lift.
Shun not the struggle, face it; 'tis God's gift.

Be strong!

Say not the days are evil—who's to blame?
And fold the hands and acquiesce. O Shame!
Stand up, speak out and bravely, in God's name.

Be strong!

It matters not how deep intrenched the wrong,
How hard the battle goes, the day how long;
Faint not; fight on! Tomorrow comes the song.

On the afternoon of the first day's session the Grand Lodge entertained the children of the Home in the theatre. The Masonic Employment Bureau reported 289 applications for employment, 239 positions procured, and 31 applications withdrawn. The Educational Trustees, an organization created by the Grand Lodge to conserve the surplus money coming into the hands of the Grand Lodge and using the income for the higher education and vocational training of the boys and girls who leave the Masonic Widows and Orphans Home when they arrive at sixteen years of age, presented a report of its activities from its conception to the last day of October, 1920, and during the time of the life of this committee 117 boys and girls have been assisted in their endeavor to attain a higher education or vocational training.

The Vice-President of the United States, Brother Thomas R. Marshall was announced and introduced to the Grand Lodge by the Grand Master and made a splendid address. A very full report was submitted by the Million Dollar Committee, where it is shown that they have practically reached their goal, over \$850,000.00 having already been subscribed. The Board of Directors of the Masonic Widows and Orphans Home submitted a report showing that they had 32 widows, 173 boys, and 16 girls in the Home. There was a tax of twenty-five cents per capita per year levied on the Masons of Kentucky for two years,

to be paid to the Old Masons Home of Kentucky, and used exclusively for the erection and operating of an infirmary and isolation home for the care of the bedridden brethren or those afflicted with contagious or infectious diseases.

Past Grand Master William W. Clarke submitted a report on documents received from the Grand Lodge of Vienna and Valle de Mexico, seeking closer relations with the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, and reports that in the opinion of the committee it would be wise to postpone to a future date favorable consideration of these requests, which was adopted.

The Finance Committee in estimating the budget for the Grand Lodge included \$60,000.00 for the Masonic Widows and Orphans Home, and \$15,200.00 for the Old Masons Home, and an additional \$1,000.00 for the same purpose. A resolution of thanks was tendered the Million Dollar Committee for their valuable service in securing approximately \$900,000.00 from 30,000 Masons in Kentucky. After a vote of thanks to the Grand Master, the Grand Lodge was closed.

The review is by Past Grand Master William W. Clarke, covering 70 pages, Nebraska being accorded two full pages.

Grand Master: Fred Acker, Paducah,

Grand Secretary: Dave Jackson, Louisville.

LOUISIANA, 1921.

New Orleans,

February 14th, 1921.

110th Annual.

Grand Master Wynne G. Rogers in his opening address calls attention to the condition of the country, refers to the waste of time, of property, of life and happiness, and the evils of war, and the evils resulting in consequence thereof, and the problem of readjustment, and reconstruction of the affairs of the world, and thinks that Masonry's opportunity is in rising to the occasion, and displaying wise and broad statesmanship for unselfishness and tolerance, and co-operation among our people and an optimism that refuses to be discouraged. He pays a tribute to the dead of his jurisdiction; displays the highest optimism when in speaking of the Masonic Service Association, he says:

From reliable information it was learned that within a very short while all the Grand Jurisdictions of the United States would become members.

From the fact that more jurisdictions are withdrawing from membership in the association than are joining, I am inclined to question the "reliable information" obtained by the delegation from Louisiana, in attending the meeting of the association. He reports thirty-three rulings and decisions. In one he held that a lodge could hold a special communication at four o'clock in the evening, confer the Masters degree upon five candidates, then close the lodge, and after an

interim open again in full form and confer five more Masters degrees, and says :

I ruled that after examination I could find no provision in the law which prohibited the Master of a lodge from calling more than one special communication upon the same day.

But he thinks it is against the spirit of our Institution, and a bad practice to be indulged in.

There was a splendid oration by Brother Mendel Silber, Grand Orator, on Masonry as a Philosophy of Practical Morality.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence seemed to have come to their senses, as the following resolution, reported by them was unanimously adopted by the Grand Lodge:

Resolved: That our relations with the Grand Orient of France be suspended until such time as that Body removes the cause for this action and respects the doctrine of geographical jurisdiction as interpreted by the Grand Lodges of the United States.

Masonry in Louisiana drifted far when they adopted the following resolution :

That it shall be permissible to obligate as many as five candidates at one and the same time in the Masters Degree.

The report on Correspondence is by the Grand Secretary, John A. Davilla, who submits his first annual review of the proceedings of other Grand Lodges, and gives Nebraska fraternal consideration.

Grand Master: Hollace H. Bain, Shreveport,

Grand Secretary: John A. Davilla, New Orleans.

MAINE, 1920.

Portland,

May 4th, 1920.

101st Annual.

Grand Master Silas B. Adams presents a condensed outline of his official acts. They celebrated the Centennial of the Grand Lodge with a number of distinguished guests from other jurisdictions. Consideration of the United States Masonic Service Association was deferred until the next annual communication. A proposition to raise the fees for the degrees from twenty to thirty dollars was submitted and referred to the next annual communication. They have over \$77,000.00 in their charity fund.

A report of seventy-three pages by Past Grand Master Albro E. Chase on Foreign Correspondence was submitted, in which Nebraska is accorded fraternal consideration.

Grand Master: Edward W. Wheeler, Brunswick,

Grand Secretary: Charles B. Davis, Portland.

MANITOBA, 1920.

Winnipeg,

June 9th, 1920.

45th Annual.

Grand Master Alexander McIntire read an address of considerable length and pays the usual tribute to the dead. He pleads for a new call of faith in God to counteract the ignorance that threatens the destruction of our civilization, and for a living wage for the faithful teacher in their schools. He says the only way to obtain reconstruction is to "reconstruct." He notes the visit of the Prince of Wales. The address is so full of things worth while that I would fain quote liberally would space permit.

After considerable discussion all three of the Grand Bodies in France and the Grand Orient of Netherlands and the Grand Lodge of Norway received fraternal recognition. There was an address on Masonry by W. Brother E. S. Moorhead, and another by the Grand Chaplain on "Service." There is a topical review by the Committee on Foreign Correspondence.

Grand Master: Albert J. Hatcher, Brandon,

Grand Secretary: James A. Ovas, Winnipeg.

MARYLAND, 1920.

Baltimore,

May 11th, 1920.

257th Semi-Annual.

Grand Lodge was opened in due form by R. W. Warner S. Seipp, Deputy Grand Master, after which the Grand Master, M. W. Brother Charles C. Homer, Jr., was received, who thereupon delivered his address. He reports a marvelous growth in membership, not only in the Blue Lodge, but in the Red, Green, Yellow, Purple, and all other shades of so-called Masonic bodies. It is the earnest hope of the writer that in time to come, Ancient Craft Masonry will be known by its right name rather than by a color.

He speaks of the need of more lectures and time for social intercourse and refers to the effort being made by the Masonic Service Association to supply digests of lectures for instructions, to instruct new members with the realization of the meaning of our symbolism and our objects and purposes; says the founders of our country builded along Masonic lines, and it is the duty and privilege of every Mason to see that our country depart not from the principles of our forefathers.

134th Annual.

The Grand Master, Charles C. Homer, Jr., in his address expresses the hope that he may be permitted to establish a precedent restricting the time for which a Grand Master may serve to two years, his predecessor having served over thirty years. He thinks the leaders in Masonry should use their best endeavors to make Masons rather than

members, and that the Masonic Service Association is working to that end. He commends the Masonic Service Association and the Washington Memorial.

M. W. James C. Braswell, Grand Master of North Carolina; M. W. Cooper H. Prickett, Grand Master of New Jersey; M. W. William L. Daniels, Past Grand Master of New Jersey; M. W. George L. Schoonover, Past Grand Master of Iowa, were each introduced and addressed the Grand Lodge. It is needless to say that Brother Schoonover gave some good wholesome advice, whatever some brethren may think of the Masonic Service Association. The Washington Memorial was endorsed.

The following resolution was passed:

Resolved, That the Grand Master is authorized in cases of candidates who have been injured or incapacitated in the service of the Army or Navy of the United States in line of duty to waive disabilities which would not prevent a substantial compliance with the requirements of initiation, passing and raising.

The report on Correspondence is by Past Grand Senior Warden Henry Branch, Nebraska not included.

Grand Master: Warren S. Seipp, Baltimore,

Grand Secretary: George Cook, Baltimore.

MASSACHUSETTS, 1919.

Boston,

December 10th, 1919.

186th Annual.

A large volume of 171 pages, with 103 pages of appendix shows the transactions of this Grand Lodge at its two quarterly and one annual communications and nine special sessions, and it is difficult to review the proceedings. At the first quarterly session held in Boston on March 19th, the Grand Master, Leon M. Abbott, delivered an excellent address starting with a fine tribute to Theodore Roosevelt, which he closes with a poem by Kipling entitled "Great Heart." The Grand Master in his address said that "Success in Masonic membership is not marked by members, but by quality."

There was a very exhaustive report made by the Grand Secretary, Past Grand Master Frederick W. Hamilton, on the Peace Jubilee in London.

There is no report on Foreign Correspondence, as the Grand Lodge some years ago determined to dispense with any review of other Grand Lodges.

Grand Master: Leon Martin Abbott, Brookline,

Grand Secretary: Frederick W. Hamilton, Cambridge.

Michigan, 1920.

Saginaw,

May 25th, 1920.

76th Annual.

After opening the Grand Lodge, the Roll of Honor was called, and some timely remarks and good advice given by the Grand Master, to the Masters and representatives of the lodges composing the Grand Lodge, calling attention to their duty in attending every session of the Grand Lodge. The Grand Master, M. W. Brother Charles B. Eddy, read his annual address, and reported that he had devoted his entire time to the duties of the office. He reports Masonry in Michigan as having prospered in the last year in many ways. That the lodges are receiving more applications than ever before. A total of 11,410 Master Masons were raised, and they now have a membership of 110,000.

He reports the death of distinguished brethren of other jurisdictions; endorses the Craftsmen Club of Ann Arbor; thinks it is vital to every lodge to make thorough investigation of all candidates, and recommends the adoption of a questionnaire set out in the proceedings. He endorsed the Tyler-Keystone; reports on the Masonic War Council and War Fund; recommends that the balance on hand, \$57,000.00 be turned over to the Masonic Home Board; approved the Masonic Service Association, but says that they are the only jurisdiction in the division that consists of the states of Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, and Michigan, that has approved the association. He recommends that the association be endorsed as entirely worthy of the financial and moral support of the Grand Lodge. He directed \$5,000.00 of the War Relief Fund to be paid for the Near East Relief. Reports attending the meeting of the Masonic Relief Association of the United States and Canada, and gives it his hearty support. Says he attended the annual meeting of the George Washington Memorial Association, and thinks the association worthy of their earnest consideration, and attention.

On the report of the Committee on Jurisprudence, the per diem, and mileage of the officers of the lodges were increased to \$5.00 per day, and 5 cents per mile each way. In the report of the Committee on Jurisprudence, there is an amendment proposed which was deferred until the next communication, the purpose of which was to strike out of the present law, the provision that there shall be on the Board of Control of the Masonic Home, two members chosen by the Grand Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star.

Upon the report of the committee the recommendation of the Grand Master in reference to the system of the questionnaire, was adopted, said questionnaire to become a part of the report of the investigating committee.

There is a report from the Special Committee on District Deputies, and while the committee were favorable to the adoption of the District Deputy system, they thought the time was too short at this session to frame a definite plan of action, which was referred to a special committee to report at the next annual communication.

The Special Committee on Masonic Service Association reported heartily approving the aims of the association, and recommending their jurisdiction to continue its affiliation. There was a contribution of \$500.00 to the George Washington Memorial Association.

The report on Correspondence of 147 pages, is by Grand Secretary Lou B. Winsor, P. G. M. Liberal quotations from the address of Grand Master Epperson are given, and he quotes in full the report of the Committee on the Promotion of the World's Peace.

Grand Master: Ira A. Beck, Battle Creek,

Grand Secretary: Lou B. Winsor, Detroit.

MINNESOTA, 1920.

St. Paul,

January 21st, 1920.

67th Annual.

Grand Master George M. Stowe, in his address, refers feelingly to the dead in his jurisdiction; reports many visitations; granted a number of dispensations to hold more than one communication on the same day to confer degrees; and reports attending the Diamond Jubilee of the Grand Lodge of Iowa. He approves the Masonic Service Association, and thinks its organization means more for Masonry than any step heretofore taken. I suppose our good brother will permit us to disagree with him. He commends the George Washington National Masonic Memorial Association, all of which was approved by the Grand Lodge. His report on Physical Qualification is approved, leaving the standard with the local lodge, and he recommended some changes which were adopted. Their rule now is as follows:

Every petitioner for the degrees in Masonry must have the senses of a man, especially those of hearing, seeing and feeling; be a believer in the Supreme Architect of the Universe; capable of reading and writing in English, and possessing no main or defect in his body that may render him incapable of conforming to what the several degrees respectively require of him. Provided, that in case of any such maiming or physical defect, on petition of five members of the lodge, together with photographs showing such maiming or physical defect, the Secretary shall transmit the petition and photographs to the Grand Master for his decision. Should the Grand Master upon investigation deem it advisable so to do he may in his discretion issue dispensation permitting the lodge to proceed to ballot on the petition.

An oration on "The Mission of Masonry" was delivered by the Grand Orator, George W. Empey, who rather mars an otherwise fine address by advocating political affairs in our lodge rooms.

Brother Irving Todd gives us another of his splendid reviews. Nebraska receiving its portion.

Grand Master: Edmund A. Montgomery, Minneapolis,

Grand Secretary: John Fishel, St. Paul.

MISSISSIPPI, 1920.

Vicksburg,

February 24th, 1920.

102d Annual.

The Grand Master, Louis A. Benoist, in his address reports the deaths of Past Grand Masters Judge James F. McCook, and Edwin J. Martin, and Grand Secretary Frederic G. Speed, and notes the death of distinguished Masons of other jurisdictions including Past Grand Master Davis from this state. He recommends an appropriation to meet the expense of a delegate to the meeting of the Masonic Relief Association; recommends that fraternal relations be resumed with New Jersey, which was on the recommendation of the Committee on Laws "not adopted." He wants more money in the Endowment Fund of the Masonic Home, wants "the frivolous manner that the degrees of Masonry are treated in some lodges stopped;" recommends that the Grand Lodge continue its membership in the Masonic Service Association and George Washington National Masonic Memorial Association.

No report on correspondence.

Grand Master: Edward L. Faucette, Newton,

Grand Secretary: Oliver Lee McKay, Meridian.

MISSISSIPPI, 1921.

Jackson,

February 22d, 1921.

103d Annual.

Grand Master Edward L. Faucette, in opening his address says:

The mission of Freemasonry is one of love and enlightenment; its aim is the promotion of human happiness in brotherly union; the welfare and ennoblement of mankind; the moral improvement of its members, and to render social life more agreeable. The same liberty and freedom that pervades this country and is inherited by its citizens, characterizes Masonry.

He speaks of the growth of the Institution, their membership having increased 3171. He calls attention to the splendid financial condition of the Grand Lodge; made no decisions; spent a very active year; and approves the scope and plan of the Masonic Service Association. From the report of the manager of the Masonic Home it seems that the Grand Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star, and its subordinate chapters, the chapters of the Royal Arch, commanderies of the Knights Templar, the Shriners, and the Scottish Rite Bodies, have all rendered material assistance to the Board of Managers, in meeting the extra demand upon it, and in its management of the Home. A further resolution was passed endorsing the Public School System, and the Smith-Towner Bill, and approving the action of the American Legion, in declining to accept the money tendered by the Knights of Columbus for the building of the Memorial Auditorium.

R. W. Brother Melville R. Grant, Chairman of the Committee on

the Application of the Grand Lodge of France for Recognition reported adversely. The report was unanimously adopted. In closing their excellent report they say :

As long as this Grand Lodge of Mississippi requires of its Initiates a declaration of belief in the existence of the Supreme Being, the immortality of the human soul, and that the obligation of all candidates should be taken on the sacred writings at the altar, we cannot consistently grant recognition to the French Grand Bodies until they shall have restored the Sacred Writings to the altar, requiring all Initiates to be obligated thereon.

Thirty-one pages of the proceedings are taken up by a report on the Masonic Service Association, which is approved. The report on Foreign Correspondence is by Grand Orator Henry C. Yawn, and consists of 105 pages of careful consideration of fifty-four Grand Jurisdictions. Nebraska, 1920, receives fraternal notice, and quotations are freely made from the address of Grand Master Tooley.

Grand Master: John H. Johnson, Ackerman.

Grand Secretary: Oliver Lee McKay, Meridian.

MISSOURI, 1920.

Kansas City,

September 21st, 1920.

100th Annual.

M. W. Brother Samuel S. Whiting, Past Grand Master of Nebraska, was introduced by Past Grand Master Kuhn, and addressed the Grand Lodge. Grand Master Julius C. Garrell, after paying a tribute to the fraternal dead, reports visitations to the lodges and the laying of corner-stones; he makes a report on the proposed Centennial Celebration, and refers to the work of the Board of Relief, saying that it is one of the most valuable agents for good in the Masonic Fraternity, and that the Employment Bureau at St. Louis have been doing a great work. He commends highly the Masonic Home, calls it the right hand of usefulness, and suggests that the officers of the Masonic Home bring to the attention of the Grand Lodge some suggestion for the establishment of a larger income. He refused authority to solicit funds from the lodges, for building enterprises; wanted to make it a Masonic offense to solicit or propose a Master Mason for membership in any organization for which that standing is a qualification, until he has been a Master Mason for a period of not less than three months after he has passed an examination in the Master Masons degree. The spirit of the recommendation was approved by the committee, but the question of making it a Masonic offense was not approved. Most of his decisions are either "Yes" or "No" to some query propounded. There was a motion adopted increasing the mileage two cents a mile and the per diem to two dollars per day.

There is an able report by M. W. Brother William F. Kuhn, Chairman of the Committee on Recognition of Foreign Grand Lodges, on Mex-

ico, France and Germany. The committee reported in favor of recognition of the Grand Lodge of Mexico, and recommended that fraternal recognition of the Grand Orient of France be denied, that the status of the German Grand Lodge be postponed for further investigation. M.'W.'. Brother Corona H. Briggs, member of the Executive Commission, made a report of attending the meeting of the Masonic Service Association. This was referred to the special Committee on Masonic Service Association. The committee submitted two reports; the majority recommended that the Grand Lodge withdraw as members of the Association, and was signed by three members of the committee. The substitute offered by Brother Corona H. Briggs to remain a member of the Association, and to appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00, for the use of the committee was carried.

The report on Fraternal Correspondence is by Rev. Charles C. Woods, Past Grand Master, consists of 132 pages of well digested matter, Nebraska being very fraternally considered.

Grand Master: William F. Johnson, Boonville,
Grand Secretary: John R. Parson, St. Louis.

MONTANA, 1919.

Great Falls,

August 20th, 1919.

55th Annual.

Grand Master Ernest M. Hutchinson delivered his address, reporting fully the activities of the office for the year. He pays a tribute to the fraternal dead, notes that ten of the members were killed in action, and that eight died in military service during the World War. He granted the usual number of dispensations, issued his proxy to R.'W.'. Brother Robert E. Hathaway, the Grand Senior Warden, who was Major in the army serving in France, to attend the Masonic Peace Celebration in London. It was our pleasure to meet Brother Hathaway over there and we found him a royal good fellow. He commends the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association, and the Masonic Relief Association of the United States and Canada, and the War Relief Administration of the Grand Lodge of New York. He frowns at the organization of what they call the "Sons of Hiram;" while commending the work, he evidently believes with many others, that Masonry already has too many adjuncts. He suggests that the War Relief Fund might be used for some other good purpose, and should additional funds become necessary for relief of brethren of the late war, they might be acquired.

He makes full report of the Cedar Rapids Conference, and the organization of Masonic Service Association. There was a reception for those who had been Masons for fifty years or over and a photograph of the brethren is published in the proceedings. M.'W.'. Brother Walter L. Stockwell made a speech, commended the Masonic Service Association, after which the resolution or motion to join the association

was unanimously carried. The report of the Special Committee on War Relief Contributions recommended that the War Relief Fund be transferred to the Permanent General Relief Fund, which was adopted.

The report on Foreign Correspondence was prepared by Past Grand Master H. S. Hepner, consisting of 126 pages. In reviewing Nebraska, he copies almost two pages of Brother John R. Webster's oration, delivered in 1918, and also copies the full report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence on the subject of the recognition of the Grand Lodge of Panama.

Grand Master: W. L. Parmelee, Butte,
Grand Secretary: Cornelius Hedges, Helena.

NEW HAMPSHIRE, 1920.

Concord,

May 19th, 1920.

131st Annual.

Harry G. Noyes, Grand Master, in his address, says that one brilliant star is shedding its light on one great truth, "The Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man," which must be accepted as the battle cry of this new era. He reports the death of the distinguished brethren of his jurisdiction; issued numerous special dispensations, approved the George Washington National Memorial Association; pleads for better support of their Masonic Home; endorsed the Masonic Service Association, and recommends a fund to defray the expense of representatives in attending its meetings.

The Grand Lodge adopted a resolution making an assessment of one dollar per member to be paid by May 5th, 1922, to the George Washington National Masonic Memorial Association.

Here's their law on physical qualification:

Section 105. By the ancient regulations, the physical deformity of an individual operates as a bar to his admission into the Fraternity. But as this regulation was adopted for the government of the Craft, at a period when they united the character of operative with that of speculative Masonry, this Grand Lodge authorizes such a construction of the regulation as that, when the deformity of the candidate who wears an artificial appliance, like an artificial arm or leg, is not such as to prevent him from being instructed in the arts and mysteries of Freemasonry, and does not amount to an inability honestly to acquire the means of subsistence, the admission will not be an infringement on the ancient landmarks, but will be consistent with the spirit of our Institution.

The review is by Past Grand Master Harry M. Cheney, who in 82 pages reviews the proceedings of 59 Grand Lodges. Nebraska is well considered.

The proceedings of the Society of Veteran Freemasons are published in the proceedings.

Grand Master: Harry G. Noyes, Gorham,
Grand Secretary: Harry M. Cheney, Concord.

NEW JERSEY, 1920.

Trenton,

April 21st, 1920.

133rd Annual.

A portrait of William L. Daniels, Grand Master, faces the title page. His report covers 26 pages. In it he reports the year as one of great growth in membership, pays a tribute to the dead, and reports the trouble with a German-speaking lodge, the charter of which he arrested. He reports on their Masonic Home, recommends that the per capita tax for the support of the Home to be raised from 50 cents to one dollar, and that initiates be required to pay \$10.00 instead of \$5.50 in addition to the initiation fee of the lodge, and not included in it, saying:

The one great thing to which we can point with pride is our Masonic Home, which is the one tangible evidence we have to show that we are practicing Masonic charity.

He recommends that the Order of the Eastern Star be allowed representations on the committee having oversight of the domestic affairs of their Masonic Home, which was adopted by the Grand Lodge.

He made in all 17 recommendations which were all adopted, among them an endorsement of the George Washington National Masonic Memorial Association and the Masonic Service Association.

The Grand Lodge adopted a rule requiring all officers of the Grand Lodge and subordinate lodges who have charge of lodge moneys or securities to be bonded in one policy to the Grand Lodge and by it apportioned and charged to the various lodges according to the amount of insurance required by each, such policy to cover possible losses by bank failures.

Past Grand Master Austen Hall McGregor made a report of his attendance at the Peace Meeting in London. We remember Brother McGregor and to say he is a prince is to confer an honor on the prince.

The correspondence report is by R. W. Brother Robert A. Shirrefs, and is a well written report of 91 pages, reviewing 63 proceedings of 61 Grand Lodges.

Grand Master: Cooper H. Prickett, Trenton,

Grand Secretary: Isaac Cherry, Trenton.

NEW MEXICO, 1920.

Albuquerque,

February 16th, 1920.

42nd Annual.

Health conditions caused delay in transacting the business until March 15th. Grand Master Alex D. Goldenberg, after paying tribute to the dead of his own and other jurisdictions, submits a full report of his activities during the year. He reports five decisions, the first of which is:

Officers of lodges who have been re-elected, must be re-installed before they can perform the duties of their office.

This is not the rule in this jurisdiction, where an officer acts until his successor is chosen and installed.

He also reports the activities of the George Washington Masonic Memorial Association, and the Masonic Service Association, and gives both his hearty commendation. His recommendations were approved.

They have over \$12,000.00 in their Masonic Home Fund, raised the salary of the Grand Secretary from \$1,500.00 to \$1,800.00, and the committee recommended and the Grand Lodge adopted the following:

That in recognition of the fact that the present incumbent of the office of Grand Secretary has devoted almost a lifetime's service—to be exact, a period of nearly thirty-six years—to the duties of the office of Grand Secretary for the Grand Lodge of New Mexico, that so long as R. W. Brother A. A. Keen holds such position of Grand Secretary he shall be paid, as token of appreciation for long and faithful service, an additional sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) such sum to be paid at the conclusion of each Masonic fiscal year.

The Committee of Foreign Correspondence presents a topical report. The report is a good one, but we confess we prefer the beaten path that carries our mind to the jurisdiction and in spirit holds communion with the brethren.

Grand Master: Richard H. Hanna, Albuquerque.

Grand Secretary: Alpheus A. Keen, Albuquerque.

NEW MEXICO, 1921.

Albuquerque,

February 21st, 1921.

43rd Annual.

About the first business transacted was an amendment to the by-laws, reading as follows:

Electioneering for office in this jurisdiction is prohibited and shall be deemed a Masonic Offense.

This amendment became a law after receiving a favorable report from the Committee on Jurisprudence. It would seem from now on that Masonic brethren from New Mexico are going to refrain from electioneering for office.

There was a report from the Committee on Jurisprudence on a change or a revision of the by-law of the Grand Lodge wherein the committee questioned the authority of the Grand Lodge to make any change affecting the substance of existing by-laws. I have always labored under the impression that a Grand Lodge had supreme executive, legislative and judicial power, for from its action there is no appeal. The balance of the first day's proceedings was an invitation from the Shriners to the members of the Grand Lodge to a noon-day lunch, a banquet, and dance to be given by the members of the Temple.

The Grand Master submits a brief address although setting out in

full his activities for the year. He reports on the George Washington Memorial Association, having appointed a proxy to attend its meeting, and called upon the lodges of the jurisdiction to raise their proportionate share. He reports attending the meeting of the Masonic Service Association, and says he found no disposition on the part of any of those in attendance at the recent meeting to create a General Grand Lodge. He received an invitation from the Grand Lodge of Texas to join with them and the jurisdictions of Arizona and California in investigating conditions existing in Mexico. It is hoped that the brethren on the border will give us some Masonic light whereby we can determine the advisability of entering into fraternal relations with some of the Mexican lodges. A resolution was passed providing for the issuing of life memberships on the payment of \$200.00, to be used in the construction of buildings, and payment of indebtedness.

Past Grand Master Alex D. Goldenberg presented the Grand Lodge with twenty shares of Masonic Building stock, valued at \$500.00 for the Masonic Endowment Fund. Good work. Past Grand Lecturer William H. Seamon was present. We are remembering years gone by when we received much light on Masonic conditions in Mexico from Brother Seamon.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is by Brother John Milne, who presents a very interesting topical review. Did space permit we would like to give his entire conclusions, but here is one of serious consideration for every Mason:

So-called "higher bodies" in their desire for material, have stirred up a feeling of antagonism in Blue Lodges, by soliciting candidates before men were eligible for "higher degrees." Wise heads are needed or damage will be done. There are plenty of antagonisms, with forces wholly outside the Order, to demand all of our attention.

Grand Master: Francis E. Lester, Mesilla Park,
Grand Secretary: Alpheus A. Keen, Albuquerque.

NEW SOUTH WALES, 1920.

Sydney,

September 10th, 1919.

32nd Annual.

Regular quarterly meetings. Grand Master reported the work of the quarter. It seems that at the installation banquets of one of the lodges they had some ladies present who took part in the singing, and were seated at the festive board. The Grand Master says:

This is altogether wrong. Our lodges must learn to recognize the vital difference between Installation Banquets and ordinary Ladies' Nights. We do not want ladies at our Installation Banquets, they are totally out of place there.

£590 was paid to benevolent institutions, and £1160.10. to individual cases, making a total of £2,000 for the year.

The roll of honor contains the names of over 350 brethren killed in the World War, and 3,000 active members of lodges enlisted in the Expeditionary Force.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence reported against the recognition of the Grand Orient and the Grand Lodge of France.

The review is by the committee, Wor. Bro. William Epps, reviewing Nebraska, quotes liberally from the address of Grand Master Epper-son, and copies almost in full the report of this committee on the question of the recognition of the so-called Grand Lodge and Grand Orient of France, giving the report his hearty approval.

Grand Master: William Thompson.

Grand Secretary: Arthur H. Bray, Sydney.

NEW YORK, 1920.

New York,

May 1st, 1920.

139th Annual.

Grand Master William S. Farmer delivered an address and after paying tribute to the distinguished dead he reports fully the activities of the office, and on the work of the War and Relief Funds. It seems that they have their grievances even in the larger jurisdictions for he says:

Of course, we have the carper, the knocker, the constitutional obstructionist in all sections, and from wherever he hails, he becomes a hindrance to our progressiveness, a drag to every effort made to better conditions, and did it ever occur to you, that those very same knockers often become the recipients of the very charity they most opposed?

He pleads for co-operation; reports on the Masonic Relief Association of the United States and Canada, and commends the work. Under their law a degree can not be conferred on more than five candidates in one day, and a lodge, either by itself or through another lodge acting for it, can not confer more than one degree in one week. He recommends that this rule be changed. He reports attending the meeting of the Masonic Service Association, and recommends that the subject be referred to the War Relief Committee. Referring to the George Washington Memorial Association, he says they have not up to the present been active in this undertaking for the reason, he assumes, that they have been "hollering down their own rain-barrel." He recommends that the Grand Master be empowered to appoint a committee with power to act.

There is a valuable report by the Grand Historian, it being Chapters 15 to 20, which detail the Anti-Masonic excitement from 1827 to 1833, describing minutely the Morgan episode and is well worth careful perusal. The report on Lodges Overseas gave detailed activities of the lodges. The foundation is laid for the Masonic Soldiers and Sailors Memorial Hospital at Utica, New York, which is to be an ex-

pensive structure and one well worth the great work of the Great Jurisdiction.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence submit a report, Nebraska being fraternally considered.

Grand Master: William S. Farmer, Syracuse,

Grand Secretary: Robert Judson Kenworthy, New York City.

NEW ZEALAND, 1920.

Ivergargill,

May 3rd, 1920.

31st Annual.

These proceedings are largely taken up with the reports of the Board of General Purposes and the Board of Benevolence.

The Grand Master whose address was read by the president of the Board, pleads for a union of the Grand Lodge of New Zealand and the lodges holding under the Grand Lodges of England and Scotland, so as to form a United Grand Lodge.

The president of the Board disapproved the suggestion that the War Benevolent Fund be transferred to another fund, saying that the necessity for the Special Fund would exist long after the government repatriation was completed; there would be breakdowns due to service, and assistance to children and dependents would often be called for.

Grand Master: Thomas Ross, Dunedin,

Grand Secretary: Malcolm Niccol, Auckland.

NORTH CAROLINA, 1920.

Raleigh,

January 20th, 1920.

133rd Annual.

Henry A. Grady, Grand Master, in his address says:

Coming back to our own Order, we find that Masons are not satisfied with the divine truths inculcated in the symbolic degrees; but they wish to wear the purple of the so-called "higher bodies." The Arabic Fez, coupled with a foolish street parade, brings more joy to the modern Mason than all the beauties of the third obligation; and the resurrection of the body pales into insignificance when compared to the *alcoholic* elevation of the soul. And although we are taught that it is decidedly un-Masonic to solicit candidates, yet we find a large number of those "elevated" gentry going about the State with petitions in their pockets, openly and notoriously begging men to join; and I have no hesitancy in asserting that ninety per cent of the Knight Templars, Shriners and 32nd degree Scottish Rite Masons are unable to repeat the obligation of the Master's Degree as it is taught by the Grand Lecturers. I know that this statement will be challenged; but I stand ready for the test.

I have taken all of these degrees. I have worn a Fez and witnessed pranks that made me ashamed of the Order. I have worn the uniform of a Knight Templar and sat in the Consistory of the Thirty-second degree. I am not here to condemn these orders or to claim that there is no virtue in them. They are all good in their way; but I do claim that Masons should learn their letters before they attempt to

read, and that nobility of character should be measured, not by the number of degrees you have taken; but by the manner in which you exemplify those degrees to the world at large. No man enjoys more than I do the motion picture show and the stage; but for unadulterated principles of the Craft, give me the old fashioned Mason, who has heard of these things but never sought them, who believes in the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man as the MUD-SILL of Masonry; who extends the hand of true friendship, unadorned by the gauntlet of the Templar; who bows his head in the presence of his Maker, free from Fez or other ornament; and who does not believe that a uniform will gain him a passport into the gates of the Great Beyond. We are getting away from the ancient landmarks; and it may be well for us to remember that Masonry, after all, is now and ever shall be, the exemplification of the principles of Friendship, Morality and Brotherly Love. Upon these are builded the three symbolic degrees; and the rest is "leather and prunella."

I have made these remarks because I felt it my duty to do so; and I wish to warn the Masons of this State that, while there is much good in these "higher bodies" yet, in many instances, we are subjecting ourselves and the Order to ridicule and derision; and, in respect to one of them, we may be building in our midst an Hierarchy not unlike that which we are constantly taught to condemn.

He commends the Masonic Service Association and the George Washington Memorial; says the increase in the tax on initiates enabled the Grand Lodge to meet its budget in full; made a full report of his doings as Grand Master, and concludes his report with "Let us live."

The executive committee reported the Home in excellent condition as did also the committee on Orphans Asylum.

There was a full report of the Masonic Service Association and the report was approved and the Grand Master authorized to draw on the Grand Treasurer for such sums as may be necessary to carry on the work of the Association, not to exceed at any one time more than one thousand dollars, except in case of a national calamity.

The law was amended to provide that:

Maim or deformity shall not prevent a candidate from initiation and advancement, provided such candidate can, by artificial means, comply with the provisions of paragraph (1) hereof.

There is no report on correspondence.

Grand Master: James C. Braswell, Whitakers,
Grand Secretary: William W. Willson, Raleigh.

NORTH DAKOTA, 1920.

Fargo,

June 15th, 1920.

31st Annual.

The Grand Master, M. W. Amil P. Leuhart, presented his address which was favorably received by members of the Grand Lodge. He says:

Good citizenship is good Masonry. Justice and the square deal are good Masonic principles. Masonic ideals should be carried outside of the walls of the lodge into our lives as citizens, and beyond

that into our lives as citizens of the world. Good-will among men needs to be organized.

He refers to the fraternal dead and the general conditions of the Craft. Reporting on the Washington Memorial Association, he hopes their Grand Lodge will be the first one to report 100 per cent contributions to this great enterprise. He recommends the adoption of a Grand Lodge by-law prohibiting the initiation, passing, or raising of more than five candidates at one communication.

The report of the fraternal correspondent, M. W. Brother Grant S. Hager, speaks in glowing terms of the second conference of the Masonic Service Association. The Committee on the George Washington Memorial Association reported strongly commending the Association and urging contributions. There was an amendment to the constitution making all Past Grand Masters members of the Grand Lodge, and a by-law adopted providing for life membership, when a brother has been a member in good standing for thirty years. They adopted a by-law limiting the initiation, passing, or raising to five candidates at any one communication, and raised the minimum fee to fifty dollars. Gjem Fraser, student of Grafton, North Dakota, won the Thompson Memorial prize, the subject being, "America's Second Line Trench."

Past Grand Master Grant S. Hager presents a review of 70 pages, Nebraska receiving due consideration.

Grand Master: Allan V. Haig, Devils Lake,

Grand Secretary: Walter L. Stockwell, Fargo.

NOVA SCOTIA, 1920.

Yarmouth,

June 9th, 1920.

55th Annual.

The Grand Lodge was opened in ample form at ten o'clock and at eleven o'clock they went to church and heard a sermon, after which they were called to refreshment and resumed labor at 2:15, when the Grand Master delivered his address. In his opening remarks he says:

We will, I think, agree that man is entitled to his life, and hence to his liberty; to the products of his own industry, and therefore to his personal property, to the sacredness of his family which should constitute his happiness, and to his reputation which no one has a right to stain. As we are strong in war, so let us be strong in peace and sustain the rights of mankind, ever keeping before us the great tenets of our Institution, relying for guidance in the G. A. O. T. U., who will direct our paths to the temple of happiness.

He reports on the Freemasons Home and the meetings of the Board of Trustees; says the Endowment Fund has reached \$62,000.00 and makes an appeal for its support. He restored two charters, dedicated one Masonic Hall, and reports many investigations. He holds that in his opinion a brother is in duty bound to report his convictions or objections to the Investigating Committee. Some of the decisions

were not approved by the Committee of Jurisprudence, but were finally approved by the Grand Lodge.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is by the Grand Secretary. Nebraska receiving kindly consideration.

Grand Master: George Dewar MacDougall, New Glasgow.

Grand Secretary: James C. Jones, Halifax.

OHIO, 1920.

Columbus,

October 20th, 1920.

111th Annual.

The proceedings are embellished with a picture of an unbroken line of twenty-eight Past Grand Masters, all living; in our jurisdiction, the best we can muster is an unbroken line of six.

The Grand Master, Matthew Smith, submits a report, a strain of pure Masonic religion permeating the address. After paying a tribute to the dead of his own and other jurisdictions he reports his activities as Grand Master for the year. He says the Fraternity is flourishing in membership, the net gain for the year being over sixteen thousand. He made many visitations, and reports ritualistic efficiency, also improvements to the Masonic Home.

The Grand Master recommended the purchase of \$50,000.00 worth of 4½ per cent Victory Bonds. On the report of the Committee on Roosevelt Memorial Association the Grand Lodge concluded not to become a member of the Association, at least for the present. There is a fine cut of the Masonic Home Building and a full report of the Superintendent, showing the average attendance of men 80, women 60, boys 39, girls 30, total 209. They have \$440,226.47 in the several Home Funds.

Past Grand Master O. P. Sperra submits a review of other Grand Lodges of 173 pages, four pages being devoted to Nebraska. He quotes freely from the report of Bro. White, on the Overseas Trip.

Grand Master: John F. Flotron, Dayton,

Grand Secretary: Jacob H. Bromwell, Cincinnati.

OKLAHOMA, 1920.

Guthrie,

February 24th, 1920.

12th Annual.

In the absence of the Grand Master, owing to his physical condition, the Grand Lodge was opened by the Deputy Grand Master, Frank Alvin Derr. There was an address of welcome and response. After the report of the Committee on Rules and Order of Business, there was a reception of Past Grand Master Corona H. Briggs of Missouri. Brother Briggs in his remarks said that he was past seventy years of age and did not know the sensation of intoxication. There was a reception of Grand Representatives present, after which the Grand

Master delivered his address. He pays tribute to the fraternal dead, makes a detailed report of his doings, endorses the Washington Memorial Association, and reports attending the meeting of the Masonic Service Association, and sets forth its by-laws. He says the Scottish Rite Bodies of Oklahoma are providing an appropriation of one hundred thousand dollars to erect a building for the benefit of Masonic students at Norman, Oklahoma. Among his decisions is one:

Children of deceased Entered Apprentices or Fellow Crafts are not eligible for admission in the Masonic Home.

The Grand Master recommends that the report in relation to proficiency in the Master Mason degree should either be repealed or a greater penalty provided for its non-enforcement. M. W. Brother Corona H. Briggs, Past Grand Master, and a member of the Executive Committee of the Masonic Service Association, delivered a very interesting address. The association was endorsed. They adopted an amendment to the by-laws providing for a committee on the Masonic Service Association of the United States.

The Board of Control of the Home reported 55 boys, 46 girls, 12 men, and 4 women, total 117, who are residents of the Home. That 44 children are out on the "Allowance Plan", that is, they are enrolled in the school, but are out in the hospital and training. The annual cost of maintaining the Home is \$259.10 per capita, or \$21.58 per capita per month.

The report on correspondence is by Brother Thomas C. Humphrey, who reviews 28 proceedings, Nebraska receiving fraternal consideration.

Grand Master: Frank Alvin Derr, Guthrie.

Grand Secretary: William M. Anderson, Oklahoma City.

OREGON, 1920.

Portland,

June 16th, 1920.

70th Annual.

The Grand Master, Earl C. Bronaugh, in his address says:

The ceaseless round of degree work is leaving no time or opportunity for the greater things of Masonry. Can we properly assimilate this sudden accession to our numbers? And how are we going to do it? May the time speedily come when we shall settle down to a normal basis and have time to consider the beauties of speculative Masonry.

He reports seven decisions, three on physical qualifications. He recommends appropriate action as to whether strict or liberal constructions shall be placed on the by-laws based on physical qualification. The matter was referred to a special committee who reported that a candidate otherwise eligible may be admitted to membership despite injury or the loss of limb or limbs as long as he is able to comply naturally or artificially in the requirements of initiation in con-

ferring the degrees. He reports a number of generous donations to the Masonic Home Fund, and on the 19th landmark observes:

One who, after having the benefit of the Lodge prayer can not or will not freely and intelligently declare his trust to be in God, is out of place in the Lodge erected to Him, and ancient Masonic Custom has provided the means by which he may and should be conducted without our portals. * * * It is time for Masons to stand up and be counted against every force and influence that would infringe the inalienable rights of men or disturb the peace and harmony of the social order.

The Committee on Correspondence recommended deferring action on the applications for recognition of the Grand Lodge of Vienna, the Grand Lodge of Columbia, and the Grand Lodge of Unida, Mexicana. After the installation of officers there was presented to the retiring Grand Master a Past Grand Master's Apron.

The Report on Correspondence of 197 pages is by Past Grand Master David P. Mason, who in common with the committee in New York and Michigan expresses no individual opinion, but simply reports the facts, allowing the reader to form his own opinion, Nebraska being accorded three full pages.

Grand Master: William J. Kerr, Corvallis,

Grand Secretary: James F. Robinson, Portland.

PENNSYLVANIA, 1919.

Philadelphia,

December, 27th, 1919.

At the quarterly communication held March 5th, 1919, Past Grand Master Louis A. Watres presented the constitution of the Masonic Service Association which was referred to the Committee on Landmarks, and at the quarterly communication held September 3rd, the Masonic Service Association was approved and Pennsylvania became a member thereof.

The Committee on War Relief submitted an interesting report showing its activities in the establishment at Camp Dix of a Masonic Society called the "Dix Acacia Club" which club was entirely financed by the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, and was active in Masonic benevolence from its organization to the end of the war. Very much of the quarterly communication held December 3rd, 1919, is taken up with the financial reports, and the financial report of the Trustees of the Grand Lodge Charity Fund, the income of which amounted to over \$12,000.00 in addition to many special memorial funds held by the Grand Lodge.

There was a report of the Committee on Masonic Homes showing the total number of guests enrolled 313. Among them were 19 married couples, 101 men, 124 women, 30 boys, and 20 girls.

The annual communication was held December 27th. Grand Master James B. Krause reported very fully his work of the year, and from

the report it is shown that 261 of the brethren belonging to Pennsylvania lodges laid down their lives for their country in the late war; and that there were 11,331 Pennsylvania Masons in the Army and Navy. He commends the work of the employment bureau; reports ten special bequests to the Masonic Home Fund; approves the George Washington Memorial Association and the Masonic Service Association, and thinks that we can rest assured that the Ancient Sovereign rights and prerogatives of the respective Grand Lodges, and the landmarks of Freemasonry will not be invaded or curtailed by that representative body of wise and accomplished Freemasons.

The Thomas Ranken Patton Masonic Institution for Boys is to be established, the fund amounting to a million and a quarter dollars which the late Brother Patton bequeathed to the Grand Lodge for that purpose, having become available during the year.

The George Washington National Masonic Association was approved, and the report shows that over 17,000 members were added to the Fraternity during the previous year, being the largest in the history of the Grand Lodge.

There is a splendid report of the Committee on Correspondence submitted by Brother Thomas F. Penman, Nebraska being accorded three full pages. Of the White Shrine of Jerusalem, he says "We wonder in how many more directions Masonry is to become a passage-way to new creations."

In quoting from the report of this committee on French Masonry he says:

We herewith bring to our readers the conclusion of the report, which was approved by the Grand Lodge and which, from our humble standpoint, is the last word on the subject.

Grand Master: John S. Sell, Philadelphia,
Grand Secretary: John A. Perry, Philadelphia.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS, 1920.

Manila,

January 27th, 1920.

8th Annual.

There was an address of welcome by the Governor General, a response by Past Grand Master Quezon, and a luncheon given by the Governor General to all members of the Grand Lodge. The Grand Representatives were received, Past Grand Master Newton C. Comfort, Grand Secretary, representing Nebraska. Grand Master Milton E. Springer presented his annual message in print without reading. Among many good things he says:

Freemasonry seeks no man. Its honors and benefits are never to be peddled. It is not a universal brotherhood in that it is not designed for every man. There must be fitness for Masonic honor.

He reports visiting forty-seven of the fifty-one lodges in his jurisdiction. He reports the existence of clandestine Masonry in the Island.

It seems that these clandestine fakirs are put a little ahead of Masonry over here, but at the rate we are going in adding tails to the Masonic kite by the organization of clubs, shrines and grottos we will in time reach ninety degrees in the shade. He issued a circular setting forth the action of the Grand Lodge of California in recognition of the Grand Orient of France. They ought to recognize the Grand Orient of Spain.

Grand Master: Rafael Palma, Manila,
Grand Secretary: Newton C. Comfort, Manila.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND, 1920.

Charlottetown,

June 25th, 1920.

45th Annual.

Grand Master M.'W.'. (Rev.) James MacDougall, delivered an address and says:

The golden age so vividly portrayed and so confidently predicted as the natural result of the cessation of hostilities has proved to be a passing illusion.

He notes the visit of his Royal Highness, Albert Edward, Prince of Wales. He reports the death of the distinguished Masons of his own and other jurisdictions; reports his visitation to the subordinate lodges, and says that the general condition of the Craft is satisfactory. He thinks that we can find neither moral or physical perfection in those seeking admission into the Order, and while we should not lower the moral standard, he believes that in some instances undue emphasis is laid on the physical qualifications of candidates. He made no official ruling, but urges that proper steps be taken to increase the per capita tax, or to allot a larger percentage to their general fund.

There is no report on correspondence.

Grand Master: William S. Stewart, Charlottetown.
Grand Secretary: Edward T. Carbonell, Charlottetown.

QUEENSLAND, 1919.

Brisbane,

September 8th, 1919.

16th Annual.

Long list of names, many apologies. Report of the Board of General Purposes; other stated communications held March 8th, 1920, June 7th, 1920, and June 14th 1920. There is nothing in the proceedings to indicate that any progress is being made in uniting the Grand Lodge of Queensland, recognized by this Grand Lodge, and a new Grand Lodge styled the Queensland Grand Lodge, made up of the former district Grand Lodge of the United Grand Lodge of England and the Grand Lodge of Scotland.

There is no report on correspondence.

Grand Master: James Stodart, Brisbane.

Grand Secretary: Charles H. Harley, Brisbane.

RHODE ISLAND, 1920.

Providence,

May 17th 1920.

129th Annual.

The semi-annual communication was held at Providence, November 17th, 1920, with Most Worshipful Grand Master James C. Collins presiding. A report of Overseas Lodge No. 1. (U. S. D. S.) gave a full account of the work of the lodge, for which a vote of thanks was tendered, and an amendment to the constitution was immediately proposed making it permissible for any member of the lodge in that jurisdiction who had served in the Army or Navy or any organization associated with said Army or Navy in the recent World War to become a member of the Overseas Lodge without losing his rights of membership to the original lodge, and making it permissible for any member of the Overseas Lodge to become a member of any regular lodge in that jurisdiction without relinquishing his membership in the Overseas Lodge, "notwithstanding any provision in this constitution to the contrary." Some letting down the bars.

The Committee on the New Masonic Temple submit a plan for erecting the building to cost approximately one million dollars. The report of the committee was adopted, and a committee appointed to erect a Temple in the city of Providence.

At the annual communication, May 17th, 1920, there was an address by the Grand Master who reports on the conditions of the Fraternity and the welcome home of the veterans of the World War. He recommends that the funds remaining in the hands of the Masonic War Board be used to meet the calls on assessments made by the Masonic Service Association and appointed a representative. He recommends the work of the association, but finds a little fault because the Masonic work carried on by Rhode Island Masonry in the Overseas Lodge and its active work in making Masons in Germany is not referred to. He approves the George Washington Memorial Association, and refers to a proposed amendment to the law allowing the members the privilege of dual membership.

The Committee on Jurisprudence submitted a report changing somewhat the original proposition of amending the constitution allowing dual membership, and providing that a brother may be a member of not more than two lodges within their jurisdiction. They provided that the involuntary loss of membership in either lodge shall constitute a loss of membership in both. We fail to see any good reason, if they are going to have a dual membership, why they should confine it to two lodges.

There is no report on correspondence.

Grand Master: James E. Batty, Pawtucket,

Grand Secretary: S. Penrose Williams, Providence.

SASKATCHEWAN, 1920.

Regina,

June 16th, 1920.

14th Annual.

There was an address of welcome by the Mayor, the President of the Board of Trade, and from the five Masters of the lodges in Regina with suitable responses.

The Grand Master reported the ruling that a candidate such as a Quaker who conscientiously objects to taking an oath under any circumstance should be allowed to affirm, but the committee and Grand Lodge refused to approve. They have taken down part of the bars against collective degree work, and approved a ruling of the Grand Master allowing a part of each of the degrees to be conferred upon any number. This is an expedient way to make members, but a doubtful procedure to make Masons.

With a membership of about ten thousand, they have allocated (they do not use the word, assessed) to the several lodges over eighty thousand dollars for their Benevolent Fund. Fine.

There is no report on Foreign Correspondence.

Grand Master: Justice E. L. Elwood, Regina,

Grand Secretary: William B. Tate, Regina.

SOUTH CAROLINA, 1919.

Charleston,

December 9th, 1919.

183rd Annual.

The Grand Master in opening his address says, "Happy is a people whose God is the Lord." He reports the death of the Grand Junior Warden and other distinguished Masons of his own and other jurisdictions, and under the State of the Craft, says:

The true Mason is not made at sight, nor can this great Order, which, with the wisdom of ages, assumes to teach man's duty to God, his country, his neighbor, and self, dismiss the neophyte of a few hours or days, as an accomplished Freemason. Much patience, reflection, study and experience are necessary. The ritual itself, is but the shadow of the cohesive mass of fundamental truths embraced in Masonic teachings, and to say that a candidate is proficient and entitled to advancement merely because he has mentally mastered its language, is to substitute the shadow for the substance, and the forms and ceremonies for the truths.

After having made all arrangements to attend the Masonic Peace Celebration in London a personal bereavement compelled him to abandon the trip. They raised a \$17,000.00 War Relief Fund and the Grand Master recommended that the War Relief Board be continued. He

reports fully on the Masonic Service Association, sets out the constitution and by-laws, and also reports on the Washington Memorial Association. He recommends the change of their meeting from December to February, and reports fifty-one decisions. The Trustees of the Masonic Relief Fund report that they have over \$135,000.00 on hand.

Past Grand Master James L. Michie presents his tenth annual review, consisting of 188 pages. His conclusion is well worth reading, and were it not for our restricted space we would be gratified to copy the entire chapter.

Grand Master: Samuel T. Lanham, Spartanburg,

Grand Secretary: O. Frank Hart, Columbia.

SOUTH CAROLINA, 1921.

Charleston,

February 23rd, 1921.

184th Annual.

On January 18th, 1921, they held an occasional Grand Lodge in the city of Columbia to make Rt. Rev. William A. Guerry, Bishop of the Diocese of South Carolina, of the Protestant Episcopal Church, A MASON AT SIGHT. The degrees of Ancient Craft Masonry were conferred, and every place and station except that of Grand Master and Grand Secretary, was occupied by a Past Grand Master. Their report recites that the degrees were conferred, in that it was an improvement over the work of another Grand Lodge, in making Masons at sight. "Masonry regards no man for his worldly wealth, or honor." In their 1919 meeting they said "The true Mason is not made at sight."

At the regular communication Grand Master Samuel T. Lanham delivered a splendid address. He says that:

We have become so engrossed in the cares of this world, and the deceitfulness of riches, and the pursuit of our favorite phantoms, that as a Nation and as a people we have forgot God. The supreme need of America today is a religious awakening.

He feelingly refers to the death of their Senior Past Grand Master, J. Edgar Smith, and to some other distinguished Masons of his own and other jurisdictions. He approved the Masonic Service Association, and the George Washington Memorial, and one hour was set apart in the opening of the Grand Lodge, thirty minutes of which was devoted to the Masonic Service Association, and the balance of the time to the George Washington Memorial.

The report of the Trustees of Masonic Relief Fund shows that the brethren are to be commended in the active Masonic benevolence. During the year they have supported 26 orphans in three orphanages. There was a resolution passed directing that the sum of \$10,000.00 be paid annually from the General Fund to the Masonic Relief Fund.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence, after commending the excellent work of the distinguished Brother Michie, heartily concurred in the conclusions in his review concerning the warranting of Sea

and Field Lodges by the Grand Lodge of New York, and disapproving any tendency to recognize the Grand Orient or the Grand Lodge of France. They recommend that the request for recognition from the Grand Lodge of Porto Rico be not granted, and that no recognition be extended to the York Grand Lodge of Mexico or any other so-called Grand Lodges now existant in Mexico. The matter of the Grand Lodge of Costa Rica and Colombia recognition was withheld for further information.

Brother Michie presents his eleventh annual report wherein he reviews 62 Grand Jurisdictions, Nebraska, 1920, being accorded two pages. Would space permit we would like very much to quote in full his conclusions on "Emergent War Lodges;" "English vs. German Language;" "French Masonry;" "Is a Bastard, per se, a Criminal;" "The George Washington Masonic National Association," and "Queensland." Every word meets with the hearty approval of the writer.

Grand Master: Samuel T. Lanham, Spartanburg,
Grand Secretary: O. Frank Hart, Columbia.

SOUTH DAKOTA, 1920.

Pierre,

June 8th, 1920.

46th Annual.

Immediately after the assembly, the Grand Stewards brought in the American Flag, the members standing and singing "America." The Grand Master in his brief address paid tribute to the dead, reported three decisions, commended the Washington Memorial Association, and the Masonic Service Association. The Grand Treasurer reported over \$65,000.00 invested in permanent funds.

The Grand Secretary submitted an interesting table or recapitulation of 45 years of work in the jurisdiction. The detailed report of the collection for the Washington Memorial Association shows that 8,930 members have contributed \$8,046.00.

The Committee on Correspondence submitted a short topical report on the "Study of Masonry;" "Supervision of Lodges;" "Reconstruction;" "Benevolences," and "Physical Qualifications."

Grand Master: John H. McCord, Pierre,
Grand Secretary: George A. Pettigrew, Sioux Falls.

TENNESSEE, 1921.

Nashville,

January 26th, 1921.

107th Annual.

A picture of the incoming Grand Master, M. W. Rodney Blake, faces the title page of the proceedings, and one is also included of the Grand Master, M. W. T. W. Peace, who in his address refers to our common experience of missing the kindly greetings of some we had been accustomed to meet in our annual gatherings. He refers feelingly

to the death of two of their Past Grand Masters, Isaac Jones Thurman, and Archibald N. Sloan, and other illustrious dead of his own and other jurisdictions, among them Past Grand Master James R. Cain, Sr., and R. W. Brother J. Newton Wise, of blessed memory in our own jurisdiction.

The Grand Master reports fully all his official acts. He doubts whether the mad rush to get into our Institution is a cause for congratulation, and urges upon lodges the formation of study clubs. He reports fully as to the condition of the Home, approves the plan suggested of requiring each Master Mason on the rolls to pay \$2.00 per year for five years, and each candidate for the degrees to pay \$20.00 extra, and each foreign made Mason petitioning for affiliation to pay \$20.00, all for the Endowment Fund for the Home. He reports 26 decisions. He approved the Masonic Service Association and sent delegates to the meetings of the association at Little Rock and St. Louis. A resolution to continue membership in the association was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and their report recommending it was adopted by the Grand Lodge.

The Committee on Jurisprudence reporting on the address of the Grand Master, says:

There is little to criticize, while there is much to merit the warmest praise and to justify his calling to the exalted station he holds.

The committee on collecting funds for the George Washington Memorial Association reported progress. There was a full report of the Special Committee on the Widows and Orphans Home, the estimated costs for maintaining the Home to be about \$60,000.00 per annum.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence made by M. W. Brother Henry A. Chambers, covers 83 pages, Nebraska being accorded two pages, with liberal quotations from the report of Brother White on the overseas trip. The one objection we have to the proceedings is the small type in which much of it was printed, but perhaps it was intended for younger eyes.

Grand Master: Rodney Blake, Erin,

Grand Secretary: Stith M. Cain, Nashville.

TEXAS, 1920.

Waco,

December 7th, 1920.

A volume of 1,135 pages, 238 of proceedings, 110 appendix, 661 returns, 136 foreign correspondence.

Grand Master George F. Morgan submits a report of 70 pages, and pays a tribute to the dead, among them Past Grand Master Walter Acker, who was the Superintendent of their Masonic Home. He reports against the recognition of Masonry in Mexico, except the York Grand Lodge with whom they are in fraternal relations. He reports on the George Washington Memorial Association and the Masonic Service

Association; reports thirty decisions, most of them in harmony with Masonic law and usage, yet in one he held that a lodge could divide into two working bodies and confer degrees. The decisions were approved by the Grand Lodge on the report of the Committee on Jurisprudence.

Past Grand Master Nat W. Washer read a fine memorial to Past Grand Master Walter Acker.

A full report of the Board of Directors of the Masonic Orphans Home was read by Brother Washer, as was also the report of the Superintendent, showing an expenditure of \$146,775.19 for the support of the Home; \$34,330.55 was for items not chargeable to maintenance. The per capita cost per month was \$29.93. A proposition to change the time of meeting of the Grand Lodge from the first Tuesday in December to the first Tuesday in October was laid over to next meeting of the Grand Lodge. The following resolution was adopted:

That the subordinate lodges of Texas be, and the same are hereby prohibited to advertise, conduct or hold balls, dances, fairs, concerts, or any other public assembly by, through, or under the auspices of the said subordinate lodges, either directly or indirectly.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is by Brother S. M. Bradley, Past Grand Master, who gives at the beginning of his report a valuable table of statistics showing a membership in the United States of 2,225,473, and a gain for the year of 166,493. He reviews 53 proceedings of 47 Grand Lodges in the United States and 15 foreign English-speaking Grand Lodges. Nebraska is well reviewed in three pages of his valuable report.

Grand Master: Andrew L. Randell, Sherman,

Grand Secretary: William B. Pearson, Waco.

UTAH, 1921.

Salt Lake,

January 18th, 1921.

50th Annual.

A likeness of M. W. John Edward Carver, with sketch of his Masonic life faces the title page.

Grand Master Catron in a concise report of 14 pages, reports the death of Past Grand Master William J. Barnette. He reports that Utah had finished first in the drive for funds for the George Washington Memorial, and made a glowing report of the Masonic Service Association, devoting three pages of his report to that subject.

The Committee on Jurisprudence reported and the Grand Lodge adopted a resolution prohibiting smoking in the lodge room while the lodge was engaged in Masonic work.

A motion to limit the membership of lodges to 500, and the number of degrees conferred in one year to 75 failed.

Past Grand Master Arthur C. Wherry introduced the following resolution for consideration at the next annual communication:

RESOLVED, That no Constituent Lodge in this Jurisdiction shall confer more than ninety degrees in one year, and that no Constituent Lodge in this Jurisdiction which has upon its membership roll five hundred active members shall confer more than sixty degrees in any one year. Affiliations during any year shall not be considered in computing the membership for such year.

The correspondence report is by M.'W.'.Brother Sam H. Goodwin, and consists of 125 pages. He does not like the Alabama declaration of Masonic Faith. It does sound queer to read that declaration in connection with their action in swallowing so-called French Masonry.

Grand Master: John Edward Carver, Ogden,

Grand Secretary: Freeman A. McCarty, Salt Lake City.

VERMONT, 1920.

Burlington,

127th Annual.

June 9th, 1920.

The Grand Master, M.'W.'.Edwin L. Wells, reports the fraternal dead, and calls attention to the George Washington National Masonic Memorial Association and the Masonic Service Association; the latter was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence who reported, quoting a committee of the Grand Lodge of Indiana:

It is the belief of your Committee that the War Emergency which alone could have justified the call for such an organization has passed. With the passing of the emergency there has passed also whatever need for such organization as may have arisen from the emergency.

The report on correspondence is topical, and is presented by Past Grand Master Charles H. Darling.

Grand Master: Archie S. Harriman, Middlebury,

Grand Secretary: Henry H. Ross, Burlington.

VICTORIA, 1919.

Melbourne,

April, June, September and December.

Quarterly Communications

At the first quarterly meeting the Grand Master ruled that if a proposition for initiation or membership is not balloted on for twelve months, or having been elected the candidate is not initiated for twelve months, there must be a new proposal.

The Grand Master condemns the practice of "touting" (electioneering) for votes in the election. There is a full report of the death of Brother Theodore Roosevelt. The Board of Benevolence reported over two thousand dollars expended for relief, and also over fifty thousand pounds in the Relief Fund.

At the second quarterly meeting three hundred and thirty-two pounds (£332) was granted for relief by the Board of Benevolence, and they have £9,727 in the War Relief Fund.

Thirty-six pages of the proceedings are devoted to a Roll of Honor, giving the names of 2,244 brethren of the jurisdiction in the World War.

(two thousand two hundred and forty-four), 237 (two hundred and thirty-seven) of whom made the supreme sacrifice.

There is no report on correspondence.

Grand Master: Frederick T. Hickford, Melbourne.

Grand Secretary: Charles J. Barrow, Melbourne.

WASHINGTON, 1920.

Tacoma,

June 8th, 1920.

63rd Annual.

The Grand Master, M. W. Thomas E. Skaggs, reported the general condition of the Craft most satisfactory. He notes the death of Governor Lister and other distinguished Masons; reports attending the meeting of the Masonic Service Association, and submits a full report and recommends a withdrawal from the Association, to pay their assured obligation and send no more representatives to its meetings, "Believing that the Masonic Service Association is such an organization as is contemplated in the term 'General Grand Lodge,'" and that membership in it requires a surrender of sovereign rights and powers, that it has no place in the scheme of Masonry, and that it will be a heavy financial burden upon the membership. The special committee to which this was referred recommended the approval of this action and the record says:

The report was then almost unanimously carried * * * the Grand Lodge spontaneously rising and cheering the Grand Master.

He approves the George Washington Memorial Association and hopes:

That the Masons of Washington may not be found at the bottom of the list of those who are assisting in this most laudable enterprise.

He reports visiting their Masonic Home and finds conditions "Most satisfactory."

On the question of physical qualifications their code makes the local lodge the sole judge, so he wisely refused to make any decision.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence submits a valuable report on "Cipher Rituals," "Large Lodges," and "Outside Organizations," and closes with the following recommendation:

And he recommends that it be made a Masonic offense in this jurisdiction to solicit or propose a Master Mason for membership in any organization for which that standing is a qualification until such person shall have been a Master Mason for a period not less than one year.

This was approved by the committee and adopted by the Grand Lodge.

The report on correspondence is by Past Grand Master Ralph C. McAllaster, and contains seventy pages of good reading. There are no hobbles on the reviews.

Grand Master: James H. Begg, Seattle.
 Grand Secretary: Horace W. Tyler, Tacoma.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA, 1919-1920.

Boulder,

July 24th, 1919.

Quarterly Communication.

The Deputy Grand Master, A. C. McCallum, after opening Grand Lodge, made an interesting report of his services in France during the war. He reports the initiation of R. H. R., the Prince of Wales, quoting the circular issued from Windsor Castle, and says the whole procedure was carried out in conformity with the constitution, and that there was no attempt to "make a Mason at sight."

He pleads for the care of those brethren who returning from the War need assistance. The Board of General Purposes made a number of recommendations, among them to increase the salary of the Grand Secretary from £450 to £525 per annum.

There was another quarterly communication October 23rd, when Grand Master, M. W. Brother William Ellison-Macartney presided, who made a full report of his activities.

The next quarterly communication was held at Perth, January 22nd. The Pro. Grand Master presided during the session and was elected Grand Master. On April 21st, 1920, there was a special communication whose entire time was devoted to receiving and adopting a report of the Board of General Purposes about the suspension of certain members who endeavored to take the control of the lodge out of the hands of the Master.

The annual communication was held April 22nd, 1920, and from the report of the Board of Benevolence, the brethren of West Australia are doing a noble work in their care of widows, orphans and aged Freemasons, with a membership of only about five thousand. They contributed over seven thousand dollars for relief, all voluntarily.

An excellent review of 131 pages is contributed by the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, Nebraska being given her full share.

Grand Master: Rev. C. O. L. Riley, D. D., V. D., Perth,
 Grand Secretary: James D. Stevenson, Perth.

WEST VIRGINIA, 1920.

Huntington,

November 10th, 1920.

56th Annual.

Grand Master William K. Cowden, after opening Grand Lodge and welcoming the representatives of other Grand Lodges, delivered his annual address, reporting on the state of the Order and saying that the mission of Masonry is to make each initiate a perfect ashlar, a living stone for the spiritual temple, to inculcate the practice of broth-

erly love, relief, and truth, and to discharge our obligations to society at large and strive continually to make the world better.

He refers to the distinguished dead; reports four decisions of local interest; says he attended the funeral of Brother Lawrence Washington, the last of the Washingtons to be born at Mount Vernon.

He approved the Washington Memorial Association, and reports against becoming a member of the Masonic Service Association. There is a proposition to amend their laws fixing the fees of the degrees at not less than \$40.00, which amendment under their law will be voted on at the next annual communication.

One of the excellent reviews of Past Grand Master Atkinson covers 182 pages. Nebraska for 1920 received fraternal consideration, being accorded three full pages, and nothing in the report of this Grand Lodge escaped his scrutiny.

Grand Master: Adrian Collins Nadenbousch, Martinsburg,
Grand Secretary: John M. Collins, Charleston.

WISCONSIN, 1920.

Milwaukee,

June 8th, 1920.

76th Annual.

Grand Master Charles E. Shane gave a full report of his activities during the year. He reports the dead of his own and other jurisdictions, and submits eleven decisions, all in accordance with their law. He recommends a revision of the constitution. He declined an invitation to attend the George Washington Memorial Association for the reason that the Grand Lodge has consistently refused to take action in the matter. He refused to endorse the Roosevelt Memorial Association, which action was approved by the Grand Lodge. He recommends that the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin does not affiliate with or officially recognize the Masonic Service Association, which recommendation was approved by the Grand Lodge. He disapproves the soliciting of insurance in lodge rooms, and calls upon the Masters of lodges to prohibit this unmasonic practice. He thinks:

We are not living in an ordinary age, and none of us will deny the tendency to relax. Never in the history of our country or in the world, has there been a time when sober and constructive thinking have been as necessary as will be required in the next decade.

He calls upon Masons to hold fast to high ideals, and closes his address with a poem on "My Creed."

They continued the assessment for a building fund of one dollar per capita annually for three more years. The Committee on Jurisprudence recommended that:

Only one candidate to be received and obligated at a time. The second section of the third degree, up to the historical lecture, can be conferred on one candidate only at a time. Only one special communication of a lodge can be held on the same day.

They have a travelling library in Wisconsin under the care of a Committee on Masonic Research. The Committee on Charity recommended the payment of \$2,241.91 for individuals and lodges outside of the Homes.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is by Past Grand Master Aldro Jenks, and consists of 153 pages, Nebraska being fraternally reviewed. In conclusion he says:

It is evident that with the cessation of the European War, the claims of the Grand Lodge and the Grand Orient of France for fraternal recognition are no longer regarded with especial favor. A number of Grand Lodges were swept away by sentiment and extended recognition. We hope they may speedily return to the teachings of our fathers. "That no atheist can be made a Mason," and that the Holy Bible is an essential part of the furniture of a lodge.

Grand Master: C. E. Shaffer, Madison,

Grand Secretary: William W. Perry, Milwaukee.

WYOMING, 1920.

Buffalo,

September 8th, 1920.

26th Annual.

Arthur K. Lee, Grand Master, in presenting his annual address, first called the Grand Lodge to stand while with bowed heads they paid tribute to the dead. He reports attending the meeting of the Masonic Service Association at Cedar Rapids. He reports twenty-one decisions, all of them pertaining to local laws, except Nos. 6 and 7, that pertain to physical qualifications. They were approved by the Committee on Jurisprudence, but it suggested that the law should be changed. The minimum fees for the three degrees were made seventy-five dollars. The Committee on the Recognition of the Grand Lodge of France asked for another year to prepare and submit a report on the subject. A roll of honor is printed, this being a list of brethren who entered the World War.

A special meeting of Casper Lodge No. 15 was held on July 4th, 1920, on Independence Rock, fifty miles from Casper, to commemorate the first Masonic lodge meeting held in Wyoming by a body of Masons who were traveling west on the Oregon trail, July 4th, 1862. A bronze tablet has been embedded and cemented in Independence Rock to commemorate the occasion.

The report on Fraternal Correspondence is by Grand Secretary Joseph M. Lowndes, and consists of 120 pages, Nebraska being accorded more than two pages. The review closes with the following:

There aint' no use kicking, brother,
 What's all this holler about;
 Because some poor correspondent
 Has taken up the scissors route.
 He is writing for his Craft,
 So cut out your little whine;
 They may like his way the best,
 Better say, "Doing fine."

Do you remember what we're taught,
Seems to me I hear it clear,
As the Master to me said,
"Cheek to cheek or mouth to ear,"
The thing to do is to curb your pen,
Kind words, be they yours or mine,
Will make more friends for you and me,
And we'll be "feeling fine."

I use the scissors where e're I can;
They help to shorten the day,
And to the Craft they give the words,
What the other fellow had to say.
You can call it lazy, indolent and such,
But three-fourths of the forty-nine
At the Round-Table, to the scissors
Do say, "cutting fine."

Grand Master: William O. Wilson, Casper,
Grand Secretary: Joseph M. Lowndes, Casper.

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