



BENJAMIN WALTER ELA
Grand Master

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BENJAMIN WALTER ELA was born at Waltham, Massachusetts, April 7, 1860, son of Everett Walter Ela and Adelle Tiffany (Fillmore) Ela. He had the usual education in the public schools of Waltham.

He was active in sales and sales promotional work from 1911-1913, from which time he devoted himself to agriculture and allied interests to 1921, when he became President and Manager of the Carrabassett Light and Power Company, at North Anson, which position he continues to hold.

With a wide interest in civic affairs, he was Chairman of the Board of Selectmen of the Town of North Anson for several years; was appointed by the State as Commissioner for the City of Eastport, to administer the government and manage the financial affairs of that city for six years. He remained for one year as City Manager, City Engineer and City Treasurer, after turning back the affairs of that city to local control.

After an interlude of engineering research on United States Navy and other projects at the University of California during Word War II, he returned to Maine and served as Town Manager for the Town of Skowhegan for approximately four years. He has served as Director and Advisory Committeeman of the Maine Municipal Association, and is now full time Executive Secretary of that state-wide league of municipalities, and is editor and manager of The Maine Townsman, a municipal magazine.

He has served as a member of the Maine Town and City Managers' Association and as a member of the International City Managers' Association as Secretary, Treasurer of the Maine Association of Overseers of the Poor; as a Vice President for Maine, Conference of New England Mayors, Selectmen and Municipal official; as Executive Committeeman of the Maine Conference of Social Welfare; as Advisory Committeeman, Maine Publicity Bureau; and on many other important committees and programs.

He had two years in special study in languages at Wilbraham Academy, Wilbraham, Massachusetts, in preparation as Student Interpreter in the United States Consular or Diplomatic Service; and has since found opportunity for extended study in special and audit courses at university level in Engineering, Management, Taxation, Municipal Corporations, Political and Social Sciences, etc.

On July 10, 1916, he was married to Evelyn Smith Thompson, and have a son, Benjamin W. Ela, Jr.

His Masonic Record is as follows:

Made a Master Mason in Northern Star Lodge, No. 28, May 8, 1923; Worshipful Master in 1928, and Treasurer from 1928-1939. District

Deputy Grand Master in Grand Lodge 1936-1937, Deputy Grand Master 1950-1851, elected Grand Master in 1952 and 1953.

Made a Royal Arch Mason in Somerset Chapter, No. 15, December 29, 1924, and was High Priest 1928-1930; Grand Royal Arch Captain in Grand Chapter 1930, and District Deputy Grand High Priest 1931-1936, Grand King 1937, Deputy Grand High Priest, 1938, and Grand High Priest 1939.

Made a Royal and Select Master in Mt. Moriah Council, No. 10, April 29, 1925, and was its Illustrious Master 1932-1933.

Elected Grand Master of the Grand Council, R and S. M. of Maine, 1950.

Knighted in DeMolay Commander, No. 10, April 10, 1925, and was its Commander in 1933, 1934.

Became a member of Augusta Lodge of Perfection, 14°, March 16, 1927; Augusta Council P. of J., April 19, 1927; Emeth Chapter, 18°, April 25, 1927, and Maine Consistory, 32°, May 20, 1927.

Maine Council of Anointed High Priests, May 7, 1930.

Past Officers' Association of Maine, January 10, 1934.

Red Cross of Constantine, at Gardiner, October 10, 1935.

Kora Temple, A. A. O. N. N. S., September 8, 1926.

Mt. Bigelow Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, Past Patron.

Grand Lodge of Maine

1953

One Hundred and Thirty-fourth Annual Communication

MASONIC TEMPLE, PORTLAND,
Tuesday, May 5, 1953.

The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient
Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Maine
met in Annual Communication in Masonic Temple
at nine in the morning (E. D. T.).

GRAND OFFICERS PRESENT:

BENJAMIN W. ELA,		M. W. Grand Master
PAUL L. POWERS,		R. W. Deputy Grand Master
EVERETT S. HIGGINS,		" Senior Grand Warden
ADIN L. HOPEKINS,		" Junior Grand Warden
H. NORTON MAXFIELD,		Grand Treasurer
CONVERS E. LEACH,		Grand Secretary
EARLE D. WEBSTER,		Cor. Grand Secretary
AUBREY L. BURBANK,		W. Grand Lecturer
P. G. M. Rev. DAVID L. Wilson LHD.,		" " Chaplain
Rev. I. JAMES MERRY,		" " "
" HAZEN F. RIGBY,		" " "
" PERCY COTTON,		" " "
" M. GERRY PLUMMER,		" " "
ROYAL D. CLEAVES	(Acting)	" " Marshal
FLOYD E. ANDERSON,		" " Senior Deacon
NORMAN W. LINDQUIST,		" " Junior Deacon
LESLIE LIBBY,		" " Steward
JAMES M. WILLIAMS,		" " "
RAYMOND M. RIDEOUT,		" " "
EMERY L. LEATHERS,		" " "
JOHN J. FAAS,		" " Sword Bearer
JOHN C. CONDON,		" " Standard Bearer
HAROLD M. STARBIRD,		" " Pursuivant
ANGUS D. MCLEOD,		" " "
FRED LINCOLN HILL,		Bro. " Organist
LEO K. ANDREWS,		" " "
FREDERIC C. DAVIS,		" " "
HENRY DOHERTY,	(Acting)	" " Tyler.

Also 280 delegates, representing 192 of the 207 chartered lodges; 12 of the living Past Grand Masters, with 30 of the other Permanent Members, including 52 of the 74 Representatives of the other Grand Lodges, together with visiting brethren.

The Grand Lodge was opened in ample form, prayer being offered by the Rev. DAVID L. WILSON, LHD., Grand Chaplain.

The Communication stood at attention and saluted the Flag as the Colors were presented at the rear of the Altar by Sergeants ERNEST W. FAULKNER (Lodge 111), MARTIN FORD, JR. (Lodge 183), and ROBERT B. HOLMES (Lodge 81).

GRAND MASTER: Brethren—

“ Two hundred years ago, George Washington
The Craft's majority and favor won,
Kneeling at the Altar of Freemasonry,
And by the Three Great Lights he could clearly see,
Upon the trestle-board fashioned there,
America, the beautiful, the fair.

Two Hundred years have brought our country through
To majority among nations true,
And now at that Altar of Freemasonry,
May each one of us kneel again in spirit and see,
Upon the trestle-board still fashioned there,
America, the beautiful, the fair.”

(The Colors were then advanced to the East).

The Pledge of Allegiance was repeated.

(The Communication then sang one verse of
“ America ”).

On motion of R. W. Bro. PAUL L. POWERS, it was

Voted, To dispense with the reading of the records of the last Annual Communication and that as printed they be confirmed.

Voted, That all Master Masons in good standing be admitted as visitors during the Annual Communication.

Voted, That the Grand Tyler be authorized to employ assistants, not exceeding four, to aid him in the work of his office during the session of

LODGE	NAME	MASONIC AGE	PRESENTED
Abner Wade Lodge, No. 207	Charles E. Smith	11-13-1905	12-11-1955
Abner Wade Lodge, No. 207	Omar F. Carr	2-12-1906	4- 5-1956
Northeast Harbor Lodge, No. 208	William S. Holmes	10-17-1905	10-25-1955
Fort Kent Lodge, No. 209	Grover C. Bradbury	9-16-1905	9-28-1955
Fort Kent Lodge, No. 209	Edgar T. Flint	12-22-1898	1-19-1956
Kemankeag Lodge, No. 213	Willie D. Quimby	2-23-1901	6-15-1955

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

R. W. Bro. MERTON E. LEECH, for the Committee on Unfinished Business, reported the following as unfinished items:

Masonic Veterans' Lapel Buttons.

Committee on Study of Automatic Suspension, Military Honors and Funeral Services.

Equipment in the Grand Lodge Office.

The Simon Greenleaf Medal.

Amendments to the Constitution:

- (a) Proposal to Amend Article VI, Section 92 (Military Residence);
- (b) Proposal to Amend Article I, Section 59, re: time and place of Trustees' Meetings; and
- (c) General Revision and Annotation of Grand Lodge Constitution.

DOINGS OF GRAND OFFICERS.

M. W. Bro. CLARK D. CHAPMAN, for the Committee on Doings of Grand Officers, presented the following report which was accepted and the recommendations were adopted:

IN GRAND LODGE,
May 1, 1956.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maine:

Your Committee on Doings of Grand Officers has given careful attention to the Address of our Grand Master and to the reports of the other officers. Our Grand Master has had another busy year. He has made many visitations both within and without this Grand Jurisdiction and has carefully attended to the many and detailed duties of his office. We congratulate him upon the honors conferred upon him and through him

upon this Grand Lodge. We express the appreciation of Grand Lodge to him for two years of service.

We recommend that his discussion of the condition of the Fraternity and the reports of the Deputy Grand Master, Grand Wardens, District Deputy Grand Masters and Grand Lecturer be referred to the Committee on the Condition of the Fraternity.

That one hundred eighty and more Lodges have complied with Grand Lodge Regulation by furnishing their histories is cause for great satisfaction. The failure of the remaining few Lodges is regretted but in view of the progress made it does not appear to be presently in order to invoke Masonic discipline. We earnestly urge all delinquent lodges to complete the required work now so that one year hence all may be reported to be in compliance. We recommend that the Grand Master's discussion of the Lodge History Program be referred to the Committee on History.

We congratulate our Grand Master upon the success which he has been able to report for the program of nonritualistic Masonic instruction. We recommend that this portion of his address and the portion entitled "Occasional Bulletins" be referred to the Committee on Education.

We recommend that the portion of the address entitled "Equipment in the Grand Lodge Office," and the matter of continuing an appropriation to the hospital program of the Masonic Service Association be referred to the Committee of Finance.

We join our Grand Master in commending the Order of DeMolay and in describing that Order as "one of the most worthwhile youth movements in the history of this country." Cannot Grand Lodge afford to contribute modestly to this work? We recommend that the matter be referred to the Committee of Finance.

We recommend that the sections of the address entitled "Decisions" and "Dispensations" be referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

The matter of Brotherhood Lodge, U. D., is now in the hands of the Committee on Dispensations and Charters. We recommend that the portion of the address concerning this lodge be referred to that Committee.

Fraternally submitted,

CLARK D. CHAPMAN,	}	<i>Committee on Doings of Grand Officers.</i>
GRANVILLE C. GRAY,		

FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE.

M. W. Bro. RALPH J. POLLARD, for the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, reported that the reviews of other Grand Lodges were in print and in the hands

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES.

Newly appointed Grand Representatives presented their credentials at the Altar as follows:

Grand Lodge of National France — PAUL L. POWERS

He was welcomed by the Grand Master.

The Grand Secretary called the roll of Grand Representatives and the following responded:

Alabama — LEWMAN B. SOPER
Arizona — ARTHUR W. STOCKBRIDGE
British Columbia — ALLEN L. CURTIS
Connecticut — ERVIN E. J. LANDER
Denmark — GEORGE H. MINOTT
England — ALVOID E. CUSHMAN
Florida — MERTON E. LEECH.
Georgia — WILLIAM A. LEVENSALOR
Idaho — FRANK H. MILAN
Indiana — H. NORTON MAXFIELD
Kansas — AUBREY L. BURBANK
Kentucky — WILLIAM S. HOLMES
Louisiana — EARLE D. WEBSTER
Manitoba — GEORGE R. CASWELL
Maryland — HARRY E. ROWE
Massachusetts — DAVID L. WILSON
Mexico (York G. L.) — ERNEST C. BUTLER
Michigan — BENJAMIN W. ELA
Minnesota — FREDERICK C. LOUNDER
Mississippi — ROBERT M. REYNOLDS
Missouri — EDWARD H. BRITTON
Nebraska — JAMES A. SANKER
Nevada — CLARENCE J. PERHAM
New Brunswick — WILLIS A. RICKER
New Jersey — BENJAMIN L. HADLEY
New Mexico — JAMES P. BUNKER
New South Wales — I. JAMES MERRY
New York — EDWARD W. WHEELER
New Zealand — JOHN J. MARR
North Carolina — GEORGE W. HASKELL
North Dakota — FRED J. LOWELL
Ohio — CONVERS E. LEACH
Oklahoma — CLYDE FRENCH
Panama — JOHN J. FAAS
Peru — JOHN M. LITTLEFIELD
Philippine Islands — ELMER P. SMART
Porto Rico — NORRIS C. ESTABROOK

Quebec — CARROLL W. KEENE
 Rhode Island — CLARK D. CHAPMAN
 Scotland — GEORGE F. GIDDINGS
 South Australia — LEWIS T. BROWN
 South Carolina — DANIEL G. CHAPLIN
 South Dakota — ELBERT G. MOULTON
 Sweden — RALPH J. POLLARD
 Tennessee — HARRY S. GRINDALL
 Texas — GRANVILLE C. GRAY
 Vermont — CHARLES E. CROSSLAND
 Victoria — CLARENCE A. BROWN
 Virginia — HENRY R. GILLIS
 Washington — JUDSON P. LORD
 West Australia — WESLEY L. OXTON
 West Virginia — FLOYD E. ANDERSON
 Newly appointed Representative of France — PAUL L. POWERS

The Grand Master requested them to communicate with the Grand Masters of the Grand Lodges represented and extend to them the greetings of the Grand Lodge of Maine.

CREDENTIALS.

W. Bro. GEORGE H. ANDERSON, for the Committee on Credentials, reported as follows:

IN GRAND LODGE OF MAINE,
 MASONIC TEMPLE, PORTLAND, May 5, 1953.

Your Committee on Credentials have attended to their duties and report that the Chartered Lodges are represented as follows:

- 1 PORTLAND, by Arthur J. Bakke, M.; Elmer S. Bakke, S. W.; Bernard P. Colton, J. W.
- 2 WARREN, by Edwin Cates, M.
- 3 LINCOLN, by Leslie A. Sullivan, Proxy.
- 4 HANCOCK, by John Pratt, Proxy.
- 5 KENNEBEC, by Donald Selwood, M.; Walter Perkins, S. W.; Daniel J. Foley, Proxy.
- 6 AMITY, by Lawrence Hopkins, M.; Robert Hersom, S. W.; Albert W. Hoffses, Proxy.
- 7 EASTERN, by Garnet A. Hooper, Proxy.
- 8 UNITED, by Andrew DiBiasio, M.
- 9 SACO, by Norman Wilcox, M.; Thomas W. Hooper, Proxy.
- 10 RISING VIRTUE, by Paul G. Butler, M.; Robert C. Dresser, S. W.; Robert L. Drinkwater, J. W.; Harold D. Phillips, Proxy.
- 11 PYTHAGOREAN, by Jack Mansur, M.; W. H. Oliver, S. W.; Edwin F. Sargent, J. W.; Charles F. Trumbull, Proxy.

- 12 CUMBERLAND, by Glen Torrey, M.; Leon McCann, J. W.; Carl M. Tufts, Proxy.
- 13 ORIENTAL, by Leroy E. Marston, M.
- 14 SOLAR, by Sherwood R. Francis, M.; Robert N. Mosher, J. W.; Karcher S. Jackson, Proxy.
- 15 ORIENT, by Earl B. Porter, Proxy.
- 16 ST. GEORGE, by Dyson Jameson, M.; William L. Barrett, Proxy.
- 17 ANCIENT LAND-MARK, by H. Nelson Raymond, Jr., M.; Franklin G. Hinckley, S. W.; M. Donald Gardner, J. W.; Edward E. Buskey, Proxy.
- 18 ———— OXFORD, not represented.
- 19 FELICITY, by Earle F. Moffitt, M.
- 20 MAINE, by Carroll W. Doak, M.; Richard G. Morton, S. W.; Nelson D. Austin, J. W.
- 21 ORIENTAL STAR, by George Emerson, Jr., M.
- 22 YORK, by Lendall A. Smith, M.; Arthur L. Leech, Proxy.
- 23 FREEPORT, by Sherwin Brown, M.; Alpheus G. Dyer, Proxy.
- 24 PHOENIX, by Lee Woodard, M.; Harold W. Kelley, Proxy.
- 25 TEMPLE, by Donald Flood, M.; Leon Weston, S. W.
- 26 VILLAGE by Leland B. Chapman, Proxy.
- 27 ADONIRAM, by Harry F. Maxim, Proxy.
- 28 NORTHERN STAR, by Robert Viles, M.
- 29 TRANQUIL, by Harold F. Eveleth, Proxy.
- 30 BLAZING STAR, by Rexall D. Gellatly, M.; Waldo E. Merrill, S. W.; Charles M. Durland, Proxy.
- 31 UNION, by Ernest Cunningham, M.; Howard Hawes, S. W.; Elmer Goff, J. W.
- 32 HERMON, by Norman Merrill, M.; Richard LaSalle, S. W.; Arthur S. Greenlaw, J. W.
- 33 WATERVILLE, by Thomas Henderson, M.; Carlton S. Farnham, S. W.; Derwood Ireland, J. W.
- 34 SOMERSET, by George A. Cook, M.; Walter H. Moore, Proxy.
- 35 BETHLEHEM, by Ralph E. Auber, Proxy.
- 36 CASCO, by M. Cleveland Quinnam, M.; John Strattard, S. W.
- 37 WASHINGTON, by Robert H. Josselyn, Proxy.
- 38 HARMONY, by Oswald C. Shriver, M.; Miles Brookes, Proxy.
- 39 PENOBSCOT, by Hartson C. Webber, M.; Victor M. McAllister, S. W.
- 40 LYGONIA, by Lawrence G. Higgins, M.
- 41 MORNING STAR, by Benjamin L. Small, Proxy.
- 42 FREEDOM, by Willis H. Webber, M.
- 43 ALNA, by Lawrence MacKechnie, M.
- 44 PISCATAQUIS, by Charles H. Bailey, M.
- 45 CENTRAL, by Harry R. McKiel, M.; Francis Clark, S. W.
- 46 ST. CROIX, by James D. Napier, M.
- 47 DUNLAP, by William A. Michie, Proxy.
- 48 ———— LAFAYETTE, not represented.
- 49 MERIDIAN SPLENDOR, by Richard Banton, M.

- 50 AURORA, by James E. Stevens, Proxy.
- 51 ST. JOHN'S, by Walter M. Amazeen, M.; Walter C. Hayden, J. W.
- 52 MOSAIC, by Philip Annis, M.
- 53 RURAL, by Morris Cannon, M.; Aaron Marden, S. W.
- 54 VASSALBORO, by Clyde E. Adams, Proxy.
- 55 ———FRATERNAL, not represented.
- 56 MT. MORIAH, by William W. Wells, Jr., M.
- 57 KING HIRAM, by Winslow Deane, M.; Willis McGuire, Proxy
- 58 UNITY, by Lee Evans, M.; John Hall, J. W.; Isaiah J. Jackson, Proxy.
- 59 MOUNT HOPE—*Charter surrendered in 1879.*
- 60 STAR IN THE EAST, by John C. Cousins, M.
- 61 KING SOLOMON'S, by Roland Walter, M.; Otis W. Ellis, Proxy.
- 62 KING DAVID'S, by Willard H. Hardy, Proxy.
- 63 RICHMOND, by Thomas W. Borgeson, Proxy.
- 64 PACIFIC, by Lyston Trefethen, M.
- 65 MYSTIC, by E. Everett Hewes, Proxy.
- 66 MECHANICS, by James M. Gamble, M.; Frederick C. Baird, S. W.;
Frederick J. McInnis, J. W.
- 67 BLUE MOUNTAIN, by C. D. Pillsbury, M.; Kenneth Smith, Jr., S. W.
- 68 MARINERS, by Alton L. Johnson, Jr., Proxy.
- 69 HOWARD, by Raymond Fields, J. W.; Newell S. Perry, Proxy.
- 70 STANDISH, by F. Alden Shaw, Proxy.
- 71 RISING SUN, by William E. Leach, Proxy.
- 72 PIONEER, by Carl L. Hews, Proxy.
- 73 TYRIAN, by Frank E. Drisko, Proxy.
- 74 BRISTOL, by Leon P. Munro, Proxy
- 75 ARCHON, by Parker R. Jacoby, Proxy.
- 76 ARUNDEL, by Arthur F. Lombard, Proxy.
- 77 TREMONT, by Donald O. Worcester, M.
- 78 CRESCENT, by Vernier I. Brown, Proxy.
- 79 ROCKLAND, by Charles M. Foote, M.; James Roach, J. W.
- 80 KEYSTONE, by Milton Scribner, M.; Malcolm M. Hall, Proxy.
- 81 ATLANTIC, by Daniel B. Felix, M.; John H. Doyle, J. W.
- 82 ST. PAUL'S, by Darrell O. Pound, M.
- 83 ST. ANDREWS, by Clarence L. Field, M.; Carl W. Hatch, S. W.;
Alden C. Mitchell, Proxy.
- 84 EUREKA, by Albert B. Watts, M.; Charles Leach, Proxy.
- 85 STAR IN THE WEST, by Louville W. Whitten, M.
- 86 TEMPLE, by Frank C. Collins, M.; Thomas J. Barry, J. W.; Henry
P. Bailey, Proxy.
- 87 BENEVOLENT, by Stanley Donaldson, M.
- 88 NARRAGUAGUS, by David J. Kennedy, Proxy.
- 89 ISLAND, by Whitney H. Emerton, M.
- 90 HIRAM ABIFF—*Charter revoked in 1869.*
- 91 HARWOOD, by Austin Armstrong, M.; Howard Kilton, S. W.
- 92 SILOAM, by Albert I. Moore, Jr., M.
- 93 HOREB, by Burleigh C. Robinson, M.

- 94 PARRIS, by Elmore C. Edmunds, Proxy.
- 95 CORINTHIAN, by Willis McDougal, M.
- 96 MONUMENT, by Joseph A. McKay, M.
- 97 BETHEL, by C. Walter Tikander, M.; Henry Hastings, S. W.; Raymond Dexter, Proxy.
- 98 KATAHDIN, by Daniel Woodbury, Proxy.
- 99 VERNON VALLEY, by Philip R. Lincoln, M.; Fred B. Wadleigh, Proxy.
- 100 JEFFERSON, by Howard MacKillop, Proxy.
- 101 NEZINSCOT, by Haven L. Roberts, M.
- 102 MARSH RIVER, by Clayton Pattee, M.
- 103 DRESDEN, by R. B. Cate, M.
- 104 DIRIGO, by Francis W. Jacob, M.
- 105 ASHLAR, by George E. Pushard, M.
- 106 TUSCAN, by Horace Newcomb, M.
- 107 DAY SPRING, by Mahlon W. Staples, Proxy.
- 108 RELIEF—*Charter recalled in 1894.*
- 109 MT. KINEO, by Millard Fogg, M.
- 110 MONMOUTH, by Frederick H. Blaisdell, M.; Earle H. Ramsdell, Proxy.
- 111 LIBERTY, by Cleve K. Oliver, Proxy.
- 112 EASTERN FRONTIER, by C. Preston Boyd, Proxy.
- 113 MESSALONSKEE, by Alva D. Kerr, Proxy.
- 114 ———POLAR STAR, not represented.
- 115 BUXTON, by Carl A. Landry, M.; Homer M. Illingworth, S. W.
- 116 LEBANON, by Clarence Booker, M.; Paul L. Winslow, S. W.
- 117 ———GREENLEAF, not represented.
- 118 DRUMMOND, by Merle Morrill, M.
- 119 ———POWNA, not represented.
- 120 MEDUNCOOK—*Charter surrendered in 1884.*
- 121 ACACIA, by Maynard M. Bowie, M.
- 122 MARINE, by Elwood N. Eaton, M.
- 123 FRANKLIN, by Frank O. Brown, M.; Ernest Smith, J. W.
- 124 OLIVE BRANCH, by Welden W. Hanson, M.
- 125 MERIDIAN, by Stanley Parsons, M.; Harris Matthews, S. W.
- 126 TIMOTHY CHASE, by Carroll Staples, M.
- 127 PRESUMSOCT, by David T. Plummer, Proxy.
- 128 EGGEMOGGIN, by Guy M. Means, Proxy.
- 129 ———QUANTABACOOK, not represented.
- 130 TRINITY, by George W. Scott, Proxy.
- 131 ———LOOKOUT, not represented.
- 132 ———MT. TIR'EM, not represented.
- 133 ———ASYLUM, not represented.
- 134 TROJAN—*Consolidated with Star in the West, No. 85, in 1888.*
- 135 RIVERSIDE, by Harold Stuart Baker, M.; Frank Marshall Holmes, S. W.; Lawrence Record, Proxy.
- 136 IONIC—*Charter surrendered in 1882.*
- 137 KENDUSKEAG, by George E. Leighton M.
- 139 LEWY'S ISLAND, by Donald Mercier, Proxy.

- 139 ARCHON & PLYMOUTH—*Consolidated as Archon, No. 75, in 1939.*
- 140 MOUNT DESERT, by Lowell G. Lurvey, Proxy.
- 141 AUGUSTA, by Clarence Madden, M.; D. Stewart McCatherin, J. W.
- 142 OCEAN, by Charles D. Smith, S. W.
- 143 PREBLE, by Merle E. Porell, M.
- 144 SEASIDE, by Walter F. Townsend, Proxy.
- 145 MOSES WEBSTER, by George A. Lawry, Proxy.
- 146 SEBASTICOOK, by Harvey Hunter, M.
- 147 EVENING STAR, by Franklin V. Heald, M.; Vernon A. Howard, Proxy.
- 148 FOREST, by Eugene Dicker, Proxy.
- 149 DORIC, by Earle H. Jackson, Proxy.
- 150 RABBOBI, by Milton E. Sites, M.
- 151 EXCELSIOR, by Raymond Wood, M.; Winfield O. Gurney, Proxy.
- 152 CROOKED RIVER, by Wyman Lord, M.; Lester Thomas, S. W.
- 153 DELTA, by Edgar F. Grover, M.
- 154 MYSTIC TIE, by Erwin R. White, Proxy.
- 155 ANCIENT YORK, by Herbert C. Sheppard, M.
- 156 WILTON, by Carlton F. Scott, Proxy.
- 157 ———CAMBRIDGE, not represented.
- 158 ANCHOR, by John H. Gay, M.
- 159 ESOTERIC—*Consolidated with Lygonia, No. 40, in 1908.*
- 160 PARIAN, by Roy J. Burton, Proxy.
- 161 CARRABASSET, by Robert W. Hamilton, M.
- 162 ARION, by Frederick W. Elwell, Proxy.
- 163 PLEASANT RIVER, by D. C. Manzer, Proxy.
- 164 WEBSTER, by Leo Parlin, M.; John T. Thomson, Proxy.
- 165 MOLUNKUS, by Edwin Goodwin, Proxy.
- 166 NEQUEMKEAG, by Francis E. Branch, S. W.; John R. Kennedy, Proxy.
- 167 WHITNEY, by Charles A. Newton, Proxy.
- 168 COMPOSITE, by Robert M. Neal, M.
- 169 SHEPHERD'S RIVER, by Cecil A. Reid, M.; Leland E. Wade, Proxy.
- 170 ———CARIBOU, not represented.
- 171 NASKEAG, by Cleaves Clapp, Proxy.
- 172 PINE TREE, by Robert Stratton, M.
- 173 PLEIADES, by Albert P. Stewart, M.
- 174 LYNDE, by Harold Gray, M.
- 175 BASKAHEGAN, by Arnold J. Dickinson, Proxy.
- 176 PALESTINE—*Consolidated with Dunlap, No. 47, in 1895.*
- 177 RISING STAR, by Ralph O. Littlefield, M.
- 178 ANCIENT BROTHERS, by Frank Romanzo Burgess, Proxy.
- 179 YORKSHIRE, by John Shiein, Jr., M.
- 180 HIRAM, by Lawrence D. Clark, M.; George F. Hilborn, Jr., J. W.;
Ferdinand Bartlett, Proxy.
- 181 REUEL WASHBURN—*Consolidated with Oriental Star, No. 21, in 1892.*
- 182 GRANITE, by Harry R. Jacobs, Proxy.
- 183 DEERING, by William P. Mitchell, M.; Frederick B. Jensen, J. W.;
Preston L. Legge, Proxy.

- 184 NAVAL, by Russell Walker, M.
 185 BAR HARBOR, by Walter G. Flagg, Proxy.
 186 WARREN PHILLIPS, by Maurice H. Barter, S. W.; Reginald James Rutter, Proxy.
 187 IRA BERRY, by Warren A. Partridge, S. W.
 188 JONESPORT, by John R. Faulkingham, M.
 189 ———KNOX, not represented.
 190 SPRINGVALE, by John Howgate, M.
 191 DAVIS, by H. S. Allen, M.
 192 WINTER HARBOR, by Earle B. Tracy, Jr., Proxy.
 193 WASHBURN, by Linwood Pary, M.
 194 EUCLID, by Elwood A. Copp, M.
 195 RELIANCE, by Maynard L. Gray, Jr., M.
 196 BAY VIEW, by Albert H. Barlow, M.
 197 AROOSTOOK, by Maurice McCrum, M.; George R. Fenderson, Proxy.
 198 ST. ASPINQUID, by Thomas Ely, M.; Harold R. Lowell, S. W.
 199 BINGHAM, by Eldon G. Spaulding, Proxy.
 200 ———COLUMBIA, not represented.
 201 DAVID A. HOOPER, by J. Russell Wooster, Proxy.
 202 MT. BIGELOW, by Clifford J. Drake, Proxy.
 203 MT. OLIVET, by Fred L. Ludwig, Proxy.
 204 ———MT. ABRAM, not represented.
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Fraternally submitted,

GEORGE H. ANDERSON,
 WILSON C. BLAKE,
 GEORGE P. JACKSON,

} *Committee.*

It was voted that the Committee have authority to add and amend during the morning session.

The Grand Master then read his

ANNUAL ADDRESS

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Maine:

BRETHREN:

At this point in our proceedings I am reminded of the very homely individual who finally became convinced that he needed some sort of insurance. He wrote to a Company, and enclosed his photograph just to show that he was in good condition. A letter came back promptly. "Describe the accident. And tell us what happened."

It might be difficult to describe the accident by which I stand before you in this most honorable and responsible office. But at least, I should be able to tell you something of what has happened since I knelt at that altar and assumed the obligation which is worthy of the highest position, and a challenge to the most distinguished abilities.

No man, however exalted his attainments or position, or how distinguished his abilities, may ever hope to exhaust the possibilities of that office. He may strive through a life-time of service and never quite measure up to his hope and limitless opportunities.

And sometimes, in the search and need for strength of intellect, and soundness of judgment, there is humble recollection of that mountaineer's prayer:

"I ain't handsome, O Lord, nor too well favored. You know I aint' complaining, Lord, but please, just don't let me fall apart."

There is no real Grand Master who has not felt such humility, and hoped for the key to the hearts of men, so that he might, somehow, and with some credit, sustain the high privileges and prerogatives which, for weal or woe, are entrusted to him by immemorial usages, and by the irrevocable Landmarks of Masonry.

WELCOME.

It is unnecessary, perhaps, to offer each and every member of this Grand Lodge a sincere and cordial welcome. This is

your Grand Lodge. You belong here. But I do wish to extend personal and individual greetings from every officer of this Grand Lodge, to every Brother present. I wish that we could just get down and talk with each and every one of you. And I hope that each, at the slightest opportunity, will feel perfectly free to come right up, and stick out your hand, and say "Hello," or, "What about this— or that," or speak of anything you have in mind.

To our distinguished guests from other Grand Jurisdictions, we all extend a cordial welcome. We are delighted to have you with us, and we hope that your visit in Maine will be most enjoyable. No welcome, anywhere, could be more sincere.

NECROLOGY.

According to report, 819 Brethren of this Grand Jurisdiction have heard the call of the Grand Master of the Celestial Lodge above. No more shall we hear their voices, until we too shall have answered the Voice that called then thither. We are persuaded, if we too shall live by square, plumb-line, and rule, that we shall be raised by the Supreme Grand Master's Word, into that Lodge, not made with hands, eternal in the Heavens.

Sadly, perhaps, the number of those departed from us, is the highest as recorded in twenty-one years, 1944 excepted; and has been exceeded only twice in fifty-four (54) years.

Among those answering the Celestial Call were: Most Worshipful Harold H. Murchie, Past Grand Master; Right Worshipful Frank J. Cole, Past Senior Grand Warden; Worshipful and Reverend J. Homer Nelson, Grand Chaplain; and Brother Perley Stone Hamilton, Grand Tyler, of the Grand Lodge of Maine.

Memorial to these distinguished and beloved Brethren will be appropriately presented during this Grand Lodge session.

The Grand Secretary will include in his report a list of the distinguished brethren of other Grand Jurisdictions who have laid down their working tools for those of the Brighter Lodge beyond.

We pause to honor those who have gone their glorious way before us.

CONDITION OF THE FRATERNITY.

In many respects the Masonic year, just past, has been one of superlatives.

The largest total membership ever reported in this Grand Jurisdiction; the largest recorded attendance at any one particular lodge meeting in this jurisdiction, for a great many years at least; the largest number of lodges represented, and on a world wide basis, at any one particular meeting; the greatest number of anniversary and educational meetings in recent years; the smallest number of dimits in ten years; the unbroken record, with the exception of one year, of less affiliations than dimits, clearly indicating that Maine, for more than half a century, has sent out more Masons to other Grand Jurisdictions of the Nation and the World, than it, in turn, has received; the magnificent record, in scarcely more than fifty years, and through all the vicissitudes of peace and wars, inflations and depressions, more wars and sweeping social changes, of more than doubling our recorded membership—from 22,277 in 1900 to 46,335 in 1953.

MASONIC RELIEF IN MAINE.

With the sudden passing of R. W. Frank J. Cole, Past Senior Grand Warden, at his home in Orrington, Maine, on Friday, October 31, 1952, Masonry and Masonic Relief in Maine suffered a serious loss and a heavy impact. He had served as Chairman of the Committee on Distribution, of the Trustees of the Masonic Charitable Foundation, since 1931; more than twenty-one years, in which a new Masonic generation had time to grow up. We came to lean heavily upon Brother Cole, more heavily, perhaps, than we realized; and in so doing there were many who lost sight of, or never knew or realized, the fundamentals and principles of Masonic Relief.

In his own inimitable and unswerving way, he tried to instill those principles and fundamentals into us; but his great heart and sympathy often betrayed him, and he assumed the burdens which we and others might have shared.

In a way he must have been lonely. We left him, too much, to do our great work; and it was his unassuming and kindly

interest in young and growing Masons, as well as in those who were in distress, which gradually relieved the younger Masons in our Lodges, and in our Grand Lodge, of some of the stern realities of Masonic labor, and made the impact more sudden and abrupt with his passing. We were not prepared, because we had not labored with him.

The Masonic Charitable Foundation, as created by the Grand Lodge of Maine, and as now provided for under Part Second, Article I, Section 55, Constitution of the Grand Lodge of Maine, "shall consist of the Charity Fund of the Grand Lodge, and such other funds as are established or accepted for charitable, educational or other specific purposes;" and further, under Section 58, of said Constitution, "The several funds constituting the Masonic Charitable Foundation shall be.....under the management of a Board of Trustees," etc.

For a great many years, under provisions similar to those of Section 61, the Grand Master has been President of said Board of Trustees in performance and effect, and has been listed as such, in the Proceedings, since the time of M. W. William R. G. Estes in 1884. Since the time of M. W. Ernest C. Butler, in 1934, and also as by the Proceedings, even as late as last year, in 1952, it has been voted by the Board of Trustees, "That all applications for relief be referred to a committee of three to be appointed by the Grand Master and of which he shall be a member ex-officio."

As will be presented later, it may even appear that in July of 1930, a method of distribution of funds for charitable purposes was adopted by the Board of Trustees, whereby a Committee on Distribution was set up, consisting of the Grand Master, the Grand Secretary, and one other member of the Board of Trustees, who should be styled as Chairman of the Committee on Distribution, which Chairman should make as thorough an investigation as possible, on all applications, and report his findings to the Grand Master, together with recommendation as to whether or not the application should be granted; and if so, in what amount; and if the Grand Master should be of the same opinion, the Grand Master should then instruct the Grand Treasurer to pay the amount named.

It would appear, in January, 1928, that a situation, somewhat similar to the present, had occurred, with the passing of R. W. Edward C. Weston, Past Junior Grand Warden, and that M. W. Brother Harold E. Cooke had felt it incumbent upon him to carry on until information could be secured and the problem centralized.

For these reasons and backgrounds, your present Grand Master felt that he too, with the passing of R. W. Bro. Frank J. Cole, could do no less than actually assume the duties and responsibilities of office of long standing, and follow the precedent and example of his illustrious predecessor, Harold E. Cooke and by first-hand contact, try to evaluate the program and the problem.

As previously stated, it soon appeared that all of us had leaned too heavily, and too long, on Chairman Frank J. Cole. Only a superficial or token reference of applications, was made to the Committee as voted. There was absolute and unquestioned trust and confidence in Brother Cole, and he was gradually left, almost alone, with the functions of the Committee. Grand Masters, it seems, including myself, in complete faith and confidence, simply signed the orders or directives of the Grand Treasurer, as they were made out for them. A wonderfully simple system, but the Committees on Distribution, including the Grand Masters, did not really know, except by patient report at the close of the year, or by special, isolated circumstances, of the cases or applications which, by vote, should have been referred to them. Instead of the system of reference, as had been regularly voted by the Board of Trustees of the Masonic Charitable Foundation, there developed a system of "regular cases," "directives," and "May schedules"; sometimes even without formal applications, because, perhaps, it seemed so unnecessary to prepare or require them, if they were not to be scrutinized or especially considered. Brother Cole, of course, knew all of the relief conditions and circumstances. He had them in his heart and at his finger tips; and I can humbly recall, as perhaps can other Grand Masters, Brother Cole's rather wistful statement: "I have it all there for you to see—any time,—if you can find the time, or should care to see it."

I did not quite find the time, until his passing. There were always busy, pressing affairs; meetings, visitations, questions for decision and research, letters, correspondence, etc.; a multitude of items and affairs, which seemed to claim immediate attention. I used to see Brother Cole quite frequently, from place to place, and we would sit and discuss particular cases and methods, and certain corrective procedures. A majority—yes—when we were together, but we never came to that actual, sit-down get-together, with reference to full committee, as I know was his continuing hope. And yet he carried on, quietly, faithfully, unassumingly, to the end. It was he who gave the last full measure of devotion.

At his passing, and upon almost immediate telephone notice by W. Bro. Alden F. Denaco, Secretary of Rising Virtue Lodge, No. 10, and also by R. W. Bro. Merrill R. Kittredge, District Deputy Grand Master, Sixth Masonic District, both close friends of Brother Cole, I requested them, under suitable arrangements with family or housekeeper, to gather and take possession of the Grand Lodge Relief Records. It was found that arrangements had been made with his housekeeper for such an eventuality; and the records, as carefully arranged and kept, were easily secured, and at the day of Brother Cole's funeral were delivered to the Grand Master.

Card indexes, by Lodges and cases; yearly case reports; certain correspondence files; an application system; miscellaneous forms and notes; certain current and pending matters; had been well and faithfully kept. All could have been readily and conveniently understood with Brother Cole to supply the cross-references and finger-tip information which he possessed. As is well known, his grasp of individual cases was remarkable, even without his records. In many ways the records and notes seemed designed to supply report information, rather than to supply application—reference information to Committees on Distribution, which seemed to serve more as approving Committees, rather than reference Committees, at least the number of years covered by the records.

Hurried checks and cross-checks were necessarily carried on to meet current demands—and some of the requests were

demands. A study of Trustee Records and Proceedings was made. Records, correspondence, indexes, and reports were analyzed and correlated to trace the pattern and information in the mind and heart of Brother Cole.

Corresponding checks and cross-checks were had with the Grand Secretary and the Grand Treasurer, to supply information for the over-all picture. Brother Cole's records, for example, did not include income, availability of income, budgetary allocations, unit bases, etc., all of which, are necessary for the proper functioning of a Board of Trustees, and a Committee on Distribution. It was not his job to carry on such a record, although by vote of the Trustees, Tuesday, May 6, 1952, and before, Brother Cole was to "serve as Chairman of the Committee on Distribution to have in charge the matter of investigating appeals for charitable relief and that administration of relief for the dependents of the several lodges within the state be at his discretion subject to the approval of the Grand Master or the Board of Trustees."

There was no real or special confusion of functions, as might have appeared under votes of the Board of Trustees, Page 731, 1952 Proceedings, and before, because Brother Cole very closely confined himself to the simple investigation of appeals, many times direct to him, for charitable relief, and from his judgment and his heart and sympathies, the preparation of the directives or orders for the Grand Master to sign and forward to the Grand Treasurer.

The system, however, was a far cry from that of the appropriation of \$5,000 for relief by Grand Master Harold E. Cooke in 1928 and 1929, and again for Grand Master Cyrus N. Blanchard in 1930. Aside from the \$3,810.00 for the year on "regular cases," and the \$11,497.00 total of the "May Schedule," the "Grand Master's Orders for Payment," as prepared, were running well over \$1,000 per month, up to November 30, 1952, plus the \$212.50 to \$632.50 per month of the "regular cases." These figures, of course, were not too much out of line in comparison with figures of the previous years, but there is food for thought in the fact that, so far as available current income is concerned, it takes until October or November to catch up to the May and current schedules.

This deficit condition means a cash-on-hand program, which does not produce investment income.

R. W. Bro. Convers E. Leach, the only remaining member of the Committee on Distribution with the Grand Master, was most helpful in these studies. Very close touch has been maintained with him in handling current and recurring needs, and carbon copies of correspondence, directives, etc., have been prepared and forwarded to him without delay.

Early in the studies, and in the current cases, it appeared that a very recognizable part or portion of the Relief Program had contacts from and through other Grand Jurisdictions, and by well established Masonic Procedure, and particularly under our own Standing Regulation No. 65, "all inter-jurisdictional correspondence having reference to official business of the Grand Lodge or of the subordinate lodges under this jurisdiction shall be conducted through the office of the Recording Grand Secretary, except as may be otherwise ordered by the Grand Master." Obviously other Grand Jurisdictions would not know of any other "otherwise," should there be any, from the Grand Master, so there is that steady flow of contacts with the Grand Secretary, in matters of relief, from other Grand Jurisdictions. Without central current files and information, in matters of Grand Lodge Relief supported by local information from the Lodges themselves as by their applications for assistance, and supplemented by other current and pertinent information, it is obvious that there could be and were, embarrassing delays, and even no information upon which to base answer to seemingly simple inter-jurisdictional questions. It seemed that there should be a central record of Grand Lodge business, other than year-end reports, comprehensive and thorough though they may be, in the Grand Lodge office; not only for current use as indicated, but as a safety measure against death, fire, or other disaster. In these days of typewriters and carbon paper, duplicate working records, may be kept for use as convenient or necessary.

For these reasons, then, because of steady need for inter-jurisdictional reference, and especially in view of the obvious propriety of Grand Lodge records being in the Grand Lodge

Office, Brother Cole's records, after study by the Grand Master, were promptly delivered to the Grand Lodge Office, not only to supply and to make available the information contained, but also to give opportunity to check against certain copies of information which Brother Cole himself had forwarded to the Grand Secretary and the Grand Treasurer in his contacts with them.

R. W. Brother H. Norton Maxfield, Grand Treasurer, was particularly helpful in the adjustment of the impact caused by the passing of the Chairman of the Committee on Distribution. More than any other, perhaps, except Brother Cole, he knew of the workings of the Relief Program. He was on the paying end. He knew of the recipients, the accounts involved, the amounts paid, the lodges involved, the frequency of payments, and his accounts were currently up-to-date. The missing information which he did not have was in Brother Cole's files. With such assistance and information as the Grand Secretary could give him, Bro. H. Norton Maxfield, at a time of pressing other duties, very courageously undertook the gathering together and collating of available relief records and information, and now has them available in a central Grand Lodge file. In certain cases, standard or special information may be missing, but in his current contacts with lodges much information has been supplied. Our grateful thanks should go to Brother Maxfield for his effort.

In one other respect, Brother Maxfield has been most helpful; but in this case it was "right-up-his-alley." As Grand Treasurer, and Custodian of Grand Lodge Funds, as by the Constitution, and as accounting for and reporting on Grand Lodge Charity Fund Investments and Income, at the request of the Grand Master, he prepared an analysis or breakdown of Monthly Income and Disbursements which was most helpful, and revealed the deficit income situation from May to October or November above referred to. His budgetary experience in municipal affairs can be of real benefit to the Grand Lodge of Maine and its Masonic Charitable Foundation.

M. W. Brother Charles E. Crossland, Past Grand Master, has been most helpful, not only by his interest shown, but in

his preparation of Analysis of Grand Lodge Charity Funds, showing the Distribution of Investments by Type of Security; Distribution by Types of Business; Distribution of Bonds, Preferred Stocks, and Common Stocks; Percentages of total; Quality of Bonds; and Rate of Earnings on Invested Funds, etc. He has been requested to continue such analysis.

At one other point in the Relief Program, there has been serious concern and consideration. Other Grand Masters have had the same concern, as they have indicated.

It stems, perhaps, from the present and previous votes of the Board of Trustees of the Masonic Charitable Foundation, back to 1935, that the Grand Master, as President of the Trustees of the Charity Fund shall "be Chairman ex-officio, to advise the Board of Trustees in making investments and changes in securities."

With all respect to the thinking and proponents of such a vote, and in all respect to the Grand Masters who have labored under it, under present and even recent conditions, this does not seem to work out as a sound investment practice. A Grand Master, no matter how skilled he may be in investments and investment practice is, in a sense, just a temporary officer. In two years, at the most, he is gone. The investment of Grand Lodge Charity Funds is a long range program, requiring advice and counsel of long and special experience. With reduced yields on high grade and well secured bonds, the investment program is no longer one of simply buying high grade bonds at issue, or in the market, and laying them away. Investment yield must be considered to make our Charity Fund usable and of value. Premiums and discounts; carefully selected preferred stocks; especially safe common stocks, with performance or special backgrounds; must have attention to produce yield. Such experience does not come to Grand Masters automatically; and it just does not make sense that any one who by long training and experience has particular skills and judgment and information in investments will attempt or even assume the guidance of a committee of which someone else is Chairman. There is too much responsibility in the investment of nearly half a million dollars to

assume that responsibility in any changing committee where the Chairman has little or no knowledge, and even less time to acquire and use it. It may be a compliment to the Grand Master that he serve as Chairman of that Committee, but it may be a higher compliment to him, to return to the customs and usages from 1820 to 1935, and simply clothe him with powers of appointment, in his best and careful judgment, rather than to require him to spread himself too thin. For a great many years we have had stalwart men as Chairmen of that important Committee—loyal, devoted, mature—well skilled in Masonry and Investment. I cannot believe that I am the only Grand Master, who, for the good of Masonry, and our Relief program, would like to see that condition return, with more certainty as to continuance.

In one other respect, I am convinced that a return to a really ancient custom would be beneficial. It is that of "Quarterly Communications," so frequently mentioned in "The Old Regulations," which were in existence long before, but reportedly were first compiled in 1720, approved by the Grand Lodge of England in 1721, and published in 1723 in "Anderson's Constitutions" and which now appear in our own Maine Masonic Textbook 1942, under Chapter XVII, pages 181 to 198, inclusive. In many Grand Jurisdictions these Quarterly Communications are still continued. For the benefit of an Investment Program, and for an orderly processing of certain Relief Applications, it might seem that this custom of Quarterly Communications could be profitably revived, at least so far as the Masonic work and labor of the Trustees of the Charity Fund of the Grand Lodge of Maine is concerned. It may be expected that such Quarterly Meetings will be voted, or called.

As has been pointed out on numerous occasions, and as will be repeated, it would seem that there has been impression or misunderstanding, which has developed through the years, that the Grand Lodge Charity Fund, and the per capita assessment, is designed to relieve lodges of responsibility and to provide direct assistance to those in need, and an independent handling of Relief Cases by the Grand Lodge. This is not so.

Since the founding of the Grand Lodge in 1820, and the establishment of its Charity Fund, by the sharing or gift of One Thousand Dollars from the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, the purpose of the fund has been to assist lodges—not individuals independently and at random—"where the funds of their own lodges are not adequate to the exigency of the case." See Constitution Grand Lodge of Maine 1941, Section 57, Paragraph First. The trend of casual reference of relief needs to Grand Lodge, without reference through respective lodges, and with expectation, and sometimes almost demand, for almost immediate results, has no basis in the purpose and objectives in the Grand Lodge Charity Fund and Relief Program.

For the continuing purpose of any corrective information needed, the Notice of March 2, 1953, from the Grand Secretary's office, as to this One Hundred and Thirty-fourth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge, devoted considerable space for some of the Rules and Regulations as to the Charity Fund. It might be well and to be hoped and planned, for the benefit and greater information of all concerned, that the printing of the Regulations of the Charity Funds of the Grand Lodge of Maine be resumed in the Proceedings.

In connection with the Regulations as mentioned on the Notice from the Grand Secretary's office, and to provide assistance to the Lodges, in the presentation of their Applications, W. Brother James E. Stevens, has kindly consented to be on hand at this session to assist and confer with representatives who may have applications to present. Brother Stevens has sat with Brother Cole in such conferences on previous occasions. The Grand Master, and the various lodges, should feel deeply grateful to Brother Stevens for performing this confining and generous service.

Such, in part, is some of the work and attention of your Grand Master in the matter of Masonic Relief in Maine. Of necessity, it has been somewhat interlaced and interwoven with the impact of the sudden passing of R. W. Brother Frank J. Cole.

I hope, and am persuaded, that you will understand that this extended, yet sketchy, information to you at this time, is not given in any sense of criticism of past or present methods; nor to enlist any particular sympathy for the many, many hours of Masonic labor on the subject by your Grand Master. It was a part of his job, as he saw it. The report is given, only, that you may be aware of current matters of Masonic Relief as administered under the Masonic Charitable Foundation of the Grand Lodge of Maine. It is your right to know of matters concerning your Grand Lodge.

You may be assured, from the information now at hand, that I have every confidence that your continuing and newly elected Board of Trustees will meet every situation in accordance with the Masonic principles and purposes of our Masonic Charitable Foundation.

And now, in tribute to R. W. Brother Frank J. Cole, who labored so long and faithfully, may I state that among his papers I found much of the following. I have saved it for this occasion and record.

It was unidentified, with date of August 17, 1945, appended. But it is typical of his helpful and generous spirit; and the subject was dear to his heart.

For him, and in his name, I present:

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GRAND LODGE OF MAINE
FROM
R. W. FRANK J. COLE

In 1820, when Maine was admitted to the Union, and became the twenty-third State, the thirty lodges holding charters from the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts withdrew from that body and formed the Grand Lodge of Maine.

The Grand Lodge of Massachusetts then gave the newly organized Grand Lodge of Maine, as a testimonial of fraternal good-will, One Thousand Dollars, as a nucleus for a Charity Fund. This fund, termed the Charity Fund of the Grand Lodge of Maine, is held in the name of the Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master, Senior Grand Warden, Junior Grand Warden, and the members of the Grand Lodge.

The purpose of this fund is to assist lodges that are financially unable to give needed relief, from their own funds, to their dependents.

It is administered by a Board of Trustees, consisting of the Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master, Senior and Junior Grand Wardens, the Recording Grand Secretary, and six members of the Grand Lodge who are not officers of the Grand Lodge. The six last named are elected for a term of three years, two being elected annually, and the Grand Master, Grand Wardens, and the Grand Secretary being members ex-officio.

This Board is invested with the custody of the Fund for investment, re-investment, and distribution for the purpose of relieving distress.

The original Fund has been added to, from time to time; by appropriations from the General Fund of the Grand Lodge; interest on investments; by per capita tax of fifty cents on each member of subordinate lodges since March 1, 1927; and by bequests from several Brethren, the largest being that of Charles M. Farrar, Past Junior Grand Warden, consisting of securities with face value of \$36,450.

The Invested Fund, otherwise called the Permanent Fund, is invested in interest bearing securities, no part of which can be used for any purpose, other than that of charity, except by action of the Grand Lodge. In 1831 it was necessary for the Grand Lodge to borrow \$219.96 to meet running expenses, which was accomplished by vote of the Grand Lodge.

At the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge, in 1852, Grand Master Humphreys, in his address, called attention of the Grand Lodge to the matter of subordinate lodges establishing Charity Funds, to provide and supplement current income from dues, etc., and, by request, submitted a plan at the next Annual Communication, along the same lines as that of the Grand Lodge Charity Fund. (One Hundred Seventeen Lodges, as reported during the year 1952-53 just closed, by the District Deputies in their Reports of Official Visits, are indicated as having Charity Funds. The number has increase from seventy-four in 1945, to one hundred seventeen in 1953).

Each year, when the Grand Secretary sends out the notice of the Annual Communication, these vernal lodges are informed, if assistance is needed for the ensuing year from the Charity Fund of the Grand Lodge, to procure necessary application blanks, fill them out, and return them before the opening of the Annual Communication on the first Tuesday in May.

Under the old system, all applications so received were referred to the Board of Trustees at their Annual Meeting at five o'clock on the afternoon of that day, were acted on, and as soon as possible the schedule was placed in the hands of the Grand Treasurer, who sent his checks out to the several Almoners for the amounts granted.

At that meeting it was customary to place a small amount, a few hundred dollars, in the hands of the Grand Master for him to use for charitable purposes during the ensuing year.

The remainder of the amount available for distribution was put into the Invested Fund and nothing more could be obtained until the next Annual

Communication of the Grand Lodge, without calling a special meeting of the Board of Trustees.

The funds thus placed in the hands of the Grand Master were far from being sufficient to meet even a small part of the requirements in cases arising after Annual Communications, and, this condition being unsatisfactory, many prominent members felt that steps should be taken to remedy the same.

Suggestions and recommendations were made toward establishing a Masonic Foundation in Maine for the purpose of giving more assistance in cases of need than was then possible.

The matter was presented at the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge in 1925, and it was voted to entertain the proposition. It was referred to a committee consisting of M. W. Brothers Ashley A. Smith, Charles F. Johnson, Albert M. Spear, and Waldo Pettengill. The Maine Council of Deliberation was also interested in the matter and a committee was appointed consisting of Illustrious Brothers Frederick C. Thayer, Harry R. Virgin, and Frederick W. Adams.

The following year, at the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge in 1926, the Grand Lodge Committee reported that it was the conviction of every member of the joint committee that a per capita tax of fifty cents be levied annually upon each member of the subordinate lodges, to be administered by the Board of Trustees of the Charity Fund of the Grand Lodge of Maine.

The report was accepted, the recommendations adopted, and the per capita tax became effective, with the payment of dues by the subordinate lodges to the Grand Treasurer, March 1, 1927.

More funds now being available, the amount to the Grand Master, to be used for charitable purposes, was increased to \$2,500, at the Annual Meeting of the Board of Trustees, but not being enough it was increased further in 1928, to \$5,000. As this seemed to be sufficient, the same amount was provided in 1929 and again in 1930.

As it became known that the Grand Master had, in comparison with former years, a substantial sum for distribution, applications became numerous and added very much to the increasing duties of his office.

For a number of years R. W. Edward G. Weston, Past Junior Grand Warden, and a member of the Board of Trustees, had by reason of his occupation as a traveling salesman, been able to give invaluable assistance in the matter of investigating the merits of various cases.

He died in January, 1928, and M. W. Brother Harold E. Cooke was obliged to carry on alone, which he did with much credit to himself, and satisfaction to the beneficiaries; but at the sacrifice of a great deal of valuable time needed for other duties.

At the Annual Meeting of the Board of Trustees in May, 1930, it was voted to provide \$5,000 to be used for relief cases for the ensuing year by M. W. Brother Cryus N. Blanchard, then Grand Master. But he refused to accept it, saying that he would not have the time to properly attend to its distribution.

A special meeting of the Board of Trustees was held in July of that year of 1930, to devise some method of distribution.

The following was adopted, as an experiment:

That the distribution of funds for charitable purposes be made by a Committee on Distribution, consisting of the Grand Master, the Grand Secretary, and one other member of the Board who should be styled Chairman.

All applications as they were received, to be sent to the Chairman; he to make as thorough an investigation as possible, and to make report of his findings to the Grand Master, together with a recommendation as to whether or not the application should be granted; and if granted, the amount to be given.

Should the Grand Master be of opinion that relief should be given, he was to instruct the Grand Treasurer to pay the amount named; but should he disagree, he was to so inform the Chairman.

A record to be made of all cases before this committee, the same to be kept on file at the office of the Grand Secretary.

Instead of setting aside a certain definite amount for distribution during the ensuing year, as had been customary, the balance of the available fund to remain in the hands of the Grand Treasurer to be drawn upon, from time to time, by the Committee on Distribution.

This method was frankly regarded, at the time, in the nature of a stop-gap, until something better could be devised.

It has remained unchanged.

From May, in 1930, when the present method was adopted, to March 31, 1945, the Committee had given \$420,728.25. (\$601,227.94 as of March 31, 1952, and well over half a million dollars in nineteen years, in 1949).

Due to a lack of sufficient knowledge by some of the lodges, as to intent and purpose of the Charity Fund, it was understood by them that it relieved them of all responsibility in the care of their dependents, and on numerous occasions it has been necessary for Grand Masters to inform them differently.

Grand Master Joseph A. Locke covered the ground completely, and consisely, in 1898, when he said in his Annual Address:

"It is the duty of each lodge and its members to take care of and help its own, and the poor widows and helpless orphans of its deceased members as far as it can.

"No lodge should come to the Grand Lodge unless it has done something according to its means, and that of its members.

"The income from the Grand Lodge Charity Fund should only be asked when the needed aid becomes oppressive and a burden to the lodge."

August 17, 1945.

So speaks to us now, I believe, our good friend and Brother, Frank J. Cole, though his lips may be silent to us. I believe

that he would like that we should have and keep his message, as we proudly and humbly say: "Hail and Farewell."

GRAND MASTERS' CONFERENCE.

A brilliant and distinguished Mason has well said:

"As the highest honor that may come to a Mason in his own Jurisdiction is his election as Grand Master, so the highest honor that may come to a Grand Master is the privilege of addressing the Annual Grand Master's Conference."

The Reverend and Most Worshipful Thomas Sherrard Roy, present Grand Master of our parent Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, is well skilled and trained in the use of words; and the simplicity and earnestness of his utterance, as he addressed the Grand Masters' Conference in 1952, found response and will continue in the heart of every Grand Master.

And yet, in the heart of every Grand Master, also, must be the underlying knowledge and realization that any honor which may come to him is simply in trust for his Grand Jurisdiction; that it must be cherished as such; and with hope for final approbation by his Brethren, as well as his contemporaries.

It was the great privilege of your Grand Master to be invited to address the 1953 Conference of Grand Masters of Masons in North America, at Washington, D. C., on February 24, 1953. The subject, "Connectives—In Freemasonry," was apparently well received, and a number of requests have been received for use prior to publication.

The Address is attached, and made a part of this Report, for your general information.

The Conference, this year, had a definite international flavor and aspect, with speakers from Canada, Central America, South America, The Philippines, Germany, etc. It was a great honor that Maine should be included and have opportunity to speak for Masonry in the United States.

Maine has been signally honored at the Conference in recent years; with M. W. Granville C. Gray serving as Chairman of the Conference Committee in 1950, M. W. Erving E. J. Lander responding to the Address of Welcome in 1952, and your present Grand Master having the distinguished

honor and privilege of addressing the Conference. Not bad, perhaps, for the lessons in the northeast corner of these United States. We are proud, yet humble, that we have been so honored. M. W. George F. Giddings presided at the Conference, 1940-41.

The second day of the Conference was devoted largely to the consideration of a Report of the Commission on Information for Recognition as voted and appointed in 1952. It was from this report, perhaps, and its consideration, that the Conference derived much of its international complexion.

Much of religious, racial, and political backgrounds and difficulties on a world wide basis—largely a crystallization from previous Conferences—were variously presented for information and understanding. Report and discussion was planned to revolve around such dramatic topics as Legitimacy of Origin, Territorial Sovereignty, Belief in God, etc. The work of the Commission was believed by its sponsors to contain great potentialities, and, in the realization of its goal, a great step forward.

The Commission on Information for Recognition was continued, on an informational basis; but not on the basis of Conference representation as some may have desired. There was certain caution that observations by the Commission should not be construed as adopted by the Grand Masters' Conference itself. There was recognition of the value to Grand Jurisdictions of available and accumulated information by devoted members of the Craft; but there was recognition, also, by certain of the Grand Masters, that their Grand Jurisdictions were sovereign, and that there should be no representation for them, directly or indirectly, without definite knowledge or action in their part. The matter was harmoniously resolved, and the Commission on Information for Recognition, still in a developing stage, is to continue its valued informational work. Its members are to be congratulated on their devotion and interest.

Your Deputy Grand Master, Grand Secretary, and Past Grand Master David L. Wilson, were also in attendance at the Conference; and the Senior Senator from Maine, Maragret Chase Smith, was among the many distinguished guests at

the Grand Masters' banquet. She received outstanding applause. Again, Maine was "on-the-map."

THE GEORGE WASHINGTON MASONIC NATIONAL
MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION.

As is customary, your Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master, and Grand Secretary, attended the Annual Meeting of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association, at the Temple of the Memorial which stands as "A Lamp to the World of Men."

This year, at the Forty-third Annual Convention, it was an added pleasure, also, that M. W. Brother David L. Wilson was in attendance.

Each year, on Washington's Birthday—this year it was Monday, February 23—the Memorial on Virginia soil in Alexandria, is described as being the scene of an imposing gathering, when Grand Masters of Masons in all the States, accompanied by other leaders in the Fraternity in their jurisdictions, gather to review the progress of the work set forth on the trestleboard. This work is now carried on largely under the skillful hands of M. W. Clifford D. Jory, Past Grand Master of Iowa, who is President of the Association.

Designed in the classic architecture of Greece and Rome, the Memorial stands as an imposing shrine, its massiveness delicately proportioned to its expansive surroundings and sky-ward view, overlooking the moving, turbid cities of Alexandria and Washington. It exhibits a faith and expression, above the littleness of men, in the up-standing greatness of the principles of civil and religious liberty, as preserved by dignity and by orderly and stable government.

It was a privilege for your Grand Master, for and in behalf of the Grand Lodge of Maine, and the newly made Masons who contributed it, to present a check for more than \$1,700, for the Endowment Fund of the Association. Our previous contributions had totaled \$70,398.00.

Unfortunately, an unusual and heavy pressure of business prevented R. W. Brother H. Norton Maxfield, who has been

Chairman in Maine of the George Washington National Memorial Committee for many years, from attending the meeting, as by appropriation at the last Annual Communication. It is to be hoped that he may be permitted to attend in 1954.

MASONIC SERVICE ASSOCIATION OF THE UNITED STATES.

The thirty-fourth annual meeting of The Masonic Service Association of the United States, was held on February 26, 1953, the day following the close of the Grand Masters' Conference. The program and business was splendidly arranged, and pleasingly and vigorously carried out. There was no drag—even after three days of extended meetings.

After the Welcoming Address by M. W. Roy D. Borden, Grand Master of Masons in the District of Columbia, it was the privilege of your Grand Master to place in nomination the name of Most Worshipful James Green, Grand Master of Illinois as Chairman for the current meeting, and, after election, by invitation, to escort him to the platform. The fact that Brother Green got away from your Grand Master did not destroy the attempted formality of the escort.

M. W. Samuel H. Wragg, Past Grand Master of Massachusetts, and Chairman of the Executive Commission, had, by virtue of his office, previously opened the meeting; and he was re-elected to continue as Chairman of the Commission. His devotion to the Association is acknowledged and outstanding.

Instead of a recitation of its activities, I wish that it were possible to convey to you something of what the Masonic Service Association of the United States really is.

It could be said—that it is all of Masonry, really united, yet preserving all of the individualities of sovereign Grand Jurisdictions; that it is a great monument and beacon, not fixed in massive grandure in some crowded or lonely place, but towering sky-ward for all to see, in the ever changing locations of need and service; that it is as unswerving and unchangeable as the principles and Landmarks of Masonry, yet as modern and “up-to-the-minute” as the fluid movements

of war, and the flaming disasters of fire and surging floods and pestilence which beset the lives of men; that its unyielding power and strength and greatness,—so as to command the respect of nations,—is yet gentle and finds time for little thoughtful attentions to those who are hurt and are on beds of pain; that it is at once a great repository for the truths and records of Masonry, against the inundation of local limits and expression, and yet is an ever-sparkling, overflowing fountain-head of Light and Information for those who thirst and seek for Knowledge.

It is a magnificent expression and manifestation, and release, of that restless need and urge within us for change, and little innovations, while yet circumscribed by a boundless circle and cycle of opportunity embordered by the two perpendicular parallel lines of unchangeable forms and Landmarks, and the modern, instant outpouring of dynamic service. It is as old as the greatest antiquity, yet as modern and as new as the unknown developments of tomorrow.

It has been said that man can not live unto himself alone. And it may be that our Masonry, with all its present strength and vigor, can not live without some such modern expression as the Masonic Service Association of the United States affords.

I challenge your thoughts in such direction; and that we leave our Masonry as it is, according to solemn and serious obligations; yet find everchanging delight as we give, and equally receive, in the opportunities of this magnificent Institution and Association.

It was a great privilege that I could attend this and previous meetings, and glimpse, in part, the vision and the concept. It is a greater privilege that I have opportunity to attempt to convey something of that vision to you.

GRAND SECRETARIES' CONFERENCE.

Co-existent with the Conference of Grand Masters of Masons in North America, for one day at least, is the Annual Conference of The Masonic Grand Lodge Secretaries in

North America. The importance of this Grand Secretaries' Conference can not be over-emphasized.

In this Conference, perhaps more than in any other way, are operations and inter-jurisdictional contacts developed and maintained. Methods, procedures, and information, are freely exchanged and discussed, and Sovereign Grand Jurisdictions come closer together in common practices and understanding.

It is not my purpose to transgress upon the report of the Grand Secretary, or any mention he may make as to the Grand Secretaries' Conference.

Suffice it to say that our R. W. Brother Convers E. Leach, is one of the most respected and beloved Brethren of that Conference; and he does us honor at such occasions.

Your Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master and Past Grand Master David L. Wilson, were delighted that they could attend portions of his meeting, and to be his guests at the Grand Secretaries' Banquet.

CHAIN LETTERS.

The silly epidemic of chain letters, apparently, still continues. Your Grand Master received one, not too long ago. It was postmarked at Westbrook, Maine, March 14, 1953. Perhaps the sender was only wishing or sending good luck. But, as to chain letters, Past Most Worshipful Ralph J. Pollard, rather forcefully "hits-it-on-the-head" in his foreword to his Report on Foreign Correspondence this year. He says: "Superstition is certainly unmasonic, and Masons are supposedly too intelligent to indulge in such a puerile pastime." Thanks for any wish for good luck intended; but I could wish that there had been a little more thoughtfulness behind it. If there are nice things to say, let's say them openly and direct—man fashion.

ENDOWMENTS.

This matter had attention last year in the Address of M. W. Ervin E. J. Lander.

I like the way he handled it. It is repeated here, and included for further thought and attention.

The following is an excerpt from the foreword of our late Most Worshipful Ashley A. Smith, D. D., Past Grand Master of Maine, and Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence:

"Maine has never stressed the matter (endowments). Although we have a few small bequests which have been generously given in former years by earnest brethren, and these have grown by judicious management and re-investment into substantial endowments at the present time.

"Many of our well-to-do and even wealthy members, have never had the matter brought to their attention and while Maine has a few such bequests made largely on the the brother's own initiative—it is our conviction that many others would do the same kindly service if the matter was brought to their attention in the proper way.

"Our Maine Charity Foundation might be augmented in this way by just bringing the matter to the attention of the brethren in a quiet way, and their good will and judgment will do the rest."

The following is a statement from the Grand Lodge Proceedings of 1939:

"Our Grand Lodge Charity Fund offers every Mason an opportunity to establish a memorial to himself that will endure through many generations to come by setting aside by gift or bequest a sum, be it a hundred or a thousand dollars, that will remain in the hands of the Trustees to aid in the comfort and support of worthy, needy brethren and their dependents."

"We hope that brothers so situated financially will seriously consider the matter and establish a memorial as an example to future generations."

REQUEST FOR FRATERNAL AID AND ASSISTANCE.

Request for fraternal aid and assistance has been made to the Grand Lodge in the case of Pleasant River Lodge, No. 163, of Brownville, as by petition under date of April 13, 1953, which would call for the appropriation and return to Pleasant River Lodge, No. 163, of two years' Grand Lodge Dues, "for the years ending December 31, 1951, and December 31, 1952," which have been paid.

Their forthright petition, in their present financial difficulties, speaks for itself:

PLEASANT RIVER LODGE, No. 163
A. F. & A. M.

Meeting Night Third Monday of Each Month
BROWNVILLE, MAINE

BENJAMIN W. ELA,

M. W. Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Maine,
North Anson, Maine.

MOST WORSHIPFUL SIR:

At a stated meeting of Pleasant River Lodge, No. 163, Brownville, Maine, held January 19, 1953, the undersigned committee was appointed to petition the Grand Lodge of Maine for the remission of dues for the years ending December 31, 1951 and December 31, 1952.

We humbly and respectfully make this petition for the following reasons:

That our Masonic Hall and contents were totally destroyed by fire on February 4, 1951,

That hall and contents were insured for \$27,500.00 in accordance with S. R. 3,

That Charter of Pleasant River Lodge, No. 163, was suspended from December 7, 1951 to May 8, 1952, and that prior to suspension of charter, members of Pleasant River Lodge, No. 163, were lending money without interest to the corporation of Pleasant River Lodge, No. 163, for the construction of a new Masonic Hall. This committee is still mindful of the solemn promises given at the hearing on Pleasant River Lodge in May, 1952, and the only reason the suspension of charter is mentioned is because it had an effect on the financial situation.

It is the earnest hope of Pleasant River Lodge that this petition will be viewed in the light of friendly sympathy and assistance and not on any basis of controversy or grievance.

Respectfully and fraternally yours,

April 13, 1953.

(SEAL)

D. L. STICKNEY,
D. C. MANZER,
PERRY F. THOMES.

Committee.

NOTE.—Committee on Doings of Grand Officers, in 1866, retained to themselves a partially similar case which occasioned Standing Regulation No. 3, which is referred to in the petition. For reference see Page 192, Grand Lodge Proceedings 1866.

COUNCIL OF DELIBERATION.

As is customary, your Grand Master was invited to attend and address the meeting of the Maine Council of Deliberation,

of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, Northern Masonic Jurisdiction of the United States, which was held during the current year, at Bangor, July 15, 1952. All honors and courtesies due the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maine, and its Grand Master, were freely and pleasingly extended. Most Illustrious Frank C. Allen, Deputy for Maine, was most cordial in his greetings.

DISPENSATIONS.

The problem of Dispensations goes on with a rise, in five years, from 18 to 52 (as of April 22, 1953).

A table of comparisons is included to show this increase:

DISPENSATIONS.

Comparative Summary

	1948-49	1949-50	1950-51	1951-52	1952-53
To Confer Degrees.....	9	11	23	31	31
To Visit or Entertain from other Grand Jurisdictions.	2	8	12	7	14
To Receive Applications....	1	0	1	0	0
To Elect Officers.....	1	1	3	2	1
To Hold an Annual Meeting.	2	1	1	0	1
To Hold Meetings in other Halls.....	3	3	2	1	3
Special Miscellaneous.....	0	0	0	0	2
Totals.....	18	24	42	41	52

Even with extreme care during the past year, as has doubtless been the rule in previous years, the number has gone up. All applications have been carefully screened—by correspondence and often by telephone—in order to be sure as to information and circumstances, and to show further, the real interest and concern of the Grand Lodge and the Grand Master, in all the affairs of the lodges where applications and other opportunities permit.

There has been no casual issuance of dispensations by request. Each and every case and application was carefully considered, and it is significant, in the many applications received, that there was no need for even a single denial. In many cases, and for reasons outlined and understood, the applications were simply withdrawn.

The very narrow limits of constitutional authority for the issuance of dispensations must be of some concern to a Grand Master, especially when he recalls his vows and obligation to uphold and support the Constitution. There is always the tugging of the heart strings, and there is thought of the interest and desire of the candidate, and the lodge; but there are always the sobering words of long standing, as presently repeated in our Section 108, of the Grand Lodge Constitution 1941, which specifies the extent of authority and limits the basis of dispensation "strictly by conditions of extreme necessity or extraordinary emergency."

Even in cases connected with the Armed Forces and War Service, it is sometimes difficult to find "extreme necessity"; and it is obvious, when some situation or emergency occurs at an average of once a week, that it can hardly be termed as "extraordinary." In these days, service in the Armed Forces is coming to be so generally expected, and ordinary, that it can hardly be termed as "an unforeseen combination of circumstances," as is included in the dictionary definition of "emergency."

In spite of previous custom to grant dispensations on the basis of "extreme necessity" in connection with military service, your present Grand Master has been very careful to issue such dispensations only when it appears that there will be little or no possibility—over long periods of time—for the usual and customary leaves or furloughs which would permit work to be carried on during a return home. Foreign service; indoctrination courses and officers' training assignments at distant points; active ship assignment; and other similar factors; are typical of the considerations had.

In all cases, assurance has been required as to special and suitable instruction before and after degrees, and such condition was included and made a part of the dispensation.

In all cases, also, involving degrees, the Constitutional Fee, as required under Item 3, Section 88, of the 1941 Constitution, has been called to attention, and has been noted, by reference and in amount, on the face of the dispensation. And, yet, in spite of this notice and reference, which has also been called to attention in the letters of transmittal, several lodges,

or officers, have been so busy, perhaps, as not to have forwarded the required fee to the Grand Master for his record, and for the Grand Lodge. Follow-up letters have been written to such delinquent lodges and in due time, no doubt, the fees will be received. The lodges not responding rather promptly will be noted and listed as delinquent in the records. It has been pointed out that the authority of the Grand Master does not include dispensing with the required Constitutional Fees. Appreciation is expressed to those lodges which forwarded the required fees at the earliest opportunity; and especially to those several officers who enclosed their personal checks with the applications, before a lodge check could be drawn by regular lodge meeting authority.

Two Dispensations have been listed as "Special Miscellaneous." These perhaps, were unusual and of a non-recurring type, and could be mentioned:

DISPENSATION NO. 12A.

This dispensation was in the case of Pleasant River Lodge, No. 163, of Brownville.

Reference is made to the recommendation, Page 699, Proceedings 1952, "that the charter of Pleasant River Lodge, No. 163, be forthwith restored." It will be observed, that there is no reference or recommendation that in this "restoration" there should be an exception to constitutional provisions.

The petitioners had very definitely assured, in writing and in person, that they would not "disobey any of the Constitution," and Section 84, of said Constitution very clearly provides that "Whenever any lodge under this jurisdiction shall have lost its charter by casualty or otherwise, it shall be the duty of said lodge to apply for a new charter."

The Charter of Pleasant River Lodge, No. 163, having been destroyed by fire on February 4, 1951, and no New Charter having been issued under application by Pleasant River Lodge, No. 163, in accordance with the provisions of said Section 88, it is clearly evident that there was no Charter to be "forthwith restored"; at least in the sense of being

returned. Neither had there been a Certificate of Charter which had been signed by a Grand Master.

Statement was made by brethren of Pleasant River Lodge, No. 163, that they did not want to start right in by ignoring the Constitution; and question was asked as to how they could open and apply for a new charter; the question being upon that well known doctrine of, "Without its presence you cannot open your lodge." The question could have been nicely resolved by an application of the certain conveniences and customs of civil law, but it is well known that it is Masonic Law which applies to Masonic problems. Our own Josiah H. Drummond, has well said, for world wide publication, and without dispute:

"The study of Masonic Jurisprudence from the early times teaches most emphatically not only rigid adherence to the fundamental principles and Landmarks of the Society, unyielding resistance to all innovations however slight, and obedience to the laws and usages of the Craft; but also that while in other relations one may lawfully do what is not prohibited, to the Mason whatever does not find a warrant in those Landmarks, laws, or usages is absolutely forbidden."

And again Drummond has said:

"The recognition of the immutable laws relating to the Institution, which the Fraternity itself cannot change and remain Masonic in character, imposes upon the governing bodies the duty of seeing that "the Ancient Landmarks be preserved: this duty introduces into the Masonic system of jurisprudence a feature peculiar to itself."

Truly, as was indicated in the Committee Report, Page 698, 1952 Proceedings, "the spirit of Freemasonry had returned" as the brethren of Pleasant River Lodge sensed the situation, and perhaps the words of Drummond, when they asked, "What shall we do?"

That there could be no embarrassment or carelessness on the part of the Grand Lodge and the Grand Master, in doing less than that which had been required of these brethren, your Grand Master reached back into certain prerogatives which antedate presently enacted law, (See Sections of Mackey's Ancient Landmarks 4 to 8 inclusive, Pages 156 to 157, Maine Masonic Textbook 1942), and issued permission or dispensation for Pleasant River Lodge, No. 163, to meet as a lodge under

some actual, tangible evidence of warrant or authority for them to meet and apply for said new charter.

Application was promptly received, and a New Charter and Certificate of Charter was promptly issued.

DISPENSATION 43.

This dispensation was issued in the case of Lincoln Lodge, No. 3, of Wiscasset. It was occasioned in connection with Standing Regulation No. 72, adopted as by Page 295, 1942 Proceedings.

From the history and background of this Regulation there could be some doubt as need and application to the present case.

It is understood that Regulation No. 72 came about in connection with a certain District Meeting, so-called, which was held for the purpose of installing all of the newly elected Masters in the District, at the same time and at the same place, as well as all the Wardens, Deacons, Stewards, etc. It was an outstanding occasion, and Standing Regulation No. 72 was adopted to cover such joint installations by and among lodges.

There is, of course, a distinction between a joint installation, by and between lodges, as compared with a public or semi-public installation of a lodge at the same place or time as some other body which may be also holding a similar public or semi-public installation. The latter situation is frequently referred to as a "joint installation," and the phrase, in common use, is coming more and more to mean a lodge installation in conjunction with the installation of some other body.

An isolated reading of said Standing Regulation No. 72 does not reveal its background, of course. But in compliment to Lincoln Lodge, No. 3, for their particular care and attention in the Standing Regulations, it was felt that the dispensation, as requested, should issue, to emphasize the Regulation, and to cover any inferences which might occur in the commonly used and accepted understanding of the words "joint installation." The dispensation and letter of transmittal contained much of the information here presented.

Detail of the more usual types of dispensation issued may be found in Appendix "A" attached.

REVISIONS AND AMENDMENTS TO LODGE BY-LAWS.

Revisions and Amendments to Lodge By-laws have followed very closely the pattern and average of the past five years; as by Comparative Summary herewith:

REVISIONS AND AMENDMENTS TO LODGE BY-LAWS.

Comparative Summary.

	1948-49	1949-50	1950-51	1951-52	1952-53
General Revisions.....	0	3	2	3	2
Amendments.....	20	10	16	35	18
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Totals.....	20	13	18	38	20

More amendments might have been approved had they not seriously attempted to graft corporate functions into lodge by-laws and functions.

During the year unusual misunderstanding or inattention to the requirements of Section 86, Constitution Grand Lodge of Maine 1941, Pages 32-33, has seemed to be prevalent throughout the jurisdiction.

It should be recalled, of course, that the Constitution of the Grand Lodge of Maine, as by said Section 86, very clearly provides:

"A lodge adopting or revising by-laws shall forward copies in *triplicate* of such by-laws or revisions, *properly attested as to date of proposal and adoption*, by the lodge, to the Grand Master for his approval. . . ."

and said Section 86 continues further, and explains the reason and "must" for the several copies:

"On approval *one copy* shall be returned to the lodge, and *two copies* forwarded to the Recording Grand Secretary for the *Grand Lodge Library*."

This Constitutional requirement for attestations, and the several copies, leaves the Grand Master no alternative except delay and correspondence when such attestations or sufficient copies are missing. With only one, or perhaps two, exceptions such delay and correspondence has had to occur.

In one other respect, Secretaries and others could be very helpful, although it is not required by the Constitution. It would be very helpful, for example, as the triplicate copies,

properly attested, are made out, that a *fourth* copy should be made and included. In these days of typewriters and carbon paper this is not too difficult; and it saves the Grand Master from having to make up a separate copy for his record as to just what he has approved. Any Grand Master will really appreciate the thoughtful courtesy of a *fourth* copy attested as to date of proposal and adoption.

This constant attention and revision of by-laws, and portions thereof, is a pleasing evidence that the lodges are wide awake and alert to changing conditions.

A list of Revisions and Amendments appears in Appendix "B" attached.

VISITATIONS AND MASONIC FUNCTIONS ATTENDED.

Attendance upon miscellaneous Masonic Functions is the easiest and most delightful of the privileges and duties of a Grand Master. In spite of the thousands of miles of travel and the many late and sleepless hours, there is relaxation and refreshment in meeting with thousands of Masonic friends and brothers, and having close contact with the hundreds of close personal friends, old and new. There is a never-ending delight in such contacts, and an ever-increasing flow of questions, information, and inspiration in Masonic matters.

A mere listing of Official Visits and Functions, cannot cover the Official Contacts made. A District Meeting, for example, may mean direct contact with the Masters, Officers and Members of from five to ten different lodges in the District, although only one of the lodges is listed. A single meeting, as another example, can represent, in one night and in one listing, contacts with 153 of the lodges in our State of Maine, and a total of 210 lodges spread half-way around the world. No matter what sort of a Masonic function it may be, there is always the fundamental approach and contact on the basis of our Blue Lodge Masonry, as we often call it. In addition to any listings there are the many personal visits and contacts, well into the higher hundreds, where Masonic Problems and questions are presented and discussed, without opened or organized meetings of Lodge or other Masonic Body. Some of the finest Masonry we may know can come from such

personal and unlisted visits or contacts. A Grand Master is fortunate that he may be the object and a participant in such personal contacts and visits.

A Grand Master, like any other individual or official in a position of trust and wide responsibility, must continually check upon himself, not for the purpose of mere numerical comparisons, but to meet and improve functional activities and efficiencies. Numbers, in themselves, may not give true comparisons, or indicate true value. A handful of pennies, for example, has far less value than a half-a-handful of smaller dimes. As the delightful colored lady has expressed it, in certain tax matters: " 'Tain't the Income Ah's int'rested in it's the Outcome."

And so it is, a Grand Master should continually check to see whether he is accumulating pennies or dimes, and, what is far more important, whether he is functionally giving pennies or dimes to his Masonry and to his Jurisdiction.

This may be particularly true in the matter of visitations. The colored lady was not particularly interested in keeping track of income; all she wanted to know was the end result. But certainly she would sense that the more opportunities she had to accumulate dimes, the better would be that outcome.

Numbers, then, do have importance; not for mere numerical comparisons, but as a measurement of opportunity and service. The end result must rest on whether the Grand Master has given in terms of pennies or dimes.

Only as a comparison of opportunity, then, and not as a measure of any quality and value of effort rendered, the following table is herewith presented.

VISITATIONS.

COMPARATIVE SUMMARY.

	1948-49	1949-50	1950-51	1951-52	1952-53 (as of Apr. 19, 1953)
Local Lodge Visits.....	22	20	33	42	60*
Total Masonic Functions...	**	**	57	76	117*
(Local and Out-of-State)					

NOTES.— * Numbers will be increased by time of Grand Lodge Session.

** Total Masonic Functions attended not listed in Proceedings.

In all visitations made, your Grand Master has been received and acknowledged as such—sometimes contrary to request and inclination; and every courtesy and honor has been extended. Much unusual thoughtfulness and attention has been appreciated. If a Grand Master could go to all of the places where he would like to go, he could be very happy indeed. Unfortunately, many times, he must choose between five or six places where he would like to be, and such choice, many times, must not be based upon personal comfort and convenience, nor upon personal preference and numbers involved.

It is here that the pattern and record of previous Masonic attendance and functions may be of value; so that we may not too often find, as happened this year, that a current visit of the Grand Master was only the second in over fifty years. It seems, unlike the delightful colored lady, that we should have interest in the "income," in order that we may gauge and improve the "outcome."

For such reference and information as it may be worth, a partial list of Visitations and Masonic Functions attended is attached as Appendix "C."

More meetings and functions could have been listed.

OUTSTANDING MASONIC EVENTS.

In any resume of outstanding Masonic events, it is difficult to know where to start, and, perhaps more difficult, where to stop. In the multitude of recollections there are many points and highlights to claim attention; treasured recollections of unusual spectacle and magnitude; of sparkling jeweled brilliance and perfection in small and unheralded meetings; of quiet and thrilling response in background music, to supplement and beautify the work; of emotional appeal and tugging of the heartstrings, in even awkward situations, evidencing the greatness and humanity of our Masonry; and of the particular warmth and friendliness which radiates from certain occasions.

Dull, indeed, would be the one who could not respond to such occasions; yet there is none who is sufficiently master of words to express or describe them.

Among the largest and most impressive Masonic events for a great many years in Maine, was the Sesqui-Centennial Observance of Rising Virtue Lodge, No. 10, of Bangor, on October 5 and 6, 1952. Thousands of Masonic brethren were present at various phases of this celebration: at the First Universalist Church, the Bangor City Hall, and the Bangor Municipal Auditorium. Each event, in its turn, added to the fullness of the celebration; and the participation of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police gave coloring, precision, and wide interest to the occasion.

Most impressive was the climax of the Observance, in the Master Mason degree, as presented by the Guest Team of Royal Canadian Mounted Police, largely from Ottawa, visiting under Dispensations by the Grand Masters of the Province of Ontario, and of the State of Maine.

Long before, plans had been made for the security of that meeting, and in the afternoon of the meeting an adequate team made thorough inspection of every inch of the Auditorium building, and guards were placed at the several entrances and exits so that none should pass or repass until the proper time. State and Local Police, in uniform, afforded official as well as Masonic protection. Even Committee Members complained and found difficulty in getting into the building, until orders on proper authority were issued.

At some considerable time before the opening, impressively long lines had formed themselves for admission. Each individual to be admitted, was required to show his Dues Card and a Registration Card; and further, before he could proceed beyond the entrance of the Auditorium, had to be identified by being vouched for or examined. Even your Grand Master was not exempt. He did not have to be examined.

This very complete and thorough identification and examination was efficiently carried out at the rate of one for about every four seconds, but even at this rapid rate the admission seemed long. Even after an hour, there were more than a thousand brethren slowly moving in double line with others continually coming into line to replace those

who had entered. It is estimated, from the number of registration cards which had been given out, that perhaps more than four hundred "gave-up-the-ghost" and did not stay for the meeting.

It was stated that there were almost three thousand chairs which had been set up in the Auditorium, and it seemed that every seat was full. Perhaps some of those who were standing had given up some of the less desirable seats. The exact number present cannot be definitely determined, as it worked out, but it is known, that there were many who did not give up their registration cards for programs, as was planned; and that almost exactly two thousand registration cards were picked up.

An analysis of these collected cards shows 210 lodges represented, 153 in Maine. All New England States were represented: New Hampshire 7, Vermont 2, Massachusetts 2, Rhode Island 2, Connecticut 5.

Other Grand Jurisdictions were represented, as follows: Alabama, California, Idaho, Kansas, Minnesota 2, Missouri, North Carolina, New Jersey 2, New York 8, Pennsylvania 2, Tennessee 3, and Washington, D. C.

Canada had thirteen lodges represented. There were registrations from Rangoon, Burma; Ancon, Canal Zone; Yokosuka, Japan; Seoul, Korea; and Newfoundland, which only lately, on March 31, 1949, became the 10th Province of Canada.

It was a truly impressive moment when your Grand Master, supported by more than forty permanent and present members of Grand Lodge, proceeded down the long center aisle, flanked and surrounded by that impressive group of standing Masons; and it was surprising how small and swallowed that impressive line and group of Grand Lodge Officers and Permanent Members seemed to be, in comparison with that greater standing number.

Impressive and pleasing, also, was the knowledge that every one of the considerably more than two thousand brethren, radiating friendliness and interest, had been tried and tested, and that we were securely tyled. During the

admission period your Grand Master had been escorted around the several avenues and entrances of building and found the inner and outer guards alert and at their posts. It was a pleasure to greet and talk with them, and to acknowledge their services to the occasion. There was sacrifice when many brethren stood outside in the darkness to guard such an outstanding occasion within.

This splendid Observance, with all its phases and details, and the colorful precision and work of the "Mounties," will be long remembered by those who could attend.

In sharp contrast to this larger resplendent meeting, perhaps as the smaller sparkling brilliance of a gem, was the almost unpublicized meeting of Dirigo Lodge, No. 104, at Weeks Mills, on March 20, 1953. The occasion was what might be termed a Memorial and Special Guest Officers' Night. Dirigo Lodge, No. 104, is one of our average or smaller lodges, so-called, with fairly small but ample lodge room. The number present at the meeting was not too large—just enough to fill in comfortably around the hall. And yet, in that smaller group and in the vivid, sparkling perfection of the work and in the many details, planned and unexpected, all flashing like the many facets of a gem, there was unusual impression and delight which will long continue.

Your Grand Master may have been unduly impressionable that evening—he got lost, somehow, going to the meeting—but it seems that others received that impression of sparkling brilliance, too, and they did not get lost.

And then there was that splendid Reception to your Grand Master, by his own lodge, Northern Star Lodge, No. 28, at North Anson, on October 25, 1952. There is always an emotional appeal and effect on such occasions. Your Grand Master really knew little of the arrangements and the many surprises, and the many friends from home, and from far and near, made a deep and lasting impression to be outstanding through the years.

And so it is, the list of occasions could go on and on. Perhaps the best that could be said is that each and every visit and occasion had something which was fine and outstanding.

In present and in future years, the happy reflections consequent upon all the many well spent visits and occasions, will come surging back to brighten and adorn the hours of refreshment and rest.

There is a great and sincere appreciation in the privilege and opportunity of building up such a veritable storehouse of treasure, for present and every day use, even before the twilight of memories shall set in.

THE GEORGE WASHINGTON TWO HUNDREDTH MASONIC
ANNIVERSARY YEAR FOR MAINE.

In accordance with vote of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Maine, at its One Hundred and Thirty-third Annual Communication, last year, that suitable program be instituted to commemorate the Two Hundredth Anniversary of the making of George Washington a Mason, a Special Committee, under the Chairmanship of Henry R. Gillis, Past Grand Master of Maine, and Grand Representative, Grand Lodge of Virginia, was appointed, as appears on Page 702, 1952 Proceedings.

The Committee was a good one—it really worked.

Unlike certain Grand Jurisdictions, where there were celebrations almost simultaneously required and observed within very narrow limits around November 4th, it seemed to your Grand Master that there could be a much broader and more general observance, to include even more than first Masonic Light.

In accordance with this more general idea, your Grand Master, on September 2, 1952, issued Proclamation designating October 1, 1952, to October 1, 1953, as

The George Washington Two Hundredth
Masonic Anniversary Year for Maine

and urging that all members, and Lodges and Districts, under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Maine, wherever and whenever possible, have suitable recognition and observance of many events, and a rededication to the principles and faith and the greatness of George Washington, the Man and the Mason.

The Proclamation was filed with the Grand Secretary, for the Permanent Record, and copies were printed and distributed to the various lodges. For convenient reference and record the Proclamation is included with this address as Appendix "D." The Proclamation is still in operation and effect.

There is no intent, in this part of the address, to trespass upon any "mid-season" or interim report which the Special Committee might care to make.

The response to the general program and objectives, has been very broad and heavy, and apparently will continue. George Washington certainly has been "talked about" in Maine.

To secure and tie-in with some state-wide or country-wide uniformity, a Washington Masonic Birthday Portfolio was sent to each lodge for use as it chose. The Portfolio, as prepared by the Masonic Service Association, had wide issue and attention throughout the United States and elsewhere, and contained twenty pictures of Washington, an address, a complete program, a description of the pictures and a list of Masonic facts about Washington the Man and the Mason.

It is to be expected, sometime after the close of the George Washington Two Hundredth Masonic Anniversary Year for Maine, on October 1, of this year, 1953, that a total report and tabulation will be made to summarize the total activity of an outstanding Anniversary Year, devoted to a great purpose and objective.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES.

Recommendation for the appointment of a Grand Representative of the Grande Loge Nationale Francaise, Neuilly-sur-Seine, Seine, France, has been made as follows:

Grande Loge	PAUL L. POWERS	Freeport
Nationale Francaise		

On recommendation of other Grand Jurisdictions, appointment of Grand Representatives of the Grand Lodge of Maine, near other Grand Lodges, have been made as follows:

Delaware	DR. H. CLIFFORD BAUER	Wilmington
Idaho	LEWIS E. SMITH	Grangeville
New York	LEO E. CARNEY	Little Falls
Wisconsin	ARNOLD R. PETERSON	Madison

MAINE MASONIC TEXTBOOK.

At all times, and at almost any ceremony or occasion, it is proper to suggest, for the personal use and information of every individual Mason, the purchase of the Maine Masonic Textbook, through the Lodge Secretary.

It could be said, that the lodge which has the highest ratio of Textbooks in the hands of its members, for their own personal use as they choose, will be the Best Lodge in the State of Maine, because its membership will be the most interested and best informed membership in the State of Maine. Information, conveniently at hand, always creates interest, and interest, in turn, will always seek and produce more information. It is an inspiring cycle.

The individual Mason, by having his own personal Textbook, will find a greater appreciation of Masonry, and of the work of the Lodge Officers. The background stories, ceremonies, rules, regulations, decisions, opinions, etc., are fascinating in their interest, and as alive and moving as the beating of a heart, and the ticking of clock.

It would be nice for lodges and officers to promote such thought to find measure of best informed Lodge in the State of Maine.

Let's boost the idea.

APPROVALS UNDER STANDING REGULATION NO. 46.

There could be question as to need for approval of certain plans, during the year, under Standing Regulation No. 46.

As we approach any understanding or application of Standing Regulation No. 46, we must be impressed by the fact that it is a Standing Regulation, or a Standing Resolution, as sometimes called; as contrasted to a Landmark or Constitutional or enacted Law.

From the very fact that it is a Standing Regulation we know that it is simply a rule in the application of some fundamental or enacted law, and in order to apply the rule we must find the basic law. The danger of attempting to govern, or to enact basic or organic law, by resolution, is too well known to need discussion.

Our Maine Masonic Textbook, 1942 Edition, page 315, very clearly states:

"A standing regulation is a rule adopted by the Grand Lodge governing particular instructions relative to matters involving laws and practices to be followed. . . . *A standing resolution is effective only so far as it conforms to existing laws and Grand Lodge interpretation of such laws.*"

A Grand Lodge interpretation of such laws, may be found, Maine Masonic Textbook 1942, Page 260, under Funds, item 3, which very clearly provides:

"A Lodge cannot donate its funds to a Masonic building association or board of trustees, to assist in erecting a building for use of the lodge and other Masonic bodies, *but may invest in its stocks and bonds.*"

We come then to an investment by Orchard Lodge, No. 215, in stock of a Corporation presently engaged in the construction of a building declared to be for Masonic use, which had been brought to attention.

The name of this Corporation is Mosaic Club, Inc., with address as Old Orchard Beach, Maine. It is incorporated under the laws of the State of Maine, and is under no control by the Lodge.

It is, according to incorporation records, "a Masonic Association consisting of members of different Orders or Degrees, to own and hold real estate and raise money for the construction of a building to be used for the purposes of the Association."

There is and was no requirement of any kind that members of Orchard Lodge, No. 215, should be members of the corporation, or are any different than any one else. Some lodge members belong to the corporation, and some do not.

It soon became apparent, in early investigation of the matter (in May and June, 1952) that the building which had been started during the previous year of 1951, was being built by a Corporation, decidedly separate and distinct from the Lodge, although various signs "Masonic Temple" and "Future Home of Orchard Lodge," etc., may have appeared on the building.

Close contact was had with the situation, until on September 22, 1952, a Conference was held between the Grand Master

and Corporation members, Ray L. Littlefield, Box 26, Scarborough; Wesley M. Mewer, Attorney and Justice of the Peace, who had handled the Incorporation of Mosaic Club; Howard N. Robinson, 15 Union Avenue, Old Orchard Beach, who gave the land upon which the building is located; and John MacKinnon, Old Orchard Beach, member of the Building and Activities Committee of Mosaic Club, Inc.

Copies of Incorporation Papers were presented and a set of four construction or lay-out plans by Engineering Services, Inc., 844 Stevens Avenue, Portland, Maine, Plans D. W. G., No. 52-181-1 to 4, were available for inspection.

The Corporation having been properly formed, which any seven persons have the right to do, lodge members or not; the Corporation, authorized by State Law to "raise money," having sold a sizable amount of stock; Orchard Lodge, No. 215, having bought some of the stock of the Corporation, which it had the right to do; there being no connection or obligation on the part of the lodge to continue with the building, or even use it if they did not want to at completion; there certainly seemed to be no grounds for objection to endorsing or approving the four Construction Plans, which had been prepared for the building as then constructed.

The four Construction Plans, Engineering Services, Inc., Masonic Building, Old Orchard Beach, Maine, Plans D. W. G. No. 52-181-1 to 4, were endorsed as approved by the Grand Master at Hallowell, Maine, September 22, 1952.

Only two other proposals have come to attention, and both contemplate halls to be constructed by separate and distinct corporate entities, other than the several lodges involved.

One is at Orrington, where it is understood a corporation is to be formed, for the general purpose of erecting a Masonic Hall, etc. Ralph J. Pollard Lodge, No. 217, might be interested in investing or renting this hall which is somewhat on the plans of that of the one at Stratton.

Another situation is at Bangor where ambitious and much needed plans have been considered for a number of years, and now seem to have taken form to the extent of enlarging and somewhat rearranging the present quarters. It is understood that a separate holding corporation is to be set up on

an agreed share basis. The architectural lay-out plans would seem to cover the situation, which has been under study, very nicely.

It is to be generally understood that structural plans have present general approval; and that the Grand Master distinctly approves the plan and intent of separate corporate entities as so clearly emphasized and indicated by Josiah H. Drummond in 1869, and now has sufficient importance as to have an entire chapter in our Maine Masonic Textbook, instead of lesser Digest attention. See Chapter XIX, Maine Masonic Textbook.

Lodge and corporate functions may easily become confused in consideration of Standing Regulation No. 46.

INCORPORATION OF LODGES.

In close connection with the preceding section of this address or report, is the old, but very new and important, problem of Incorporation of Lodges.

In 1868, (page 216 of the Proceedings):

"Bro. Drummond called attention to the subject of making Lodges corporate bodies by legislative enactment. . . ."

and on Page 232, is reported as stating:

"that so many objections exist to their Incorporation he recommends that they be prohibited from accepting act of Incorporation. . . ."

Of course, 1868 and 1869, may seem a long time ago; and Josiah H. Drummond, because of his towering capacities and greatness, is becoming, perhaps, a sort of legend—to some. For such legendary attention, as well as our own, we may look to something quite modern and up-to-date, and of wider viewpoint, perhaps, than that of our little State of Maine.

The matter of Incorporation of Lodges had publication by the Masonic Service Association of the United States, 700 Tenth Street, N. W., Washington 1, D. C., under date of November 15, 1951; after a nation wide survey and report.

Quotation from Page 4, of that publication is as follows:

"As to the incorporation of subordinate lodges, little additional needs to be said. Few lodges have excuse for assuming the corporate form.

Few maintain sufficient business affairs to justify a corporate organization and fewer still will have the necessary skill to keep such corporation functioning legally. Most subordinate lodges have solved their problems by having a separate corporation formed for handling their real estate, the lodge owning all or most of the stock in the corporation. . . ."

and further, in part, from Page 3:

"When a lodge calls upon the state for aid in its work and operation, such body has, at least in some degree, departed from the original conception of Masonic independence and privacy. . . ."

"When aid is accepted from the state in the form of a civil charter (or incorporation), a reciprocal concession must be made to the state. A corporation created by the state must be, in some degree, controlled and regulated by the state. Such a corporation being the child and creature of the state, is subject to the inspection and supervision of the state. An incorporated Masonic Lodge, no matter how private or secret it may be, will be, in the eyes of the state, merely another corporation, and therefore, peculiarly susceptible to the process of state control. . . . Suits and other court proceedings involving property may drag the whole corporate records into evidence; an expelled member, if the lodge is incorporated, has certain corporate or property rights which the laws of the state and court will protect. A lodge whose charter has been arrested has the same right on a larger scale. Therefore, it has a right to appeal from the tribunal of last resort in the Lodge or Grand Lodge, to the courts of the land, and the Order ceases to have ultimate control over its most private affairs."

Drummond saw, and foresaw, all these things, back in 1868 and 1869, and he left a pattern which has been quite generally adopted. His report appears, Pages 501-503, inclusive, Proceedings 1869, and it was largely through his suggestion that corporations composed of trustees came into being.

The ideal, as we may believe he saw it, was somewhat as recently expressed, Pages 3-4, of Masonic Service Publication, above referred to, and in substance was much as follows:

"A middle course between the incorporated and unincorporated lodges has much to recommend it. The lodge itself is unincorporated, but a board of trustees, incorporated under the laws of this state, is a body corporate. This board in its corporate capacity holds title to all the property of the lodge and functions solely as a corporation, conforming, of course, to any specific directions which the lodge may legally make. Such lodge then in all its fraternal activities is unincorporated, and is completely free from the corporation laws of the state. But the purely business affairs of the lodge are handled by the corporation made up by the board of trustees. Such lodge, therefore, has all the advantages of

an unincorporated, unsupervised, and wholly private organization, in conducting fraternal matters; and also has a purely business corporation for handling its property and business affairs. This corporation buys and sells property, transfers stocks and bonds; sues and is sued; forecloses mortgages; in all respects, as any other corporation. An inspection of its books would disclose nothing but purely business matters. If summoned into court, nothing is made public except those matters relating to the affairs in hand."

It is upon such basis, on May 6, 1869, and upon the report and recommendation of Josiah H. Drummond, that future incorporation of lodges in Maine was prohibited "under penalty of forfeiture of their charters;" and there was recommendation, by the Grand Lodge, "that lodges already incorporated, surrender by formal vote their civil charters and dissolve as corporations, having previously conveyed their real estate, if any, to a new corporation to be formed as provided."

It is here that we find the strange situation, having so skillfully provided the pattern in Maine so many years ago, that we now find it ignored, and the prohibition violated upon a much larger scale than has been thought.

The situation is coming more and more to light and attention, with lodges attempting to draft certain corporate functions or by-laws, upon the structure of lodge or fraternal by-laws.

The situation should not be ignored—but it should also have careful appraisal.

Each lodge should carefully check upon the provisions of Chapter XIX, of the Maine Masonic Textbook, Edition of 1942.

DECISIONS — OPINIONS — REFERENCES.

The heading of this sub-division very clearly suggests its substance.

A Grand Master, who should have some skill in Masonic backgrounds and information, must soon realize that he is not going to make many new or startling decisions, or give many previously undiscovered wise opinions. In the antiquity and immutability of the Institution is a safeguard against any urge or ambition for decision and opinion. The laws are fixed and immutable; life does not change too materially;

reactions and responses are much the same as always; and so it is that a Grand Master comes to the realization that his so-called Decisions and Opinions, are not so much after all; but should be simply References. In fact it could be said, less personal Decision and Opinion on the part of the Grand Master, might indicate some certain capacity for Information and Reference.

In all questions submitted, and they have run well into the high hundreds, there has been careful search to find the answers—not to try to make them.

Two standards have been set; between which each question must pass, and in the light of which each question must be viewed.

Until we have these standards well established in our Masonic thinking, it may be that we may drift about considerably.

Both of these standards are from Josiah H. Drummond, and they demonstrate his approach to such matters as judicial Decision and Opinion:

(1) "The recognition of immutable laws relating to the Institution, which the Fraternity itself cannot change and remain Masonic in character, imposes upon the governing bodies the duty of seeing that "the Ancient Landmarks be preserved"; this duty introduces into the Masonic system of jurisprudence a feature peculiar to itself."

and

(2) "The study of Masonic Jurisprudence from the early times teaches most emphatically not only rigid adherence to the fundamental principles and Landmarks of the Society, unyielding resistance to all innovations however slight, and faithful obedience to the laws and usages of the Craft; but also that while in other relations one may lawfully do what is not prohibited, to a Mason whatever does not find a warrant in those Landmarks, laws, or usages is absolutely forbidden."

It seems, when a Grand Master keeps himself within these great standards, there is less likelihood that he should materially err.

Fortunately, this year, there have seemed to be no requests or needs for Decision or Opinion, which could not find answer by Reference, to well established Laws and Opinions already given.

As opportunity presents, a later digest of questions, and the references given, will be prepared and presented.

CONCLUSION.

It has been said that there is no conclusion to that which continues on. No matter what we may say or do here today, or whether this address ever closes or not, we may believe that our Masonry will continue on and on. It is infinitely greater than any and all of us, and we may only hope to add to it, and not subtract.

I suppose I should let you enjoy the thought and sound of that word "Conclusion." It has a sort of satisfying sound.

But then, perhaps, I could do a greater kindness, and simply say, from the musical echos of the past—"Thanks for listening."

APPENDIX A.

Dispensations Granted.

To permit Lodges to confer degrees in less than the required time on candidates in military or connected service:

(5) Abner Wade Lodge, No. 207,	May 9, 1952
(9) Jonesport Lodge, No. 188,	May 24, 1952
(10) Rising Sun Lodge, No. 71,	May 26, 1952
(11) Saint Aspinquid Lodge, No. 198,	June 2, 1952
(12) King Solomon's Lodge, No. 61,	June 7, 1952
(12A) Pleasant River Lodge, No. 163,	June 22, 1952
(14) Excelsior Lodge, No. 151,	July 2, 1952
(15) Waterville Lodge, No. 33,	July 15, 1952
(16) Piscataquis Lodge, No. 44,	July 15, 1952
(19) Blazing Star Lodge, No. 30,	July 21, 1952
(22) Lynde Lodge, No. 174,	July 30, 1952
(23) Molunkus Lodge, No. 165 (War Production Plant)	Aug. 12, 1952
(25) Morning Star Lodge, No. 41,	Oct. 14, 1952
(26) Freedom Lodge, No. 42,	Oct. 18, 1952
(27) Island Falls Lodge, No. 206,	Oct. 21, 1952
(28) Freedom Lodge, No. 42, (Duplicate of 26 to cover dates)	Oct. 25, 1952
(29) Orient Lodge, No. 15,	Nov. 4, 1952
(30) Bethlehem Lodge, No. 35,	Nov. 13, 1952
(33) Rising Star Lodge, No. 117,	Nov. 14, 1925
(34) Monument Lodge, No. 96,	Nov. 25, 1952
(35) Meridian Splendor Lodge, No. 49,	Nov. 28, 1952

Amendments of the Constitution must be made in the manner therein provided, and not by means of Standing Regulations adopted in the course of ordinary legislation.

We must therefore reluctantly record our disapproval of the seventh decision reported by the Grand Master.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD W. WHEELER,
CLARK D. CHAPMAN,
GRANVILLE C. GRAY,

} Committee
on
Jurisprudence.

FIFTY YEAR LAPEL BUTTON.



M. W. Bro. GILLIS, for the Special Committee on Masonic Lapel Button, presented the following report which was accepted:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maine:

Your Committee appointed to prepare and purchase a Masonic Veterans Lapel Button submits the following report:

Fifteen hundred buttons were purchased at a cost of \$2,133.17. These buttons were ready for distribution in September, 1955, and we may add that they are giving great pleasure to those who are entitled to wear them.

Fraternally submitted.

LEWIS T. BROWN,
HENRY R. GILLIS,
WARREN MOSES,

} Committee.

GEORGE WASHINGTON MASONIC MEMORIAL.

R. W. Bro. Maxfield, for the Committee on George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association, presented the following report which was accepted:

PORTLAND, MAINE,
May 1, 1956.

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

The Forty-sixth Annual Convention of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association was held in the Auditorium of the Memorial at Alexandria, Virginia, on Wednesday, February 22, 1956.

- (32) Pownal Lodge, No. 119, Nov. 14, 1952
 (To meet in Hall of Mariner's Lodge, No. 68, at Searsport, because of fire in Hall at Stockton Springs.)
- (51) Temple Lodge, No. 86, Apr. 17, 1953
 (To allow the lodges to sponsor a Past District Deputies' Meeting, with proper safeguards, to work the Past Master's degree, at Community Hall, Pride's Corner, Portland, it being understood that regular Lodge halls, conveniently located, were not available for the meeting and date arranged.)

Special Miscellaneous:

- (8) Pleasant River Lodge, No. 163, May 17, 1952
 (To provide warrant and tangible evidence of authority to open the lodge to apply for new charter to replace the charter, without signed Certificate of Charter, burned by fire February 4, 1951. See special reference in Address.)
- (43) Lincoln Lodge, No. 3, Jan. 14, 1953
 (To cover any inferences under Standing Regulation No. 72. See special reference in Address.)

APPENDIX B.

General Revisions and Amendments of Lodge By-laws.

General Revisions:

- Delta Lodge, No. 153, Approved January 17, 1953
 Mechanics Lodge, No. 66, Approved April 3, 1953

Amendments:

- Hancock Lodge, No. 4, Approved May 10, 1952
 Increase in fees.
- Mt. Abram Lodge, No. 204, Approved June 30, 1952
 Change of Annual Meeting, etc.
- Tuscan Lodge, No. 106, Approved July 30, 1952
 Increase in Dues.
- Molunkus Lodge, No. 165, Approved October 10, 1952
 Increase Dues and Fees.
- Olive Branch Lodge, No. 124, Approved November 10, 1952
 Increase in Dues.
- Warren Lodge, No. 2, Approved November 10, 1952
 Changed Annual Meeting.
- Pleasant River Lodge, No. 163, Approved November 10, 1952
 Assessment, and Increase in Dues and Fees.

Bethel Lodge, No. 97, Increase Dues and Fees.	Approved November 21, 1952
King Hiram Lodge, No. 57, Increase in Dues.	Approved November 21, 1952
Cumberland Lodge, No. 12, Change in Meeting hour, and In- crease in Dues.	Approved December 30, 1952
Seaside Lodge, No. 144, Increase in Dues.	Approved January 10, 1953
Tyrian Lodge, No. 73, Summer Closing.	Approved February 7, 1953
Horeb Lodge, No. 93, Summer Recess, and Increase Dues and Fees.	Approved February 28, 1953
Messalonskee Lodge, No. 113, Increase in Dues	Approved February 28, 1953
Pacific Lodge, No. 44, Summer Closing.	Approved March 13, 1953
Amendments:	
Molunkus Lodge, No. 165, Change in Appointment, Committee of Inquiry.	Approved March 14, 1953
Saco Lodge, No. 9, Increase in Dues and Fees.	Approved April 3, 1953
Dirigo Lodge, No. 104, Adjustment Charity Fund and Property matters.	Approved April 18, 1953

APPENDIX C.

Visitations and Masonic Functions Attended.

- May 8, 1952. Portland, Me. Grand Lodge. Installed Grand Master.
- May 9, 1952, Lewiston, Me. Blue Lodge Ladies' Night. Kora Temple Bodies.
- May 15, 1952, Portland, Me. Guest Maine Consistory.
- May 17, 1952, Skowhegan, Me. Mt. Moriah Council, No. 10, R. & S. M.
- May 18-19, 1952, Providence, R. I. Grand Lodge of Rhode Island.
- May 20-21, 1952, Manchester, N. H. Grand Lodge of New Hampshire.
- May 22, 1952, Clinton, Me. Seabasticook Lodge, No. 147. 25 Year Buttons.
- May 26, 1952, Lewiston, Me. Attended Grand Chapter, O. E. S., as Past Patron of Mt. Bigelow Chapter, No. 48.
- May 27, 1952. Unity, Me. Star in the West Lodge, No. 85. 25 year Buttons.
- May 28, 1952, Hallowell, Me. Kennebec Lodge, No. 5. Adjutant General Dept. Degree Team.
- May 31, 1952, Deer Isle, Me. Marine Lodge, No. 122. Past Master Diplomas, etc.

June 2, 1952, Freeport, Me. Freeport Lodge, No. 23. Welcome to D. G. M. and Masonic Play.

June 3, 1952, Gardiner, Me. Hermon Lodge, No. 32. 25 year Buttons.

June 4, 1952, Rangeley, Me. Kemankeag Lodge, No. 213. Visit by Fidelity Lodge, No. 77, Lake Magantic, Quebec, Canada.

June 5, 1952, Augusta, Me. Meeting Cushnoc Chapter, No. 43, R. A. M. Installed Grand Royal Arch Captain.

June 6, 1952, Norridgewock, Me. Lebanon Lodge, No. 116, Past Masters' Night.

June 7-8, 1952, North Anson and Lakewood, Me. Masonic Group Meeting.

June 10-12, 1952, Halifax, N. S. Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia.

June 16, 1952, Saco, Me. Saco Lodge, No. 9, 100th Anniverszry.

June 17, 1952, New London, N. H. 150th Anniversary King Solomon's Lodge, No. 14, Elkins, N. H.

June 18, 1952, Jefferson, Me. Riverside Lodge, No. 135. District and Visitors' Night.

June 21, 1952, North Anson, Me. Northern Star Lodge, No. 28. Past Masters' Night. (Late).

June 22, 1952, North Anson, Me. Northern Star Lodge, No. 28. St. John's Day Church Observance.

June 24, 1952, Lincoln, Me. Horeb Lodge, No. 93. Past Masters' Night.

June 25, 1952, Solon, Me. Keystone Lodge, No. 80. Strawberry Festival.

June 26, 1952, Bryant Pond, Me. Jefferson Lodge, No. 100. Special P. M. Night for G. M.

June 27, 1952, Thorndike, Me. Unity Lodge, No. 58. Strawberry Festival.

June 29, 1952, Rangeley, Me. Masonic Group Meeting.

July 15, 1952, Bangor, Me. Maine Council of Deliberation.

August 2, 1952, Waterville, Me. Teconnet Chapter, No. 52, R. A. M., Officers School of Instruction.

August 3, 1952, Millbridge, Me. Dirigo Chapter, No. 39, R. A. M. Annual Field Day.

August 3, 1952, Ellsworth, Me. Masonic Group Meeting.

August 10, 1952, Searsport, Me. Past Officers' Association. Field Day.

August 16, 1952, Antrim and Sunapee Mountain, N. H. N. H. Society of Veteran Free Masons. (Honorary Member).

August 23, 1952, Lake Umbagog, Me. (Island of Cuba). Imperial Council, Red Cross of Constantine.

August 27-28, 1952, Saint John, N. B. Grand Lodge of New Brunswick.

September 2, 1952, Portland, Me. Grand Lodge District Deputies' School and Meeting.

September 3, 1952, Bangor, Me. Grand Lodge District Deputies' School and Meeting.

September 14, 1952, China, Me. Maine District Deputies' Association Picnic Meeting.

September 16, 1952, Sabattus, Me. Webster Lodge, No. 164. School of Instruction.

September 17, 1952, Boothbay Harbor, Me. Pentecost Chapter, No. 55. R. A. M. Inspection. District Deputy Grand Master as H. P.

September 23, 1952, Waterville, Me. Teconnect Chapter, No. 52. Reception to Grand Lecturer, Aubrey L. Burbank, as D. G. H. P.

September 24, 1952, Oakland, Me. Drummond Chapter, No. 27. R. A. M. Inspection.

September 25, 1952, Augusta, Me. Cushnoc Chapter, No. 43. R. A. M. School of Instruction.

September 26, 1952, Wells, Me. Ocean Lodge, No. 142. School of Instruction.

September 26, 1952, Kittery, Me. Maine Chapter, No. 73. R. A. M. Inspection.

September 27, 1952, North Anson, Me. Mt. Bigelow Chapter, No. 48. O. E. S. Past Grand Officers' Night. Attended as Past Patron.

October 1, 1952, Hallowell, Me. Kennebec Lodge, No. 5. Read Proclamation.

October 3, 1952, Portland, Me. Corner Stone Lodge, No. 216. Twenty-fifth Anniversary.

October 4, 1952, Ellsworth, Me. Guest, Reception Carl A. Rogers, Grand Patron, O. E. S.

October 5-6, 1952, Bangor, Me. Rising Virtue Lodge, No. 10. One Hundred Fiftieth Anniversary Observance.

October 8, 1952, Winthrop, Me. Temple Lodge, No. 25. School of Instruction.

October 11, 1952, Mattawamkeag, Me. Mount Horeb Chapter, No. 49. R. A. M. Reception to G. H. P.

October 13, 1952, Warren, Me. Saint George Lodge, No. 16. Master Mason degree and 50 year Medal.

October 16, 1952, Gardiner, Me. DeBouillon Conclave, No. 2. Red Cross of Constantine.

October 17, 1952, Farmington, Me. Franklin Chapter, No. 44. R. A. M. School of Instruction.

October 18, 1952, Lincolnville, Me. King David's Lodge, No. 62. Reception to D. D. G. M. and Junior Grand Warden.

October 25, 1952, North Anson, Me. Northern Star Lodge, No. 28. Reception to Grand Master.

October 28, 1952, Augusta, Me. Augusta Lodge, No. 141. District Meeting. Washington Observance and Masonic Play.

October 29, 1952, Portland, Me. Masonic Temple, Funeral, Grand Tyler, Perley Stone Hamilton.

October 31, 1952, Norridgewock, Me. Lebanon Lodge, No. 116. School of Instruction.

November 1, 1952, Belfast, Me. Timothy Chase Lodge, No. 126. Installation.

November 2, 1952, Bangor, Me. Rising Virtue Lodge, No. 10. Funeral Frank J. Cole, Mt. Hope Cemetery.

November 6, 1952, Orrington, Me. Ralph J. Pollard Lodge, No. 217. Ralph J. Pollard Night.

November 8, 1952, Sidney, Me. Rural Lodge, No. 8, George Washington Observance.

November 11, 1952, Waterville, Me. Teconnet Chapter, No. 52, R. A. M. Inspection.

November 20, 1952, Fairfield, Me. Siloam Lodge, No. 92. Fifty year Medals. Twenty-five year Buttons.

November 21, 1952, Newport, Me. Meridian Splendor Lodge, No. 49. Past Masters' Night.

November 22, 1952, Lubec, Me. Washington Lodge, No. 37. Reception to Senior Grand Warden.

November 25, 1952, Greenville, Me. Columbia Lodge, No. 200. Past Masters' Night.

November 26, 1952, Bingham, Me. Bingham Lodge, No. 199. Fifty year Medals and Twenty-five year Buttons.

December 1, 1952, Portland, Me. Grand Lodge Office. Relief and Trustee Matters.

December 4, 1952, Skowhegan, Me. Somerset Chapter, No. 15, R. A. M. Inspection.

December 10, 1952, Hallowell, Me. Kennebec Lodge, No. 5. Master Mason degree.

December 15, 1952, Madison, Me. Euclid Lodge, No. 194. District Meeting.

December 17, 1952, Hallowell, Me. Kennebec Lodge, No. 5. Installation.

December 25, 1952, Skowhegan, Me. DeMolay Commandery, No. 10, K. T. Christmas Observance.

December 28-29, 1952, Boston, Mass. Grand Lodge of Massachusetts.

January 5, 1953, Winthrop, Me. Temple Lodge, No. 25. George Washington Observance.

January 24, 1953, Hermon, Me. Lynde Lodge, No. 174. Past Masters' Night.

January 24, 1953, Newport, Me. Stevens Chapter, No. 28, R. A. M. Grand Chapter degree work.

January 29, 1953, Augusta, Me. Cushnoc Chapter, No. 43, R. A. M. Inspection.

January 30, 1953, Auburn, Me. Eusebius Conclave, No. 2, Red Cross of Constantine.

February 4, 1953, Sanford, Me. Preble Lodge, No. 143. George Washington Observance.

February 5, 1953, Readfield, Me. Lafayette Lodge, No. 48. Twenty-five year Buttons.

February 6, 1953, Norridgewock, Me. Lebanon Lodge, No. 116.

February 7, 1953, Portland, Me. Portland Commandery, No. 2, K. T. Annual Ladies' Night. Grand Lodge Table.

February 12, 1953, Hallowell, Me. Jerusalem Chapter, No. 4, R. A. M. M. M. M. Rehearsal.

February 16, 1953, Monmouth, Me. Monmouth Lodge, No. 110. Inspection.

February 17, 1953, Togus, Me. Conference, Chairman Committee on Foreign Correspondence and Fraternal Recognition.

February 17, 1953, Litchfield, Me. Morning Star Lodge, No. 41. Washington Observance.

February 18, 1953, Westbrook, Me. Temple Lodge, No. 86. District Meeting.

February 20, 1953, Portland, Me. Grand Lodge Office. Conference.

February 22, 1953, Alexandria, Va. Presidential Church Service. Christ Church. George Washington's Church.

February 23, 1953, Alexandria, Va. 43rd Annual Convention. The George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association.

February 24-25, 1953, Washington, D. C. Conference of Grand Masters of Masons in North America.

February 26, 1953, Washington, D. C. 34th Annual Meeting, The Masonic Service Association of the United States.

February 28, 1953, Oakland, Me. Mt. Lebanon Council, No. 13, R. & S. M. Inspection.

March 3, 1953, Mt. Vernon, Me. Vernon Valley Lodge, No. 99. Legislative Night.

March 6, 1953, Norridgewock, Me. Lebanon Lodge, No. 116. Inspection.

March 11, 1953, Hallowell, Me. Kennebec Lodge, No. 5. E. A. degree.

March 12, 1953, Hallowell, Me. Jerusalem Chapter, No. 4, R. A. M. Regular Meeting with Rehearsal.

March 16, 1953, Togus, Me. Meeting with Chairman Fraternal Recognition and Foreign Correspondence.

March 17, 1953, Augusta, Me. Augusta Lodge, No. 141. Legislative Team and Night.

March 19, 1953, Dover-Foxcroft, Me. Mosaic Lodge, No. 52. District Meeting.

March 20, 1953, Weeks Mills, Me. Dirigo Lodge, No. 104. Special Guest Officers' Night.

March 25, 1953, Hallowell, Me. Kennebec Lodge, No. 5. Adjutant General Department. Degree Team.

March 26, 1953, Hallowell, Me. Jerusalem Chapter, No. 4, R. A. M., Mark degree.

March 30, 1953, Buckfield, Me. Evening Star Lodge, No. 147. District Meeting. George Washington Observance.

April 6, 1953, Belfast, Me. Phoenix Lodge, No. 24. District Meeting George Washington Observance.

April 8, 1953, Hallowell, Me. Kennebec Lodge, No. 5. M. M. degree.

April 9, 1953, Hallowell, Me. Jerusalem Chapter, No. 4, R. A. M. Past Master degree.

April 13, 1953, Hallowell, Me. Alpha Council, No. 3, R. & S. M. Rehearsal.

April 14, 1953, North Anson, Me. Northern Star Lodge, No. 28. Past Masters' Night.

April 15, 1953, Hallowell, Me. Kennebec Lodge, No. 5. Past Masters' Night.

April 18, 1953, Hallowell, Me. Alpha Council, No. 3, R. & S. M. Inspection.

April 19, 1953, Hallowell, Me. Masonic Group Meeting.

Supplement to

APPENDIX C.

Visitations and Masonic Functions Attended.

April 21, 1953, Hallowell, Me. Conference Trustees, Bangor Masonic Temple Committee.

April 27, 1953, Augusta, Me. Emeth Chapter of Rose Croix, 18°, A. A. S. R. Inspection.

April 28, 1953, Augusta, Me. Augusta Lodge, No. 141. Annual Past Masters' Night.

May 2, 1953, Saco, Me. Chalcedon Conclave, No. 5, Red Cross of Constantine. Annual Ladies' Night.

May 3-4, 1953, Portland, Me. Grand Commandery, Knights Templar, State of Maine. 102nd Annual Conclave.

May 4-5-6, 1953, Portland, Me. Grand Lodge of Maine, A. F. & A. M. 134th Annual Communication.

May 5, 1953, Portland, Me. Maine District Deputies' Association. 14th Annual Meeting.

May 5, 1953, Portland, Me. Grand Royal Arch Chapter, State of Maine. 128th Annual Convocation.

May 6, 1953, Portland, Me. Maine Council, Order of High Priesthood. Annual Dinner.

May 6, 1953, Portland, Me. Grand Council, R. & S. M., State of Maine. 99th Annual Assembly.

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**Address
by
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CONNECTIVES — IN FREEMASONRY

Brother Chairman, Guests and Brethren of the Conference:

There was an old friend, in my community, who was a pessimist, of sorts. He used to paraphrase from the Bible, at times, quite scandalously; and one of his favorite expressions was, "When you cast your bread upon the waters, it is usually—good-bye bread."

I know at this moment, as never before, that his pessimism was not entirely justified; for here and now, is a subject which was cast upon the program-waters of this Conference, and—"Lo, it was returned unto me."

I do not suppose that I will ever know what happened, or just how it back-fired; but I do know, that at one time, it seemed like a perfectly good subject to sit back and listen to—while someone else discussed it.

Things do back-fire, you know—as with a friend of mine who was driving along a hot, country road. There had been one of those long, heavy, marital silences—which some married man might know about. My friend was partly to blame, of course, but he had stood it about as long as he could, when he spied a lop-eared mule, drowsing peacefully in the shade. He jerked his thumb in the direction of the mule, and said, "Huh! One of your relatives, eh"; and his

wife turned toward him, and smiled—so sweetly—and said, “Yes, Dear—by marriage.”

The subject, “Connectives—In Freemasonry”, is not complicated; although it may have many ramifications. In fact, the subject is so simple, that it may be well illustrated by a discussion between four preachers. (No disrespect to the preachers, of course).

They were “talking-shop”, so to speak. Conversation had turned from the new edition of the Bible, recently published. All were agreed that it was rather new, and that there had not been sufficient time and experience, perhaps, to formulate definite opinions. They did speak, however, of their earlier training and impressions.

One said, “Oh, I like the old King James Version. I like its majestic phrasing, its sonorous qualities, its poetic expression.”

And another said, “Yes, I like the King James Version, all right; but I like the American Revised Version of 1901 better; it is a little more up-to-date.”

And the third preacher said, “Oh, I admit the qualities you speak of, but I like Moffatt’s Translation—clear, clean-out, and accurate, just as it was written in the original languages.”

And they looked at the fourth preacher, who had been sitting quietly; until one said, “Well, Brother Smith, which one do you prefer?”

And he answered, slowly, and said, “I’ve been thinking, I appreciate all that has been said—but I still think I like my mother’s translation best.”

“Why, Brother Smith,” the others quickly exclaimed, “We did not know that your mother had translated the Bible; that she was such a profound student and scholar. What a wonderful privilege and experience that must have been.”

And Brother Smith smiled, and said, “Oh, yes. She translated it every day—into living—just for me.”

In some such humble way, I hope, we may try to translate some of our living into Masonry, and our Masonry into living, as we use this fascinating subject of “Connectives—In Freemasonry.”

For example: In such a connective as "The Masonic Stone of 1606", it is fascinating to trace the high adventure of Champlain and Sieur De Monts, and of the early colonization of the New World; and to learn of the discovery of one of the earliest Masonic footprints on this Continent. Intriguing and appropriate, perhaps—from the Masonic point of view—that this early colonization should have occurred in the northeast corner of these United States, and in the very northeast corner of the State of Maine; and that it was here that the timeless veils of the Stone Age of the Western World were really drawn aside, and a new life and colonization took root and grew in our North American soil. Challenging, and in closest connection with that early colonization, was the discovery, some two hundred years later, of a flat stone of trap-rock, bearing "the square and compass of the Free Mason," as it was recorded, and the date, 1606.

The stone was preserved, photographed, and even built into a wall of a building for safekeeping and attention.

And then—by the sheer stupidity of some workman, its location and whereabouts was lost; because the workman did not realize its importance, or preferred, perhaps, the uniform look of a plastered wall.

What a lesson, as to the necessity of carefully preserving our ritualistic forms, and Landmarks; and of a close, devoted application to the words and meanings in our rituals.

And how pathetic, the recorded words of apology, concerning this "Masonic Stone of 1606":

"If ever the present building be taken down, diligent search should be made for the historic stone, perhaps, the oldest inscription stone in America."

May it never be, that we, nor our children, nor children's children, shall have to tear down our Masonry, to discover, once again, treasures which some stupidity of carelessness, or inattention, or fancied improvement, may have lost.

Again—in such a connective as "Years and Cycles", we may find modern and up-to-date illustration as to how certain phrases may be taken from our ritualistic forms, and find particular emphasis and current interest.

For example: In the recent works of Dr. A. E. Douglass, noted astronomer and teacher at the University of Arizona, in which he had demonstrated a very close connection between sun-spots and rainfall, and indicates that such conditions are cyclical, we find that he hit upon the ingenious idea of checking the growth rings of trees, even from the prehistoric wood of roof-beams, posts, charcoal, etc., and found that these rings could be recorded upon a master-scale, at present as far back through years as 12 A. D.; and by which archaeologists are able to date cultural changes with certainty, and find that some of the major advances—in pottery, and in architecture, etc.,—came into being in decades, and not in centuries, as once supposed.

Similarly:—by such a connective as “Cognate Words”, we may interestingly trace the development of language, and civilized concepts; and in so doing, point out many backgrounds of Masonic words, and again, to the great advantages and desirability of carefully preserving the forty-nine rituals of this Country, and those of this Continent.

Not so long ago, there was an outstanding football player who had played magnificently in his last game of the season. He was somewhat battered-up; but he did not seem to mind. The game had been clean and hard, with a well-earned victory. On his way from the player's bench to the Field House, he half-grinned experimentally, and with his finger tips, tenderly explored the area in the vicinity of an eye. As he was passing, one of his admirers waved in happy enthusiasm; and then exclaimed, “Wow! What a peach of a black-eye they gave you!”

“The hell they did! We fought for it!” in instant, smiling response.

A twist of words, perhaps—but it illustrates their flexibility and quick adaptability, and I like the little lesson.

We need such spirit in our Masonry, and in all our achievements; and our own conscious strength and effort in them, to make them live and be worth while. There can be no idle, sit-down Masonry, or security from the cradle to the grave.

There must be pulse to make it live!

It has been said, that words are the greatest miracle and achievement of mankind; and that they are the most wonderful of man's adaptations. They are as quick and fluid as the breath of which they are born; and yet may prove as harsh and strong as enduring granite.

Their searching and deeply penetrating qualities are indicated in the words of Frances Frost, as he wrote for *The New Yorker*:

WORDS.

"How beautiful must have been the first slow word
To him who found it and to those who heard
Back in the twilight of time!
Strange, that a man could shape his lips to a sound,
Strange, that a man's harsh throat should loosen, and cry
A word, a name:
Day.for twelve short hours of light,
Day.for a swift half-circle of flame!

"A man, but lately upright on the ground,
Swallowed and small beneath the surging sky—
Strange, that he should mark
The black and silver trees, the ghostly, white
Storm of stars beating across the dark,
And utter: *Night*.

"O stony throat, broken, articulate,
O wild throat, greeting the darkness and the sun,
How could you know the thing that you had done?
This you know:
Perfect and few
Were the words you found, blinding and beautiful.
(But) Strange, ah, fearfully strange, that a man might turn
To another man and say:
Night.
Day."

And strange it was;that somewhere, back in the dim half-centuries of time, man found that he could trace in some manner or fashion—or write—and hold a spoken word through ages, for those who could not have heard.

By cognates—a series of words "born together", and common in different languages—we may glimpse, with considerable certainty, the modes of life of peoples, and some of the stages by which our more complex civilization came into being.

We may know, even, of the climate and environment back before there were any nations; back before the time when peoples had dispersed from their common home:—trees, birds, and beasts; cultivation of the soil, food, and clothing; dwellings, cooking, tools, metals, etc.;—fascinating sets of words, indicating even that the cat was missing, at that time, from among the domestic animals; and, because there were no words for “spoke” (of a wheel), among the words for other parts of vehicles, clearly indicating that the primitive wheel, as constructed and used, was solid. Incidentally, the word for our domestic cat did not appear in language until about 500 years after the birth of Christ; and strangely enough, with all our invention, we seem to be going back to solid, spokeless wheels, on our automobiles of today.

How fortunate it is, then, and wonderful, that these cognate words have been preserved to us in their different languages. And how well has Dr. Raymond Burnette Pease (Ph. D.), beloved Brother, Professor and Teacher, written of “the richness of the Masonic vocabulary when viewed in the light of original meanings and the intent of the ritualistic founders”; and further, that “The significance of Masonic words cannot be confined (or limited) to present usage, since Masonry was already old when its ritual was put into the forms we know.”

There is tragedy that words may be lost; that they may be twisted, and turned, and mis-shaped, by careless and unthinking men:

May we continually recall the clear, ringing words of Dr. Pease, and others:—and highly resolve to preserve our several forms and rituals as they are.

Like connective Cognate Words of ancient tongues, they are born together; and each may contribute something which otherwise might be lost to us, or remain at a perpetual distance.

Again:—it is fascinating, in other connectives, to find the human touch and approach, through the lives and deeds of many men; such as “Numa Pompilius”, the second of the legendary kings of Rome, who ascended the throne of Romulus about 725 years, B. C.

We learn of his great influence upon the world, and our Freemasonry—even today; and of his development of the

Colleges of Architects and Colleges of Builders, who were not only "Free and Accepted", and instrumental in the culture and architecture of the beginnings of Ancient Rome, but in later years followed the Roman Legions—to the East, and to the South, and North, and West—even into Britain, to lay out grounds for encampment, and great structures, even for Londinium (London), and for Eboracum, the ancient city of York, where Athelstane is later said to have gathered together men and Masons, for the improvement of his reign.

How close Numa Pompilius is to us, is shown in his major calendar changes, which we are using every day with very slight variation.

Numa Pompilius, also, built a Temple—he built many of them—but dedicated his first to Janus, his favorite God of Peace and of Beginnings, from whence comes our word January, the opening month of our year. It was not until almost 2500 years later, in 1752, that the Parliament of England, and the Colonies, officially recognized the concept of Numa Pompilius, and the symbolism of his temple; and in so doing, reached out and touched even the life of George Washington, so that he was "of lawful age" when he received his first Masonic light, November 4, 1752, although his years were not fully twenty-one on that date.

In our subject, "Connectives—In Freemasonry", as we study and attempt to present any of its sparkling phases and aspects, we should bear in mind, perhasp, the brilliant and distinguished judge who learned a very important lesson—from a seemingly unimportant man.

As a young judge, he was trying one of his first cases. It was one of alleged assault, by Rastus, on the person of Sambo. The weapon of assault was said to be a rock of undertermined size. Rastus proved to be a rather difficult and evasive witness, and the young judge took the examination into his own hands:

Q. "Now, Rastus. How large was that rock or stone?"

A. "Well, Boss, Ah don't know's Ah rightly know."

Q. "Was it as large as my fist?"

A. "Oh, yas, Boss, 'twas bigger'n yo' fist."

Q. "Was it as large as my two fists?"

A. "Oh, yas, Boss, 'twas bigger'n yo' two fists."

Q. "Was it as large as my head?"

A. "Well, Boss, 'twas 'bout as long, but 'twa'nt so thick."

Kipling rather wonderfully expressed it otherwise;—in his poem of timeless quality, first published in the *American Magazine*, in October, 1910, under the title, "If". It was written for his son, later killed in war.

I am sure you all recall it, and certain portions of it, such as the line I have in mind:

"And yet, don't look too good, nor talk too wise."

The young judge had not heard or read that line—it was not written then—and so he learned his great and important lesson from a colored-boy, accused of crime.

We must never, consciously nor unconsciously, try to "look too good, nor talk too wise." In our great privileges and opportunities, we must not "lose the common touch", as Kipling expresses it, which is the essence of our Masonry.

There is heady wine, as we "walk with kinds", and seek the endless treasures of Masonry. We must be humble, as the boundless wealth of Freemasonry is opened unto us.

And at this moment, even as I speak, I am deeply conscious of the great jurisdictional honor and privilege, of addressing you at this Conference.

In these necessarily very brief thumb-nail sketches of agre at subject, I might wish that there had been time to speak of "The Birthplace of a Continent", and of that "Great Canadian Shield", embracing some of the oldest, continuing, dry-land area on the face of this globe. This area is becoming increasingly important to us, with its mineral and metallic richness, in our industrial and technical effort of today.

It may be, that it was here that a voice was heard, in the Beginning, when the decree went forth:

"Let the waters under the heavens be gathered into one place, and let the dry land appear, and it was so."

Strange—yet not so strange—that this primary Pro-Cambrian or Archean formation should have a wedge-shaped spur reaching down into Maine. Strange—yet not so strange

—that just as the lowly life of moss and molluses rose or gathered from the surrounding sea, to gasp and quiver in the light and rarer air, yet cling to institute life upon the naked Archean rocks, so did the groping, searching fingers of our North American Colonization, with its imprint of Freemasonry, touch and cling to that jutting spur of primal land.

And so it is:—the subjects, or connectives, are almost inexhaustible. From the latest scientific research, to the remote legends of antiquity:—"Carbon 14—An Isotope"; "A Beaver—In Scotch Heraldry"; "The Electron—And a Drop of Oil"; "The Outstanding Greatness—Of a Petty King"; "Moses—An Imprint on Freemasonry"; "Easter Island—And a Continent"; "Bikini—A Model and Reality"; etc., etc.

It is fascinating to bring these, and many other subjects, and haunting phrases, into practical application for every-day living; and to show a very significant "tie-in" with our Freemasonry of today. There may be proud purpose as we seek, and envision, and preserve, the majestic concepts, the massive strength, and the inspiring forces, which have lifted man, and civilization, and our Freemasonry to its present proud position.

We may continue to build, on and up:—but we must not cut loose, nor thoughtlessly, nor mistakenly forget or ignore the deep foundations; lest our structure topple into the undercut, and instability of the shifting sands of modernism and false ideologies.

And now, today;—as we meet in this South American Room, and glance about its pictured walls, we may feel the surging mystery of the vanished civilizations of Central and South America, which flourished even before the cataclysmic forces lifted ash-and-gravel-buried cities more than 7,000 feet, and then reared up-flung mountain barriers to an additional 5,000 feet.

And how fascinating it might be, to speculate upon the vanished race of white men—with beards, and long ears—and follow them to ruined, plateau cities, and stone colossi, in the southeast corner of Peru, at Lake Titicaca, where it has been said, "This mysterious civilization disappeared as

by the stroke of a magic wand"—and to find them again briefly, perhaps, in certain similarity, on lonely island in the Pacific—to the west.

And finally:—as we think upon these things, we might circle swiftly onward to New Zealand, to find and hear the vivid and enchanting lines of Mona Mackay, at Christchurch, with words still winging westward to the East—where fabled Araby lies, and where a civilization was cradled, and a Great Light was born; and where the Roman Legions, and the greatness of that Empire also spread, and flourished, to give us later light and understanding, when the long centuries of the Dark Ages should have passed.

A ROSE-RED CITY.

- " Rose-red there lies, and vivid in the sun,
A magic city, hid in Araby;
Of her no ancient legend has been spun,
And all her past, the silent years have won
To the deep coffers of antiquity.
- " About her brooding stillness there blow
The scarlet windflowers, as a carpet flung
Upon the stones. And oleanders grow
Where, in the night, the mourning jackals go
A-prowl through temples of a god unsung.
- " And so she stands, and centuries have kept
Her olden secret, tragic or sublime;
Without her gates, what tides of men have swept,
Within her portals, race of kings have slept?
This ' rose-red city, half as old as Time.'
- " Was there no poet's voice to chant her pride,
To clarion her magic down the years?
No warrior famed, to set her valourous stride?
No splendid lovers who for love's sake died,
Gifting to song their passion and their tears?
- " Was there no storied woman's golden face
To glimmer down unnumbered years to come?
No prophet's vision to foretell her place,
Mysterious city of forgotten race?
Only her beauty speaks, and it is dumb.
- " And so she stands, while Time holds jealously
Her olden secret, tragic or sublime;
Her sorrows, joys, her strength, her frailty
Are in the coffers of antiquity,
This ' rose-red city, half as old as Time '."

How different, my Brethren, in all its majesty and antiquity, is our Freemasonry of today. Like the "rose-red city, half as old as Time" it stands;—but it is not hid, in the matchless minds and hearts of men.

By "Connectives—In Freemasonry", we make keep it warm, and living, and vibrant; and supply the magic of the tides of men and kings; the poets' dreams and warriors' fame; the lovers' songs and prophets' sight; the forgotten secrets of time and race;—even a north-east corner, of primal place.

We must never make it dull, and up-to-date. We must never let it idly stand; to share that city's coffered fate.

Thank you.

(When the Grand Master, at the conclusion of that part of his address relation to departed brethren, said "We pause to honor those who have gone that glorious way before us," the Communication stood for a minute in silence with bowed heads).

(At the conclusion of the reading of the Grand Master's Address the Communication stood and vigorously applauded).

On motion of R. W. Bro. PAUL L. POWERS:

The Grand Master's Address was referred to the Committee on Doings of Grand Officers.

He further moved that the reports of the Deputy Grand Master, Senior Grand Warden, Junior Grand Warden, and District Deputy Grand Masters be referred to the Committee on Doings of Grand Officers without reading, and it was so voted.

GRAND TREASURER.

The Grand Treasurer submitted his report as follows:

PORTLAND, MAINE,
May 5, 1953.

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

I herewith submit my Annual Report as Grand Treasurer for the year ending March 31, 1953.

GENERAL FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Grand Lodge Dues and Assessments.....	\$26,351 50	
Receipts of Grand Lodge Office.....	6,896.55	
Sale of Aprons.....	36.50	
Dispensations.....	87 00	
Delinquency Fines.....	10.00	
Grand Bodies, Rent and Office Expense, 1952.....	1,800.53	
Interest on Bank Deposits.....	147.61	
Balance 1952 Dues.....	308.00	
Check No. 6440, error.....	4.95	
		<hr/> \$35,642.64

DISBURSEMENTS.

Masonic Trustees, Rent.....		\$3,600.00
C. E. Leach, Grand Secretary, Salary.....	\$ 3,000.00	
E. D. Webster, Assistant, Salary.....	1,900.00	
H. N. Maxfield, Grand Treasurer, Salary.....	1,000 00	
A. L. Burbank, Grand Lecturer, Per Vote.....	300.00	
R. J. Pollard, Correspondence, Per Vote.....	550.00	
		<hr/> 6,750.00
Telephone.....	\$ 208.98	
Office Equipment.....	44.40	
Printing and Binding.....	996.91	
Office Supplies and Services.....	427.70	
Grand Lodge Supplies, Medals, Rituals, etc.....	7,443.22	
Bond, Grand Treasurer.....	125.00	
Stenographic Expense, Grand Treasurer.....	39 15	
Box Rent.....	30.00	
Auditing.....	350.00	
Library Account, Binding.....	195 50	
Educational.....	342.56	
Equipment.....	133 00	
		<hr/> 10,336.42
Grand Master, Contingent.....	\$1,350.00	
Grand Lecturer, Travel Expense.....	270.51	
Official Conferences.....	114.34	
District Deputy Grand Masters, Travel Expense....	941.71	
Washington Conferences, Travel Expense.....	350.00	
Payroll, 1952 Communication.....	6,140.95	
		<hr/> 9,167.51
Printing Proceedings.....	2,129 56	
Tyler and Organist.....	80.00	
Stenographer.....	78.30	
Entertainment of Guests.....	904.61	
Flowers.....	48 96	
		<hr/> 3,241 43

Masonic Service Ass'n, Dues.....	\$1,163 80	
Hospital Service.....	2,500 00	
		<hr/> \$3,663.80
Social Security Taxes.....		101.25
Association Fees.....		95 00
Grand Master, Expense 1952.....		250 00
Check No. 5825 Paid, Previously Written Off.....		1.00

		<hr/> \$37,206.41
Deficit.....		<hr/> —1,563.77
		<hr/> \$35,642.64

Balance, March 31, 1952.....	\$37,419 21	
Deficit, 1953.....	—1,563.77	

Balance, March 31, 1953.....	\$35,855 44	
First Portland National Bank, Checking Account.	\$30,349 50	
Maine Savings Bank, Account No. 12356.....	5,505.94	
		<hr/> \$35,855.44

DISASTER FUND.

RECEIPTS.

\$	0.00	
		<hr/> \$ 0.00

DISBURSEMENTS.

Masonic Service Ass'n., Holland Relief.....	\$ 500.00	
		<hr/> \$ 500.00
Deficit.....		500 00
		<hr/> \$ 0.00

Balance, March 31, 1952.....	\$ 1,010.00	
Deficit, 1953.....	— 500.00	

	\$ 510.00	
Maine Savings Bank, Account No. 12356.....	\$ 510.00	

MAINE MASONIC WAR FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Income on Investments.....	\$ 200 00	
Interest on Deposits.....	294.61	
		<hr/> \$ 494.61

DISBURSEMENTS.

None.....	\$ 0 00	
		<hr/> \$ 0 00
Balance.....		494 61
		<hr/> \$ 494 61

Balance, March 31, 1952.....	\$26,811.69
Balance, 1953 Account.....	494 61
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Balance, March 31, 1953.....	\$27,306 30
First Portland National Bank, Savings Account No. 22609.....	\$15,000.00
Portland Savings Bank, Account No. 136545.....	6,493 00
Maine Savings Bank, Account No. 14352.....	5,813.30
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	\$27,306.30

SECURITIES.

MARCH 31, 1953.

<i>Face</i>	<i>Bonds</i>	<i>Cost</i>	<i>Income</i>
\$5,000 U. S. Treasury, 2's, 1951-53, Dated Sept. 15, 1943.....		\$5,075.00	\$ 100.00
5,000 U. S. Treasury, 2's, 1952-54, Dated Dec. 1, 1944.....		5,062.50	100.00
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		\$10,137.50	\$ 200.00

FUND.

Investments at Cost.....	\$10,137.50
Balance.....	27,306.30
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	\$37,443.80

GEORGE WASHINGTON MASONIC NATIONAL MEMORIAL FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Assessments.....	\$ 1,653.00
Contributions.....	38.00
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	\$ 1,691.00

DISBURSEMENTS.

Geo. Washington Masonic National Memorial Ass'n.....	\$ 1,702.58
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Deficit.....	— 11 58
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	\$ 1,691 00
Balance, March 31, 1952.....	\$ 25.58
Deficit, 1953 Account.....	11.58
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Balance, March 31, 1953.....	\$ 14.00

Fraternally submitted,

H. NORTON MAXFIELD,
Grand Treasurer.

RECAPITULATION OF ASSETS OF THE GRAND LODGE OF MAINE, A. F. & A. M.

MARCH 31, 1953.

GENERAL FUND:

Balance, First Portland National Bank, Checking Account.....	\$ 30,349.50	
Balance, Maine Savings Bank, Account No. 12356.....	5,505.94	
	<hr/>	\$ 35,855.44

DISASTER FUND:

Balance, Maine Savings Bank, Account No. 12356.....	\$ 510.00	
	<hr/>	510.00

MAINE MASONIC WAR FUND:

Investments at Cost.....	\$ 10,137.50	
Balance, First Portland National Bank, Sav- ings Account No. 22609.....	15,000.00	
Portland Savings Bank, Account No. 136545.....	6,493.00	
Maine Savings Bank, Account No. 14352.....	5,813.30	
	<hr/>	37,443.80

CHARITY FUND:

Investments at Cost.....	\$324,063.40	
Balance, First Portland National Bank, Sav- ings Account No. 22609.....	11,899.98	
	<hr/>	335,963.38

CHARLES M. FARRAR FUND:

Investments at Cost.....	\$ 30,298.75	
Balance, First Portland National Bank, Sav- ings Account No. 22609.....	4,491.25	
Portland Savings Bank, Account No. 136385.....	315.63	
	<hr/>	35,105.63

FREDERICK C. THAYER FUND:

Investments at Cost.....	\$ 1,027.00	
Balance, First Portland National Bank, Sav- ings Account No. 22609.....	20.00	
	<hr/>	1,047.00

THOMAS H. BODGE MEMORIAL FUND:

Investments at Cost.....	\$ 24,609.83	
Balance, Portland Savings Bank, Account No. 136386.....	349.30	
	<hr/>	24,959.13

RELIEF FUND:

Balance, Canal National Bank, Checking Account.....	\$ 35,246.04	
Portland Savings Bank, Account No. 123838.....	3,494.21	
	<hr/>	38,740 25

DANA B. CUTTER FUND:

Investments at Cost.....	\$ 11,851.81	
Balance, Principal Account, First Portland National Bank, Savings Account No. 22609.....	71.00	
Balance, Interest Account, Portland Savings Bank, Account No. 136384.....	1,224 86	
	<hr/>	13,147 67

GEORGE R. RICH MEMORIAL FUND:

Investments at Cost.....	\$ 4,043.44	
Balance, Principal Account, Portland Savings Bank, Account No. 136383.....	0.00	
Balance, Interest Account, Portland Savings Bank, Account No. 136383.....	1,100.27	
	<hr/>	5,143.71
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		\$527,916.01

UNCOLLECTED ITEMS:

Grand Lodge Dues, 1953.....	\$ 4 00
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COMMITTED FUNDS:

George Washington Masonic National Memorial Fund:	
Balance, First Portland National Bank, Checking Account.....	\$ 14.00

Fraternally submitted,

H. NORTON MAXFIELD,
Grand Treasurer.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

The Grand Treasurer then presented the following report on Delinquent Lodges:

PORTLAND, ME.,
May 5, 1953.

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

I herewith submit the following report of delinquency on the part of two lodges in respect to transmitting Grand Lodge Returns and Dues as prescribed in Section 79 of the Constitutions, as amended.

Temple Lodge, No. 25, returns were received postmarked February 9, 1953, the established penalty for the delay being \$10.00. The fine was collected February 14, 1953.

Columbia Lodge, No. 200, returns were received postmarked February 5, 1953, the established penalty for the delay being \$6.00. The fine has not been paid.

Fraternally submitted,

H. NORTON MAXFIELD,
Grand Treasurer.

The report was accepted.

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

The Auditor's Report was presented as follows:

Report of
LEE D. HODGKINS COMPANY
TO
GRAND LODGE OF MAINE

APRIL 1, 1952 TO MARCH 31, 1953

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Warden, Officers and Members of
the Grand Lodge of Maine:*

GENTLEMEN:

Submitted herewith is our report covering an audit of the accounts of your Treasurer for the Fiscal Year April 1, 1952 to March 31, 1953, and certification is expressed to the extent of the following text and tabulations.

We found all moneys shown as received to be properly accounted for and either cancelled checks or vouchers to be on file supporting payments made by your Treasurer. Checking Accounts representing the Charity and Relief Funds were reconciled with statements furnished by the depositories and found to exactly agree with the Treasurer's Accounts. All pass books representing savings deposits were examined and found to agree with the amounts shown to be on deposit in such accounts. All securities shown to be the property of the Grand Lodge were found to be in the custody of the Treasurer.

FINANCIAL CONDITION.

Based on Market Value of Securities on March 31, 1953, a comparative statement of the financial condition of the Grand Lodge follows:

	<i>Mar. 31, 1953</i>	<i>Mar. 31, 1952</i>
Cash.....	\$121,898.28	\$107,091.34
Securities Priced at Market Value.....	426,916.75	425,066.21
Accounts due from Lodges.....	4.00	313.00
TOTAL.....	\$548,819.03	\$532,470.55

The Assets of the Grand Lodge, \$548,819.03, are divided as to the several funds as follows:

General Fund.....	\$ 35,855.44
Charity Fund.....	352,893.73
Relief Fund.....	38,740.25
Rich Fund.....	5,031.77
Thayer Fund.....	1,508.00
George Washington Memorial Fund.....	14.00
Post-War Fund.....	37,280.30
Disaster Fund.....	510.00
Farrar Fund.....	35,998.63
Cutter Fund.....	13,452.61
Bodge Fund.....	27,534.30
TOTAL.....	\$548,819.03

We found the accounts of your Treasurer to be carefully and accurately kept.

Fraternally submitted,

LEE D. HODGKINS COMPANY,

By LEE D. HODGKINS.

Dated at Portland, Maine,
April 22, 1953.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

GRAND SECRETARY.

The Grand Secretary reported as follows:

MASONIC TEMPLE,
PORTLAND, May 5, 1953.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge:

The preliminary announcements of the doings of the Grand Lodge as its One Hundred and Thirty-third Annual Communication, together with the announcement of the adoption of the printed ballot and the provision of printing names on the ballot, were mailed on May 15th and the full printed proceedings were mailed on June 24, 1952.

CARD INDEX.

Both the general and individual Lodge indexes have been brought up to date as per the returns of January 1, 1953.

RETURNS.

On January 26, we called attention of eighty-three lodge secretaries that the returns were due in the office on or before February first. As a result we were obliged to call only two by telephone advising them their returns were over due. The last one was received on February 10th, ten days late.

Again we would call attention of the secretaries to the reporting of deaths, dimitts, and suspensions. By not referring to their last year's returns, the same names are repeated the correcting of which causes a large amount of correspondence.

REPORTS OF LODGE TREASURERS.

Of the 207 lodges, eighty-seven treasurers failed to comply with the regulation requiring a copy of their annual report to their lodges to be forwarded to us within ten days after their annual meeting.

NECROLOGY.

We have called upon to mourn the loss, during the year, of R. W. Frank J. Cole, M. W. Harold H. Murchie, W. Brother J. Homer Nelson, Grand Chaplain, and Bro. Perley S. Hamilton, Grand Tyler.

REQUESTS FOR RECOGNITION.

Requests for recognition and exchange of representatives have been received from two of the Grand Lodges of Brazil, The United Grand Lodge of Germany, and the Grand Lodge of Vienna, Austria. These have been referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations and their report will be presented at this communication.

COURTESY WORK.

We have had many requests for degree work, most of which has fallen on lodges located near Army Bases in Cumberland, Aroostook, and Penobscot Counties. On the other hand, we have been obliged to ask for considerable like work by lodges in other jurisdictions. The result is a vast amount of correspondence.

COPY OF CHARTER.

By vote of the Grand Lodge, a copy of the charter of Pleasant River Lodge, No. 163, was issued on May 23, 1952.

CERTIFICATE OF CHARTER.

A Certificate of Charter was issued Pleasant River Lodge, No. 163, on May 23, 1952.

THE GEORGE WASHINGTON TWO HUNDREDTH MASONIC
ANNIVERSARY.

By order of the Most Worshipful Grand Master, there was issued on September second a PROCLAMATION for the observance of the Bicentennial of the initiation of George Washington as a Mason. Material for such programs was furnished each lodge with what results will be reported by the Committee on George Washington Observance.

GRAND SECRETARIES' CONFERENCE.

The week of February 23-26, as usual, found a large number of representative Masons from all parts of the United States, Canada, Mexico, Porto Rico, Germany and China, at the Statler Hotel in Washington. On Monday the 23rd the Annual Meeting of the George Washington National Memorial Association was held at Alexandria, followed by a lunch at noon, and at 4.30 an informal reception and tea was held at the Statler Hotel giving all an opportunity to greet old friends and to form new friendships.

On Tuesday, the Grand Masters' Conference was in session all day followed in the evening by the Grand Masters' banquet at which the Hon. Harold E. Stassen was the speaker.

On Wednesday, the Grand Masters' Conference was continued while the Grand Secretaries held their conference in another room. This was followed in the evening by a banquet with an address by M. W. Ansel A. Packard, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Connecticut.

On Thursday, the Masonic Service Association held their 34th Annual Meeting followed by a lunch at noon.

The chief purpose of these conferences scheduled for the four days is an exchange of experiences and ideas designed to promote the general welfare of the Fraternity. They are always inspiring and from them the Grand Officers derive much benefit.

At the Grand Secretaries' Conference, four topics were considered:

1. Liability Insurance for subordinate lodges.
2. What is Masonic Education? How is it best obtained?
3. Responsibilities and opportunities of a Lodge Secretary.
4. Automatic Suspension for non-payment of dues.

This last topic is of vast importance to all of our lodges. It was surprising how many jurisdictions have adopted it and how well it is working.

I recommend that this Grand Lodge give it careful and serious consideration.

FINANCIAL.

I have received from the sale of Text Books, Rituals and other supplies.....	\$7,404.64
From which I have paid postage and express. \$	459.14
Sundry office supplies.....	48.95
Grand Treasurer.....	6,896.55
	—————\$7,404.64

INVITATIONS.

Again I want to express my sincere thanks for the many kind invitations to attend Masonic functions both in this and many other jurisdictions, but the duties of the office have prevented me from accepting many of them.

Attached to this report are two appendix, that marked A being the announcement of deaths that have occurred in other jurisdictions and the other marked B Veterans Medals that have been presented to brethren who have been in good standing for fifty years or more. Those marked with * were presented by the Grand Master.

Fraternally submitted,

CONVERS E. LEACH,

Grand Secretary.

Appendix A.

Arizona. MARQUIS LAFAYETTE GIBBONS, Grand Master, 1933. Born July 17, 1866; died December 4, 1952.

Colorado. HERSCHEL HORN, Grand Master, 1943. Born September 12, 1878; died May 15, 1952.

WILLIAM L. BUSH, Grand Master, 1893. Born January 4, 1861; died October 1, 1952.

Costa Rica. RICHARDO M. FERNANDEZ, Past Grand Master. Born December 21, 1863; died April 2, 1952.

ERIC C. MURRAY, Grand Master, 1951. Born August 21, 1888; died September 21, 1952.

Delaware. MELDON C. MAPLES, Grand Master, 1927. Born June 22, 1889; died October 14, 1952.

Iceland. SVERIUM BJORNSSON, Grand Master. Died January 24, 1952.

Indiana. RICHARD K. SCHMEITZER, Grand Master, 1920. Born October 25, 1877; died November 21, 1952.

FRANK G. LAIRD, Grand Master, 1932. Born April 23, 1880; died April 14, 1952.

CHARLES C. LAFOLLETTE, Grand Master, 1928; Born September 19, 1867; died October 24, 1952.

Kansas. HARRY DEAN EVANS, Grand Master, 1945. Born November 21, 1889; died May 14, 1952.

Louisiana. QUINTIN THEODORE HARDNER, Grand Master, 1947. Born January 31, 1878; died August 21, 1952.

Manitoba. GEORGE HUNTER, Grand Master, 1930. Died April 25, 1952.

Mississippi. MORRIS GOLDSTEIN, Grand Tyler; Honorary Past Grand Master. Born July 18, 1878; died December 8, 1952.

Montana. HENRY GILES PICKETT, Grand Treasurer. Born October 20, 1860; died May 14, 1952.

DR. WILLIAM J. MARSHALL, Grand Master, 1927. Born September 9, 1875; died September 23, 1952.

Nevada. ELWOOD H. BEEMER, Grand Master, 1938. Born February 3, 1878; died August 13, 1952.

FRANK H. NORCROSS, Grand Master, 1909. Born May 11, 1869; died November 4, 1952.

FRED M. STEINER, SR., Grand Tyler from 1942. Born November 28, 1878; died March 11, 1953.

New Hampshire. ORVILLE EDWIN CAIN, Grand Master, 1933. Born February 8, 1869; died October 18, 1952.

North Dakota. THEODORE BIRD ELTON, Grand Master, 1925. Born December 17, 1879; died January 16, 1953.

New York. GEORGE A. BARNEWALL, Deputy Grand Master. Died May 14, 1952.

GEORGE R. IRVING, Grand Secretary. Born August 25, 1890; died April 14, 1952.

Ontario. RODERICK BERNARD DARGAVEL, Grand Master, 1929. Born October 15, 1875; died September 21, 1952.

Oregon. WALTER MILTON RANSON, Grand Master, 1947. Born June 28, 1897; died September 17, 1952.

ARTHUR DOUGLA HAY, Grand Master, 1941. Born October 24, 1884; died December 19, 1952.

Oklahoma. LYLE H. BALL, Grand Master, 1951. Born December 26, 1898; died May 15, 1952.

Panama. JOHANNES JULIUS ECHER, JR., Grand Master, 1935. Died May 28, 1952.

HERMANO S. CHENALLOY, Grand Master. Died June 17, 1952.

Pennsylvania. FREDERICK S. HAMMANN, Grand Secretary. Born November 28, 1897; died March 16, 1952.

Quebec. ARTHUR BARTON WOOD, Grand Master, 1919. Born October 20, 1870; died June 14, 1952.

Rhode Island. CHESTER M. ARDRICH, Grand Master, 1937. Born August 29, 1883; died June 26, 1952.

South Carolina. JOSEPH EVERETT HART, Grand Master, 1935. Born August 12, 1887; died May 26, 1952.

WALTER FRANKLIN GOING, Grand Master, 1937. Born July 26, 1889; died September 26, 1952.

Texas. JAMES JOSEPH GALLAHER, Grand Treasurer. Born February 29, 1872; died October 22, 1952.

FRANK C. JONES, Grand Master, 1916. Born April 2, 1873; died November 15, 1952.

Vermont. CADY LEWIS FARLE, Grand Master, 1942. Born June 15, 1889; died November 1, 1952.

Washington. LESLIE WARD LEE, Grand Master, 1945. Born February 7, 1893; died October 5, 1952.

West Virginia. FRANK FREMONT FLAIG, Grand Master, 1933; Grand Secretary. Born March 25, 1885; died September 9, 1952.

Wyoming. JAMES ROY MITCHELL, Grand Master. Born September 28, 1891; died May 6, 1952.

Wyoming. JAMES ROY MITCHELL, Grand Master. Born September 28, 1891; died May 6, 1952.

Wisconsin. D. H. MOONEY, Grand Master, 1926; Grand Treasurer, 1928-1946; Grand Treasurer Emeritus, 1948-1953. Born August 8, 1875; died January 31, 1953.

CYRUS D. STOCKWELL, Senior Grand Warden, 1909. Born October 17, 1870; died January 15, 1953.

APPENDIX B.

Veterans' Medals have been presented to the following brethren who have been in good standing for fifty years or more. Those marked * were presented by the Grand Master.

LODGE	NAME	MASONIC AGE	PRESENTED
Portland Lodge, No. 1	Harry T. Johnson	5-14-1901	1-27-1953
Warren Lodge, No. 2	Edwin A. Travis	3- 4-1902	5-28-1952
Lincoln Lodge, No. 3	Charles E. Cowley	5- 6-1902	5-22-1952
Lincoln Lodge, No. 3	Ira Day Morse	2- 4-1903	2-26-1953
Kennebec Lodge, No. 5	Wellington Smith	1- 6-1903	1-29-1953
Eastern Lodge, No. 7	Charles B. Stevens	10- 8-1900	9-16-1952
United Lodge, No. 8	William N. Walker	6-17-1902	6-24-1952
United Lodge, No. 8	Perley A. Hackett	11- 6-1902	11-11-1952
United Lodge, No. 8	Jesse D. Wilson	2-10-1903	2-10-1953
United Lodge, No. 8	William W. Johnson	2- 3-1903	2- 3-1953
United Lodge, No. 8	Samuel L. Forsaith	2-26-1903	6-16-1952
Saco Lodge, No. 9	*Charles B. Littlefield	5- 1-1901	6-16-1952
Saco Lodge, No. 9	*Fred H. Wentworth	4-18-1902	6-16-1952
Saco Lodge, No. 9	Ernest R. Woodbury	12-31-1900	6-21-1952

LODGE	NAME	MASONIC AGE	PRESENTED
Rising Virtue Lodge, No. 10	*Arthur L. Little	5-27-1902	10- 5-1952
Pythagorean Lodge, No. 11	Lewis M. Lovejoy	4- 6-1901	12-10-1952
Oriental Lodge, No. 13	Harry J. Keene	5-17-1902	5-28-1952
Oriental Lodge, No. 13	Frank W. Walker	5-17-1902	5-28-1952
Solar Lodge, No. 14	William S. Newell	3-11-1902	2- 3-1953
Orient Lodge, No. 15	Robert W. Walsh	4-29-1902	5-13-1952
Orient Lodge, No. 15	Richard O. Elliott	11-18-1902	12- 2-1952
St. George Lodge, No. 16	*George E. Bridgham	2- 3-1902	10-13-1952
St. George Lodge, No. 16	Joseph H. Stickney	3- 2-1903	3-16-1953
Ancient Land-Mark Lodge, No. 17	Charles D. Boyd	3-21-1902	6- 4-1952
Ancient Land-Mark Lodge, No. 17	Harry S. Boyd	5-27-1902	6- 4-1952
Ancient Land-Mark Lodge, No. 17	Edward H. Nash	6-13-1902	6- 4-1952
Ancient Land-Mark Lodge, No. 17	Clifton C. Pooler	2-21-1902	10-15-1952
Oriental Star Lodge, No. 21	Arthur S. Grose	6-18-1902	1-14-1953
York Lodge, No. 22	Fred W. Andrews	11-10-1902	12- 1-1952
York Lodge, No. 22	Ira H. Wells	3-25-1903	4-13-1953
Freeport Lodge, No. 23	Emery M. Franks	2-27-1902	6- 2-1952
Northern Star Lodge, No. 28	*Henry E. Marston	2-10-1903	4-14-1953
Tranquil Lodge, No. 29	Fred D. Gordon	1-29-1902	5-14-1952
Tranquil Lodge, No. 29	John A. Ness	7-19-1902	10-22-1952
Tranquil Lodge, No. 29	Eben J. Harlow	4-16-1902	10-26-1952
Tranquil Lodge, No. 29	Ward J. Renwick	7-16-1902	11- 3-1952
Blazing Star Lodge, No. 30	Elster A. Dolloff	4-16-1902	8-28-1952
Blazing Star Lodge, No. 30	Lewis M. Irish	4-16-1902	8-22-1952
Union Lodge, No. 31	Herbert Leach	3-27-1902	6-26-1952
Union Lodge, No. 31	Hamlin B. Bowes	6- 5-1902	6-26-1952
Hermon Lodge, No. 32	Charles W. Scott	5-28-1895	4-29-1952
Hermon Lodge, No. 32	Lauren M. Sanborn	2-23-1897	6- 4-1952
Hermon Lodge, No. 32	Fred'k A. Danforth	3-20-1900	4-29-1952
Hermon Lodge, No. 32	Charles A. Knight	9-18-1900	4-29-1952
Hermon Lodge, No. 32	Frank L. Amesbury	4-20-1901	4-29-1952
Hermon Lodge, No. 32	Fred M. Moody	6-18-1901	5- 9-1952
Hermon Lodge, No. 32	Alfred R. Merrill	2- 4-1902	5- 9-1952
Hermon Lodge, No. 32	Arthur E. Libby	12- 9-1902	12-30-1952
Waterville Lodge, No. 33	William F. Bodge	3-24-1902	5-21-1952
Waterville Lodge, No. 33	Alfred W. Brill	11-15-1899	7-18-1952
Waterville Lodge, No. 33	Carroll N. Perkins	3-24-1902	12- 8-1952
Waterville Lodge, No. 33	Eugene H. Kidder	5- 5-1902	7-18-1952
Waterville Lodge, No. 33	Charles W. Vigue	11-17-1901	12- 8-1952
Waterville Lodge, No. 33	Edward H. Newell	1- 6-1903	3-19-1953
Waterville Lodge, No. 33	Hugh S. Davison	4- 6-1903	4- 3-1953
Waterville Lodge, No. 33	J. Bert Childs	7- 6-1903	4-10-1953

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Somerset Lodge, No. 34	J. Wallace Blunt	4-12-1900	6-27-1952
Somerset Lodge, No. 34	David A. Haig	5-27-1901	2- 9-1952
Bethlehem Lodge, No. 35	Adelbert W. Gordon	12-30-1902	1- 7-1953
Bethlehem Lodge, No. 35	Alton J. Wall	6-23-1902	4- 8-1953
Bethlehem Lodge, No. 35	Charles D. White	11-24-1902	4- 8-1953
Casco Lodge, No. 36	Howard S. Pulsifer	3- 4-1902	5-20-1952
Casco Lodge, No. 36	George W. Partridge	11- 7-1899	5-20-1952
Casco Lodge, No. 36	William W. Loring	2- 5-1901	5-25-1952
Casco Lodge, No. 36	George S. York	12-16-1902	12-16-1952
Casco Lodge, No. 36	James E. Bradley	2- 3-1903	3-24-1953
Harmony Lodge, No. 38	William M. Taylor	3-11-1903	3-11-1953
Penobscot Lodge, No. 39	William H. Gould	5-14-1894	10-17-1952
Morning Star Lodge, No. 41	Norman L. Higgins	4-30-1901	4-15-1952
Freedom Lodge, No. 42	James L. Holland	6- 6-1900	3-27-1953
Freedom Lodge, No. 42	Ralph H. Clark	4- 3-1901	4-12-1953
St. Croix Lodge, No. 46	Walter J. Gilbert	2-18-1901	12- 7-1951
Lafayette Lodge, No. 48	Ernest E. Smith	6-21-1902	6- 3-1952
Meridian Splendor Lodge, No. 49	John O. Gilman	2-20-1902	3- 6-1952
Meridian Splendor Lodge, No. 49	Benjamin T. Shaw	3-11-1902	3- 7-1952
Aurora Lodge, No. 50	Daniel T. Shaw	5-21-1902	5-14-1952
Mosaic Lodge, No. 52	James R. Hawkins	6-19-1902	6-19-1952
Mosaic Lodge, No. 52	Edwin A. Ramsdell	6-19-1902	6-19-1952
Vassalboro Lodge, No. 54	Earle C. Roy	4-22-1902	3-11-1953
Fraternal Lodge, No. 55	George Hanscom	2-11-1903	2-18-1953
Unity Lodge, No. 58	Willard Sparrow	8-21-1902	10- 9-1952
Star in the East Lodge, No. 60	William S. Dow	11-01-1902	11-10-1952
Star in the East Lodge, No. 60	Charles W. Carney	2-19-1903	2-23-1953
Richmond Lodge, No. 63	Thomas H. Scammon	6-16-1902	10-21-1952
Mystic Lodge, No. 65	Carl S. Preble	4-25-1902	6- 7-1952
Mystic Lodge, No. 65	Charles A. Marston	9-13-1902	12-13-1952
Mystic Lodge, No. 65	Roger G. Leonard	7-15-1902	1-10-1953
Mechanics Lodge, No. 66	Herbert H. Leonard	11-29-1902	11-25-1952
Standish Lodge, No. 70	Edwin R. Wingate	12- 5-1901	2- 4-1952
Tyrian Lodge, No. 73	Herbert Dennen	3-16-1893	5-19-1952
Tremont Lodge, No. 77	Schuyler R. Clark	9-26-1901	9- 4-1952
Tremont Lodge, No. 77	Eugene D. Tapley	2- 4-1902	8-12-1952
Rockland Lodge, No. 79	Parker F. Crabtree	5- 6-1902	9-25-1952
Keystone Lodge, No. 80	Ernest L. Paul	12-20-1902	2-18-1953
Keystone Lodge, No. 80	John T. Matson	2-11-1903	3-11-1953
St. Paul's Lodge, No. 82	Winslow F. Dillingham	3- 2-1903	3-13-1953
St. Andrew's Lodge, No. 83	Leonard H. Ford	3-31-1901	11- 7-1952
St. Andrew's Lodge, No. 83	Fred D. Marsh	9-29-1902	11- 7-1952

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Star in the West Lodge, No. 85	Edwin M. Soule	5-31-1902	5-27-1952
Temple Lodge, No. 86	Alfred W. Swett	6-27-1902	6-25-1952
Temple Lodge, No. 86	Frank B. Spring	5-19-1899	1- 6-1953
Harwood Lodge, No. 91	Maurice A. Perkins	4- 7-1902	7- 1-1952
Siloam Lodge, No. 92	*Huber L. Holt	11- 6-1902	11-20-1952
Siloam Lodge, No. 92	*Colty B. Lawrence	11- 6-1902	11-20-1952
Horeb Lodge, No. 93	Charles Mitton	6- 5-1900	11-11-1952
Horeb Lodge, No. 93	Isaac F. Clark	11- 6-1900	12-12-1952
Paris Lodge, No. 94	William H. Thomas	9- 7-1897	6-17-1952
Paris Lodge, No. 94	Josiah N. Horr	10 -2-1900	6-17-1952
Paris Lodge, No. 94	Delbert M. Stewart	6-26-1901	6-17-1952
Corinthian Lodge, No. 95	Robert W. Linn, Jr.	9-18-1901	9-20-1951
Monument Lodge, No. 96	Howard E. Tingley	12-31-1902	1- 8-1953
Bethel Lodge, No. 97	Gerry L. Brooks	7-12-1900	9-27-1952
Katahdin Lodge, No. 98	George F. Woodbury	3-20-1902	11-20-1952
Katahdin Lodge, No. 98	John L. Robbins	5-15-1902	11-20-1952
Vernon Valley Lodge, No. 99	Guy A. Smith	6-28-1902	6-29-1952
Vernon Valley Lodge, No. 99	Roscoe A. Weston	2-22-1902	8-13-1952
Jefferson Lodge, No. 100	Charles A. Lovejoy	5- 8-1900	4-26-1952
Jefferson Lodge, No. 100	Edwin J. Mann	12-11-1902	1-27-1953
Jefferson Lodge, No. 100	Dana O. Dudley	9-12-1902	1-27-1953
Jefferson Lodge, No. 100	Harold S. Day	2-10-1903	2-24-1953
Tuscan Lodge, No. 106	Walter V. Nash	7-25-1902	6- 7-1952
Day Spring Lodge, No. 107	Lewis D. Piper	5-21-1902	11-10-1952
Day Spring Lodge, No. 107	Ross Irwin	8-23-1902	1-12-1953
Mt. Kineo Lodge, No. 109	Carroll S. Douglass	4-19-1902	6-30-1952
Monmouth Lodge, No. 110	Arthur C. Whittier	2- 1-1903	7-24-1952
Monmouth Lodge, No. 110	Arthur T. Hathaway	4-12-1902	2-16-1953
Messalonskee Lodge, No. 113	Forrest E. Fowles	2-19-1902	6-14-1952
Polar Star Lodge, No. 114	Osgood M. Redlon	11-20-1901	5-23-1952
Polar Star Lodge, No. 114	Fred L. Dunton	5- 2-1902	12-10-1952
Polar Star Lodge, No. 114	Adolf H. Waterman	2-25-1903	3-11-1953
Buxton Lodge, No. 115	Ralph E. Bailey	1-17-1903	3- 1-1953
Lebanon Lodge, No. 116	*Frank E. McGee	10- 6-1897	4-25-1952
Lebanon Lodge, No. 116	*Harry D. Burgess	4-10-1902	4-25-1952
Lebanon Lodge, No. 116	Alfred E. Tuttle	5-17-1902	4-25-1952
Marine Lodge, No. 122	Charles W. Spofford	11- 5-1901	12-10-1951
Olive Branch Lodge, No. 124	W. Edwin Bagley	3-12-1897	10- 9-1952
Olive Branch Lodge, No. 124	William M. Walker	10-25-1901	10- 9-1952

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Meridin Lodge, No. 125	Charles M. Barbour	10-25-1901	5-27-1952
Meridian Lodge, No. 125	Harry L. Cornforth	4- 4-1902	5-27-1952
Meridian Lodge, No. 125	Bernard L. Nichols	5- 2-1902	5-27-1952
Presumpscot Lodge, No. 127	Fred J. Chipman	6-14-1902	7-26-1952
Eggemoggin Lodge, No. 128	Guy M. Means	12-22-1902	12-22-1952
Lookout Lodge, No. 131	Charles L. Gardner	8-26-1901	12- 1-1952
Asylum Lodge, No. 133	George L. Manter	8-11-1894	5- 6-1952
Asylum Lodge, No. 133	Fred N. Parcher	1-18-1898	7- 1-1952
Riverside Lodge, No. 135	*James Y. Meserve	4-16-1902	6-18-1952
Riverside Lodge, No. 135	*Elmer E. Walton	4-16-1902	6-18-1952
Kenduskeag Lodge, No. 137	David Pierce	6-26-1901	1-29-1953
Kenduskeag Lodge, No. 137	Louis E. Page	9- 3-1901	2- 6-1953
Kenduskeag Lodge, No. 137	Fred T. Carter	10- 9-1901	1-28-1953
Kenduskeag Lodge, No. 137	George M. Fisher	10- 9-1901	2- 6-1953
Kenduskeag Lodge, No. 137	Casper C. Fisher	10- 9-1901	2- 6-1953
Augusta Lodge, No. 141	Harry M. Lyon	11-25-1902	11-25-1952
Seaside Lodge, No. 144	John N. Fish	11- 8-1897	10 -3-1952
Moses Webster Lodge, No. 145	Henry L. Thomas	4- 1-1902	6-10-1952
Evening Star Lodge, No. 147	William L. Libby	6-16-1902	8- 1-1952
Evening Star Lodge, No. 147	James E. Warren	3- 9-1903	4-27-1953
Doric Lodge, No. 149	Wilbert E. Doble	5-22-1902	10- 7-1952
Excelsior Lodge, No. 151	Oscar H. Drinkwater	6- 6-1901	3-20-1953
Crooked River Lodge, No. 152	James W. Plummer	11-26-1902	12-10-1952
Wilton Lodge, No. 156	Chas. E. Chamberlain	4- 2-1902	5-21-1952
Anchor Lodge, No. 158	Freeman W. Kelsey	2-19-1902	4-28-1952
Carrabasset Lodge, No. 161	F. Omer Furber	11- 5-1901	5-27-1952
Arion Lodge, No. 162	Cecil F. Clark	11-20-1902	11-30-1952
Pleasant River Lodge, No. 163	Myron W. Stickney	10- 9-1893	1- 1-1953
Webster Lodge, No. 164	John W. Scott	3-18-1902	6- 6-1952
Whitney Lodge, No. 167	Abbott A. Russell	6- 5-1902	6- 5-1952
Composite Lodge, No. 168	Eugene L. Eldridge	5-24-1902	5-24-1952
Shepherd's River Lodge, No. 169	Whitman G. Stickney	8- 4-1902	1 -5-1953
Pleiades Lodge, No. 173	Arthur W. Lowe	12- 9-1901	12-20-1952
Pleiades Lodge, No. 173	Harvey H. Brazzell	5- 4-1903	5- 4-1953
Baskahegan Lodge, No. 175	Samuel D. Springer	5-12-1900	4- 1-1952
Baskehegan Lodge, No. 175	Varney A. Putnam	9-15-1900	8- 9-1952
Ancient Brothers Lodge, No. 178	Edward Coey	6- 9-1902	6-21-1952

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Ancient Brothers Lodge, No. 178	Bernard F. Mann	1-26-1903	4-20-1953
Yorkshire Lodge, No. 179	Thomas T. Whittier	7- 4-1902	12-30-1952
Yorkshire Lodge, No. 179	Fred E. Neal	12-17-1902	12-30-1952
Hiram Lodge, No. 180	Philip S. Melcher	11- 7-1902	3-10-1953
Hiram Lodge, No. 180	Fred G. Orr	6-26-1902	4- 9-1953
Naval Lodge No. 184	Geo. O. Wilson, Jr.	4- 2-1902	6- 4-1952
Naval Lodge, No. 184	William O. Kennard	4-21-1902	6- 4-1952
Naval Lodge, No. 184	C. Edward Bartlett	8-13-1902	6- 4-1952
Naval Lodge, No. 184	John H. Foye	6-22-1899	12-17-1952
Bar Harbor Lodge, No. 185	Ralph L. Hodgkins	2-13-1902	12- 4-1952
Bar Harbor Lodge, No. 185	Victor F. Gooch	11-13-1902	12- 4-1952
Bar Harbor Lodge, No. 185	A. Stroud Rodick	12-18-1902	12- 4-1952
Bar Harbor Lodge, No. 185	Charles W. Shea	12-18-1902	12- 4-1952
Jonesport Lodge, No. 188	Edgar A. Worcester	2-18-1902	5-20-1952
Jonesport Lodge, No. 188	John V. Sawyer	3-18-1902	6- 3-1952
Jonesport Lodge, No. 188	Warren Norton	5-27-1902	6- 3-1952
Springvale Lodge, No. 190	Robert H. Dolliff	3-18-1902	4-22-1952
Springvale Lodge, No. 190	Frank G. Lord	8-12-1902	9-11-1952
Davis Lodge, No. 191	Ulysses G. Weymouth	5-23-1902	8- 8-1952
Davis Lodge, No. 191	Leslie A. Vining	10- 3-1902	11-21-1952
Davis Lodge, No. 191	Briceno E. Clark	11-14-1902	11-25-1952
Davis Lodge, No. 191	Richard E. Burns	12-19-1902	2- 4-1953
Davis Lodge, No. 191	Diah Sweet	2-13-1903	3-24-1953
Euclid Lodge, No. 194	Malon Boyington	3- 4-1901	12- 8-1952
Euclid Lodge, No. 194	George N. Snell	1- 6-1902	11-20-1952
Bay View Lodge, No. 196	Frank C. Adams	12- 4-1902	1-19-1953
Bingham Lodge, No. 199	Albert B. Clark	4-19-1902	6- 4-1952
Bingham Lodge, No. 199	Alton B. Carl	5-31-1902	6- 4-1952
Bingham Lodge, No. 199	*Fred W. Preble	8-30-1902	11-26-1952
Bingham Lodge, No. 199	*Roy M. Savage	11-29-1902	11-26-1952
Columbia Lodge, No. 200	Alfred J. Wilson	4- 7-1903	4-28-1953
David A. Hooper Lodge, No. 201	Joseph T. Colson	12-13-1902	12-24-1952
Mt. Bigelow Lodge, No. 202	*Leo E. Taylor	3-27-1902	5- 4-1952
Mt. Abram Lodge, No. 204	Charles W. Bartlett	1-23-1902	2-18-1953
Nollesemic Lodge, No. 205	Charles A. Daisey	12-26-1901	6-12-1952
Nollesemic Lodge, No. 205	William H. Dorrity	5-22-1902	12-14-1952
Nollesemic Lodge, No. 205	Oscar M. Nickerson	6-19-1902	9-25-1952

The report was referred to the Committee on Doings of Grand Officers.

FINANCE.

M. W. Bro. GILLIS presented the following report which was accepted:

MASONIC TEMPLE,
May 5, 1953.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maine:

Your Committee on Finance submit the following report:

The Report of the Grand Treasurer as to receipts and disbursements of the several Grand Lodge funds have been checked, and we find the same are in accord with the report of the Auditor. The books and records of the Recording Grand Secretary have been examined and the same found properly kept. A member of the committee accompanied the Auditor in his check of the Grand Lodge securities as listed in the Grand Treasurer's report and found all properly accounted for.

HENRY R. GILLIS,	} <i>Finance</i>
DAVID F. DREW,	
CARROLL W. KEENE,	

Committee.

The Grand Treasurer's report and the Auditor's report were accepted.

FOREIGN CORRESPONDENT.

M. W. RALPH J. POLLARD, for the Committee on Foreign Correspondence reported that their report was in print and has been circulated among the Brethren, and his report was accepted.

He also offered a Supplementary Report for the Committee as follows:

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT.

Committee on Foreign Correspondence.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maine :

1. No new requests for recognition have been referred to this Committee during the past year.

2. Renewed applications have been received from several bodies whose original requests for recognition have been deferred by this Grand Lodge in previous years. In view of the unsatisfactory conditions, both

political and Masonic, existing in the countries concerned, your Committee is still unprepared to make any definite recommendations in regard to these bodies.

Fraternally submitted,

RALPH J. POLLARD,

CHARLES E. CROSSLAND,

} Committee.

SPECIAL REPORT — GERMANY.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maine:

In our 1952 Report, we presented a special article dealing with the unfortunate relationship existing between the United Grand Lodge of Germany and the clandestine Grand Orient of France. We have recently received an air mail communication from Bro. Ferdinand von Cles, Grand Secretary of the United Grand Lodge of Germany, in which we are advised that the United Grand Lodge of Germany has severed all relations with the Grand Orient of France, effective in December of 1952; with the Grand Lodge of France, effective January of 1953; and with the Grand Lodge of Uruguay, effective in December of 1952. The United Grand Lodge of Germany is, therefore, free of all entanglements with unmasonic bodies, and the conditions described in our 1952 Report on longer exist.

Bro. von Cles also advised us that the United Grand Lodge of Germany would, at its next regular communication, formally adopt a set of Basic Principles identical with those of the United Grand Lodge of England, together with a statement on Aims and Relationships of the Craft identical with that appearing in the year book of the Mother Grand Lodge.

We now await possible action by the Grand Lodge of England.

Fraternally submitted,

RALPH J. POLLARD, P. G. M.,

Chairman.

The report was accepted.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

R. W. Brother JAMES P. BUNKER, for the Committee on Unfinished business, reported that there was no unfinished business pending from the previous Annual Communication.

(At 12.07, the Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment until 2.00 P. M., Tuesday, May 5, 1953.

FIRST DAY — AFTERNOON.

2.00 P. M., TUESDAY, May 5, 1953.

The Grand Lodge was called from refreshment to labor at 2.00 o'clock with the same Grand Officers as the morning session.

Representative of the Grand Lodge of District of Columbia, Wor. Brother JOHN D. CUNNINGHAM, a Past Master of Kansas and the Director of Welfare of the Masonic Service Association, representing the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia as well as the Masonic Service Association, was introduced and addressed the Grand Lodge as follows:

Remarks of

W. Bro. JOHN D. CUNNINGHAM.

Most Worshipful Grand Master and Brethren:

As the Grand Master told you, I stand here as an ambassador from the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia and as a representative of Most Worshipful Brother Harry S. Truman, Ex-President of the United States and Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Missouri, and I am sure you will all agree that this is quite a responsibility for a little Past Master from the buffalo-grass section of Kansas, but I shall try to bear up.

I shall not attempt to rehearse the part that Freemasonry played in the establishment of our country or the formation thereof. You all know that the Capitol was designed and built by a Mason and that the cornerstone was laid by the Grand Lodge of Maryland with Brother George Washington

acting—and, mind you, I say “acting”—as Grand Master pro tem.

Our Fraternity has given many presidents and statesmen to our country, and many members of Congress are Masons. We have known for a long time that the White House was designed by a Mason, but we did not know until recently that many of the workmen who erected the building were members of our Craft. But within the past couple of years the White House has been completely rebuilt; only the outer walls were retained, and in the rubble stones bearing Masonic symbols or marks were discovered.

Apparently the workmen on the White House desired to engrave their marks. Even though they were not engravers or carvers, they desired to leave their marks on the stone in the hope that at some time in the dim and distant future they could come to light and be recognized by the Fraternity and prove that they did have a part in erecting the White House—these proud and loyal Masons.

Forty-nine of these stones—nearly all of the good ones—were given by the then President of the United States, Harry S. Truman, to be given to the Grand Lodges of the United States. And he could have conferred this great honor upon his own Grand Lodge of Missouri—there was some talk at that time that he was quite partial to Missourians—but, instead, he turned to the Grand Lodge in the capital city of the greatest country in the world and asked the Grand Master of the District of Columbia if that Grand Lodge would undertake the task and at the same time underwrite the expense of delivering these stones to the forty-nine Grand Jurisdictions. He also wrote a letter to each of the forty-nine Grand Lodges, which letter is framed in wood taken from the old White House, and we have the letter here.

I suspect sabotage. I will not convey this to Brother Truman, but the glass was broken in transit in the mail. It shows what a change of politics will do. We Republicans will stop at nothing. (Laughter).

The letter follows:

WHITE HOUSE, WASHINGTON,
November 22, 1953.

"Most Worshipful Sir:

Through the good offices of an ambassador from the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia, which Masonically supreme in the Capital of the Nation, I place in your hands a stone taken from the walls of the White House during its just completed rebuilding.

A sufficient number of these stones, each with a Masonic symbol upon it, was discovered to give one to each Grand Lodge in the United States.

These evidences of the number of members of the Craft who built the President's official residence so intimately aligns Freemasonry with the formation and the founding of our government that I believe your Grand Lodge will cherish this link between the Fraternity and the Government of the Nation, of which the White House is a symbol.

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

HARRY S. TRUMAN."

And it is addressed to the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, Masonic Temple, Portland, Maine.

(As W. Bro. CUNNINGHAM unveiled the stone on a table beside him the communication stood and vigorously applauded).

TWENTY-FIVE YEAR BUTTON.

The Grand Master on behalf of Greenleaf Lodge presented a Twenty-five year Button to R. W. Brother EARLE D. WEBSTER.

M. W. BRO. WALLACE E. CALDWELL.

M. W. Brother WALLACE E. CALDWELL, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, was called upon and addressed the Grand Lodge with a most inspiring and instructive message.

The Grand Master then presented M. W. Bro.

CALDWELL with a Josiah H. Drummond Medal, which was received with words of great appreciation.

DOINGS OF GRAND OFFICERS.

M. W. Bro. CLARK D. CHAPMAN, for the Committee on Doings of Grand Officers, submitted the following report:

IN GRAND LODGE,
May 5, 1953.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maine:

Your Committee on Doings of Grand Officers has given careful attention to the address of our Grand Master and to the reports of other officers. Our Grand Master has faithfully discharged the trust reposed in him and we congratulate him upon his accomplishments during a busy year. He has made many visitations and given careful attention to the complex duties of his office. He has truly advanced the cause of Freemasonry in Maine and merits the appreciation of all.

We note with satisfaction that we now have the largest total membership ever reported in this Grand Jurisdiction. We admonish our Committee of Inquiry, however, that they have a most important duty to perform and our Officers that they must be far more concerned with putting Masonry into our members than with putting members into Freemasonry.

We commend our Deputy Grand Master and our Grand Wardens upon their careful attention to the duties of their offices and their frequent attendance upon Masonic meetings and other occasions.

We recommend that the portion of the Grand Master's address entitled Condition of the Fraternity, and the reports of the Deputy Grand Master, Grand Wardens, District Deputy Grand Masters and Grand Lecturer be referred to the Committee on the Condition of the Fraternity.

The Grand Master has presented an exhaustive study of Masonic Relief in Maine and of methods and difficulties of distribution. He has particularly called attention to the need of a sound investment program for the substantial funds which now constitute our Masonic Charitable Foundation. It may well be, as suggested last year, that a corporate fiduciary should be employed as custodian. In any event, the matter must not be ignored until irreparable injury shall be incurred. We recommend that these portions of the address be referred to the Trustees of the Masonic Charitable Foundation of the Grand Lodge of Maine, and that they be instructed to take all necessary action for the establishment of a sound investment program and to inaugurate adequate and efficient methods for distribution in accordance with our Constitution.

Pleasant River Lodge, No. 163, of Brownville, has petitioned for the appropriation and return to that Lodge of two years' Grand Lodge dues. The Grand Master has reported most favorably upon the conduct and attitude of the Lodge since our last Annual Communication. We are pleased with what has occurred during the year last past. Whether or not the petition should be granted, whether or not by so doing, an unfortunate precedent will be created, whether or not the funds of Grand Lodge warrant the granting of the petition, we do not attempt to determine.

We recommend that a Special Committee of five be appointed by the Grand Master, that such Committee include at least one member of the Finance Committee, and that the Committee hear the petitioners and others who may wish to be heard, and report at this Annual Communication.

We recommend that the portions of the Grand Master's address entitled "Dispensations," "Approvals under Standing Regulation No. 46," "Incorporation of Lodges" and "Decisions, Opinions, References," be referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

Our Grand Secretary has completed another year of his long term of service to this Grand Lodge and again his duties have been faithfully and efficiently performed. Once more we express our appreciation to him.

Fraternally submitted,

CLARK D. CHAPMAN,	} Committee on	
GEORGE F. GIDDINGS,		Doings of
GRANVILLE C. GRAY,		Grand Officers.

The report was accepted.

GRAND LECTURER.

W. Bro. AUBREY L. BURBANK, Grand Lecturer, presented his report as follows:

MASONIC TEMPLE,
PORTLAND, ME., May 5, 1953.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maine:

I herewith submit a report of my stewardship as Grand Lecturer and a summary of the attendance at Schools of Instruction held during the fall of 1952.

It is gratifying to find that a great percentage of the brethren of this Grand Jurisdiction are in accord with your Grand Lecturer's efforts in preserving our ritual and ancient ceremonies without innovation. With the advent of Television and various other types of entertainment rapidly

changing the course of social and home life, it is imperative that we hold to the ancient usages and customs of our fraternity and allow nothing to deprive us of this great heritage which has stood the test of centuries and has attracted so many men to its portals.

At the usual District Deputies' meetings called by the Grand Master at Portland and Bangor, a schedule of twenty-one schools was drawn up which, in the opinion of the District Deputies, would best serve the lodges of this Grand Jurisdiction. Keeping in mind the most advantageous locations, an attempt was made to arrange schools in areas where it had not been held for several years, and where it would perhaps create more interest among the brethren of those immediate vicinities. The conscientious efforts of the District Deputies in the arranging of schools and encouraging attendance may be partially rewarded in the report which follows.

The total registration of 1,059 brethren, the second highest on record, is the third successive year of registration exceeding one thousand brethren. The largest school was that held at Wells Depot, with 112 in attendance, while the school at Bath ran a close second with 102 registered. The smallest school was at East Machias, with 25 officers and members present. Previous records were again "topped" in the number of lodges represented, that number being 184 or 88.9% of all the lodges in the state.

Lebanon Lodge, No. 116, of Norridgewock, established a new record in having all of its twelve officers in attendance at a school. Two lodges, viz: Solar, No. 14, and Pleasant River, No. 163, each had eleven officers in attendance. King Hiram, No. 57, and Whitney, No. 167, had ten officers registered, while five lodges, viz: Rising Virtue, No. 10, Harmony, No. 38, King David's, No. 62, Hiram, No. 180, and Bar Harbor, No. 185, deserve special mention, each having nine officers in attendance. If such attendance at schools of instruction can be regarded as a criterion of Masonic interest in Maine, it is certainly a tribute to those who laid the foundation with such scrupulous care.

The following tables present a summary and registration data:

GENERAL SUMMARY.

Total registration.....	1,059
No. of Lodges represented.....	184
Percentage of total lodges.....	88.9%
No. of Lodges NOT represented.....	23
Percentage of total lodges.....	11.1%
No. of Schools held.....	21
Average attendance per school.....	50
Largest attendance (Wells Depot).....	112
Smallest attendance (East Machias).....	25

No. of Districts having 100% lodge attendance.....	9
(Districts 2, 4, 5, 11, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20)	
No. of Masters in attendance.....	128
Percentage of total.....	61.83%
No. of Senior Wardens in attendance.....	108
Percentage of total.....	52.17%
No. of Junior Wardens in attendance.....	85
Percentage of total.....	41.06%
No. of Deacons in attendance.....	128
Percentage of total.....	30.91%
Other officers in attendance.....	250
Visitors outside our Jurisdiction.....	19
Duplicate registration (2 or more schools).....	17

SCHOOL REGISTRATION.

District	Location of School	Registration
1.....	Caribou.....	58
2.....	Eastport.....	33
3.....	East Machias.....	25
4.....	Blue Hill.....	26
5.....	Brownville.....	59
6.....	Bangor.....	50
7.....	Lincolnville.....	42
8.....	Searsport.....	40
9.....	Thomaston.....	50
11.....	Winthrop.....	41
13.....	Norridgewock.....	60
14.....	Bath.....	102
15.....	Phillips.....	49
16.....	Bridgton.....	52
17.....	Gorham.....	79
19.....	Wells Depot.....	112
20.....	Canton.....	38
21.....	Bar Harbor.....	31
22.....	Corinna.....	42
23.....	Sabattus.....	31
24.....	Lincoln.....	39
Total.....		1,059

REGISTRATION BY DISTRICTS.

District	No. of Lodges	No. Lodges Represented	Percentage of Lodges	Total Registered
1	9	7	77.7	54
2	5	5	100.00	35
3	7	6	85.7	23
4	8	8	100.0	26
5	9	9	100.0	60
6	11	10	90.9	49
7	8	7	87.5	36
8	7	6	85.7	36
9	9	8	88.8	46
10	7	6	85.7	26
11	11	11	100.0	35
12	9	7	77.7	33
13	7	6	85.7	46
14	8	7	87.5	68
15	10	8	80.0	44
16	12	12	100.0	41
17	12	12	100.0	78
18	10	10	100.0	37
19	10	10	100.0	70
20	5	5	100.0	37
21	10	6	60.0	35
22	7	6	85.7	31
23	8	7	87.5	38
24	8	5	62.5	39

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207 lodges 184 represented

88.9%

19 Visitors

17 Duplications

1,059

Of the above totals, 699 were Officers of their respective lodges.

Nine districts are credited with 100% representation this year, being the fifth consecutive year for the Fifth District, and the fourth for District 17. Based upon officer attendance, six lodges have broken an absence record of two years, while two lodges were represented after an absence of three years and one lodge is back after an absence of four years. The absence table now stand at its lowest figure in several years and is as follows:

Lodges having absence record of two or more consecutive years	No. of schools at which lodge has been repre- sent in past ten years.
Archon, No. 75.....2 yr. absence.....	6
Narraguagus, No. 88.....2 yr. "	6
Pownal, No. 119.....2 yr. "	5
Mt. Desert, No. 140.....2 yr. "	5
Mystic Tie, No. 154.....3 yr. "	5
Bagaduce, No. 210.....3 yr. "	5

Several lodges mentioned in last year's report as having notable absence records over a period of ten to fifteen years made their appearance at schools this year in goodly numbers and I take this opportunity to commend them in the correction of that past record. Four District Deputies who, for good and sufficient reasons, were unable to attend their respective schools, are yet worthy of commendation for their efforts in getting out a good attendance from their districts.

Comparative Data for the last five years:

Year	No. of Schools	No. of Lodges Represented	Total Registration	Average per School
1948	13	156	886	68
1949	15	170	954	64
1950	19	175	1105	58
1951	19	178	1007	53
1952	21	184	1059	50

Once again this year as in 1951, the Masters, Wardens and Deacons registered at schools, comprise slightly over 42% of the total attendance. Approximately 70% of the total signified possession of the Official Cipher and nearly 40% of the total were attending a school for the first time.

We have been privileged to have our Most Worshipful Grand Master in attendance at four schools this year. Nine Grand Officers have been registered as well as seven Past Junior Grand Wardens and two Past Senior Grand Wardens. The presence of these present and past Grand Officers serves to strengthen the work of the Grand Lecturer, and I am personally grateful to each of them for their wisdom and support.

OFFICIAL CIPHER.

The Official Cipher now having been in use for a period of four years, an observation of its effectiveness may be in order. It is evident that the new cipher has helped a great deal in clarifying many troublesome passages in our ritual work, and the further clarification of the foot-notes has had a tendency to make our work more uniform throughout the state. Immediately following the adoption of the Official Cipher, there was great

difficulty expressed in reading and interpreting the foot-notes, but that has since been overcome and now most officers are as familiar with that part as they are with the actual ritual work. I find very few lodges omitting the "bracketed sections" of our lecture work, and there is rather, a growing tendency to better understand and interpret the wealth of knowledge therein contained. That part of our Official Ritual dealing with the optional use of certain charges, wayfaring-man, etc., is further explained under the following paragraph.

APPROVALS.

The requests for approval of special charges and wayfarer have been almost insignificant this past year. This is of course, partially due to the fact that such lodges as desire these additions to our regular work have previously obtained approval and few others have seen fit to use them. I have been informed that some lodges having obtained such approval, have since done away with it, having found that nothing could improve upon the work as established by our Masonic forebears.

Many inquiries have been made relevant to ritual and procedure which I have endeavored to clarify in accordance with our established usages and as laid out in our ritual and text book.

CONCLUSION.

I could not bring this report to a close without an expression of gratitude to all those who have contributed to the success of our schools of instruction. Our Most Worshipful Grand Master has been most helpful and has, together with the District Deputies, done his utmost to encourage good work and better understanding of the purposes and fundamentals of Freemasonry. I sincerely hope that the schools have been helpful in promoting the spirit of Masonry as well as improvement in ritual rendition. No matter how eloquent the rendition, if the true meaning and true spirit of Masonry is lacking, then we have failed in our mission. Ritual proficiency is indeed important, but sincerity and decorum are equally so, and that officer who will combine all three will merit the esteem and applause of his brethren.

I am grateful to the many lodges of this jurisdiction for their kind invitations to attend or participate in their various programs. While I have accepted and enjoyed a great many of these meetings, it has been necessary to decline in many instances with regret. I trust that I may have an opportunity at some future time to visit with each and every one of you.

My thanks go out also to our Right Worshipful Grand Secretary, to the host lodges and the District Deputies for the co-operation given me in carrying out my duties.

To our Most Worshipful Grand Master, I wish to express my deep gratitude in having been once again privileged to serve my brethren and the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maine.

I shall ever be grateful for the kind hospitality and co-operation extended to me at all times.

Respectfully submitted,

AUBREY L. BURBANK,
Grand Lecturer.

The report was accepted.

FINAL REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

W. Bro. GEORGE H. ANDERSON, for the Committee on Credentials, presented the following report:

There are present and entitled to vote 41 Permanent Members, 43 Grand Lodge Officers, one vote each, and 192 lodge represented, three votes each, making a total of 660 votes, and I would like to add that there are 11 more lodges represented this year than last year.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

M. W. Brother EDWARD W. WHEELER was requested to assume the East and preside over the election of officers.

On assuming the East he appointed M. W. Brother CHARLES E. CROSSLAND to act as Chairman of the Tellers, to supervise the collection and counting of ballots, to decide any questions of doubt or uncertainty which may arise in connection with marking or counting of the ballots, and to announce to the Grand Lodge the result of the balloting. He then appointed the following tellers:

ALLEN L. CURTIS, HAROLD A. CARMAN, GEORGE W. HASKELL, EDWARD H. BRITTON, HARRY S. GRINDALL, B. GLEN MCGEE.

They reported the election of

BENJAMIN W. ELA,	M. W. Grand Master,	North Anson
PAUL L. POWERS,	R. W. Deputy Grand Master,	Freeport
ARTHUR W. SEAWARD,	" Senior Grand Warden,	Kittery
CLIFFORD H. M. PERRY,	" Junior Grand Warden,	Millinocket
H. NORTON MAXFIELD,	" Grand Treasurer,	Portland
CONVERS E. LEACH,	" Grand Secretary,	Portland

Trustees of the Charity Fund for three years—M. W. ERNEST C. BUTLER, and M. W. CHARLES E. CROSSLAND, and as Trustee for one year, M. W. ERVIN E. J. LANDER.

Committee on Finance—W. Bro. HORACE M. BUDD.

M. W. Bro. Wheeler and the tellers were thanked for their services.

While the Tellers were counting the ballots, M. W. Brother WHEELER, for the Committee on Jurisprudence, presented the following report which was accepted, and the recommendations adopted.

IN GRAND LODGE,
May 5, 1953.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge:

The Committee on Jurisprudence has carefully considered the matters referred to it and reports as follows:

Dispensations: Grand Lodge law is the result of many years of experience and careful consideration. Upon occasions attending such action, the Grand Master is authorized to vary that law by dispensation. Such dispensations should be strictly limited to the circumstances contemplated by Grand Lodge law. It is particularly unfortunate when candidates must receive degrees without waiting the constitutional period, unfortunate for the candidate and for the lodge. It is with satisfaction that we note the care which our Grand Master has exercised in granting such dispensations. Other dispensations were routine and necessary to permit the orderly conduct of Lodge business. Although the number of dispensations granted has increased, all were within the authority of the Grand Master and we recommend that they be approved.

Approval under Standing Regulation No. 46: The Grand Master has given careful attention to proposed construction of Masonic Halls. All proceedings have strictly conformed to Standing Regulation No. 46. We recommend that our Grand Master's report under the foregoing title be approved.

Incorporation of Lodges: The law of our Grand Lodge forbids the incorporation of Lodges. This rule was adopted in Grand Lodge on May 6, 1869, and the penalty for violation fixed as forfeiture of charter. The law is fundamentally sound. It recognizes the need that a corporation of some kind is necessary when the Lodge desires to own a hall or has a fund, and authorizes and advises the formation of a corporation by each Lodge called "The Trustees of the Charity Fund of Lodge." We recommend careful study of this portion of the address of the Grand Master. We are concerned by his comment that the law is "ignored and the prohibition violated upon a much larger scale than has been thought." Does this mean that some of our Lodges are incorporated? We recommend that the Grand Master be requested to cause investigation to be made and that violations of this law be reported to Grand Lodge for suitable attention.

Decisions—Opinions—References: Our Grand Master has reported that all questions have been answered by reference to existing precedents. We commend him for his industry in making the extensive research that this portion of his address indicates.

Fraternally submitted,

EDWARD W. WHEELER,

CLARK D. CHAPMAN,

GRANVILLE C. GRAY,

} Committee
on
Jurisprudence.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON LIBRARY AND MUSEUM.

R. W. EARLE D. WEBSTER, for the Committee on Library and Museum presented the following report, which was accepted.

MASONIC TEMPLE,

May 5, 1953.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maine:

One issue of the "Occasional Bulletin" was published and distributed.

Membership in the Correspondence Circle of Quatuor Coronati Lodge, London, No. 2076, has been continued.

Thirty-seven volumes of books were bound for the Library.

An antique wine pitcher marked "Antient Land Mark Lodge" was presented to the Museum by Bro. Fred W. B. Martin.

Books donated to the Library were as follows:

George Washington Freemason, by William Mosely Brown, from the Grand Lodge of Virginia.

Cryptic Masonry, by Mackey; History of Golden Rule Lodge, 1803-1903 by Moore; Highlights of Templar History, 1944, by Brown; Dear Hiram, 1949, by Bradley; and Albert Pike, 1928, by Allsopp, all from W. Bro. John M. Littlefield.

Although the District Deputy Grand Masters and the several Lodges have been busy in the holding of Observances of the Two Hundredth Anniversary of the Initiation of George Washington, we wish to congratulate them for their efforts and success in promoting meetings of Masonic Education. In response to a letter requesting data on the activities in each district, eighteen Deputies responded. From these reports we find sixteen District Meetings were held, the largest attended was in the First District where 400 enjoyed the Royal Canadian Mounted Police in their exemplification of the M. M. degree.

Pollard's addresses "Masonry Around the World" and "Masonic Persecutions" were distributed in each lodge and in many cases were read in lodge. We wish to thank R. W. Bro. Royal L. Cleaves for having them mimeographed for distribution.

Several lodges have been fortunate in acquiring Masonic Speakers. Our Grand Master and Deputy Grand Master have been most active and have given freely of their time and knowledge.

Although many lodges have been busy with degree work, most of them have found time to hold Quiz Programs. Many Guest Officers' Nights and Past Masters' Nights were reported. Questions and Answers, Motion Pictures, You Can't Do It, as well as the working of the Past Master's degree were reported among the activities. We would make special mention of the Deputies of the 11th, 13th, 16th and 17th Districts for their accomplishments. Every lodge in the 13th and in the 17th Districts held programs.

R. W. Bro. B. Glen McGee of the 13th District presented us with an outline of a program used in his District. We are incorporating it in our report to incoming Deputies. It is concise, educational and elastic. We highly recommend its use.

1. Opening — One verse of J. B. Bowman's poem "The Voice of America."
2. A short explanation of Masonic Education.
3. Why is your lodge called.....?
4. Quiz on Lodge funds: Maine Masonic Text Book.
 - a. Can this lodge vote to use any of its funds to relieve distress of another lodge, without consent of Grand Lodge?
 - b. May lodge funds be used for celebrating St. John's Day, according to the ancient usage of the Craft?
 - c. May funds be used to defray the expenses for a ladies night and dance?
5. Three brothers advancing to Altar: Steps, signs, angle of oblong square, arrangement of lights at Altar, etc., all being discussed. (Brethren very interested in this, a crowd around the Altar).
6. Name the U. S. Presidents that were Masons, leaving President Taft out. (Educational Committee leaflet).
7. Ask the opinion of how a Grand Master would make a Mason "at sight." Then read about President Taft (as per question 6).
8. Is this hall located correctly by the compass? Must they be? Maine Masonic Text Book.
9. Must the tyler vote upon an application of candidate? Text Book.
10. How many can name the Jewels of a Master Mason? Official Cipher—Page 170, Question 10 and 11.
11. Guest Speaker.
12. Closing; reading about the "Pillars" as taken from "Dedication of Halls, Maine Masonic Text Book.

Fraternally submitted,

EARLE D. WEBSTER,
GEORGE W. HASKELL,
RAYMOND M. RIDEOUT,
FREDERICK C. LOUNDER,
WILLIAM A. LEVENSALOR,

} Committee.

COMMITTEE ON HISTORY.

R. W. Bro. GEORGE R. CASWELL, for the Committee on History, presented the following report which was accepted and the recommendation was adopted.

IN GRAND LODGE,
May 5, 1953.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maine:

Your Committee on History reports as follows:

Freeport Lodge, No. 23, of Freeport, Maine, has brought their Lodge History up to date. A decennial supplement has been printed covering the years 1941 to 1951. It contains an abstract of the doings of the Lodge for the ten year period. It has an Alphabetical list of the present membership of the Lodge, a list of all members dimitted, or deceased since 1941. It has also a list of all members who served in the Armed Services in World War II, and a list of life members.

The bringing of a Lodge history up to date is not a very difficult task, but does take time and patience. This committee recommends that all Lodges appoint some brother to make a start on writing a Lodge History, or bring the present one up to date.

Fraternal submitted,

JOHN L. TEWKSBURY,	}	<i>Committee.</i>
GEORGE R. CASWELL,		
FRED J. LOWELL,		

GEORGE WASHINGTON MASONIC NATIONAL MEMORIAL.

R. W. Bro. MAXFIELD, for the Committee on George Washington Masonic Memorial, presented the following report which was accepted:

PORTLAND, MAINE,
May 5, 1953.

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

The forty-third Annual Meeting of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association was held in the auditorium of the Memorial Building at Alexandria, Virginia, on Monday, February 23, 1952.

Maine was represented by M. W. Bro. Benjamin W. Ela, Grand Master, R. W. Bro. Paul L. Powers, Deputy Grand Master, and R. W. Bro. Convers E. Leach, Grand Secretary.

Contributions made at this meeting added about \$65,000 to the Endowment Fund and about \$205,000 to the Building Fund, compared

with about \$55,000 and \$109,000, respectively, last year. Maine's contribution was \$1,702.00 bringing Maine's total to date to \$72,079.00. As of February, 1953, \$5,552,534 has been expended on the building and surrounding grounds, and there was \$430,554 in the Endowment Fund.

M. W. Brother Clifford D. Jory, Past Grand Master of Iowa, was re-elected President of the Association.

Fraternally submitted,

H. NORTON MAXFIELD,
Chairman.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON 200TH YEAR GEORGE WASHINGTON.

M. W. Bro. HENRY R. GILLIS: Most Worshipful Sir, inasmuch as you have ordered continuation of the committee until October 1, next, the committee will report verbally that nineteen Deputies have reported transactions in their respective districts and 118 lodges have participated in observances. This is as much as we will report at this time. We will continue our reports, and I move that this report be accepted. It was so voted.

COMMISSIONERS OF TRIALS.

M. W. Bro. GILLIS, for the Commissioners of Trials, reported verbally that no hearings had been held the past year but there were some matters which would be coming before the commissioners very soon.

The report was accepted.

GRIEVANCES AND APPEALS.

R. W. Bro. POWERS, for the Committee on Grievances and Appeals, reported verbally that no matters had been referred to the committee and the report was accepted.

RETURNS.

R. W. Bro. LEACH, presented the following report which was accepted and ordered printed in the

Proceedings together with the Abstract of Returns from the Lodges:

MASONIC TEMPLE,

PORTLAND, ME., May 5, 1953.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge:

How refreshing it would be if we could report that all Returns came in promptly on time and were correct, but that was not the case. One week before the last date due, 83 lodges were notified that their returns would be due in seven days. Two lodges failed to take notice and after telephone calls and letters the last one was received on February 10, ten days late.

Last year we reported a net gain of 658, this year the net gain is 645, the present membership being the largest ever reported, 46,335. One hundred and forty-two lodges report a gain; forty-nine show a loss; and fifteen report the same number of members as a year ago.

There were raised during the year 1,564; affiliated, 134; re-instated, 128; dimitted, 141; expelled, 2; suspended, N. P. D. 218; deprived 1; died, 819.

There were 265 rejections, the largest number by St. Andrew's Lodge, No. 83, rejecting 15.

The largest gain was made by Hiram Lodge, No. 180, gaining 36, and the largest loss was Marine Lodge, No. 122, losing 14 members.

Hiram Lodge, No. 180, continues to be the largest with 1,081 members; Deering Lodge, No. 183, is next with 1,008 members, St. Andrew's No. 63, has 925 members. Mount Tir'em Lodge, No. 132, continues to be the smallest lodge with 52 members.

The average membership is now 223. There are twenty-eight Lodges with less than one hundred members.

The following table shows comparison for the past five years:

	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953
Initiated.....	2,017	1,788	1,396	1,575	1,600
Raised.....	2,007	1,819	1,489	1,562	1,564
Affiliated.....	149	167	144	156	134
Re-instated.....	136	138	88	152	128
Dimitted.....	162	167	145	171	141
Suspended.....	0	0	0	0	0
Suspended from membership.....	194	238	81	223	218
Deprived of membership.....	2	0	0	0	1
Expelled.....	0	1	1	0	2
Died.....	766	797	643	815	819
Number of members.....	43,250	44,181	45,032	45,690	46,335

Fraternally submitted,

CONVERS E. LEACHM
ALLEN L. CURTIS,
CLYDE FRENCH,

} *Committee.*

ABSTRACT OF RETURNS, 1953

Nos.	Lodges	Initiated.	Raised.	Affiliated.	Re-instated.	Dimitted.	Died	Suspended	Expelled	N. P. D.		No. Members	Rejected
										Suspended.	D. of Mem.		
1	Portland	11	11	1	1	2	11	0	0	1	0	397	1
2	Warren	1	1	1	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	146	0
3	Lincoln	6	8	2	1	0	6	0	0	0	0	231	0
4	Hancock	5	5	3	1	0	5	0	0	0	0	104	0
5	Kennebec	7	7	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	205	0
6	Amity	5	7	1	2	1	2	0	0	0	0	348	0
7	Eastern	2	1	0	0	1	5	0	0	0	0	163	0
8	United	27	19	2	0	1	10	0	0	1	0	437	0
9	Saco	5	6	0	0	0	11	0	0	0	0	367	10
10	Rising Virtue	29	34	3	3	3	11	0	0	3	0	683	14
11	Pythagorean	3	3	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	148	0
12	Cumberland	6	5	1	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	262	1
13	Oriental	10	10	0	1	0	3	0	0	3	0	237	2
14	Solar	21	24	4	0	4	8	0	0	6	0	458	2
15	Orient	11	12	1	0	1	5	0	0	5	0	184	0
16	St. George	3	3	0	1	1	3	0	0	0	0	133	0
17	Ancient Land-Mark.	10	10	0	4	3	12	0	0	10	0	609	5
18	Oxford	9	6	2	0	1	7	0	0	0	0	219	2
19	Felicity	7	10	1	0	1	5	0	0	0	0	271	1
20	Maine	9	6	3	0	1	4	0	0	0	0	251	1
21	Oriental Star	8	8	0	0	1	4	0	0	0	0	176	2
22	York	10	9	2	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	261	3
23	Freeport	4	4	0	0	0	5	0	0	1	0	247	4
24	Phoenix	8	7	0	2	2	3	0	0	6	0	233	1
25	Temple	5	5	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	153	0
26	Village	2	5	0	2	1	1	0	0	1	0	126	0
27	Adoniram	3	2	0	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	86	0
28	Northern Star	4	3	1	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	123	2
29	Tranquil	24	25	3	2	0	18	0	0	3	0	596	0
30	Blazing Star	8	8	1	0	1	2	0	0	1	0	401	5
31	Union	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	137	0
32	Hermon	14	11	0	3	3	6	0	0	2	0	534	1
33	Waterville	17	13	1	2	4	17	0	1	0	0	822	9
34	Somerset	7	6	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	208	1
35	Bethlehem	20	23	0	2	2	6	0	0	1	0	466	3
36	Casco	9	12	1	0	0	5	0	0	2	0	316	1
37	Washington	4	7	0	1	0	3	0	0	0	0	185	0
38	Harmony	7	5	2	1	1	4	0	0	2	0	265	0
39	Penobscot	12	11	0	3	2	3	0	0	0	0	251	1
40	Lygonia	18	18	2	2	2	6	0	0	5	0	455	2
41	Morning Star	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	115	2
42	Freedom	1	4	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	100	0
43	Alna	7	7	2	0	2	4	0	0	1	0	210	0
44	Piscataquis	11	10	2	1	0	8	0	0	4	0	294	1
45	Central	9	7	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	154	0
46	St. Croix	13	12	2	0	0	7	0	0	6	0	319	3
47	Dunlap	7	7	0	0	0	6	0	0	4	0	339	1
48	Lafayette	5	4	0	1	1	5	0	0	1	0	176	0
49	Meridian Splendor..	10	9	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	233	1
50	Aurora	10	9	1	2	1	8	0	0	2	0	426	1

Nos.	LODGES.	In.	R.	A.	R.	D.	D.	S.	E.	N. P. D.		Mem.	R.
										S.	D.		
51	St. John's	6	7	2	0	0	6	0	0	2	0	261	1
52	Mosaic	5	5	0	1	1	4	0	0	0	0	255	0
53	Rural	2	2	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	83	1
54	Vassalboro	1	2	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	96	0
55	Fraternal	3	4	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	149	1
56	Mount Moriah	2	2	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	94	0
57	King Hiram	7	10	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	168	3
58	Unity	3	8	0	0	2	1	0	0	2	0	127	0
59	Mt. Hope (<i>ch. sur.</i>) ..												
60	Star in the East....	26	22	1	2	0	9	0	0	7	0	440	12
61	King Solomon's....	8	8	2	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	229	0
62	King David's	1	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	92	1
63	Richmond	6	3	3	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	173	0
64	Pacific	2	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	82	0
65	Mystic	19	15	0	0	2	2	0	0	5	0	290	0
66	Mechanics'	14	14	1	0	1	4	0	0	0	0	279	2
67	Blue Mountain....	7	5	0	1	1	4	0	0	0	0	120	0
68	Mariners'	3	3	1	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	120	0
69	Howard	9	10	1	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	174	0
70	Standish	8	8	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	187	1
71	Rising Sun	11	8	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	122	1
72	Pioneer	7	6	0	0	1	4	0	0	0	0	170	1
73	Tyrian	5	10	0	1	1	6	0	0	0	0	278	1
74	Bristol	5	4	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	156	0
75	Archon	3	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	104	3
76	Arundel	6	7	1	1	0	5	0	0	0	0	202	2
77	Tremont	6	4	2	1	1	2	0	0	1	0	194	0
78	Crescent	2	3	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	110	0
79	Rockland	9	12	0	0	4	1	0	0	11	0	290	3
80	Keystone	10	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	122	2
81	Atlantic	16	16	1	0	1	11	0	0	6	1	584	3
82	St. Paul's	12	13	0	1	0	0	0	0	4	0	211	0
83	St. Andrew's	37	31	2	1	3	22	0	0	8	0	925	15
84	Eureka	7	6	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	103	0
85	Star in the West....	5	3	1	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	119	0
86	Temple	14	14	2	1	1	5	0	0	1	0	337	0
87	Benevolent	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	104	0
88	Narraguagus	6	6	0	0	1	3	0	0	1	0	126	0
89	Island	4	4	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	80	0
90	Hiram Abiff (<i>ch. rev.</i>) ..												
91	Harwood	8	7	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	196	0
92	Siloam	9	8	3	1	1	4	0	0	0	0	332	1
93	Horeb	13	10	0	0	1	6	0	0	2	0	282	8
94	Paris	6	4	2	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	159	1
95	Corinthian	3	3	0	1	0	5	0	0	0	0	145	1
96	Monument	17	14	3	0	3	10	0	0	4	0	559	2
97	Bethel	3	2	1	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	175	2
98	Katahdin	4	3	1	1	0	3	0	0	0	0	145	0
99	Vernon Valley	9	9	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	128	0
100	Jefferson	3	5	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	108	0
101	Nezinscot	4	9	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	131	0
102	Marsh River	5	6	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	129	0
103	Dresden	0	1	0	2	0	3	0	0	0	0	88	0
104	Dirigo	6	8	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	155	0
105	Ashlar	2	2	3	0	1	3	0	0	2	0	363	0
106	Tuscan	3	2	0	1	0	4	0	0	0	0	181	0

Nos.	Lodges	In.	R.	A.	R.	D.	D.	S.	E.	N. P. D.		Mem.	R.
										S.	D.		
107	Day Spring	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	114	0
108	Relief (<i>ch. rev.</i>)												
109	Mount Kineo	6	4	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	183	0
110	Monmouth	14	19	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	211	2
111	Liberty	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	95	0
112	Eastern Frontier	13	12	0	0	1	3	0	0	4	0	297	5
113	Messalonskee	9	9	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	168	1
114	Polar Star	12	13	0	2	1	8	0	0	0	0	417	1
115	Buxton	6	6	1	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	191	0
116	Lebanon	3	3	0	0	2	4	0	0	0	0	137	2
117	Greenleaf	7	7	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	159	0
118	Drummond	6	6	0	1	0	3	0	0	0	0	86	0
119	Pownal	3	2	2	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	117	0
120	Meduncook (<i>ch. sur.</i>)												
121	Acacia	3	5	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	120	1
122	Marine	7	4	0	0	1	6	0	0	11	0	225	0
123	Franklin	11	11	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	156	1
124	Olive Branch	6	5	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	177	1
125	Meridian	5	7	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	250	0
126	Timothy Chase	5	7	0	0	3	4	0	0	4	0	196	0
127	Presumpscot	13	13	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	293	1
128	Eggemoggin	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	98	0
129	Quantabacook	3	4	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	118	0
130	Trinity	19	15	0	1	1	5	0	0	11	0	410	2
131	Lookout	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	60	0
132	Mount Tir'em	0	2	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	52	0
133	Asylum	2	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	80	0
134	Trojan (<i>consol'd</i>)												
135	Riverside	3	3	2	0	1	2	0	0	1	0	148	0
136	Ionic (<i>ch. sur.</i>)												
137	Kenduskeag	4	6	0	0	1	4	0	0	0	0	192	0
138	Lewy's Island	12	12	0	0	1	10	0	0	0	0	281	1
139	Archon (<i>consol'd</i>)												
140	Mount Desert	2	2	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	80	0
141	Augusta	25	24	1	3	2	11	0	0	0	0	522	5
142	Ocean	11	12	1	1	0	5	0	0	0	0	228	2
143	Preble	17	12	1	0	1	10	0	0	1	0	361	0
144	Seaside	8	7	0	1	0	4	0	0	1	0	279	0
145	Moses Webster	2	2	0	1	2	3	0	0	0	0	155	1
146	Sebasticook	9	7	1	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	175	0
147	Evening Star	2	5	1	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	98	0
148	Forest	1	2	1	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	121	0
149	Doric	1	2	0	1	1	4	0	0	0	0	108	0
150	Rabboni	5	3	0	0	1	8	0	0	0	0	226	4
151	Excelsior	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	55	0
152	Crooked River	4	4	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	127	0
153	Delta	1	2	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	89	1
154	Mystic Tie	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	64	0
155	Ancient York	4	4	0	0	3	4	0	0	2	0	182	1
156	Wilton	7	7	2	0	1	4	0	0	1	0	264	0
157	Cambridge	1	1	0	4	2	2	0	0	0	0	102	0
158	Anchor	2	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	69	2
159	Esoteric (<i>consol'd</i>)												
160	Parian	3	3	1	1	0	3	0	0	0	0	104	0
161	Carrabassett	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	73	0
162	Arion	7	5	1	1	0	3	0	0	0	0	146	0
163	Pleasant River	5	4	0	0	3	9	0	0	0	0	301	0

Nos.	LODGES.	In.	R.	A.	R.	D.	D.	S.	E.	N. P. D.		Mem.	R.
										S.	D.		
164	Webster	6	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	113	0
165	Molunkus	9	9	0	0	1	6	0	0	0	0	191	3
166	Neguemekeag	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	108	0
167	Whitney	2	3	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	114	0
168	Composite	6	3	0	0	0	6	0	0	2	0	195	0
169	Shepherd's River...	1	2	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	91	0
170	Caribou	7	11	0	2	3	7	0	0	2	0	317	9
171	Naskeag	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	74	0
172	Pine Tree	2	2	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	125	0
173	Pleiades	12	8	1	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	181	1
174	Lynde	5	5	0	3	0	2	0	0	0	0	133	1
175	Baskahegan	14	11	1	0	0	6	0	0	2	0	179	0
176	Palestine (consol'd)												
177	Rising Star	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	115	0
178	Ancient Brothers'	18	18	1	0	1	8	0	0	0	0	418	0
179	Yorkshire	5	5	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	176	1
180	Hiram	45	45	5	3	2	12	0	0	3	0	1081	11
181	Reuel Washburn (con.)												
182	Granite	3	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	78	0
183	Deering	38	38	2	3	3	25	0	0	3	0	1008	11
184	Naval	32	39	4	2	4	8	0	0	1	0	816	4
185	Bar Harbor	15	15	2	2	0	4	0	0	0	0	233	2
186	Warren Phillips	10	9	0	0	2	12	0	0	0	0	397	2
187	Ira Berry	4	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	95	0
188	Jonesport	7	6	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	164	0
189	Knox	4	4	1	2	0	4	0	0	0	0	155	0
190	Springvale	6	9	0	1	0	5	0	0	0	0	281	0
191	Davis	6	6	1	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	151	0
192	Winter Harbor	5	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	171	0
193	Washburn	8	8	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	211	1
194	Euclid	5	7	0	1	2	4	0	0	0	0	207	1
195	Reliance	5	1	0	2	0	7	0	0	0	0	134	1
196	Bay View	7	9	0	2	0	1	0	0	2	0	161	2
197	Aroostook	4	6	2	1	1	4	0	0	1	0	233	1
198	St. Aspinquid	16	13	1	2	0	7	0	0	11	0	344	2
199	Bingham	7	6	0	0	3	5	0	0	0	0	258	1
200	Columbia	6	7	0	2	0	6	0	0	0	0	220	3
201	David A. Hooper	3	3	0	0	0	7	0	0	6	0	214	0
202	Mount Bigelow	0	1	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	106	0
203	Mount Olivet	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	83	0
204	Mount Abram	2	3	1	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	138	0
205	Nolleseme	10	6	0	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	325	9
206	Island Falls	10	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	248	0
207	Abner Wade	3	6	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	129	0
208	Northeast Harbor	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	133	0
209	Fort Kent	6	6	0	1	4	3	0	0	0	0	111	0
210	Bagaduce	3	3	1	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	68	1
211	Meduncook	2	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	67	0
212	McKinley	0	2	0	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	116	0
213	Kemankeag	6	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	112	0
214	Limestone	8	6	0	1	0	1	0	0	3	0	119	1
215	Orchard	18	19	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	231	3
216	Corner Stone	37	30	2	0	2	5	0	0	2	0	757	9
217	Ralph J. Pollard	20	20	3	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	208	3
		1600	1564	134	128	141	819	0	2	218	1	46335	265

(At 6.00 P. M. the Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment until 2.00 P. M., Wednesday, May 6, 1953).

SECOND DAY — AFTERNOON.

MASONIC TEMPLE, PORTLAND, }
Wednesday, May 6, 1953. }

(The Grand Lodge was called from refreshment to labor at two o'clock with the same Grand Officers as at the previous session).

MEMORIAL TO HAROLD HALE MURCHIE.

M. W. Bro. GRANVILLE C. GRAY presented the following memorial as follows:

HAROLD HALE MURCHIE.

Most Worshipful Grand Master and Brethren of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maine:

The sudden death of our distinguished Brother, Most Worshipful Past Grand Master HAROLD HALE MURCHIE, came as a great shock to his Masonic Brethren and to the citizens of Maine.

Most Worshipful Brother MURCHIE was born at Calais, Maine, March 7, 1888, the son of George A. and Cora Harmon Murchie. He was graduated from Calais Academy in 1905. He received the degree of Bachelor of Arts at Dartmouth College in 1909, and the degree of Bachelor of Laws at Harvard Law School in 1912. He was admitted to the practice of law in Maine in October, 1912. He practiced in Augusta until 1914 when he returned to Calais, where he resided until the time of his death.

Most Worshipful Brother Murchie was made a Mason in Betheltem Lodge of Augusta, March 31, 1913. He dimitted from Bethlehem Lodge after moving to Calais and affiliated with St. Croix Lodge at Calais in 1916. He was Master of St. Croix Lodge in 1922.

He was made a Royal Arch Mason in Cushnoc Chapter of Augusta, May 22, 1913, and a Royal and Select Master in Alpha Council at Hallowell, April 15, 1914. He dimitted from these lodges and became a member of St. Croix Chapter in Calais, January 4, 1914, and of St. Croix Council, September 30, 1920.

He was knighted in Trinity Commandery, Augusta, November 7, 1913, dimitted and became a member of Hugh de Payens Commandery, January 28, 1916.

In the Scottish Rite, he received the 14th degree, Lodge of Perfection, and the 16th degree, Council Princes of Jerusalem, in the Valley of Machias,

in March, 1920. He became a member of the Eastern Star Lodge of Perfection and Palestine Council, Princes of Jerusalem, at Bangor in 1924.

He received the 18th degree in Bangor Chapter of Rose Croix, and Maine Consistory, 32nd degree in Portland in 1940, and was made an Honorary Member of the Supreme Council, 33rd degree, September 24, 1941.

He was Grand Master of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maine in 1940 and 1941.

Brother MURCHIE was deeply interested in the affairs of his county and state throughout his long and active career. He was Assistant Attorney General of Maine in 1913 and 1914. Representative to the State Legislature 1919-1921. County Attorney for Washington County 1925-1926 and 1927. He was a member of the State Senate in the years 1929, 1931 and 1933, being President of the Senate in the latter year. He held membership in County, State and American Bar Associations, and was President of the Maine State Bar Association in 1938-1939. He was Counsel for, and Director of, numerous corporations.

The outstanding accomplishments of Most Worshipful Brother MURCHIE in the fields of Law and Public Service, to each of which he gave unreservedly and unstintingly of his boundless enthusiasm, energy and ability, are attested by the recognition accorded him by several of our leading New England Colleges. The Honorary Degree, Doctor of Laws, was conferred on him by Boston University in 1942, by Bowdoin College in 1949, by Dartmouth College in 1950, and by the University of Maine in 1952.

The Citation by the University of Maine justly describes Brother MURCHIE as an " eminent lawyer and jurist " who as Chief Justice maintained " the finest traditions of the Maine Court and legal profession."

This was our brother. Able and learned. Imbued with a strict sense of justice, which was, nevertheless, tempered with mercy and tolerance. He will long be remembered for the deep seriousness with which he looked upon his work, his fidelity to every trust, his high sense of honor, his loyalty to his profession, his friends, and to the Masonic Order, his willingness to serve, his gentlemanly qualities, his kindness and never failing courtesy.

On October 15, 1913, he was united in marriage to Jennie E. Ross. He is survived by his widow, two daughters, Mrs. Robert Abercrombie of Pittsburgh, Pa., and Mrs. James Briggs of Tracy, California, and by several grandchildren.

His funeral services were held at his home in Calais on Tuesday, March 10, and were conducted by Rev. H. Lincoln McKenzie, Pastor of the Congregational Church at Calais, of which Brother Murchie was a member.

When a good man dies,
For years beyond our ken
The light he leaves behind him lies
Upon the paths of men.

BALANCE.

Balance, March 31, 1955.....	\$	960.65
Balance, 1955 Account.....		1,232.94
Balance, March 31, 1956.....	\$	2,193.59

SECURITIES.

MARCH 31, 1956

Face	Bond	Cost	Income
\$ 9,000	Aluminum Co. of America, 3½'s, 1964...	\$ 9,281.25	\$ 281.25
1,000	American Tel & Tel. Co., 3½'s, 1967.....	1,035.70	.....
5,000	Arkansas Power & Light Co., 3½'s, 1974...	5,150.00	156.25
5,000	Baltimore & Ohio R. R. Co., 4's, 1975....	4,900.00	200.00
3,000	Boston & Maine R. R. Co., Inc. Mtg., 4½'s, 1970.....	2,925.00	135.00
1,200	Boston & Maine R. R. Co., 4's, 1960....	1,200.00	48.00
5,000	British Columbia, Prov. of, 4½'s, 1957....	5,425.00	225.00
5,000	Canada, Dominion of, Internal, 3's, 1959...	4,737.50	150.00
5,000	Canada, Dominion of, Internal, 3's, 1959...	4,837.50	150.00
5,000	Central Illinois Public Service Co., 3½'s, 1971.....	5,350.00	168.75
10,000	Central Maine Power Co., 2¾'s, 1976....	10,200.00	275.00
5,000	Central Maine Power Co., 3½'s, 1970....	5,425.00	175.00
10,000	Consolidated Edison Co., 3¾'s, 1982....	10,375.00	337.50
8,000	Dartmouth Real Estate Co., 4's, 1970....	8,200.00	300.00
5,000	Detroit Edison Co., 3¼'s 1980.....	4,950.00	.....
10,000	Illinois Bell Tel. Co., 3's, 1978.....	10,012.50	300.00
5,000	Maine Central R. R. Co., 5½'s, 1978.....	4,981.25	256.25
5,000	New York Steam Corp., 3½'s, 1963.....	5,287.50	175.00
8,000	New York Telephone Co., 3½'s, 1978....	8,100.00	250.00
5,000	Northeastern Water Co., 5's, 1968.....	5,162.50	250.00
10,000	Pacific Gas & Electric Co., 3's, 1979....	9,943.75	300.00
5,000	Pittsburg, Cincinnati, Chicago & St. Louis R. R. Co., 5's, 1970.....	5,681.25	250.00
3,000	Portland Terminal R. R. Co., 5's, 1961....	3,000.00	150.00
3,000	Portland Terminal R. R. Co., 4's, 1961....	2,750.00	120.00
5,000	Public Service Electric & Gas Co., 6's 1998.....	7,525.00	300.00
2,000	Toledo Terminal R. R. Co., 4½'s, 1957....	2,000.00	90.00
200	Toledo Terminal R. R. Co., 4½'s, 1957, (Reg.).....	200.00	9.00
5,000	U. S. Savings, "G," 2½'s, July, 1956....	5,000.00	125.00
10,000	U. S. Savings, "G," 2½'s, July, 1958....	10,000.00	250.00
10,000	U. S. Savings, "G," 2½'s November, 1956.....	10,000.00	250.00
5,000	U. S. Treasury, 2½'s, 1972-67, Dated June 1, 1945.....	5,000.00	125.00

MEMORIAL TO J. HOMER NELSON.

M. W. Bro. BENJAMIN L. HADLEY presented the following Memorial as follows:

Reverend J. HOMER NELSON

Reverend J. HOMER NELSON, Grand Chaplain, died at his home in Warren, Maine, November 29, 1952.

He was born in Cold Springs, New York. His early training and occupation was that of mechanic, machinist and gas engine operation. It was in that occupation that he first came to Bar Harbor in the early years of the present century as engineer on a yacht owned by Mr. D. C. Blair of New York. Later he became a chauffeur for Mr. Blair and in the course of that employment toured Europe, gaining knowledge which served him well in his later ministry.

During his summer employment in Bar Harbor he came under the influence of the Reverend Brother Angus M. MacDonald, minister of the Bar Harbor Congregational Church. That influence probably changed the course of Brother NELSON's life for because of it he turned to the ministry ardently and whole-heartedly.

He attended Bangor Theological Seminary from which he was graduated in 1914. He later received an A B degree from Columbia College of Columbia University. Following his work at Columbia he returned to Bangor Seminary for post graduate work, in connection with which he traveled extensively in the Holy Land.

His first partorate was at the John D. Rockefeller Church in Pocantico Hills, New York. He then came to the Bar Harbor Congregational Church to succeed the Reverend Angus MacDonald, and most fitting it was that he should take the place of him who guided his footsteps into the ministry. He served the church faithfully for twenty-five years when ill health forced him to resign the pastorate. After a year's rest he had regained his strength sufficiently to assume the pastorate of the Second Congregational Church in Warren.

HOMER NELSON was, by nature, an ordained servant of God. In the pulpit he was an able, interesting and instructive preacher; in the parish he was a tireless worker. He was firm in his beliefs and opinions, yet always kindly and sincere. In his passing Maine Congregationalism has lost a stalwart supporter, his church and parish a devoted leader and wise counsellor.

Brother NELSON founded and brought to a high degree of proficiency Troop 89, Boy Scouts of America. In recognition of his admirable leadership in scouting he was awarded the Silver Beaver.

He was made a Master Mason in Solomen's Lodge, No. 196, Tarrytown, New York in 1921, and affiliated with Bar Harbor Lodge, No. 185, on

January 17, 1924. He was made a Royal Arch Mason in Mount Kebo Chapter, No. 50, Bar Harbor, on January 25, 1924. He served for a number of years as Grand Chaplain in both Grand Lodge and Grand Chapter. While he never held office in his home Lodge and Chapter he acted as Chaplain on many occasions, especially at Masonic funerals. He had a deft touch in eulogizing a deceased brother.

Funeral services were held at Second Congregational Church in Warren on December 1, 1952, conducted by Reverend Cornelius E. Clark, LHD, Grand Chaplain of the Grand Lodge, assisted by Reverend Malcolm McDuffy and Reverend Bruce P. Cummings. Interment was at Mount Hope Cemetery, Bangor.

Beside his many friends he leaves to mourn his loss his widow, Frances Speed Nelson.

MEMORIAL TO PERLEY STONE HAMILTON.

R. W. Bro. EARLE D. WEBSTER presented the following Memorial as follows:

PERLEY STONE HAMILTON.

There is scarcely a Mason seated in this Annual Communication today who does not sense a vacancy! He senses a personal loss, he inwardly grieves! Since the year 1944 there sat a Brother outside this door with a drawn sword in his hand. Perley is not at his station, he has left it for a higher one.

In a local hospital, on October 27, 1952, following a short illness, PERLEY STONE HAMILTON, was summoned by the Supreme Architect of the Universe. His passing undoubtedly was hastened because of the long and arduous hours of service to the Craft. We now acknowledge his service and revere his memory.

He was born in South Portland on October 11, 1889, the son of William and Ada Stone Hamilton, and was educated in the public schools of that city. He was a member of St. Alban's Episcopal Church. Having been a salesman for many years, in 1939 he became employed by the Masonic Trustees of Portland and served as Tyler and Sentinel of the Bodies meeting in this Temple since 1944. He also served as Grand Tyler and Grand Sentinel of the York Rite Bodies for those same years.

He was raised in Hiram Lodge, No. 180, on February 21, 1914; exalted in Greenleaf Chapter, No. 13, on April 10, 1923; greeted in Portland Council, No. 4, on February 25, 1944; knighted in St. Alban Commandery, No. 8, on May 29, 1924; and received the 32° in Maine Consistory, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, on May 18, 1944.

He is survived by his widow, Florence Mulhern Hamilton, a son Perley, Jr., and a sister Mrs. Alice Bates of Scarborough.

Although his death seems to us mortals premature, there were two events which occurred only a few months before which probably were the proudest of his earthly life. The witnessing of his son's graduation from the University of Maine in the Spring of 1952, and the witnessing of his son's raising in Hiram Lodge, No. 180, on May 20, 1952.

We shall remember Perley for the numerous favors and courtesies extended. We shall remember him, not for high Masonic station, but for the pure gold of his heart.

(The Communication arose and stood for a moment in silence).

R. W. Bro. H. NORTON MAXFIELD, in behalf of the Committee on Distribution of the Charity Fund, then presented the following report:

PORTLAND, MAINE,
May 6, 1953.

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

The following report is offered in substitution for that usually presented by the late Frank J. Cole, Chairman of the Committee on Distribution of Relief.

There were about 140 applications for aid and, assistance has been given in 130 cases in the total amount of \$24,667. Reimbursements amounting to \$602.00 of unused balances have been returned to the Relief Fund. An estimated 144 persons have been assisted.

Detailed information is on file in the office of the Grand Secretary.

Fraternally,

H. NORTON MAXFIELD,
For the Committee.

The report was accepted.

DISPENSATIONS AND CHARTERS.

M. W. Bro. ERVIN E. J. Lander, for the Committee, verbally reported that no matters had been referred to the committee and the report was accepted.

Remarks by**W. BRO. JOHN D. CUNNINGHAM,
Director of Welfare of the Masonic Service
Association.**

*Most Worshipful Grand Master, Distinguished Guests, and
Brethren of Maine:*

At this time I bring greetings from the Executive Commission of the Masonic Service Association and the Executive Secretary, Most Worshipful Carl H. Claudy, whom most of you know.

I really did not prepare a message. I am not an orator; it would be useless for me to try to be, but I think perhaps I might get by, by simply talking to you as a servant of the Fraternity to his House of Bosses.

First, Most Worshipful Sir, I wish to express my sincere appreciation, and that of my wife, to you, Mrs. Ela, and all of the Masons of Maine for the most wonderful courteous treatment we have received. It seems to me that here I have seen exemplified a brand of hospitality that is frequently spoken of quite highly in other parts of the country. We have had a wonderful time.

I do wish it were possible to take advantage of that subterfuge, used by some speakers, of telling a few stories to get you sort of on my side of the fence, warmed up a little, or perhaps anesthetized. I don't know just what they do. I know a great many good stories that have been told to me by nurses in the hospital and, believe it or not, some of them could be told here. But the subject I have to discuss is so vitally important to the men and women—yes, ladies too—in our Veterans' Hospitals, and in my estimation so very important to Masonry, that I simply cannot connect it with levity.

You see I have charge of your Hospital Visitation Program in the Masonic Service hospitals. I have represented here the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia and the Ex-President of the United States. Now I represent the greatest group of men or Masons ever gathered together under any banner, the Masonic Brothers' Hospital Visitors, who daily are extending to thousands of war-wounded, mentally ill, and

despairing creatures in hospitals the helping hand of Masonry, your helping hand. And I thought a moment ago, as I heard read those beautiful memorials to your departed dead how very appropriate they were to some of the Brethren in my work, because ten of our Hospital Visitors died on the job. Ten! Think of that! Some of them knew they were going to die. Seven of them dropped dead, and what better way to go. They gave or, rather, shortened their lives for something in which they had the utmost faith—Masonry and Humanity.

Yesterday, we heard some of our Distinguished Brethren from other jurisdictions speak of the Brotherhood of Man and the Fatherhood of God. We heard that from my friend Dr. Caldwell, and one of the things he said struck me right between the eyes. He said we could not afford to be a society of mutual admiration. He told you that Masonry should set an example—to forget about all these isms and set a good example for all to follow. That is exactly what the Visiting Brothers are doing in the hospitals and they are doing it in a manner that will make every one of you proud if you will take the time to investigate for yourselves.

As I said, ten of our Visitors died in the harness, and we are all getting a little older, so it is necessary every once in a while to replace those who have fallen by the wayside. No one ever quits. But they are compelled to quit when they die.

Recently we lost the services of Brother Delos Frederick who for years was Hospital Visitor in the Togus V A Hospital—a fine man. His heart went back on him and he had to go home, and it was necessary for us to recruit a replacement. We have had six similar experiences in recent months. But I am happy to report that in all instances the class of men admitted to our family are outstanding, and I do wish I had time to tell you some stories of their accomplishments.

A second Brother, Alec Speck, who replaced Delos Frederick, would be here today, only he was stricken ill day before yesterday and was himself in the hospital.

When Alec was called to service, he came to my office; we had a little conference, and I sent him to Perry Point, Maryland, for orientation and indoctrination—that is a ten-dollar

word for "on the job training"—in a neuro-psychiatric hospital. After he had finished his period at school he came out to Togus and relieved the wife of your Grand Mason, Captain Pollard, who had been pinch-hitting for us. We have our wife corps, too. Every once in a while we have our wives pinch-hitting—my wife and Brother Pollard's wife. We call them our Wacs. And for no compensation. God bless them.

Alec expected to go there, and one of the last things I said to Alec was: "If you are pressed for time"—for there are a great many times in the service when one is—"forget about it. We are all partners in this great enterprise. Forget about a meeting. Write me a letter and tend to that boy immediately." Alec took me at my word. Ten days went by. I didn't hear from him. I said to my secretary: "You know more about this than I do. What are we going to do about Speck? Looks as though he has forgotten us." The next day the envelope reached my desk and I slit it open and out poured all those pages. You have seen them in composition books. "Dear Jack, I am too busy to write here. I am enclosing a few sheets from my diary."

In spite of the fact that he had passed at school, I wanted to see if he was going to make good. I tell you, Brethren, when I read that first couple of pages of his diary—I have them with me—when I read them, I said, "Thank God; I am the luckiest man in the world in having associated with me, I believe, some of God's children," and, if you will pardon me, I will read these pages from Alec's diary.

December 13. I did not get his name. 'What time is it?' he asked." Mind you, these are pages from his diary. "I told him. The room was kept rather shaded so I guessed he was a very sick boy. I stayed but a few minutes to save him pain. 'What time is it?' I told him again and then asked, 'Why so much concern about the time, Son, you have all the time there is to get well.'—'I'm in here alone,' he said, 'and I have to ask the other patients, as they pass by my door, what time it is.' 'Have you no watch?' 'No! he said, just no. 'Can't someone send you an old clock from home?' I asked. His story was like so many we hear. Just another story of the forgotten man and I knew I had to do

something about it, so with a gentle grip on his arm I said, 'We will see what can be done and I'll see you again soon,' and left.

"After several inquiries I found he had to have treatment every two hours. So, 'What time is it?' was on the tip of this boy's tongue all of the time. 'Time' was his greatest concern, so here is what we did about it.

"'Benny,' the head of the local jewelry store, listened to my story. He, too, had known of hospital beds. 'Just a moment,' said Benny as he disappeared down some stairs. While I waited 20 minutes, the wait was worth while, for up he came with an old-time Elgin watch with screw-on glass and back, like Grandfather carried years ago. 'Sorry to keep you,' said Benny, 'I had to adjust and oil it but it is a very good watch.' Before I could ask him now much—'Take it to that poor fellow with the compliments of our store,' said he, 'Tell him to get well quick'."

That, Brethren, is the diary for Saturday, December 13. Here is a notation:

"Sunday, December 14th. Took the watch out this morning and, could you believe it, word got around and Tony had *lots* of visitors, all wanting to know the time!"

Sometimes I think we should ask ourselves what time it is. Should we go on as a mutual admiration society? Or should we continue to speak of the Brotherhood of Man and the Fatherhood of God and should we exemplify those precepts in our daily lives? I think we should. I think we do.

I could tell you some more stories about Alec; I have other pages of his diary, but you have an opportunity when you are in that neighborhood to go to see Brother Speck and visit the hospital. See for yourself. Come away buoyed up and enthused, as I did. Sometimes I get a little blue. You see one of my tasks, and the one I do not care for at all, is that of a more or less glorified salesman. I am supposed to help raise the funds to operate this program, because, you see, we have no regular funds of the association proper. We depend entirely on voluntary contributions. I get a little disgusted when I think that one cigaret a week from every Mason in the United States would enable us to have an Alec Speck or

some one like him in every Army Hospital in the United States. I did get discouraged. Then I visited my friends in the hospital. I came away a new man. It is pretty good treatment. Try it sometime.

Sitting over here in the southeast corner of the Lodge, in that inspiring company, I did pen, as my good Brother saw me, this little couplet with which I close:

All my troubles and cares seem to vanish,
Though in those temples of pain there's little mirth;
But I feel closer to God in the hospital ward
Than in any place else on earth.

(Great applause).

CONDITION OF THE FRATERNITY.

M. W. Bro. HADLEY, for the committee, presented the following report which was accepted:

MASONIC TEMPLE,
PORTLAND, ME., May 6, 1953.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maine:

Your Committee on the Condition of the Fraternity has examined the reports of the District Deputy Grand Masters and of the Committee on Returns and is pleased to report that conditions in this Grand Jurisdiction continue favorable.

It appears that the District Deputies have been faithful to the trust imposed upon them as representatives of the Most Worshipful Grand Master and that due to their efforts and those of our Grand Lecturer there is more perfect rendition of the ritual, and greater uniformity of work.

From the tabulation of District Deputy reports the following data is secured relating to their visitations:

Degree	Ex.	Good	Fair	Poor	Total
E. A.	11	36	10	0	57
F. C.	9	28	12	0	49
M. M.	32	60	9	0	101
	52	124	31	0	207
				No Work	1
					208

Totals, 1952	47	127	33	0
Totals, 1951	38	129	30	3

From these figures it will be seen that there is an improvement in the ratings the District Deputies have accorded the degree work they have witnessed.

MEMBERSHIP.

Tabulations of Lodge Returns show a net gain of 645, and a total membership of 46,335; number raised this year 1,564, previous year 1,562.

ATTENDANCE.

Average attendance of Lodge membership was only 11.5% for the year. Lookout Lodge, No. 131, of Cutler, reported a membership of 57 and average attendance for the year 20, which gave them a 35% average; while St. Andrew's Lodge, No. 83, of Bangor, reported 924 members but an average attendance of only 37, which gave them only a 4% average.

TREASURERS' REPORTS.

Again the Committee calls attention to the Standing Regulations which require that the reports of the Lodge Treasurers shall be filed. There are missing 87, or over 40% of these reports, indicating that many of the Treasurers are neglecting the duties prescribed for them. With such a large number missing it is impossible to get a good over-all picture, but it is very evident that some of the Lodge should examine their financial setup very carefully.

CONCLUSION.

From the reports submitted it appears that the Grand Lodge of Maine is in a healthy condition and under such efficient leadership as it has had in the past will continue to move forward and occupy an important place in the hearts of the Brethren in the several communities in our State.

Fraternally submitted,

BENJAMIN L. HADLEY,	} Committee on
JOHN M. LITTLEFIELD,	
NORRIS C. ESTABROOK,	
	Condition of
	the Fraternity.

EXEMPLIFICATION OF F. C. DEGREE.

W. Bro. AUBREY L. BURBANK, Grand Lecturer, was called to the East and he called upon the following Officers of Tremont Lodge, No. 77, of Southwest Harbor, to perform the work:

STOCKS.

Shares	Stocks	Cost	Income
120 Shares, Chemical Corn Exchange Bank, New York.....		\$ 3,490.00	\$ 205.00
20 Shares, Kankakee Water Co., 5½% Pfd.....		2,040.00	110.00
100 Shares, Socony-Mobil Oil Co., Common.....		3,300.00	250.00
Stocks.....		\$ 8,830.00	\$ 565.00
Total Invested.....		\$ 35,453.75	\$ 1,547.50
Uninvested.....		287.00	
		\$ 35,740.83	\$ 1,547.50

THOMAS H. BODGE MEMORIAL FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Portland Savings Bank, Interest.....	\$ 10.82	
		\$ 10.82

DISBURSEMENTS.

None.....	\$ 0.00	
		\$ 0.00
Balance.....		10.82
		\$ 10.82
Balance, March 31, 1955.....	\$ 358.07	
Balance, 1955 Account.....	10.82	
Balance, March 31, 1956.....	\$ 368.89	

SECURITIES.

MARCH 31, 1956.

Face	Bond	Cost	Income
\$5,000 Detroit Edison Co., 3's, 1970.....		\$ 5,437.50	\$ 150.00
5,000 Pacific Gas & Electric Co., 3's, 1974.....		5,450.00	150.00
Bonds.....		\$ 10,887.50	\$ 300.00

STOCK.

Share	Stocks	Cost	Income
100 Shares, Union Pacific R. R. Co., Common....		\$ 7,135.50	\$ 800.00
45 Shares, U. S. Steel Corp., 7% Cum. Pfd.,....		6,586.83	315.00
Stocks.....		\$ 13,722.33	\$ 1,115.00
Total Invested.....		\$ 24,609.83	
Uninvested.....		368.89	
		\$ 24,978.72	\$ 1,415.00

IN GRAND LODGE,

PORTLAND, ME., May 7, 1953.

Your Committee on Finance submit the following budget covering estimated financial transactions of the General Fund for 1953-1954.

RECEIPTS:

Grand Lodge Dues and Initiation Fees.....	\$26,000.00	
Sales—Rituals—Lessons.....	1,800.00	
Sales—Aprons.....	100.00	
Receipts—Grand Lodge Office.....	200.00	
Fees—Dispensations—Delinquency Fines.....	100.00	
Interest Receipts.....	100.00	
Rentals other Grand Bodies.....	1,820.00	
		<hr/> \$30,120.00
Total Estimated Receipts.....		<hr/> \$30,120.00

APPROPRIATIONS:

Grand Lodge office rent.....		\$ 3,600.00
Salary—Grand Secretary, Convers E. Leach.....	\$ 3,000.00	
Salary—Asst. to Grand Secretary, Earle D. Webster.....	1,900.00	
Salary—Grand Treasurer, H. Norton Maxfield.....	1,000.00	
Salary—Grand Lecturer, Aubrey L. Burbank.....	300.00	
Salary—Grand Correspondent, R. J. Pollard.....	550.00	
		<hr/> 6,750.00
Telephone.....	250.00	
Equipment.....	300.00	
Printing—Binding.....	1,000.00	
Supplies, Veterans' Jewels, Diplomas, etc.....	1,500.00	
Bond—Grand Treasurer.....	125.00	
Stenographic expense, actual, Grand Treasurer.....	100.00	
Bank Deposit Box.....	30.00	
Insurance.....	125.00	
Audit.....	325.00	
Library—Binding.....	\$200.00	
Bulletins.....	200.00	
Educational.....	300.00	
		<hr/> 700.00
		<hr/> 4,455.00
Grand Master, contingent.....	1,350.00	
Deputy Grand Master, actual expense.....	200.00	
Grand Lecturer, actual expense.....	250.00	
Official Conferences.....	150.00	
District Deputy Travel expense.....	800.00	
Washington Conferences, Travel expense.....	400.00	
Pay Roll, 1953 Communication.....	7,000.00	
		<hr/> 10,150.00

Printing Proceedings.....	\$ 1,800.00	
Tyler—Organist.....	50.00	
Stenographer.....	75.00	
Entertainment of Guests.....	1,000.00	
Flowers—Dinners—Funerals.....	75.00	
		\$ 3,000.00
Masonic Association—Dues.....	1,200.00	
Masonic Association—Hospital Relief.....	2,500.00	
		3,700.00
Social Security Taxes.....		125.00
Association—Membership Fees.....		100.00
Special Disaster Fund.....		500.00
Expenses—H. Norton Maxfield, Chairman the George Washington Memorial Association attending the annual meeting of the Association at Alexandria, Virginia, February 22, 1954.....		200.00
Total proposed appropriations.....		\$32,580.00
Excess of proposed appropriations over estimated receipts.....		\$ 2,460.00

Fraternal submitted,

HORACE M. BUDD,	} Committee on Finance.
CARROLL W. KEENE,	

PLEASANT RIVER LODGE, NO. 163.

M. W. Bro. EDWARD W. WHEELER, for the Special Committee to Consider the Petition of Pleasant River Lodge for the Remission of their Grand Lodge dues, presented the following report:

PORTLAND, MAINE,
May 7, 1953.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge:

Pleasant River Lodge, No. 163, of Brownville, has petitioned Grand Lodge for an appropriation and the return of its dues to Grand Lodge for the years ending December 31, 1951, and December 31, 1952. Its dues for 1951 amount to \$329.00 and for 1952 to \$311.00 less \$5.00, which has previously been returned pursuant to an adjustment approved by the Finance Committee. In substance, the Lodge seeks a grant from Grand Lodge of the sum of \$635.00.

Its petition and its representative, who was heard by your committee, base the request upon the loss by fire of its Masonic Hall and contents on February 4, 1951, the suspension of its charter from December 7, 1951, to May 8, 1952, and its consequent financial difficulties.

The representative of the Lodge made a full and frank statement of the financial standing and of the income and expenses of the Lodge and its building corporation. From a carefully study of the figures submitted on behalf of the Lodge, the committee is satisfied that the Lodge is in sound financial condition and well able to meet all of its obligations.

Your committee commends the Lodge upon its successful solution of the financial problems with which it was confronted and upon the manner in which it has kept the agreement which it made with the Grand Lodge one year ago.

It appearing to the committee that no relief from the Grand Lodge is necessary, it is accordingly recommended that the petition of Pleasant River Lodge be dismissed.

Fraternally submitted.

EDWARD W. WHEELER, CLARK D. CHAPMAN, GEORGE F. GIDDINGS, CARROLL W. KEENE, HARRY S. GRINDALL,	}	Committee.
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The report was accepted and the recommendation was adopted.

OFFICIAL BALLOT ELIMINATED.

M. W. Bro. CLARK D. CHAPMAN presented the following motions relative to the Official Ballot:

"1. That the vote of Grand Lodge at its Annual Communication in 1950, authorized the use of an official ballot in the election of Grand Lodge officers; the vote of Grand Lodge at its Annual Communication in 1951, to the effect that an official ballot be adopted; all votes of Grand Lodge at its Annual Communication in 1952, concerning an official ballot for the election of Grand Lodge Officers; be rescinded, and

"2. That the order or edict of the Grand Master dated March 1, 1952, promulgating the rules and regulations respecting the form, distribution and use of the official ballot in Grand Lodge, which he directed should remain in force unless changed by the Grand Master or vote of Grand Lodge; be repealed, and

"3. That, until Grand Lodge, shall otherwise order, future election of officers of Grand Lodge be conducted in accordance with the laws and practices which were followed prior to the passage of the above stated votes."

The motions were duly seconded and carried.

INSTALLATION.

The M. W. Grand Master invited M. W. Bro. CLARK D. CHAPMAN to assume the East and install the Grand Officers. On assuming the East he appointed M. W. Bro. CARROLL W. KEENE as Grand Marshal to present BENJAMIN W. ELA, Grand Master Elect, who was duly installed into office, prayer being offered by Rev. DAVID L. WILSON, Grand Chaplain.

M. W. Bro. ELA then made the following appointments:

EARLE D. WEBSTER,	R. W. Cor. Grand Secretary,	Portland
WALLACE K. FENLASON,	" D. D. G. M., 1st Dist.,	Limestone
VERNER T. BROWN,	" " 2nd "	Pembroke
FRANK S. DOWLING,	" " 3rd "	Jacksonville
CALVIN E. NASH,	" " 4th "	Stonington
HAROLD W. BLAISDELL,	" " 5th "	Dexter
MERRILL R. KITTREDGE,	" " 6th "	Bangor
FREDERICK W. AMBORN,	" " 7th "	Lincolntonville
WILLIAM A. HARTSHORN,	" " 8th "	Belfast
FRANK B. ADAMS,	" " 9th "	Thomaston
WALTER F. TOWNSEND,	" " 10th "	Boothbay
		Harbor
LESLIE R. LATHE	" " 11th "	Sydney
H. WILLIAM ARMSTRONG,	" " 12th "	Route 3,
		Waterville
ALFRED L. HOLBROOK,	" " 13th "	No. Anson
IRVING C. TRUFANT,	" " 14th "	21 Grove St.,
		Bath
FRED B. WADLEIGH,	" " 15th "	Mt. Vernon
WALTER W. MATSON,	" " 16th "	Bolster's
		Mills
CLARENCE A. HUGHES,	" " 17th "	Westbrook
GEORGE A. ELWELL,	" " 18th "	W. Buxton
CLINTON E. PAINE,	" " 19th "	Kittery Point
VERNON A. HOWARD,	" " 20th "	Buckfield
LEWELLYN G. MITCHELL,	" " 21st "	Mt. Desert
JAMES B. SEEKINS,	" " 22nd "	Hartland
JAY A. WALKER,	" " 23rd "	Sabattus
HARRY D. DAVIS,	" " 24th "	Vanceboro

FREDERICK C. LOUNDER,	R. W. Grand Lecturer,	Ellsworth
P. G. M. Rev. DAVID L. WILSON, LHD.,	W. Grand Chaplain, 918 Washington St., Bath	Lewiston
Rev. I. JAMES MERRY,	" " "	
" CORNELIUS E. CLARK, LHD,	" " "	Portland
" HAZEN F. RIGBY,	" " "	Gardiner
" PERCY COTTON,	" " "	Houlton
" M. GERRY PLUMMER,	" " "	Brunswick
" MILTON MCGORRILL,	" " "	Orono
BENJAMIN BUTLER,	" " Marshal,	Farmington
FLOYD E. ANDERSON,	" " Senior Deacon	Augusta
NORMAN W. LINDQUIST,	" " Junior Deacon,	Yarmouth
LESLIE LIBBY,	" " Steward,	So. Portland
PHILIP D. TINGLEY,	" " "	Houlton
RAYMOND M. RIDEOUT,	" " "	Augusta
HAROLD M. STARBIRD,	" " "	Solon
ROYAL D. CLEAVES,	" " Sword Bearer,	Route 2, Winthrop
JOHN M. HALFYARD,	" " Standard Bearer,	Auburn
JAMES M. WILLIAMS,	" " Pursuivant,	So. Thomaston
ANGUS D. MACLEOD,	" " "	E. Millinocket
FRED LINCOLN HILL,,	Bro. " Organist,	Westbrook
LEO K. ANDREWS,	" " "	Augusta
FREDERIC C. DAVIS,	" " "	Millinocket
HENRY DOHERTY,	" " Tyler,	Bangor

He then invited M. W. Bro. CHAPMAN to proceed with the installation.

The Grand Officers elect and appointed, who were present were installed and proclamation was made.

The Grand Master resumed the East and thanked Bros. CHAPMAN, KEENE and WILSON.

INSTALLATION OF ABSENT OFFICERS.

The Grand Secretary was instructed to arrange to have the Grand Officers, elect and appointed, not present, installed in their respective lodges.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Grand Master ELA appointed the following Standing Committees:

On Amendments to the Constitution.

ERNEST C. BUTLER, HENRY R. GILLIS, CARROLL W. KEENE

On Condition of the Fraternity.

BENJAMIN L. HADLEY, JOHN M. LITTLEFIELD, NORRIS C. ESTABROOK

On Commissioners of Trials

HENRY R. GILLIS, HARRY S. GRINDALL, ERVIN E. J. LANDER,
GEORGE B. BARNES, GEORGE PEABODY

On Credentials

GEORGE H. ANDERSON, FRANK A. FARWELL, WILSON C. BLAKE

On Dispensations and Charters

JAMES ABERNETHY, CARROLL W. KEENE, ERVIN E. J. LANDER

On Doings of Grand Officers

CLARK D. CHAPMAN, GEORGE F. GIDDINGS, GRANVILLE C. GRAY

On Foreign Correspondence

RALPH J. POLLARD, CHARLES E. CROSSLAND, JOHN M. LITTLEFIELD

On Grievances and Appeals

PAUL L. POWERS, HARRY E. ROWE, EDWARD H. BRITTON

On History

JOHN L. TEWKSBURY, GEORGE R. CASWELL, FRED J. LOWELL

On Jurisprudence

EDWARD W. WHEELER, CLARK D. CHAPMAN, GRANVILLE C. GRAY

On Library and Museum

EARLE D. WEBSTER, WILLIAM A. LEVENSALOR, GEORGE W. HASKELL

With Special Assistants: RAYMOND M. RIDEOUT and

FREDERICK C. LOUNDER

On Pay Roll

ALVOID E. CUSHMAN, MERRILL R. KITTREDGE, HARRY E. ROWE

On Returns

CONVERS E. LEACH, ALLEN L. CURTIS, CLYDE FRENCH

On Unfinished Business

GEORGE H. MINOTT, JOHN L. POLLEYS, JAMES P. BUNKER

COMMITTEE ON PAY ROLL.

W. Bro. MERRILL R. KITTREDGE, for the committee, presented the following report which was accepted:

MASONIC TEMPLE,
May 7, 1953.

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

Your Committee on Pay Roll is pleased to report that it has received the report of the Committee on Credentials, that a schedule has been prepared, and is now in the hands of the Grand Treasurer.

Fraternally submitted,

ALVOID E. CUSHMAN, MERRILL R. KITTREDGE, HARRY E. ROWE,	} Committee.
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UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

R. W. Bro. JAMES P. BUNKER, for the committee, presented the following report which was accepted:

MASONIC TEMPLE,
May 7, 1953.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge:

Your Committee on Unfinished Business would report that all matters of the 134th Annual Communication have been attended to.

Fraternally submitted,

JAMES P. BUNKER,
Committee.

RECORDS.

On motion of R. W. Bro. PAUL L. POWERS, it was voted that when the stenographic report of the transactions of this Annual Communication shall have been transcribed by the stenographer, and read and approved by the Grand Master and Grand Secretary, it shall become the official record of this Communication.

STOCK.

Shares	Stock	Cost	Income
80 Shares, St. Croix Paper Co., Common		\$ 1,075.00	\$ 105.00
Stocks		\$ 1,075.00	\$ 105.00
Total Invested		\$ 4,043.44	
Uninvested		22.27	
		\$ 4,065.71	

Fraternally submitted,

H. NORTON MAXFIELD,
Grand Treasurer.

Voted, That \$20,000.00 be transferred from the Relief Fund to the Permanent Fund.

Voted, That a Committee of three be appointed by the President, of which EDWARD W. WHEELER be Chairman; CHARLES E. CROSSLAND and EARLE D. WEBSTER be members, to advise the Board of Trustees in making investments and changes in investments.

Voted, That all applications for relief be referred to a committee of three to be appointed by the Grand Master and of which he shall be a member *Ex-Officio*, and that said committee be and hereby is authorized to make such payments and allowances on such applications, to the extent of the funds available therefor, as they deem fitting and proper.

The President appointed CHARLES E. CROSSLAND, AUBREY L. BURBANK and EARLE D. WEBSTER.

Voted, That the expense of carrying on the Charity Fund and handling the distribution, including the salary of the Chairman of the Committee on Distribution, be paid out of the income of the Fund.

Adjourned, to the call of the President.

Earle D. Webster

as Secretary.

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
Trustees of the Charity Fund

MASONIC TEMPLE,
Tuesday, May 5, 1953.

The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge being in Constitutional Election session at 5.00 o'clock P. M. Eastern Daylight Time, the Constitutional hour for the meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Masonic Charitable Foundation of the Grand Lodge of Maine, in accordance with Section 59, Constitution of the Grand Lodge of Maine, the Grand Master as President of said Board of Trustees, quietly called the meeting to order at the Constitutional hour in the Grand East, during the said Grand Lodge election session, in the presence of M. W. Bro. George F. Giddings and M. W. Bro. Edward W. Wheeler, who was presiding at the Grand Lodge Election Session.

A majority of said Board not being present, as required by Section 59, of the Constitution of the Grand Lodge of Maine, the meeting of the Board of Trustees was declared adjourned to the call of the President.

BENJAMIN W. ELA,
Grand Master.

In accordance with previous call and notice by the Grand Master, as President of the Board of Trustees of the Masonic Charitable Foundation of the Grand Lodge of Maine, the Trustees met in the Grand Lodge office at 3.20 P. M., May 6.

Present — BENJAMIN W. ELA, *President*

PAUL L. POWERS, *Deputy Grand Master*

EVERETT S. HIGGINS, *Senior Grand Warden*

CLIFFORD H. M. PERRY, *Elected Junior*

Grand Warden

BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE
CHARITY FUND OF THE GRAND LODGE
1956

AUDREY L. BURBANK, Grand Master					Ex-Officio
JOHN M. LITTLEFIELD, Deputy Grand Master					
B. GLEN MCGEE, Senior Grand Warden					
NORMAN W. LINDQUIST, Junior Grand Warden					
EARLE D. WEBSTER, Grand Secretary					
GEORGE F. GIDDINGS,	elected	May 4, 1954,	for three years		
ERVIN E. J. LANDER,	" "	4, 1954	" " "		
EDWARD W. WHEELER,	" "	3, 1955	" " "		
DAVID L. WILSON,	" "	3, 1955	" " "		
ERNEST C. BUTLER,	" "	1, 1956	" " "		
CHARLES E. CROSSLAND,	" "	1, 1956	" " "		

Balance, March 31, 1952.....	\$ 4,221.68
Balance, 1953 Account.....	7,678.30
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Balance, March 31, 1953.....	\$ 11,899.98
First Portland National Bank, Savings Account No. 22609.....	\$ 11,899.98

SECURITIES.

MARCH 31, 1953.

Face	Bond	Cost	Income
\$ 1,000	American Tel. & Tel. Co., 2¾'s, 1961..	\$ 1,023.60	\$ 27.50
1,000	American Tel. & Tel. Co., 3½'s, 1964....	1,044.40	17.50
5,000	Arkansas Power & Light Co., 3½'s, 1974..	5,150.00	156.25
5,000	Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Co., 4's, 1975..	4,900.00	200.00
3,000	Boston & Maine Railroad Co., Inc. Mtg., 4½'s, 1970.....	2,925.00	135.00
1,200	Boston & Maine Railroad Co., 4's, 1960....	1,200.00	48.00
5,000	British Columbia, Province of, 4½'s 1957..	5,425.00	225.00
5,000	Canada, Dominion of, Internal, 3's, 1959..	4,737.50	150.00
5,000	Canada, Dominion of, Internal, 3's, 1959..	4,837.50	150.00
5,000	Central Illinois Public Service Co., 3¾'s, 1971.....	5,350.00	168.75
10,000	Central Maine Power Co., 2¾'s, 1976....	10,200.00	275.00
5,000	Central Maine Power Co., 3½'s, 1970....	5,425.00	175.00
500	Consolidated Gas Electric Light & Power Co., 3¼'s, 1967.....	500.00	—
8,000	Dartmouth Real Estate Co., 3½'s, 1962....	8,200.00	280.00
5,000	Green Mountain Power Corp., 3¾'s 1963..	5,287.50	187.50
5,000	Illinois Central Railroad Co., 4's, 1955....	4,925.00	200.00
5,000	Maine Central Railroad Co., 5½'s, 1978....	4,981.25	—
5,000	New York Steam Corp., 3½'s, 1963....	5,287.50	175.00
5,000	Northeastern Water Co., 5's, 1968.....	5,162.50	250.00
5,000	Pittsburg, Cincinnati, Chicago & St. Louis Railroad Co., 5's, 1970.....	5,681.25	250.00
4,000	Pittston Company, 4's, 1961.....	4,150.00	160.00
3,000	Portland Terminal Co., 5's, 1961....	3,000.00	150.00
3,000	Portland Terminal Co., 4's, 1961.....	2,750.00	120.00
5,000	Public Service Electric and Gas Co., 6's, 1998.....	7,525.00	300.00
5,000	Saskatchewan, Province of, 4½'s, 1955....	5,400.00	225.00
1,000	Shreveport Bridge & Terminal Co., 5's, 1955.....	1,000.00	50.00
2,000	Toledo Terminal Railroad Co., 4½'s 1957	2,000.00	90.00
200	Toledo Terminal Railroad Co., 4½'s, 1957	200.00	9.00
10,000	U. S. Savings, Ser. "G," 2½'s, July, 1953.	10,000.00	250.00
5,000	U. S. Savings, Ser. "G," 2½'s, July, 1956.	5,000.00	125.00
10,000	U. S. Savings, Ser. "G," 2½'s, July, 1958.	10,000.00	250.00

Face	Bond	Cost	Income
\$ 5,000	U. S. Savings, Ser. " G," 2½'s, Sept., 1954	\$ 5,000.00	\$125.00
10,000	U. S. Savings, Ser. " G," 2½'s, Oct., 1953.	10,000.00	250.00
1,000	U. S. Savings, Ser. " G," 2½'s, Oct., 1955.	1,000.00	25.00
10,000	U. S. Savings, Ser. " G," 2½'s, Nov., 1956	10,000.00	250.00
5,000	U. S. Treasury, 2½'s, 1967-72, dated June 1, 1945.....	5,000.00	125.00
10,000	U. S. Treasury, 2½'s, 1967-72, dated Nov. 15, 1945.....	10,000.00	250.00
50	American Tel & Tel. Co.....	\$ 7,519.21	\$ 450.00
25	Bangor Hydro- Electric Co., Common...	612.50	40.00
50	Bates Manufacturing Co., 4½% Cum. Pfd.....	5,137.50	225.00
166	Canal National Bank of Portland.....	2,500.00	166.00
50	Central Maine Power Co., 3½% Pfd.....	4,900.00	175.00
145	Chase National Bank, New York.....	6,037.50	304.50
50	Consolidated Edison Co., 5% Pfd.....	5,375.00	250.00
150	Consolidated Gas Electric Light & Power Co.....	4,537.50	210.00
121	Eastman Kodak Co.....	5,225.00	217.80
116	First National Bank of Boston, Mass. . . .	6,130.00	278.40
172	First Portland National Bank, Portland, Me.....	8,137.00	312.00
100	General Electric Co., Common.....	4,550.00	300.00
100	Great Northern Paper Co.....	4,150.00	300.00
100	Hollingsworth & Whitney Co., Common..	3,075.00	250.00
9	Maine Central Railroad Co., Prior-Pfd..	900.00	54.00
118	Manufacturers Trust Co.....	6,500.00	312.70
230	National Bank of Commerce, Portland, Me.....	8,115.00	425.50
55	New England Tel. & Tel. Co., Common . .	6,412.50	410.00
50	Portland Gas Light Co., \$5 Ser. Cum. Pfd.	5,634.00	250.00
100	Sears, Roebuck & Co.....	5,675.00	275.00
300	S. D. Warren Co.....	2,793.75	300.00
200	Standard Oil Co. of New Jersey.....	12,075.00	850.00
80	St. Croix Paper Co., Common.....	4,300.00	304.00
246	Texas Co., Common.....	6,550.00	762.60
150	Union Carbide & Carbon Corp., Common	4,943.75	375.00
100	United Fruit Co., Common.....	6,687.50	400.00
134	West Virginia Water Service Co., Common.....	2,322.69	160.80
		\$324,063.40	
	Uninvested.....	11,899.98	85.74
	Income on securities no longer owned . . .	—	307.92
		\$335,963.38	\$ 14,576.46

CHARLES M. FARRAR FUND.

RECEIPTS.

\$3,000 Androscoggin Water Power Co., called. . . .	\$ 3,450.00
2,000 Illinois Central R. R. Co., 5's, 1963, called at 110.	2,200.00
3,000 Maine Central R. R. Co., 4's, 1954, called at 101.	3,030.00
Interest.	7.93
	<hr/> \$ 8,687.93

DISBURSEMENTS.

\$3,000 Maine Central R. R. Co., 5 $\frac{1}{8}$'s, 1978 @ 99 $\frac{5}{8}$	\$ 2,988.75
100 Shares Socony Vacuum Oil Co. @33.	3,300.00
Relief Account, Interest on Savings Deposit.	7.93
	<hr/> \$ 6,296.68
Balance.	2,391.25
	<hr/> \$ 8,687.93

Balance, March 31, 1952.	\$ 2,415.63
Balance, 1953 Account.	2,391.25
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Balance, March 31, 1953.	\$ 4,806.88
First Portland National Bank, Savings Account No. 22609.	\$ 4,491.25
Portland Savings Bank, Account No. 136385.	315.63
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	\$ 4,806.88

SECURITIES.

MARCH 31, 1953.

Face	Bond	Cost	Income
\$1,000	Birmingham Terminal Co., 4's, 1957.	\$ 1,060.00	\$ 40.00
3,000	Canada, Dominion of, Internal 3's, 1959. . .	2,805.00	90.00
2,000	Jamestown, Franklin & Clearfield R. R. Co., 4's, 1959.	1,920.00	80.00
3,000	Maine Central Railroad Co., 5 $\frac{1}{8}$'s, 1978. . .	2,988.75	—
2,000	New York Telephone Co., 2 $\frac{3}{4}$'s, 1982.	2,060.00	55.00
2,000	Northern Pacific Railway, 4's, 1997.	1,630.00	80.00
3,000	Portland General Electric Co., 3 $\frac{1}{8}$'s, 1975. .	3,105.00	93.75
1,000	Portland Terminal Company, 4's, 1961. . . .	910.00	40.00
1,000	Portland Terminal Company, 5's, 1961. . . .	1,020.00	50.00
2,000	U. S. Savings, Ser. "G," 2 $\frac{1}{2}$'s, July, 1956. .	2,000.00	50.00
1,000	U. S. Savings, Ser. "G," 2 $\frac{1}{2}$'s, Mar., 1958. .	1,000.00	25.00
4,000	Western Union Telegraph Co., 5's, 1960. . .	3,450.00	200.00

Shares	Stocks	Cost	Income
50 Shares, Corn Exchange Bank Trust Co., New York.....		\$ 3,050.00	\$ 150.00
100 Shares, Socony-Vacuum Oil Co., Common.		3,300.00	100.00
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		\$ 30,298.75	
Uninvested.....		4,806.88	7.93
Income on securities no longer owned.....			300.28
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		\$ 35,105.63	\$ 1,361.96

The income on investments and interest on deposits is included in the receipts in the Relief Account.

FREDERICK C. THAYER FUND.

No Transactions.

Balance, March 31, 1953.....	\$ 20.00
First Portland National Bank, Savings Account No. 22609.....	\$ 20.00

SECURITIES.

MARCH 31, 1953.

Face	Bond	Cost	Income
\$ 50 U. S. Savings, Series F, 2½, 1955.....		\$ 37.00	
45 Shares, Jamaica Water Supply Co., Com- mon.....		990.00	70.89
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		\$ 1,027.00	
Uninvested Balance.....		20.00	—
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		\$ 1,047.00	\$ 70.89

The income on investments is included in the receipts in the Relief Account.

THOMAS H. BODGE MEMORIAL FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Interest.....	\$ 8.77	
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DISBURSEMENTS.

Relief Account, interest on deposit.....	\$ 8.77	
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Balance.....		.00
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		\$ 8.77

Balance, March 31, 1952.....	\$ 349.30
Balance, 1953 Account.....	.00
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Balance, March 31, 1952.....	\$ 349.30
Balance, Portland Savings Bank, Account No. 136386.....	\$ 349.30

SECURITIES.

MARCH 31, 1953.

Face	Bond	Cost	Income
\$5,000	Detroit Edison Co., 3's, 1970.....	\$ 5,437.50	\$ 150.00
5,000	Pacific Gas & Electric Co., 3's, 1974.....	5,450.00	150.00
	Stocks	Cost	Income
100 Shares,	Union Pacific R. R. Co., Common.	\$ 7,135.50	\$ 600.00
45 Shares,	United States Steel Corp., 7%		
	Cum. Pfd.....	6,586.83	315.00
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		\$ 24,609.83	
Uninvested.....		349.30	8.77
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		\$ 24,959.13	\$ 1,223.77

The income on investments and interest on deposits are included in the receipts in the Relief Account.

RELIEF FOND.

RECEIPTS.

Per Capita Tax.....	\$ 23,167.50
Income on Investments, Charity Fund.....	14,576.46
Income on Investments, Farrar Fund.....	1,361.96
Income on Investments, Thayer Fund.....	70.89
Income on Investments, Bodge Fund.....	1,223.77
Exchange on Canadian Coupons.....	20.11
Reimbursements.....	602.79
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	\$ 41,023.48

DISBURSEMENTS.

Beneficiaries.....	\$ 24,667.00
F. J. Cole, Chairman.....	583.33
Social Security Taxes.....	16.23
Transfer to Charity Fund, Per Vote.....	10,000.00
Interest on Bonds Bought.....	62.64
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	\$ 35,329.20
Balance.....	5,694.28
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	\$ 41,023.48
Balance, March 31, 1952.....	\$ 33,045.97
Balance, 1953 Account.....	5,694.28
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Balance, March 31, 1953.....	\$ 38,740.25
Canal National Bank, Checking Account.....	\$ 35,246.04
Portland Savings Bank, Account No. 123838.....	3,494.21
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	\$ 38,740.25

DANA B. CUTTER FUND.

PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT.

RECEIPTS.

\$	0.00	
		\$ 0 00

DISBURSEMENTS.

\$100 Consolidated Gas Elec. L. & P. Co., Deb.		
3¼s, 1967	\$ 100.00	
		\$ 100.00
Deficit		— 100.00
		\$ 0.00

Balance, March 31, 1952	\$ 171.00
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Deficit, 1953 Account	— 100.00
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Balance, March 31, 1953	\$ 71.00
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First Portland National Bank, Savings Account No. 22609	\$ 71.00
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INTEREST ACCOUNT.

RECEIPTS.

Income on Investments	\$ 500.77
Interest on Deposit	19.45
	\$ 520.22

DISBURSEMENTS.

None	\$ 0.00
	\$ 0.00
Balance	520.22
	\$ 520.22

Balance, March 31, 1952	\$ 704.64
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Balance, 1953 Account	520.22
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Balance, March 31, 1953	\$ 1,224.86
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Portland Savings Bank, Account No. 136384	\$ 1,224.86
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SECURITIES.

MARCH 31, 1953.

Face	Bond	Cost	Income
\$2,000	Dartmouth Real Estate Co., 3¼'s 1962...	\$ 2,050.00	\$ 70.00
5,000	Nova Scotia, Province of, 3¼'s, 1971	4,829.00	187.50
100	Consolidated Gas Elec. L. & P. Co., Deb...	100.00	—

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Stocks	Cost	Income
35 Shares, Central Maine Power Co., 3½% Pfd.....	\$3,097.50	\$122.52
30 Shares, Consolidated Gas Elec. L. & P. Co., Common.....	600.31	42.00
50 Shares, Jamaica Water Supply Co., Common.....	1,175.00	78.75
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	\$ 11,851.81	
Uninvested.....	71.00	19.45
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	\$ 11,922.81	\$ 520.22

GEORGE R. RICH MEMORIAL ACCOUNT.

PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT.

No. Transactions.

INTEREST ACCOUNT.

RECEIPTS.

Income on Investments.....	\$ 181.00	
Interest on Deposits.....	22.62	
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		\$ 203.63

DISBURSEMENTS.

None.....	\$ 0.00	
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		\$ 0.00
Balance.....		203.63
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		\$ 203.63

Balance, March 31, 1952..... \$ 896.64

Balance, 1953 Account..... 203.63

Balance, March 31, 1953..... \$ 1,100.27

Portland Savings Bank, Account No. 136383..... \$ 1,100.27

SECURITIES.

MARCH 31, 1953.

Face	Bond	Cost	Income
\$2,000 Jamestown, Franklin & Clearfield R. R. Co. 4's, 1959.....		\$ 1,920.00	\$ 80.00
1,000 U. S. Treasury 2½'s, 1967-72, Dated June 1, 1945.....		1,048.44	25.00
20 Shares, St. Croix Paper Co., Common.....		1,075.00	76.00
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		\$ 4,043.44	\$ 181.00

Fraternally submitted,

H. NORTON MAXFIELD,

Grand Treasurer.

No.	LODGE.	District.	Work.	Rendition.	Meetings held during year.	Average attendance.	No. attended by Master.	No. attended by S. W.	No. attended by J. W.	No. attended by Sec'y.	No. attended by S. D.	No. attended by J. D.	Amount of Charity Fund.	Amount expended for Charity during the year.	Fees for degrees.	Annual dues.	Un-paid dues.	One year.	Two years or more.	Income of Lodge.	Cost of running Lodge.
72	Pioneer.....	Ashland.....	1	F.C.	G	22	30	22	17	18	22	17	18	\$	\$	\$ 40	\$ 5.00	\$ 120	\$ 180	\$	\$
73	Tyrian.....	Mechanic Falls.....	23	M.M.	G	16	13	14	5	15	11	8	14	—	150	30	3.00	—	114	54	—
74	Bristol.....	Bristol.....	10	E.A.	G	13	35	13	10	13	13	10	11	391	85	30	3.00	144	12	409	412
75	Archon.....	East Dixmont.....	22	E.A.	G	13	18	13	11	11	10	11	9	—	—	30	2.50	45	37	—	—
76	Arundel.....	Kennebunkport.....	19	M.M.	Ex	16	42	16	14	12	15	15	5	863	405	30	5.00	150	235	1,614	1,599
77	Tremont.....	Southwest Harbor.....	21	F.C.	G	13	16	13	8	11	12	12	12	73	43	30	3.00	210	105	633	586
78	Crescent.....	Pembroke.....	2	M.M.	F	19	17	18	13	19	14	11	10	—	—	30	4.00	20	80	—	—
79	Rockland.....	Rockland.....	9	F.C.	G	20	27	19	20	18	19	15	19	—	—	35	5.00	230	195	—	—
80	Keystone.....	Solon.....	13	F.C.	F	12	41	11	1	10	12	12	8	—	—	30	3.00	150	51	—	—
81	Atlantic.....	Portland.....	17	M.M.	Ex	27	39	27	25	24	24	10	19	—	482	60	8.00	790	226	5,768	5,608
82	St. Paul's.....	Rockport.....	7	F.C.	G	25	22	25	20	14	25	23	15	175	200	30	4.00	384	224	1,344	1,173
83	St. Andrew's.....	Bangor.....	6	M.M.	F	36	44	34	30	31	34	34	32	—	—	50	6.00	128	84	6,647	5,082
84	Eureka.....	Tenant's Harbor.....	9	M.M.	G	12	17	10	10	10	9	9	10	—	—	30	5.00	65	55	—	—
85	Star in the West.....	Unity.....	12	E.A.	F	14	15	14	10	5	13	7	7	546	32	30	3.00	132	65	471	269

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

OF THE

CHARITY FUND OF THE GRAND LODGE 1953

BENJAMIN W. ELA, Grand Master, EX-Officio

PAUL L. POWERS, Deputy Grand Master

ARTHUR W. SEAWARD, Senior Grand Warden

CLIFFORD H. M. PERRY, Junior Grand Warden

CONVERS E. LEACH, Grand Secretary

GEORGE F. GIDDINGS, elected May 1, 1951, for three years

EDWARD W. WHEELER, " " 6, 1952 " " "

DAVID L. WILSON, " " 6, 1952 " " "

ERNEST C. BUTLER, " " 5, 1953 " " "

CHARLES E. CROSSLAND, " " 5, 1953 " " "

ERVIN E. J. LANDER, " " 5, 1953 " one year

Inspection Reports

OF THE

District Deputy Grand Masters

AND

Reports of Lodge Treasurers

Lodges presented work and were rated as follows:

Rated	E. A. Degree		F. C. Degree		M. M. Degree	
	1952	1953	1952	1953	1952	1953
Excellent.....	10	11	10	9	27	32
Good.....	36	36	33	28	58	60
Fair.....	11	10	6	12	16	9
Poor.....	0	0	0	0	0	0
No work.....	0	0	0	0	0	1

Eighty-seven Lodges failed to make treasurers' reports as called for by our Standing Regulations.

Reported as contributed by the Lodges for relief, \$15,580.00.

Dues in arrears for two years or more \$25,943.00.

Thirteen Lodges report no dues in arrears.

No.	LODGE.	District.	Work.	Rendition.	Meetings held during year.	Average attendance.	No. attended by Master.	No. attended by S. W.	No. attended by J. W.	No. attended by Sec'y.	No. attended by S. D.	No. attended by J. D.	Assets of Lodge other than Building.	Amount of Charity Fund.	Amount expended for Charity during the year.	Fees for degrees.	Annual dues.	Un-paid dues.	One year.	Two years or more.	Income of Lodge.	Cost of running Lodge.
1	Portland.....Portland.....	17	E.A.	G	25 50 24 22 23 20 24 24								\$	\$	90	50	6.00	309	62	5,060	4,160	
2	Warren.....East Machias.....	3	F.C.	F	19 16 17 15 12 18 11 2								—	443	—	30	3.00	0	33	979	1,229	
3	Lincoln.....Wiscasset.....	10	M.M.	G	13 27 13 13 10 11 10 13								—	—	—	30	3.00	102	126	—	—	
4	Hancock.....Castine.....	4	E.A.	G	16 15 15 11 16 13 13 12								—	—	—	40	4.00	40	64	—	—	
5	Kennebec.....Hallowell.....	11	M.M.	G	22 30 22 17 12 19 18 18								—	—	50	30	4.00	133	0	—	—	
6	Amity.....Camden.....	7	M.M.	G	23 25 23 23 22 22 22 21								—	138	250	35	4.00	120	81	2,091	2,056	
7	Eastern.....Eastport.....	2	M.M.	E	20 30 20 15 18 13 19 19								—	—	336	50	5.00	114	22	—	—	
8	United.....Brunswick.....	14	M.M.	E	19 21 19 6 18 19 19 18								—	21,926	490	35	5.00	135	25	3,600	4,374	
9	Saco.....Saco.....	18	F.C.	E	17 40 17 17 17 16 13 16								—	—	220	40	5.50	297	0	—	—	
10	Rising Virtue.....Bangor.....	6	M.M.	G	36 41 35 35 24 33 36 33								—	—	200	40	4.00	1,104	368	—	—	
11	Pythagorean.....Fryeburg.....	16	F.C.	G	11 21 10 11 10 8 11 11								—	—	—	30	5.00	10	—	—	—	
12	Cumberland.....New Gloucester.....	23	F.C.	G	19 43 17 19 19 18 18 17								—	—	90	30	3.00	210	96	—	—	
13	Oriental.....Bridgton.....	16	F.C.	E	16 49 16 14 13 15 13 15								—	—	—	30	4.00	16	52	—	—	
14	Solar.....Bath.....	14	M.M.	E	29 32 29 25 29 28 28 27								—	—	100	50	6.50	585	130	—	—	

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15	Orient.....	Thomaston.....	9	M.M. G	26 27 26 20 18 23 24 14								—	—	—	30	4.00	140	20	1,154	1,227
16	St. George.....	Warren.....	9	M.M. G	17 20 17 17 14 17 16 9								—	—	—	30	3.00	18	18	887	847
17	Ancient Land-Mark.....	Portland.....	17	F.C. E	24 27 24 22 24 24 22 24								—	—	420	60	8.00	616	—	—	—
18	Oxford.....	Norway.....	16	M.M. G	20 23 20 20 20 20 20 18								—	—	—	30	5.00	36	28	—	—
19	Felicity.....	Bucksport.....	21	E.A. G	18 25 16 15 18 16 16 18								—	—	—	40	6.00	582	384	—	—
20	Maine.....	Farmington.....	15	M.M. E	19 39 18 19 18 18 19 17								—	2,788	—	30	5.00	125	20	1,250	1,493
21	Oriental Star.....	Livermore Falls.....	20	M.M. G	15 17 15 8 11 11 7 10								—	—	—	40	5.00	205	130	—	—
22	York.....	Kennebunk.....	19	M.M. E	16 36 15 16 14 15 13 15								—	57	25	30	4.00	174	84	2,206	2,424
23	Freeport.....	Freeport.....	14	E.A. E	15 29 15 15 12 10 15 14								—	—	—	35	5.00	192	48	1,406	2,343
24	Phoenix.....	Belfast.....	8	M.M. E	14 37 14 14 14 14 14 11								—	—	—	30	4.00	140	348	1,221	1,491
25	Temple.....	Winthrop.....	11	M.M. G	15 20 13 14 13 15 15 15								—	—	—	30	4.00	176	258	—	—
26	Village.....	Bowdoinham.....	14	E.A. G	17 26 17 16 17 17 16 17								—	—	—	30	5.00	18	27	—	—
27	Adoniram.....	Limington.....	18	F.C. F	12 — 10 9 10 10 7 9								—	—	—	40	2.00	126	218	—	—
28	Northern Star.....	North Anson.....	13	M.M. G	14 29 14 12 14 14 12 7								—	—	—	30	4.50	117	22	—	—

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29	Tranquil.....	Auburn.....	23	M.M. E	34 43	32 32	30 32	30 13					\$	\$	\$ 50	\$ 50	3.00	\$	426	225	\$	\$
30	Blazing Star.....	Rumford.....	20	M.M. E	18 42	16 16	13 17	15 13					—	—	—	40	4.00	260	68	2,277	2,241	
31	Union.....	Union.....	7	F.C. G	31 23	30 24	26 26	31 28					—	—	—	30	4.00	48	262	569	669	
32	Hermon.....	Gardiner.....	11	M.M. G	34 30	33 28	32 32	30 31					—	6,524	300	40	5.00	230	250	5,896	4,908	
33	Waterville.....	Waterville.....	12	M.M. G	31 38	31 27	29 29	25 24					—	22,396	1,720	35	5.00	535	533	4,604	3,437	
34	Somerset.....	Skowhegan.....	13	M.M. G	14 31	10 12	13 12	5 12					—	—	229	35	5.00	90	65	1,085	1,229	
35	Bethlehem.....	Augusta.....	11	M.M. G	35 35	35 32	31 35	26 34					—	—	—	35	4.00	44	0	—	—	
36	Casco.....	Yarmouth.....	17	M.M. G	22 33	21 21	21 22	21 21					—	—	100	40	4.00	132	160	—	—	
37	Washington.....	Lubec.....	2	E.A. E	17 26	14 8	13 14	14 13					—	3,118	132	40	5.00	110	61	1,607	2,320	
38	Harmony.....	Gorham.....	17	F.C. F	18 44	18 15	17 15	16 15					—	1,244	—	40	5.00	169	47	1,170	1,313	
39	Penobscot.....	Dexter.....	5	M.M. E	18 33	17 16	18 7	16 18					—	3,096	—	35	5.00	105	50	2,564	2,557	
40	Lygonia.....	Ellsworth.....	21	M.M. E	34 26	24 23	17 25	25 24					—	54	—	30	5.00	600	120	2,638	2,831	
41	Morning Star.....	Litchfield.....	11	M.M. G	13 18	11 7	10 12	8 8					—	269	—	30	3.00	80	52	564	371	
42	Freedom.....	Limerick.....	18	F.C. F	15 17	15 15	14 13	5 15					—	—	15	30	3.00	0	0	—	—	

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43	Alna.....	Damariscotta.....	10	M.M. E	23 21 18 16 20 17 21 20								\$ —	\$ 2,376	\$ 208	\$ 30	\$ 2.00	\$ 270	\$ 240	\$ 514	\$ 652
44	Piscataquis.....	Milo.....	5	M.M. G	20 27 19 18 14 18 16 13								—	159	257	35	5.00	275	455	2,252	1,624
45	Central.....	China.....	12	M.M. G	12 21 13 8 8 14 10 14								—	—	—	30	2.50	55	60	—	—
46	St. Croix.....	Calais.....	2	M.M. E	21 38 21 10 18 21 14 17								—	—	220	30	4.00	159	221	1,895	1,468
47	Dunlap.....	Biddeford.....	18	M.M. E	13 19 16 16 14 16 15 14								—	—	—	40	7.00	525	154	—	—
48	Lafayette.....	Readfield.....	11	E.A. G	28 38 28 25 17 26 18 19								—	720	272	30	4.00	212	56	1,921	1,787
49	Meridian Splendor.....	Newport.....	22	E.A. G	18 28 17 16 16 17 13 13								—	—	—	30	3.00	255	165	1,051	1,131
50	Aurora.....	Rockland.....	9	M.M. G	23 29 22 22 18 23 21 19								—	1,727	497	35	5.00	200	20	2,147	1,675
51	St. John's.....	South Berwick.....	19	F.C. E	15 23 15 13 12 14 12 12								—	—	—	30	5.00	165	27	1,782	2,284
52	Mosaic.....	Dover-Foxcroft.....	5	F.C. E	21 34 16 18 18 19 20 16								—	—	—	30	3.00	60	36	—	—
53	Rural.....	Sydney.....	11	F.C. F	11 15 11 11 10 11 10 10								—	—	—	30	3.00	0	36	—	—
54	Vassalboro.....	North Vassalboro.....	12	E.A. G	12 16 11 10 11 12 11 7								—	—	—	30	3.00	66	42	—	—
55	Fraternal.....	Alfred.....	19	M.M. G	14 20 14 11 10 13 9 10								—	104	133	30	4.00	80	4	804	873
56	Mount Moriah.....	Denmark.....	16	M.M. G	11 20 11 11 10 10 9 8								—	—	—	30	2.00	20	32	—	—

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57	King Hiram.....	Dixfield.....	20	E.A.	E	18	9	18	16	12	17	12	18	—	\$ 100	\$ 48	\$ 30	\$ 5.00	\$ 238	\$ 113	\$ 759	\$ 552
58	Unity.....	Thorndike.....	12	M.M.	G	16	31	14	14	13	16	15	11	—	—	225	30	3.00	54	69	616	528
60	Star in the East.....	Old Town.....	6	M.M.	F	38	27	36	3	31	17	18	22	—	944	30	40	6.00	1,578	499	3,249	2,989
61	King Solomon's.....	Waldoboro.....	9	M.M.	G	31	24	30	30	27	25	27	24	—	—	100	30	3.50	59	49	—	—
62	King David's.....	Lincolnville.....	7	F.C.	G	15	28	8	13	15	14	14	12	—	—	—	30	2.00	70	32	498	695
63	Richmond.....	Richmond.....	14	M.M.	G	17	24	13	16	16	16	13	15	—	—	—	30	3.50	122	192	—	—
64	Pacific.....	Exeter.....	22	E.A.	F	10	18	10	7	5	9	8	6	—	—	19	30	3.00	72	147	760	250
65	Mystic.....	Hampden.....	6	M.M.	G	23	34	22	19	20	23	20	14	—	1,553	—	30	3.00	220	38	2,043	1,088
66	Mechanics',.....	Orono.....	6	M.M.	G	26	37	25	23	24	21	24	21	—	—	42	40	4.00	18	0	—	—
67	Blue Mountain.....	Phillips.....	15	E.A.	G	16	28	13	10	15	14	16	16	—	—	—	30	4.00	60	48	—	—
68	Mariners',.....	Searsport.....	8	F.C.	E	18	20	16	11	11	10	13	13	—	—	—	30	3.00	102	33	603	747
69	Howard.....	Winterport.....	6	M.M.	F	18	30	17	11	9	15	7	11	—	131	68	30	4.00	170	93	1,142	611
70	Standish.....	Standish.....	17	E.A.	G	16	39	16	16	16	16	15	16	—	10	150	30	3.00	63	72	1,197	734
71	Rising Sun.....	Orland.....	21	M.M.	F	17	14	16	9	10	15	9	13	—	—	30	30	3.00	126	72	—	—

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72	Pioneer.....	Ashland.....	1	E.A.	G	16 22	16 11	12 15	14 4				\$	\$	\$	\$ 40	5.00	\$ 10	\$ 91		\$
73	Tyrian.....	Mechanic Falls.....	22	M.M.	G	30 37	26 30	28 29	23 22				—	—	293	30	3.00	51	0	1,338	1,192
74	Bristol.....	Bristol.....	10	M.M.	F	15 10	15 11	14 15	14 14				—	324	60	30	3.00	90	2	557	416
75	Archon.....	East Dixmont.....	22	M.M.	E	13 17	13 13	6 13	6 6				—	—	—	30	2.50	25	47	—	—
76	Arundel.....	Kennebunkport.....	19	M.M.	E	19 35	18 19	13 18	14 10				—	—	—	30	5.00	195	85	1,622	1,960
77	Tremont.....	Southwest Harbor.....	21	M.M.	G	16 27	17 18	15 15	17 14				—	82	59	30	3.00	54	18	820	849
78	Crescent.....	Pembroke.....	2	M.M.	F	16 13	11 12	5 9	12 6				—	3,063	—	30	4.00	20	16	455	332
79	Rockland.....	Rockland.....	9	M.M.	G	31 24	30 24	29 30	21 30				—	—	100	35	5.00	200	490	—	—
80	Keystone.....	Solon.....	13	M.M.	G	15 30	14 9	14 15	9 14				—	—	—	30	3.00	78	24	—	—
81	Atlantic.....	Portland.....	17	M.M.	G	23 48	22 22	20 21	20 15				—	—	425	60	8.00	506	184	4,444	4,555
82	St. Paul's.....	Rockport.....	7	E.A.	E	26 29	25 26	26 25	25 25				—	1,585	—	30	4.00	327	224	1,700	1,080
83	St. Andrew's.....	Bangor.....	6	M.M.	G	42 37	39 39	38 38	38 37				—	—	250	40	4.00	143	824	11,216	4,724
84	Eureka.....	Tenant's Harbor.....	9	F.C.	G	14 16	12 13	12 14	10 11				—	—	—	30	5.00	75	40	716	1,242
85	Star in the West.....	Unity.....	12	M.M.	G	12 20	9 10	9 0	10 1				—	497	—	30	3.00	18	39	451	271

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86	Temple.....	Westbrook.....	17	M.M. E	22	27	22	18	18	20	15	16	\$	\$	\$ 125	\$ 40	\$ 5.00	\$ 470	\$ 316	\$	\$
87	Benevolent.....	Carmel.....	6	E.A. G	12	12	11	3	8	11	10	5	—	—	—	30	2.00	44	94	243	293
88	Narraguagus.....	Cherryfield.....	3	F.C. G	17	14	14	10	10	14	4	10	—	—	—	30	2.50	20	45	—	—
89	Island.....	Islesboro.....	7	E.A. E	28	14	27	17	26	22	26	25	—	129	80	30	4.00	148	117	441	490
91	Harwood.....	Machias.....	3	M.M. G	19	20	17	18	18	15	18	9	—	—	—	30	3.00	102	54	—	—
92	Siloam.....	Fairfield.....	12	E.A. G	28	16	27	24	25	27	25	19	—	—	—	35	5.00	265	0	—	—
93	Horeb.....	Lincoln.....	24	F.C. G	22	37	21	20	18	21	20	21	—	800	—	40	5.00	260	336	1,698	2,040
94	Paris.....	South Paris.....	16	E.A. G	13	25	13	13	13	11	13	13	—	—	—	30	4.00	53	0	—	—
95	Corinthian.....	Hartland.....	22	F.C. G	19	18	16	15	17	19	18	15	—	465	58	30	3.00	117	60	710	520
96	Monument.....	Houlton.....	1	E.A. E	33	34	30	29	29	30	27	28	—	27,843	578	35	5.00	365	290	4,268	3,371
97	Bethel.....	Bethel.....	16	E.A. G	16	24	15	16	16	14	15	16	—	—	25	40	6.00	92	980	894	886
98	Katahdin.....	Patten.....	24	F.C. G	17	9	15	17	12	16	17	15	—	—	—	30	3.50	147	153	—	—
99	Vernon Valley.....	Mt. Vernon.....	15	F.C. G	19	24	19	4	16	7	19	18	—	—	—	30	3.00	75	111	—	—
100	Jefferson.....	Bryant Pond.....	16	F.C. G	15	20	15	15	15	15	15	15	—	—	—	40	4.00	112	95	—	—

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101	Nezinscot.....Turner.....	23	M.M. F	19 19 18 19 17 19 18 18								\$	\$	\$ 12	\$ 30	4.00	192	\$ 80	\$	\$
102	March River.....Brooks.....	8	F.C. E	19 23 18 17 14 19 17 15								—	—	—	30	3.00	93	6	—	—
103	Dresden.....Dresden Mills.....	10	E.A. F	16 10 14 6 14 16 14 3								—	—	—	30	2.00	94	447	—	—
104	Dirigo.....Week's Mills.....	11	M.M. G	17 28 17 17 15 16 11 12								—	348	25	30	3.00	72	38	656	796
105	Ashlar.....Lewiston.....	23	M.M. E	20 43 20 20 20 12 20 20								—	—	1,231	50	5.00	210	65	—	—
106	Tuscan.....Addison.....	3	E.A. G	14 22 12 11 10 14 9 9								—	684	—	30	5.00	36	0	665	895
107	Day Spring.....West Newfield.....	18	F.C. F	10 28 10 10 9 8 9 9								—	—	—	30	2.50	69	135	—	—
109	Mount Kineo.....Guilford.....	5	E.A. G	18 24 12 12 18 16 16 17								—	—	—	30	2.00	0	0	968	967
110	Monmouth.....Monmouth.....	11	M.M. G	34 31 33 30 33 30 21 23								—	—	—	30	3.00	90	306	—	—
111	Liberty.....Liberty.....	8	M.M. G	12 21 12 11 10 11 9 9								—	—	—	30	3.00	21	94	317	333
112	Eastern Frontier.....Fort Fairfield.....	1	F.C. G	26 24 20 17 12 21 19 20								—	—	50	30	5.00	115	285	—	—
113	Messalonskee.....Oakland.....	12	M.M. E	20 23 20 19 17 17 19 14								—	690	520	30	4.00	78	18	1,312	586
114	Polar Star.....Bath.....	14	M.M. E	20 38 18 20 20 16 18 20								—	—	420	50	6.50	396	0	—	—
115	Buxton.....West Buxton.....	18	F.C. E	18 43 18 16 17 18 4 18								—	—	109	30	4.00	62	400	2,466	2,408

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116	Lebanon.....	Norridgewock.....	13	M.M. G	16 28 15 14 14	9 14 11							\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
117	Greenleaf.....	Cornish.....	18	F.C. F	14 22 14 14	9 13 13 7							—	—	25	30	3.00	78	57	—	—
118	Drummond.....	No. Parsonfield.....	18	M.M. G	13 16 12 12 12	13 12 12							—	—	25	30	2.50	30	112	—	—
119	Pownal.....	Stockton Springs.....	8	F.C. G	17 12 15 12	6 16 2 8							—	—	—	30	3.00	27	27	408	547
121	Acacia.....	Durham.....	14	M.M. G	17 33 13 10 12	17 11 7							—	114	45	30	2.50	65	75	528	534
122	Marine.....	Deer Isle.....	4	F.C. G	16 19 16 16 13	15 13 14							—	—	—	30	3.00	260	66	967	932
123	Franklin.....	New Sharon.....	15	M.M. G	21 26 21 21 18	20 20 20							—	152	63	30	3.00	60	39	1,336	1,384
124	Olive Branch.....	Charleston.....	6	F.C. F	17 19 16 13 15	13 9 10							—	—	—	30	3.00	268	165	—	—
125	Meridian.....	Pittsfield.....	22	M.M. E	12 38 12 12 11	12 12 10							—	—	200	35	3.00	57	33	1,206	1,664
126	Timothy Chase.....	Belfast.....	8	M.M. E	19 27 17 17 16	16 15 16							—	10,000	—	30	4.00	124	212	1,120	1,465
127	Presumpscot.....	North Windham.....	17	F.C. G	22 34 22 21 17	20 22 19							—	—	—	30	3.00	126	293	—	—
128	Eggemoggin.....	Sedgwick.....	4	E.A. G	22 16 22 15	5 22 19 13							—	—	—	30	3.00	42	78	315	289
129	Quantabacook.....	Searsmont.....	7	F.C. G	15 25 11 14 15	12 6 9							—	—	75	30	3.00	117	156	369	877
130	Trinity.....	Presque Isle.....	1	M.M. G	28 42 26 27 26	26 26 21							—	—	—	45	8.00	240	895	3,951	3,716

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131	Lookout.....Cutler.....	3	E.A.	G	14 20 12	8 13 14	9 1						\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
132	Mount Tir'em.....Waterford.....	16	F.C.	G	10 12 10	6 8 8	7 2						—	—	—	30	3.50	0	57	—
133	Asylum.....Wayne.....	11	F.C.	F	11 11 11	7 8 11	8 10						—	2,407	—	30	3.50	31	59	368
135	Riverside.....Jefferson.....	7	E.A.	G	16 26 16	12 15 11	13 14						—	1,141	25	30	4.00	125	56	874
137	Kenduskeag.....Kenduskeag.....	6	F.C.	G	18 32 18	17 18 18	15 16						—	—	400	30	3.50	32	22	802
138	Lewy's Island.....Princeton.....	2	E.A.	E	27 18 22	24 19 25	23 21						—	3,591	197	30	2.00	42	24	1,212
140	Mount Desert.....Mount Desert.....	21	M.M.	G	13 16 12	11 11 10	12 11						—	—	—	30	3.00	106	69	386
141	Augusta.....Augusta.....	11	M.M.	E	39 38 38	38 31 38	37 33						—	—	—	35	4.00	188	60	3,240
142	Ocean.....Wells Depot.....	19	M.M.	E	22 30 22	21 15 21	20 17						—	—	—	30	5.00	385	560	—
143	Preble.....Sanford.....	19	M.M.	E	25 50 24	22 19 23	18 14						—	1,098	—	40	5.00	175	25	3,060
144	Seaside.....Boothbay Harbor.....	10	M.M.	G	27 21 26	25 22 27	16 20						—	3,029	31	30	4.00	78	153	1,391
145	Moses Webster.....Vinalhaven.....	9	No	—	11 20 8	9 11 11	9 6						—	—	—	30	4.00	46	20	684
146	Sebasticoock.....Clinton.....	12	M.M.	G	21 30 21	18 21 21	19 16						—	185	—	30	3.00	123	132	871

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147	Evening Star.....Buckfield.....	20	E.A.	G	10 15 10	6	9	10	7	10			\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
148	Forest.....Springfield.....	24	F.C.	F	11 13 11	10	10	9	11	2			—	—	—	30	3.00	82	39	—	—
149	Doric.....Monson.....	5	M.M.	G	15 20 15	15	15	15	13	14			—	—	—	30	4.00	90	48	—	—
150	Rabboni.....Lewiston.....	23	M.M.	G	12 26 12	12	9	11	12	11			—	—	30	50	5.00	76	75	—	—
151	Excelsior.....Northport.....	8	E.A.	E	13 13 13	12	10	11	11	8			—	—	—	30	2.00	60	30	—	—
152	Crooked River.....Bolster's Mills.....	16	E.A.	G	12 32 12	12	12	9	7	12			—	—	—	30	3.50	87	93	—	—
153	Delta.....Lovell.....	16	E.A.	G	10 15 9	9	9	9	8	8			—	—	—	30	5.00	245	125	—	—
154	Mystic Tie.....Weld.....	15	E.A.	G	12 10 0	9	7	10	6	5			—	—	—	35	3.50	14	0	—	—
155	Ancient York.....Lisbon Falls.....	14	E.A.	E	20 35 16	9	12	16	13	13			—	1,014	—	40	10.00	625	140	588	2,471
156	Wilton.....Wilton.....	15	F.C.	E	14 20 13	14	13	11	11	10			—	5,368	—	30	5.00	106	45	3,215	2,947
157	Cambridge.....Cambridge.....	22	E.A.	G	13 17 12	10	8	12	4	8			—	—	—	30	2.00	60	16	—	—
158	Anchor.....South Bristol.....	10	E.A.	F	13 13 13	13	8	12	11	7			—	—	—	30	3.50	31	24	296	233
160	Parian.....Corinna.....	22	E.A.	G	14 24 14	13	12	10	10	6			—	—	—	30	4.00	228	92	—	—
161	Carrabasset.....Canaan.....	13	M.M.	E	15 14 15	12	3	14	13	14			—	1,075	—	30	2.00	26	12	221	205

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162	Arion.....	Goodwin's Mills.....	18	E.A.	G	16	26	15	10	16	16	16	16	\$	\$	\$ 17	\$ 30	4.00	\$ 284	\$ 127	\$ 626	\$ 475
163	Pleasant River.....	Brownville.....	5	F.C.	G	19	20	12	9	10	6	12	10	—	—	—	30	4.00	272	424	—	—
164	Webster.....	Sabattus.....	23	F.C.	G	21	22	19	17	16	19	16	16	—	667	—	35	3.00	54	33	615	596
165	Molunkus.....	Sherman Mills.....	24	E.A.	G	21	16	18	16	18	15	18	19	—	—	—	30	5.00	69	286	—	—
166	Neguemkeag.....	Vassalboro.....	12	M.M.	G	16	20	16	13	12	16	12	9	—	136	—	30	3.00	36	132	504	707
167	Whitney.....	Canton.....	20	E.A.	F	17	20	15	8	14	13	13	7	—	—	50	30	4.00	120	24	499	451
168	Composite.....	Lagrange.....	5	E.A.	G	16	25	16	11	14	16	9	0	—	—	10	30	3.00	168	39	923	880
169	Shepherd's River.....	Brownfield.....	16	F.C.	G	10	18	10	10	8	10	8	10	—	—	—	30	3.00	26	10	203	161
170	Caribou.....	Caribou.....	1	F.C.	G	21	26	20	20	21	21	16	20	—	—	—	30	5.00	335	75	2,581	2,438
171	Naskeag.....	Brooklin.....	4	F.C.	F	13	18	13	11	10	10	11	12	—	—	—	30	3.00	80	24	—	—
172	Pine Tree.....	Mattawamkeag.....	24	F.C.	G	12	13	11	11	11	10	6	9	—	—	15	40	5.00	145	123	440	513
173	Pleiades.....	Millbridge.....	3	M.M.	G	35	16	32	33	27	25	28	33	—	—	410	30	2.50	167	55	968	558
174	Lydne.....	Hermon.....	6	E.A.	F	20	20	19	19	18	19	18	19	—	31	25	30	4.00	144	28	935	1,016
175	Baskahegan.....	Danforth.....	24	E.A.	G	14	23	12	10	11	14	11	11	—	—	100	30	3.00	24	93	—	—

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177	Rising Star.....	Penobscot.....	4	F.C.	G	18 24	17 14	16 14	16 13				\$ —	\$ 558	\$ 840	\$ 30	\$ 3.00	\$ 39	\$ 18	\$ 413	\$ 637
178	Ancient Brothers'.....	Auburn.....	23	M.M.	G	27 41	27 25	21 24	25 22				—	5,302	55	50	4.00	1,384	372	2,424	3,191
179	Yorkshire.....	North Berwick.....	19	M.M.	E	15 31	15 15	15 15	14 8				—	1,759	360	40	5.00	120	269	897	1,007
180	Hiram.....	South Portland.....	17	M.M.	E	50 63	50 47	46 40	43 36				—	—	294	60	5.00	427	100	8,133	5,629
182	Granite.....	West Paris.....	16	E.A.	G	16 18	16 14	13 15	9 12				—	—	9	30	4.00	32	0	428	476
183	Deering.....	Portland.....	17	M.M.	E	36 59	34 31	35 35	33 32				—	—	678	60	5.00	280	0	7,901	7,320
184	Naval.....	Kittery.....	19	M.M.	E	37 53	37 35	36 35	32 32				—	492	65	50	5.00	650	370	7,446	5,557
185	Bar Harbor.....	Bar Harbor.....	21	M.M.	E	23 25	19 19	23 23	19 23				—	—	—	40	7.50	427	352	—	—
186	Warren Phillips.....	Cumberland Mills.....	17	E.A.	G	21 21	20 10	20 19	20 4				—	—	137	40	4.00	232	150	—	—
187	Ira Berry.....	Blue Hill.....	4	F.C.	G	15 22	15 15	12 15	14 15				—	—	—	30	3.00	72	57	387	350
188	Jonesport.....	Jonesport.....	3	E.A.	F	15 21	14 13	2 13	14 13				—	70	18	30	3.50	45	10	1,205	835
189	Knox.....	So. Thomaston.....	9	M.M.	G	21 22	20 16	20 19	14 6				—	34	69	30	3.00	114	93	541	614
190	Springvale.....	Springvale.....	19	M.M.	E	23 41	23 22	22 22	22 23				—	—	—	40	4.00	188	68	—	—
191	Davis.....	Strong.....	15	M.M.	G	17 21	17 17	16 16	12 11				—	—	250	30	3.50	17	14	1,118	850

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													\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
192	Winter Harbor.....	Winter Harbor.....	21	M.M.	G	23 16 22	16	18	22	11	11		—	—	—	30	5.00	165	500	—	—
193	Washburn.....	Washburn.....	1	E.A.	G	15 20 14	15	14	14	12	4		—	—	—	30	5.00	90	200	1,236	621
194	Euclid.....	Madison.....	13	M.M.	G	15 28 15	14	12	14	11	14		—	—	—	30	4.00	140	652	1,453	1,485
195	Reliance.....	Stonington.....	4	E.A.	E	13 14 13	0	12	13	10	7		—	—	—	30	5.00	105	195	—	—
196	Bay View.....	East Boothbay.....	10	M.M.	E	26 25 26	21	23	26	24	25		—	593	—	35	3.00	51	48	1,409	1,303
197	Aroostook.....	Mars Hill.....	1	M.M.	G	20 29 20	19	18	20	10	13		—	—	—	40	8.00	295	230	—	—
198	St. Aspinquid.....	York Village.....	19	M.M.	E	23 20 22	20	19	12	23	23		—	—	30	40	5.00	405	105	2,653	2,450
199	Bingham.....	Bingham.....	13	M.M.	F	12 29 11	10	11	12	9	9		—	1,685	145	35	4.00	238	94	1,272	945
200	Columbia.....	Greenville.....	5	M.M.	G	21 33 14	9	20	18	21	9		—	702	100	45	5.00	66	103	1,887	894
201	David A. Hooper.....	West Sullivan.....	21	M.M.	G	20 17 15	15	16	19	18	13		—	—	250	30	3.00	126	425	—	—
202	Mount Bigelow.....	Flagstaff.....	15	M.M.	F	15 13 15	13	13	15	9	9		—	—	—	30	4.00	60	114	—	—
203	Mount Olivet.....	Washington.....	7	M.M.	G	13 18 11	4	9	2	3	1		—	—	—	30	4.00	60	234	—	—
204	Mount Abram.....	Kingfield.....	15	E.A.	G	14 19 13	9	13	14	12	14		—	—	—	30	3.00	39	6	1,053	873
205	Nollesemic.....	Millinocket.....	24	E.A.	E	25 51 25	22	25	25	23	25		—	—	—	50	6.00	162	194	2,400	1,547

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206	Island Falls.....	Island Falls.....	24	E.A.	G	12 15 10	9	8	9	8	8	8	\$ —	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 30	4.00	\$ 159	\$ 159	\$ —	\$ —
207	Abner Wade.....	Sangerville.....	5	F.C.	F	20 15 20	18	17	18	15	19	19	—	157	23	30	5.00	70	81	835	304
208	Northeast Harbor.....	Northeast Harbor.....	21	M.M.	G	11 17 10	10	7	10	8	9	9	—	1,224	—	30	3.00	42	75	434	413
209	Fort Kent.....	Fort Kent.....	1	E.A.	G	12 14 10	8	6	11	11	10	10	—	—	—	40	8.00	336	188	—	—
210	Bagaduce.....	North Brooksville.....	4	M.M.	G	24 22	3	21	21	18	13	1	—	—	—	30	3.00	21	18	706	598
211	Meduncook.....	Friendship.....	9	E.A.	G	15 —	15	10	12	11	10	11	—	—	—	30	4.00	44	12	354	249
212	McKinley.....	McKinley.....	21	E.A.	F	15 20 14	11	10	14	9	8	8	—	—	65	30	5.00	85	368	—	—
213	Kemankeag.....	Rangeley.....	15	E.A.	F	11 38 11	11	11	10	11	8	8	—	—	—	30	4.00	64	28	—	—
214	Limestone.....	Limestone.....	1	M.M.	F	15 19 15	13	14	14	7	14	14	—	—	—	40	8.00	176	80	1,599	637
215	Orchard.....	Old Orchard.....	18	F.C.	E	17 40 17	12	14	15	17	14	14	—	—	—	40	4.50	225	184	1,851	1,284
216	Corner Stone.....	Portland.....	17	F.C.	G	38 61 28	34	37	32	33	35	35	—	5,726	405	60	5.00	415	120	5,859	4,767
217	Ralph J. Pollard.....	Orrington.....	6	F.C.	G	22 51 19	21	18	22	22	20	20	—	711	—	30	5.00	75	20	1,787	1,127

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- Abner Wade, 207, Sangerville. Elmer Leland, M.; Willard Starbird, S. W.; Malcolm Dow, J. W.; Earl L. Humphrey, S. Meeting first Thursday; election, January. 5
- Acacia, 121, Durham. Edwin Herlin, M.; Harold Booker, S. W.; Ralph Vosmus, J. W.; Louis A. Bowie, S. Meeting Tuesday on or before full moon; election, December. 14
- Adoniram, 27, Limington. Arthur W. Libby, M.; Donald H. Chapman, S. W.; Harlan A. Fowler, J. W.; Hervey L. Maxim, S. Meeting second Tuesday; election, December. 18
- Alna, 43, Damariscotta. Joseph E. West, M.; Robert A. Hussey, S. W.; Walter T. West, J. W.; Cleary W. Erskine, S. Meeting first Friday; election, December. 10
- Amity, 6, Camden. Roland C. Marriner, M.; Charles C. Steel, S. W.; Harry W. Coffin, J. W.; Ross M. Howes, S. Meeting Friday on or before full moon; election October. 7
- Anchor, 158, South Bristol. Herbert M. Thompson, M.; Norman E. Kelsey, S. W.; Ronald L. Rowles, J. W.; Robert A. Sproul, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, December. 10
- Ancient Brothers', 178, Auburn. Lawrence Packard, M.; Ralph E. McKenney, S. W.; Walter Parker, J. W.; Ernest L. Packard, Sr., S. Meeting Monday, on or after full moon; election, October. 23
- Ancient Land-Mark, 17, Portland. Stanley F. Sampson, M.; Richard D. Bicknell, S. W.; Edmund E. Lemieux, J. W.; Merrill W. Sweetser, (29 Richardson St.), S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, December. 17
- Ancient York, 155, Lisbon Falls. John Agathos, M.; Walter Wheeler, S. W.; Ernest D. Horan, J. W.; Wendall Wonneberger, S. Meeting Monday on or before full moon; election, December. 14
- Archon, 75, Dixmont. Frank H. Hodge, M.; Norman L. Stacy, S. W.; Darrell N. Phillips, J. W.; Parker R. Jacoby, S. Meeting second Thursday; election, October. 22
- Arion, 162, Goodwin's Mills. Russell N. Charles, M.; Carl K. Freeman, S. W.; Coyle R. Meserve, J. W.; Frederick W. Elwell (Biddeford, R. F. D. 3), S. Meeting first Thursday; election, November. 18
- Aroostook, 197, Mars Hill. John Edward Quigley, M.; Frank W. Brown, Jr., S. W.; Dana B. McCrum, J. W.; Malcolm T. Barry (Blaine), S. Meeting second Monday; election, November. 1

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- Adoniram, 27, Limington. A. P. Weeman, M.; L. T. Brown, S. W.; John A. Hubbard, J. W.; Harvey L. Maxim, S. Meeting second Tuesday; election, December. 18
- Alna, 43, Damariscotta. Lawrence MacKechie, M.; Clary Erskine, S. W.; Raymond A. Stevens, J. W.; Millard S. Clark, S. Meeting first Friday; election, December. 10
- Amity, 6, Camden. Lawrence N. Hopkins, M.; Robert N. Hersom, S. W.; Willis H. Bither, J. W.; Ross M. Howes, S. Meeting Friday on or before full moon; election, October. 7
- Anchor, 158, South Bristol. John Gay, III, M.; Herbert M. Thompson, S. W.; Norman E. Kelsey, J. W.; Willard H. Doell, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, December. 10
- Ancient Brothers', 178, Auburn. Clarence M. Cronk M.; Howard L. Raithel, S. W.; Donald E. Flagg, J. W.; John Marshall, S. Meeting Monday, on or after full moon; election, October. 23
- Ancient Land-Mark, 17, Portland. H. Nelson Raymond, Jr., M.; Franklin G. Hinckley, S. W.; M. Donald Gardner, J. W.; Merrill W. Sweetser, (29 Richardson St.), S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, December. 17
- Ancient York, 155, Lisbon Falls. Herbert E. Sheppard, M.; Wendall Wonneberger, S. W.; Albert W. Dunton, J. W.; Royal R. Matthews, S. Meeting Monday on or before full moon; election, December. 14
- Archon, 75, Dixmont. Oval Dunivan, M.; Philip Lane, S. W.; Morton Knowles, J. W.; Parker R. Jacoby, S. Meeting second Thursday; election, October. 22
- Arion, 162, Goodwin's Mills. Dorrance A. Drown, M.; Eric S. Elliott, S. W.; Leighton A. Drown, J. W.; Frederick W. Elwell (Alfred, R. F. D. 3), S. Meeting first Thursday; election, November. 18

- Aroostook, 197, Mars Hill. Maurice S. McCrum, M.; Clair M. Rideout, S. W.; Charles E. Everett, J. W.; Malcolm T. Barry (Blaine), S. Meeting second Monday; election, November. 1
- Arundel, 76, Kennebunkport. Ivan T. Wilde, M.; J. Archer Knight, S. W.; Joseph A. Knight, J. W.; John G. Smith, S. Meeting Tuesday on or before full moon; election, December 19. 19
- Ashlar, 105, Lewiston. George E. Pushard, M.; Clifton R. Buck, S. W.; Richard J. Hodgkins, J. W.; William B. Duncan (Lewiston), S. Meeting third Monday; election, January. 23
- Asylum, 133, Wayne. Sydney L. Herbert, M.; Alphonso T. Barker, S. W.; Paul F. Gould, Jr., J. W.; Joseph E. Stetson, S. Meeting Thursday before full moon; election, December. 11
- Atlantic, 81, Portland. Daniel B. Felix, M.; Herbert L. Joy, S. W.; James H. Doyle, J. W.; George P. Jackson (1156 Forest Ave.), S. Meeting third Wednesday; election, September. 17
- Augusta, 141, Augusta. Clarence E. Madden, M.; Edgar F. Robinson, S. W.; D. Stewart McCatherin, J. W.; Roy M. Somers, S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, January. 11
- Aurora, 50, Rockland. Neil G. Novicka, M.; Sheldon M. Eaton, S. W.; Edward M. Leighton, J. W.; Winfield L. Chatto, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, January. 9
- Bagaduce, 210, North Brooksville. Frank K. Snow, M.; Lynwood Farr, S. W.; George Bovill, J. W.; Gerald S. Gray, S. Meeting second Monday; election, December. 4
- Bar Harbor, 185, Bar Harbor. G. Liston Paquet, M.; Richmond H. Kittridge, S. W.; Harold L. Collier, J. W.; Chandler E. Graves, S. Meeting third Thursday; election, December. 21
- Baskahegan, 175, Danforth. Myles E. Robinson, M.; Donald H. Wescott, S. W.; Seth A. Goad, J. W.; Guy P. Rowe, S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, August. 24
- Bay View, 196, East Boothbay. Albert H. Barlow, M.; Edgar W. Lewis, S. W.; Frederic C. McKnown, J. W.; Carlton R. Barlow, S. Meeting second Thursday; election, December. 10
- Benevolent, 87, Carmel. Stanley P. Donaldson, M.; George H. Smith, S. W.; Clyde M. Newcomb, J. W.; W. H. Downs, S. Meeting Wednesday week of full moon; election, October. 6
- Bethel, 97, Bethel. C. Walter Tikander, M.; Henry H. Hastings, S. W.; Dana G. Brooks, J. W.; Ernest A. Mundt, S. Meeting second Thursday; election, November. 16
- Bethlehem, 35, Augusta. Payson E. Spaulding, M.; Richard E. Flood, S. W.; Arthur W. Ashley, J. W.; Maurice H. Leighton, S. Meeting first Monday; election, January. 11

- Bingham, 199, Bingham. Edward A. Sterling, M.; Earl W. Hill, S. W.; Walter L. Sterling, J. W.; Lee C. Smith, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, June. 18
- Blazing Star, 30, Rumford. Revall D. Gellaty, M.; Waldo E. Merrill, S. W.; Richard R. Sarle, J. W.; William H. Gruber, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, December. 20
- Blue Mountain, 67, Phillips. Claience Pillsbury, M.; Kenneth V. Smith, S. W.; Ray L. Welts, J. W.; Norman E. Butler, S. Meeting Wednesday week of full moon; election, September. 15
- Bristol, 74, Bristol. Douglas A. Benner, M.; James C. Chadwick, S. W.; Guy E. Martin, J. W.; Leon P. Munroe, S. Meeting second Monday; election, December. 10
- Buxton, 115, West Buxton. Carl A. Landry, M.; Homer M. Illingworth, S. W.; Herbert E. Redlon, J. W.; George A. Elwell, S. Meeting Monday evening on or before full moon; election, December. 18
- Cambridge, 157, Cambridge. Elmer Folsom, M.; Herbert Burdin, S. W.; Arthur Chadbourne, J. W.; V. R. Chadbourne, S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, December. 22
- Caribou, 170, Caribou. Cecil A. Reid, M.; Straton S. Forbes, S. W.; James Mockler, J. W.; Ross Carr, S. Meeting first Thursday; election, December. 1
- Carrabasset, 161, Canaan. Robert M. Hamilton, M.; John C. Gordon, S. W.; Raymond H. Hunt, J. W.; Harold L. Bean, S. Meeting second Tuesday; election, October. 13
- Casco, 36, Yarmouth. Cleveland Quinnam, M.; John Strattard, S. W.; Perry C. Goodrich, J. W.; Clarence H. Seabury, S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, October. 17
- Central, 45, China. Harry McKiel, M.; Francis M. Clark, S. W.; Frank A. Lee, J. W.; Jasper L. Haines, S. Meeting Wednesday on or before full moon; election, December. 12
- Columbia, 200, Greenville. Robert W. Jardine, M.; Herbert Templeton, S. W.; Fred Roberts, J. W.; William K. Whitney, S. Meeting fourth Tuesday; election, December. 5
- Composite, 168, Lagrange. Robert Neal, M.; Robert E. C. Speed, S. W.; Carl Loring, J. W.; John I. Smart, S. Meeting second Thursday; election, October. 5
- Corinthian, 95, Hartland. Willis M. McDougal, M.; Raymond P. Ames, S. W.; Fred J. Cooper, J. W.; James D. Seekins, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, December. 22
- Corner Stone, 216, Portland. David Fergie, M.; Herschel C. Joslyn, S. W.; Percy C. McManus, J. W.; Harlan E. Irish, S. Meeting second Friday except July and August; election, June. 17

- Crescent, 78, Pembroke. Eugene C. Mahar, M.; James A. Brown, S. W.; Leigh Leighton, J. W.; Verner T. Brown, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, December. 2
- Crooked River, 152, Bolster's Mills. Wyman Lord, M.; Lester Thomas, S. W.; E. Stanton Parks, J. W.; Roy O. Meserve (Casco), S. Meeting second Thursday; election, November. 16
- Cumberland, 12, New Gloucester. Glen W. Torrey, M.; Kenneth H. Sawyer, S. W.; C. Leon McCann, J. W.; Leo G. Torrey (Auburn R. F. D. 3), S. Meeting Saturday before full moon; election, November. 23
- David A. Hooper, 201, West Sullivan. Robert Sutherland, M.; Wayne Milne, S. W.; Charles Harris, J. W.; Seth A. Johnson, S. Meeting first Saturday; election, December. 21
- Davis, 191, Strong. Stanley H. Allen, M.; Richard E. Lambert, S. W.; Elbert H. Lambert, J. W.; Ralph H. Starbird, S. Meeting Friday evening of week in which moon is full; election, September. 15
- Day Spring, 107, West Newfield. Hartley C. Hurst, M.; Owen G. Ross, S. W.; Waldo F. Carter, J. W.; George F. Wentworth, S. Meeting second Monday; election, December. 18
- Deering, 183, Portland. William P. Mitchell, M.; Harry L. Milliken, S. W.; Frederick B. Jensen, J. W. Preston L. Legge, S. Meeting second Monday; election, February. 17
- Delta, 153, Lovell. Edgar F. Grover, M.; Farnham Brooks, S. W.; Charlie P. Wade, J. W.; Samuel H. Ring, S. Meeting second Thursday; election, December. 16
- Dirigo, 104, Weeks Mills. Francis W. Jacob, M.; Philip N. Taber, S. W.; Leslie W. Lewis, Jr., J. W.; Elwood Tracy, S. Meeting Monday on or before full moon; election, October. 11
- Doric, 149, Monson. Clair B. Bray, M.; Charles W. Stevens, S. W.; Aubrey M. Williams, J. W.; Earle H. Jackson, S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, December. 5
- Dresden, 103, Dresden Mills. Roy B. Cate, M.; Milford W. McDonald, S. W.; George C. Allen, J. W.; Charles E. Foss, S. Meeting second Tuesday; election, October. 10
- Drummond, 118, North Parsonfield. Merle K. Morrill, M.; Raymond L. Chute, S. W.; Charles A. West, J. W.; Fred M. Leavitt (Kezar Falls, R. F. D.), S. Meeting Thursday on or before full moon; election, September. 18
- Dunlap, 47, Biddeford. Warren C. Thompson, Jr., M.; Fred M. Winslow, S. W.; Arthur B. Wheeler, J. W.; Clarence B. Rumery (Masonic Bldg.), S. Meeting first Monday, except July and August; election, December. 18

- Eastern, 7, Eastport. William H. Camick, M.; Wilford O. McCulloch, S. W.; Harry Logan, J. W.; Garnett A. Hooper, S. Meeting first Monday; election, December. 2
- Eastern Frontier, 112, Fort Fairfield. Harold F. Rogers, M.; Robert J. Hammond, S. W.; Robert P. Willett, J. W.; Wallace H. Campbell, S. Meeting second Tuesday; election, December. 1
- Eggemoggin, 128, Sedgwick. Gordon Campbell, M.; Ellis Reeby, S. W.; Cecil Torrey, J. W.; Herman W. Chatto (Sangerville), S. Meeting second Monday; election, September. 4
- Euclid, 194, Madison. Elwood A. Copp, M.; Jacob B. Price, S. W.; Elwood L. Perkins, J. W.; Murray L. Hendsbee, S. Meeting first Monday; election January. September meeting second Monday. 13
- Eureka, 84, Tenant's Harbor. Albert P. Watts, Jr., M.; Frank E. Dowling, S. W.; Wilko Salmi, J. W.; Harlan H. Bragdon (St. George), S. Meeting first Thursday; election, January. 9
- Evening Star, 147, Buckfield. Franklin V. Heald, M.; Wendell March Allen, S. W.; Carl Jordan, J. W.; James E. Warren, S. Meeting Monday on or before full moon; election, September. 16
- Excelsior, 151, Northport. Raymond Wood, M.; Winfield Gurney, S. W.; Donald Wood, J. W.; Leon Richards, S. Meeting first Friday; election, November. 8
- Felicity, 19, Bucksport. Earl F. Moffitt, M.; Levi D. Sanborn, S. W.; Vernon H. Lindsay, J. W.; Verne J. Wheat (R. F. D. 1), S. Meeting second Monday; election, December. 21
- Forest, 149, Springfield. Wayne Linscott, M.; Lawrence H. Osgood, S. W.; Louis Norton, J. W.; L. A. Barrows, S. Meeting Saturday, preceding full moon; election, September. 24
- Fort Kent, 209, Fort Kent. Lionel Pinette, M.; Donald M. Canders, S. W.; Edward Winslow Giltert, J. W.; Stanley E. Drake, S. Meeting last Wednesday; election, December. 1
- Franklin, 123, New Sharon. Frank O. Brown, M.; Milton Harris, S. W.; Ernest Smith, J. W.; Fred T. Allen, S. Meeting Friday on or before full moon; election, January. 15
- Fraternal, 55, Alfred. Sidney W. Emery, M.; John F. Ford, S. W.; Henry M. Knight, J. W.; Dudley T. Forrest, S. Meeting third Wednesday; election, November. 19
- Freedom, 42, Limerick. Willis J. Webber, M.; John E. Hanscom, S. W.; Harold W. H. Whiteley, J. W.; Arthur F. Lougee, S. Meeting fourth Wednesday; election, December. 18
- Freeport, 23, Freeport. Sherwin E. Brown, M.; Reuben K. Dyer, S. W.; Fred F. Dalrymple, J. W.; Herbert W. Russell, S. Meeting first Monday; election, December. 14

- Granite, 182, West Paris. Ivan C. Morey, M.; Clarence R. Reid, S. W.; Hugo A. Heikkinen, J. W.; Clarence M. Coffin, S. Meeting first Monday; election, October. 16
- Greenleaf, 117, Cornish. Carl Gray, M.; Burton L. Lewis, S. W.; William L. Sturgeon, J. W.; Ellery A. Mason, S. Meeting second Wednesday; election, December. 18
- Hancock, 4, Castine. William P. MacKaye, M.; Albert Skidds, S. W.; Clarence M. Williams, J. W.; John W. Laws, S. Meeting first Thursday; election, December. 4
- Harmony, 38, Gorham. Oswald C. Schriver, M.; Mace W. Messenger, S. W.; Philip F. Hill J. W.; Durward E. Burnham, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, December. 17
- Harwood, 19, Machias. Austin J. Armstrong, M.; Harmon Kelton, S. W.; William Jordan, J. W.; Robert I. Watts, S. Meeting first Monday; election, December. 3
- Hermion, 32, Gardiner. Norman L. Merrill, M.; Richard P. Lasselle, S. W.; Arthur S. Greenlaw, J. W.; Russell F. Marston (Randolph), S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, January. 11
- Hiram, 180, South Portland. Lawrence D. Clark, M.; John A. Baird, S. W.; George F. Hilborn, Jr., J. W.; Clayton C. Fickett, Jr., (22 Cottage Farms Road), S. Meeting second Tuesday; election, June. 17
- Horeb, 93, Lincoln. Burleigh Robinson, M.; Allison J. Briggs, S. W.; Garland DeRoche, J. W.; Albert Thomas, S. Meeting second Tuesday; election, first Monday in October. 24
- Howard, 69, Winterport. Arthur Nelson, M.; Dane Whittier, S. W.; Raymond Field, J. W.; Charles P. Green, S. Meeting fourth Friday; election, September. 6
- Ira Berry, 187, Blue Hill. Rodney H. Bartlett, M.; Warren A. Patridge, S. W.; Harry C. Duffy, J. W.; Howard M. Custis, S. Meeting third Monday; election, December. 4
- Island, 89, Islesboro. Whitney H. Emerson, M.; Donald A. Durkee, S. W.; George A. Durkee, J. W.; Howard C. Pendleton (Dark Harbor), S. Meeting first Thursday; election, January. 7
- Island Falls, 206, Island Falls. Wilson F. Palmer, M.; Clinton K. McArthur, S. W.; John T. Hulbert, J. W.; Vinal L. Webb, S. Meeting third Wednesday; election, September. 24
- Jefferson, 100, Bryant Pond. Harold Tyler, M.; Lawrence Jordan, S. W.; E. Lee Mills, J. W.; Frank A. Bean, S. Meeting Tuesday on or before full moon; election, September. 16
- Jonesport, 188, Jonesport. John R. Faulkingham, M.; Harry Fish, S. W.; Hans Taubenberger, J. W.; Conrad Peacock, S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, January. 3

- Katahdin, 98, Patten. Robert Anderson, M.; Talmage Bishop, S. W.; Earl Giggey, J. W.; Lowell M. Barter, S. Meeting third Thursday; election, December. 24
- Kemankeag, 213, Rangeley. John H. Moulton Jr., M.; Eric E. Sandstrom, S. W.; Merton E. Lawrence, J. W.; A. Manson Russell, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, December. 15
- Kenduskeag, 137, Kenduskeag. George E. Leighton, M.; Elwin M. Roberts, S. W.; Norman A. Hatch, J. W.; Phillip F. Warren, S. Meeting last Wednesday; election, October. 6
- Kennebec, 5, Hallowell. Arnold L. Selwood, M.; Walter H. Perkins, S. W.; Gerald E. Allen, J. W.; Daniel J. Foley, S. Meeting Wednesday on or before full moon; election, November. 11
- Keystone, 80, Solon. Milton Scribner, M.; J. Stanley Waugh, S. W.; Malon Whipple, J. W.; Roland Tozier, S. Meeting third Wednesday; election, October. 13
- King David's, 62, Lincolnville. Douglass H. Frohock, M.; William R. Munroe, S. W.; Donald Macrae, J. W.; Robert Rollerson, S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, October. 7
- King Hiram, 57, Dixfield. Winslow L. Deane, M.; Fred S. Searles, S. W.; Alfred S. White, J. W.; M. Kenneth Frost, S. Meeting second Tuesday; election, October. 20
- King Solomon's, 61, Waldoboro. Roland C. Walter, M.; Ervin A. Pinkham, S. W.; Russell D. Hilton, J. W.; Clinton E. Matthews, S. Meeting Friday on or before full moon; election, October. 9
- Knox, 189, South Thomaston. Morris Raye, M.; Western Arey, S. W.; Walter Drinkwater, J. W.; Randall R. Hopkins, S. Meeting second Monday; election, January. 9
- Lafayette, 49, Readfield. Lee M. Gordon, M.; William Whitten S. W.; Joseph A. Saunders, J. W.; Freeman L. Rowe, S. Meeting first Thursday; election, December. 11
- Lebanon, 116, Norridgewock. Clarence Booker, M.; Paul L. Winslow, J. W.; Charles E. Hansen, S. W.; Carroll R. Bickford, S. (R. F. D. 1, Fairfield). Meetings first Friday; election, September. 13
- Lewy's Island, 138, Princeton. Beverly Weatherby, M.; Forrest Dennison, S. W.; Robert Wheaton, J. W.; Bernard McDowell, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, December, St. John's Day. 2
- Liberty, 111, Liberty. Lawrence Colby, M.; George Spencer, S. W.; Oscar E. Bachelor, J. W.; Edwin B. Whitaker, S. Meeting second Saturday; election, September. 8
- Limestone, 215, Limestone. Arthur Fenlason, M.; Ellsworth Morris, S. W.; Richard Edgecomb, J. W.; Harry M. Morris, S. Meeting second Tuesday; election, December. 1

- Lincoln, 3, Wiscasset. C. Forest Carleton, M.; W. I. Keirstead, S. W.; Earl B. Colby, J. W.; Laurence I. Davis, S. Meeting Thursday, on or before full moon; election, December. 10
- Lookout, 131, Cutler. Durward E. Maker, M.; Percell W. Corbett, S. W.; Neil Corbett, J. W.; Charles M. Ackley, S. Meeting Monday on or before full moon; election, December. 3
- Lygonia, 40, Ellsworth. Lawrence G. Higgins, M.; Charles N. Witham, S. W.; Martin L. Adams, J. W.; Harry E. Rowe, S. Meeting first Thursday; election, January. 21
- Lynde, 174, Hermon. Harold R. Gray, M.; Linwood W. Littlefield, S. W.; Robert K. Burton, J. W.; Emery L. Leathers (Bangor, R. F. D. 4), S. Meeting Saturday on or before full moon; election, October. 6
- McKinley, 212, McKinley. Lou E. Wentworth, M.; Charles LaMay, S. W.; Harry Davis, J. W.; Shirley Cummings, S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, December. 21
- Maine, 20, Farmington. Carroll W. Doak, M.; Richard G. Morton, S. W.; Nelson D. Austin, J. W.; Gwilym R. Roberts, S. Meeting Monday week of full moon; election, December. 15
- Marine, 122, Deer Isle. Elwood N. Eaton, M.; Randall E. Haskell, S. W.; Maurice H. Eaton, J. W.; Leon C. Weed, S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, October. 4
- Mariners', 68, Searsport. Earl A. Knox, M.; Carl B. Robbins, S. W.; H. Warren Maddocks, J. W.; Milton L. Clements, S. Meetings first Tuesday; election, October. 8
- Marsh River, 102, Brooks. Clayton Pattee, M.; Leland Kenney, S. W.; Allen Mollison, J. W.; John Hall, S. Meeting fourth Thursday; election, October. 8
- Mechanics, 66, Orono. James M. Gamble, M.; Frederic C. Baird, S. W.; Frederic J. McInnis, J. W.; Bernie E. Plummer, Jr., S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, December. 6
- Meduncook, 211, Friendship. William Gilchrist, M.; Warren T. Delano, S. W.; Harold Lash, J. W.; Luther Walton, S. Meeting first Monday, except Stated September first Wednesday; election, January. 9
- Meridian, 125, Pittsfield. Stanley B. Parsons, M.; Harris V. Mathews, Jr., S. W.; Lester L. Stone, J. W.; Gilbert A. Spear, S. Meeting fourth Tuesday; election, September. 22
- Meridian Splendor, 49, Newport. Richard L. Banton, M.; Charles Bernano Baird, S. W.; Raymond K. Tordy, J. W.; Lewman S. Soper, S. Meeting first Thursday; election, December. 22
- Messalonskee, 113, Oakland. Frank A. Bailey, Jr., M.; Chester J. Blake, S. W.; Roy E. Dudley, J. W.; Harley P. Mairs, S. Meeting on the first Saturday; election, December. 12

- Molunkus, 165, Sherman Mills. Rodney V. Bowers, M.; John E. Elwell, S. W.; Thomas Splan, J. W.; Clayton W. Sides, S. Meeting Tuesday on or before full moon; election, October. 24
- Monmouth, 110, Monmouth. F. H. Blaisdell, M.; Leslie P. Jewell, S. W.; M. F. Robinson, J. W.; Earle H. Ramsdell, S. Meeting second Monday; election, September. 11
- Monument, 96, Houlton. Joseph A. McKay, M.; Carl C. Dill, S. W.; Leon W. Benn, J. W.; Millard A. Fairley, S. Meeting second Wednesday except June, July and August; election, February. 1
- Morning Star, 41, Litchfield. Earl E. Boyce, M.; Clarence W. Roth, S. W.; Alvin H. Reichel, J. W.; Weston R. Allen, S. Meeting Tuesday on or before full moon; election, September. 11
- Mosaic, 52, Dover-Foxcroft. Philip S. Annis, M.; Stanley L. Ireland, S. W.; Meisner I. Burton, J. W.; Robert I. Roberts, S. Meeting third Thursday; election, December. 5
- Moses Webster, 145, Vinalhaven. Carl B. Williams, M.; Malcolm E. Whittington, S. W.; Richard A. Williams, J. W.; Charles L. Boman, S. Meeting second Tuesday; election, November. 9
- Mount Abram, 204, Kingfield. Lloyd Williamson, M.; Harvey W. Boynton S. W.; Earlon P. McClure, J. W.; Everett L. Pushard, S. Meeting Thursday week of full moon; election, September. 15
- Mount Bigelow, 202, Stratton. Clifford J. Drake, M.; E. J. Leavitt, S. W.; Theodore G. Turner, J. W.; Percival B. Parsons, S. Meeting second Saturday; election, September. 15
- Mount Desert, 140, Mount Desert. Lowell G. Lervey, M.; John W. Phippen, S. W.; Russell Anderson, J. W.; Everett Hamor, S. Meeting third Monday; election, December. 21
- Mount Kineo, 109, Guilford. Millard Fogg, M.; Harold S. Page, S. W.; Carl E. McKusick, J. W.; William L. Bates, S. Meeting third Tuesday; election, December. 5
- Mount Moriah, 56, Denmark. William Wells, Jr., M.; Peter C. Schmidt, S. W.; Lewis Lamont, Jr., J. W.; Paul Wadsworth, S. Meeting Wednesday on or before full moon; election, December. 16
- Mount Olivet, 203, Washington. Edward A. Ludwig, M.; Rodney P. Boynton, S. W.; Talbot W. Johnston, J. W.; Sigbert T. Busch, S. Meeting last Thursday each month; election, September. 7
- Mount Tir'em, 132, Waterford. James H. Tyler, M.; Haynes F. Noyes, S. W.; Carl S. Hamlin, J. W.; Harold Kimball, S. Meeting Tuesday on or before full moon; election, December. 16

- Mystic, 65, Hampden. Benjamin M. Baker, M.; Harold C. Baker, S. W.; Donald E. Libby, J. W.; Louis C. Stearns, 3rd, S. Meeting Saturday on or before full moon; election, December. 6
- Mystic Tie, 154, Weld. R. Norman Parker, M.; Lawrence N. Lee, S. W.; Laforest B. Ellis, J. W.; Philip E. Maxwell, S. Meeting third Wednesday; election, December. 20
- Narraguagus, 88, Cherryfield. Arthur Lawrence, M.; William C. Merritt, S. W.; Donald McLaughlin, Jr., J. W.; Percy Wakefield, S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, January. 3
- Naskeag, 171, Brooklin. Charles A. Williams, M.; Wallace W. Rockwell, S. W.; Rubert R. Burnham, J. W.; George M. Murray, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, November. 4
- Naval, 184, Kittery. Russell J. Walker, M.; Everett H. Day, S. W.; William H. Eckhart, J. W.; Arthur W. Seaward (Kittery Point), S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, December. 19
- Neguemeag, 166, Vassalboro. Lawrence E. Fitzgerald, M.; Francis Branch, S. W.; Malcolm Brown, J. W.; Paul Brooks Newcomb, S. Meeting third Thursday; election, September. 12
- Nezinscott, 101, Turner. Haven L. Roberts, M.; Oliver A. Murray, S. W.; Robert S. Hill, J. W.; Norman P. McAllister, S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, June. 23
- Nollesemic, 205, Millinocket. Gerald L. Jones, M.; Walter A. Birt, S. W.; George W. Goddard, J. W.; Clifford H. M. Perry, S. Meeting second Thursday; election, October. 24
- North East Harbor, 208, North East Harbor. Fred M. Rogers, M.; Herbert H. Strout, S. W.; Charles R. Gillette, J. W.; William S. Holmes, S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, December. 21
- Northern Star, 28, North Anson. Robert G. Viles, M.; J. Harvey Spear, S. W.; Chester F. Paine, J. W.; Alfred L. Holbrook, S. Meeting second Tuesday; election, December. 13
- Ocean, 142, Wells Depot. Robert Bragdon, M.; Charles D. Smith, S. W.; Gordon Galencia, J. W.; Carl N. Kimball, S. Meeting Wednesday on or before full moon; election, December. 19
- Olive Branch, 124, Charleston. W. W. Hanson, M.; C. R. Bragdon, S. W.; Merle S. Bradford, J. W.; Franklin W. Rich, S. Meeting second Thursday; election, September. 6
- Orchard, 215, Old Orchard. Jeffrey Thompson, M.; G. Burton Frederick, S. W.; Elmer L. G. Rounds, J. W.; Clarence A. Lary, S. Meeting second Monday; election, September. 18

- Orient, 15, Thomaston. George A. Harlow, M.; Alfred M. Johnson, S. W.; Everett R. Nobbe, J. W.; Aaron A. Clark, S. Meeting first Tuesday, election, January. 9
- Oriental, 13, Bridgton. Leroy E. Marston, M.; Alton E. Bean, S. W.; E. Lyman Otis, J. W.; Harry D. Noyes, S. Meeting fourth Wednesday; election, December. 16
- Oriental Star, 21, Livermore Falls. George B. Emerson, Jr., M.; Joseph B. Bowen, S. W.; H. Wilton Briggs, Jr., J. W.; Harold W. Jennings, S. Meeting second Wednesday; election, January. 20
- Oxford, 18, Norway. Carl V. Mills, M.; Austin M. Owens, S. W.; Ralph E. Lambert, J. W.; Stanley P. Murch, S. Meeting first Friday; election, December. 16
- Pacific, 64, Exeter. Lyston A. Trefethen, M.; Leslie Nute, S. W.; Charles Tapley, J. W.; Elmer H. Stocker, S. Meeting Wednesday on or before full moon; election, December. 22
- Parian, 160, Corinna. Everett T. Foss, M.; John E. Pinkerton, S. W.; Elwood R. Mullis, J. W.; John H. Philbrick, S. Meeting second Tuesday; election, December. 22
- Paris, 94, South Paris. Eugene R. Robinson, M.; Ronald W. Wise, S. W.; Kenneth V. Gray, J. W.; Clarence B. Huff, S. Meeting third Tuesday; election, January. 16
- Penobscot, 39, Dexter. Hartson C. Webber, M.; Victor L. McAllister, S. W.; Horace W. Hopkins, J. W.; Quentin A. Pipers, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, June. 5
- Phoenix, 24, Belfast. Lee C. Woodward, M.; Lawrence Dow, S. W.; Frank Scott, J. W.; Mark W. Brown, S. Meeting second Monday; election, October. 8
- Pine Tree, 172, Mattawamkeag. Robert E. Stratton, M.; Carl W. Stratton, S. W.; Frederick S. Coombs, J. W.; Edward T. McCafferty, Jr., S. Meeting first Saturday after the full of the moon; election, October. 24
- Pioneer, 72, Ashland. Henry G. Reed, M.; Raymond B. Perry, S. W.; Robert H. Coffin, J. W.; Charles D. Sylvester, S. Meeting second Wednesday; election, December. 1
- Piscataquis, 44, Milo. Charles H. Bailey, M.; Liston F. Lewis, S. W.; Max E. Place, J. W.; Arthur E. Lewis (29 Elm St.), S. Meeting second Friday; elections, February. 5
- Pleasant River, 163, Brownville. George L. Caron, M.; Robert S. Strout, S. W.; W. D. Sawtell, J. W.; D. C. Manzer, S. Meeting third Monday, election, November. 5

- Pleiades, 713 Millbridge. Albert P. Steward, M.; Francis L. Pinkham, S. W.; Donald H. Leighton, J. W.; David J. Kennedy, S. Meeting first Monday; election, January. 3
- Polar Star, 114, Bath. William A. Boyce, M.; Harland E. Boynton, S. W.; Kenneth L. Wood, J. W.; William A. Furber, S. Meeting second Wednesday; except July and August; election, March. 14
- Portland, 1, Portland. Arthur J. Bakke, M.; Elmer Bakke, S. W.; Bernard P. Colton, J. W.; William W. Graves (Box 1843), S. Meeting second Wednesday; election, June. 17
- Pownal, 119, Stockton Springs. Weldon Stiles, M.; Granville Bowden, S. W.; Joseph Anderson, J. W.; Edwin O. Harrison, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, October. 8
- Preble, 143, Sanford. Merle E. Porell, M.; Paul N. Caros, S. W.; Carleton J. Hogue, J. W.; Clifford P. Cook, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, December. 19
- Presumpscott, 127, North Windham. James R. Pratt, M.; Robert C. McDonald, S. W.; Lawrence F. Partridge, J. W.; David T. Plummer (Raymond), S. Meeting second Saturday; election, December. 17
- Pythagorean, 11, Fryeburg. Jack D. Mansur, M.; William H. Oliver, S. W.; Edwin Sargent, J. W.; James Merrill, S. Meeting Monday on or before full moon; election, December. 16
- Quantabacook, 129, Searsmont. Clarence E. Gelo, M.; Royal Woodbury, S. W.; Edwin R. Perry, J. W.; Harold P. Cook, S. Meeting first Saturday; election, October. 7
- Rabboni, 150, Lewiston. Milton E. Sites, M.; Samuel E. Alperen, S. W.; Samuel Hurwitz, J. W.; Dwight F. Marble, S. Meeting Third Wednesday; election, January. 23
- Ralph J. Pollard, 217, Orrington. Woodrow W. McLaughlin, M.; Leland G. Mitchell, S. W.; Sumner P. Bridges, J. W.; William D. Nickerson (R.F.D. So. Brewer), S. Meeting first Thursday, Election, December. 6
- Reliance, 195, Stonington. Maynard Gray, Jr., M.; Jay Prime, S. W.; Robert McGuffie, J. W.; Alfred Colwell, S. Meeting first Monday; election, January. 4
- Richmond, 63, Richmond. Ervine L. Waltz, M.; Leslie R. Gardner, S. W.; Wm. J. Sullivan, Jr., J. W.; Almon W. Riske, S. Meeting third Monday; election, October. 14
- Rising Star, 177, Penobscot. Ralph Littlefield, M.; Ralph Gross, S. W.; Donald Blodgett, J. W.; Royden Bowden, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, December. 4
- Rising Sun, 71, Orland. George B. Harris, M.; Manley S. Howard, S. W.; Robert M. Hutchins, J. W.; Arthur L. Farnham, S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, December. 21

- Rising Virtue, 10, Bangor. Paul G. Butler, M.; Robert C. Dresser, S. W.; Robert L. Drinkwater, J. W.; Aldern F. Denaco, S. Meeting last Tuesday; election, December. 6
- Riverside, 135, Jefferson. Harold S. Baker, M.; F. Marshall Holmes, S. W.; Malcolm L. Tilton, J. W.; Wilson Carleton, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, October. 7
- Rockland, 79, Rockland. Charles M. Foote, M.; P. Willard Pease, S. W.; James Roach, J. W.; James E. Stevens (Acting), S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, January. 9
- Rural, 53, Sidney. Maurice Cannon, M.; Aaron Marden, S. W.; Morrill Burton, J. W.; Joseph E. Blaisdell, S. Meeting second Saturday; election, September. 11
- Saco, 9, Saco. Norman A. Wilcox, M.; Arthur Collins, S. W.; Lawrence E. Rowe, J. W.; Edgar H. Pellerin (246 Beach St.), S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, January. 18
- St. Andrew's, 83, Bangor. Clarence L. Field, M.; Carl W. Hatch, S. W.; Merrill R. Bradford, J. W.; Merrill R. Kittredge (38 West St.), S. Meeting last Friday; election, December. 6
- St. Aspinquid, 198, York Village. Thomas W. Ely, M.; Harold R. Lovell, S. W.; James R. Colcord, Jr., J. W.; G. Howard Dunning, S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, December. 19
- St. Croix, 46, Calais. James D. Napier, M.; F. H. Fenderson, S. W.; Philip N. Beckett, J. W.; Lewis T. Campbell, S. Meeting first Monday; election, December, St. John's Day. 2
- St. George, 16, Warren. Dyson T. Jameson, M.; Russell T. Smith, S. W.; Douglas G. Starrett, J. W.; Judson P. Lord, S. Meeting third Monday; election, October. 9
- St. John's, 51, South Berwick. Melvin Amazeen, M.; Charles W. Osbon, S. W.; Walter C. Hayden, J. W.; Philip F. Shorey, S. Meeting third Monday; election, December. 19
- St. Paul's 82, Rockport. Darrell Pound, M.; Warren Ulmer, S. W.; Harvey Simonton, J. W.; Ernest F. Crockett, S. Meeting Monday on or before full moon; election, October. 7
- Seaside, 144, Boothbay Harbor. Joseph H. Simpson, M.; Francis W. Townsend, S. W.; Clarence M. Crocker, J. W.; Walter F. Townsend, S. Meeting first Friday; election, December. 10
- Sebasticook, 146, Clinton. Harvey Lee Hunter, M.; Earl Carr, S. W.; Bennet T. Moore, J. W.; Wesley M. Keene, S. Meeting Thursday on or before full moon; election, October. 12

- Shepherd's River, 169, Brownfield. Lyman H. Wells, M.; Paul C. Seavey; S. W.; Arnold C. Walker, J. W.; Leland E. Wade (Conway, N. H.), S. Meeting Wednesday on or after full moon; election, December. 16
- Siloam, 92, Fairfield. Albert L. Moore, Jr., M.; A. Vernon Pettengill, S. W.; Edwin F. Savage, J. W.; W. Raymond Gower, S. Meeting first Thursday; election, December. 12
- Solar, 14, Bath. Sherwood R. Francis, M.; Clyde K. Baker, S. W.; Robert N. Mosher, J. W.; Karcher S. Jackson, S. Meeting first Monday; election, January.
- Somerset, 34, Skowhegan. George A. Cook, M.; Neal T. Skillings, S. W.; Wallace B. Hafey, J. W.; Harold W. Roff, S. Meeting second Monday; election, January. 12
- Springvale, 190, Springvale. John Howgate, M.; Arthur Gerry, S. W.; Roger E. Goodwin, J. W.; Charles R. Fuller, S. Meeting second Tuesday; election, December. 19
- Standish, 70, Standish. John J. Edgecomb, M.; Harold E. Brown, S. W.; Harry E. Slattery, J. W.; Walter W. Smith, S. Meeting second Thursday; election, December. 17
- Star in the East, 60, Old Town. John C. Cousins, M.; Franklin K. Chapman, Jr., S. W.; Herman C. Hopkins, J. W.; Paul E. West, S. Meeting last Monday; election, September. 6
- Star in the West, 85, Unity. L. W. Whitten, M.; K. E. Brown, S. W.; J. F. Edgerly, J. W.; Eric A. Vickery, S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, June. 12
- Temple, 25, Winthrop. Donald R. Flood, M.; Leon Weston, S. W.; Roland LaVallee, J. W.; Russell E. Cobb, S. Meeting second Monday; election, September. 11
- Temple, 86, Westbrook. Frank C. Collins M.; Oscar W. Herriman, S. W.; Thomas J. Barry, J. W.; Norman B. Swett (147 Brackett St.), S. Meeting second Wednesday; election, December. 17
- Timothy Chase, 126, Belfast. Carroll W. Staples, M.; Boyd B. Stratton, S. W.; Derwin B. Dean, J. W.; M. C. Ellingwood, S. Meeting first Thursday; election, October. 8
- Tranquil, 29, Auburn. Dwight A. Sturtevant, M.; Frederick H. Bank, S. W.; Kendrick J. Chapman, J. W.; Irving M. Custis, S. Meeting Wednesday on or before full moon; election, January. 23
- Tremont, 77, Southwest Harbor. Donald O. Worcester, M.; Walter W. Sanner, S. W.; Eugene S. Robbins, J. W.; Grover A. Morse, S. Meeting first Thursday; election, December. 21

- Trinity, 130, Presque Isle. George W. Scott, M.; Norman C. Morehouse, S. W.; Richard E. Evans, J. W.; Daniel E. Hansen, S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, January. 1
- Tuscan, 106, Addison. Horace I. Newcomb, M.; Charles F. Lawrence, S. W.; Fred Champion, J. W.; Donald M. White, S. Meeting first Saturday; election, December. 3
- Tyrian, 73, Mechanic Falls. Philip W. Prince, M.; Samuel Smalley, S. W.; Peter Setfond, J. W.; F. E. Drisko, S. Meeting Thursday on or before full moon; election, October. 23
- Union, 31, Union. Ernest Cunningham, M.; Howard Hawkes, S. W.; Elmer Goff, J. W.; Roscoe B. Fuller, S. Meeting first Thursday; election, December. 7
- United, 8, Brunswick. Andrew H. DeBiasio, M.; Donald C. Hinckley, S. W.; Raymond A. Freeman, J. W.; Percy E. Norcross, S. Meeting second Tuesday; election, December. 14
- Unity, 58, Thorndike. Lee E. Evans, M.; Wendell P. Noyes, S. W.; John Hall, J. W.; Isaiah Jackson, S. Meeting second Thursday; election, September. 12
- Vassalboro, 54, North Vassalboro. James T. Fitten, M.; William Armstrong, S. W.; Harold M. Wentworth, J. W.; Clyde E. Adams, S. Meeting second Tuesday; election, September. 12
- Vernon Valley, 99, Mount Vernon. Philip R. Lincoln, M.; William E. Hutchins, S. W.; Knute M. Kilponen, J. W.; Maxwell E. Webber, S. Meeting Tuesday on or before full moon; election, December. 15
- Village, 26, Bowdoinham. Marshall M. White, M.; Malcolm L. Jewell, S. W.; Earl W. Elwell, J. W.; Edward L. White, S. Meeting Wednesday on or before full moon; election, October. 14
- Warren, 2, East Machias. Edwin J. Cates, M.; Ralph H. White, S. W.; John Archibald, J. W.; Frank W. Gray, S. Meeting second Tuesday; election, December. 3
- Warren Phillips, 186, Cumberland Mills. Allan Colby Wilson, M.; Maurice H. Barter, S. W. Frederick F. Weeks, J. W.; Elmer E. Hallowell, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, October. 17
- Washburn, 193, Washburn. Linwood Peary, M.; Russell W. Smith, S. W.; Ben Craig, J. W.; Walter Morrison, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, December. 1
- Washington, 37, Lubec. Joseph C. Ingalls, M.; Wyman H. Ramsdell, S. W.; Emery L. Hallette, J. W.; Everett S. Higgins, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, December. 2

- Waterville, 33, Waterville. Thomas Henderson, M.; Carlton S. Farnham, S. W.; Derwood L. Ireland, J. W.; Harry S. Grindall, S. Meeting second Monday; election, December. 12
- Webster, 164, Sabattus. Warren W. Scott, M.; Leo W. Parlin, S. W.; Stuart Saunders, J. W.; Horace J. Atwood, S. Meeting third Thursday; election, December. 23
- Whitney, 167, Canton. Berne E. Phillips, M.; Gerard S. Hutchinson, S. W.; Charlie C. Atkinson, J. W.; A. Herbert Stevens, S. Meeting first Thursday; election, September. 20
- Wilton, 156, Wilton. Rupert G. Benson, M.; Henry H. McMinninam, S. W.; Calvin B. Sewall, J. W.; Charlton F. Scott, S. Meeting Wednesday week of full moon; election, January. 15
- Winter Harbor, 192, Winter Harbor. Malcolm Wasgott, M.; Morton L. Torrey, S. W.; James S. Torrey, J. W.; Alvin R. Whitten, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, December. 21
- York, 22, Kennebunk. Lendall A. Smith, M.; William F. Warren, S. W.; Cecil R. McConnell, J. W.; Gerald E. McConnell, S. Meeting Monday on or before full moon; election, December. 19
- Yorkshire, 179, North Berwick. John H. Sheein, Jr., M.; Paul E. Staples, S. W.; Wallace L. Thyng, J. W.; Floyd R. Johnson, S. Meeting last Friday; election, December. 19

List of Lodges by Districts

DISTRICT No. 1.

District Grand Master—WALLACE K. FENLASON, Limestone.

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| 72 Pioneer, Ashland. | 193 Washburn, Washburn. |
| 96 Monument, Houlton. | 197 Aroostook, Mars Hill. |
| 112 Eastern Frontier, Ft. Fairfield. | 209 Fort Kent, Fort Kent. |
| 130 Trinity, Presque Isle | 214 Limestone, Limestone. |
| 170 Caribou, Caribou. | |

DISTRICT No. 2.

District Deputy Grand Master—VERNER T. BROWN, Pembroke.

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| 7 Eastern, Eastport. | 78 Crescent, Pembroke. |
| 37 Washington, Lubec | 138 Lewy's Island, Princeton. |
| 46 St. Croix, Calais. | |

DISTRICT No. 3.

District Deputy Grand Master—FRANK S. DOWLING, East Machias.

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| 2 Warren, East Machias. | 131 Lookout, Cutler. |
| 88 Narraguagus, Cherryfield. | 173 Pleiades, Millbridge |
| 91 Harwood, Machias. | 188 Jonesport, Jonesport |
| 106 Tuscan, Addison | |

DISTRICT No. 4.

District Deputy Grand Master—CALVIN E. NASH, Stonington.

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| 4 Hancock, Castine. | 177 Rising Star, Penobscot. |
| 122 Marine, Deer Isle. | 187 Ira Berry, Bluehill. |
| 128 Eggemoggin, Sedgwick. | 195 Reliance, Stonington. |
| 171 Naskeag, Brooklin. | 210 Bagaduce, North Brooksville. |

DISTRICT No. 5.

District Deputy Grand Master—HAROLD W. BLAISDELL, Dexter.

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| 39 Penobscot, Dexter. | 163 Pleasant River, Brownville |
| 44 Piscataquis, Milo. | 168 Composite, Lagrange. |
| 52 Mosaic, Dover-Foxcroft. | 200 Columbia, Greenville. |
| 109 Mount Kineo, Guilford. | 207 Abner Wade, Sangerville. |
| 149 Doric, Monson. | |

DISTRICT No. 6.

District Deputy Grand Master—MERRILL R. KITTREDGE, Bangor.

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| 10 Rising Virtue, Bangor. | 87 Benevolent, Carmel. |
| 60 Star in the East, Old Town. | 124 Olive Branch, Charleston |
| 65 Mystic, Hampden. | 137 Kenduskeag, Kenduskeag. |
| 66 Mechanics', Orono | 174 Lynde, Hermon |
| 69 Howard, Winterport. | 217 Ralph J. Pollard, Orrington. |
| 83 St Andrew's, Bangor. | |

DISTRICT No. 7.

District Deputy Grand Master—FREDERICK W. AMBORN, Lincolnville.

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| 6 Amity, Camden. | 89 Island, Islesboro. |
| 31 Union, Union, | 129 Quantabacook, Searsmont. |
| 62 King David's, Lincolnville. | 135 Riverside, Jefferson. |
| 82 St. Paul's, Rockport. | 203 Mt. Olivet, Washington. |

DISTRICT No. 8.

District Deputy Grand Master—WILLIAM ADDISON HARTSHORN, Belfast.

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| 24 Phoenix, Belfast. | 102 Marsh River Brooks. |
| 68 Mariners' Searsport. | 119 Pownal, Stockton Springs. |
| 151 Excelsior, Northport. | 126 Timothy Chase, Belfast. |
| 111 Liberty, Liberty. | |

DISTRICT No. 9.

District Deputy Grand Master—FRANK B. ADAMS, Thomaston.

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| 15 Orient, Thomaston. | 84 Eureka, Tenant's Harbor. |
| 16 St. George, Warren. | 145 Moses Webster, Vinalhaven. |
| 50 Aurora, Rockland. | 189 Knox, South Thomaston. |
| 61 King Solomon's, Waldoboro. | 211 Meduncook, Friendship. |
| 79 Rockland, Rockland. | |

DISTRICT No. 10.

District Deputy Grand Master—WALTER E. TOWNSEND,
Boothbay Harbor.

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| 3 Lincoln, Wiscasset. | 144 Seaside, Boothbay Harbor. |
| 43 Alna, Damariscotta. | 158 Anchor, South Bristol. |
| 74 Bristol, Bristol. | 196 Bay View, East Boothbay |
| 103 Dresden, Dresden Mills. | |

DISTRICT No. 11.

District Deputy Grand Master—LESLIE R. LATHE, Sydney.

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| 5 Kennebec, Hallowell. | 53 Rural, Sidney. |
| 25 Temple, Winthrop. | 104 Dirigo Week's Mills. |
| 32 Hermon, Gardiner. | 110 Monmouth, Monmouth |
| 35 Bethlehem, Augusta | 133 Asylum, Wayne. |
| 41 Morning Star, Litchfield | 141 Augusta Augusta |
| 48 Lafayette Readfield. | |

DISTRICT No. 12.

District Deputy Grand Master—H. WILLIAM ARMSTRONG, Waterville.

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| 33 Waterville, Waterville. | 92 Siloam, Fairfield. |
| 45 Central, China. | 113 Messalonskee, Oakland. |
| 54 Vassalboro, No. Vassalboro. | 146 Sebasticook Clinton. |
| 58 Unity, Thorndike. | 166 Neguemkeag, Vassalboro |
| 85 Star in the West, Unity. | |

DISTRICT No. 13.

District Deputy Grand Master—ALFRED L. HOLBROOK, No. Anson.

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| 28 Northern Star, North Anson. | 161 Carrabassett, Canaan. |
| 34 Somerset, Skowhegan. | 194 Euclid, Madison. |
| 80 Keystone, Solon. | 199 Bingham, Bingham. |
| 116 Lebanon, Norridgewock. | |

DISTRICT No. 14.

District Deputy Grand Master—IRVING C. TRUFANT, Bath.

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| 8 United, Brunswick. | 63 Richmond, Richmond. |
| 14 Solar, Bath. | 114 Polar Star, Bath. |
| 23 Freeport, Freeport. | 121 Acacia, Durham. |
| 26 Village, Bowdoinham. | 155 Ancient York, Lisbon Falls. |

DISTRICT No. 15.

District Deputy Grand Master—FRED B. WADLEIGH, Mt. Vernon.

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| 20 Maine, Farmington. | 156 Wilton, Wilton. |
| 67 Blue Mountain, Phillips. | 191 Davis, Strong. |
| 99 Vernon Valley, Mt. Vernon | 202 Mount Bigelow, Flagstaff. |
| 123 Franklin, New Sharon. | 204 Mount Abram, Kingfield. |
| 154 Mystic Tie, Weld. | 213 Kemankeag, Rangeley. |

DISTRICT No. 16.

District Deputy Grand Master—WALTER W. MATSON, Bolster's Mills.

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| 11 Pythagorian, Fryeburg. | 100 Jefferson, Bryant Pond. |
| 13 Oriental, Bridgton. | 132 Mt. Tir'em, Waterford. |
| 18 Oxford, Norway, | 152 Crooked River, Bolster's Mills. |
| 56 Mt. Moriah, Denmark. | 153 Delta, Lovell. |
| 94 Paris, South Paris. | 169 Shepherd's River, Brownfield. |
| 97 Bethel, Bethel. | 182 Granite, West Paris. |

DISTRICT No. 17.

District Deputy Grand Master—CLARENCE A. HUGHES, Westbrook.

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| 1 Portland, Portland. | 86 Temple, Westbrook. |
| 17 Ancient Land-Mark, Portland. | 127 Presumpscot, North Windham. |
| 36 Casco, Yarmouth. | 180 Hiram, South Portland. |
| 38 Harmony, Gorham. | 183 Deering, Portland. |
| 70 Standish, Standish. | 186 Warren Phillips, Cumb. Mills. |
| 81 Atlantic, Portland. | 216 Corner Stone, Portland. |

DISTRICT No. 18.

District Deputy Grand Master—GEORGE A. ELWELL, West Buxton.

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| 9 Saco, Saco. | 115 Buxton, West Buxton. |
| 27 Adoniram, Limington. | 117 Greenleaf, Corrish. |
| 42 Freedom, Limerick. | 118 Drummond, No. Parsonsfield. |
| 47 Dunlap, Biddeford. | 162 Arion, Goodwin's Mills. |
| 107 Day Spring, West Newfield. | 215 Orchard, Old Orchard. |

DISTRICT No. 19.

District Deputy Grand Master—CLINTON E. PAINE, Kittery Point.

22 York, Kennebunk.	143 Preble, Sanford.
55 Fraternal, Alfred.	184 Naval, Kittery.
51 St. John's South Berwick.	179 Yorkshire, North Berwick.
76 Arundel, Kennebunkport.	198 St. Aspinquid, York Village.
142 Ocean, Wells Depot.	190 Springvale, Springvale.

DISTRICT No. 20.

District Deputy Grand Master—VERNON A. HOWARD, Buckfield.

21 Oriental Star, Livermore Falls.	147 Evening Star, Buckfield.
30 Blazing Star, Rumford.	167 Whitney, Canton.
57 King Hiram, Dixfield.	

DISTRICT No. 21.

District Deputy Grand Master—LLEWELLYN G. MITCHELL, Mt. Desert.

19 Felicity, Bucksport.	185 Bar Harbor, Bar Harbor.
40 Lygonia, Ellsworth.	192 Winter Harbor, Winter Harbor.
71 Rising Sun, Orland.	201 David A. Hooper, W. Sullivan.
77 Tremont, Southwest Harbor.	208 N. E. Harbor, N. E. Harbor.
140 Mount Desert, Mount Desert.	212 McKinley, McKinley.

DISTRICT No. 22.

District Deputy Grand Master—JAMES B. SEEKINS, Hartland.

49 Meridian Splendor, Newport.	125 Meridian, Pittsfield.
64 Pacific, Exeter.	157 Cambridge, Cambridge.
75 Archon, East Dixmont.	160 Parian, Corinna.
95 Corinthian, Hartland.	

DISTRICT No. 23.

District Deputy Grand Master—JAY A. WALKER, Sabattus.

12 Cumberland, New Gloucester.	105 Ashlar, Lewiston.
29 Tranquil, Auburn.	150 Rabboni, Lewiston.
73 Tyrian, Mechanic Falls.	164 Webster, Sabattus.
101 Nezinscot, Turner.	178 Ancient Brothers', Auburn.

DISTRICT No. 24.

District Deputy Grand Master—HARRY D. DAVIS, Vanceboro.

93 Horeb, Lincoln.	172 Pine Tree, Mattawamkeag.
98 Katahdin, Patten.	175 Baskahegan, Danforth.
148 Forest, Springfield.	205 Nolleseme, Millinocket.
165 Molunkus, Sherman Mills.	206 Island Falls, Island Falls.

Towns in Maine Where Masonic Lodges are Located

Location.	Lodge.	District.
ADDISON	Tuscan, 106.	3
ALFRED.	Fraternal 55.	19
ASHLAND	Pioneer, 72,	1
AUBURN	Ancient Brothers', 178	23
AUBURN,	Tranquil, 29,	23
AUGUSTA,	Augusta, 141,	11
AUGUSTA,	Bethlehem, 35,	11
BANGOR,	Rising Virtue, 10,	6
BANGOR,	St. Andrew's, 83,	6
BAR HARBOR,	Bar Harbor, 185,	21
BATH,	Polar Star, 114.	14
BATH,	Solar, 14,	14
BELFAST,	Phoenix 24,	8
BELFAST,	Timothy Chase, 126	8
BETHEL,	Bethel, 97,	16
BIDDEFORD,	Dunlap, 47,	18
BINGHAM	Bingham, 199,	13
BLUE HILL	Ira Berry, 187,	4
BOLSTER'S MILLS,	Crooked River, 152,	16
BOOTHBAY HARBOR,	Seaside, 144,	10
BOWDOINHAM	Village, 26,	14
BRIDGTON,	Oriental, 13,	16
BRISTOL,	Bristol, 74,	10
BROOKLIN,	Naskeag 171,	4
BROOKS,	Marsh River, 102,	8
BROWNFIELD	Shepherd's River, 169,	16
BROWNVILLE,	Pleasant River, 163	5
BRUNSWICK,	United, 8,	14
BRYANT POND,	Jefferson, 100,	16
BUCKFIELD,	Evening Star, 147,	20
BUCKSPORT,	Felicity, 19,	21
CALAIS,	St. Croix, 46,	2
CAMBRIDGE,	Cambridge, 157,	22
CAMDEN,	Amity 6,	7
CANAAN,	Carrabasset, 161,	13
CANTON,	Whitney, 167	20
CARIBOU,	Caribou, 170,	1
CARMEL,	Benevolent 87,	6

CASTINE,	Hancock, 4,	4
CHARLESTON,	Olive Branch, 124,	6
CHERRYFIELD,	Narraguagus, 88,	3
CHINA,	Central, 45,	12
CLINTON,	Sebasticoock, 146,	12
CORINNA,	Parian, 160,	22
CORNISH,	Greenleaf, 117,	18
CUMBERLAND MILLS,	Warren Phillips, 186,	17
CUTLER,	Lookout, 131,	3
DAMARISCOTTA,	Alna, 43,	10
DANFORTH,	Baskahegan, 175,	24
DEER ISLE,	Marine, 122,	4
DENMARK,	Mount Moriah, 56,	16
DEXTER,	Penobscot, 39,	5
DIXFIELD,	King Hiram, 57,	20
DOVER-FOXCROFT,	Mosaic, 52,	5
DRESDEN MILLS,	Dresden, 103,	10
DURHAM,	Acacia, 121,	14
EAST BOOTHBAY,	Bay View, 196,	10
EAST DIXMONT,	Archon, 75,	22
EAST MACHIAS,	Warren, 2,	3
EASTPORT,	Eastern 7,	2
ELLSWORTH,	Lygonia, 40,	21
EXETER,	Pacific, 64,	22
FAIRFIELD,	Siloam, 92,	12
FARMINGTON,	Maine, 20,	15
FORT FAIRFIELD,	Eastern Frontier, 112,	1
FORT KENT,	Fort Kent, 209,	1
FREEPORT,	Freeport, 23,	14
FRIENDSHIP,	Meduncook, 211,	9
FRYEBURG,	Pythagorean, 11,	16
GARDINER,	Hermon, 32,	11
GOODWIN'S MILLS,	Arion, 162,	18
GORHAM,	Harmony, 38,	17
GREENVILLE,	Columbia, 200,	5
GUILFORD,	Mount Kineo, 109,	5
HALLOWELL,	Kennebec, 5,	11
HAMPDEN,	Mystic, 65,	6
HARTLAND,	Corinthian, 95,	22
HERMON,	Lynde, 174,	6
HOULTON,	Monument, 96,	1
ISLAND FALLS,	Island Falls, 206,	24
ISLESBORO,	Island, 89,	7
JEFFERSON,	Riverside, 135,	7
JONESPORT,	Jonesport, 188,	3
KENDUSKEAG,	Kenduskeag, 137,	6
KENNEBUNK,	York, 22,	19

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- Washington, 37, Lubec. James L. Simonds, M.; Robert G. MacBride, S. W.; Carlton Corey, J. W.; Everett S. Higgins, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, December. 2
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ORONO,	Mechanics', 66,	6
ORRINGTON,	Ralph J. Pollard,	6
PATTEN,	Katahdin, 98,	24
PEMBROKE,	Crescent, 78,	2
PENOBSCOT,	Rising Star, 177,	4
PHILLIPS,	Blue Mountain, 67,	15
PITTSFIELD,	Meridian, 125,	22
PORTLAND,	Ancient Landmark, 17,	17
PORTLAND,	Atlantic, 81,	17
PORTLAND,	Corner Stone, 216,	17
PORTLAND,	Deering, 183,	17
PORTLAND,	Portland, 1,	17
PRESQUE ISLE,	Trinity, 130,	1
PRINCETON,	Lewy's Island, 138,	2
RANGELEY,	Kemankeag, 213,	15
READFIELD,	Lafayette, 48,	11
RICHMOND,	Richmond, 63,	14
ROCKLAND,	Aurora, 50,	9
ROCKLAND,	Rockland, 79,	9
ROCKPORT,	St. Paul's, 82,	7
RUMFORD,	Blazing Star, 30,	20
SABATTUS,	Webster, 164,	23
SACO,	Saco, 9,	18
SANFORD,	Preble, 143,	19
SANGERVILLE,	Abner Wade, 207,	5
SEARSMONT,	Quantabcook, 129,	7
SEARSPORT,	Mariners', 68,	8
SEDGWICK,	Eggemoggin, 128,	4
SHERMAN MILLS,	Molunkus, 165,	24
SIDNEY,	Rural, 53,	11
SKOWHEGAN,	Somerset, 34,	13
SOLON,	Keystone, 80,	13
SOUTH BERWICK,	St. John's, 51,	19
SOUTH BRISTOL,	Anchor, 158,	10
SOUTH PARIS,	Paris, 94,	16
SOUTH PORTLAND,	Hiram, 180,	17
SOUTH THOMASTON,	Knox, 189,	9
SOUTHWEST HARBOR,	Tremont, 77,	21
SPRINGFIELD,	Forest, 148,	24
SPRINGVALE,	Springvale, 190,	19
STANDISH,	Standish, 70,	17
STOCKTON SPRINGS,	Pownal, 119,	8
STONINGTON,	Reliance, 196,	4
STRATTON,	Mount Bigelow, 202,	15
STRONG,	Davis, 191,	15
TENANT'S HARBOR,	Eureka, 84,	9
THOMASTON,	Orient, 15,	9

THORNDIKE,	Unity 58,	12
TURNER,	Nezinscot, 101,	23
UNION,	Union, 31,	7
UNITY,	Star in the West, 85,	12
VASSALBORO,	Neguemkeag, 166,	12
VINALHAVEN,	Moses Webster, 145,	9
WALDOBORO,	King Solomon's, 61,	9
WARREN,	St George, 16,	9
WASHBURN,	Washburn, 193,	1
WASHINGTON,	Mt. Olivet, 203,	7
WATERFORD,	Mount Tir'em, 132,	16
WATERVILLE,	Waterville, 33,	12
WAYNE,	Asylum, 133,	11
WEEKS MILLS,	Dirigo, 104,	11
WELD,	Mystic Tie, 154,	15
WELLS DEPOT,	Ocean, 142,	19
WESTBROOK,	Temple, 86,	17
WEST BUXTON,	Buxton, 115,	18
WEST NEWFIELD,	Day Spring, 107,	18
WEST PARIS,	Granite, 182,	16
WEST SULLIVAN,	David A. Hooper, 201,	21
WILTON,	wilton, 156,	15
WINTER HARBOR,	Winter Harbor, 192,	21
WINTERPORT,	Howard, 69,	6
WINTHROP,	Temple, 25,	11
WISCASSET,	Lincoln, 3,	10
YARMOUTH,	Casco, 36,	17
YORK VILLAGE,	St. Aspinquid, 198,	19

Lodges in Maine

With Dates of Precedent and Charters

LODGE	LOCATION	DATE OF PRECEDENCE	DATE OF CHARTER
1 Portland,	Portland,	Mch. 30, 1769	Mch. 30, 1769
2 Warren,	East Machias,	Sept. 10, 1778	Sept. 10, 1778
3 Lincoln,	Wiscasset,	June 1, 1792	June 1, 1792
4 Hancock,	Castine,	June 9, 1794	June 9, 1794
5 Kennebec,	Hallowell,	Mch. 14, 1796	Mch. 14, 1796
6 Amity,	Camden,	Mch. 10, 1801	Mch. 10, 1801
7 Eastern,	Eastport,	June 8, 1801	June 8, 1801
8 United,	Brunswick,	Dec. 14, 1801	Dec. 14, 1801
9 Saco,	Saco,	June 14, 1802	June 16, 1802
10 Rising Virtue,	Bangor,	Sept. 13, 1802	Sept. 16, 1802
11 Pythagorean,	Fryeburg,	June 13, 1803	June 13, 1803
12 Cumberland,	New Gloucester,	June 13, 1803	June 13, 1803
13 Oriental,	Bridgton,	Mch. 12, 1804	Mch. 12, 1804
14 Solar,	Bath,	Sept. 10, 1804	Sept. 10, 1804
15 Orient,	Thomaston,	Sept. 10, 1805	Sept. 10, 1805
16 Saint George,	Warren,	Mch. 10, 1806	Mch. 10, 1806
17 Ancient Landmark,	Portland,	June 10, 1806	June 10, 1806
18 Oxford,	Norway,	Sept. 14, 1807	Sept. 14, 1807
19 Felicity,	Bucksport,	Mch. 14, 1809	Mch. 14, 1809
20 Maine,	Farmington,	June 13, 1809	Jan. 13, 1810
21 Oriental Star,	Livermore,	June 13, 1811	June 13, 1811
22 York,	Kennebunk,	Mch. 9, 1813	Mch. 9, 1813
23 Freeport,	Freeport,	Sept. 13, 1814	Sept. 13, 1814
24 Phoenix,	Belfast,	Sept. 9, 1816	Dec. 30, 1816
25 Temple,	Winthrop,	Sept. 8, 1817	Oct. 6, 1817
26 Village,	Bowdoinham,	June 9, 1817	Sept. 16, 1817
27 Adoniram,	Limington,	Sept. 9, 1818	Sept. 10, 1818
28 Northern Star,	North Anson,	Dec. 9, 1818	Dec. 15, 1818
29 Tranquil,	Auburn,	Dec. 9, 1818	Dec. 9, 1818
30 Blazing Star,	Rumford,	Mch. 10, 1819	Mch. 11, 1819
31 Union,	Union,	Dec. 27, 1819	April 8, 1820
32 Hermon,	Gardiner,	June 23, 1820	June 23, 1820
33 Waterville,	Waterville,	June 27, 1820	June 27, 1820
34 Somersset,	Skowhegan,	Jan. 11, 1821	Jan. 11, 1821
35 Bethlehem,	Augusta,	July 12, 1821	May 3, 1862†
36 Casco,	Yarmouth,	Oct. 11, 1821	Oct. 24, 1826
37 Washington,	Lubec,	Jan. 10, 1822	Jan. 24, 1821
38 Harmony,	Gorham,	Jan. 10, 1822	Jan. 24, 1822
39 Penobscot,	Dexter,	Jan. 10, 1822	Jan. 24, 1822
40 Lygonia,	Ellsworth,	April 11, 1822	April 11, 1822
41 Morning Star,	Litchfield,	July 11, 1822	July 16, 1822
42 Freedom,	Limerick,	Jan. 11, 1823	Jan. 14, 1823
43 Alna,	Damariscotta,	Jan. 11, 1823	Jan. 14, 1823
44 Piscataquis,	Milo,	Oct. 9, 1823	Oct. 28, 1823
45 Central,	China,	April 8, 1824	April 8, 1824
46 Saint Croix,	Calais,	April 8, 1824	April 8, 1824
47 Dunlap,	Biddeford	Jan. 13, 1826	Jan. 30, 1826
48 Lafayette,	Readfield,	Jan. 13, 1826	May 20, 1850†
49 Meridian Splendor,	Newport,	July 13, 1826	July 18, 1826
50 Aurora,	Rockland,	July 18, 1826	May 9, 1872†
51 Saint John's,	South Berwick,	Jan. 12, 1827	Feb. 13, 1827
52 Mosaic,	Dover-Foxcroft,	April 22, 1827	July 16, 1827
53 Rural,	Sidney,	April 12, 1827	July 25, 1827
54 Vassalboro,	No. Vassalboro,	April 12, 1827	May 31, 1827
55 Fraternal,	Alfred,	Jan. 10, 1828	Jan. 10, 1828

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56 Mount Moriah,	Denmark,	Jan. 10, 1828	Jan. 23, 1828
57 King Hiram,	Dixfield,	April 10, 1828	May 9, 1827†
58 Unity,	Thorndike,	April 10, 1828	May 15, 1828
59 Mount Hope,	Hope,	Jan. 25, 1848	May 4, 1848†
60 Star in the East,	Old Town,	Feb. 23, 1848	May 5, 1848
61 King Solomon's,	Waldoboro,	April 4, 1849	Feb. 4, 1855†
62 King David's,	Lincolnville,	June 16, 1849	Jan. 13, 1850
63 Richmond,	Richmond,	Jan. 1, 1850	May 10, 1850
64 Pacific,	Exeter,	Oct. 22, 1850	May 12, 1851
65 Mystic,	Hampden,	Mch. 1, 1851	May 12, 1851
66 Mechanics',	Orono,	Mch. 3, 1851	May 12, 1851
67 Blue Mountain,	Phillips,	July 12, 1850	May 10, 1852
68 Mariners',	Searsport,	Oct. 23, 1851	May 10, 1853
69 Howard,	Winterport,	Nov. 28, 1851	May 6, 1853
70 Standish,	Standish,	June 10, 1852	May 10, 1853
71 Rising Sun,	Orland,	Oct. 18, 1852	May 10, 1853
72 Pioneer,	Ashland,	Oct. 26, 1852	May 5, 1854
73 Tyrian,	Mechanic Falls,	Jan. 21, 1853	May 10, 1853
74 Bristol,	Bristol,	Mch. 1, 1853	May 5, 1854
*75 Archon,	East Dixmont,	May 9, 1853	May 5, 1854†
76 Arundel,	Kennebunkport,	May 5, 1854	June 26, 1854
77 Tremont,	So. West Harbor,	June 12, 1854	May 3, 1856
78 Crescent,	Pembroke,	July 4, 1854	July 10, 1854
79 Rockland,	Rockland,	Oct. 25, 1854	April 4, 1872†
80 Keystone,	Solon,	Dec. 16, 1854	May 4, 1855
81 Atlantic,	Portland,	May 3, 1855	May 3, 1855
82 Saint Paul's,	Rockport,	Oct. 27, 1855	May 2, 1856
83 Saint Andrew's,	Bangor,	Feb. 6, 1856	May 3, 1856
84 Eureka,	Tenants Harbor,	July 27, 1855	May 2, 1856
85 Star in the West,	Unity,	May 4, 1855	May 24, 1856
86 Temple,	Westbrook,	Mch. 1, 1856	May 5, 1856
87 Benevolent,	Carmel,	Mch. 12, 1857	May 7, 1857
88 Narraguagus,	Cherryfield,	Mch. 25, 1857	May 28, 1857
89 Island,	Islesboro,	April 3, 1857	Nov. 5, 1857
90 Hiram Abiff,	West Appleton,	Jan. 27, 1857	May 5, 1858§
91 Harwood,	Machias,	April 8, 1858	Oct. 15, 1858
92 Siloam,	Fairfield,	Mch. 8, 1858	Jan. 1, 1859
93 Horeb,	Lincoln,	June 5, 1858	May 5, 1859
94 Paris,	South Paris,	June 15, 1858	May 5, 1859
95 Corinthian,	Hartland,	Sept. 13, 1858	May 5, 1859
96 Monument,	Houlton,	Nov. 18, 1858	May 5, 1859
97 Bethel,	Bethel,	July 6, 1859	May 5, 1860
98 Katahdin,	Patten,	Aug. 24, 1859	May 3, 1860
99 Vernon Valley,	Mount Vernon,	Oct. 28, 1859	May 3, 1860
100 Jefferson,	Bryant Pond,	Feb. 8, 1860	May 3, 1860
101 Nezinscot,	Turner,	Mch. 1, 1860	May 3, 1860
102 Marsh River,	Brooks,	Dec. 24, 1859	May 9, 1861
103 Dresden,	Dresden Mills,	Feb. 3, 1860	May 9, 1861
104 Dirigo,	Week's Mills,	June 12, 1860	May 9, 1861
105 Ashlar,	Lewiston,	Nov. 5, 1860	May 9, 1861
106 Tuscan,	Addison,	Dec. 27, 1860	May 9, 1861
107 Day Spring,	West Newfield,	Mch. 19, 1861	May 9, 1861
108 Relief,	Belgrade,	Jan. 11, 1861	May 8, 1862§
109 Mount Kineo,	Guilford,	May 10, 1861	May 8, 1862
110 Monmouth,	Monmouth,	May 21, 1861	May 8, 1862
111 Liberty,	Liberty,	Nov. 8, 1861	May 8, 1862
112 Eastern Frontier,	Fort Fairfield,	May 8, 1862	May 7, 1863
113 Messalonskee,	Oakland,	May 15, 1862	May 7, 1863

LODGE	LOCATION	DATE OF PRECEDENCE	DATE OF CHARTER
114 Polar Star,	Bath,	Mch. 7, 1863	May 7, 1863
115 Buxton,	West Buxton,	Mch. 18, 1863	May 7, 1863
116 Lebanon,	Norridgewock,	April 30, 1863	May 7, 1863
117 Greenleaf,	Cornish,	April 22, 1863	May 4, 1864
118 Drummond,	No. Parsonsfield,	May 7, 1863	May 4, 1864
119 Pownal,	Stockton,	July 4, 1863	May 6, 1875†
120 Meduncook,	Friendship,	Feb. 6, 1864	May 4, 1864†
121 Acacia,	Durham,	May 7, 1863	May 4, 1865
122 Marine,	Deer Isle,	Mch. 18, 1864	May 3, 1865
123 Franklin,	New Sharo,	May 4, 1864	May 3, 1865
124 Olive Branch,	Charlestown,	May 4, 1864	May 3, 1865
125 Meridian,	Pittsfield,	June 7, 1864	May 3, 1865
126 Timothy Chase,	Belfast,	Oct. 26, 1864	May 3, 1865
127 Presumpscot,	North Windham,	Nov. 19, 1864	May 3, 1866
128 Eggemoggin,	Sedgwick,	Mch. 1, 1865	May 3, 1866
129 Quantabacook,	Searsmont,	Mch. 28, 1865	May 3, 1866
130 Trinity,	Presque Isle,	July 17, 1865	May 3, 1866
131 Lookout,	Cutler,	July 18, 1865	May 3, 1866
132 Mount Tir'em,	Waterford,	Oct. 18, 1865	May 3, 1866
133 Asylum,	Wayne,	July 20, 1865	May 9, 1867
134 Trojan,	Troy,	Feb. 19, 1866	May 9, 1867†
135 Riverside,	Jefferson,	Mch. 13, 1866	May 8, 1867
136 Ionic,	Gardiner,	April 24, 1866	May 9, 1867†
137 Kenduskeag,	Kenduskeag,	May 3, 1866	May 8, 1867
138 Lewy's Island,	Princeton,	May 3, 1866	May 8, 1867
139 Archon,	East Dixmont,	Sept. 26, 1866	May 8, 1867†
140 Mount Desert,	Mount Desert,	Feb. 14, 1867	May 8, 1867
141 Augusta,	Augusta,	Mch. 21, 1867	May 8, 1867
142 Ocean,	Wells,	Mch. 22, 1867	May 7, 1868
143 Preble,	Sanford,	May 9, 1867	May 7, 1868
144 Seaside,	Boothbay Har.,	Oct. 7, 1867	May 7, 1868
145 Moses Webster,	Vinalhaven,	Jan. 13, 1868	May 7, 1868
146 Seabasticook,	Clinton,	Feb. 3, 1868	May 7, 1868
147 Evening Star,	Buckfield,	Feb. 22, 1869	May 5, 1869
148 Forest,	Springfield,	April 1, 1869	May 5, 1869
149 Doric,	Monson,	May 7, 1868	May 5, 1869
150 Rabboni,	Lewiston,	Dec. 28, 1868	May 5, 1869
151 Excelsior,	Northport,	Mch. 1, 1869	May 5, 1869
152 Crooked River,	Bolster's Mills,	April 15, 1869	May 5, 1870
153 Delta,	Lovell,	May 5, 1869	May 4, 1870
154 Mystic Tie,	Weld,	June 8, 1869	May 4, 1870
155 Ancient York,	Lisbon Falls,	Jan. 1, 1870	May 4, 1870
156 Wilton,	Wilton,	Jan. 31, 1870	May 4, 1870
157 Cambridge,	Cambridge,	May 5, 1870	May 4, 1871
158 Anchor,	South Bristol,	May 5, 1870	May 4, 1871
159 Esoteric,	Ellsworth,	Sept. 3, 1870	May 4, 1871†
160 Parian,	Corinna,	Sept. 9, 1870	May 9, 1872
161 Carrabassett,	Canaan,	Mch. 2, 1871	May 9, 1872
162 Arion,	Goodwin's Mills,	Mch. 18, 1871	May 9, 1872
163 Pleasant River,	Brownville,	July 28, 1871	May 9, 1872
164 Webster,	Sabattus,	July 28, 1871	May 9, 1872
165 Molunkus,	Sherman Mills,	Aug. 26, 1871	May 9, 1872
166 Neguemkeag,	Vassalboro,	Dec. 22, 1871	May 9, 1872
167 Whitney,	Canton,	Mch. 9, 1872	May 9, 1872
168 Composite,	Lagrange,	May 9, 1872	May 8, 1873
169 Shepherd's River,	Brownfield,	July 1, 1872	May 8, 1873
170 Caribou,	Caribou,	July 27, 1872	May 8, 1873
171 Naskeag,	Brooklin,	Feb. 3, 1873	May 8, 1873

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172 Pine Tree,	Mattawamkeag,	Nov. 14, 1873	May 7, 1874
173 Pleiades,	Millbridge,	May 7, 1874	May 7, 1874
174 Lynde,	Hermon,	May 7, 1874	May 7, 1874
175 Baskahegan,	Danforth,	Dec. 3, 1874	May 20, 1875†
176 Palestine,	Biddeford,	May 5, 1875	May 6, 1875
177 Rising Star,	Penobscot,	June 17, 1875	May 4, 1876
178 Ancient Brothers',	Auburn,	June 21, 1875	May 4, 1876
179 Yorkshire,	North Berwick,	Sept. 18, 1875	May 4, 1876
180 Hiram,	South Portland,	Nov. 1, 1875	May 4, 1876
181 Reuel Washburn,	East Livermore,	May 4, 1876	May 3, 1877†
182 Granite,	West Paris,	Sept. 16, 1878	May 8, 1879
183 Deering,	Portland,	April 2, 1879	May 8, 1879
184 Naval,	Kittery,	May 8, 1879	May 6, 1880
185 Bar Harbor,	Bar Harbor,	April 19, 1882	May 2, 1882
186 Warren Phillips,	Cumberl'd Mills,	April 18, 1883	May 3, 1883
187 Ira Berry,	Bluehill,	Nov. 12, 1883	May 8, 1884
188 Jonesport,	Jonesport,	May 8, 1884	May 8, 1884
189 Knox,	So. Thomaston,	Sept. 6, 1884	May 7, 1885
190 Springvale,	Springvale,	May 7, 1885	May 6, 1886
191 Davis,	Strong,	May 7, 1885	May 6, 1886
192 Winter Harbor,	Winter Harbor,	Aug. 12, 1887	May 3, 1888
193 Washburn,	Washburn,	Dec. 14, 1887	May 3, 1888
194 Euclid,	Madison,	May 4, 1888	May 9, 1880
195 Reliance,	Stonington,	May 9, 1889	May 8, 1899
196 Bay View,	East Boothbay,	Dec. 20, 1889	May 8, 1890
197 Aroostook,	Mars Hill,	Dec. 17, 1890	May 7, 1891
198 Saint Aspinquid,	York,	July 22, 1892	May 4, 1893
199 Bingham,	Bingham,	Dec. 23, 1892	May 4, 1893
200 Columbia,	Greenville,	July 23, 1894	May 7, 1896
201 David A. Hooper,	West Sullivan,	June 3, 1897	May 5, 1898
202 Mount Bigelow,	Flagstaff,	June 19, 1897	May 6, 1898
203 Mount Olivet,	Washington,	Nov. 24, 1897	May 7, 1898
204 Mount Abram,	Kingfield,	May 4, 1900	May 9, 1901
205 Nollesmic,	Millinocket,	Nov. 17, 1900	May 9, 1901
206 Island Falls,	Island Falls,	Oct. 3, 1901	May 8, 1902
207 Abner Wade,	Sangerville,	June 3, 1902	May 7, 1903
208 No. East Harbor,	No. East Harbor,	Sept. 2, 1903	May 6, 1904
209 Fort Kent,	Fort Kent,	Mch. 23, 1904	May 4, 1905
210 Bagaduce,	Brooksville,	Sept. 2, 1905	May 3, 1906
211 Meduncook,	Friendship,	Feb. 15, 1909	May 5, 1910
212 McKinley,	McKinley,	May 6, 1909	May 6, 1910
213 Kemankeag,	Rangeley,	Oct. 6, 1913	May 7, 1914
214 Limestone,	Limestone,	Nov. 10, 1913	May 7, 1914
215 Orchard,	Old Orchard,	May 4, 1916	May 3, 1917
216 Corner Stone,	Portland,	Oct. 27, 1926	May 4, 1927
217 Ralph J. Pollard,	Orrington,	Jan. 28, 1947	May 4, 1948

NOTE.—6 Petitioned for under the name "Federal."

11 Originally "Pequawket" U. D., Charter restored in 1865, after no meetings since 1830.

47 Originally "Buxton," removed to Biddeford 1855, name changed.

59 Mt. Hoope, charter surrendered 1879.

*75 Plymouth consolidated with Archon No. 139 which becomes No. 75.

90 Hiram Abiff, charter revoked 1868.

95 Originally "Pond," name changed in 1864.

108 Relief, charter revoked 1894.

115 Removed from Buxton to Hollis 1867. Originally called "Moderation," name changed 1874.

119 Was "Perseverance" U. D.

120 Meduncook, charter surrendered 1884.

134 Trojan, consolidated with Star in the West, No. 85, in 1888.

136 Ionic, charter surrendered 1882.

139 Consolidated with No. 75.

159 Esoteric consolidated with Lygonia, No. 40, Jan. 11, 1908.

160 Was "Fisher" U. D.

176 Palestine, consolidated with Dunlap, No. 47, in 1895.

181 Reuel Washburn, consolidated with Oriental Star, No. 21, in 1892

Lodges enrolled 216; extinct 10; working 206.

† Charter surrendered.

‡ Charter revoked.

¶ Consolidated.

‡ Means charter surrendered and afterward restored

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1820-21	*William King	*Simon Greenleaf	*William Swan	*Nathaniel Coffin	*Joseph M. Gerrish	*William Lord
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1823	*Simon Greenleaf	*William Swan	*Charles Fox	*Samuel Fessenden	*Joseph M. Gerrish	*William Lord
1824	*William Swan	*Charles Fox	*Samuel Fessenden	*George Thacher, Jr.	*Joseph M. Gerrish	*William Lord
1825	*William Swan	*Charles Fox	*Samuel Fessenden	*George Thacher, Jr.	*Joseph M. Gerrish	*William Lord
1826	*Charles Fox	*Samuel Fessenden	*George Thacher, Jr.	*Robert P. Dunlap	*Joseph M. Gerrish	*William Lord
1827	*Charles Fox	*Samuel Fessenden	*George Thacher, Jr.	*Robert P. Dunlap	*Joseph M. Gerrish	*William Lord
1828	*Samuel Fessenden	*Peleg Sprague	*Robert P. Dunlap	*Amos Nourse	*Joseph M. Gerrish	*William Lord
1829	*Samuel Fessenden	*Peleg Sprague	*Robert P. Dunlap	*Reuben Nason	*Joseph M. Gerrish	*William Lord
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1834	*Nathaniel Coffin	*Reuel Washburn	*John L. Magquier	*Abner B. Thompson	*Benjamin Davis	*Asaph R. Nichols
1835	*Reuel Washburn	*David G. Magoun	*Joel Miller	*Abner B. Thompson	*Benjamin Davis	*Philip C. Johnson
1836	*Reuel Washburn	*David G. Magoun	*Joel Miller	*Stephen Webber	*Benjamin Davis	*Philip C. Johnson
1837	*Reuel Washburn	*David G. Magoun	*Joel Miller	*Stephen Webber	*Benjamin Davis	*Philip C. Johnson
1838	*Adner B. Thompson	*Asaph R. Nichols	*Thomas W. Smith	*John T. Paine	*Benjamin Davis	*Philip C. Johnson
1839	*Abner B. Thompson	*Asaph R. Nichols	*Thomas W. Smith	*Alexander H. Putney	*Benjamin Davis	*Philip C. Johnson
1840	*Abner B. Thompson	*Asaph R. Nichols	*Thomas W. Smith	*Alexander H. Putney	*Benjamin Davis	*Philip C. Johnson
1841	*Hezekiah Williams	*Asaph R. Nichols	*John T. Paine	*Alexander H. Putney	*Henry H. Boody	*Charles B. Smith
1842	*Thomas W. Smith	*Asaph R. Nichols	*John T. Paine	*John C. Humphreys	*Henry H. Boody	*Charles B. Smith
1843	*Thomas W. Smith	*Asaph R. Nichols	*John T. Paine	*John C. Humphreys	*Henry H. Boody	*Charles B. Smith
1844	*Thomas W. Smith	*James L. Child	*Alexander H. Putney	*Joseph C. Stevens	*Henry H. Boody	*Charles B. Smith
1845	*John T. Paine	*Asaph R. Nichols	*Alexander H. Putney	*Freeman Bradford	*Henry H. Boody	*Charles B. Smith
1846	*John T. Paine	*Elisha Harding	*John C. Humphreys	*Timothy Chase	*Henry H. Boody	*Charles B. Smith
1847	*Alexander H. Putney	*Samuel L. Valentine	*John C. Humphreys	*William Somerby	*Henry H. Boody	*Charles B. Smith
1848	*Alexander H. Putney	*Samuel L. Valentine	*John C. Humphreys	*Thomas B. Johnston	*Moses Dodge	*Charles B. Smith
1849	*Joseph C. Stevens	*John C. Humphreys	*Freeman Bradford	*Thomas B. Johnston	*Moses Dodge	*Charles B. Smith
1850	*Joseph C. Stevens	*John C. Humphreys	*Freeman Bradford	*William Kimball	*Moses Dodge	*Charles B. Smith
1851	*John C. Humphreys	*Freeman Bradford	*Timothy Chase			
1852	*John C. Humphreys	*Freeman Bradford	*Timothy Chase			
1853	*Freeman Bradford	*Timothy Chase	*Jabez True			
1854	*Timothy Chase	*Jabez True	*Ezra B. French			
1855	*John Miller	*Jabez True	*Ezra B. French			

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1856	*Jabez True	*Hiram Chase	*Isaac Downing	*William Allen	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1857	*Robert P. Dunlap	*Hiram Chase	*William Allen	*John Williams	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1858	*Hiram Chase	*Josiah H. Drummond	*Gustavus F. Sargent	*Stephen B. Dockham	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1859	*Hiram Chase	*Josiah H. Drummond	*Gustavus F. Sargent	*Oliver Gerrish	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1860	*Josiah H. Drummond	*William P. Preble	*John J. Bell	*Joseph Covell	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1861	*Josiah H. Drummond	*William P. Preble	*John J. Bell	*Francis J. Day	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1862	*Josiah H. Drummond	*William P. Preble	*David Bugbee	*T. K. Osgood	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1863	*William P. Preble	*John J. Bell	*Edmund Hinckley	*F. Loring Talbot	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1864	*William P. Preble	*Timothy J. Murray	*Francis L. Talbot	*John H. Lynde	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1865	*William P. Preble	*Timothy J. Murray	*Francis L. Talbot	*John H. Lynde	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1866	*Timothy J. Murray	*John H. Lynde	*David Cargill	*Thaddeus R. Simonton	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1867	*Timothy J. Murray	*John H. Lynde	*David Cargill	*Thaddeus R. Simonton	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1868	*Timothy J. Murray	*John H. Lynde	*David Cargill	*Thaddeus R. Simonton	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1869	*John H. Lynde	*David Cargill	*Thaddeus R. Simonton	*John W. Ballou	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1870	*John H. Lynde	*David Cargill	*Thaddeus R. Simonton	*John W. Ballou	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1871	*John H. Lynde	*David Cargill	*Albert Moore	*Henry H. Dickey	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1872	*David Cargill	*Albert Moore	*Edward P. Burnham	*William O. Poor	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1873	*David Cargill	*Albert Moore	*Edward P. Burnham	*William O. Poor	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1874	*David Cargill	*Albert Moore	*Edward P. Burnham	*William O. Poor	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1875	*Albert Moore	*Edward P. Burnham	*William O. Poor	*Charles I. Collamore	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1876	*Albert Moore	*Edward P. Burnham	*Charles I. Collamore	*A. M. Wetherbee	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1877	*Edward P. Burnham	*Charles I. Collamore	*Marquis F. King	*S. J. Chadbourne	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1878	*Edward P. Burnham	*Charles I. Collamore	*Marquis F. King	*S. J. Chadbourne	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1879	*Charles I. Collamore	*Marquis F. King	*Sumner T. Chadbourne	*Edwin Howard Vose	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1880	*Charles I. Collamore	*Marquis F. King	*William R. G. Estes	*Archie L. Talbot	*William O. Fox	*Ira Berry
1881	*Marquis F. King	*William R. G. Estes	*John B. Redman	*Fessenden I. Day	*William O. Fox	*Ira Berry
1882	*Marquis F. King	*William R. G. Estes	*Arlington B. Marston	*Charles W. Haney	*William O. Fox	*Ira Berry
1883	*William R. G. Estes	*Fessenden I. Day	*William H. Smith	*Goodwin R. Wiley	*Frederick Fox	*Ira Berry
1884	*William R. G. Estes	*Fessenden I. Day	*Frank E. Sleeper	*Augustus Bailey	*Frederick Fox	*Ira Berry
1885	*Fessenden I. Day	*Frank E. Sleeper	*Joseph M. Hayes	*Henry R. Taylor	*Frederick Fox	*Ira Berry
1886	*Fessenden I. Day	*Frank E. Sleeper	*Albro E. Chase	*Benjamin Ames	*Frederick Fox	*Ira Berry
1887	*Frank E. Sleeper	*Albro E. Chase	*Horace H. Burbank	*Wilford J. Fisher	*Frederick Fox	*Ira Berry
1888	*Frank E. Sleeper	*Albro E. Chase	*Leander M. Kenniston	*Samuel G. Davis	*Frederick Fox	*Ira Berry
1889	*Albro E. Chase	*Henry R. Taylor	*Manley G. Trask	*Algernon M. Roak	*Frederick Fox	*Ira Berry
1890	*Albro E. Chase	*Henry R. Taylor	*Daniel P. Boynton	*E. B. Mallet, Jr.	*Frederick Fox	*Ira Berry

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1891	*Henry R. Taylor	*Horace H. Burbank	*George R. Shaw	*Samuel L. Miller	*Frederick Fox	*Ira Berry
1892	*Henry R. Taylor	*Horace H. Burbank	*Augustus B. Farnham	*Howard D. Smith	*Frederick Fox	*Stephen Berry
1893	*Horace H. Burbank	*Augustus B. Farnham	*Joseph A. Locke	*William Freeman Lord	*Frederick Fox	*Stephen Berry
1894	*Horace H. Burbank	*Augustus B. Farnham	*Herbert Harris	*Gustavus H. Cargill	*Frederick Fox	*Stephen Berry
1895	*Augustus B. Farnham	*Joseph A. Locke	*Winfield S. Choate	*Moses Tait	*Marquis F. King	*Stephen Berry
1896	*Augustus B. Farnham	*Joseph A. Locke	*Albert M. Penley	*Benjamin L. Hadley	*Marquis F. King	*Stephen Berry
1897	*Joseph A. Locke	*Winfield S. Choate	*Alfred S. Kimball	*Enoch O. Greenleaf	*Marquis F. King	*Stephen Berry
1898	*Joseph A. Locke	*Winfield S. Choate	*Elmer P. Spofford	*Millard M. Caswell	*Marquis F. King	*Stephen Berry
1899	*Winfield S. Choate	*Alfred S. Kimball	*William J. Burnham	*Franklin R. Redlon	*Marquis F. King	*Stephen Berry
1900	*Winfield S. Choate	*Alfred S. Kimball	*James E. Parsons	*John H. McGorrell	*Marquis F. King	*Stephen Berry
1901	*Alfred S. Kimball	*William J. Burnham	*Hugh R. Chaplin	*Adelbert Millett	*Marquis F. King	*Stephen Berry
1902	*Alfred S. Kimball	*William J. Burnham	*Edwin A. Porter	*James C. Ayer	*Marquis F. King	*Stephen Berry
1903	*William J. Burnham	*Hugh R. Chaplin	*Charles W. Crosby	*Charles F. Paine	*Marquis F. King	*Stephen Berry
1904	*Hugh R. Chaplin	*Charles F. Johnson	*W. Scott Shorey	*George W. McClain	*Marquis F. King	*Stephen Berry
1905	*Hugh R. Chaplin	*Charles F. Johnson	*Curtis R. Foster	*Edward G. Weston	*Millard F. Hicks	*Stephen Berry
1906	*Charles F. Johnson	*Edmund B. Mallet	*James M. Larrabee	*Albert M. Ames	*Millard F. Hicks	*Stephen Berry
1907	*Charles F. Johnson	*Edmund B. Mallet	*William N. Howe	*Leon S. Howe	*Millard F. Hicks	*Stephen Berry
1908	*Edmund B. Mallet	*Ashley A. Smith	*John Clair Minot	*George W. Holmes	*Millard F. Hicks	*Stephen Berry
1909	*Edmund B. Mallet	*Ashley A. Smith	*Frank J. Cole	*Winifred S. Hinckley	*Millard F. Hicks	*Stephen Berry
1910	*Ashley A. Smith	*Elmer P. Spofford	*Isaac N. Jones	*Sullivan L. Andrews	*Millard F. Hicks	*Stephen Berry
1911	*Ashley A. Smith	*Elmer P. Spofford	*Frank E. Monroe	Convers E. Leach	*Millard F. Hicks	*Stephen Berry
1912	*Elmer P. Spofford	*Thomas H. Bodge	*Waldo Pettengill	*Ernest P. Parlin	*Millard F. Hicks	*Stephen Berry
1913	*Elmer P. Spofford	*Thomas H. Bodge	*Fred C. Chalmers	*George A. Gilpatrick	*Millard F. Hicks	*Stephen Berry
1914	*Thomas H. Bodge	*Waldo Pettengill	*Isaac A. Clough	*Clifford J. Pattee	*Millard F. Hicks	*Stephen Berry
1915	*Thomas H. Bodge	*Waldo Pettengill	*Fred Raymond	*Frank B. Aruold	*Albro E. Chase	*Stephen Berry
1916	*Waldo Pettengill	*Silas B. Adams	*Ralph W. Moore	*Albert H. Newbert	*Albro E. Chase	*Stephen Berry
1917	*Waldo Pettengill	*Silas B. Adams	*James H. Witherell	*Edwin K. Smith	*Albro E. Chase	*Stephen Berry
1918	*Silas B. Adams	Edward W. Wheeler	Willis A. Ricker	*Carroll S. Douglass	*Albro E. Chase	*Charles B. Davis
1919	*Silas B. Adams	Edward W. Wheeler	*William S. Davidson	*Wallace N. Price	*Albro E. Chase	*Charles B. Davis
1920	Edward W. Wheeler	*Albert M. Spear	John J. Marr	†Lee M. Smith	*Albro E. Chase	*Charles B. Davis
1921	Edward W. Wheeler	*Albert M. Spear	*John M. Burleigh	Allen L. Curtis	*Albro E. Chase	*Charles B. Davis
1922	*Albert M. Spear	*David E. Moulton	Lewman B. Soper	*Charles M. Farrar	*Edmund B. Mallet	*Charles B. Davis
1923	*Albert M. Spear	*David E. Moulton	*Frederic O. Eaton	*Daniel G. Chaplin	*Edmund B. Mallet	*Charles B. Davis
1924	*David E. Moulton	David L. Wilson	*Frank P. Denaco	*Erwin G. Ryder	*Herbert N. Maxfield	*Charles B. Davis
1925	*David E. Moulton	David L. Wilson	Harry E. Rowe	*James A. Richan	*Herbert N. Maxfield	*Charles B. Davis

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1926	David L. Wilson	*Harold E. Cooke	James Abernethy	Eugene A. Whittridge	*Herbert N. Maxfield	*Charles B. Davis
1927	David L. Wilson	*Harold E. Cooke	*E. Murray Graham	*Ernest J. Record	*Herbert N. Maxfield	*Charles B. Davis
1928	*Harold E. Cooke	*Cyrus N. Blanchard	William S. Holmes	*Norris S. Lord	*Herbert N. Maxfield	*Charles B. Davis
1929	*Harold E. Cooke	*Cyrus N. Blanchard	Alvoid E. Cushman	*Eben J. Marston	*Herbert N. Maxfield	*Charles B. Davis
1930	*Cyrus N. Blanchard	Ernest C. Butler	William A. Small	*Henry W. Loring	*Herbert N. Maxfield	*Charles B. Davis
1931	*Cyrus N. Blanchard	Ernest C. Butler	*J. Blaine Morrison	George W. Haskell	*Herbert N. Maxfield	*Charles B. Davis
1932	Ernest C. Butler	Clark D. Chapman	*Augustus E. Campbell	George F. Giddings	*Herbert N. Maxfield	Convers E. Leach
1933	Ernest C. Butler	Clark D. Chapman	*Irving R. Case	George H. Minott	*Herbert N. Maxfield	Convers E. Leach
1934	Clark D. Chapman	Henry R. Gillis	*George N. Stevens	*Henry D. Davis	*Herbert N. Maxfield	Convers E. Leach
1935	Clark D. Chapman	Henry R. Gillis	Manson D. Brown	Harry S. Grindall	*Herbert N. Maxfield	Convers E. Leach
1936	Henry R. Gillis	*Samuel B. Furbish	John L. Tewksbury	James P. Bunker	*Herbert N. Maxfield	Convers E. Leach
1937	Henry R. Gillis	George F. Giddings	*Charles E. Tuttle	*Harvey L. Haskell	*Herbert N. Maxfield	Convers E. Leach
1938	George F. Giddings	*Harold H. Murchie	Arthur H. Lander	John L. Polleys	*Herbert N. Maxfield	Convers E. Leach
1939	George F. Giddings	*Harold H. Murchie	William D. Bruce	Edward H. Britton	*Herbert N. Maxfield	Convers E. Leach
1940	*Harold H. Murchie	Benjamin L. Hadley	*Frank W. Fuller	Carroll W. Keene	*Herbert N. Maxfield	Convers E. Leach
1941	*Harold H. Murchie	Benjamin L. Hadley	William A. Levensalor	Elbert G. Moulton	*Herbert N. Maxfield	Convers E. Leach
1942	Benjamin L. Hadley	Ralph J. Pollard	Ervin E. J. Lander	*Amos A. Carter	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Convers E. Leach
1943	Benjamin L. Hadley	Charles E. Crossland	Clarence J. Perham	Arthur W. Stockbridge	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Convers E. Leach
1944	Charles E. Crossland	Carroll W. Keene	Harold L. Gerrish	Earle D. Webster	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Convers E. Leach
1945	Charles E. Crossland	Carroll W. Keene	Harold L. Gerrish	Earle D. Webster	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Convers E. Leach
1946	Carroll W. Keene	Granville C. Gray	Clyde French	Frederick C. Lounder	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Convers E. Leach
1947	Carroll W. Keene	Granville C. Gray	Elmer P. Smart	Wesley L. Oxtou	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Convers E. Leach
1948	Granville C. Gray	Ervin E. J. Lander	Frank L. Milan	James A. Sanker	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Convers E. Leach
1949	Granville C. Gray	Ervin E. J. Lander	Judson P. Lord	Merton E. Leech	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Convers E. Leach
1950	Ervin E. J. Lander	Benjamin W. Ela	Lewis T. Brown	Harry I. Rollins	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Convers E. Leach
1951	Ervin E. J. Lander	Benjamin W. Ela	George R. Caswell	Fred J. Lowell	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Convers E. Leach
1952	Benjamin W. Ela	Paul L. Powers	Everett L. Higgins	Adin L. Hopkins	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Convers E. Leach

* Deceased.

† Demitted from Oxford No. 18, August 24, 1928.

Josiah Hayden Drummond Distinguished Service Medal

Under the provisions of Standing Regulation No. 56 Drummond Medals have been presented to the following:

- Dec. 27, 1939. M. W. JOSEPH EARL PERRY, Mass., by G. M. Giddings.
 " 27, 1939. M. W. MELVIN M. JOHNSON, Mass., by G. M. Giddings.
 " 27, 1939. M. W. FREDERICK W. HAMILTON, Mass., G. M. Giddings.
 May 7, 1940. M. W. ASHLEY A. SMITH, Maine, by G. M. Giddings.
 " 7, 1949. M. W. THOMAS H. BODGE, Maine, by G. M. Giddings.
 " 7, 1940. M. W. EDWARD W. WHEELER, Maine, by G. M. Giddings.
 " 7, 1940. M. W. DAVID E. MOULTON, Maine, by G. M. Giddings.
 " 7, 1940. M. W. DAVID L. WILSON, Maine, by G. M. Giddings.
 " 7, 1940. M. W. CYRUS N. BLANCHARD, Maine, by G. M. Giddings.
 " 7, 1940. M. W. ERNEST C. BUTLER, Maine, by G. M. Giddings.
 " 7, 1940. M. W. CLARK D. CHAPMAN, Maine, by G. M. Giddings.
 " 7, 1940. M. W. HENRY R. GILLIS, Maine, by G. M. Giddings.
 " 7, 1940. R. W. CONVERS E. LEACH, Maine, by G. M. Giddings.
 " 7, 1940. R. W. FRANK J. COLE, Maine, by G. M. Giddings.
 May 9, 1940. M. W. GEORGE F. GIDDINGS, Maine, by G. M. Murchie.
 April 23, 1941. M. W. CHARLES H. JOHNSON, N. Y., by G. M. Murchie.
 May 4, 1942. M. W. ALBERT A. SCHAEFER, Mass., by G. M. Murchie.
 May 7, 1942. R. W. RALPH J. POLLARD, Maine, by G. M. Murchie.
 May 4, 1943. M. W. HAROLD H. MURCHIE, by G. M. Hadley.
 May 4, 1943. M. W. WALTER W. WILLIAMSON, by G. M. Hadley.
 May 3, 1944. M. W. CHARLES E. CROSSLAND, by G. M. Hadley.
 May 1, 1945. M. W. BENJAMIN L. HADLEY, by G. M. Crossland.
 May 8, 1946. M. W. P. CONANT VOTER, Vt., by G. M. Crossland.
 May 9, 1946. M. W. ANSEL A. PACKARD, Conn., by G. M. Crossland,
 for 1945.
 May 6, 1947. M. W. RAY V. DENSLOW, Missouri, by G. M. Keene.
 May 6, 1947. R. W. ERVIN E. J. LANDER, Maine, by G. M. Keene.
 May 5, 1948. M. W. JOHN TEMPLE RICE, Texas, by G. M. Keene.
 May 5, 1948. W. FRANK C. ALLEN, Maine, by G. M. Keene.
 May 4, 1949. EARL E. DUSENBERY, Iowa, by G. M. Gray.
 May 4, 1949. GEORGE W. HASKELL, Maine, by G. M. Gray.
 May 5, 1949. CARROLL W. KEENE, Maine, by G. M. Gray.
 Aug. 25, 1949. DONALD C. MALCOLM, by G. M. Gray.
 May 4, 1950. GRANVILLE C. GRAY, by Ervin E. J. Lander.
 May 1, 1951. KARL J. MOHN, by Ervin E. J. Lander.
 May 3, 1951. H. NORTON MAXFIELD, by Ervin E. J. Lander.
 May 8, 1952. JOHN M. LITTLEFIELD, by BENJAMIN W. ELA.
 May 8, 1952. THOMAS S. ROY, by ERVIN E. J. LANDER.
 May 5, 1953. WALLACE EVERETT CALDWELL, by BENJAMIN W. ELA.



HAROLD HALE MURCHIE

Grand Master

1940-1941

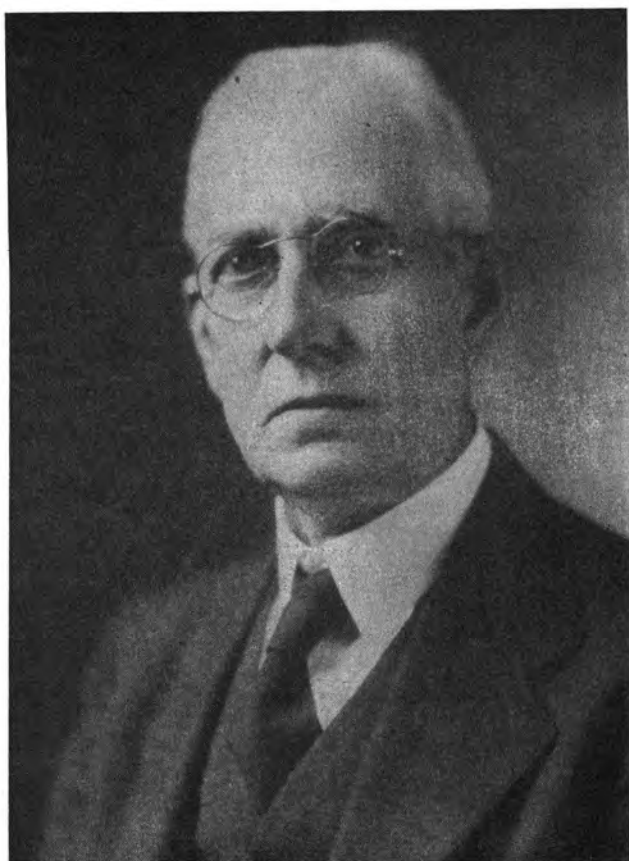
INSCRIBED
TO THE MEMORY
OF
M. M. Harold H. Murchie

Grand Master
1940-1941

BORN IN CALAIS, MAINE, MARCH 8, 1888

DIED IN CALAIS, MAINE, MARCH 7, 1953

"Sleep on, Dear Friend; such lives as thine
Have not been lived in vain.
But shed an influence rare, divine,
On lives that here remain."



FRANK J. COLE
Senior Grand Warden
1909

INSCRIBED
TO THE MEMORY
OF
W. Bro. Frank J. Cole

Senior Grand Warden
1909

BORN IN BANGOR, MAINE, JULY 7, 1868

DIED IN ORRINGTON, MAINE, OCTOBER 31, 1952

He lived a long and wholesome life;
A host of friends were his;
Now, he is free from care and strife;
At Home in Heaven's bliss.

INSCRIBED
TO THE MEMORY
OF
M. Rev. J. Homer Nelson

Grand Chaplain
1932-1952

BORN IN COLD SPRING, N. Y.
DIED IN WARREN, MAINE, NOVEMBER 29, 1952

GRIEVE NOT

When God has called His chosen home
From earthly fields of strife,
To meet reward for work well done
Throughout a long-spanned life,
I cannot grieve.

Their faith in every trial set,
Their trust in Him above
Proves through the many, many years
His Presence and His Love

Well done thou true and faithful one,
Thy labors here are o'er,
God sent thee, and His will was thine
On earth, and evermore.

Brethren Died During the Year

From January 1, 1952 to December 31, 1952

Those marked * were returned with Masonic Rites.

1 Portland, Portland. George S. McKenney, January 17; Arthur A. Cummings, March, 1951; William L. Cousins, February; James B. Armsby, March 18; Harold B. Chase, May 11; Frederic J. Laughlin, May 23; Franklin W. Lovell, October 7; Christian M. Thomsen, October 7; LeRoy Moulton, October 19; Harold T. Pease, November 22; Charles K. Hall, November 24.

2 Warren, East Machias. Charles E. Hanscom, February 5; Herbert G. Myrer, July 2; Ferdinand H. Kingsley, October 3; Sidney O. Young, Sr., October 19; Hilton McLaughlin, November 22.

3 Lincoln, Wiscasset. Edwin E. Seekins, January 14; Wilson H. Munsey,* April 15; Richard O. Moore, April 16; George B. McDonald,* July 19; Alfred L. Groves, July 20; Thaddeus F. Reed, December 7.

4 Hancock, Castine. Isaac Dunbar, February 23; Isaac Gray, March 25; Allen Wescott, March 27; Edmund P. Walker, March 28; George D. Wheeler, unknown.

5 Kennebec, Hallowell. Edward S. Austin, August 6; Harold F. Jordan, September 2; William F. Tenney, September 5.

6 Amith, Camden. Guy Ware, March 24; Fred W. Elwell, August 1.

7 Eastern, Eastport. Joseph A. Hilyard,* May 2; Wilford B. Welch, June 11; Thomas W. Calder,* June 25; Mario J. Conti, November 20; Fred W. McGregor, December 1.

8 United, Brunswick. Edwin A. Knowlton, March 26; William A. Fall, June 3; Clyde H. Eaton, June 25; Delbert L. Marston, July 6; J. Arthur Furbish, October 4; Alton B. Leeman, Sr., October 16; Joseph H. Brooks, November 17; Thomas Otis, November 11; Harvey J. Given, November 30; Russell N. Cross, December 26.

9 Saco, Saco. Frank L. Northrop, January 13; Frederick P. Graves, February 2; Deane A. Cabot, February 15; Ferdinand E. McIntire, February 29; Albert E. Chase, February 29; Parker E. Peterson, March 29; Frank H. Libby, May 11; Austin H. Morse, June 4; Almon Wakefield, September 1; William T. Douglass, September 9; Chester B. Mitchell, December 8.

10 Rising Virtue, Bangor. Harlan L. Stuart, March 13; Harvey W. Reed, April 5; William Edward Fowler, April 8; Norman S. Dauphinee, April 28; William Bishop, June 19; Robert M. Witham, July 26; Charles E. Keene, July 28; James A. Tozier, August 22; Almon W. Brown, October 17; Frank J. Cole, October 31; Heman A. White, December 8.

11 Pythagorean, Fryeburg. Fred W. Powers,* May 31; Henry L. Dyer, March 11.

12 Cumberland, New Gloucester. Abraham W. Anderson, January 7; Homer W. Bonney, February 19; Charles E. Cobb, June 22; Charles D. Clark, August 22; Harry V. Mahar, July 30; Carleton A. Nevens, April 13.

13 Oriental, Bridgton. Harold L. Conant, February 6; Clarence F. Millett, February 13; George E. Russell, December 13.

14 Solar, Bath. William S. Kelley, January 29; Otto J. Myer, May; William B. Perry, July 6; William E. Pomeroy, October 3; Fred P. Young, October 12; Erlon M. Dunlop, October 30; Frederick B. Kittridge, November 21; Alfred L. Tarbox, December 10.

15 Orient, Thomaston. Walter E. Bowe, January 4; Earle A. Starrett, February 5; Hollie Harrington, March 4; Leslie A. Clark, August 10; Harry G. Shaw, November 12.

16 St. George, Warren. George A. Aspey, February 18; Victor B. Whittier, April 29; Stephen S. Comery, December 16.

17 Ancient Land-Mark, Portland. Kenneth M. Tibbetts, December 29, 1951; Edward F. Clark, January 4; William S. Small, February 15; George F. Moses, February 26; Porter A. Roberts, March 11; David W. Schwartz, April 24; A. Edwin Smith, May 9; Harlan R. Whitney, August 14; George A. Patrick, September 29; Albert G. Frost, November 3; Frederick N. Colesworthy, November 6; Luther D. Scales, November 26.

18 Oxford, Norway. Blynne W. Allen, January 24; Fred H. Perry, February 12; William J. Hascall, March 5; John W. Lasselle, June 2; Mahlon A. Bancroft, July 11; Henry J. Bangs, November 16; Melbourne O. Baltzer, October 4.

19 Felicity, Bucksport. Frank F. Smith, February 18; Ralph E. Sawyer, May 23; Fred S. Blodgett, July 11; William R. Beazley, September 20; Reginald P. Davis, September 21.

20 Maine, Farmington. Charles M. Hobbs, April 29; Ernest F. Butler, July 29; Perley C. Metcalf, November 3; Clarence G. Stanley, December 25.

21 Oriental Star, Livermore Falls. John P. Piper, November 9; Elmer R. Hendrick, unknown; George H. Rand, August 3; George S. Treat, unknown.

22 York, Kennebunk. Eugene F. Knight, April 15; Cassius P. Smith, April 29; Elwyn L. Lahar, May 5.

23 Freeport, Freeport. Clarence M. Fogg, December 3, 1951; Sumner G. Brewer, December 4, 1951; Donald G. Coffin, February 29; Albert P. Royal, June 8; Edward M. Ellis, July 26.

24 Phoenix, Belfast. Will R. Howard, February 15; William C. Libby, August 24; Fuller C. Wentworth, September 15.

25 Temple, Winthrop. Charles E. Chandler, August 30; Asa C. Jackson, January 19; George P. Pooler, August 20; Harry E. Packard, 1952; Carl R. Harriman, September; John G. Hindhaugh, October.

26 Village, Bowdoinham. Henry E. Cornish,* October 5.

27 Adoniram, Limington. Frank A. Shaw, February 20; William P. Garland, March 30; Everett J. Pattee, May 6.

28 Northern Star, North Anson. Everett E. Clark, July 31, 1951; Walter M. Deane, July 22.

29 Tranquil, Auburn. Willard N. Munroe, Jr., January 3; Arthur B. Fardy, January 25; Fred L. Hartwell, February 5; Elliott C. Dill, February 16; Edward Walton, March 27; Henry Bean, April 19; John W. Robinson, May 20; Melvin O. Soule, June 2; George W. Cole, June 12; Fred L. Bearce, August 15; Norman W. Dunbar, August 23; Arthur J. S. Keene, September 8; Dwight A. Merrill, October 25; Charles L. Turgeon, October 31; Fred L. Leavitt, November 6; Eben F. Davis, November 16; E. Farrington Abbott, December 1; George W. Harlow, December 12.

30 Blazing Star, Rumford. John N. Welch, May 18; Karl Nyberg, December 21.

31 Union, Union. William Johnston, May 7.

32 Herman, Gardiner. Alvah R. Hayes, February 8; Fred N. Boston, March 22; John B. Locke, July 8; Leland R. Hersey, July 17; Linwood M. Harrington, August 6; Arthur G. Robinson, October 14.

33 Waterville, Waterville. Clarence N. Flood, January 7; Howard W. Goddard, February 5; Herbert B. Holland, March 1; Leon B. Berry, March 4; Claude W. Cates, March 4; Wesley W. Jacobs,* March 10; John Sanderson,* March 29; Edward E. Sawyer, April 13; Fred P. Farwell,* May 27; Fred E. Holmes, June 24; Ernest R. Smith, July 25; Nanthaniel H. Barrows, September 8; William F. Bodge, October 7; John B. Levy,* October 14; Roland E. Willey, December 17; W. Hartwell Pollard, December 19; Linwood A. Stewart, December 31.

34 Somerset, Skowhegan. Eldon H. Boyd, May 10; Elmer B. Rowell, May 5.

35 Bethlehem, Augusta. Parker N. Moulton, January 10; George K. Allen, April 5; Waterman Redmond, April 5; Earl W. Hall, April 17; Will C. Miller, May 7; Linwood Barker, December 15.

36 Casco, Yarmouth. Philip G. Hodsdon, July 28; George W. Seabury, September 5; William R. Rice, November 3; Roy M. Springer, November 29; Laurence D. Loring, December 10.

37 Washington, Lubec. John Flower, July 28; Wellington N. McIsaac, October 14; George K. Martin, November 5.

38 Harmony, Gorham. William S. Carne, April 2; Walter E. Lowell, June 10; Marshall F. Shackford,* September 6; Carl H. Messenger,* October 7.

39 Penobscot, Dexter. Willis S. Nichols,* February 21; Fred M. Nason, October 26; Rufus H. Tillson,* December 6.

40 Lygonia, Ellsworth. Earl D. Holt, March; Bertram G. Witham, June; Harry L. Crabtree, July 20; Harry C. Austin, July 26; Josiah G. Leighton, September 1; Samuel S. Daub, December 28

42 Freedom, Limerick. Everett C. Allen, February 4; Charles W. Veno,* October 26.

43 Alna, Damariscotta. Alson B. Erskine, November 9; Gordon A. Anderson, May 1; Henry O. Rounds, May 21; Walter R. Wilson, November 24.

44 Piscataquis, Milo. Belton L. Blethen, January 13; Arthur J. Bragg, May 11; Ervin C. Wingate, May 26; Clifton E. Roberts, June 7; Harland A. Ladd, July 20; M. Henry Reay, October 25; Frank E. Packard, November 23; Percy B. Russell, December 31.

46 St. Croix, Calais. Allen M. Phillips,* January 24; Alfred L. Miles,* June 10; Charles H. Bailey, August 10; Herbert L. Fisher, November 13; Harold L. Johnson, December 4; Charles A. Woodman, August 12; Charles W. Graham, July 12.

47 Dunlap, Biddeford. Edward T. Hyde, January 10; Ralph C. Robbins, April 25; John T. Flood, June 16; Alan G. Hussey, June 29; Harold C. Curtis, July 20; Edmund S. Nichols, December 21.

48 Lafayette, Readfield. James W. Butman, February 17; Harold D. G. Leavitt, February 23; Oliver Hathaway, March 28; Otho C. Fogg, September 13.

49 Meridian Splendor, Newport. Fred E. Day,* July 5; George S. DeBeck, July 28; William F. Thompson, May 17; Arthur D. Mansell, July 4.

50 Aurora, Rockland. Weston L. Ames, February 29; Lewis S. Crosby, March 13; Walter S. Rounds, June 5; William D. Talbot, June 5; Melville E. Osborne, September 17; Amory B. Allen, October 2; Edward O'B. Gonia,* November 3; George C. Simmons, November 13.

51 St. John's, South Berwick. Bartlett Walton, December 26, 1951; Ammon B. Sperry, December 12, 1951; George E. Tibbetts, March 12; John H. Freeland, May 10; Arthur L. Hersom, July 9; Wilbur D. Spencer, December 10.

52 Mosaic, Dover-Foxcroft. Victor L. Warren, February 2; George L. Bearce, May 17; Erwin B. Hayes, May 23; Ervin W. Edgerly, January 25.

53 Rural, Sidney. Arthur B. Davenport, October 12; Frank Shepherd, December 13.

54 Vassalboro, North Vassalboro. James T. Staples, July 16; Lafayette Wyman, November 26.

56 Mt. Moriah, Denmark. Gubian Lansing, January 8; Frank E. Stevens, October, 1945; Mark W. Witham, November 3.

57 King Hiram, Dixfield. George N. Thompson, April 8.

58 Unity, Thorndike. Phil J. Bryant, September 21.

60 Star in the East, Old Town. Joseph H. Danforth,* January 27; Vernie L. Niles,* February 11; Ruel J. Avery,* March 22; Ora P. Ballard, March 27; Everett T. Nealley, March 27; Albert E. Grose, May 6; Arthur B. Larcher, July 6; Martin C. Madden, August 11; William J. Campbell,* November 16.

61 King Solomon's, Waldoboro. John A. Newburn* July 6.

62 King David's, Lincolnville. Dillingham Monroe, July 14.

63 Richmond, Richmond. James H. Lothridge, February 16.

64 Pacific, Exeter. Frank Mason, October 16.

65 Mystic, Hampden. Percy E. Condon, February 15; Enos E. Fearon, March 5.

66 Mechanics', Orono. Eric N. Boland, December 27, 1951; Warren H. Reed, January 16; George W. Hall, August 1; John W. Hughey, December 5.

67 Blue Mountain, Phillips. Hartley Kenniston, January 15; Harry A. Chandler, July 2; Henry W. True, July 15; Martin Nile, September 20.

68 Mariner's, Searsport. James E. Gilmore, April 26; Fred E. Young, August 25; Thomas H. Martin, July 27.

69 Howard, Winterport. James H. Bowden, February 19; James H. Foley, April 16.

70 Standish, Standish. Clifford Mayberry, March 15; Edwin R. Wingate, April.

71 Rising Sun, Orland. Edwin L. Stearns, August 16; Clarence A. Turner, unknown.

72 Pioneer, Ashland. George W. McGowan,* March 5; Frederick W. Sylvester,* March 25; Lewis D. Bearce,* August 30; Herbert E. Coffin,* November 29.

73 Tyrian, Mechanic Falls. Harry C. Young, December 28, 1951; Fred G. Robinson, January 25; Fred L. Merrill, February 20; Ray Cotton, Jr., July 29; Arthur B. Grant, August 23; Avery E. Rowell, October 9.

74 Bristol, Bristol. Eldorus G. Burns, February 20; Harold H. Reid, May 8.

- 75 Archon, East Dixmont. Andrew P. Moore, April 27.
- 76 Arundel, Kennebunkport. John S. Peabody,* February 20; Lester J. Jackson,* March 9; Melville L. Young,* June 26; Percy B. Clough,* July 9; Edwin C. Snowdon, August 31.
- 77 Tremont, Southwest Harbor. Paul G. Dam, November 25; George A LaGoutte, November 24, 1950.
- 78 Crescent, Pembroke. William Blackwood, August 25.
- 79 Rockland, Rockland. John H. Henderson, March 9.
- 81 Atlantic, Portland. George D. Salisbury,* January 8; Charles W. L. McDuffie, January 9; Richard L. Woodill,* March 20; Alton E. Stevens, March 30; James B. Marcroft, May 3; Benjamin F. Cary, May 31; Charles F. Story, June 1; Harry W. Cousins, September 8; Adelbert G. Stockbridge, November 3; James E. Moore, November 25.
- 83 St. Andrew's, Bangor. Alfred C. Hinds, November 23, 1951; Harry F. Doe, November 20, 1951; Normand A. Smith, February 9; Orman L. Fogg, January 3; Earle E. Parkhurst, March 28; Thomas A. Hersey, April 22; Fred H. Grant, May 10; Howard E. Harriman, May 20; George E. Perkins, July 4; Herbert T. Lichtenstein, June 13; Robert T. Geikie, July 14; Herbert G. Buzzell, July 14; Charles L. Billings, August 11; William C. Iverson, August 18; Clarence E. Melvin, August 31; Walter A. Rideout, September 26; Francis V. Miles, September 27; Frank E. Mincher, October 18; Fred W. Rowell, February 22; Howard P. Lewis, October 29; Kenneth L. Sumner, November 26; Frank E. Green, March 5.
- 84 Eureka, Tenants Harbor. Austin S. Watts, March 31; Charles B. Rose, August 17; Ernest Rawley, October 13.
- 85 Star in the West, Unity. Daniel F. Shute, August 7; Clair Wellington, October 1; John H. Webb, December 10; Alfred L. Estes, December 16.
- 86 Temple, Westbrook. Frederick E. Wheet, January 16; Perl A. Brown, February 17; John A. McClellan, February 23; Frank E. Riggs, February 28; Carroll W. Chase, November 3.
- 87 Benevolent, Carmel. Henry C. Pinkham, November 2.
- 88 Narraguagus, Cherryfield. Hoyt W. Parker, March 6; Raymond B. Grant, April 20; James W. M. Nash, December 4.
- 89 Island, Islesboro. Eben G. Babbidge, January 13; Wendell H. Boardman, February 7; Millard E. Boardman, March 19; Malcolm MacLeod, April 1; Maynard S. Keller, December 4; William E. Drinkwater, October 13.
- 91 Harwood, Machias. Charles B. Libby, February 8; George E. Williams, December 25.
- 92 Siloam, Fairfield. Ezra L. Bellows,* April 26; Lysle A. Boyden,* July 10; Earl J. Lawrence,* May 13; Edward W. Wright, August 12.

93 Horeb, Lincoln. Clarence P. Bryant, January ; William McClain, February 19; Dana Sproul, March 17; Elmer A. Libby, September 20; Arthur H. Colbath,* September 22; Freemont H. Milton, December 5.

94 Paris, South Paris. O. Leeman Brooks, February; Rensel H. Colby, September 26; William H. Thomas, September 22; Clarence Parsons, October 12.

95 Corinthian, Hartland. George W. Estes, February 15; Edmund E. Davis,* May 29; Charles P. Williams,* July 19; William J. McLellan,* August 22; Leslie B. Hoyt, December 22.

96 Monument. Houlton. Wilbur H. Harding,* January 30; George C. Curtis,* February 23; Russell H. Britton, February 28; Myron B. Byron,* March 30; Edison H. Briggs,* March 22; Guy C. Fletcher,* April 18; Glen J. Porter,* July 7; Hector J. Carpenter, August 11; Wilbert E. Carr, November 28; Guy L. Pettengill,* December 15.

97 Bethel, Bethel. Herbert S. Pushard, October 26; Frank O. Robertson,* July 14; Guy L. Thurston, July 1; Will H. Otis, November 23.

98 Katahdin, Patten. George Merrill, February 5; George Cunningham, March 20; Nicholas Tzvorass, October 24.

99 Vernon Valley, Mount Vernon. Ernest E. Johnson,* November 14.

100 Jefferson, Bryant Pond. King Bartlett, January 10.

101 Mezinscot, Turner. Edward L. Haskell, October.

102 Marsh River, Brooks. Thurland Littlefield, April 5; Robert Stiles, October 7.

103 Dresden, Dresden Mills. Elmer C. Berry, March 8; Raymond E. Heath, January 25; Ernest C. Palmer,* May 22.

104 Dirigo, Weeks Mills. Myron A. Day, January 9.

105 Ashlar, Lewiston. Ralph W. Crockett, January 13; Harold S. Wright, January 7; Clifford A. Small, April 1.

106 Tuscan, Addison. Fred W. Leighton, January 12; Charles E. Nash, January 25; S. Wentworth Mitchell, May 13; Herbert A. Cain, September 26.

109 Mt. Kineo, Guilford. Charles E. Hainer, March 23; Linwood L. Colson, June 27; Herbert L. Harrington, October 22.

110 Monmouth, Monmouth. Cary B. Boyd, December 23.

112 Eastern Frontier, Fort Fairfield. George W. Currier,* March 26; Frederick A. Haley,* August 26; Gordon M. Mason,* June 14.

113 Messalonskee, Oakland. Edwin T. Bailey, October 2; John J. Gleason, November 16.

114 Polar Star, Bath. Donald S. Smith, February 24; Samuel Stover, March 1; Lannes M. Fuller, March 28; Herman N. Wright, April 9;

Arthur C. Norton, May 12; Freeman A. Trott, June 6; Joseph A. Terrell, June 20; Fred E. Coffin, October 18.

115 Buxton, West Buxton. Chester Dennett, March 24; Albert T. Elwell, March 28.

116 Lebanon, Norridgewock. Almon Blaisdell, May 12; William Miner, October 3; Dennison J. Haynes, November 10; Frank E. McGee, December 25.

117 Greenleaf, Cornish. J. Arthur Chipman, December 5; Raymond E. Stearns, December 15.

118 Drummond, North Parsonfield. Linwood E. Burbank, 1951; Walter J. Libby, January 4; Howard Wentworth, May 28.

119 Pownal, Stockton Springs. Frederick Nickerson, July 20; John E. Small, December 11; Irving Merrithew, February 16; Freeman Batchelder, January 7; Roy Littlefield, February 7; Junius Stone, November 7.

121 Acacia, Durham. Frank M. Perkins, March 29.

122 Marine, Deer Isle. Harry M. Beck, July 5; Jasper C. Eaton, July 8; Ralph H. Haskell, July 9; George Snowden, August 30; George Snowman, December 21; Wilbur F. Prescott, December 21.

124. Olive Branch, Charleston. Wallace A. Gould, February 9; John E. Noble, June 5.

125 Meridian, Pittsfield. Herbert L. Emerson, March 25; Herbert F. Walker, April 5; Frank A. Haseltine, April 12; John C. Berdeen, July 3; Truman M. Pease, July 11; Maitland S. Wentworth, December 6.

126 Timothy Chase, Belfast. Joseph A. Pitman, August 27; Walter C. Townsend, December 10; Lynwood B. Thompson, March 14; Raymond F. Rogers, May 16.

127 Presumpscot, North Windham. John C. Nichols, January 10; Nelson C. Bennett, October 30.

129 Quantabacook, Searsmont. Raymond E. Gelo, February 28; George W. Butler, March 28.

130 Trinity, Presque Isle. Arthur R. Fairbanks, October 9; George L. Hodgdon, May 19; Charles F. Grant, May 12; William Snow, May 8; Vivian E. Howe, August 25.

132 Mt. Tir'em, Waterford. Willard C. Goodwin, April 8.

133 Asylum, Wayne. Herbert R. Jackson, March 20; Wilbur Tribou, July 5.

135 Riverside, Jefferson. Charles W. Besse, April 6; Morris A. Brann, December 2.

137 Kenduskeag, Kenduskeag. Charles A. Pierce,* April 7; Ralph L. Brick,* April 18; Charles G. Wiggin,* July 18; Chancey D. Morrison, December 31.

138 Lewy's Island, Princeton. Edwin L. McCormack, January 17; Cyrus Averill, January 27; Charles Swan, January 6; John McCann, February 2; Herbert Preston, March 11; Donald R. Brown, March 27; James M. Eaton, May 1; George McLaughlin, May 8; Harley Fenlason, October 9; James W. Crane, Dec. 5.

140 Mt. Desert, Mount Desert. A. C. Fernald, Sr., June 29.

141 Augusta, Augusta. Edward H. Gardner, February 9; Ernest A. Lunt,* April 20; Linwood L. Nichols,* May 17; Edward L. Ripley,* May 28; William A. Weeks, May 29; Perley E. Randall,* August 21; John G. Johnson,* August 23; Harry C. Walker, September 14; William A. Gates,* November 19; Wesley H. Morrison, December 3; William C. Abbott,* December 28.

142 Ocean, Wells. Perley C. Goodwin, March 1; Burton L. S. McAfee, March 19; James H. Littlefield, April 13; Charles W. Wilson, August 16; Leslie W. Clark, October 15.

143 Preble, Sanford. Charles E. Spinney,* February 7; J. William Travis,* February 7; Walter G. Whicher, February 29; James R. Howarth,* April 19; Ullie E. Gowen, April 24; Wallace P. Scott,* May 24; Fred Roberts, May 24; George W. Creasey, August 27; Robert G. Hollinrake, September 27; Harry S. Perkins,* December 13.

144 Seaside, Boothbay Harbor. Albert E. Luce, September 29, 1950; Milan Day, September 10; Charles W. Allen, October 27; Fred W. Loring,* December 12.

145 Moses Webster, Vinalhaven. Willis S. Brown, April 16; Lyford W. Ross, June 19; James H. Roberts, December 20.

146 Seabasticook, Clinton. Ralph B. Sherman,* January 28; George P. Billings,* February 5.

147 Evening Star, Buckfield. Roger W. Eastman, July 15; William C. Allen, July 21; Harry A. Record, August 26.

148 Forest, Springfield. Guy F. Monroe, January 15; Adam W. Morris, January 22; Stephen D. Bearce, May 5; Robert H. Southerland,* September 11.

149 Doric, Monson. James M. McFadyen, March 7; Amos S. Knight, June 15; Elmer H. Lindie, August 29; H. Allen Fox, December 6.

150 Rabboni, Lewiston. Andrew Campbell, August 27; Leslie C. Clark, April 30; Dyke L. Quakenbush, unknown; Ernest L. Lambert, December 31; Everett L. Davis, June 7; Arthur A. Wills, March 23; Edward M. Small, January 19; Benjamin Supovitz, August 15.

152 Crooked River, Bolster's Mills. Raymond Fickett, June 7; Jacob Heniger, unknown.

153 Delta, Lovell. Fred C. Davis, March 3; Dana E. McAllister, October 5.

- 154 Mystic Tie, Weld. George F. Williams, November 11.
- 155 Ancient York, Lisbon Falls. Albert J. Wardwell, March 19; Harry Woodhouse, July 16; John H. Doughty, Sr., August 13; Lorenzo T. Plummer, September 8.
- 156 Wilton, Wilton. Harry L. Shaw, March 8; Colin H. Dascombe, April 6; Charles A. Comins, May 9; Leander A. Morse, September 30.
- 157 Cambridge, Cambridge. Frank Laughton, January 30; Roy Nutter, November 21.
- 158 Anchor, South Bristol. Jesse R. Seides, June 9.
- 160 Parian, Corinna. George H. Snell, January 28; Herbert Dearborn, February 29; James A. Emerson, April 22.
- 162 Arion, Goodwin's Mills. Harry T. Jose, January 19; Ralph O. Hellerson, May 25; Wendell P. Cole, July 19.
- 163 Pleasant River, Brownville. Charles A. Bain, November 25; Alvin R. Stanhope, November 27; Gilbert L. Earle, December 11; William A. Crozier, December 15; William R. Howard, January 3; Chauncey L. Chase, August 2; William J. McCann, October 17; LeRoy A. Page, November 21; Berchard A. Stevens, July 9.
- 164 Webster, Sabattus. George W. Golder, July 25.
- 165 Molunkus, Sherman Mills. Daniel B. Curtis, * February 8; Than S. Robinson, * April 30; Charles A. Pratt, Sr., * August 10; Charles McDonald, * August 18; Ross W. Titus, * September 9; Charles C. Daggett, * September 21.
- 167 Whitney, Canton. Carl F. Handy, May 9; Frank M. Oliver, * April 14; Durward S. Needham, March; George H. Johnson, Sr. * December 10.
- 168 Composite, Lagrange. Fred M. Knowles, February 20; Clinton C. Berry, April 1; Lester Abbott, July 1; Horace M. Dinsmore, July 16; Earl A. Dekin, August 20; Adelbert A. Eldridge, November 17.
- 169 Shepherd's River, Brownfield. Edgar A. Wentworth, January 2; Rufus C. Flint, July 2.
- 170 Caribou, Caribou. Samuel D. Norris, August 29; Herbert M. Noyes, September 8; Malcolm D. McGrath, September 8; Harry N. Kelley, September 9; Frank A. Carlson, December 2; Ivy H. Pierce, December 6; John Anderson, December 27.
- 172 Pine Tree, Mattawamkeag. Norman E. Webster, September 19; Fritz Hanson, December 4.
- 173 Pleiades, Milbridge. Elias B. Griffin, November 12; George F. Sammis, July 2; Herbert W. Alexander, December 26.
- 174 Lynde, Hermon. Marion C. Hunt, May 14; William A. Prescott, * November 24.

175 Baskahegan, Danforth. Albert H. Grant,* February 4; Omah Fitzpatrick, July 25; Herman Clark,* July 24; Forest E. Leavitt, August 18; William Trask,* November 27; Adron Potter,* December 26.

178 Ancient Brothers', Auburn. Forrest E. Ludden, March 20; George T. Meader, May 18; James L. Mason, June 9; William E. Rogers, July 24; Leon C. Josslyn, July 30; Chester C. Wilson,* November 16; Charles E. Moore, December 27; Sumner R. Fowler,* December 25.

179 Yorkshire, North Berwick. Ernest J. M. Goodwin, April 5; Frederick T. Johnson, May 15; Randolph T. Nutter, October 29; Allen M. Hayes, November 27.

180 Hiram, South Portland. Arthur L. Erickson, January 30; Alverdo L. Phinney,* January 31; John M. Northgraves,* February 8; William W. Peabbles,* May 1; Charles E. Merrill, May 29; Clarence E. Turner,* June 21; Richard A. Fountain, July 2; John E. Willard, October 15; Perley S. Hamilton, October 27; Uriah G. Miller, November 1; Clifton M. Fogg, December 1; Elmer L. Libby, December 1.

182 Granite. West Paris. Fred Dunbar,* April 14; Ralph A. Bacon,* April 17.

183 Deering, Portland. William E. Dunham, January 18; George Mageles, January 28; Arthur W. Jordan, March 24; James H. Doyle, February 6; George F. Cushman, March 20; Albert J. M. Parry, March 30; Stephen P. McPherson, April 6; Harry L. Lawton, April 7; William A. Sawyer, May 13; Carroll B. Skillin, June 1; Alfred H. Thomas, June 4; George H. Parsons, June 21; Frank Loveday, July 3; William H. Smith, July 31; Seldon C. Pinkham, August 3; Archibald H. Strout, August 13; Malcolm S. Winslow, August 18; Bertrand E. Cobb, August 31; William H. Jones, September 23; Alfred B. Walker, September 28; William E. Leighton, November 9; Andrew G. Spinney, November 21; C. Orrison Gailey, November 23; Herbert D. Pettengill, November 28; Harry P. Sweetser, December 26.

184 Naval, Kittery. Russell E. Davison,* January 18; Leslie I. Williams,* February 25; Harold E. Niles,* March 4; Harry A. Eckhart,* August 1; George C. Armstrong, August 6; John Nicol,* August 22; Arthur J. Pruett, September 22; Jesse A. Lord,* December 8.

185 Bar Harbor, Bar Harbor. Charles L. Shand,* February 6; Clarence L. Hodgkins,* August 6; Millard L. Dority, November 3; J. Homer Nelson,* November 29.

186 Warren Phillips, Cumberland Mills. Guy M. Esty, February 3; Charles E. Douglass, February 14; Fred W. Esty, February 25; Charles A. Hale, March 3; Joseph E. Loring, March 29; Walter B. Stevens, March 8; Perl W. Drisko, April 17; Roy A. Roberts, May 4; Clifford N. Thompson, July 12; Alexander Jones, August 18; Arthur E. Kimball, August 24; Bertrand S. Blake, January 28.

188 Jonesport, Jonesport. April 3.

189 Knox, South Thomaston. Charles S. Watts, May 5; Maynard Curtis, February 18; Arthur Kirk, October 19; Arthur Pierce, June 25.

190 Springvale, Springvale. Elmer F. West, September 28; Joseph Abbott, February 17.

190 Springvale, Springvale. Elmer F. West, September 28, 1951; Joseph Abbott, February 17; Raymond J. Ricker, February 22; John A. Hadfield, July 22; Lewis G. Woods, November 3.

191 David, Strong. J. Elford Winslow, February 20; Horatio N. Luce, May 15; Ralph A. Haines, May 29.

193 Washburn, Washburn. Philip Libby, May 12.

194 Euclid, Madison. Charles S. Pierpont, February 10; William J. Murray, May 17; Laurence J. Briggs, June 5; Lester F. Norris, October 3.

195 Reliance, Stonington. David Jones, October 31; Clyde L. Turner, June; Vern Silver, July; Henry Banks, August; Simeon Goss, April 14; Ulysses Grant, June; Abraham Cohen, April.

196 Bay View, East Boothbay. Edson R. Giles, January 16.

197 Aroostook, Mars Hill. Clair L. Allen, April 1; Harry A. Barrett, April 2; Carl A. Small, April 17; Henry C. Shorey, November 23.

198 St. Aspinquid, York. Everett F. Hooper, February 15; Marion F. Bridges, March 1; Raymond F. Brewster, July 28; Rodney A. Thompson, August 13; Harry L. Salls, October 30; Samuel R. Ballard, November 13; Alfred A. Odiorne, November 30.

199 Bingham, Bingham. John B. Carville, April 18; John M. Laurence, September 25; Sydney F. Doughty,* May 15; Otto G. Thompson,* September 20; Earl E. Folsom, July 4.

200 Columbia, Greenville. Alfred T. H. Bloxam, January 11; John E. Wallace, January 26; Frank W. Allen, April 16; Almon F. Ayer, July 21; Roy M. Keirstead, October 2; Fred F. Templeton, October 9.

201 David A. Hooper, West Sullivan. Charles M. Sumner, February 14; Ralph H. Dinsmore, March 22; Calvin Springer,* March 22; Eben Young,* April 11; Austin Williams, July 28; John U. Hardison,* August 25; Albert Jewett, October 5.

202 Mt. Bigelow, Stratton. Maurice E. Sampson, March 25; Elmer L. Donahue, May 10.

204 Mt. Abram, Kingfield. Lester Mitchell, April 6; Edwin F. Pratt, April 17; D. Schyler Austin, October 31; Sumner T. Wyman, December 9.

205 Nollesemeic, Millinocket. Carl L. Tewksbury, February 4; Frank C. Bowler,* April 27; George G. Page, April 20; George Slocomb,* July 7; Henry P. Hoyt, July 28; Ira E. Hampton, August 4; C. Ralph Kenney, August 31; Melzar H. Sprague,* October 30.

207 Abner Wade, Sangerville. Fred Rollins, March 31.

- 208 Northeast Harbor, Northeast Harbor. Ernest A. Atwood, May 26.
- 209 Fort Kent, Fort Kent. Percy R. Savage, July 17; Harry W. Grinell, October 10; Fred A. Shean, December 20.
- 210 Bagaduce, North Brooksville. Ajalmer E. Olsen, July 27; John C. Sanborn, August 25.
- 211 Meduncook, Friendship. Alton Prior, February 26.
- 212 McKinley, McKinley. John Closson, October 18.
- 214 Limestone, Limestone. Marshall R. Sharpe, December 25.
- 215 Orchard, Old Orchard. Russell I. Moulton, January 26.
- 216 Corner Stone, Portland. Charles A. Phinney, April 8; J. Harold Day, May 28; Orrin Edwards, July 17; William N. Culleton, October 29; Walter J. Seavey, November 2.
- 217 Ralph J. Pollard, Orrington. Hiel H. Hicks, March 8; Fred R. Clark, May 14; Henry E. Comins, October 14.

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 Delaware — DR. H. CLIFFORD BAUER, Wilmington.
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 Illinois — CARROLL T. HUGHES, Jacksonville.
 Indiana — ELMER F. GAY, Franklin.
 Ireland — JAMES E. RADCLIFFE, Athlone.
 Kansas — CECIL F. DRAKE, Norton.
 Kentucky — CRIT M. ARNOLD, Eminence.
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 Maryland — HOWARD E. STEWART, Baltimore.
 Massachusetts — FRANK L. SIMPSON, Swampscot.
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 Nevada — FRANK WOODLIFF, Fallon.
 New Brunswick — CLIFFORD G. CHASE, Baring, Me.
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 New South Wales — R. L. LOGAN.

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New Zealand — RALPH S. CHADWICK, Box 166, Dennevirke, N. Z.
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North Dakota — FRED G. KNEELAND, Jamestown.
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Ohio — DAVID B. SHARP, Columbus.
Oklahoma — ERNEST CASTLE, Marietta.
Oregon — HARRY W. SWAFFORD, Salem.
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Porto Rico — JOSE MANUEL GONZALEZ, Lares.
Prince Edward Island — FRANK A. VAN DERSTINE, Charlottetown.
Quebec — O. E. STANTON, Montreal.
Queensland — ROBERT ANDREW BELL, Brisbane.
Rhode Island — CHARLES W. LITTLEFIELD, Hospital Trust Bld'g, Providence
Saskatchewan — HECTOR MACKEY, Kerrobert.
Scotland — CAMPBELL MILLER, 20 Ballacok Gardens, Glasgow.
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South Carolina — HOWARD M. BYRD, Graniteville.
South Dakota — HARRY COLLINS, Canistota.
Sweden — C. G. BJORKONDER, Visby.
Tasmania — C. W. WILSON, New Town, Hobart.
Tennessee — WILLIAM BRIEN LINTON, Nashville 5.
Texas — GIBB GILCHRIST, College Station.
Utah — BERT ATWATER, Salt Lake City.
Vermont — P. CONANT VOTER, Middlebury.
Victoria — ROBERT PETER DICK, Preston, Melbourne.
Virginia — CLARENCE H. LEWIS, Salem.
Washington — CHARLES R. LUND, Wyneset.
Western Australia — REV. JACK GRATTAN BOOTY, Perth.
West Virginia — DANIEL C. BAGEANT, Martinsburg.
Wisconsin — ARNOLD R. PETERSON, Madison.

DISTRICT No. 13.

District Deputy Grand Master—ALLAN P. ROBINSON, Bingham.

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| 28 Northern Star, North Anson. | 161 Carrabassett, Canaan. |
| 34 Somerset, Skowhegan. | 194 Euclid, Madison. |
| 80 Keystone, Solon. | 199 Bingham, Bingham. |
| 116 Lebanon, Norridgewock. | |

DISTRICT No. 14.

District Deputy Grand Master—NATHANIEL A. GILPATRICK, Richmond.

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| 8 United, Brunswick. | 63 Richmond, Richmond. |
| 14 Solar, Bath. | 114 Polar Star, Bath. |
| 23 Freeport, Freeport. | 121 Acacia, Durham. |
| 26 Village, Bowdoinham. | 155 Ancient York, Lisbon Falls. |

DISTRICT No. 15.

District Deputy Grand Master—HAROLD T. RICKER, Stratton.

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| 20 Maine, Farmington. | 156 Wilton, Wilton. |
| 67 Blue Mountain, Phillips. | 191 Davis, Strong. |
| 99 Vernon Valley, Mt. Vernon. | 202 Mount Bigelow, Flagstaff. |
| 123 Franklin, New Sharon. | 204 Mount Abram, Kingfield. |
| 154 Mystic Tie, Weld. | 213 Kemankeag, Rangeley. |

DISTRICT No. 16.

District Deputy Grand Master—PAUL WADSWORTH, Hiram.

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| 11 Pythagorean, Fryeburg. | 100 Jefferson, Bryant Pond. |
| 13 Oriental, Bridgton. | 132 Mt. Tir'em, Waterford. |
| 18 Oxford, Norway. | 152 Crooked River, Bolster's Mills. |
| 56 Mt. Moriah, Denmark. | 153 Delta, Lovell. |
| 94 Paris, South Paris. | 169 Shepherd's River, Brownfield. |
| 97 Bethel, Bethel. | 182 Granite, West Paris. |

DISTRICT No. 17.

District Deputy Grand Master—M. DONALD GARDNER, Portland,
6 Mackworth Street.

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| 1 Portland, Portland. | 127 Presumpscot, North Windham. |
| 17 Ancient Land-Mark, Portland. | 180 Hiram, South Portland. |
| 36 Casco, Yarmouth. | 183 Deering, Portland. |
| 38 Harmony, Gorham. | 186 Warren Phillips, Cumb. Mills. |
| 70 Standish, Standish. | 216 Corner Stone, Portland. |
| 81 Atlantic, Portland. | U.D. Brotherhood, Portland. |
| 86 Temple, Westbrook. | |

DISTRICT No. 18.

District Deputy Grand Master—WILLIS H. WEBBER,
R. F. D. 1, Berwick.

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| 9 Saco, Saco. | 115 Buxton, West Buxton. |
| 27 Adoniram, Limington. | 117 Greenleaf, Corrish. |
| 42 Freedom, Limerick. | 118 Drummond, No. Parsonsfield. |
| 47 Dunlap, Biddeford. | 162 Arion, Goodwin's Mills. |
| 107 Day Spring, West Newfield. | 215 Orchard, Old Orchard. |

- New Zealand — JOHN J. MARR, Island Falls.
North Carolina — GEORGE W. HASKELL, Houlton.
North Dakota — FRED J. LOWELL, Newport.
Norway — ALBERT KNUDSEN, Portland.
Nova Scotia — JOHN L. POLLEYS, Houlton.
Ohio — CONVERS E. LEACH, Portland.
Oklahoma — CLYDE FRENCH, Lincoln.
Oregon — CLARENCE H. PRIDE, East Waterford.
Panama — JOHN J. FAAS, Benton Station.
Peru — JOHN M. LITTLEFIELD, Auburn.
Philippine Islands — ELMER P. SMART, Bangor.
Prince Edward Island — GEORGE W. SCOTT, Belfast.
Porto Rico — NORRIS C. ESTABROOK, Portland.
Quebec — CARROLL W. KEENE, Clinton.
Queensland — JOHN L. TEWKSBURY, Camden.
Rhode Island — CLARK D. CHAPMAN, Portland.
Saskatchewan — HARRY I. ROLLINS, Greenville.
Scotland — GEORGE F. GIDDINGS, Augusta.
South Australia — LEWIS T. BROWN, Limington.
South Carolina — DANIEL G. CHAPLIN, Cornish.
South Dakota — ELBERT G. MOULTON, Brooks.
Sweden — RALPH J. POLLARD, Togus.
Tasmania — WILFORD G. CHAPMAN, Portland.
Tennessee — HARRY S. GRINDALL, Waterville.
Texas — GRANVILLE C. GRAY, Presque Isle.
Utah — JOHN C. ARNOLD, Augusta.
Vermont — CHARLES E. CROSSLAND, Orono.
Victoria — CLARENCE A. BROWN, Portland.
Virginia — HENRY R. GILLIS, Portland.
Washington — JUDSON P. LORD, Warren.
Western Australia — WESLEY L. OXTON, Rockport.
West Virginia — FLOYD E. ANDERSON, Augusta. }
Wisconsin —

Grand Lodges and

GRAND LODGES	GRAND MASTERS
Alabama, Nov. 18, 1952,	Joseph S. Southall, Mobile.
Alberta, June 11, 1952,	Harry Eastwood Howard, Calgary.
Arizona, April 28, 1952,	Seymour C. Pierce, Safford.
Arkansas, Nov. 18, 1952,	Roy C. Bolling, Alma.
British Columbia, June 19, 1952,	Laurence Healey, Vancouver.
California, Oct. 9, 1952,	Arthur M. Warren, San Francisco.
Canada, July 16, 1952,	N. C. Hart, London.
Colorado, Jan. 27, 1953,	Herbert Grover, Pueblo.
Connecticut, April 2, 1952,	Robert H. Nisbet, South Kent.
Costa Rica, Jan. 25, 1952,	Eric C. Murray.
Cuba, March 24, 1952,	Carlos M. Pineiro.
Delaware, Oct. 1, 1952,	Edward E. Clough, Wilmington.
Denmark, April 1, 1951,	George Hansen.
Dist. of Columbia, Dec. 27, 1952,	R. F. Camalier, Masonic Temple.
England, June, 1952,	Earl of Scarborough.
Florida, April 15, 1952,	Perry R. Marsh, St. Petersburg.
France.	Pierre Cheret.
Georgia, Oct. 23, 1952,	Henry L. Brown, Savannah.
Idaho, Sept. 16, 1952,	Noel M. Leavitt, Moscow.
Illinois, Oct. 14, 1952,	James Green.
Indiana, May 19, 1953,	Newell A. Lamb, Kentland.
Iowa, June 10, 1952,	J. Ellitt Grayson, Cedar Falls.
Ireland, Dec., 1951,	Raymond F. Brooke, Kildare St. Club, Dublin.
Kansas, Feb. 13, 1952,	S. Allen Daugherty, Baldwin.
Kentucky, Oct. 21, 1952,	Dr. Robert M. Sirkle, Prestonsburg.
Louisiana, Feb. 12, 1952,	Oliver H. Dabezies, New Orleans.
Maine, May 5, 1953,	Benjamin W. Ela, North Anson.
Manitoba, June 4, 1952,	Gordon A. McMorran, Souris.
Maryland, Nov. 18, 1952,	John D. Hoshelhorn, Baltimore.
Massachusetts, Dec. 14, 1952,	Thomas S. Roy, Worcester.
Mexico (York G.L.), Apr. 10, 1952,	George P. Friedmann.
Michigan, May 27, 1952,	French C. Shell.
Minnesota, Mar. 19, 1953,	Herman T. Olsen.
Mississippi, Feb. 12, 1952,	Watt Canter, Vardaman.
Missouri, Sept. 30, 1952,	Richard O. Rumer, St. Louis.
Montana, Aug. 19, 1952,	George G. Hoole, Glendive.
Nebraska, June 3, 1952,	Edward M. Knight, Alliance.
Nevada, June 12, 1952,	Richard H. Cowles.
New Brunswick, Aug. 23, 1951,	J. William Duncan, St. John.
New Hampshire, May 20, 1953,	Walter E. Dunlap, Concord.

Addresses of Grand Officers

GRAND SECRETARIES.	CHAIRMAN COM. CORRESPONDENCE.
C. H. Stubinger, Montgomery.	William Ireland.
George Moore, Calary.	Frank C. Huskison, Phoenix.
Joseph A. Ivey, Tucson.	None.
Woodlief A. Thomas, Little Rock.	J. Russell Oliver, Vancouver.
J. K. N. Morgan, Vancouver.	James K. Fisk
Lloyd E. Wilson, San Francisco.	F. A. Copus.
Ewart G. Dixon, Hamilton, Ont.	Charles A. Mantz,
Harry W. Bundy, Denver.	Earle K. Haling, Hartford
Earle K. Haling, Hartford.	George F. A. Bowden.
Enrique Chaves Bolanos, San Jose.	
Jose F. Castellanas, Havana.	Fernando F. Socarras, Havana.
Chester R. Jones, Wilmington, 818 Market St.	W. Stewart Allmond.
H. E. Iversen, Copenhagen.	
Raymond N. Babcock, Washington.	J. Walter Karsner.
The Grand Secretary, London.	None.
George W. Huff, Jacksonville.	Hal W. Adams, Mayo.
L. F. Poirson, Seine.	
Daniel W. Locklin, Macon.	Dewey H. Wollstein, Rome.
Clyde I. Rush, Boise.	Jay Glover Eldridge, Moscow.
Richard C. Davenport, Harrisburg.	Hal G. McLoud, Austin, Texas.
Dwight L. Smith, Indianapolis.	Dwight L. Smith.
Earl B. Delzell, Cedar Rapids.	Ernest R. Moore, Cedar Rapids.
Henry C. Shellard, Dublin.	None.
Elmer F. Strain, Topeka.	Otto R. Souders, Wichita.
A. E. Orton, Louisville.	Charles A. Keith, Richmond.
D. P. Laguens, Jr., New Orleans.	Robert W. Cretney, Monroe
Convers E. Leach, Portland.	Ralph J. Pollard, Togus.
Thomas C. Jackson, Winnipeg.	H. M. Kerr.
Claud Shaffer, Baltimore.	Charles W. Zimmermann.
Earl W. Taylor, Boston.	None.
Cantwell C. Brown, Mexico City, D. F.	M. A. Loevy, Sidney.
F. Homer Newton, Grand Rapids.	George E. Bushnell, Detroit.
John H. Anderson, St. Paul.	Edmund A. Montgomery, Minneapolis.
Sid F. Curtis, Meridian.	Clarence C. Buchanan, Carrolton.
Harold L. Reader, St. Louis.	Ray V. Denslow, Springfield.
Ralph H. Lodge, Helena.	Byron F. Gaither.
Carl R. Greisen, Omaha (M. T.)	William B. Wanner.
E. C. Peterson, Masonic Temple, Carson City.	E. C. Peterson, Masonic Temple, Carson City.
R. D. Magee, St. John.	James Vroom, St. Stephen
J. Melvin Dresser, Concord.	J. Melvin Dresser, Concord.

GRAND LODGES	GRAND MASTERS
New Jersey, April 23, 1952,	Adrien B. Hommell, Sussex.
New Mexico, Mar. 17, 1952,	Richard W. Thorne, Albuquerque.
N. South Wales, June 13, 1951,	J. H. Hodgson.
New York, May 7, 1953,	Ward B. Arbury.
New Zealand, Nov. 28, 1951,	Edward J. Guinness, Wellington.
Newfoundland, May 3, 1951,	George R. Williams.
Norway, June 29, 1945,	Jacob Hvinden Haug.
North Carolina, April 21, 1953,	Edwin T. Howard, High Point.
North Dakota, June 16, 1952,	Edward J. Franter, Langdon.
Nova Scotia, June 10, 1952,	Dr. Perry S. Cochrane.
Ohio, Oct. 18, 1952,	Thomas A. Reber.
Oklahoma, Feb. 12, 1952,	Lee F. Parks, Muskogee.
Oregon, June 11, 1952,	Jared W. Summerhays, Milton-Freewater.
Panama, April 5, 1952,	Socrates Rois Merdez.
Pennsylvania, Dec. 27, 1952,	Albert T. Eyler
Peru, July 20, 1951,	Jose Palar Ramos.
Philippine Island, Jan. 22, 1952,	Sidney M. Austin.
Porto Rico, April 24, 1953,	Jose G. Bloise.
P. E. Island, June 7, 1951,	J. A. Thomson, North Tryon.
Quebec, Oct. 10, 1952,	J. Wellington Buckland, Montreal.
Queensland, June 6, 1951,	Eustance Alfred Jones.
Rhode Island, May 18, 1953,	Kenneth Crain.
Saskatchewan, June 18, 1952,	G. H. Hammel, Nokomis.
Scotland, May 1, 1952,	Malcolm Barclay-Harvey.
South Australia, Mar. 6, 1952,	Justice Abbott, Adelaide.
South Carolina, April 24, 1952,	John I. Smith, Greenville.
South Dakota, June 10, 1952,	Roger S. Brown, Sioux Falls.
Sweden, Feb., 1951,	H. M. the King. Gustaf VI Adolf.
Tasmania, Feb., 1952,	Arthur C. Lowe.
Tennessee, Jan. 18, 1953,	Clyde Hulbert Wilson, Knoxville.
Texas, Dec. 1, 1952,	John McKee, Waco.
Utah, Jan. 26, 1952,	John Elliott Clark, Salt Lake City.
Vermont, June 11, 1952,	D. Burleigh Smalley, Jr., Johnson.
Victoria, Dec. 17, 1952,	Dallas Brooks.
Virginia, Feb. 13, 1952,	C. M. Lankford, Jr., Franktown.
Washington, June 17, 1952,	Lemuel W. Sims, Seattle.
West Virginia, Oct. 15, 1952,	Delbert T. Robinson, Charleston.
West Australia, May 22, 1952,	James C. Battye.
Wisconsin, June 10, 1952,	Ingvald O. Hembre, Madison.
Wyoming, Aug. 25, 1952,	James B. Milstead, Wheatland.

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Isaac Cherry, Trenton.	Walter S. Gray, Irvington.
Chandler C. Thomas, Albuquerque.	John Milne, Albuquerque.
James S. Miller, Sidney.	A. J. Kaglund.
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A. G. Mills.	
Odd Lie-Davidsen, Nedre Voldgate 19, Oslo.	E. S. Pinsent, St. Johns.
O. Brinchmann Hansen, Frimurerlogen, N. Vollgate 19, Oslo, Norway.	O. Brinchmann Hansen.
Wilbur L. McIver, Raleigh.	J. Edward Allen, Warrenton.
Harold S. Pond, Fargo.	Walter H. Murfin, Fargo.
Reginald V. Harris, Halifax.	Reginald V. Harris.
Harry S. Johnson, Cincinnati.	Earl Stewart, Ironton.
J. Fred Latham, Guthrie.	Claude A. Sturgeon, Guthrie.
Harry D. Proudfoot, Portland 5.	Edward B. Beaty, Corvallis.
Julio Icaza, Panama.	D. J. Rovetto.
George A. Avery, Philadelphia.	James McMullan, Pittsburgh.
Cesar Covillos Villa Corta, Lima.	None.
Antoni Gonzales, Manila 138 Guano	Mauro Baradi.
Emiliano Isales.	H. L. Moore, San Juan.
L. A. McDougall, Charlottetown.	None.
R. W. Louhood, 1559 St. Mark St., Montreal.	O. E. Stanton.
N. H. Stone, Brisbane.	
A. Arthur Hyland, Providence.	Albert W. Claffin
Robert A. Tate, Regina.	W. M. Martin, Regina.
Alexander F. Buchan, Edinburgh.	None.
F. J. Ellen, Adelaide.	J. R. Robertson.
Henry F. Collins, Columbia.	Henry Collins, Columbia.
Elvin F. Strain, Sioux Falls.	Rev David Graham, Ipswich.
G. E. A. Bottiger, Stockholm	
H. A. Wilkinson, Hobart.	
Thos. Earl Doss, Nashville.	W. P. Douglas, Humbolt.
Harvey C. Byrd, Box 446, Waco.	Leo Hart.
E. R. Gibson, Salt Lake City.	Edward G. Titus, Salt Lake City.
Aaron H. Grout, Burlington.	Aaron H. Grout, Burlington.
C. W. Davis, Melbourne.	
Dr. James N. Hillman, Richmond.	James N. Hillman.
John I. Preissner, Tacoma,	Loomis Baldrey.
Ernest O. Suber, Charleston 28.	Julian B. Hollingsworth, Box 2346.
N. J. Munro.	J. A. Klein, Swanbourne.
Paul W. Grossenbach, Milwaukee.	Herbert W. Dixon, Menomonie.
Irving A. Clark, Casper.	Irving A. Clark.

RECAPITULATION — 1953

Lodges, enrolled.....	217
" extinct.....	10
" working.....	207
" represented at Communication, 1953.....	192
Number of Representatives.....	280
Lodges to make returns.....	207
Making returns in time.....	205
Raised.....	1,564
Affiliated.....	134
Re-instated.....	128
Total increase.....	1,826
Demitted.....	141
Died.....	819
Suspended, U. M. C.....	0
Expelled.....	2
Suspended, N. P. D.....	219
Total loss.....	1,181
Net gain.....	645
Membership, March 1, 1952.....	45,690
Membership, March 1, 1953.....	46,335
Grand Lodge Receipts.....	\$ 35,642.64
Grand Lodge Disbursements.....	\$ 37,206.41
Amount of Charity Fund.....	\$415,366.52

GRAND LODGE BANQUET

The Sixteenth Grand Lodge Banquet was held at the Eastland Hotel on Monday, May 4, 1953. Most Worshipful Grand Master ELA presiding. He presented the following guests:

- R. E. ALTON L. JOHNSON, Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Maine.
- M. E. CLYDE FRENCH, Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Maine.
- M. III. GERALD YORK, Grand Master of the Grand Council of Maine.
- R. W. EMIL U. DILLENBACK, Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts.
- R. W. ALBERT T. EYLER, R. W. Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.
- W. GEORGE A. AVERY, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.
- M. W. GEORGE S. HULL, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Connecticut.
- W. EARL K. HALING, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Connecticut.
- M. W. FRED W. JOHNSTON, M. W. Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Rhode Island.
- W. N. DEAN ROWE, Grand Lecturer of the Grand Lodge of Vermont.
- M. W. RAYMOND C. DUNCAN, Grand Master of New Hampshire and W. WALTER E. DUNLAP, Grand Marshal of the Grand Lodge of New Hampshire.
- M. W. PERRY S. COCHRANE, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia.

He then presented M. W. WALLACE E. CALDWELL, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, who delivered an able and instructive address.

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RULES FOR MASONIC DATES.

ANCIENT CRAFT MASONS —

Add 4000 years to the Common Era. Thus: 1952 and 4000 — 5952.

SCOTTISH RITE —

Add 3760 to the Common Era. Thus: 1952 and 3760—5712, After September add another year.

ROYAL ARCH —

Add 530 years to the Vulgar Era. Thus: 1952 and 530—2482.

ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS —

Add 1000 to the Common Era. Thus: 1952 and 1000—2952.

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR —

From the Christian Era take 1118. Thus: 1118 from 1952 — 834.

ORDER OF HIGH PRIESTHOOD —

To the Christian Era add 1913, the Year of the Blessing. Thus: 1952 and 1913 — 3865.

MASONIC CALENDAR.

ANCIENT CRAFT MASONS commence their era with the creation of the world, calling it ANNO LUCIS [A.L.], "in the year of light."

SCOTTISH RITE, same as Ancient Craft, except the Jewish chronology is used, ANNO MUNDI [A.M.], "in the year of the world."

ROYAL ARCH MASONS date from the year the second temple was commenced by Zerubbabel, ANNO INVENTIONIS [A.I.], "in the year of the discovery."

ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS date from the year in which the temple of Solomon was completed, ANNO DEPOSITIONIS [A.Dep.], "in the year of the deposit."

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR commence their era with the organization of their Order, ANNO ORDINIS [A.O.], "in the year of the Order."

ORDER OF HIGH PRIESTHOOD dates from the year of the blessing of Abraham by the High Priest Melchisedec; ANNO BENEFACIO [A.B.], "in the year of the blessing."

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DATE	GRAND MASTERS	DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS	SENIOR GRAND WARDENS	JUNIOR GRAND WARDENS	GRAND TREASURERS	GRAND SECRETARIES
1926	David L. Wilson	*Harold E. Cooke	James Abernethy	Eugene A. Whittridge	*Herbert N. Maxfield	*Charles B. Davis
1927	David L. Wilson	*Harold E. Cooke	*E. Murray Graham	*Ernest J. Record	*Herbert N. Maxfield	*Charles B. Davis
1928	*Harold E. Cooke	*Cyrus N. Blanchard	William S. Holmes	*Norris S. Lord	*Herbert N. Maxfield	*Charles B. Davis
1929	*Harold E. Cooke	*Cyrus N. Blanchard	Alvold E. Cushman	*Eben J. Marston	*Herbert N. Maxfield	*Charles B. Davis
1930	*Cyrus N. Blanchard	Ernest C. Butler	*William A. Small	*Henry W. Loring	*Herbert N. Maxfield	*Charles B. Davis
1931	*Cyrus N. Blanchard	Ernest C. Butler	*J. Blaine Morrison	George W. Haskell	*Herbert N. Maxfield	*Charles B. Davis
1932	Ernest C. Butler	Clark D. Chapman	*Augustus E. Campbell	George F. Giddings	*Herbert N. Maxfield	Convers E. Leach
1933	Ernest C. Butler	Clark D. Chapman	*Irving R. Case	George H. Minott	*Herbert N. Maxfield	Convers E. Leach
1934	Clark D. Chapman	Henry R. Gillis	*George N. Stevens	*Henry D. Davis	*Herbert N. Maxfield	Convers E. Leach
1935	Clark D. Chapman	Henry R. Gillis	Manson D. Brown	Harry S. Grindall	*Herbert N. Maxfield	Convers E. Leach
1936	Henry R. Gillis	*Samuel B. Furbish	*John L. Tewksbury	*James P. Bunker	*Herbert N. Maxfield	Convers E. Leach
1937	Henry R. Gillis	George F. Giddings	*Charles E. Tuttle	*Harvey L. Haskell	*Herbert N. Maxfield	Convers E. Leach
1938	George F. Giddings	*Harold H. Murchie	Arthur H. Lander	John L. Polleys	*Herbert N. Maxfield	Convers E. Leach
1939	George F. Giddings	*Harold H. Murchie	William D. Bruce	Edward H. Britton	*Herbert N. Maxfield	Convers E. Leach
1940	*Harold H. Murchie	*Benjamin L. Hadley	*Frank W. Fuller	Carroll W. Keene	*Herbert N. Maxfield	Convers E. Leach
1941	*Harold H. Murchie	*Benjamin L. Hadley	William A. Levensaler	Elbert G. Moulton	*Herbert N. Maxfield	Convers E. Leach
1942	*Benjamin L. Hadley	Ralph J. Pollard	Ervin E. J. Lander	*Amos A. Carter	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Convers E. Leach
1943	*Benjamin L. Hadley	Charles E. Crossland	*Clarence J. Perham	Arthur W. Stockbridge	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Convers E. Leach
1944	Charles E. Crossland	Carroll W. Keene	Harold L. Gerrish	Earle D. Webster	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Convers E. Leach
1945	Charles E. Crossland	Carroll W. Keene	Harold L. Gerrish	Earle D. Webster	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Convers E. Leach
1946	Carroll W. Keene	Granville C. Gray	Clyde French	Frederick C. Louder	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Convers E. Leach
1947	Carroll W. Keene	Granville C. Gray	Elmer P. Smart	Wesley L. Oxtan	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Convers E. Leach
1948	Granville C. Gray	Ervin E. J. Lander	Frank L. Milan	James A. Sanker	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Convers E. Leach
1949	Granville C. Gray	Ervin E. J. Lander	Judson P. Lord	Merton E. Leach	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Convers E. Leach
1950	Ervin E. J. Lander	Benjamin W. Ela	Lewis T. Brown	Harry I. Rollins	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Convers E. Leach
1951	Ervin E. J. Lander	Benjamin W. Ela	George R. Caswell	Fred J. Lowell	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Convers E. Leach
1952	Benjamin W. Ela	Paul L. Powers	Everett L. Higgins	*Adin L. Hopkins	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Convers E. Leach
1953	Benjamin W. Ela	Paul L. Powers	*Arthur W. Seaward	Clifford H. M. Perry	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Convers E. Leach
1954	Paul L. Powers	Aubrey L. Burbank	Philip D. Tingley	Merrill R. Kitttridge	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Convers E. Leach
1955	Paul L. Powers	Aubrey L. Burbank	Royal L. Cleaves	Harold W. Blaisdell	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Convers E. Leach
1956	Aubrey L. Burbank	John M. Littlefield	B. Glen McGee	Norman L. Lindquist	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Earle D. Webster

* Deceased.

† Demitted from Oxford No. 18, August 24, 1928.

APPENDIX



- May 5, 1949 CARROLL W KEENE, Maine, by G. M. Gray.
Aug. 25, 1949. DONALD C. MALCOLM, by G. M. Gray.
May 4, 1950. GRANVILLE C. GRAY, by Ervin E. J. Lander.
May 1, 1951. KARL J. MOHR, by Ervin E. J. Lander.
May 3, 1951. H. NORTON MAXFIELD, by Ervin E. J. Lander.
May 8, 1952. JOHN M. LITTLEFIELD, by Benjamin W. Ela.
May 8, 1952. THOMAS S. ROY, by Ervin E. J. Lander.
May 4, 1953. WALLACE E. CALDWELL, by Benjamin W. Ela.
May 5, 1954. WHITFIELD W. JOHNSON, by Benjamin W. Ela.
May 5, 1954. BENJAMIN W. ELA, by Paul L. Powers.
May 4, 1954. HARRY S. GRINDALL, by Benjamin W. Ela.
May 3, 1955. CARL H. CLAUDY, by Paul L. Powers.
May 1, 1956. FRANK S. LAND, by Paul L. Powers.
May 1, 1956. GEORGE R. CASWELL, by Paul L. Powers.
May 3, 1956. PAUL L. POWERS, by Aubrey L. Burbank.

APPENDIX

Report of Correspondence 1953

*To the Most Worshipful, the Grand Lodge of Maine, Ancient Free and Accepted
Masons:*

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence submits herewith its annual report, dealing with the Proceedings of Grand Lodges in fraternal relationship with the Grand Lodge of Maine. Once again, we are privileged to report that peace and prosperity prevail in all Jurisdictions reviewed.

With deep regret, we record the death of R. W. Bro. Frank J. Cole, Past Senior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge of Maine and a valued member of this Committee for many years. Blunt and forthright, there was never the slightest doubt as to Bro. Cole's stand on any question. His wise and conservative counsel, his long experience, and his sound judgment will be greatly missed by the remaining members of this Committee.

FOREWORD.

In his last message to the Craft, M. W. Bro. King George the Sixth used these words: "The world today does require spiritual and moral regeneration. I have no doubt, after many years as a member of our Order, that Freemasonry can play a most important part in this vital need."

All thinking Masons will agree with His late Majesty, both as to the existence of the need and as to the part which Freemasonry can play in meeting it. No other human institution is better qualified to furnish the spiritual and moral leadership which is so badly needed at the present time. With its carefully selected membership, including many of the best and most influential men in every community, Freemasonry exerts an influence far beyond the limits of its own lodges. Except for certain elements which are traditionally hostile to the Craft, the profane world has a high regard for the Fraternity, respects its principles, and has confidence that it can always be found on the right side of every moral question.

This confidence is well founded. However, we must admit that our influence for good would be even greater were it not for the unfortunate conduct of certain Masons. We cannot, for instance, be at all proud of the recent epidemic of chain letters, written by members of the Craft. Superstition is certainly unmasonic, and Masons are supposedly too intelligent to indulge in such a puerile pastime.

Here and there throughout the country, a few lodges, through the carelessness of their investigating committees, continue to accept into the Fraternity men who are utterly unworthy of that honor, and whose continued membership in the Craft constitutes an open scandal, even in the eyes of the profane world. Nothing can be more damaging to the prestige of the Fraternity or more destructive to popular confidence therein.

All too many Grand Masters and Grand Lecturers still find it necessary to warn against levity, horse-play and excessive roughness in the second section of the third degree, conduct which completely destroys the effectiveness of our ritualistic work, and which gives to the candidate an utterly erroneous impression of the Institution. A Masonic lodge is neither a miniature Shrine nor a college fraternity. Its prime function is the moral and spiritual instruction of its candidates, not the mere entertainment of the members on the side lines. Any Master who fails to maintain proper solemnity in the work is certainly derelict in his duty.

Not a year goes by in which certain clubs and affiliated organizations, associated in the public mind with Masonry, do not bring the good name of the Fraternity into disrepute by their associations with liquor and gambling. The members of these organizations are all Masons, and are fully subject to Masonic discipline. The sooner that such discipline is invoked, the better it will be for Masonry.

Until such evils are eradicated from our fraternal life, it will be impossible for Freemasonry to make its full and proper contribution to that moral and spiritual leadership which is so badly needed at the present time.

The question of foreign recognition remains a matter of primary importance. In the opinion of your Chairman, there is a greater need for caution today than at any previous period in Masonic history. This is due to the subtle and insidious nature of the current attempt to evade and to nullify the Ancient Landmarks by the adoption of ambiguous and equivocal interpretations of the same, a technique which is infinitely more dangerous than an outright repudiation of the Landmarks could ever be.

It is now perfectly possible for an applicant body fully to comply with every technical requirement for recognition and yet to be utterly unworthy of such recognition. Its solemn profession of belief in the "Great Architect of the Universe" may actually involve nothing more than a belief in the pantheistic concept of "universal substance," or in the mere possible existence of something vaguely described as an "ideal principle."

The Holy Bible upon its altar may, according to its own interpretation, be nothing more than a meaningless symbol, without Divine authority or dogmatic value. While such unmasonic interpretations of the Landmarks remain in vogue, the need for caution, and still more caution, is imperative.

On this question of recognition, the Grand Lodge of Maine is, in all probability, the most conservative Grand Lodge in the United States. Its traditional foreign policy, dating from the time of M. W. Josiah H. Drummond, has served it well throughout the passing years, and has repeatedly saved it from embarrassment. While your present Chairman remains charged with his present responsibilities, this conservative foreign policy will be rigidly maintained. Under no considerations, will he ever recommend the recognition of any body which does not share the fundamental beliefs of our own Grand Lodge, or whose interpretation of these fundamentals is, in the slightest degree, ambiguous, evasive or equivocal.

For the Committee:

RALPH J. POLLARD, P. G. M.,

Chairman.

ALABAMA, 1951.

The One Hundred Thirty-first Annual Communication.

Lodges, 426. Members, 64,256. Gain, 1,801.

The Annual Communication took place in Montgomery on November 20-21, 1951. M. W. Franklin W. Parks presided, and welcomed distinguished visitors from Illinois, Mississippi and Georgia. Maine was represented by Bro. Hoyt A. Ayres.

The Grand Master ruled that it is a Masonic offense to raffle any item in the name of a Masonic lodge or Masonry. He held that a clergyman need not reside six months within the territorial jurisdiction of a lodge before petitioning for the degrees. He condemned chain letters, and held that no lodge should adopt resolutions dealing with political questions. He suspended a Worshipful Master for distilling and selling whiskey.

Bro. Parks visited in Tennessee, Mississippi, Florida and Georgia, and attended the National Conferences. Four consolidations were authorized. One charter was restored, three lodges were constituted, and three new lodges were instituted. Cornerstones were laid for four Masonic Temples and for a Baptist Church.

The principal speaker at this communication was Lieutenant General John R. Hodge, U. S. A., Commanding General of the Third Army and a member of a Georgia lodge.

The Grand Lodge of Iceland, Argentina and El Potosi were recognized.

The usual visitation to the Masonic Home was made, and the usual visit from the officers of the Grand Chapter, O. E. S., was received.

Bro. W. Lipsey Legg was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Charles H. Stubinger was re-elected.

Alabama publishes no Fraternal Review.

ARIZONA, 1952.

The Seventieth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 42. Members, 9,044. Gain, 207.

The Annual Communication was held in Nogales on April 28-29, 1952. Grand Master Fred W. Moore presided, and welcomed visiting brethren from Montana, California and Mexico. At a proper point in the proceedings, the Grand Matron of the O. E. S. was received.

The Rev. J. Rockwood Jenkins, who is our Maine Representative in Arizona, and who has served as Grand Chaplain for forty years, was unable to be present. By acclamation, he was elected Grand Chaplain Emeritus.

The Grand Master visited every Lodge in the Jurisdiction, attended the Washington Conferences, and paid fraternal visits to the Grand Lodges of Nevada and California. Two lodges were constituted, one consolidation was effected, one new Temple was dedicated, and the cornerstone of

the Phoenix Public Library was laid. Masonic funeral services were conducted for M. W. Harry A. Drachman, Past Grand Master and Grand Secretary Emeritus.

A special committee reported that no liquor licenses are held by bodies predicated their membership on Masonry, although it is well known that some such organizations are actually dispensing intoxicants.

At this communication, a conservative set of principles governing the recognition of foreign Grand Lodges was adopted; chain letters were denounced; and the sponsorship of De Molay chapters by lodges was authorized.

Bro. Seymoure C. Pierce was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Joseph A. E. Ivey was re-elected.

There is no Correspondence Report.

BRITISH COLUMBIA, 1952.

The Eighty-first Annual Communication.

Lodges, 133. Members, 20,448. Gain, 979.

M. W. Bro. J. Murray Mitchell presided over the Annual Communication, which was held in Nanaimo on June 19-20, 1952. R. W. Bro. J. W. Cornett represented the Grand Lodge of Maine. A cordial welcome was extended to distinguished guests from Washington, Quebec and New Brunswick.

The Grand Master paid fitting tribute to the memory of M. W. Bro. His Majesty King George VI. On behalf of the Craft, a message of sympathy and loyalty was transmitted to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

Bro. Mitchell noted that the Grand Lodge has now attained an all-time high in membership. He also said: "It is my hope and my earnest prayer, my Brethren, that the moral and spiritual force of Freemasonry in British Columbia has kept pace with its material prosperity."

The Grand Master participated in the Banff Conference, and attended the annual "International Night" in Seattle. He presided at a banquet tendered by the Grand Lodge to R. W. Bro. the Earl of Derby, Deputy Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England, on the occasion of his visit in Vancouver. Four lodges were constituted, five new lodges were instituted, and two new Temples were officially opened.

Several applications for recognition were noted, but all were tabled. The difficult situation existing in Latin America as a result of the "ideal principle" formula was discussed, and the committee stated: "Extreme caution is therefore necessary."

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence, of which R. W. Bro. J. Russell Oliver is the Chairman, presented another excellent report, consisting of a Foreword and sixty jurisdictional reviews. Bro. Oliver reviews our Maine Proceedings for 1951 in his usual courteous manner. Grand Master Lander's activities are noted, and quotation is made from his address. The raising of our six blood brothers is mentioned, and our

action on several applications for recognition is reported. Bro. Oliver is good enough to commend our Foreword and Special Reports and to make kindly reference to our promotion. We thank him for his courtesy.

Bro. Laurence Healey was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary J. H. N. Morgan was re-elected.

CANADA, 1952.

The Ninety-seventh Annual Communication.

Lodges, 582. Members, 123,058. Gain, 2,922.

The City of Toronto was host to the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Canada, in the Province of Ontario, which was held on July 16-17, 1952. The Grand Master, M. W. Bro. Nelson Collins Hart, was on the Throne. His Worship, Bro. Allan Lamport, Mayor of Toronto, extended a civic welcome. The sister Jurisdictions of Connecticut, Illinois, Indiana, Manitoba, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Missouri, New Jersey, New York, Nova Scotia, Pennsylvania, Prince Edward Island, Quebec, Saskatchewan, South Carolina, Tennessee, Vermont, Virginia and West Virginia were represented by delegations of distinguished Craftsmen. Our Maine Representative, Bro. J. R. Crocker, was on duty.

A resolution dealing with the death of M. W. Bro. His Majesty King George VI was adopted. A special invocation was offered by the Grand Chaplain. The Pipers attended before the altar and played a Highland lament. The resolution was transmitted to Her Majesty the Queen and the Queen Mother.

M. W. Bro. Hart delivered a scholarly address, in which he discussed some of the evils which now threaten society and the part which Freemasonry can play in combatting them. He called for a more careful investigation of candidates, a stricter observance of the Sabbath, and a closer attention to home and family life. He took a rather dim view of certain non-Masonic and quasi-Masonic societies which have attached themselves to the Fraternity.

The Grand Lodge entertained the Earl and Countess of Derby during their visit in Ontario. The Earl is Deputy Grand Master in England.

The Grand Master attended the installation of the Rt. Hon. the Earl of Scarbrough, K. G., as Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England. He had the honor of addressing the Mother Grand Lodge on behalf of all Canadian delegations.

Bro. Hart also attended the Oregon Centennial, represented his Grand Lodge at the Washington Conferences, visited the Grand Lodges of New Brunswick, New York, Quebec and Pennsylvania, and made many visitations in his own Province. Five lodge rooms were dedicated, three lodges were constituted, one new lodge was instituted, and one cornerstone was laid.

The reports of the D. D. G. M.'s show the Craft to be in excellent condition. Many Masonic religious services were held throughout the

Jurisdiction, as were numerous memorial services honoring His late Majesty, King George VI.

At this communication, fraternal recognition was extended to the new Grand Lodge of Iceland.

The speaker at the Grand Master's banquet was M. W. Bro. Thomas S. Roy, D. D., Grand Master in Massachusetts.

The Report of the Committee on Fraternal Correspondence was again presented by its Chairman, M. W. Bro. Frank A. Copus. In his Foreword, Masonic trends throughout the world are thoroughly discussed. Once again, he advocates conservatism in regard to foreign recognitions, and once again he notes our Maine stand on this question.

The seventy-one jurisdictional reviews are again the work of R. W. Bro. Arthur E. MacGregor, the Grand Lodge Librarian and editor of the Grand Lodge magazine. Our Maine doings in 1951 are given generous and sympathetic treatment. Grand Master Lander's views on the question of lodge finances are reported. The raising of our six blood brothers, our recognition of the National Grand Lodge of France, and our action on several other applications are all noted. In mentioning our own promotion, Bro. MacGregor is kind enough to describe us as "an outstanding figure in Maine Masonry for many years," and to say that, through our reviews, we have "earned a reputation for clear thinking and sound judgment." He further honors us by quoting from our 1951 Foreword and from our Special Report on Italy. We thank Bro. MacGregor for his many courtesies,

Grand Master Nelson C. Hart and Grand Secretary E. G. Dixon were re-elected.

COLORADO, 1952.

The Ninety-first Annual Communication.

Lodges, 155. Members, 41,960. Gain, 1,455.

The Annual Communication was held in Denver on January 22-23, 1952, and was presided over by Grand Master C. Wheeler Barnes. The Colors were presented by an escort of Knights Templar. Maine Representative was absent, but distinguished visitors from Tamaulipas, New Mexico, Nebraska, Iowa, Kansas, Wyoming and Idaho were in attendance.

Colorado mourns the loss of three of its most distinguished members—Grand Lecturer Charles L. Young, Past Grand Master Harry L. Baum, Foreign Correspondent, and Past Grand Master Benjamin C. Hilliard. Masonic funeral services were conducted by the Grand Lodge.

Twenty special communications were held during the year. The ninetieth anniversary of the Grand Lodge was celebrated. Seven new Masonic Temples were dedicated. Cornerstones were laid for two Hospitals, one Community Building, one Masonic Temple, and one Presbyterian Church.

The Grand Master was happy to issue dispensations for five new lodges, one of which bears the name of the late Grand Lecturer, Bro. Charles L.

Young. He traveled 45,000 miles on Masonic business, visited every lodge in Colorado, attended the Grand Masters' Conference, and visited in California, Texas, New Mexico, Nebraska, Wyoming, Illinois and New York.

The new Grand Lecturer warned that levity and horse-play in the work should not be tolerated by any Master.

At this communication, the Grand Lodge increased the salaries of the Grand Secretary and Grand Lecturer to \$4,500 each, and prescribed a waiting period of one year between the conferring of the Master Mason degree and a petition for any of the additional degrees.

The new Chairman of the Committee on Correspondence, M. W. Edwin J. Wittelshofer, presented his first report, in which he combines a brief topical review with his recommendations as to recognition. He notes that the Grand Lodge of Ireland has refused to maintain a continued exchange of Representatives with Colorado, because of the fact that Colorado recognizes bodies regarded as unmasonic by the Grand Lodge of Ireland.

Recognition was extended to the Grand Lodge of Iceland and to the irregular Grand Lodge of Israel. Apparently, the Committee confuses the latter body with the *proposed* Grand Lodge in process of organization by the regular Scottish lodges in Israel, something entirely different.

We welcome Bro. Wittelshofer to the Round Table.

Bro. Olin P. Lee was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Harry W. Bundy was re-elected.

CONNECTICUT, 1952.

The One Hundred Sixty-fourth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 131. Members, 44,979. Gain, 740.

The Grand Lodge met in New Haven on April 2-3, 1952. M. W. Clarence O. Lister presided. The Colors were presented by a detail from New Haven Commandery, No. 2, K. T. Maine's Representative, M. W. Ansel A. Packard, was present and introduced our Grand Master, M. W. Ervin E. J. Lander. Other distinguished guests, from Canada in Ontario, Ohio, Delaware, Vermont, Rhode Island, New Hampshire, Maryland, New Jersey, New York, Virginia, Pennsylvania and Massachusetts, were also in attendance.

The Grand Master visited fifty-five Connecticut lodges, represented his Grand Lodge at the Washington Conferences, and attended Grand Lodge sessions in New Jersey, New York, Rhode Island, Vermont, Ontario, Delaware, Ohio, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts and Virginia. Four new halls were dedicated, and one cornerstone was laid.

There are 324 guests at the Connecticut Masonic Home.

The sum of \$15,796 was voluntarily contributed to the hospital visitation work of the M. S. A. At this communication, the Grand Lodge voted that each lodge pay twenty-five cents per member for the support of this work, in addition to further voluntary contributions.

The new Committee on Recognition presented a lengthy report. Recognition was extended to the Grand Orient of Italy and to the Grand Lodges of Vienna, Minas Gerais, Rio Grande do Sul, China, Greece, Israel, El Potosi, Baja California and Iceland.

An excellent address on "The Early Influence of Connecticut in the Formation of the Grand Lodge of Ohio" was delivered by Wor. James J. Tyler, Grand Historian of Ohio.

An extremely interesting report was submitted by Bro. Peter Rasmussen, Master of Connecticut's military lodge at Stuttgart, Germany.

The Report of the Committee on Correspondence, consisting of a Foreword and eighty-three reviews, was again presented by Past Grand Master Earle K. Haling. Our 1951 Proceedings are thoroughly covered. Bro. Haling comments favorably on our new cipher ritual, and notes the establishment of our twenty-five year button. Our recognition of the National Grand Lodge of France is reported. We thank Bro. Haling for his courteous reference to our own promotion. Our Special Report on "Anti-Masonic Activities" is quoted in full.

Bro. Robert H. Nisbet, a distinguished landscape artist and etcher, is the new Grand Master. Grand Secretary Earle K. Haling was re-elected.

DELAWARE, 1952.

The One Hundred Forty-seventh Annual Communication.

Lodges, 23. Members, 7,169. Gain, 185.

M. W. Bro. H. Edward Maull presided over the Annual Communication, which was held in Wilmington on October 1-2, 1952. His Excellency, Bro. Elbert N. Carvel, Governor of the State of Delaware, was in attendance. The Grand Lodges of Massachusetts, Virginia, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Maryland, Connecticut, Rhode Island and the District of Columbia were represented by brethren of distinction.

Our Maine Representative in Delaware, R. W. Bro. Leonard L. Purks, passed away during the year. Bro. H. Clifford Bauer has been named as his successor.

The Grand Master made official visits to all Delaware lodges, attended ten ladies' nights, made nineteen other visitations, participated in the Washington Conferences, and visited the Grand Lodges of Maryland, District of Columbia, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, Virginia, Connecticut, New Jersey and Rhode Island.

M. W. Bro. George E. Vandergrift represented the Grand Lodge of Delaware at the installation of Lord Scarbrough as Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England, and at a Quarterly Communication of the Grand Lodge of Scotland.

On recommendation of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, the National Grand Lodge of France and the Grand Lodges of Greece, Argentina, Iceland and Colombia at Bogota were recognized.

The usual excellent review, in topical form, was presented by M. W. Bro. W. Stewart Allmond, Jr. One of Grand Master Lander's decisions was quoted.

Bro. Edward E. Clough was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Chester R. Jones was re-elected.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, 1951.

The One Hundred Forty-first Annual Report.

Lodges, 48. Members, 25,077. Gain, 201.

The Grand Master, M. W. David S. Davison, died in office on June 12, 1951. His funeral was conducted by the Grand Lodge, and was attended by the heads of all the appendant Grand Bodies in the District. The Deputy Grand Master, R. W. Renah F. Camalier, became Acting Grand Master for the remainder of the year.

The usual Grand Lodge communications were held on May 9, December 19, and December 27, 1951. Distinguished visitors from Connecticut, Delaware, Maryland and Virginia were welcomed. Maine's Representative, Bro. John H. Eiseman, was in attendance.

The Acting Grand Master made the usual visitations within the District, and also visited the sister Jurisdictions of Delaware, Maryland and Pennsylvania. The new Children's Cottage at the Masonic and Eastern Star Home was dedicated. The customary "Night of Thrills" was held. Masonic funeral services were conducted for Past Grand Master Wisdom D. Brown.

Recognition was withheld from the Grand Lodge of Israel. Action in regard to Iceland was deferred until 1952.

With sincere regret, we report that the District's efficient Foreign Correspondent, Bro. J. Walter Karsner, is laying down his pen. A member of the Round Table for many years, his vacant chair thereof will not easily be filled. He is a fluent writer, his judgment on all Masonic questions is sound, and his reports will be deeply missed by his fellow writers throughout the world.

In his last report, Wor. Bro. Karsner reviews the Proceedings of forty-seven Jurisdictions in his usual happy manner. Our Maine doings in 1951 receive considerate treatment, and are thoroughly covered. Bro. Karsner is particularly kind in referring to our own promotion, for which we thank him. He quotes from our Foreword, which he is good enough to commend.

Bro. Renah F. Camalier was elected Grand Master. After many years of distinguished service, Grand Secretary Aubrey H. Clayton retired from office. An engrossed testimonial of appreciation was presented to him on behalf of the Grand Lodge. Bro. Otto B. Roepke was elected Grand Secretary. He resigned on January 4, 1952, and Bro. Raymond N. Babcock was appointed to succeed him.

ENGLAND, 1952.

On February 6, the Grand Lodge, along with the whole Empire and Commonwealth, was thrown into mourning by the sudden death of M. W. Bro. His Most Gracious Majesty King George VI. On behalf of the Craft, flowers were sent to the King's funeral at Windsor, and telegrams of sympathy were despatched to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, the Queen Mother and Queen Mary. At the March Quarterly, appropriate tribute was paid to the King's memory.

King George was made a Mason in 1919 in the Navy Lodge, No. 2612, of which he later became Master. He served as Senior Grand Warden in 1923, and as Provincial Grand Master for Middlesex from 1924 to 1937. He became Grand Master of Scotland in 1936, and was also created a Past Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England in 1937. He presided over the Grand Lodge on several occasions, and personally installed three successive Grand Masters—the Duke of Kent in 1939, the Earl of Harewood in 1943, and the Duke of Devonshire, in 1948. From his sick bed, he sent fraternal greetings to the installation of the present Grand Master in 1951.

Many other members of the Royal Family have also been members of the Craft, but no one of them has ever shown a greater or more continued interest in the Fraternity than did His late Majesty. Moreover, no man has ever better exemplified, both in his public and in his private life, the high moral and spiritual teachings of the Order. A great King, a most distinguished Mason, and a truly good man, His Majesty is sincerely mourned far beyond the boundaries of the great Empire over which he reigned.

Less than a week before his death, on January 30, the King received the Grand Secretary, R. W. Bro. Sydney A. White, in private audience and conferred upon him the high honor of knighthood, creating and constituting him a Knight Commander of the Royal Victorian Order. Sir Sydney's many friends throughout the world will rejoice at this well-deserved recognition at the hands of his Sovereign.

The Annual Investiture was held on April 30, 1952. The re-election of the Grand Master, M. W. Bro. the Earl of Scarbrough, K. G., was duly proclaimed. The Grand Master then announced the re-appointment of the Earl of Derby as Deputy Grand Master, and that of Brigadier General W. H. V. Darell as Assistant Grand Master. Lord Newall was given a second year as Senior Grand Warden, and Sir Leslie Boyce, Lord Mayor of London, was designated as Junior Grand Warden.

Early in the year, the Grand Master visited South Africa, making many Masonic contacts in that section of the world. In May, he attended a Quarterly Communication of the Grand Lodge of Scotland, and was created an Honorary Member of that Grand Lodge. The Grand Secretary journeyed to Copenhagen, and was decorated with the Jewel of Honor of the National Grand Lodge of Denmark. The President of the Board of General Purposes, Sir Ernest Cooper, also visited South Africa, and the

President of the Board of Benevolence, Sir Trevor Matthews, made a Masonic visit to Australia.

Fraternal recognition was accorded to the newly-established Grand Lodge of Iceland. This is the first new recognition granted by the Mother Grand Lodge in many years.

On behalf of the Grand Lodge, a fur stole was presented to the Grand Master's daughter, Lady Mary Lumley, on the occasion of her marriage.

The Hon. Mr. Justice Froessel, Past Grand Master in New York, was an honored guest at the September Quarterly.

The Board of General Purposes was obliged to condemn once more the "chain prayer" nuisance.

The sum of 250 guineas was voted for the relief of distress caused by floods in Devon and Somerset, and the sum of 1,000 guineas was voted to the King George VI National Memorial Fund.

At the December Quarterly, it was announced that Her Majesty the Queen had appointed the Grand Master to the great office of Lord Chamberlain, and that he had been sworn a member of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council.

A portrait of the Grand Master was presented to Grand Lodge by the Provincial Grand Lodge of Yorkshire, West Riding.

Because of existing conditions in China and Burma, seven lodges in those countries have ceased to meet and have been erased from the roll of Grand Lodge.

During the year, warrants have been granted to 102 new lodges, located not only in England and Wales but also in Newfoundland, South Africa, Rhodesia, Gold Coast, Sierra Leone, East Africa, India, Pakistan and Singapore.

The Grand Master, the Rt. Hon. the Earl of Scarbrough, K. G., P. C., G. C. S. I., G. C. I. E., T. D., and the Grand Secretary, Sir Sydney White, K. C. V. O., remain in office.

FLORIDA, 1952.

The One Hundred Twenty-third Annual Communication.

Lodges, 249. Members, 51,092. Gain, 2,057.

The Annual Communication was held in Jacksonville on April 15-17, 1952. Grand Master Cleveland R. Horne was in the Chair. Distinguished brethren from Georgia, Virginia and Tennessee were seated in the East. Maine was ably represented by Grand Treasurer George Fish.

M. W. Bro. Horne attended the Washington Conferences, visited in Georgia, and made fifty-one official visitations in his own state. Bro. Spessard L. Holland, United States Senator from Florida, addressed the Grand Masters' Conference. Five lodges were constituted and dispensations for nine new lodges were issued. Four cornerstones were laid.

The Grand Master denounced chain letters. He also called attention to the fact that Grand Lodge elections have been disgraced by organized political activities of a most improper nature. On his recommendation, the Grand Lodge adopted a strong resolution prohibiting such activities.

The Grand Master's ruling that a Worshipful Master has power to call off a stated communication of his lodge was not approved by the Jurisprudence Committee.

The Americanism Committee reported the holding of several highly successful meetings, some in the public schools and some open to the general public.

Much resentment and discontent resulted from the \$50.00 assessment levied last year for the benefit of the Masonic Home Endowment Fund. After much discussion, the regulation imposing this assessment was repealed. The regular per capita tax for the Home was increased from \$2.00 to \$3.00.

Action in regard to several applications for fraternal recognition was deferred, pending a report thereon by the new clearing house on information set up by the Grand Masters' Conference.

With sincere regret, we note the retirement of R. W. Bro. Roy L. Martin as Florida's Foreign Correspondent. A warm welcome to the Round Table is extended to his successor, M. W. Bro. Hal W. Adams. In his first report, Bro. Adams reviews the Proceedings of forty-five Jurisdictions, Maine for 1951 being one of them. Extensive quotation is made from the address of Grand Master Ervin E. J. Lander.

Bro. Perry R. Marsh was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary George W. Huff was re-elected.

GEORGIA, 1951.

The One Hundred Sixty-fifth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 467. Members, 83,130. Gain, 2,558.

A religious service in the Methodist Church preceded the opening of the Annual Communication, which was held in Macon on October 23-24, 1951. M. W. Marvin G. Pound presided, and welcomed distinguished guests from Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, Florida, Alabama and Massachusetts. Maine's new Representative, Bro. John A. Dunaway, was on duty.

Bro. Pound made 193 visitations during the year. He visited the sister Grand Lodges of Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Tennessee, Florida, Alabama and Illinois, and represented his Grand Lodge at the Washington Conferences. Cornerstones were laid for one Legion Home, six school buildings, one Jewish Synagogue, three Baptist Churches, one County Court House, one County office building, and two Masonic Temples. Two lodges were constituted, and two new halls were dedicated. Dispensations for three new lodges were issued. One charter was arrested, one charter was surrendered, and one consolidation took place.

The Grand Master ruled that the Commander of an American Legion Post which sold liquor was not eligible for the degrees. He also held that the responsible officers of any organization dispensing intoxicants were, if Masons, subject to disciplinary action.

On checking the record of a brother eligible for a twenty-five year button, it was discovered that he had received his original degrees in a clandestine lodge. In view of the fact that he had been a good member of a Georgia lodge for twenty-five years, the Grand Master authorized that he be healed. Another lesson in the need for greater care in checking the credentials of visitors and applicants for affiliation.

We quote from the report of the Board of Custodians: "There is still a lot of laughter and frivolity in conferring the degrees and in some lodges excessive roughness." Too bad!

Our Maine Proceedings were not among those reviewed by Foreign Correspondent Dewey H. Wollstein.

Dr. J. G. Standifer was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Daniel W. Locklin was re-elected.

We were very happy to receive two personal visits by Georgia's new Foreign Correspondent, Bro. Walter Purse, who spent his vacation in Maine last summer. We look forward with much pleasure to reading his reports.

IDAHO, 1952.

The Eighty-sixth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 82. Members, 13,601. Gain, 324.

M. W. Bro. Ray F. Brookhart presided over the Annual Communication, held in McCall on September 16-18, 1952. Distinguished guests from Oregon, Washington and Utah were in attendance.

Maine's honored Representative, M. W. Bro. Victor Peterson, passed on during the year. He was succeeded by Bro. Lewis E. Smith.

In a letter to all lodges, the Grand Master warned against communism and all subversive activities. He represented his Grand Lodge at the Tri-State and Washington Conferences, attended twelve district meetings, visited thirty-three Idaho lodges, and paid fraternal visits to the Grand Lodges of Colorado, Utah, Oregon and Wyoming, and to Fiat Lux Lodge in New York City. One cornerstone was laid, one new hall was dedicated, and one new lodge was organized under dispensation.

At this communication, the Grand Lodge adopted legislation providing that no new Mason shall petition for any of the additional degrees until he shall have passed a satisfactory examination in the Master Mason degree. A new question as to loyalty to the Constitution of the United States was added to the Idaho form of petition for the degrees.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence made no new recommendations for recognition. Its distinguished Chairman, M. W. Bro. Jay Glover Eldridge, was traveling in Europe at the time of the Grand Lodge session.

His Foreword, entitled "That I might travel in foreign countries," was written in Naples and gives us some of his impressions of life in present-day Italy.

Bro. Eldridge describes his own position on the question of foreign recognition as being one of liberal conservatism "not recommending fraternal recognition to every group that requests it, nor, on the other hand, refusing it until every other Grand Jurisdiction has accepted the petitioners."

Bro. Eldridge is especially generous in the space which he allots to our Maine Proceedings for 1952. Quotation is made from Grand Master Lander's address, and his views on many different questions are reported. Our recognition of Iceland and our refusal to recognize Chile are noted. The final paragraph of our own Foreword is also quoted. We thank Bro. Eldridge for one of the best Maine reviews of the year.

Bro. Noel M. Leavitt was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Clyde I. Rush was re-elected.

ILLINOIS, 1952.

The One Hundred Thirteenth Annual Meeting.

Lodges, 975. Members, 249,270. Gain, 1,807.

The Annual Meeting was held in Chicago on October 14-15, 1952. M. W. Bro. James Green presided, and welcomed distinguished guests from Massachusetts, Connecticut, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Nebraska, Indiana, Ohio, Tennessee, Iowa, Kansas, South Dakota, Colorado, Michigan, Wisconsin, Maryland, Missouri, Louisiana, North Carolina, Minnesota, Canada in Ontario, Saskatchewan and the District of Columbia. Our Maine Representative, R. W. Bro. Carroll T. Hughes, was in his station as Deputy Grand Master.

The Grand Master made ninety visitations, including attendance on the events of Masonic week in Washington and at Grand Lodge sessions in Alabama, Tennessee, Louisiana, New York, Indiana, Saskatchewan and Canada in Ontario. One consolidation took place, one charter was restored, and two new halls were dedicated.

Press reports of bingo games being held in two Masonic Temples caused the Grand Master to address a letter to all Temple authorities, reminding them of the Grand Lodge ban against gambling in any form.

Bro. Green suspended a brother who had signed the petition of a man who had done time in three penitentiaries. He stated: "It is my belief that our Fraternity is entitled to greater diligence on the part of recommending as well as investigating committees."

During the year, a history of the Grand Lodge, written by Wor. Bro. Everett R. Turnbull and entitled "The Rise and Progress of Freemasonry in Illinois, 1783-1952," was published and distributed to the lodges. In appreciation of this distinguished service, Bro. Turnbull was elected a Permanent Member of Grand Lodge.

The brethren of Illinois contributed \$66,324 to the hospital visitation work of the M. S. A.

On recommendation of the Committee on Foreign Jurisdictions, of which M. W. Bro. Karl J. Mohr is Chairman, recognition was extended to the Grand Lodges of Chile, Costa Rica and Iceland.

At this Communication, the Grand Lodge increased the salary of the Grand Master to \$5,000, that of the Grand Treasurer to \$2,400, and that of the Grand Secretary to \$8,500. The Grand Lodge per diem was increased to \$10.00.

M. W. Bro. Hal C. McLoud again presents the Report on Masonic Correspondence. In his able Foreword, several topics of current interest to the Craft are discussed. We note that Bro. McLoud agrees with us in preferring the old-fashioned jurisdictional review to the new-fangled topical report. We also agree with what he has to say in regard to "politicks."

With pleasure, we quote one telling sentence, in which he expresses our own views on a question very near our heart: "Universality is a noble goal, but it should not be attained by sacrificing too many of our ancient principles."

Sixty-six volumes of Proceedings are reviewed in a most interesting manner, including that of Maine for 1952. Grand Master Lander is quoted, and our expenditures for relief are mentioned. Our recognition of Iceland and our refusal to recognize Chile are reported. Bro. McLoud is kind enough to commend our Foreword and to describe our Special Reports as being "more than helpful." We thank him for his courtesy.

Grand Master James Green and Grand Secretary Richard C. Davenport were re-elected.

INDIANA, 1952.

The One Hundred Thirty-fifth Year.

Lodges, 540. Members, 172,036. Gain, 3,280.

M. W. Oswald A. Tislow presided over the Annual Meeting, which was held in Indianapolis on May 20-21, 1952. Maine's honored Representative, M. W. Elmer F. Gay, who is also the Senior Past Grand Master in Indiana, was in attendance, as were distinguished brethren from the Jurisdictions of Pennsylvania, Virginia, New York, New Jersey, Kentucky, Ohio, District of Columbia, Missouri, Michigan, Illinois, Iowa and Canada in Ontario.

Bro. Tislow was well satisfied with the condition of the Fraternity in Indiana. He said: "I believe that the Masons of Indiana are becoming more and more conscious of their responsibility to show the way to good citizenship and are accepting their duty of civic, religious and moral leadership in their communities." He had high praise for the Masonic Home, the Grand Lodge magazine and the O. E. S.

The Grand Master made 108 visitations in his own State, attended the National Conferences, and paid fraternal visits to the Grand Lodges of Michigan, Iowa, Canada in Ontario, Illinois, Ohio, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts and Virginia. In Massachusetts, he was decorated with the Henry Price Medal. Eight new halls were dedicated. Three new lodges were set to work under dispensation. Masonic funeral services were conducted for Past Grand Master Frank G. Laird.

At this communication, the per capita tax for the operation of the Masonic Home was increased from \$1.00 to \$2.00. The sum of \$5,000 was again voted to the Washington Memorial, and the sum of \$10,000 to the hospital visitation work of the M. S. A.. The Indiana liquor laws were simplified, and the Grand Lodge ban against the admission of non-citizens was relaxed to permit affiliation and re-instatement in certain cases.

The Committee on Foreign Fraternal Relations presented a careful and conservative report. No recommendations for recognition were made.

The Reviewer, M. W. Dwight L. Smith, submitted another fine report, consisting of an extensive topical Foreword and seventy-two individual reviews. Under Maine for 1951, he notes our recognition of the National Grand Lodge of France, the adoption of our twenty-five year button, and our increased per diem.

Bro. Ralph E. Legeman was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Dwight L. Smith was re-elected.

IOWA, 1952.

The One Hundred Eighth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 546. Members, 92,892. Gain, 1,415.

The Annual Communication was held in Cedar Rapids on June 10-12, 1952. Grand Master Millard D. Thomas presided, and welcomed distinguished visitors from Illinois, Minnesota and Nebraska. A civic welcome was extended by the Mayor, and the Grand Matron brought greetings from the Grand Chapter, O. E. S. The Colors were presented by the Color Guard of the 133rd Infantry Regiment.

The Grand Master attended the Washington Conferences, and had the pleasure of seeing Iowa's Past Grand Master Clifford D. Jory installed as President of the Washington Memorial Association. He visited the neighboring Jurisdictions of Illinois, Minnesota and Nebraska and made some ninety-six visitations in his own State. One new lodge was instituted, one new hall was dedicated, and cornerstones were laid for a High School building and a County Hospital.

M. W. Bro. Thomas had high and deserved praise for the work of Iowa's distinguished Fraternal Reviewer, M. W. Bro. Ernest R. Moore.

The Committee on Masonic Education conducted fifteen Masonic Institutes in Iowa. It also acted as host to the second Midwest Conference on Masonic Education, participated in by eleven Jurisdictions.

The Committee on Grand Lodge Recognition made no specific recommendations, but did express its approval of the fact finding agency set up by the Grand Master's Conference.

An unusual situation developed when it was discovered that a Michigan lodge had affiliated an Iowa Mason without a dimit from his Iowa lodge, which, knowing nothing of this action, had later suspended him for non-payment of dues. The Grand Master of Michigan wished to heal all irregularities by decree, but Iowa insisted that its rules as to re-instatement and dismission be complied with. We must express our agreement with Iowa's position on this matter.

At this communication, minimum lodge dues were fixed at \$4.00.

On recommendation of the Grand Master, the sum of \$3,500 was voted to the hospital visitation work of the M. S. A.

The Fraternal Review, consisting of another excellent Foreword and sixty-six jurisdictional reviews, was again prepared by M. W. Bro. Ernest R. Moore. Maine for 1951 is given courteous and ample coverage. A good summary of Grand Master Lander's address is presented, and two quotations are made therefrom. Bro. Moore is also kind enough to quote two paragraphs from our Foreword.

Under Nebraska, Bro. Moore quotes the excerpt from our 1950 Foreword, dealing with the question of recognition, which was quoted by the Nebraska Committee. We are honored by his commendation and approval of our work.

Bro. J. Ellitt Grayson was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Earl B. Delzell was re-elected.

IRELAND, 1951.

The Annual Meeting of the Grand Lodge of Ireland was held in Dublin on St. John the Evangelist's Day, with the Grand Master, M. W. Raymond F. Brooke, on the Throne.

The Grand Master, the Deputy Grand Master, and the Senior Grand Warden represented the Grand Lodge of Ireland at the Especial Grand Lodge in London, at which M. W. Bro. the Earl of Scarbrough, K. G., was installed as Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England. M. W. Bro. Brooke had the honor of addressing the Mother Grand Lodge, and conveyed thereto the congratulations and fraternal greetings of the Irish Craft.

The Grand Lodge of Ireland was visited by M. W. Bro. W. J. Dunlop, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

In agreement with the Grand Lodges of England and Scotland, the Grand Lodge of Ireland has resumed relations with the Grand Lodge of Finland, and has extended fraternal recognition to the newly-established Grand Lodge of Iceland.

The Grand Lodge mourns the passing of R. W. Bro. the Rt. Hon. Sir John Milne Barbour, Baronet, D. L., M. P., long one of the most prominent Freemasons in Northern Ireland. His funeral was attended by the Grand Master and the Grand Secretary.

Outside of Ireland proper, the Grand Lodge has subordinates in New Zealand, South Africa, Rhodesia, Natal, Ceylon, India, Pakistan and Hong Kong. All appear to be in good condition.

Two new warrants were issued during the year. One warrant was restored.

The Grand Master, M. W. Raymond F. Brooke, was re-elected. R. W. Henry C. Shellard, while retaining his title as Grand Secretary, has retired from active work, after more than fifty years of service as Assistant Grand Secretary, Deputy Grand Secretary and Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Ireland.

KANSAS, 1952.

The Ninety-sixth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 440. Members, 94,029. Gain, 1,978.

The Annual Communication was held in Topeka on February 13-14, 1952, and was honored by the presence of distinguished visitors from New Jersey, Nebraska and Missouri. Grand Master Clarence G. Nevins was in the Grand East.

Maine's honored Representative near the Grand Lodge of Kansas, M. W. Charley B. Erskine, passed away during the year and was interred with Masonic rites. Bro. Cecil F. Drake has been commissioned as his successor.

The Grand Master delivered a thought-provoking address. He made numerous visitations in his own state, and also visited the sister Jurisdictions of Illinois and Colorado. One new lodge was constituted, two new halls were dedicated, and cornerstones were laid for a public school building and a County Court House. One consolidation took place.

The Grand Lodge took prompt action to alleviate distress resulting from the disastrous flood of July, 1951.

Bro. Nevins denounced the chain letter nuisance. He also prevented the holding of a lottery by a Masonic Temple Club. With full approval, we quote from his remarks on this subject: "At a time when the public conscience is stricken by revelations of racketeering and gambling, Masons should be particularly careful and avoid reproach in this respect. In my judgment, lotteries, games of chance and other forms of gambling are inconsistent with the profession and principles of Freemasons."

Fraternal recognition was extended to the Grand Lodge of Argentina, the United Grand Lodge of Germany and the Grand Lodge of Iceland.

A twenty-five cent increase in the Grand Lodge per capita tax was authorized. Attempts to increase the minimum fee for the degrees to \$45.00 and to fix minimum dues at \$5.00 were defeated.

The Foreign Correspondent, M. W. Otto R. Souders, presented another splendid report, consisting of sixty-five reviews. Our Maine doings in 1951 receive fraternal treatment. Our schools of instruction, our recognition of the National Grand Lodge of France, and the adoption of our twenty-five year button are mentioned. Our own promotion is noted, and we are credited with a "very interesting" Foreword. Thank you, Bro. Souders.

M. W. Bro. S. Allan Daugherty is the new head of the Kansas Craft. M. W. Bro. Elmer F. Strain remains Grand Secretary.

KENTUCKY, 1951.

The One Hundred Fifty-first Annual Communication.

Lodges, 469. Members, 85,156. Gain, 3,220.

Grand Master Edwin E. Freshney presided over the Annual Communication, which was held in Louisville on October 16-18, 1951. A welcome was extended to visiting dignitaries from South Carolina, Tennessee, Nebraska, Indiana and Virginia. The Colors were presented by a military escort from Fort Knox.

The Grand Master represented his Grand Lodge at the National Conferences, visited in Ohio and Indiana, and made many visitations in Kentucky. Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's messages were issued to the Craft. More than 7,000 persons were present at Grand Master's Day at the Masonic Homes. Five new halls were dedicated. Two lodges consolidated and one charter was arrested.

Dispensations were issued for two new lodges. One of these is located on the military reservation of Fort Campbell. All original officers of this lodge were members of the Military establishment, and the first Worshipful Master was Brigadier General Wayne C. Smith, U. S. A.

Despite the positive prohibition of such conduct by the Grand Lodge, a prohibition renewed in 1949, the St. John's Day League again attempted to raise money by raffling off an automobile. The Grand Master was obliged to intervene. The Jurisprudence Committee reaffirmed the Grand Lodge stand against gambling, and severely censured the responsible officers of the organization concerned. Personally, we feel that something more than censure was in order!

On recommendation of Past Grand Master John H. Cowles, recognition was extended to the United Grand Lodge of Germany, the Grand Lodge of Turkey, the Grand Lodge of Iceland, and the three Mexican Grand Lodges of Campeche, Restouracion and Oaxaca.

The Proceedings of Other Grand Lodges were again reviewed by Past Grand Master Charles A. Keith. Our Maine doings in 1950 receive fraternal mention. Grand Master Gray's activities are reported, and the passing of M. W. Ashley A. Smith is noted. Our own report on Foreign Correspondence is commended.

Brethren Died During the Year

From January 1, 1955 to December 31, 1955

Those marked * were returned with Masonic Rites.

1 Portland, Portland. Arthur D. Fierce, January 30; Joseph B. Drummond, April 29; Frank E. Grant, unknown; Herbert Worcester, October 21, 1954; Berwyn E. Beale, May 31; Lendall B. Mosher, September 11, 1954; William F. Ferris, July 15; Moulton H. Neal, June 30; Forrest E. Burnham, * November 3.

2 Warren, East Machias. Frederick D. Ingalls, January 14; Wallace A. Hall, June 14; Richard M. Larrabee, 1951.

3 Lincoln, Wiscasset. Austin L. Dow, January 17; Charles E. Tibbetts, March 15; William H. Burton, * August 27; John B. Harrison, July 1; William M. Hunter, July 12; Percy E. Jewett, October 19; John H. Southard, December 24.

5 Kennebec, Hallowell. Guy K. Black, June 17; Philip H. Packard, June 19; Raymond A. Lathe, December 1; Frank C. Hewins, Jr., December 17; Henry P. Clearwater, January 27, 1952.

6 Amity, Camden. Harold B. Robinson, March 22; George O. Littlefield, March 30; Harry L. Hooper, May 9; Clarence E. Mitchell, July 25; George T. Kilching, July 26; Fred H. Beverage, July 27; Charles E. Crockett, August 9; Raymond L. Conley, August 20; Alvah L. Anderson, August 29; Ralph Y. Ingraham, September 3; Warren B. Conant, October 29; Finlay H. Calder, October 31; Alton P. French, November 1; Willard C. Chapin, December 23.

7 Eastern, Eastport. William Farewell Capens, * March 19; Edward Grey, Buxton, * August 26; Lawrence Brooks Varney, * September 20; Charles Rainsford Trynor, * October 21.

8 United, Brunswick. William F. Hinkley, August 1; Lawrence W. Smith, October 29.

9 Saco, Saco. Frank Leon Whitehead, January 2; Benjamin Franklin Oldread, January 31; Clarence Edgar Craig, January 31; Frederick Guy Titcomb, March 6; Arthur H. Jenkins, April 5; Charles H. Pierce, April 6; John Suter Black, April 23; Lawrence Edward Willard, April 25; William Alexander Coffin, June 18; Justus Bachelder Cobb, September 29; Stanley Otis Northrop, November 5; Ernest Roliston Woodbury, December 25.

MANITOBA, 1952.

The Seventy-seventh Annual Communication.

Lodges, 113. Members, 14,385. Gain, 346.

The Annual Communication was held in Winnipeg on June 4-5, 1952. M. W. Bro. Frederick H. Blythe presided, and welcomed distinguished brethren from Canada in Ontario, Saskatchewan, Alberta, Minnesota, North Dakota and South Dakota. Maine's Representative was absent. Two officers of the Canadian Army presented the Colors of Canada and the United States.

The Grand Master paid fitting tribute to the memory of M. W. Bro. His Majesty King George VI. He also noted the passing of M. W. Bros. Peter T. Pilkey, Ben C. Parker and George Hunter.

Bro. Blythe reported the appointment of R. W. Bro. George R. Caswell as Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba near the Grand Lodge of Maine. He also reported his own attendance at all eleven district meetings, and his visits to the Grand Lodges of Saskatchewan and Minnesota. Four lodges were constituted, three new lodges were instituted, and one new Temple was dedicated.

During the year, the Grand Lodge officers entertained two distinguished guests from overseas, R. W. Bro. the Earl of Derby, Deputy Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England, and R. W. Bro. J. S. M. Grieve, Past Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Scotland.

No additional foreign bodies were recognized at this communication.

The Fraternal Reviews were again from the pen of R. W. Bro. Hugh M. Kerr. Thirty-five Jurisdictions are reviewed, Maine for 1951 being among them. Our contribution to Manitoba flood relief is mentioned, and extensive quotation is made from the address of Grand Master Ervin E. J. Lander.

Bro. Gordon A. McMorran was elected Grand Master. On the orders of his physician, Grand Secretary Harry Coddington retired, and was succeeded by R. W. Bro. Thomas C. Jackson.

MARYLAND, 1951.

The One Hundred Sixty-fifth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 125. Members, 42,317. Gain, 1,055.

M. W. Jacob S. New presided over the Annual Communication, which was held in Baltimore on November 20-21, 1951. Distinguished visitors from Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, Virginia, New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Vermont, Delaware, District of Columbia, Indiana, Illinois and West Virginia were on hand to enjoy the hospitality of the Grand Lodge. His Excellency, Bro. Theodore R. McKeldin, Governor of Maryland, honored the communication by his presence. Our Maine Representative, Bro. Howard E. Stewart, was in attendance.

It was a busy year. The usual semi-annual communication was held. One new lodge was constituted, and a dispensation for one new lodge was issued. One Masonic Temple and the new Infirmary at the Masonic Home were dedicated. The cornerstone of a Methodist Church was laid. Masonic funeral services were conducted for R. W. Bro. Daniel J. Emich. A two-volume history of the Grand Lodge was published.

The Grand Master attended the Especial Grand Lodge in London, and witnessed the installation of M. W. Bro. the Earl of Scarbrough as Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England. He represented his Grand Lodge at the National Conferences, and visited the Grand Lodges of Massachusetts, Virginia, Connecticut, New Jersey, New York and Canada in Ontario.

M. W. Bro. New urged continued watchfulness in regard to communism. He denounced the chain letter nuisance, and condemned the unmasonic conduct of certain Masonic Clubs. A full investigation of this matter has been ordered.

The Grand Lodges of Argentina, El Potosi and Chiapas were recognized.

Grand Master Jacob S. New and Grand Secretary Claude Shaffer were re-elected.

There is no Report on Correspondence.

MASSACHUSETTS, 1951.

The Two Hundred Nineteenth Stated Communication.

Lodges, 328. Members, 119,170. Gain, 2,531.

The M. W. and Rev. Thomas S. Roy, D. D., Grand Master of Masons in Massachusetts, presided over the four Quarterly, one Stated and thirteen Special Communications held in 1951. During the year, distinguished guests from Rhode Island, Mississippi, Maryland, Maine, Canada in Ontario, Nova Scotia, Connecticut, New Hampshire, Delaware, Virginia, Indiana, New Jersey and Vermont were welcomed. Maine's Grand Master, M. W. Ervin E. J. Lander, was present at the December Quarterly. He addressed the Grand Lodge, stressing the close and affectionate relationship which has always existed between the Grand Lodge of Maine and its Mother Grand Lodge of Massachusetts. He was decorated with the Henry Price Medal.

The Grand Master attended the National Conferences, at which a prominent part was played by Massachusetts Masons. M. W. Samuel H. Wragg served as Chairman of the Executive Commission of the M. S. A., R. W. Leverett Saltonstall, United States Senator from Massachusetts, addressed the Grand Masters' banquet, and M. W. Roger Keith was elected a Director of the Washington Memorial Association.

Bro. Roy made fifty visitations in his own Commonwealth, and also visited the sister Grand Lodges of Virginia, Connecticut, South Carolina, New York, Indiana, Rhode Island, Nova Scotia, Canada in Ontario, New Brunswick, Delaware, Illinois, Maryland and Pennsylvania. He flew to

London, and attended the installation of M. W. Bro. the Earl of Scarbrough, K. G., as Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England. The Deputy Grand Master represented him at the annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Maine.

As noted in our 1952 Report, the Grand Lodge ban on gambling was strongly re-affirmed by M. W. Bro. Roy. He also denounced chain letters and factious balloting.

Extensive alterations and repairs have been made in the Boston Masonic Temple, and the great hall occupied by the Grand Lodge has been completely re-decorated.

A retirement plan for Grand Lodge employees has been adopted.

Fraternal recognition was extended to the United Grand Lodge of Germany. Because of political conditions in China, no action in regard to that Grand Lodge was taken.

The 219th annual observance of the Feast of St. John the Evangelist was held in Boston on December 27, 1951. The menu card bore the picture of M. W. Melvin M. Johnson, Senior Past Grand Master in Massachusetts. The principal address was delivered by the R. W. and Hon. Leverett Saltonstall, United States Senator from Massachusetts.

The Grand Master, M. W. Thomas S. Roy, was re-elected. Grand Secretary Frank H. Hilton retired, after forty years of distinguished service to the Craft. He was succeeded by R. W. Earl W. Taylor.

There is no Correspondence Report.

MEXICO (YORK), 1951.

The Ninety-first Annual Communication.

Lodges, 10. Members, 563. Gain, 9.

R. W. Bro. Merrell W. Russey, Deputy and Acting Grand Master, presided over the Annual Communication, held in Tampico on March 22, 1951. Visitors from Delaware, Ohio and Texas were in attendance. Maine's Representative was absent.

The Grand Master, M. W. Bro. Edward L. Morend, passed away very early in his official year. Masonic funeral services were conducted by the Grand Lodge. A strong delegation from the Grand Lodge of Tamaulipas attended these services.

The outstanding Masonic event of the year was the dedication of the new Masonic Temple in Mexico City. This building will be used by two Blue Lodges, one Royal Arch Chapter, one Commandery of Knights Templar, and one Chapter of the O. E. S.

An extremely interesting history of York Rite Masonry in Mexico appears in this volume of Proceedings.

Fraternal recognition was extended to the United Grand Lodge of Germany.

M. W. Bro. Walter S. Turnpaugh reviews the Proceedings of twenty-nine Jurisdictions, Maine (1950) being among them. Our charitable expenditures are noted.

Bro. Merrell W. Russey was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Lynn M. Phillips was re-elected.

MICHIGAN, 1952.

The One Hundred Eighth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 525. Members, 163,240. Gain, 2,849.

The Annual Communication was held in Detroit on May 27-28, 1952. M. W. Bro. Guy C. Powell presided, and welcomed distinguished visitors from Ohio, Ontario and Wisconsin. The Stars and Stripes and the Union Jack were posted, and "America" and "God Save the Queen" were sung. A civic welcome was extended by Bro. James H. Garlick, Councilman of the City of Detroit. Maine's Representative was not recorded as present.

M. W. Bro. Powell attended the Grand Masters' Conference, visited the Grand Lodge of Canada in Ontario, and made approximately 100 official appearances in Michigan. Three cornerstones were laid, and seven new Temples were dedicated.

The Grand Master urged increased care in the investigation of candidates. He said: "I specially urge Worshipful Masters and others, for the sake of the fraternity which they profess to love, to guard well the outer door, with an efficient, alert and working investigating committee." He issued bulletins to the Craft, dealing with this question and with such other subjects as bingo games and lotteries, fires and insurance, smoking in lodge rooms, Grand Honors, and DeMolay.

At the death of King George VI, a message of sympathy was transmitted to the United Grand Lodge of England.

The Grand Lodge mourns the passing of Past Grand Master Charles A. Donaldson.

At this communication, much time was devoted to the consideration of such questions as the investment of Grand Lodge funds, the financing of Grand Lodge Charities, inter-Jurisdictional transfer of membership, and the adoption of new Grand Lodge forms.

The Historiology Committee presented an extremely interesting report, dealing with the early history of Masonry in Michigan.

After much discussion, and despite an unfavorable recommendation by the Finance Committee, the sum of \$5,000 was voted to the hospital visitation work of the M. S. A.

A state-wide observance of the bi-centennial of George Washington's initiation into the Fraternity has been ordered on November 4, 1952.

On recommendation of the Committee on Fraternal Relations, recognition was extended to the Grand Lodges of Argentina, Austria, Colombia

at Bogota, and Iceland. Investigation continues in regard to certain Brazilian and Mexican bodies. Action in regard to Israel was deferred.

Bro. French C. Shell was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary F. Homer Newton was re-elected.

There is no Correspondence Report.

MINNESOTA, 1952.

The Ninety-ninth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 291. Members, 63,889. Gain, 1,358.

The Grand Lodge met in St. Paul on March 19-20, 1952. Grand Master Einar W. Johnson presided. The United States and Canadian Colors were posted, and the National Anthems of the two countries were rendered on the organ. Maine's Representative was absent, but distinguished visitors from South Dakota, North Dakota, Illinois, Manitoba, Wisconsin, Iowa and New York were given a cordial welcome.

Bro. Johnson was a busy man, attending more than 300 Masonic functions in the course of the year. He participated in the Washington Conferences and visited the Grand Lodges of Manitoba and Illinois. He attended a Masonic farewell party given to Governor Luther W. Youngdahl, who was leaving the State to take up new duties as a Federal Judge. Two corner-stones were laid, and one new hall was dedicated.

The Grand Master described the chain letter racket as "superstitious and obnoxious." He held that any Mason circulating such a letter was subject to Masonic discipline.

Much important legislation was passed at this communication. A retirement plan for Grand Lodge employees was adopted. The physical qualifications of candidates were liberalized. The maximum number of candidates which can be initiated, passed or raised at the same meeting was increased from five to ten. Attempts to increase the per capita tax and to fix minimum dues at \$5.00 were defeated.

An extra day was added to the Grand Lodge session in 1953, to allow time for the appropriate celebration of the Grand Lodge Centennial.

M. W. Bro. Edmund A. Montgomery presented his thirtieth annual report as Chairman of the Minnesota Committee on Foreign Correspondence. We congratulate our distinguished colleague on this record of outstanding service to the Craft, and certainly hope that we will continue to read his excellent reviews for many years to come.

Bro. Montgomery's current report consists of fifty-two reviews. Maine (1951) receives courteous treatment at his hands. Grand Master Lander's address is commended, and brief quotation is made therefrom. Our recognition of the National Grand Lodge of France and our refusal to recognize the Grand Lodge of Israel are noted. Fraternal reference is made to our Correspondence Report.

Bro. George W. Christie was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary John H. Anderson was re-elected.

47 Dunlap, Biddeford. Walter C. Tate, March 4; Fitz E. Small, April 18; Milton L. Young, April 23; Walter R. Fall, May 2; James C. Currie, June 6; Herbert F. Johnson, July 18; Guy M. Cole, October 5; Fred L. Johnson, October 12; Harry Booth, October 31; C. Raymond Means, December 7; Harry C. Calderwood, January 11.

48 Lafayette, Readfield. Robert Henry Dyer,* June 19; Fred D. Elliott, September 21; Eli Merriman,* April 28.

49 Meridian Splendor, Newport. Herbert L. Parkman, February 18; John Orman Gilman, June 17; James J. Harribine,* May 16; Frederick Austin Hatch, March 30; Charles Douglas Libbey,* July 20; Fred A. Craig,* July 28; Water R. Turner,* October 25.

50 Aurora, Rockland. William W. Henderson,* February 8; Ralph M. Choate, February 9; Arthur F. Wisner, April 24; Lester B. Plummer, June 29; Peter Nelson, August 2; Milton M. Griffin, November 8; Ralph G. Stone, December 26; Martin S. Graves,* December 30.

51 St. John's, South Berwick. Joe P. Davis, February 19; Charles Horler, April 1; Frank M. Greenlaw, April 5; Willis Jackson, June 15; Eugene Littlefield, July 10; Aaron M. Roberts, August 15; Frank E. Stone, August 22.

52 Mosaic, Dover-Foxcroft. Ira A. Doore, June 18; Ernest J. Smith, March 10; Frederick MacDonald, June 16.

53 Rural, Sidney. Roy S. Bacon, July 9; Aaron Marden, November 30; George M. Ellis, November 27; Howard Trask, September 29; Ira C. Taylor, October 28; Leonard A. Field, February 18, 1952; John C. Philbrick, years ago.

54 Vassalboro, North Vassalboro. George E. Priest, June 16.

55 Fraternal, Alfred. Henry F. Cummings, July 3; Richard D. Elwell,* November 16; Willard I. Mack, December 27.

56 Mt. Moriah, Denmark. Benjamin Poore Babb,* March 7.

57 King Hiram, Dixfield. Charles H. Archibald, September 8.

58 Unity, Thorndike. Emery Buzzell, January 19; Charles E. Bellows, March 9.

60 Star in the East, Old Town. Thomas S. O'Connor, April 28; Maurice F. Bartlett,* May 7; Isaac Foster, June 3; W. Eugene Madden, September 4; James A. Lull, August 2.

61 King Solomon's, Waldoboro. Elliot P. Oliver, January 23; Allan C. Hines, June 5; Garland E. Day, August 12; George E. Burns,* December 7; George F. Studley, December 27; Harold B. Smith, at sea; John W. Duffy, February 9, 1952.

62 King David, Lincolnville. Fred W. Blood, September; Hollis A. Dean, October 4.

63 Richmond, Richmond. Fred C. Voight, April 3; John W. Quarrington, October 16.

The Grand Master called for a larger attendance of Wardens at the Grand Lodge sessions, urged the establishment of an educational program, recommended certain improvements in investigating committee procedure, and advised lodges to see that their property is adequately covered by insurance.

Bro. Ferguson attended the Washington meetings and made fifty-two visitations, including fraternal visits to the Grand Lodges of Illinois, Indiana and Canada in Ontario. M. W. Bro. Ray V. Denslow delivered an address at the centennial of the Grand Lodge of Oregon. One lodge was set to work under its charter, a dispensation for one new lodge was issued, and the cornerstone of a High School building was laid.

A further sum of \$5,000 was donated to the hospital visitation work of the M. S. A.

Fraternal recognition was withdrawn from the Grand Lodge of Sao Paulo and was extended to the Grand Lodges of Argentina and Iceland.

M. W. Bro. Ray V. Denslow presented another splendid Report on Foreign Correspondence. He reports on the Mexico City Conference, which he attended as an observer. He also gives us a most interesting account of Freemasonry in the Netherlands. Several references to Maine occur in Bro. Denslow's Report. Our Brownville difficulty is discussed. Our recognition of Iceland and our refusal to recognize Chile are noted, and several quotations are made from our Report. Bro. Denslow assures us that the United Grand Lodge of Germany had not recognized the Grand Orient of France at the time of his 1949 investigation. Were the press reports inaccurate which listed the Grand Orient as being represented at the very institution of the United Grand Lodge? We assure Bro. Denslow that the Grand Lodge of Maine *does* recognize the Grand Lodges of Norway and Sweden. The writer has served as Grand Representative of Sweden for many years.

Bro. Richard O. Rumer was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Harold L. Reader remains in office.

MONTANA, 1951.

The Eighty-seventh Annual Communication.

Lodges, 135. Members, 24,197. Gain, 514.

The City of Butte was host to the Annual Communication, which was held on August 21-22, 1951. M. W. Percy W. Doles was in the chair. Maine's new Representative, Bro. Albert F. Milham, was in attendance, as were visiting Craftsmen from Washington, Alberta, District of Columbia, North Dakota, Saskatchewan, Minnesota and Wyoming. With the Grand Lodge at recess, a delegation from the O. E. S. was received.

Montana suffered heavy losses during the year. Masonic funeral services were conducted by the Grand Lodge for M. W. Bros. Henry C. Smith, Edward W. Spottswood, Llewellyn L. Callaway and Luther T. Hauberg (Grand Secretary).

Grand Master Doles traveled 37,700 miles on Masonic business. He visited every lodge in Montana in its own lodge room, attended the Banff and Washington Conferences, and paid fraternal visits in the sister Jurisdictions of Wyoming, Idaho, Washington, British Columbia, California, Minnesota, Alberta and North Dakota. Two cornerstones were laid, and two new Temples were dedicated. Public Schools Week was again observed.

A splendid address was delivered by the Grand Chaplain, Dr. George S. Morrell.

Our Maine Proceedings were not among the fifty-two volumes reviewed this year by the Committee on Foreign Correspondence.

Bro. Chandler C. Cohagen was elected Grand Master, Bro. Ralph N. Lodge was elected Grand Secretary.

NEBRASKA, 1952.

The Ninety-fifth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 276. Members, 43,279. Gain, 939.

The Grand Lodge met in Omaha on June 3-4, 1952. Grand Master Thomas J. Aron presided, and welcomed distinguished visitors from Massachusetts, Iowa, Missouri, Illinois, Kansas and Colorado. Maine's Representative was absent.

A certificate evidencing fifty years of consecutive attendance at Grand Lodge was presented to M. W. Lewis E. Smith.

The Grand Master participated in the Grand Master's Conference, attended the biennial meeting of the Masonic Relief Association, visited the Grand Lodges of South Dakota, Missouri, Illinois and Kansas, and made sixty-one visitations in his own State. One new Temple and the new addition to the Nebraska Masonic Home were dedicated. Cornerstones were laid for two Masonic Temples and for a Memorial Hall at the State Teachers College. The address at the last named ceremonial was delivered by Bro. Val Petersoh, Governor of Nebraska.

Masonic funeral services were conducted for M. W. William J. Breckenridge, Past Grand Master, and the Rt. Rev. George Allen Beecher, Grand Chaplain Emeritus.

The brethren of Nebraska more than matched the \$100,000 gift made to the Masonic Home by Bro. William Pieper, as mentioned in our 1952 Report.

The Grand Lodge contributed \$500 to Missouri River flood relief.

On recommendation of the Committee on Fraternal Relations, the Grand Lodges of Iceland and Greece were recognized. Several other applications were deferred. The committee noted the confused conditions existing in Latin America as a result of the Montevideo formula of belief, and expressed the opinion that this formula had "actually retarded the recognition of this area as a whole."

M. W. William B. Wanner presented his fifth annual report on Foreign Correspondence. Except for certain foreign Jurisdictions, this is topical

in form. It contains no reference to the Grand Lodge of Maine. With approval, we quote the following: "Masonry after all is a way of life and unless Masonry is lived outside our temples we have failed in our purpose."

Bro. Edward M. Knight was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Carl R. Greisen was re-elected.

NEVADA, 1952.

The Eighty-eighth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 27. Members, 4,727. Gain, 151.

M. W. Henry C. Nelson presided over the Annual Communication, which was held in Elko on June 12-13, 1952. He extended a cordial welcome to distinguished visitors from California and Utah. The tribute to the Flag was paid by Wor. Frank Woodliff, Grand Representative of Maine.

The Grand Master was well satisfied with the condition of the Craft, reporting that peace and harmony prevailed throughout the Jurisdiction. He visited the Grand Lodge of California, installed the officers of eleven lodges, and made twenty-seven official visitations. The Grand Secretary represented him at the Washington Conferences.

The Committee on Legitimacy of Grand Lodges presented an able report. Speaking of the liberal and conservative attitudes in regard to recognition, the Committee stated: "While our hearts may, in many instances, be ruled by the former, our heads should be ruled by the latter."

Because of the schism therein, relations with the Grand Lodge of Sao Paulo were discontinued. Very properly, recognition was withdrawn from the clandestine Grand Lodge of France, and the National Grand Lodge of France was recognized in its stead. The irregular Grand Lodge of Denmark was also dropped, and the National Grand Lodge of Denmark was recognized. Recognition was withheld, for the present, from the Grand Lodges of China and Israel.

The Report on Fraternal Correspondence, consisting of a Foreword and sixty-six reviews, was again prepared by M. W. Bro. E. C. Peterson. In his Foreword, Bro. Peterson calls attention to the tragic situation resulting from a lack of adequate and patriotic history courses in our schools and colleges, and quotes from some of the subversive and disloyal textbooks in use in some communities. This is a matter to which every Mason, in his capacity as a loyal American citizen, should give immediate attention.

Our Maine Proceedings for 1951 are among those reviewed. Our contribution to Manitoba flood relief, the raising of our six blood brothers, and our recognition of the National Grand Lodge of France are mentioned. Grand Master Lander is quoted. We thank Bro. Peterson for his courteous reference to our own Report.

Bro. Richard H. Cowles was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Edward C. Peterson was re-elected.

NEW BRUNSWICK, 1951.

The Eighty-fourth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 46. Members, 8,196. Gain, 254.

M. W. Dougald J. M. McLean presided over the Annual Communication, which was held in St. John on August 23, 1951. A civic welcome was extended by the Mayor. Distinguished visitors from Massachusetts Canada in Ontario, Nova Scotia, North Carolina and New Hampshire were in attendance.

The Grand Master attended the California Centennial, represented his Grand Lodge at the Washington and Winnipeg Conferences, and visited the Grand Lodge of North Carolina. He was also present at the Sesqui-Centennial celebration of our own Eastern Lodge, No. 7, at Eastport, Maine.

The Grand Lodge attended Church as a body and also attended the funeral of Past Grand Master Donald Campbell Malcolm.

With approval, we quote from the report of the Board of General Purposes: "Several foreign Grand Lodges have applied for recognition but these have been held in abeyance due to the unsettled conditions of the countries from which the applications were received. They will all have due consideration if and when stabilization within their borders takes place."

The D. D. G. M. of the 5th District reported that our own St. Croix Lodge of Calais, Maine, joined with the brethren of the District in their annual Church service, held in St. Stephen.

The speaker at the Grand Lodge dinner was M. W. Wallace E. Caldwell of North Carolina.

Bro. J. William Duncan was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary R. D. Magee remain in office.

There is no Correspondence Report.

NEWFOUNDLAND (E. C.), 1952.

The Eighty-first Annual Communication.

Lodges, 17. Members, 2,022. Gain, 43.

The District Grand Lodge of Newfoundland (E. C.) held its Annual Communication in St. John's on April 30, 1952. The District Grand Master, R. W. Bro. George R. Williams, M. B. E., was in the Chair.

Bro. Williams flew to England and participated in the ceremonies incident to the installation of the Rt. Hon. the Earl of Scarbrough as Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England. He constituted and consecrated the new English lodge at Corner Brook, and visited assiduously throughout the Province. One of his visitations involved a rail journey of thirty-eight hours, his private car being attached to a freight train.

On learning of the King's death, a message of sympathy from the Freemasons of Newfoundland was forwarded to the Grand Secretary, for transmittal to Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen.

In conjunction with the District Grand Lodge, Scottish Constitution, a Masonic Memorial Service, honoring the King's memory, was held in St. John's.

We quote the concluding words of the District Grand Master's address: "God Save the Queen. God give us thankful hearts for all our blessings, and may we go forward with courage and faith well founded and maintained in the tenets and principles of the Craft, that the light of Masonry will shed its rays to enlighten men's hearts."

The District Grand Master, R. W. George R. Williams, and the District Grand Secretary, Wor. A. G. Miles, remain in office.

NEW HAMPSHIRE, 1952.

The One Hundred Sixty-third Annual Communication.

Lodges, 81. Members, 16,171. Gain, 279.

M. W. Harold C. McAllister presided over the Annual Communication, which took place in Manchester on May 21, 1952. The Grand Master of Maine, M. W. Benjamin W. Ela, was in attendance, accompanied by M. W. Ervin E. J. Lander, R. W. Aubrey L. Burbank, and R. W. Clyde French. Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, Vermont, Delaware and New Jersey were also represented by distinguished Craftsmen. Our Maine Representative, R. W. Parke F. Weeks, was on duty.

New Hampshire's distinguished Grand Secretary, Bro. J. Melvin Dresser, was sick in hospital at the time of the Grand Lodge session. During the period of his incapacity, M. W. Reginald E. Goldsmith served as Acting Grand Secretary.

We quote from the Grand Master's address: "As Masons we must practice assiduously out of the lodge those great moral virtues which are inculcated in it. Shoulder to shoulder with the churches we can, through more intensive practice of our principles, stem the decline in public, business and personal morality."

M. W. Bro. McAllister noted the passing of two stalwarts of New Hampshire Masonry, M. W. Bros. Frederic E. Everett and Harold H. Hart. He presided over the usual Semi-Annual Communication, attended all eight lodges of instruction, personally presented twenty-six fifty year medals, and officially visited twenty-two lodges. The Deputy Grand Master and Grand Secretary represented New Hampshire at the Washington Conferences.

By voluntary contribution, the sum of \$8,500 was collected for the hospital visitation work of the M. S. A. On recommendation of the Grand Master, the sum of \$7,500 was withdrawn from the War Relief Fund for the further support of this program in 1952.

A special tribute was paid to Grand Steward Sherman D. Parsons, ninety years of age, sixty-eight years a Mason and the holder of New Hampshire's highest decorations for outstanding service to Masonry.

In his Foreword, New Hampshire's beloved Correspondent, M. W. Bro. J. Melvin Dresser, expresses his appreciation and thanks to those who carried on for him in his various capacities during his long illness. Particular mention is made of the work of Wor. Raymond C. Duncan, Grand Marshal, who prepared many of the reviews appearing in the Report on Correspondence.

Bro. Dresser himself reviews our Maine doings in 1951. Our schools of instruction, our contribution to Manitoba flood relief, the raising of our six blood brothers, our recognition of the National Grand Lodge of France, the adoption of our twenty-five year button, and our own promotion are all noted. Bro. Dresser must be trying to inflate our ego when he describes us as "one who has become nationally known as a most reliable authority on world-wide Masonry." We thank Bro. Dresse for his many personal courtesies to us, and for another excellent Maine review.

Grand Master Harold C. McAllister and Grand Secretary J. Melvin Dresser were re-elected.

NEW JERSEY, 1952.

The One Hundred Sixty-fifth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 283. Members, 97,204. Gain, 2,194.

The Grand Lodge met in Atlantic City on April 23-24, 1952. M. W. Lewis M. Parker was in the Chair. M. W. Franklin E. Pellegrin, Grand Representative of Maine, was in attendance, as were visiting Masonic dignitaries from Massachusetts, Virginia, New York, Pennsylvania, Maryland, New Hampshire, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Delaware, Ohio, District of Columbia, Indiana, Canada in Ontario and West Virginia.

Bro. Parker made 175 visitations. He visited the United Grand Lodge of England, and saw the Earl of Scarbrough installed as Grand Master. He also visited the sister Grand Lodges of New York, Rhode Island, Canada in Ontario, Massachusetts, Virginia and Connecticut, and represented his Grand Lodge at the national meetings in Washington. The new Infirmary at the New Jersey Masonic Home was dedicated.

The speaker at the Feast of St. John the Evangelist was R. W. and Rev. Joseph R. Sizoo, President of New Brunswick Theological Seminary.

By voluntary contribution, the sum of \$9,800 was raised for the hospital work of the M. S. A.

At this communication, dual membership was authorized. The sum of \$1,000 was appropriated for the suitable celebration of the bi-centennial of George Washington's initiation into Freemasonry.

The Grand Lodge of Greece was recognized.

We note that the Grand Lodge of New Jersey pays \$2,400 for its Past Grand Master's jewel. It must be *some* jewel!

The Fraternal Correspondence Report consisted of seventy-six reviews, Maine for 1951 being included. Grand Master Lander's views on several

questions are reported, and the adoption of our twenty-five year service award is noted. Our own promotion is mentioned.

Bro. Adrien B. Hommell was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Isaac Cherry was re-elected.

NEW MEXICO, 1952.

The Seventy-fifth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 59. Members, 11,653. Gain, 467.

The Grand Lodge met in Portales on March 17-18, 1952, and was presided over by Grand Master E. T. Hensley, Jr. Maine's Representative was absent, and no visiting dignitaries were in attendance.

Bro. Hensley attended the February meetings in Washington, and served as Chairman of the Grand Masters' Conference. He made official visits to all lodges in New Mexico. One new lodge was constituted, and one new hall was dedicated.

With regret, we note that the Grand Lodge of New Mexico has consummated an exchange of new Representatives with the so-called Grand Lodge of Uruguay, an un-masonic society which does not require a belief in God and which does not display the Great Light in Masonry upon its altars.

The address at the Grand Lodge banquet was delivered by Bro. Floyd D. Golden, President of Eastern New Mexico University.

Applications from the Grand Lodges of China and Israel were again deferred. No correspondence Report was published in the 1952 Proceedings. We are happy to note, however, that an approved recommendation of the Finance Committee calls for the future publication of such a report. We are also happy to report that the former Chairman of the Committee on Correspondence, M. W. John Milne, has again been appointed Chairman. We will look forward to reading his report.

Bro. Richard W. Thorne was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Chandler C. Thomas was re-elected.

NEW SOUTH WALES, 1951.

The Sixty-third Annual Report.

Lodges, 775. Members, 118,791. Gain, 5,269.

Four Quarterly and two Special Communications were held during the year ending in June of 1951. All meetings were held in Sydney, and were presided over by the Grand Master, M. W. Bro. Frank McDowell. Visitors from the English and Irish Constitutions were welcomed.

The Grand Master visited extensively throughout the Jurisdiction. He installed the new Grand Master of Tasmania and witnessed the installation of the new Grand Master of Victoria. He unveiled a stained-glass window at the Masonic Boys' School, honoring the memory of the late Superintendent, M. W. Bro. R. S. Cropley. Eighteen new lodges were

133 Asylum, Wayne. Harry B. Bradford, October 9; Irving D. Lincoln, September 21; George Manter, December 11; Fred N. Parcher, March 22.

135 Riverside, Jefferson. Archie L. Wellman, July 6; Earl Ross Potter, August 13; Chester A. Hathaway, September 15; Paul Russell Pierce, November 25.

137 Kenduskeag, Kenduskeag. Frank Morrison, September 28; David Pierce, December 14; Perley J. Quigg, December 17.

138 Lewy's Island, Princeton. E. Percy Richards, January 4; Omer Seamans, January 18; Benjamin Chambers, February 7; J. Neil Wheaton, February 12; Stephen Mercier, February 19; Arthur Shain, April 12; Ernest E. Pike, June 18; Harry Mills, July 6; Ferdinand Lawler, September 5; Ervin Bates, September 5; Martin Hunter, December 22; George Thornton, December 28; Lee Horsman, August 3.

140 Mount Desert, Mount Desert. John Madson, December 25.

141 Augusta, Augusta. S. Laurence R. Bowler, July 28; Donald Edward Brooks, November, 1955; William F. Murray, January 10; Guy O. Vickery, May, 1955; Harold L. Pride, December 6, 1954; Charles H. Young, November 15; Charles Henry Porter, November 29.

142 Ocean, Wells. Walter J. Day, October 5.

143 Preble, Sanford. William H. Walker, February 2; Christian H. Hartung, February 10; Albert H. Fickels,* April 19; Harry L. Jackson,* April 21; Earl W. Farnsworth, August 24.

144 Seaside, Boothbay Harbor. Solomon Davis, September 18; Frank H. Skillin,* November 25; William B. Campbell, December 17.

145 Moses Webster, Vinalhaven. Orrin F. Smith, September 4, 1954; Allston P. Roberts, March 20; Berton E. Vinal, September 20.

146 Sebasticook, Clinton. Ira A. Witham, July 8; Arthur Shaw Miles,* July 17.

147 Evening Star, Buckfield. Perle L. Pulsifer,* May 2; Wilson H. Conant,* October 17; William L. Libby, September 18.

148 Forest, Springfield. Eugene Dicker,* June 12.

149 Doric, Monson. Victor Roy Bartlett, January 24; Eugene H. Flint, April 21; William B. Harmon, May 25.

150 Rabboni, Lewiston. Harry Manser, February 20; J. Edward Booth, Jr., October 18; Everett A. Kennedy, March 6.

151 Excelsior, Northport. Ralph Albert McNelly, October 10, 1954.

152 Crooked River, Bolster's Mills. Walter B. Greene, January 23; Leon M. Libby, July 9; Lewis F. Briggs, October 16.

153 Delta, Lovell. Herbert R. Harmon, June 5.

154 Mystic Tie, Weld. Frank A. Day, May 24; Warren E. Ellis, August 12; John T. Kidler, September 3; Angenon S. Carleton, November 15, 1954.

Bro. Rowlands also made many visitations in his own state, and visited the sister Jurisdictions of Delaware, Illinois, Maryland, Rhode Island, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Connecticut and Canada in Ontario.

As the guest of the Mayor of New York City, the Grand Master placed a wreath at City Hall in celebration of the 175th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence. Another ceremony commemorated the laying of the cornerstone of the Statue of Liberty by the then Grand Master of New York.

The sum of \$1,000,000 was raised to cover the cost of the new Infirmary at the Masonic Home. The cornerstone of this structure was laid on April 26, 1952.

Again we quote from the report of Grand Lecturer Henry G. Meacham: "I strongly recommend, and urge, a continuance of care with reference to undue roughness in the Third Degree; and I thank the Grand Master for his interest in this matter. I suggest to Masters of lodges that they realize that they are responsible for what goes on in their lodges."

The Grand Lodge Medal for Distinguished Achievement was awarded to the Hon. John W. Davis, Dean of American Lawyers and former United States Ambassador to the Court of St. James. Bro. Davis is a member of Hermon Lodge, No. 6, of Clarksburg, West Virginia. He is also a Past Grand Warden of the United Grand Lodge of England.

In the absence of M. W. Townsend Scudder, the Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence and Relations was presented by M. W. Charles W. Froessel. We are pleased to note the conservative tone of this report. The resumption of relations with the National Grand Lodge of France was recommended. Eleven other applications for recognition were reported, but no recommendations were made at this time.

R. W. Harry N. Holmes again prepared the excellent topical survey, covering the Proceedings of sixty-one Jurisdictions. Grand Master Lander is quoted in regard to membership gains, and your Correspondent is quoted in regard to the recognition of Foreign Grand Lodges. Our Maine membership figures are listed. According to Bro. Holmes, there are now 15,508 lodges, with 3,794,223 members, in the United States alone.

Bro. Ward B. Arbury was elected Grand Master. Bro. Edward R. Carman was elected Grand Secretary.

NEW ZEALAND, 1951.

The Sixty-second Annual Communication.

Lodges, 358. Members, 38,697. Gain, 1,175.

M. W. Bro. Edward J. Guinness presided over the Annual Communication, which was held in Wellington on November 28, 1951. Visitors from the English and Scottish Constitutions were in attendance. Maine's Representative was absent.

The Grand Lodge mourns the death of one Past Grand Master, M. W. Bro. General Sir Charles Fergusson, Baronet, G. C. M. G., K. C. B., D. S. O., M. V. O., LL. D., who served as such in 1925-1928.

The Grand Master visited in every District. Five new lodges were added to the roll. Eleven new Masonic scholarships were granted. The Board of General Purposes ruled that no information as to Masonic status could be given to any non-Masonic organization.

The Grand Lodge of New Zealand was represented at the installation of the new Grand Master of England. A cablegram was sent to M. W. Bro. Lord Newall, Past Grand Master in New Zealand, congratulating him on his appointment as Senior Grand Warden of the United Grand Lodge of England.

The salary of the Grand Secretary was increased from 1,000 to 1,250 pounds.

The receipt of our Maine Proceedings is acknowledged. Jurisdictional reviews appear in the pages of "The New Zealand Craftsman." We regret that the number containing our Maine review did not reach our desk.

Bro. John C. Barclay was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary H. A. Lamb remains in office.

NORTH CAROLINA, 1952.

The One Hundred Sixty-fifth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 335. Members, 52,251. Gain, 1,811.

The North Carolina Proceedings for 1951 were not received. Those for 1952 have not yet reached our desk. Rather than omit this important Jurisdiction, we present the following abbreviated report, based on presently available information.

The Annual Communication for 1952 was held in Greensboro, with Grand Master Herbert M. Foy presiding, and with distinguished guests from South Carolina, Virginia, Maryland and Tennessee in attendance.

At this communication, an outstanding address was delivered by the Grand Orator, M. W. Bro. Hubert McNeill Poteat. Joseph Montfort Medals were presented to Past Grand Master Wallace E. Caldwell and to two Past Masters, and charters were granted to five new lodges.

The Grand Lodge extended recognition to the Grand Lodge of Iceland and the United Grand Lodge of Germany.

Bro. William Henry White is the new Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina. Grand Secretary Wilbur L. McIver was re-elected.

Note: Since this communication, Past Grand Master Thomas J. Harkins of North Carolina has succeeded M. W. Bro. John H. Cowles of Kentucky as Sovereign Grand Commander of the Supreme Council of the Scottish Rite, Southern Jurisdiction.

NORTH DAKOTA, 1952.

The Sixty-third Annual Communication.

Lodges, 119. Members, 14,132. Gain, 112.

The Grand Lodge sessions were held in Grand Forks on June 16-18, 1952. M. W. Glen C. Hulett presided. Maine's Representative was absent, but distinguished guests from Alberta, Manitoba, Minnesota, Montana and South Dakota were in attendance. The Colors of the United States and Canada were presented.

The Grand Master noted the appointment of R. W. Fred J. Lowell as Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of North Dakota near the Grand Lodge of Maine.

Bro. Hulett attended the Banff and Washington Conferences, visited the sister Jurisdictions of Montana, Minnesota, Manitoba and South Dakota, and addressed the annual international picnic on Masonic Island. One consolidation took place, and one new lodge was constituted. New quarters for the Grand Lodge library have been constructed.

The sum of \$5,000 was contributed to the hospital work of the M. S. A. On recommendation of the Grand Master, the uniform date for lodge elections was changed to April, thus enabling newly elected Masters to attend Grand Lodge and to receive needed instruction at the beginning of their year in office.

Official recognition was extended to the National Sojourners, the group composed of officers in the Armed Forces who are Masons.

The National Grand Lodge of France, the Grand Lodge of Iceland, and the Grand Lodge of Chihuahua in Mexico were accorded fraternal recognition.

A visit from the principal officers of the Grand Chapter, O. E. S., was received.

M. W. Walter H. Murfin presented another excellent Report on Fraternal Correspondence, consisting of a Foreword and forty-four reviews. Maine for 1951 receives generous treatment. Grand Master Lander is quoted as regard to membership gains, the raising of our six blood brothers is mentioned, and our recognition of the National Grand Lodge of France is reported. Your Correspondent is credited with "another fine correspondence report."

Bro. Edward J. Franta was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Harold S. Pond was re-elected.

NOVA SCOTIA, 1952.

The Eighty-seventh Annual Communication.

Lodges, 108. Members, 13,630. Gain, 540.

M. W. Bro. Harry M. Standish presided over the Annual Communication, which was held in Halifax on June 11-12, 1952. A civic welcome was extended by the Mayor, and the Grand Lodge attended Divine

Service in a body. The Grand Master of Masons in Maine, M. W. Bro. Benjamin W. Ela, was in attendance, and was decorated with the Erasmus James Philipps Medallion. He was accompanied by R. W. Bro. Clyde French. The Grand Lodges of Prince Edward Island, New Brunswick, Canada in Ontario and New Hampshire were also represented by delegations of distinguished brethren. Our Maine Representative, R. W. Bro. John Hare, was on duty.

In well-chosen words, the Grand Master referred to the passing of M. W. Bro. His Majesty King George VI. On behalf of the Grand Lodge, a message of sympathy was despatched to Her Majesty the Queen.

Bro. Standish attended the Washington Conferences and visited the Grand Lodges of New Brunswick, Canada in Ontario and Massachusetts. In Massachusetts, the Henry Price Medal was conferred upon him. Six lodges were constituted, three new lodges were instituted, one cornerstone was laid, and one new hall was dedicated.

M. W. Bro. N. T. Avarð represented the Grand Lodge at the installation of M. W. Bro. the Earl of Scarbrough, K. G., as Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England.

Largely through the efforts of M. W. Bro. R. V. Harris, a Chapter of the Order of DeMolay has been established in Nova Scotia.

Fraternal relations with the Grand Lodge of Finland were resumed. The Grand Lodge of Iceland was recognized. Action in regard to Germany and China was deferred. An extremely clear account of the schism in Sao Paulo was presented.

We quote: "Unsettled conditions apparently exist in a number of South American jurisdictions. Several Grand Lodges have, it would seem, made a radical change in the definition of the Grand Architect of the Universe and others have ceased to insist on the presence in their lodges of the Volume of the Sacred Law. This serious situation is now under investigation."

The Fraternal Reviews are again the work of R. W. Bro. A. G. Baillie, who, with this report, concludes his service as Reviewer. His last report covers the Proceedings of fifty-two Jurisdictions, including Maine for 1951. The M. S. A. hospital visitation work at Togus is mentioned, and quotation is made from Grand Master Lander's address.

Dr. Perry S. Cochrane was elected Grand Master. M. W. Bro. Reginald V. Harris, Q. C., remains Grand Secretary.

OHIO, 1951.

The One Hundred Forty-second Annual Communication.

Lodges, 644. Members, 260,436. Gain, 5,348.

M. W. James J. Harbage presided over the Annual Communication, which was held in Columbus on October 17-18, 1951. Maine's Representative, M. W. David B. Sharp, was in attendance, as were visiting Masonic dignitaries from Maryland, Virginia, Michigan, New Hampshire, New

203 Mount Olivet, Washington. Kauko Salo, April 15; Perl L. Sukeforth, December 11; Miles E. Creamer, October 16.

204 Mount Abram, Kingfield. Carlton Hutchins, February 2; Clarence Stansbury, May 13; Maurice Potter, May, 1955; Blaine Quint, June 26; Phillip Spencer, August 24.

205 Nolleseme, Millinocket. George McLean, May 6; Ronella F. McLaughlin, May 7; Ralph Lewis, August 19; Carroll William Perry,* September 20; Raymond D. Porter,* October 10; Stanley John Davis,* November 20; Fred A. Donley, November 21; Harold C. Gates, December 25.

206 Island Falls, Island Falls. Herbert E. Robinson, April 28; David W. Markey, August 19; William C. Dean, November 1; William G. Brissley, November 15; Harry E. Trueworthy, December 22.

207 Adner Wade, Sangerville. Alexander F. Wilson, October 24, 1954; Valentine Ripley, February 16; Roland W. Goff, July 26; Thomas L. Mither, June 23; Elisco T. Harrington, September 13.

208 Northeast Harbor, Northeast Harbor. Herbert A. Thomas, February 25; Elmer T. Meader, March 12; James P. Bunker, May 2; John B. Burke, September 7; Allen L. Meader, October 29; S. Edwin Tracy, Jr., November 6.

209 Fort Kent, Fort Kent. Harry E. Hasey, June 17; Edward C. Eaton, August, 1955; Thomas C. Pingree, November 20.

210 Bagaduce, North Brooksville. Roscoe C. Ingalls, July 30.

211 Meduncook, Friendship. Shetman T. Jameson, September 18; Percy O. Wincapaw, January 15.

212 McKinley, McKinley. Harry B. Greenlaw,* January 26; Augustus A. Gott,* April 25.

213 Kemankeag, Rangeley. Axel E. Hernborg, March 20; Ernest E. Demeritt, May 22; Hubert H. Spiller, September 1.

214 Limestone, Limestone. Kenneth R. Gammon, August 5; Alexander W. Troup, no date.

215 Orchard, Old Orchard Beach. William Jones Robinson, January 25; Howard N. Robinson,* February 18; John McKinnon,* May 22; Frederick D. Lamb, June 21; Earl C. Harlow,* July 13; Clinton C. Mewer,* October 10.

216 Corner Stone, Portland. Roger B. Small, February 27; Peter Lawson, March 6; Mahlon S. McLaughlin, July 7; John K. Pero, August 11; Arthur C. Clifton, March 1; Herbert F. Smith, Sr., December 4; Alfred E. Cloutier, May 28; Fred C. Everett, December 4, 1948; Ernest L. Brown, January 1.

217 Ralph J. Pollard, Orrington. Elmer W. Cole, August 6; Heber H. Harris, August 12; Ronald R. Robertson, October 5.

the Grand Lodge of Colorado. At an appropriate time, the Grand Matron of the O. E. S. was received.

Attention was called to the recent death of His Majesty King George VI, and a message of sympathy was sent to the United Grand Lodge of England.

The Grand Master noted the passing of M. W. Henry L. Muldrow, the last Grand Master of the old Grand Lodge of Indian Territory and the first Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Oklahoma.

Bro. Ball not only visited extensively in every section of his own state, but also participated in the National Conferences and attended Grand Lodge communications in New Mexico and Texas. Cornerstones were laid for three school buildings, two lodge halls, one Christian Church, and the International Rainbow Temple. Eight new halls were dedicated. Dispensations for two new lodges were issued.

The Grand Master had high praise for the Masonic Homes, the work of the Masonic Hospital Service, and the O. E. S.

The Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence and Relations was presented by its Chairman, Bro. J. Fred Latham. After noting the current attempts in certain sections of the world to re-define and explain away Deity and to eliminate the Holy Bible from the altar, Bro. Latham writes: "We have evidence that sinister forces are entering into Masonry, not for what they can do and receive for good, but to separate and destroy by detracting from its teachings."

Very properly, fraternal recognition was withdrawn from the Grand Lodge of Uruguay, the most recent exemplar of such unmasonic teachings. Recognition was extended to the United Grand Lodge of Germany and the Grand Lodge of China.

Sixty-four volumes of Proceedings are reviewed by the several members of the Committee. Our Maine review for 1951 is from the pen of Bro. Raymond E. Bivert. Grand Master Lander is quoted. Our schools of instruction, the raising of our six blood brothers, and the adoption of our twenty-five year button are noted. Mention is made of our own Foreword.

Bro. Lee F. Parks was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Claude A. Sturgeon was re-elected.

OREGON, 1952.

The One Hundred Second Annual Communication.

Lodges, 182. Members, 40,554. Gain, 1,149.

During the year, the Centennial of the Grand Lodge was celebrated at meetings held throughout the State. This celebration culminated in a semi-public meeting held in Portland on the day preceding the Grand Lodge Communication.

The Grand Lodge met on June 11-13, 1952. M. W. Bro. Ralph S. Nesbitt was in the Chair. The Flags of the United States and Canada were posted by a uniformed detail from the National Sojourners. His Excellency,

Bro. Douglas McKay, Governor of Oregon, addressed the brethren. Delegations from the sister Grand Lodges of California, Idaho, Louisiana, Maryland, Nebraska, Ontario, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Washington, Wyoming, Kansas, Missouri, Rhode Island, Utah, New Jersey, Delaware, Montana and the District of Columbia were in attendance.

A committee of the O. E. S. was received, and the Grand Matron presented a check for \$17,291, for use at the Masonic and Eastern Star Home.

The Grand Master participated in the Tri-State and Washington Conferences, and visited the Grand Lodges of Washington, Idaho and California. He held twenty meetings for officers and addressed twenty district meetings. He granted dispensations for three outdoor communications. Cornerstones were laid for five school buildings and two Masonic Temples. One new Temple was dedicated.

The Grand Lodge mourns the loss of no less than five Past Grand Masters: Weston J. Shellenbarger, Frank W. Settlemier, Earl C. Bronaugh, Otto C. Hagmeier, and Ezra M. Wilson.

A charter was granted to one new lodge, and the dispensation of Oregon Military Lodge in Germany was continued.

Fraternal relationships with the Grand Lodges of Norway and Denmark were renewed.

In the report of the Committee on Masonic Instruction we find excellent advice in regard to unnecessary roughness and levity in the work. Masters are urged to use care in delegating the work, and to establish a tradition of decorum and appropriate solemnity in their lodges.

The usual fine topical report was presented by Foreign Correspondent Edward B. Beaty. Many beautiful and pertinent quotations are made, including one from the address of our own Grand Master.

Bro. Jared W. Summerhays was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary H. D. Proudfoot was re-elected.

PENNSYLVANIA, 1951.

Quarterly and Annual Communications.

Lodges, 577. Members, 234,862. Gain, 5,200.

The Annual Grand Communication was held in Philadelphia on December 27, 1951, and was presided over by the Grand Master, Bro. William E. Yeager. Bro. Ervin E. J. Lander, Grand Master of Masons in Maine, was in attendance, as were other distinguished brethren from North Carolina, Virginia, New York, Maryland, Connecticut, Delaware, Louisiana and Canada in Ontario.

The Grand Master's address reported the details of a busy year. The usual Quarterly Communications were held. Three new lodges were constituted. The new Nurses' Home at Elizabethtown was dedicated. The cornerstone of the Presbyterian Ministers' Fund Building in Philadelphia was laid.

On three occasions, the Grand Master exercised his prerogative and made a Mason at sight. One of the gentlemen so honored was Dr. Milton S. Eisenhower, a brother of the General, and a distinguished College President.

Bro. Yeager was an honored guest at the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Maine. He also visited the sister Grand Lodges of Louisiana, Mississippi, Connecticut, New Jersey, South Carolina, Indiana, Rhode Island, Iowa, Illinois, Ohio and Georgia, and represented his Grand Lodge at the National Conferences. In Connecticut, he was decorated with the Pierpont Edwards Medal.

They put up with no nonsense in Pennsylvania. The Grand Master removed several Masters from office because of their failure to confer the third degree according to the authorized work. He also prohibited a certain brother from conferring any degree in any lodge, from ever again visiting a certain lodge, or from holding any office in any Pennsylvania lodge for a period of six years, all because of irregularity in the conferring of the third degree. Our congratulations to Bro. Yeager.

The Deputy Grand Master, Bro. Edward Foster Roberts, died in office. A beautiful and impressive memorial, honoring his memory, was presented.

Gifts and bequests amounting to \$505,395 were received during the year.

Eight foreign Grand Lodges applied for recognition. In all cases, these requests were either declined or deferred.

Bro. Albert T. Eyler was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Frederick S. Hammann was re-elected.

There is no Fraternal Review.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS, 1952.

The Thirty-sixth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 102. Members, 8,367. Gain, 883.

M. W. Bro. Cenon S. Cervantes presided over the Annual Communication, which was held in Manila on January 22-24, 1952. The Grand Lodge was opened with solemn prayer, and a tribute was paid to the National Flag of the Philippines.

The Grand Master made many official visitations in his own country, and also visited the Philippine lodges in Japan. Two lodges were constituted, and dispensations for four new lodges were issued. Three of these new lodges are located in Japan, one of which bears the name of the late General John J. Pershing. One consolidation was authorized. Two new Masonic Temples were dedicated.

The Grand Secretary headed a delegation which visited the United States. He attended the annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Missouri and addressed the Missouri Lodge of Research. Other Masonic contacts were made in California, Iowa, Arkansas and Washington, D. C.

Among the many messages of greeting which he brought back to his Grand Lodge was one from Bro. John M. Littlefield of Maine, then serving as General Grand Master of the General Grand Council, Royal and Select Masters.

On recommendation of the Grand Master, the date of the Annual Communication was changed from January to April, and the Jurisdiction was divided into seven Districts, each to be under the supervision of a Deputy of the Grand Master.

The report of the Committee on Correspondence was presented by its Chairman, R. W. Bro. Mauro Baradi. Our Maine Proceedings were not among those reviewed this year.

Bro. Sidney M. Austin was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Antonio Gonzalez was re-elected.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND, 1951.

The Seventy-sixth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 16. Members, 1,319. Gain, 30.

The Annual Communication was held at Summerside on June 27, 1951, and was presided over by M. W. H. Randolph Carruthers. Maine's Representative was absent.

The Grand Master visited every lodge in the Jurisdiction, and had the great pleasure of instituting one new lodge. He granted dispensations authorizing seven lodges to attend Divine Service in Masonic regalia.

The Grand Lodge has resumed membership in the Masonic Relief Association of the United States and Canada.

M. W. Bro. George G. Wood presided over the All-Canadian Conference, held in Winnipeg on February 26-28, 1951.

The Report on Foreign Correspondence, presented by M. W. Bro. George G. Wood, combines a brief report on conditions with his recommendations as to recognition. Six applications were noted, but none of these were granted at this communication. Recognition was withdrawn from the Grand Lodge of Uruguay.

Bro. James A. Thomson was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary L. A. McDougall was re-elected.

QUEBEC, 1951.

The Eighty-first Annual Communication.

Lodges, 99. Members, 17,111. Gain, 187.

M. W. Bro. J. W. Buckland presided over the Annual Communication, held in Montreal on October 10-11, 1951. The Lord Bishop of Montreal was present, as were distinguished visitors from Canada in Ontario and Vermont. Maine's distinguished Representative, R. W. Bro. O. E. Stanton, was on duty.

The Grand Master attended the Masonic Conferences at Washington and Winnipeg, and visited the Grand Lodges of Canada in Ontario and Vermont. One new lodge was instituted, and one cornerstone was laid. Masonic funeral services were conducted for Quebec's honored Grand Secretary, M. W. Bro. W. W. Williamson.

At this communication, the Grand Lodge Memorial Hall was dedicated to the memory of those brethren who made the supreme sacrifice, and who served in His Majesty's Forces, in both World Wars.

A loyal message was forwarded to M. W. Bro. His Majesty King George VI.

Fraternal recognition was extended to the Grand Lodge of Iceland. Applications from the Grand Orient of Italy, the Grand Lodge of Panama, and the Grand Lodge of China were held in abeyance.

The Proceedings of thirty-eight Jurisdictions were reviewed by the Committee on Foreign Correspondence. Unfortunately, Maine was not among them.

Grand Master J. W. Buckland and Grand Secretary R. W. Louthood were re-elected.

QUEENSLAND, 1951.

The Thirtieth Annual Report.

Lodges, 390. Members, 29,077. Gain, 1,152.

The Grand Master, M. W. Bro. Eustace Alfred Jones, presided over the one Special and four Quarterly Communications held in the year ending in June of 1951. All meetings were held in Brisbane.

The Grand Lodge was pleased to receive a visit from R. W. Bro. Sydney A. White, M. V. O., Grand Secretary of the United Grand Lodge of England.

M. W. Bro. Jones attended the Diamond Jubilee of the Grand Lodge of Tasmania and the installation of the new Grand Master of Victoria. He was also present at the installation of His Excellency, Sir. John Lavarack, Governor of Queensland, as Worshipful Master of Lamington Lodge. Four new lodges were consecrated, two new Temples were dedicated, and numerous official visitations were made.

After five years in office, M. W. Bro. Jones retired from the Grand Mastership. His Honor, Mr. Justice Benjamin Henry Matthews, was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary E. G. Radford was re-elected.

There is no Correspondence Report.

RHODE ISLAND, 1952.

The One Hundred Sixty-first Annual Communication.

Lodges, 44. Members, 17,826. Gain, 294.

The Grand Lodge met in Providence on May 19, 1952. M. W. Albert P. Ruerrat was in the Grand East. Maine's Representative, M. W. Charles W. Littlefield, was on duty. M. W. Benjamin W. Ela, Grand Master of

Maine, was in attendance, along with other high-ranking visitors from Massachusetts, Virginia, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Connecticut, New Hampshire, Vermont and Delaware.

Bro. Ruerat had a busy year. He presided over the usual semi-annual communication, laid one cornerstone, and dedicated one new Masonic Temple. He attended the Washington Conferences, visited the Grand Lodges of Vermont, Delaware, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, Virginia, Connecticut, New Jersey and Maine, and made more than 100 local visitations. Like so many other Grand Masters, he was obliged to condemn the chain letter folly.

M. W. Bro. Howard Knight represented the Grand Lodge of Rhode Island at the installation of the Rt. Hon. the Earl of Scarbrough, K. G., as Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England.

At the time of the King's death, a message of condolence was forwarded to the English Grand Lodge.

Over 9,000 people attended the Masonic religious service held on May 11, 1952. This is to become an annual event.

On recommendation of the Grand Master, a Masonic Youth Foundation was established, to be financed by a per capita tax of fifty cents, levied for a two year period.

The Jurisprudence Committee decided against any attempt to make a formal enumeration of the Ancient Landmarks.

No recommendations for recognition were made.

Bro. Fred W. Johnstone was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary N. Arthur Hyland was re-elected.

There is no Correspondence Report.

SASKATCHEWAN, 1952.

The Forty-sixth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 204. Members, 16,831. Gain, 204.

M. W. Bro. R. R. McEwen presided over the Annual Communication, which was held in Saskatoon on June 18, 1952. The Colors of Canada and the United States were presented by an escort of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police. Maine's Representative, M. W. Bro. Hector Mackay, Q. C., was in attendance, as were distinguished visitors from Illinois, Montana, Manitoba and Alberta.

An impressive memorial service, honoring the memory of His Most Excellent Majesty, M. W. Bro. King George VI, was held. The Grand Chaplain, Bishop E. H. Knowles, led in prayer, and M. W. Bro. S. J. A. Branion delivered the memorial address.

On learning of the King's death, the Grand Master issued a proclamation to the Craft, ordering all lodges into mourning for a period of three months. A cable of sympathy was despatched to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

The Grand Lodge also mourns the loss of two Past Grand Masters, M. W. Bros. Gilbert Swain and Thomas W. Sutherland.

M. W. Bro. McEwen participated in the Banff and Washington Conferences, visited the sister Grand Lodges of Montana, Manitoba and Alberta, and made numerous visitations in his own Province. He constituted two new lodges. He ruled that no Mason should participate in the circulation of chain letters, and held that a lodge, as such, could not conduct a drive for funds for the Institute for the Blind.

On recommendation of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, the Grand Lodge of Iceland was recognized.

The Report of the Committee was again presented by its able Chairman, M. W. Bro. W. M. Martin. Masonic conditions throughout the world are thoroughly discussed in his Foreword, which concludes with a touching tribute to the late King George VI.

Maine for 1951 is among the sixty-five Jurisdictions whose Proceedings are reviewed. Our Grand Master's activities, the high lights of his address, our contribution to Manitoba flood relief, and the death of M. W. Bro. David E. Moulton are all mentioned. Kind reference is made to our Report on Correspondence.

Bro. Guy H. Hummel was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Robert A. Tate was re-elected.

SCOTLAND, 1952.

The Grand Lodge of Scotland met in Quarterly Communication on February 7, 1952, the day following the sudden death of His Majesty King George VI. Fitting notice was paid to this sad event, and the Scottish Craft was ordered into mourning for a period of three months. Messages of sympathy were forwarded to Her Majesty the Queen and the Queen Mother.

King George, while still Duke of York, affiliated with the little Scottish lodge at Glamis, of which his father-in-law, the Earl of Strathmore, was a Past Master. On St. Andrew's Day, 1936, he was elected and installed as M. W. Grand Master Mason of the Grand Lodge of Scotland, and presided over the bi-centennial celebration of that distinguished body. The King never lost his interest in the Scottish Craft. In 1951, he extended his Royal Patronage to the newly-established Masonic Home in Scotland.

At a Special Communication on February 21, a Grand Lodge of Sorrow, honoring the King's memory, was held. The Rt. Hon. the Earl of Galloway, Past Grand Master, presided. The Grand Lodge office bearers entered the hall to the strains of the "*Dead March in Saul*." A roll of the Past Grand Masters was called. When the King's absence and death was reported, a trumpeter in the West sounded the "*Last Post*." The Grand Piper played that saddest of all Highland laments "*The Flowers o' the Forest*," and the Past Grand Masters present passed three times around the center of the lodge. An impressive and beautiful religious

service was conducted by the Senior Grand Chaplain, V. W. Bro. the Rev. J. Rossie Brown, D. D. We quote from his remarks: "The King's manner of living was the true counterpart of his Masonic profession and distinguished Masonic career. On the twin pillars of a right relationship to God and a right relationship to man, he built his house of life, according to the plans provided in the Volume of the Sacred Law. * * * The King's whole way of living was a prayer." No higher tribute could be paid. The services were concluded by the sounding of "*Reveille*" from the East, and by the singing of "*God Save the Queen*."

The Rt. Hon. the Earl of Scarbrough, K. G., Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England was an honored guest at the May Quarterly, and was created an Honorary Member of the Grand Lodge of Scotland. He was accompanied by the English Grand Secretary, Sir Sydney White, K. C. V. O.

The Grand Lodge of Scotland was represented at the Joint Conference of British Grand Lodges, held in Dublin, Ireland, on May 27, 1952.

The Rt. Hon. Lord Macdonald, Depute Grand Master, has been appointed Lord Lieutenant of Inverness-shire.

Among the visitors at the August Quarterly was M. W. Bro. George E. Vandergrift, Past Grand Master in Delaware.

The Scottish Craft mourns the passing of Past Deputa Grand Master James S. M. Grieve, whose recent visits overseas are so pleasantly remembered.

Some of the Scottish lodges overseas are suffering severely from current political conditions. Only one lodge survives in Iran; lodges in China have become dormant; and the lodges in Egypt are carrying on under the most difficult conditions. Nothing more has been reported in regard to the proposed formation of an independent Grand Lodge by the Scottish lodges in Israel.

During the year, charters were granted to new lodges in Scotland itself, Newfoundland, Jamaica, the Gold Coast and South Africa.

The Grand Master Mason, M. W. Bro. Sir Malcolm Barclay-Harvey of Kinord, K. C. M. G., D. L., was re-elected. The Grand Secretary, Dr. Alexander F. Buchan, remains in office.

There is no Correspondence Report.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA, 1951.

The Sixty-eighth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 175. Members, 21,163. Gain, 828.

The Hon. Mr. Justice Abbott, Grand Master, presided over the Annual Communication, which was held in Adelaide on April 18, 1951. Maine's Representative was absent.

A special communication was held to welcome R. W. Bro. Sydney A. White, Grand Secretary of the United Grand Lodge of England. Bro. White, who is also South Australia's Representative near the Grand

Lodge of England, was created a Past Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of South Australia.

The Grand Lodge mourns the passing of M. W. Bro. Andrew D. Young, who died while visiting in Scotland, and whose Masonic funeral services were conducted by the Grand Lodge of Scotland.

South Australia was represented at the Australasian Masonic Conference at Perth and at the Golden Jubilee of the Grand Lodge of Western Australia. The Grand Master attended the Diamond Jubilee of the Grand Lodge of Tasmania.

Warrants were granted for two new lodges.

As a general rule, only British subjects can become members of South Australia lodges. This year, legislation was adopted empowering the Grand Master to waive this rule by special dispensation in unusual cases.

Fraternal recognition was extended to the Grand Lodges of the Netherlands, Norway and Sweden.

Fifty-three volumes of Proceedings are reviewed. Maine's Representative, Bro. Frank Smith, reports on our doings in 1950. Grand Master Gray is quoted, and the raising of his son is noted. We reciprocate the fraternal greetings extended by Bro. Smith.

The Grand Master, Mr. Justice Abbott, and the Grand Secretary, R. W. Bro. F. J. Ellen, retain their respective offices.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA, 1952.

The Sixty-ninth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 179. Members, 21,879. Gain, 716.

The Annual Communication was held in Adelaide on April 16, 1952, with M. W. Bro. the Hon. Mr. Justice Abbott on the Throne. Our Maine Representative was not recorded as present.

The Grand Master made appropriate and touching reference to the untimely death of M. W. Bro. His Majesty King George VI. A period of mourning was ordered, and messages of sympathy were forwarded to Her Majesty the Queen and to the United Grand Lodge of England.

The Half-Yearly Communication was held, the foundation stone of one new Masonic Temple was laid, and four new lodges were consecrated. The Grand Master attended the installations of the new Grand Masters in Victoria and Queensland, and the Deputy Grand Master was present at the installation of the new Grand Master in New South Wales.

The Grand Master ruled that gloves are an essential item of correct Masonic dress, and that they can be removed in the lodge room only by a brother taking an obligation.

The sum of 5,557 pounds was expended in benevolence.

Fraternal recognition was extended to the Grand Lodge of Argentina.

An excellent review of our Maine Proceedings for 1951 was presented by Bro. Frank Smith, our Maine Representative in South Australia.

Grand Master Lander is quoted. Our difficulty in regard to Social Security taxes, our contribution to flood relief, and the raising of our six blood brothers are all mentioned. We assure Brother Smith that failure to receive its Proceedings in time was the only reason why his Jurisdiction was not mentioned in our 1951 Report.

The Grand Master, Mr. Justice Abbott, and the Grand Secretary, Bro. F. J. Ellen, remain in office.

SOUTH CAROLINA, 1952.

The Two Hundred Fifteenth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 290. Members, 45,511. Gain, 1,981.

The Grand Lodge of South Carolina conducted Masonic funeral services for its Grand Master, M. W. Homer M. Pace, who passed to the Grand Lodge Above on November 15, 1951. His Deputy, R. W. John I. Smith, became Acting Grand Master for the remainder of the year.

Prior to the opening of the Annual Communication, a religious service was conducted by the Grand Chaplain. Sessions were held in Charleston on April 24-25, 1952. Distinguished guests from Georgia, Rhode Island, Maryland, North Carolina and Virginia were welcomed by the Acting Grand Master.

Bro. Smith participated in the events of Masonic Week in Washington, and visited the Grand Lodge of North Carolina. In Virginia, he attended a joint communication of Fredericksburg Lodge, No. 4, and Alexandria-Washington Lodge, No. 22, held to commemorate the 220th anniversary of George Washington's birth.

Two lodges were constituted, dispensations for four new lodges were issued, three Masonic Temples were dedicated, and cornerstones were laid for a Masonic Temple and for the Eastern Star Home for the Aged.

The congratulations of the Grand Lodge were extended to the Supreme Council of the Scottish Rite, Southern Jurisdiction, on the occasion of its 150th anniversary.

A special committee has been appointed to arrange for the appropriate observance of the bi-centennial of George Washington's initiation into the Fraternity.

Fraternal recognition was extended to the Grand Lodge of Colombia at Bogota. Applications from Israel, Trieste, and Piaui were not granted at this time.

South Carolina's new Fraternal Correspondent, R. W. and Rev. H. Dwight McAlister, who is also Grand Chaplain, presented his first report. Our Maine Proceedings for 1951 are among those reviewed. Mention is made of Grand Master Lander's address and our recognition of the National Grand Lodge of France is reported.

Bro. John I. Smith was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Henry F. Collins was re-elected.

SOUTH DAKOTA, 1952.

The Seventy-eighth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 168. Members, 19,373. Gain, 427.

The Annual Communication was held in Huron on June 10-11, 1952. Grand Master George W. Toft presided, and welcomed distinguished guests from Virginia, Illinois, Minnesota, Nebraska, North Dakota and Manitoba. Maine's Representative was absent.

We quote from the Grand Master's address: "Masonry is a moral force in this world that is definitely to be reckoned with. * * * Masons can, and must, be the leaders in a genuine return to honesty and integrity in our worldly relations."

Bro. Toft participated in the events of Masonic Week in Washington, visited the Grand Lodges of North Dakota, Minnesota, Illinois, Virginia and Manitoba, and made some sixty visitations in his own State. Cornerstones for two Masonic Temples were laid, and a bronze plaque commemorating the establishment of the old Grand Lodge of Dakota was unveiled. Masonic funeral services were conducted for Grand Treasurer Arthur A. Blomquist.

The sum of \$11,123 was contributed to the hospital visitation work of the M. S. A.

At this communication, a lodge of research was chartered.

The Jurisprudence Committee presented a cautious report in regard to the fact finding agency set up by the Grand Masters' Conference for the collection of information regarding applicants for recognition. It rightly regarded this idea as a radical departure from established Masonic custom, and wanted to be sure that such a set-up constituted no threat to the sovereignty of individual Grand Lodges.

A Citation for Distinguished Service was presented to the Rev. David Graham, Foreign Correspondent of South Dakota. This year, Bro. Graham comments briefly on the doings of forty-three Jurisdictions. Under Maine, he discusses the need of greater care in the investigation of candidates.

Bro. Roger S. Brown was elected Grand Master. Both his father and his grandfather were Grand Masters before him. Grand Secretary Elvin F. Strain was re-elected.

SWEDEN, 1952.

Lodges, 33. Members, 24,470. Gain, 280.

The Grand Lodge held its Annual Festival in Stockholm on March 21, 1952. Distinguished visitors from Norway, Denmark, Iceland and Finland were in attendance. His Majesty the King personally invested the Grand Masters of Denmark and Norway with the insignia of the Order of Carl XIII. Visiting dignitaries and Swedish Grand Officers were entertained by His Majesty at a banquet at the Royal Palace.

The Swedish Craft mourns the death of H. R. H. Prince Carl of Sweden, Duke of Vastergotland, an active Mason for more than seventy years, and Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Sweden since 1899.

Delegations from the Grand Lodge of Sweden were present at the consecration of the newly-established Grand Lodge of Iceland, and at the Especial Grand Lodge in London, at which M. W. Bro. the Earl of Scarborough, K. G., was installed as Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England.

Major General Baron Axel Lagerfelt was installed by the Grand Master as Provincial Grand Master for Ostogota. R. W. Bro. Lagerfelt is the fourth lineal descendent of his family to hold this office.

Swedish lodges are in recess from the first of May until the last of September. During the active months, however, lodges meet regularly four or five times a week.

M. W. Bro. His Majesty King Gustav VI Adolph is the permanent Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Sweden. R. W. Bro. Eric A. Hallin, K. C. R. C., remains in office as Grand Secretary.

TASMANIA, 1952.

The Sixty-first Annual Communication.
Lodges, 62. Members, 7,109. Gain, 251.

M. W. Bro. Arthur C. Lowe presided over the Annual Communication, which was held in Launceston on February 23, 1952.

The Grand Master paid touching tribute to the memory of M. W. Bro. His Majesty King George VI, and pledged the loyalty of the Craft to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

The Grand Lodge mourns the passing of M. W. Bro. Sir Ernest Clark, G. C. M. G., who served as Governor of Tasmania for twelve years, and who presided over the Grand Lodge of Tasmania in 1935-1936.

A Grand Lodge reception was tendered to R. W. Bro. Sir Trevor Matthews, President of the Board of Benevolence of the United Grand Lodge of England, who paid a Masonic visit to Tasmania in January of 1952.

At this communication, legislation was adopted limiting Masonic membership in Tasmania to British subjects and to those who have resided in the British Empire for at least five years.

Grand Master Arthur C. Lowe was re-elected. Grand Secretary H. A. Wilkinson remains in office.

There is no Correspondence Report.

TENNESSEE, 1953.

The One Hundred Thirty-ninth Annual Communication.
Lodges, 376. Members, 74,184. Gain, 3,112.

The Annual Communication was held in Nashville on January 28-29, 1953. Grand Master Amzie H. Kirkpatrick presided, and welcomed fraternal visitors from Alabama, Kentucky Georgia, Indiana, Mississippi,

New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Pennsylvania and Virginia. Bro. W. B. Linton, Grand Lecturer and Grand Representative of Maine, was in attendance. An ovation was given to Bro. Frank G. Clement, Governor of Tennessee.

The Grand Master reported the death of Past Grand Master Henry L. Fox, who was interred with Masonic rites.

Bro. Kirkpatrick was present at all twenty-nine district meetings, which were largely attended. He represented his Grand Lodge at the Washington Conferences, and was happy to report that Tennessee's Grand Secretary, Bro. Thomas E. Doss, had been elected President of the Grand Secretaries' Conference, after serving for eleven years as Secretary-Treasurer of that group. He also visited the sister Grand Lodges of Illinois and Alabama. He was obliged to arrest the charter of one lodge. One new lodge was instituted, one cornerstone was laid, and two new halls were dedicated.

The Grand Master had high praise for the manner in which the charity of the Grand Lodge of Tennessee is distributed.

At this communication, one charter was granted and dispensations for three new lodges were issued. Numerous amendments to the Code were adopted and a new issue of the Code was authorized. A Committee on Credentials was added to the list of Grand Lodge committees, and the date of the annual communication was changed from January to March.

Fraternal recognition was extended to the United Grand Lodge of Germany.

M. W. Bro. Wallace P. Douglas presented his usual fine Report on Fraternal Correspondence, consisting of sixty-seven reviews and special reports on certain of the National Conferences. Maine for 1952 receives fraternal treatment at his hands. A good summary of Grand Master Lander's address is given, our Brownville difficulty is discussed, and our recognition of the Grand Lodge of Iceland is noted. Once again, he has praise for the work of our beloved Grand Secretary, R. W. Bro. Convers E. Leach. We thank Bro. Douglas for his courteous reference to our own Report.

We are pleased to note that M. W. Bro. Douglas has been named Grand Representative of the United Grand Lodge of England near the Grand Lodge of Tennessee, and that he plans to visit the Mother Grand Lodge during the present year.

Bro. Clyde H. Wilson was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Thomas E. Doss was re-elected.

TEXAS, 1951.

The One Hundred Sixteenth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 917. Members, 203,951. Gain, 4,497.

M. W. Bro. W. J. Burris presided over the Annual Communication, held in Waco on December 5-6, 1951. A detail from Connally Air Force

Base presented the six flags which have flown over Texas—the French, Spanish, Mexican, Lone Star, Confederate and American. A tribute to the Flag was paid by Bro. Bruce Clark, Commanding General at Fort Hood. The Hon. Tom Connally, United States Senator from Texas, was in attendance, as were distinguished visitors from Oklahoma, Tamaulipas, Arkansas, Colorado, Louisiana, Utah, Virginia and Ohio.

Bro. Burriss traveled over 50,000 miles in Texas visiting every section of his great State. He also visited the Grand Lodge of Louisiana. Under his leadership, Public Schools Week was observed for the first time in Texas, with eminently satisfactory results. Four lodges were constituted, and dispensations for three new lodges were granted. One consolidation was authorized. Eight new halls were dedicated, and cornerstones were leveled for a High School and a Masonic building.

Masonic funeral services were conducted for Past Grand Master William S. Cooke. The Grand Lodge also mourns the death of its Deputy Grand Master, Bro. Henry M. Bell.

The Grand Master denounced chain letters, and held that any brother circulating such a letter was subject to discipline for unmasonic conduct.

Outstanding addresses were delivered by Bro. W. R. White, President of Baylor University, and Judge Haslett P. Burke, Past Grand Master of Colorado.

At this Communication, the somewhat controversial Texas regulation dealing with jurisdiction over members of the Armed Forces stationed in Texas was repealed. A new law was enacted prohibiting the use or sale of intoxicating liquor in any Masonic building.

The Grand Lodge refused to recognize the Grand Lodge of Israel. An ultimatum was served on the Grand Lodge of Uruguay. Unless the Holy Bible is promptly restored to all Masonic altars in that country, recognition will be withdrawn.

Sixty-five volumes of Proceedings are capably reviewed by Past Grand Master Leo Hart. Maine for 1951 is adequately covered. Our schools of instruction and our educational program are mentioned. Our Grand Master's dispensation authorizing the raising of six blood brothers is noted. Your Correspondent is credited with having reviewed the Texas Proceedings "in a commendable manner."

Bro. Gibb Gilchrist was elected Grand Master. Bro. Gilchrist is Maine's new Representative near the Grand Lodge of Texas. Our former Representative is now Representative of Arkansas. Grand Secretary Leo Hart was re-elected.

UTAH, 1952.

The Eightieth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 27. Members, 6,044. Gain, 82.

The Grand Lodge met in Salt Lake City on January 28-29, 1952. Grand Master William A. Carter presided, and extended a hearty welcome to

fraternal visitors from the York Grand Lodge of Mexico, Colorado, Wyoming and Idaho. Our Representative, Bro. Bert Atwater, was present.

Maine joins with the brethren of Utah in mourning the passing of Bro. Sam Henry Goodwin, who served his Grand Lodge with great distinction as Grand Master, Grand Secretary, and Chairman of the Committee on Correspondence. Bro. Goodwin was a graduate of Bangor Theological Seminary in Maine. He was the author of the ever-popular "Mormonism and Masonry." Masonic funeral services were conducted by the Grand Lodge.

The Grand Master represented his Grand Lodge at the Washington Conferences, made the usual official visitations in Utah, attended the dedication of the new Shriners' Hospital in Salt Lake City, and visited the Grand Lodges of Wyoming and Idaho. The cornerstone of a Baptist Church was laid.

The sum of \$3,000 was contributed to the hospital visitation work of the M. S. A.

Fraternal recognition was extended to the Grand Lodges of Argentina, Colombia at Bogota, Piaui and Iceland.

The Report on Correspondence was again presented by Bro. Edward G. Titus, who skillfully compresses his review of fifty-five Jurisdictions into twenty-two pages, certainly a remarkable job of condensation. Maine's refusal to recognize Israel is noted. Quotations are made from Grand Master Lander's address and from our 1951 Foreword.

Bro. John E. Clark was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Emery Roy Gibson was re-elected.

VERMONT, 1952.

The One Hundred Fifty-ninth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 103. Members, 18,693. Gain, 24.

M. W. Harold E. Brand presided over the Annual Communication, held in Burlington on June 11-12, 1952. His Excellency, Bro. Lee E. Emerson, Governor of Vermont, honored the communication by his presence. The Grand Lodge of Maine was represented by its Deputy Grand Master, R. W. Paul L. Powers, and its Grand Lecturer, R. W. Aubrey L. Burbank. Other distinguished Craftsmen, hailing from Alabama, Quebec, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New Hampshire, North Carolina, New York and Virginia, were in attendance.

In his annual address, the Grand Master gave sound advice on the subject of lodge finances. He told of his attendance at all thirteen district meetings, his participation in the Washington Conferences, and his visits to the Grand Lodges of Quebec, Rhode Island and New Hampshire. He presided over the dedication of one new Masonic Temple. M. W. Arthur H. Sprague represented him at the annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Maine.

Vermont is considering the adoption of an official Master's hat, similar to the distinctive headgear used in Indiana. A special committee has charge of this matter.

The speaker at the Grand Master's dinner was M. W. Gay H. Brown, Past Grand Master in New York.

The sum of \$4,500 was again appropriated for the hospital visitation work of the M. S. A.

Fraternal recognition was extended to the new Grand Lodge of Iceland and to the National Grand Lodge of France, bodies which are eminently worthy of such recognition. Very properly, recognition was withdrawn from the so-called Grand Lodge of Uruguay, a body which has departed from the Ancient Landmarks of the Craft.

For the twelfth time, M. W. Aaron H. Grout presented the Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, consisting of an exceptionally good Foreword and seventy-two reviews. M. W. Bro. Grout is a strong advocate of the small lodge, a matter on which we fully agree with him. He also expresses his approval of such humanitarian projects as the New York grants for research on arthritis and the Chicago Masonic Hospital. He has little use for enforced waiting periods before a new Mason can petition for the additional degrees.

Bro. Grout gives fraternal consideration to our Maine doings in 1951. A good summary of Grand Master Landers' address is given. Our recognition of the National Grand Lodge of France and our actions in regard to several other applications are noted. Courteous reference is made to our own promotion, and Bro. Grout describes our reviews as "timely and good." We thank him for his courtesy.

Bro. D. Burleigh Smalley, Jr., was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Aaron H. Grout was re-elected.

VICTORIA, 1951.

Quarterly Communications.

Lodges, 698. Members, 96,236. Gain, 4,618.

The new Grand Master, M. W. Bro. His Excellency General Sir Dallas Brooks, K. C. B., C. M. G., D. S. O., K. St. J., Governor of Victoria, was duly installed on April 24, 1951. This ceremonial was held in the Town Hall in Melbourne, and was attended by more than 2,500 brethren, including visitors from the English and Scottish Constitutions and from the Grand Lodges of South Australia, New South Wales, Tasmania, Western Australia and Queensland. Maine's Representative, R. W. Bro. R. P. Dick, was in attendance. The Grand Master named his immediate predecessor, M. W. Bro. R. A. Rowe, as his Pro Grand Master, an office which comes into being when the Personal Representative of His Majesty the King serves as Grand Master. The music furnished by the magnificent Grand Lodge Choir added much to the impressiveness of this ceremonial.

The usual Quarterly Communications were held in June, September and December. Eighteen new lodges were consecrated during the year. Extensive improvements are being made in the facilities of the Masonic Hospital. The per capita contribution payable to the General Fund has been increased by one shilling per annum.

The Grand Lodge mourns the passing of M. W. Bro. W. J. Byrne, Grand Master in 1939-1942.

The Correspondence Report consists of thirty-three reviews, prepared by the Grand Representatives of the Jurisdictions concerned. We regret that our Maine Proceedings were not among those reviewed.

At the December Quarterly, the Grand Master was re-elected. On the orders of his physician, Grand Secretary William Stewart retired, after thirty years of distinguished service in that responsible office. V. W. Bro. C. W. Davis was named as his successor.

VIRGINIA, 1952.

The One Hundred Seventy-fourth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 334. Members, 60,258. Gain, 1,461.

The Grand Annual Communication was held in Richmond on February 12-14, 1952. The Grand Master of Masons in Virginia, M. W. Rudolph R. Cooke, was in the Chair. The Colors were presented, and a tribute to the Flag was paid by Bro. and Rear Admiral John W. W. Cumming U. S. N. Maine's Grand Master, M. W. Ervin E. J. Lander, was in attendance. He was accompanied by his Grand Marshal, Wor. Floyd Anderson. The Jurisdictions of Massachusetts, New Jersey, Maryland, North Carolina, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Connecticut, Delaware, Ohio, Pennsylvania, New York, District of Columbia, Indiana, South Dakota, Illinois and Kentucky were also represented by visiting notables.

The Grand Master made 129 visitations. He attended a meeting of Alexandria- Washington Lodge, No. 22, at which a bust of M. W. Harry S. Truman, President of the United States, was presented to that lodge. M. W. Bro. Truman honored this meeting by his presence. Bro. Cooke participated in the Washington Conferences, and carried fraternal greetings to the sister Grand Lodges of Connecticut, New York, Canada, District of Columbia, Massachusetts, North Carolina, Rhode Island, Delaware and Maryland. M. W. Enoch D. Flowers represented him at the annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Maine.

Accompanied by the Grand Secretary, M. W. Bro. Cooke journeyed to London and attended the Especial Grand Lodge at which M. W. Bro. the Earl of Scarbrough, K. G., was installed as Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England. He was honored by being chosen to address the Mother Grand Lodge on behalf of all visiting delegations from the United States of America.

The Grand Lodge laid the cornerstone of a new addition to the lodge hall of Fredericksburg Lodge, No. 4. At this ceremony, the gavel and

trowel used by George Washington in laying the cornerstone of the United States Capitol, and the Bible upon which Washington assumed his Masonic obligations, were used. The principal address was delivered by M. W. William Moseley Brown.

During the year, cornerstones were also laid for two Presbyterian Churches, a hospital, two Baptist Churches, a college building, a Methodist Church, a school building and a community center.

The observance of the Washington Bi-Centennial Year began on February 11, 1952, when a great meeting was held in Richmond. An audience of 5,500 persons was addressed by M. W. Karl J. Mohr, Past Grand Master in Illinois. Other events will take place during the year, culminating in the observance in Fredericksburg Lodge on November 4, 1952, commemorating the actual anniversary date of the initiation of George Washington into the Fraternity.

At the death of King George VI, a cablegram of sympathy was despatched to the United Grand Lodge of England.

The Grand Lodge mourns the loss of Past Grand Master Harry K. Green. Masonic funeral rites were conducted.

At this communication, the Grand Lodge voted to join the Masonic Relief Association of the United States and Canada. It decided not to join the M. S. A. at the present time, but voted \$1,000 to the hospital visitation program of that Association.

The Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence was presented by its able Chairman, M. W. James N. Hillman. No recommendations for recognitions were made. Fifty-five excellent reviews were presented, together with a splendid Conclusion.

Maine for 1951 is given courteous treatment. Grand Master Lander is twice quoted. Speaking of our conservative stand in regard to foreign recognition, Bro. Hillman writes: "It is apparent that Maine's action and the reasons for such, are quite in line with Virginia's attitude. If we are wrong, there is fine comfort in being in good company." We thank Bro. Hillman for his complimentary reference to our own report.

Bro. Charles M. Lankford, Jr., was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary James N. Hillman was re-elected.

WASHINGTON, 1952.

The Ninety-fifth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 275. Members, 64,804. Gain, 1,254.

The Mayor of Wenatchee welcomed the Grand Lodge to that City, where the Annual Communication was held on June 17-19, 1952. Grand Master Harold N. Nelson presided. Maine's Representative was absent, but fraternal visitors from Ohio, Oregon and California were given a cordial welcome.

The Grand Master noted the passing of two Past Grand Masters, M. W. Bros. Robert A. Wilson and Charles P. Kirtland.

In addition to making many local visitations, Bro. Nelson visited the Alaska lodges, attended the Banff, Tri-State and National Conferences, and paid fraternal visits in British Columbia, California and Oregon. Five new halls were dedicated, three cornerstones were laid, two lodges were constituted, and one new lodge was instituted.

The Grand Master reported an unusual case. A Fellow Craft was sick, suffering from what proved to be his last sickness. He desired to become a Master Mason, but his physician certified that he could not leave his bed. Accordingly, the Grand Master issued a dispensation authorizing the lodge, under the supervision of the local Deputy, to confer the Master Mason degree in the candidate's bedroom. This was done. Shortly thereafter, the brother died, and was buried with Masonic rites. The Jurisprudence Committee disapproved this dispensation, but this could not change the fact that the brother concerned died a Master Mason.

During the year, a list of more than 100 available Masonic speakers were distributed to the lodges.

At this communication, the Grand Lodge laid the cornerstone of a new college building.

A resolution calling upon the Department of Justice for the more vigorous prosecution of those charged with attempting to overthrow the Government by force and for the deportation of aliens found guilty of the same offense was adopted.

M. W. Bro. Loomis Baldrey again presented the Report of the Committee on Correspondence. Due to the unsettled conditions, lack of stability and lack of evidence that certain applicants fulfill the Washington requirements for recognition, no recommendations for such recognition were made.

With some regret, we note that Bro. Baldrey has adopted the topical form of report. We know that there are certain advantages to this style of reporting, but we must confess our decided preference for the old-fashioned jurisdictional review. We miss Bro. Baldrey's good reviews of Maine.

Bro. Lemuel W. Sims was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary John I. Preissner was re-elected.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA, 1952.

Quarterly and Annual Communications.

Lodges, 271. Members, 19,345. Gain, 989.

The Grand Lodge of Western Australia held its Annual Communication in Perth on May 22, 1952. M. W. Bro. James Sykes Battye, C. B. E., B. A., LL. B., Litt. D., LL. D., was on the Throne. His Excellency, Wor. Bro. Lieutenant General Sir Charles Gairdner, Governor of Western Australia, honored the communication by his presence. Delegations of distinguished visitors from the Grand Lodges of Scotland, Queensland,

Tasmania, Victoria, New South Wales and South Australia were in attendance.

The usual Quarterly Communications were held during the year, one in the Goldfields District and the others in Perth. Many official visitations were made, and nine new lodges were consecrated. At the time of the King's death, the Grand Lodge was ordered into mourning, and cablegrams of sympathy were despatched to Her Majesty the Queen and to the United Grand Lodge of England.

At the November Quarterly, the eightieth birthday of the Grand Master was celebrated. High tribute was paid to his civic and Masonic accomplishments. His portrait in oils was on display. Because of illness, Bro. Battye was unable to be present, but special wiring made it possible for him both to listen to the proceedings in his own home and to address the brethren.

Fraternal recognition was extended to the Grand Lodges of Switzerland, Finland, the Netherlands, Colombia at Bogata and Iceland.

The Correspondence Report, consisting of an excellent Foreword and fifty-eight reviews, was presented by M. W. Bro. J. A. Klein. Under Maine for 1951, he quotes from Grand Master Lander's address, notes our charitable expenditures, mentions the raising of our six blood brothers, and reports our action on several applications for recognition. Your Correspondent is credited with "a cleverly written Foreword."

After sixteen years of distinguished leadership, M. W. Bro. Battye retired from the Grand Mastership, and installed his successor, M. W. Bro. Joseph A. Ellis. Grand Secretary N. J. Munro remains in office.

WEST VIRGINIA, 1951.

The Eighty-seventh Annual Communication.

Lodges, 164. Members, 42,927. Gain, 967.

The Annual Communication was held in Parkersburg on October 10-11, 1951. Grand Master Okey S. Sheets presided, and welcomed distinguished guests from Virginia, Maryland and Ohio. Maine's Representative, M. W. Daniel C. Bageant, was in attendance.

Bro. Sheets addressed the Grand Masters' Conference in Washington. He traveled 13,000 miles and attended 203 Masonic meetings, all in his own state. Cornerstones were laid for a High School, a College Library and a Methodist Church. One new lodge was instituted. Masonic funeral services were conducted for Past Grand Master Charles E. Carrigan. For various violations of Masonic law, the charter of one lodge was arrested.

The Grand Lodges of Ceara, Minas Gerais, Para, Piaui, Argentina and El Potosi were recognized.

We quote the concluding words of the excellent Foreword presented by West Virginia's distinguished Foreign Correspondent, M. W. Henry Ahrens: "Men come and men go; customs, regulations and manners change; governments rise and fall; but the great fundamental truths of

Freemasonry are unchanging and everlasting. In them we find Faith to carry on."

Bro. Ahrens reviews the Proceedings of sixty-one Jurisdictions, Maine for 1951 being among them. Grand Master Lander's activities are reported and quotation is made from his address. The raising of our six blood brothers, our recognition of the National Grand Lodge of France, our charitable expenditures, and the establishment of our twenty-five year button are all noted. We thank Bro. Ahrens for his courteous references to our own promotion and to our Report on Correspondence

Bro. Charles B. Ahrens, the younger brother of the Foreign Correspondent, was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Frank F. Flaig was re-elected.

WISCONSIN, 1952.

The One Hundred Eighth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 307. Members, 63,492. Gain, 872.

M. W. Robert G. Varnum presided over the Annual Communication, which was held in Milwaukee on June 10-11, 1952. The Grand Honors were accorded to distinguished guests from Minnesota, Michigan and Illinois.

The Grand Master represented Wisconsin at the National Conferences, visited the Grand Lodges of Minnesota and Illinois, and made thirty-five decisions on questions of Masonic law. He held that a man 100 years of age was eligible for the degrees. We understand that this candidate has since been raised. Three conferences of Grand Lodge officers were held. One new lodge was set to work under its charter, and two new halls were dedicated. The first Masonic Temple erected in Wisconsin has been restored, and a Grand Lodge communication was held to celebrate this event.

Wisconsin was represented at the Midwest Conference on Masonic Education.

At this communication, the Grand Lodge voted to collect \$1.00 for the Washington Memorial from each candidate raised. The sum of \$1,500 was appropriated for the hospital visitation program of the M. S. A.

In Wisconsin, the Committee on Foreign Relations and the Committee on Foreign Correspondence are entirely separate. The first named committee, consisting of eight members, is apparently conducting a complete overhaul of Wisconsin's foreign policy and relationships. In the past, the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin has consistently refused to recognize Grand Lodges practicing the Swedish Rite, recognizing instead the rival Grand Lodge in Denmark. Now, on recommendation of the committee, the Grand Lodge has recognized the National Grand Lodge of Denmark and the Grand Lodges of Sweden and Norway. Recognition has also been accorded to the United Grand Lodge of Germany, the Grand Orient of Italy, and the Grand Lodges of Vienna, the Netherlands, Greece and

Colombia at Bogota. Applications from twelve other bodies were again deferred.

The Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, consisting of an excellent Foreword and fifty-six reviews, was again prepared by Past Grand Master Herbert W. Dixon. With approval, we quote the following: "Recognition of other Jurisdictions is still a problem for United States Grand Lodges. While much confusing information has been tendered the Craft, to us, the sole consideration for recognition are that the applicant have regular, recognized antecedents and conform fully to our requirements. Action by other Grand Jurisdictions or the recommendations of self-styled authorities cannot supersede rigid investigation."

Maine for 1951 is given generous treatment. We thank Bro. Dixon for his especially kind remarks in referring to our own promotion. Our Grand Lodge action in regard to several applications for recognition is noted, and our increased per diem is mentioned. Quotations are made from Grand Master Lander's address and from our own Foreword. Bro. Dixon agrees with our denunciation of the "ideal principle" formula promulgated at the Montevideo Conference, which he rightly described as "infamous."

Bro. Ingvald O. Hembre was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Paul W. Grossenlach was re-elected.

WYOMING, 1952.

The Seventy-eighth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 50. Members, 11,765. Gain, 304.

The Grand Lodge met in Riverton on August 25-26, 1952. Distinguished guests from Colorado, Utah, Idaho, Montana, District of Columbia, Nebraska, Texas and South Dakota were welcomed by the presiding Grand Master, Bro. Charles N. Bell.

Bro. Bell attended the National Conferences, and was elected a member of the Executive Commission of the M. S. A. He visited all Wyoming lodges, and paid fraternal visits to the Grand Lodges of Colorado, Utah, Idaho, Louisiana and Oregon. One cornerstone was laid. Graveside services were conducted for Past Grand Master James R. Mitchell.

A new "Rocky Mountain Masonic Conference" has been established by the Grand Lodges of Montana, Wyoming, Colorado and Utah. Its first meeting was held at Casper, Wyoming, on July 11-12, 1952.

Voluntary contributions amounting to \$4,809 were made to the hospital visitation program of the M. S. A.

The Grand Lodge is struggling with a new revision of the Code. Much was accomplished at this communication, but the job will not be finished until next year.

Fraternal recognition was extended to the Grand Lodge of Iceland.

Bro. James B. Milstead was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Irving E. Clark was re-elected.

There is no Fraternal Review.

PROCEEDINGS REVIEWED

Alabama.....	1951	New Mexico.....	1952
Arizona.....	1952	New South Wales.....	1951
British Columbia.....	1952	New York.....	1952
Canada.....	1952	New Zealand.....	1951
Colorado.....	1952	North Carolina.....	1952
Connecticut.....	1952	North Dakota.....	1952
Delaware.....	1952	Nova Scotia.....	1952
District of Columbia.....	1951	Ohio.....	1951
England.....	1952	Oklahoma.....	1952
Florida.....	1952	Oregon.....	1952
Georgia.....	1951	Pennsylvania.....	1951
Idaho.....	1952	Philippine Islands.....	1952
Illinois.....	1952	Prince Edward Island.....	1951
Indiana.....	1952	Quebec.....	1951
Iowa.....	1952	Queensland.....	1951
Ireland.....	1951	Rhode Island.....	1952
Kansas.....	1952	Saskatchewan.....	1952
Kentucky.....	1951	Scotland.....	1952
Louisiana.....	1953	South Australia.....	1951-1952
Manitoba.....	1952	South Carolina.....	1952
Maryland.....	1951	South Dakota.....	1952
Massachusetts.....	1951	Sweden.....	1952
Mexico (York).....	1951	Tasmania.....	1952
Michigan.....	1952	Tennessee.....	1953
Minnesota.....	1952	Texas.....	1951
Mississippi.....	1952	Utah.....	1952
Missouri.....	1952	Vermont.....	1952
Montana.....	1951	Victoria.....	1951
Nebraska.....	1952	Virginia.....	1952
Nevada.....	1952	Washington.....	1952
New Brunswick.....	1951	Western Australia.....	1952
Newfoundland (E. C.).....	1952	West Virginia.....	1951
New Hampshire.....	1952	Wisconsin.....	1952
New Jersey.....	1952	Wyoming.....	1952



PAUL LLEWELLYN POWERS

Grand Master

PAUL LLEWELLYN POWERS

M. W. Bróther POWERS was born in Lisbon Falls, Maine, April 10, 1908, son of Frederick and Mattie Powers. He was educated in the Public Schools, Bryant & Stratton, Maine School of Commerce and Northeastern Law School.

Since 1932 he has been an Attorney-at-Law in the Town of Freeport.

He has served faithfully and well the Town of Freeport as Moderator, Chairman of Town Finance Committee; President of Chamber of Commerce; Trustee of Public Library; Chairman of Boy Scouts; Chairman of Red Cross and many other affairs having to do with the welfare of the Town.

He is a member of the Cumberland County Bar Association; State of Maine and American Bar Associations, and has been the presiding justice of the local court in his Town for many years.

He became a Master Mason in Freeport Lodge, No. 23, on November 6, 1933, and was its Master in 1941; a member of Cumberland Chapter, No. 35, January 23, 1952; Mount Vernon Council, No. 2, May 20, 1952; and Portland Commandery, No. 2, on March 10, 1952.

He became a member of the Scottish Rite Bodies in Portland in 1936, and is at the present time Hospitaler of Portland Council, P. of J.

In the Grand Lodge he was District Deputy Grand Master of the Fourteenth District in 1942 and 1943; Grand Steward in 1948; and Deputy Grand Master in 1952 and 1953.

He is a Past Patron of Casco Chapter, O. E. S. A member of Kora Shrine, O. M. S. and Chancedon Conclave, No. 5, Knights of the Red Cross of Constantine.

On June 30, 1934, he was united in marriage with Gertrude A. Bickford at Lisbon Falls, and this union has been blessed with four daughters.

They make their home in Freeport and attend the First Church of Christ Scientist, Portland.

Grand Lodge of Maine

1954

Special Communication

STRONG, MAINE, }
September 12, 1953.

A Special Communication of the M. W. Grand Lodge of Maine was opened in ample form in the reception room of the Temple at Strong, at 4.00 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of dedicating their Temple.

PRESENT:

BENJAMIN W. ELA,	M. W. Grand Master
FREDERICK C. LOUNDER,	as R. W. Deputy Grand Master
CLYDE FRENCH,	as " Senior Grand Warden
CLIFFORD H. M. PERRY,	" Junior Grand Warden
FREDERICK W. AMBORN,	as " Grand Treasurer
CONVERS E. LEACH,	" " Secretary
AUBREY L. BURBANK,	as " " Chaplain
BENJAMIN BUTLER,	" " Marshal
MERRILL R. KITTREDGE,	as " " Senior Deacon
HAROLD W. BLAISDELL,	as " " Junior Deacon
LESLIE LIBBY,	" " Steward
WILLIAM A. HARTSHORN,	as " " Steward
ROYAL R. CLEAVES,	" " Sword Bearer
HENRY DOHERTY,	Bro, " Tyler
LEO K. ANDREWS	" " Organist

Past Grand Masters: Ernest C. Butler, George F. Giddings, Ervin E. J. Lander.

Past Grand Senior Wardens: Clarence J. Perham, Clyde French, George R. Caswell, Lewman B. Soper.

Past Grand Junior Wardens: Harry S. Grindall, Arthur W. Stockbridge, Frederick C. Lounder, Fred J. Lowell, Convers E. Leach.

The Grand Lodge was opened in ample form in an apartment of the Temple with prayer by the Acting Grand Chaplain.

A committee from Davis Lodge, together with the Architect, Bro. B. Warren Dodge, escorted the Grand Lodge to the main hall where it was received with due honors, and the Grand Officers assumed their stations.

The ceremony of dedication was conducted in ancient form by the Most Worshipful Grand Master with the assistance of the brethren. The music was furnished by a quartette consisting of Bros. Stewart McCatherin, Henry F. Peterson, Tenors; Earle R. Hayes and Louville W. Whitten, Bass, under the direction of the Grand Organist.

There were present twenty-nine members of Davis Lodge, and twenty-three Past Masters of the lodge, together with one hundred and twenty-five visitors, representing forty-four lodges in Maine, six from Massachusetts, six from New Hampshire, three from New Jersey, and one each from Vermont and Florida.

The Grand Lodge was closed in ample form with prayer by the Acting Grand Chaplain.

The exercises were followed by an out-door lobster supper and the conferring of the Master Mason degree in the evening.

Benj. W. Ela

Grand Master.

Attest:

Comers E. Leach

Grand Secretary.



Grand Lodge of Maine

1954

Special Communication

ORRINGTON, MAINE,
Saturday, April 24, 1954.

A Special Communication was held at the request of Ralph J. Pollard Lodge, No. 217, for the purpose of laying the cornerstone of their new Temple.

PRESENT:

BENJAMIN W. ELA,	M. W. Grand Master
PAUL L. POWERS,	R. W. Deputy Grand Master
ARTHUR W. SEAWARD,	" Senior Grand Warden
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JOHN C. CONDON,	as " Grand Treasurer
CONVERS E. LEACH,	" " Secretary
EARLE D. WEBSTER,	" Cor. Grand Secretary
AUBREY L. BURBANK,	as " Grand Chaplain
Rev. MILTON MCGORRILL,	" " "
FREDERICK C. LOUNDER,	" " Lecturer
BENJAMIN BUTLER,	W. " Marshal
FLOYD E. ANDERSON,	" " Senior Deacon
RAYMOND M. RIDEOUT,	as " " Junior Deacon
LESLIE LIBBY,	" " Steward
ANGUS D. MACLOUD,	as " " "
HAROLD M. STARBIRD,	" " "
ROYAL D. CLEAVES,	" " Sword Bearer
JOHN M. HALFYARD,	" " Standard Bearer

District Deputy Grand Masters: Merrill R. Kitt-
ridge, Frederick W. Amborn, William A. Hartshorn,
Walter F. Townsend, Roland W. Cornish.

Past M. W. Grand Masters: George F. Giddings,
Charles E. Crossland, Carroll W. Keene, Ervin
E. J. Lander and Ralph J. Pollard.

Past Senior Grand Wardens: Willis A. Ricker,
William A. Levensalor, George R. Caswell.

Past Junior Grand Wardens: Carroll S. Douglass, Harry S. Grindall, Arthur W. Stockbridge, Wesley L. Oxtan, James A. Sanker, Harry J. Rollins, and Adin L. Hopkins.

The officers of Ralph J. Pollard Lodge were:

LELAND C. MITCHELL,	Worshipful Master
SUMNER P. BRIDGES,	Senior Warden
HERBERT R. SAWYER,	Junior Warden
EDWARD H. MOORE,	Treasurer
WILLIAM D. NICKERSON,	Secretary
MELVIN R. YOUNG,	Chaplain
ROBERT E. GLIDDEN,	Senior Deacon
CARLETON E. KING,	Junior Deacon
ROLAND R. ROBERTSON,	Senior Steward
DONLAND S. REED,	Junior Steward
F. WILLIAM HOMSTED,	Marshal
RAYMOND H. SAWYER,	Tyler
MERLE C. WATSON,	Organist

together with a large number of the members of Ralph J. Pollard Lodge and many visiting brethren.

Preceded by a band, and escorted by the above named, the Grand Lodge proceeded to the new Temple where the cornerstone was laid according to ancient usages and customs of the Fraternity.

The Grand Lodge returned to the hall and was duly closed with prayer by Rev. Milton McGorrill, Grand Chaplain.

A banquet was furnished by members of the Eastern Star, after which a special communication of Ralph J. Pollard Lodge was held with work in the Fellow Craft degree, and an address by M. W. Ralph J. Pollard.

Attest:



Courtesy E. Leach

Grand Secretary.

Grand Lodge of Maine

1954

One Hundred and Thirty-fifth Annual Communication

MASONIC TEMPLE, PORTLAND,
Tuesday, May 4, 1954.

The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient
Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Maine
met in Annual Communication in Masonic Temple
at nine in the morning (E. D. T.).

GRAND OFFICERS PRESENT:

BENJAMIN W. ELA,	M. W. Grand Master
PAUL L. POWERS,	R. W. Deputy Grand Master
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FREDERICK C. LOUNDER,	W. Grand Lecturer
P.G.M. Rev. DAVID L. WILSON, LHD.,	" " Chaplain
Rev. PERCY COTTON,	" " "
" M. GERRY PLUMMER,	" " "
" MILTON MCGORRILL,	" " "
BENJAMIN BUTLER,	" " Marshal
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HAROLD M. STARBIRD,	" " "
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JOHN M. HALFYARD,	" " Standard Bearer
JAMES M. WILLIAMS,	" " Pursuivant
ANGUS D. MACLEOD,	" " "
FRED LINCOLN HILL,	Bro. " Organist
HENRY DOHERTY,	" " Tyler

Also 284 delegates, representing 192 of the 207 chartered lodges; all of the living Past Grand Masters, with 40 of the other Permanent Members, including 56 of the 74 Representatives of the other Grand Lodges, together with visiting brethren.

The Grand Lodge was opened in ample form, prayer being offered by the Rev. M. GERRY PLUMMER, Grand Chaplain.

The Communication stood at attention and saluted the Flag as the Colors were presented at the rear of the Altar by Sergeants ROBERT B. HOLMES (Atlantic Lodge, No. 81), MARTIN FORD, JR. (Deering Lodge, No. 183), and GEORGE W. LIBBY (Deering Lodge, No. 183).

The Pledge of Allegiance was repeated. (The Communication sang one verse of "America").

On motion of R. W. Bro. PAUL L. POWERS, it was

Voted, To dispense with the reading of the records of the last Annual Communication and that as printed they be confirmed.

Voted, That all Master Masons in good standing be admitted as visitors during the Annual Communication.

Voted, That the Grand Tyler be authorized to employ assistants, not exceeding four, to aid him in the work of his office during the session of the Grand Lodge, and that the Committee on Pay Roll be authorized to place the names of such employees upon the payroll, and that they receive the usual per diem for their services.

DISTINGUISHED GUESTS.

MAINE. Sir Knight ALEXANDER A. LAFLEUR, Rt. Em. Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Maine, presented by M. W. Bro. GEORGE F. GIDDINGS; M. E. Companion AUBREY L. BURBANK, Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Maine, presented by R. W. Bro. FREDERICK C. LOUNDER; M. I. Companion CHARLES M. DURLAND, Grand

Master of the Grand Council of Maine, presented by W. Bro. JOHN M. LITTLEFIELD; Ill. Bro. FRANK C. ALLEN, Deputy for Maine of the Supreme Council, 33°, presented by M. W. Bro. EDWARD W. WHEELER.

MASSACHUSETTS. M. W. Bro. WHITFIELD W. JOHNSON, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, and R. W. LAURENCE D. EATON, Grand Marshal, presented by M. W. Bro. DAVID L. WILSON.

CONNECTICUT. R. W. Bro. JOHN H. SMITH, Deputy Grand Master, and R. W. Bro. CONRAD HAHN, Junior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge of Connecticut, presented by M. W. Bro. ERVIN E. J. LANDER.

NEW JERSEY. R. W. Bro. JOSEPH H. GICK, Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of New Jersey, presented by M. W. Bro. CARROLL W. KEENE.

NEW HAMPSHIRE. M. W. Bro. WALTER E. DUNLAP, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of New Hampshire, presented by M. W. Bro. GRANVILLE C. GRAY.

RHODE ISLAND. M. W. Bro. KENNETH CRAIK, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, presented by M. W. Bro. CLARK D. CHAPMAN.

The guests were received, invited to seats in the East, and accorded Grand Honors.

GAVELS.

W. Bro. J. HARVEY SPEAR, Master of Northern Star Lodge, No. 28, (Grand Master Ela's Lodge) presented the Grand Master with the gavel of that lodge for use during the Communication. M. W.

Bro. ELA expressed his appreciation for the thoughtfulness.

W. Bro. HIRAM W. JOHNSON then presented Grand Master ELA with a gavel of cocoa wood from Nicaragua and made by Bro. JOHNSON and his son, and appreciation was expressed for the gift.

VACANCIES ON COMMITTEES.

The Grand Master appointed W. Bro. JOHN VACCA to fill a vacancy on the Committee on Credentials and R. W. Bro. FREDERICK C. LOUNDER to fill a vacancy on the Committee on Returns.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES.

Newly appointed Grand Representatives presented their credentials at the Altar as follows:

British Columbia — EVERETT S. HIGGINS

New South Wales — ADIN L. HOPKINS

Wisconsin — CLIFFORD H. M. PERRY

They were welcomed by the Grand Master.

The Grand Secretary called the roll of Grand Representatives and the following responded:

Alabama — LEWMAN B. SOPER

Arkansas — ARTHUR W. SEAWARD

British Columbia — EVERETT S. HIGGINS

Colorado — RALPH W. FARRIS

Connecticut — ERVIN E. J. LANDER

Denmark — GEORGE H. MINOTT

England — ALVOID E. CUSHMAN

Florida — MERTON E. LEECH

France — PAUL L. POWERS

Georgia — WILLIAM A. LEVENSALOR

Idaho — FRANK H. MILAN

Indiana — H. NORTON MAXFIELD

Kansas — AUBREY L. BURBANK

Louisiana — EARLE D. WEBSTER

Manitoba — GEORGE R. CASWELL

Maryland — HARRY E. ROWE

Massachusetts — DAVID L. WILSON

Mexico (York C. L.) — ERNEST C. BUTLER

Michigan — BENJAMIN W. ELA
Minnesota — FREDERICK C. LOUNDER
Mississippi — ROBERT M. REYNOLDS
Missouri — EDWARD H. BRITTON
Montana — HAROLD L. GERRISH
Nevada — CLARENCE J. PERHAM
New Mexico — JAMES P. BUNKER
New South Wales — ADIN L. HOPKINS
New York — EDWARD W. WHEELER
North Carolina — GEORGE W. HASKELL
North Dakota — FRED J. LOWELL
Ohio — CONVERS E. LEACH
Oklahoma — CLYDE FRENCH
Panama — JOHN J. FAAS
Peru — JOHN M. LITTLEFIELD
Philippine Islands — ELMER P. SMART
Porto Rico — NORRIS C. ESTABROOK
Quebec — CARROLL W. KEENE
Rhode Island — CLARK D. CHAPMAN
Scotland — GEORGE F. GIDDINGS
South Australia — LEWIS T. BROWN
South Carolina — DANIEL G. CHAPLIN
South Dakota — ELBERT G. MOULTON
Sweden — RALPH J. POLLARD
Tennessee — HARRY S. GRINDALL
Texas — GRANVILL C. GRAY
Vermont — CHARLES E. CROSSLAND
Victoria — CLARENCE A. BROWN
Virginia — HENRY R. GILLIS
Washington — JUDSON P. LORD
Western Australia — WESLEY L. OXTON
West Virginia — FLOYD E. ANDERSON
Wisconsin — CLIFFORD H. M. PERRY

The Grand Master requested them to communicate with the Grand Masters of the Grand Lodges represented and extend to them the greetings of the Grand Lodge of Maine.

REFERENCE TO COMMITTEE ON GRIEVANCES AND APPEALS.

The Grand Secretary announced that he had received a request for reinstatement of an expelled brother and that there were some fourteen lodges delinquent in the filing of returns, the list of appeals

being in the hands of the Grand Treasurer, It was ordered that they be referred to the Committee on Grievances and Appeals.

CREDENTIALS.

W. Bro. GEORGE P. JACKSON, for the Committee on Credentials, presented the following report and it was voted that the Committee have authority to add and amend during the morning session.

IN GRAND LODGE OF MAINE,
MASONIC TEMPLE, PORTLAND, May 4, 1954.

Your Committee on Credentials have attended to their duties and report that the Chartered Lodges are represented as follows:

- 1 PORTLAND, by Elmer S. Bakke, M.; Bernard P. Colton, S. W.; Samuel G. Glines, J. W.
- 2 WARREN, by Edwin J. Cafes, M.
- 3 LINCOLN, by William I. Kierstead, M.; Earl B. Colby, S. W.; John M. Lewis, J. W.
- 4 HANCOCK, by Albert L. Skidds, M.
- 5 KENNEBEC, by Walter Perkins, M.; Howard Varney, S. W.; Daniel J. Foley, Proxy.
- 6 AMITY, by Robert Hersom, M.; Albert W. Hoffses, Proxy.
- 7 EASTERN, by Wilfred O. McCulloch, M.; Miles F. Mincton, Proxy.
- 8 ———UNITED, not represented.
- 9 SACO, by Arthur Collins, M.; Lawrence Rowe, S. W.; Thomas H. Hooper, Proxy.
- 10 RISING VIRTUE, by Robert L. Drinkwater, S. W.
- 11 PYTHAGOREAN, by W. H. Oliver, M.; Edwin F. Sargent, S. W.; Charles F. Trumbell, Proxy.
- 12 CUMBERLAND, by Kenneth H. Sawyer, M.
- 13 ORIENTAL, by Alton E. Bean, M.; A. Stewart Varney, Proxy.
- 14 SOLAR, by Clyde Baker, M.; Robert Mosher, S. W.; Donald Page, J. W.; K. S. Jackson, Proxy.
- 15 ORIENT, by Earle B. Porter, Proxy.
- 16 ST. GEORGE, by Russell Smith, M.; William L. Barrett, Proxy.
- 17 ANCIENT LAND-MARK, by Franklin G. Hinckley, M.; M. Donald Gardner, S. W.; H. Nelson Raymond, Jr., Proxy.
- 18 OXFORD, by William W. Chute, Proxy.
- 19 FELICITY, by Levi Sanborn, M.; Vernon Lindsay, S. W.
- 20 MAINE, by Richard Morton, M.
- 21 ———ORIENTAL STAR, not represented.
- 22 YORK, by William F. Warren, M.

- 23 FREEPORT, by Reuben K. Dyer, M.; Frederick Dalrymple, S. W.;
Alpheus G. Dyer, Proxy.
- 24 PHOENIX, by Lawrence Dow, M.
- 25 TEMPLE, by Leon W. Weston, M.; Roland Collins, S. W.
- 26 VILLAGE, by Leland B. Chapman, Proxy.
- 27 ADONIRAM, by Arthur W. Libby, Proxy.
- 28 NORTHERN STAR, by Harvey Spear, M.; Chester Paine, S. W.
- 29 TRANQUILL, by Warren E. Andrews, Proxy.
- 30 BLAZING STAR, by Waldo E. Merrill, M.; Richard W. Sarle, S. W.;
John H. Allen, J. W.; Charles M. Durland, Proxy.
- 31 Union by Howard Hawes, M.
- 32 HERMON, by Richard Lasselle, M.; Percy Hanson, J. W.; Floyd E.
Wiles, Proxy.
- 33 WATERVILLE, by Carlton Farnham, M.
- 34 SOMERSET, by Neal T. Skillings, M.
- 35 ———BETHLEHEM, not represented.
- 36 CASCO, by John Strattard, M.
- 37 WASHINGTON, by Gerard H. Nickerson, Proxy.
- 38 HARMONY, by Miles Brooks, Proxy.
- 39 FENOBSHOT, by W. Marvin Salisbury, Proxy.
- 40 LYGONIA, by Lawrence Higgins, M.
- 41 MORNING STAR, by Benjamin R. Small, Proxy.
- 42 FREEDOM, by Arthur F. Lougee, Proxy.
- 43 ALNA, by Cleary W. Erskine, M.
- 44 PISCATAQUIS, by Liston F. Lewis, M.; Max E. Place, S. W.; Arthur
F. Lewis, Proxy.
- 45 CENTRAL, Francis Clark, M.
- 46 ST. CROIX, Frank H. Fenderson, M.
- 47 DUNLAP, by W. B. Bailey, J. W.
- 48 LAFAYETTE, by William Whitten, M.
- 49 MERIDIAN SPLENDOR, by Charles B. Baird, M.
- 50 AURORA, by Sheldon M. Eaton, M.; Edward M. Lawrence, S. W.;
James E. Stevens, Proxy.
- 51 ST. JOHN'S, by Charles W. Osborn, M.; Walter Hayden, S. W.; Herbert
A. Swett, J. W.
- 52 MOSAIC, by S. J. Ireland, M.
- 53 RURAL, by Morrill P. Burton, S. W.
- 54 VASSALBORO, by Harold Wentworth, M.; Clyde E. Adams, Proxy.
- 55 ———FRATERNAL, not represented.
- 56 MT. MORIAH, by Peter C. Schmidt, M.
- 57 KING HIRAM, by Fred S. Searles, M.
- 58 UNITY, by Wendell P. Noyes, M.; John S. Hall, S. W.; Isaiah J. Jackson,
Proxy.
- 59 MOUNT HOPE—*Chrater surrendered in 1879.*
- 60 STAR IN THE EAST, by Franklin Chapman, M.
- 61 KING SOLOMON'S, by Otis W. Ellis, Proxy.
- 62 KING DAVID'S, by C. Elmer Rose, Proxy.

- 63 RICHMOND, by Leslie R. Gardner, M.; John W. Thrower, J. W.
- 64 ——— PACIFIC, not represented.
- 65 MYSTIC, by E. Everett Hewes, Proxy.
- 66 MECHANICS, by Frederick C. Baird, M.; Frederick J. McInnis, S. W.; Charles B. King, J. W.
- 67 BLUE MOUNTAIN, by Kenneth B. Smith, Sr., M.; Sherwood Gould, J. W.
- 68 MARINERS, by Alton L. Johnson, Jr., Proxy.
- 69 HOWARD, by Raymond Fields, S. W.; Newell Perry, Proxy.
- 70 STANDISH, by Harold Brown, M.
- 71 RISING SUN, by Manley Howard, M.
- 72 PIONEER, by Lyman Snowman, M.
- 73 TYRIAN, by Frank E. Drisko, Proxy.
- 74 BRISTOL, by James Chadwick, M.; Guy E. Martin, J. W.; Leland Sproul, Proxy.
- 75 ARCHON, by Parker R. Jacoby, Proxy.
- 76 AUNDEL, by Joseph A. R. Knight, M.; John G. Smith, Proxy.
- 77 TREMONT, by Walter Sanner, M.
- 78 CRESCENT, by Verner T. Brown, Proxy.
- 79 ROCKLAND, by James, Roach, S. W.
- 80 KEYSTONE, by J. Stanley Waugh, M.; Kenneth W. Hunnewell, Proxy.
- 81 ATLANTIC, by Herbert L. Joy, M.; James H. Doyle, S. W.
- 82 ST. PAUL's, by Warren Ulmer, M.
- 83 ST. ANDREW's, by Carl W. Hatch, M.; Merrill R. Bradford, S. W.; Alden Mitchell, J. W.; Franklin R. St. Clair, Proxy.
- 84 EUREKA, by Charles Leach, Proxy.
- 85 ——— STAR IN THE WEST, not represented.
- 86 TEMPLE, by Oscar W. Harriman, M.; Thomas J. Barry, S. W.; Henry P. Bailey, Proxy.
- 87 BENEVOLENT, by Stanley Donaldson, Proxy.
- 88 ——— NARRAGUAGUS, not represented.
- 89 ISLAND, by Donald A. Durkee, M.
- 90 HIRAM ABIFF—*Charter revoked in 1869.*
- 91 HARWOOD, by Hermand Kelton, M.
- 92 SILOAM, by Norman E. Jonassen, Proxy.
- 93 HOREB, by Allison J. Briggs, M.; Clayton Jenkins, S. W.
- 94 PARIS, by Elmore C. Edwards, Proxy.
- 95 CORINTHIAN, Raymond Ames, M.
- 96 MONUMENT, by Clinton Dill, M.; Leon Binn, S. W.
- 97 BETHEL, by Henry Hastings, M.; Samuel T. Smith, Proxy.
- 98 KATAHDIN, by Daniel R. Woodbury, Proxy.
- 99 VERNON VALLEY, William E. Hutchins, M.
- 100 JEFFERSON, by Howard MacKillop, Proxy.
- 101 NEZINSCOT, by O. A. Murray, M.
- 102 MARSH RIVER, by Allen Mollison, S. W.
- 103 DRESDEN, by George C. Allen, M.; Charles T. Gray, S. W.; James C. McCoy, J. W.
- 104 DIRIGO, by Philip Taber, M.; Robert Baker, S. W.

- 105 ASHLAR, by Clifton Buck, M.
- 106 TUSCAN, by Charles F. Lawrence, M.
- 107 DAY SPRING, by Mahline W. Staples, Proxy.
- 108 RELIEF—*Charter recalled in 1894.*
- 109 MT. KATAHDIN, by J. Willard Fogg, M.
- 110 MONMOUTH, by Earle H. Ramsdell, Proxy.
- 111 LIBERTY, by George A. Spencer, M.
- 112 EASTERN FRONTIER, by Horace C. Buxton, Proxy.
- 113 MESSALONSKEE, by Chester J. Blake, M.; Earle M. Hutchinson, J. W.;
Everett A. Watson, Proxy.
- 114 POLAR STAR, by Harland E. Boynton, M.
- 115 BUXTON, by Homeer -. Illingworth, M.
- 116 LEBANON, by Paul L. Winslow, M.; Clarence Booker, Proxy.
- 117 GREENLEAF, by Stanley A. Snow, S. W.; Archie F. Eysus, Proxy.
- 118 DRUMMOND, by Merle A. Morrill, M.
- 119 POWNAL, by Josiah, C. Anderson, S. W.
- 120 MEDUNCOOK—*Charter surrendered in 1884.*
- 121 ACACIA, by Ermond W. Bowie, S. W.
- 122 MARINE, by Stephen Z. Rice, Proxy.
- 123 FRANKLIN, by Milton Harris, M.; Ernest Smith, S. W.; F. P. Caswell,
Proxy.
- 124 OLIVE BRANCH, by Clayton R. Bragdon, M.
- 125 MERIDIAN, by Harris V. Matthew, Jr., M.; Kilborn H. Merrill, Proxy.
- 126 TIMOTHY CHASE, by Walter E. Jones, Proxy.
- 127 PRESUMSCOT, by Robert C. MacDonald, M.
- 128 EGGEMOGGIN, by Guy M. Means, Proxy.
- 129 ———QUANTABACOOK, not represented.
- 130 TRINITY, by Norman C. Morehouse, Proxy.
- 131 LOOKOUT, by Purcell W. Corbett, M.
- 132 MT. TIR'EM, by P. Harold Kimball, Proxy.
- 133 ———ASYLUM, not represented.
- 134 TROJAN—*Consolidated with Star in the West, No. 85, in 1888.*
- 135 RIVERSIDE, by Frank M. Holmes, M.; Malcolm L. Tilton, S. W.;
Donald F. Pierce, J. W.; Harold S. Baker, Proxy.
- 136 IONIC—*Charter surrendered in 1882.*
- 137 KENDUSKEAG, by Harold A. Fitz, Proxy.
- 138 LEWY'S ISLAND, by Robert H. Wheaton, S. W.
- 139 ARCHON & PLYMOUTH—*Consolidated as Archon, No. 75, in 1939.*
- 140 MOUNT DESERT, by Chauncey D. Somers, Proxy.
- 141 AUGUSTA, by Edgar F. Robinson, M.; S. Stewart McCatherin, S. W.
- 142 OCEAN, by Charles D. Smith, M.; Gordon E. Galencia, S. W.; Donald
S. Paine, J. W.
- 143 PREBLE, by Paul N. Caros, M.; Ralph E. Wiggin, J. W.
- 144 SEASIDE, by Chester T. Blanchard, Proxy.
- 145 MOSES WEBSTER, by George A. Lawry, Proxy.
- 146 SEBASTICOOK, by Earle W. Carr, M.
- 147 EVENING STAR, by Wendell M. Allen, Proxy.

- 148 FOREST, by Eugene Dicker, Proxy.
- 149 DORIC, by Earle H. Jackson, Proxy.
- 150 RABBONI, by Samuel E. Alperen, M.; Samuel M. Hurwitz, S. W.
- 151 EXCELSIOR, by W. O. Gurney, M.
- 152 CROOKED RIVER, by Lester T. Thomas, M.
- 153 DELTA, by Charlie P. Wahl, M.
- 154 ———MYSTIC TIE, not represented.
- 155 ANCIENT YORK, by Wendall V. Wonneberger, M.
- 156 WILTON, by Elford H. Morrison, Proxy.
- 157 CAMBRIDGE, by Arthur Chadbourne, Proxy.
- 158 ANCHOR, by Willard H. Doell, Proxy.
- 159 ESOTERIC—*Consolidated with Lygonia, No. 49, in 1908.*
- 160 PARIAN, by Roy J. Buxton, Proxy.
- 161 CARRABASSETT, by Robert W. Hamilton, Proxy.
- 162 ARION, by Eric L. Elliott, M.; Frederick W. Elwell, Proxy.
- 163 PLEASANT RIVER, by William D. Sawtell, M.
- 164 WEBSTER, by Steward T. Saunders, M.; John T. Thomson, Proxy.
- 165 MOLUNKUS, by Floyd D. Martin, Proxy.
- 166 NEGUEMKEAG, by John P. Kennedy, Proxy.
- 167 WHITNEY, by Charles Arthur Newton, Proxy.
- 168 COMPOSITE, by Clyde Hichborn, Proxy.
- 169 SHEPHERD'S RIVER, by Lyman H. Wells, Proxy.
- 170 CARIBOU, by A. D. Chambers, S. W.
- 171 NASKEAG by George M. Murray, Proxy.
- 172 PINE TREE, by Philip L. Shedd, J. W.
- 173 FLEIADES, by Francis J. Pinkham, M.
- 174 LYNDE, by Linwood W. Littlefield, M.
- 175 ———BASKAHEGAN, not represented.
- 176 PALESTINE—*Consolidated with Duulap, No. 47, in 1895.*
- 177 RISING, STAR, by Ralph E. Gross, M.
- 178 ANCIENT BROTHERS, by Frank R. Burgess, Proxy.
- 179 YORKSHIRE, by Farl E. Staples, M.
- 180 HIRAM, by John A. Baird, M.; George F. Hilborn, Jr., S. W.; Leon E. Burbank, J. W.; Ferdinand Bartlett, Proxy.
- 181 REUEL WASHBURN—*Consolidated with Oriental Star, No. 21 in 1892.*
- 182 GRANITE, by Ivan C. Morey, M.; CLARENCE M. COFFIN, Proxy.
- 183 DEERING, by Harry L. Milliken, M.; Frederick B. Jenson, S. W.; E. S. Winkler, J. W.
- 184 NAVAL, by Everett H. Day, M.; Reginald F. Berry, J. W.
- 185 BAR HARBOR, by Walter G. Flagg, J. W.
- 186 WARREN PHILLIPS, by Maurice H. Barter, M.; Reginald J. Rutter, Proxy.
- 187 IRA BERRY, by Warren Patridge, M.; Howard M. Curtis, J. W.
- 188 JONESPORT, by Harry L. Norton, Proxy.
- 189 KNOX, by Weston E. Arey, M.
- 190 SPRINGVALE, by Arthur M. Gerry, M.
- 191 DAVIS, by Roy A. Huff, Proxy.

- 192 WINTER HARBOR, by Morton L. Torrey, M.
 193 WASHBURN, by Russell Smith, M.
 194 EUCLID, by Jacob B. Price, M.
 195 RELIANCE, by Sydney Treat, Proxy.
 196 BAY VIEW, Albert H. Barlow, M.
 197 ————AROOSTOOK, not represented.
 198 ST. ASPINQUID, by Harold Lowell, M.; James Colcord, S. W.
 199 BINGHAM, by Eldon Spaulding, Proxy.
 200 COLUMBIA, by Harold W. Graham, Proxy.
 201 DAVID A. HOOPER, by Seth A. Johnson, Proxy.
 202 MT. BIGELOW, by Evan J. Leavitt, Proxy.
 203 MT. OLIVET, by Fred L. Ludwig, Proxy.
 204 MT. ABRAM, by Lloyd P. Williamson, M.
 205 NOLLESEMIC, by Walter Birt, M.; George Goddard, S. W.; Philip K. Libby, J. W.; Charles A. Coffin, Proxy.
 206 ISLAND FALLS, Ralph W. Emerson, Proxy.
 207 ————ABNER WADE, not represented.
 208 NORTHEAST HARBOR, by Charles R. Gilbert, S. W.
 209 FORT KENT, by D. M. Canders, M.
 210 ————BAGADUCE, not represented.
 211 ————MEDUNCOOK, not represented.
 212 MCKINLEY, by Edmond B. Reed, Sr., Proxy.
 213 KEMANKEAG, by Eric Sandstrom, M.
 214 LIMESTONE, by Richard O. Burrill, Proxy.
 215 ORCHARD, by G. B. Frederick, M.; Elmer L. G. Rounds, S. W.; Ray L. Littlefield, Proxy.
 216 CORNER STONE, by Herschel B. Joslyn, M.
 217 RALPH J. POLLARD, by Leland C. Mitchell, M.; Sumner P. Bridges, S. W.; Wm. D. Nickerson, Proxy.

Grand Officers as follows:

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192 Lodges represented; 15 not represented. Number of Representatives, 284; 45 Grand Officers; 40 Permanent Members.

Votes: Lodges, 576; Grand Officers, 45; Permanent Members, 40; total, 661.

Fraternally submitted,

GEORGE P. JACKSON,
 WILSON C. BLAKE,
 JOHN VACCA,

} *Committee.*

The Grand Master then read his

ANNUAL ADDRESS

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and
Accepted Masons of the State of Maine:*

BRETHREN:

There comes to mind, at this moment, the certain lines of the Rubaiyat of Omar Khayyam:

"The Moving Finger writes; and, having writ,
Moves on: nor all your Piety nor Wit
Shall lure it back to cancel half a Line,
Nor all your Tears wash out a Word of it."

There may be some sound or sense of stern finality in the words, but I am not easily persuaded that such is the present case, nor do I conceive at the moment that I, and others, shall be, as in Bryant's *Thanatopsis*:

"Like one who wraps the drapery of his couch
About him, and lies down to pleasant dreams."

Rather may it seem, although the Moving Finger—having writ—moves on, to write for others who succeed to high office in this Grand Lodge, that there shall yet be time for that moving finger to return to write concerning us that our interest shall not cease; and that we may return to the numberless opportunities which time and other duties have not permitted.

I do not, and cannot, conceive that the need for interest and devotion, implanted so deeply within us, and which, perhaps, for yet a little while has permitted me to hold exalted office, shall end; nor can it end (as I see it), until this mortal shall have put on immortality.

To paraphrase further in other directions—I find no particular desire to arrive at a point in Masonry where I may rest from labor; nor travel in foreign countries to work and receive Masters wages; but rather, does there seem to be earnest desire to return to my own country—to my own Lodge and community—and in the fullness of time, and of years, to find some satisfaction in having faithfully discharged some of my many duties to the Craft.

WELCOME.

A good friend to all of us, William Shakespeare, has well said:

"The appurtenance of welcome is fashion and ceremony."

In the sense, then, of fashion and ceremony—and long custom—these words are here included. There is no need, of course, for any words of welcome to you in this your own Grand Lodge. The welcome is all about you—in the smiles; in the hearty hand-claps; in the eager conversations; in your alert attention; in your recollections and reminiscences; and in the radiance of your fellowship in these, your own deliberations in Grand Lodge. It is good for Brethren to dwell together—and to thus meet. And it is good to meet on this occasion, in such cordial and mutual welcome.

For our distinguished guests, it seems that the immortal bard has also particularly written:

"Sir(s) you are very welcome to our house;
It must appear in other ways than words,
Therefore I scant this breathing courtesy."

We are delighted that you are here. We hope that your stay with us will be most pleasant; and we assure you that no welcome, anywhere, can be more sincere.

NECROLOGY.

In the cycle and rhythm of the years, there comes to us a sense of solemn shock, when we pause and realize that there are those who were among us, who answer not our call today. The deep, sharp poignancy of their passing may ease somewhat in our hearts, but there will always be that sense of loss as we realize that they are gone. Their lives were somehow bound to ours, and we gained strength, each from the other, as we lived, and loved, and labored with them. While there may be the sense of loss, the stature which we gained, by their binding to us, will remain; to be carried on, and we hope to be transmitted, through those with whom we in turn associate. We may be proud to honor those who, even in their passing, have made it possible for us to transmit the benefits of their living to others.

According to report, 803 Brethren in this Grand Jurisdiction have answered the summons to the Grand Lodge Above, and among those answering were: Right Worshipful Allen L. Curtis, Past Junior Grand Warden; Right Worshipful Irving C. Trufant, District Deputy Grand Master, District No. 14; Right Worshipful Jay A. Walker, District Deputy Grand Master, District No. 23; and Worshipful and Reverend I. James Merry, Grand Chaplain of the Grand Lodge of Maine.

Memorials to these distinguished and beloved Brethren will be suitably presented for inclusion in the record of this Grand Lodge session.

The Grand Secretary will also include in his report a list of the distinguished Brethren of other Grand Jurisdictions who have laid down their working tools for those of The Higher Lodge.

We pause to honor those who have gone their way before us.

CONDITION OF THE FRATERNITY.

It is a pleasure to again report that the present membership of Masons in Maine is the highest ever recorded—the number being approximately 47,000—46,954, to be exact, on December 31, 1953. In all probability the figure now stands well over the 47,000 mentioned.

Maine has regained its lead among the Grand Jurisdictions of this Country; not only in the highest percentage of Masons to male population over 21 years of age, but also, in the highest percentage of Masons to total population. Our pride in these figures can continue only so long as we are certain of the sturdy and steadfast qualities and capacities of the Masons in Maine. Mere numbers and high percentages are not impressive; unless we can be sure of the quality of our teachings and the trained and inherent capacities of our membership. We may hope and believe that Maine also holds very high percentage in this respect.

Some evidence of the quality of our officer and member interest is to be found in the Report of the Grand Lecturer: in the fact of the highest attendance at Ritual and Lecture

Schools of Instruction ever recorded. This entirely voluntary attendance is good evidence, also, of the quality of the instruction furnished, especially where there were many who attended more than one School.

Maine continues to send more Masons out into other Grand Jurisdictions, than it in turn receives, and the cordial reception and general recognition of Maine, in many inter-jurisdictional visitations, is evidence of the good ambassadorship of the Brethren who have gone out from us.

We may be proud that many officers, in high position, may be found to have Maine backgrounds.

There could be a lesson for us in the story of the young bird living in a cage and doing nothing but eating, swinging on his perch, and preening his feathers. He did not know what he was, or why he was there; so he merely dozed, and dreamed, and grew in the sun. Then one day, as he jumped down on the floor of his cage, one of his wings pushed the door of his cage open, and he could stretch out his wing to its full length, and he was thrilled at the strength of it. He thrust himself through the opening, and there he was, with his great wings extended; just as another bird shot by him up into the blue. Stirred by some impulse, he spread and moved his wings and followed—up, up and up—until he too was lost in the clouds. He was an eagle, and he had never known it.

We must never let our Masonry in Maine become a convenient cage in which we may sit, and swing, and preen, in some drowsy, dreaming security; or dull attainment. Not until we can open wide our minds, and trust ourselves to our wings and the great unchanging teachings of our Masonry, shall we know our real strength and abilities, and the greatness of our Institution.

MASONIC RELIEF.

In view of the extended report on Relief, as presented last year for your very careful attention and information, it could be stated that the report, this year, will be brief.

Your Trustees of the Masonic Charitable Foundation have been faithful in their solemn duties of trust; generous of

their time and effort; attentive to their special duties; and careful in their detailed and collective considerations. It was expected, of course, that this should be so; because those who seek or accept such office or election, whether direct or ex-officio, should equally accept the particular duties involved; and this includes the Grand Master, as well as the Masters and other officers who are entrusted with Lodge and Grand Lodge Funds.

There is a well known principle and element at law, that trusts can not be casually abandoned or delegated to others; that there are duties and responsibilities imposed by law upon trustees, and that such duties and responsibilities may be enforced.

In Masonry, the principle is well expressed for us in the words of our own Grand Lodge Committee on Jurisprudence, Page 468, 1943 Grand Lodge Proceedings, and it might be well for each one of us here to recall the words, over and over again, and fix them in our minds:

"Regarding the use of lodge funds. . . (it is) . . . correctly stated that lodge funds can be expended only for Masonic purposes. These include not only the expense of running the lodge, but also the use of lodge funds for the assistance of lodge members and other charitable purposes. All funds coming into the possession of Masonic bodies are immediately charged with a trust for such purposes and cannot be diverted therefrom. The officers intrusted with these funds cannot delegate their authority and relieve themselves of responsibility."

"Such action would be illegal and the officers in charge of the funds would be liable for breach of trust."

These are strong, clear words, my Brethren, and they apply equally to lodge and Grand Lodge Funds; and the Trustees of your Grand Lodge Masonic Charitable Foundation have been aware of their solemn import.

It has been for this reason, and perhaps because of a certain lack of information, or forgetfulness, since 1935, as to assistance to lodges in accordance with Grand Lodge Charity Fund Regulations, that the Trustees have been called into adjourned Quarterly Sessions this year, to act, individually, with the exception of the very few extremely urgent cases under directive from the Grand Master's limited Emergency Fund,

upon each and every case of requested Assistance to Lodges, and to make such appropriations as their best judgment might direct.

Considerable progress has been made—and I hope it will continue—to get certain information back into the lodges, in addition to that included in the Grand Lodge Notice of Meeting as sent out this year under date of March 1, 1954; and it is for a purpose of getting information back into the lodges, that the present Regulations of the Charity Fund of the Grand Lodge of Maine, are included as Appendix "D," and made a part of this Address or Report, for publication.

Perhaps the most frequent immediate difficulty to be pointed out, is that there is no such thing as a continuing case of Assistance by Grand Lodge. There should be a new Application for Assistance to each Lodge—in each case—for each Grand Lodge Year, and such Applications should be seasonably received prior to each Grand Lodge Communication.

Just because Assistance to a Lodge has once been granted, is no reason for it to continue. There should and must be new Applications for each new Board of Trustees—and these Boards very wisely are changed each year—to act upon and make appropriations therefor, out of funds available for each separate and particular year. As we have just seen or read, their authority can not be delegated ahead to some future year or future Board; nor can their responsibility be evaded or diverted to rest upon some previous action or previous Board. Matters must be current to masonically meet the elements of trust.

It has been a very real pleasure to really work with your Board of Trustees of your Masonic Charitable Foundation of the Grand Lodge of Maine this year, and the Brethren of this Grand Jurisdiction should be grateful to them for their conscientious attention to duty.

It is further a pleasure to report that there have been certain changes, in accordance with the Grand Lodge Constitution, in the exchange and investment practices in connection with Grand Lodge Charity Funds, which should give closer supervision, and add to the security of the funds and yield.

We could quote once more from the report of the Committee on Jurisprudence, referred to:

"One of the glorious traditions of Masonry is its method of performing charitable work by personal contact with its beneficiaries and without publicity, and we believe it can not be improved either in efficiency or effectiveness. . . . The inability of a Masonic lodge to use its trust funds for their support does not and should not prevent individual Masons from contributing thereto as their circumstances permit and we are sure that such is the case."

We may be grateful that two of the Committee Members who wrote that splendid report are with us today. We do well to appreciate their past and present guidance.

GRAND MASTERS' CONFERENCE.

As reported to you last year, the Conference of Grand Masters of Masons in North America, as held in Washington, D. C., had a definite international flavor and aspect. The Conference this year, continued much along the same lines with such principal speakers as Gilberto Morey Sotomayor, Grand Master of one of the Grand Lodges of Peru; Carlos M. Piniero, Grand Master of Cuba; and with Ward B. Arbury, Grand Master of New York as a program speaker on Masonry, and Clandestine Masonry in the Middle East. Charles B. Hayes, Grand Master of Iowa, had a refreshingly dynamic part on the program, speaking on "Kipling—the Mason," and very interestingly recited many of Kipling's poems by request. He very skillfully wove the Masonry of India and the Far East, as made famous by Kipling, into the atmosphere of the program.

In an unscheduled presentation to the Conference of a gavel, and the flag of the Republic of the Philippines, Mauro Baradi, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of the Philippines, gave a very stirring picture of conditions and Masonry in that Grand Jurisdiction which, by a strange twist of fate, now embraces Japan.

There were visitors from the United Grand Lodge of Germany; as well as Mexico, Argentine, Venezuela, and others.

M. W. Joseph A. Hearn, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada, for the Province of Ontario, was elected as presiding Chairman for the 1954 Conference.

The second day of the Conference, as last year, was devoted largely to a report of the Commission on Information for Recognition, and here the Conference again gained much of its international complexion. The report and Committee program included such subject as Freemasonry in France; in Germany; in Argentine; in Peru; and included a splendid address by Rev. Thomas S. Roy, Past Grand Master of Massachusetts, on the subject, "The Bible," and particularly its association as a landmark. Ray V. Denslow, Past Grand Master of Missouri, also gave international report.

Your Deputy Grand Master; Grand Secretary; Raymond M. Rideout, Grand Steward, and special member of the Educational Committee, so called; and I. Ray Libby, Agent of the Masonic Temple Trustees of Portland, were also in attendance at the Conference; and the Senior Senator from Maine, Margaret Chase Smith, was among the many distinguished guests at the Grand Masters' banquet. She brought gracious and very special credit to Maine, as she received standing and outstanding applause.

THE GEORGE WASHINGTON MASONIC NATIONAL
MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION.

As has been the custom, your Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master, and Grand Secretary, attended the Annual Meeting of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association, in Alexandria, Virginia, in that imposing memorial structure which stands high above the Potomac River overlooking the cities of Alexandria and Washington.

This year, at the Forty-fourth Annual Convention, it was an added pleasure that I. Ray Libby, of Portland, was also in attendance.

Each year, on Washington's Birthday, the Grand Masters of Masons in all States, and other leaders in the Fraternity, gather to review the progress of the work set forth, in accordance with such funds as are available. There is great inspiration in this meeting of the Brethren, and in the imposing magnitude of the structure, which contains so much of the priceless memorabilia of Washington, and directly overlooks Alexandria where Brother George Washington was the

founder of the first fire department and the first free school; where he surveyed the town streets; and served as a member of the town council, and as a representative in the House of Burgesses. It was here that he owned a pew and attended services at Christ Episcopal Church; served as a director and stockholder in the bank; maintained an office for the transaction of his personal business; and it was here that he was Worshipful Master of Alexandria Lodge. It was here, too, that he held his last military review; cast his last vote; and gave his last military command. And his beloved Brethren of Alexandria Lodge performed the last offices over his remains.

The massive superstructure of the Memorial is completed, but the work of completing the interior is still in progress, as funds come in. It is estimated that such interior completion, as well as certain ground improvements with steps and exterior approaches will cost, according to present estimate, approximately three quarters of a million dollars. This, together with certain maintenance endowments, still leaves splendid opportunity for the Masons of American to continue to share in this great memorial.

It was the privilege of your Grand Master, for and in behalf of the Grand Lodge of Maine, and the newly made Masons, who largely contributed it, to present a check of \$1,700.00, for the Endowment Fund of the Association. Previous contributions had totaled \$72,119.58 for Maine.

Again, unusual and heavy pressure of business prevented R. W. Brother H. Norton Maxfield, who has been Chairman in Maine of the George Washington National Memorial Committee for many years, from attending the meeting. It is to be earnestly hoped that he may be permitted to attend in 1955.

Although not directly connected with the Forty-fourth Annual Convention of The George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association, it was a very real privilege and pleasure for your Grand Master, accompanied by the Deputy Grand Master and Brother I. Ray Libby, to later return to the George Washington National Memorial Temple to attend the regular meeting of Alexandria-Washington Lodge, No. 22,

with commemorative program of the Two Hundred Twenty-second Anniversary of the birth of Washington. It was an added pleasure to again meet and to be greeted by Most Worshipful Hugh Reid, Grand Master of Masons in Virginia, who was officially received, and who gave gracious recognition to Maine, and its Grand Master, in his Address at the banquet session. It was at this communication of Alexandria- Washington Lodge that we unexpectedly discovered Raymond M. Rideout, Grand Steward, and special member of the Grand Lodge Committee on Library and Museum (Educational Committee), who was visiting in Washington at the time.

THE MASONIC SERVICE ASSOCIATION OF THE
UNITED STATES.

Even after three days of splendid meetings, the Thirty-fifth Annual Meeting of the Masonic Service Association of the United States was well attended, with the program and business well arranged and pleasingly and vigorously carried out. There was no drag—and there was heart-warming appeal, and pride, as the great practical opportunities for Masonic service were properly emphasized and brought to attention.

The Report of the Executive Commission was comprehensive; the emphasis on Veteran's Hospital Visitations was appealing; an address by M. W. Ray V. Denslow, Past Grand Master (Missouri) on "Masonry Abroad" was informative; and the general atmosphere under the quiet and unobtrusive leadership or guidance of Carl H. Claudy, beloved student and writer, and Executive Secretary, was delightfully stimulating.

It is good that we as Masons in this Country have such a strong and practical vehicle in the great and mobile need of expression and demonstration in the basic ideals of Masonic aid and assistance; and in the dissemination of Masonic Light and Knowledge.

It was a great privilege to attend this as well as previous meetings; and it was the added privilege of your Grand Master, this year, to report for the distinguished Committee on European Relief.

Without question the Masonic Service Association of the United States is an important and practical part of our Masonry today; and by it, as previously stated, we may leave our Masonry as it is, according to solemn and serious obligations, and yet find everchanging delight, as we give, and equally receive, in the opportunities of our Institution and this Association.

GRAND SECRETARIES' CONFERENCE.

Closely parallel with the Conference of Grand Masters of Masons in North America, for one day at least, is the Annual Conference of the Masonic Grand Lodge Secretaries in North America.

Many jurisdictional contacts are developed, and methods, procedures, and information, are exchanged and very frankly discussed.

Our Grand Secretary, R. W. Brother Convers E. Leach, was in attendance, and doubtless will report; and your Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master, and Brother I. Ray Libby and Raymond M. Rideout, Grand Steward, were delighted to attend portions of his meeting, and to be his guest at the Grand Secretaries' banquet.

CHAIN LETTERS.

The silly attention and effort in connection with unimportant chain letters has not entirely disappeared in Maine. Your Grand Master received one early in the Grand Lodge year, and promptly consigned it to the waste basket. It is reported that another one has shown up recently with postmark at Winn, Maine, under date of March 11, 1954, and it is alleged that some of the names are residents of Winn or Lincoln. We are taught that every Mason is supposed to be a man—a rational and intelligent being—and if there should happen to be any vague or real thought of good luck intended, instead of silly, selfish, superstition, some of the best and unbroken good luck which could come to Masonry, and to all its members, would be to consign such childish chain letters to the waste basket—and forget them.

In addition to being foolish, any Mason who writes or copies a chain letter is just plain lazy—so lazy that he is willing that someone else should do his thinking for him—and such stupid laziness is not characteristic of Maine Masonry.

DEDICATION OF HALLS.

As will appear in the 1954 Proceedings, a Special Communication of the M. W. Grand Lodge of Maine was held at Strong, Maine, on Saturday, September 12, 1953, for the Dedication of Davis Lodge Masonic Temple.

It is always a privilege for any Grand Master to participate in such ceremonies. They are a definite part of our Masonry, and their Forms and Ritual have much of value for us which does not come to attention too frequently.

The Brethren of Davis Lodge, No. 191, are to be congratulated upon their new temple; and are fortunate in their individual opportunities of participation, as well as in the long-range devotion and effort on the part of their Trustees and Masonic Building Committee.

The new Temple, a former church—and said to be a landmark in Strong for some one hundred forty-five years—is in good location; and has been attractively remodeled with unexpectedly fine basement and dining room facilities provided. Ledge and foundation difficulties were unexpectedly absent; in some cases, as reported, by a matter of inches; and in others, where showing up, in inconsequential location.

The scheduled Program consisted of the Dedication Exercises; with an interesting history of the New Masonic Hall; followed by a Lobster Supper at Legion Field as sponsored by the Building Committee. The evening program consisted of work in the Master Mason degree by the Officers and Members of Davis Lodge, No. 191, and the presentation of Fifty Year Veterans' Medals by the Grand Master.

Masonry in Maine may be proud in the effort and determination of the members of Davis Lodge, No. 191.

SCHOOLS OF INSTRUCTION.

It might be difficult, it would seem, to comment at any length upon the subject of Schools of Instruction, as they are called, without encroaching upon the later report of the R. W. Grand Lecturer.

Suffice it to say, at the moment, that your Grand Master met with and contacted members and officers of some 137 lodges out of the 189 registered lodges at various Schools. It was not the intention, or desire, of the present Grand Master, or the Grand Lecturer—anytime—to fix or increase the number of Schools to any particular extent, just to secure any record attendance figures; although, of course, it could be pointed out that ordinarily the greater the number of officers and members contacted in any good and well organized program of Schools of Instruction, the greater might be the over-all benefit.

Rather, it seemed that the Schools should be set upon some sectional or area basis, to afford adequate or unit coverage; and, naturally, our twenty-four District units—with District Deputies for certain local arrangements—came to mind. Perhaps, also, there was recollection from other years, when there had been certain rather wistful statements to me, "No, we did not have a School in our District last year;" and it then came to mind that it might be nice if there should be no particular need for such sort of half-apology. The reason for no School seemed to be early, and easily, forgotten, or not known; but the fact that there has been no School seemed to remain regretfully in mind.

For some such reason, among many other considerations, your Grand Master, in accordance with Section 34, Grand Lodge Constitution 1941, suggested and specified, if possible, twenty-four Schools of Instruction; at least one in each District.

The idea, of course, was not new. Instruction in a number of Grand Jurisdictions is handled on a District basis; some nearby Jurisdictions, for example, using a system of separate District Lecturers.

Nor was your Grand Master unaware that our own Grand Lodge, had at times, previously provided that several Lecturers might be appointed at the same time—to attend upon Masonic District Conventions; and that, upon petition, dispensations had been issued by the Grand Master to certain Master Masons to form and open Lodges of Instruction.

The right or authority for a Grand Master to issue dispensations to form and open Lodges is well recognized; but it is well to remember and to recall that a dispensation is not to inaugurate some wish or whim of the Grand Master, or others; but rather to temporarily set aside, or dispense with, some well established fundamental rule or law of Grand Lodge. Lodges of Instruction were not, and are not, a constitutionally established rule of procedure in this Grand Jurisdiction.

In our further search for information, we very importantly find, still recited in our Constitution, under present Article IV, Section 4, Sub-Section Third, that:

"The Grand Lodge, by the ancient Constitutions and usages of the fraternity, is invested with certain original, essential and unalterable powers and privileges belonging to the ancient craft, and has powers especially: . . .

To establish and preserve a uniform mode of working and lectures in accordance with the ancient landmarks and customs of Masonry."

In spite of certain limited opinion, it seems, then, by said Section 4, and Section 34, that the constitutional functions of the Grand Lecturer, are quite clearly and definitely limited and defined; and further, from these same and other sources, that certain duties and responsibilities of the Grand Master, for direction and otherwise, have never been relaxed or removed.

For better understanding we need only to go back to the appointment of the first Grand Lecturer in Maine, in 1826. We find that he was examined by the Grand Master, the Deputy Grand Master, and actually, by the first really active Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Maine. According to record, William King, first Governor of the State of Maine, although officially elected and installed as first Grand Master, was unable, by reason of governmental duties, to attend and assume the Chair of Grand Lodge other than on "June 2nd, A. D. 1820," the second day of the Organization Meeting of the "Grand Lodge for the State of Maine;" and on "June 24th, A. D. 1820," at the Consecration and Installation Ceremonies. It was Simon Greenleaf, one of the Masonic stalwarts of Maine, who mostly presided for Governor

King, and who, with others, was voted as "a committee to prepare and report a (first) code of By-laws for this Grand Lodge."

Certificate in connection with the examination was revealingly as follows:

"We the undersigned, a Committee of the Grand Lodge of Maine, appointed for this purpose, do hereby certify, that we have examined the lectures and work of Bro. Samuel Kidder, *in the three first degrees of Masonry*, and are satisfied with the same as correct, and we recommend to the several lodges under this jurisdiction to avail themselves of his instruction so far as they may need the same, until the next annual communication of the Grand Lodge in January ensuing, at which time it is understood that the subject may receive further attention. (Underscoring ours).

That this appointment and certificate was done away with, by Grand Lodge, the following year, in no way changes the fact that the examination and instruction was upon the basis of the lectures and work in the first three degrees of Masonry; and, in 1828, a committee of three was appointed by the Grand Master, to give Lectures and Instruction.

It was not until 1843, after the lethargy of the anti-masonic excitement had abated somewhat, and when, in order to revive Masonry in Maine, a Masonic State Convention was held in Portland, October 4, 1843, pursuant to previous public notice, especially because Augusta had then officially become the seat of Grand Lodge, that the subject of one or more Grand Lecturers was again presented; and at the following Adjourned Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Maine, in Portland, June 24, 1844, we find informative and interesting report:

"In regard to the second subject named, of employing a Grand Lecturer, your Committee, in view of the present peculiar dilemma, into which almost all the lodges in the State have been brought by reason of long suspension of their Masonic labors, so that they have lost the use of many of their Masonic implements, and the regular mode of using them; and considering as they do the important necessity of keeping up a uniformity in the mode of work; and also the importance of inspiring animation and zeal into the minds of our Brethren generally, at this time, have, after mature deliberation, come to the conclusion, that it is expedient, and we do hereby recommend, that some discreet Brother of suitable age and experience, well skilled in the Masonic Art, be appointed and commissioned

by the Grand Lodge, as a Grand Lecturer, whose duty it shall be to communicate to some one or more of the members of each and every subordinate lodge under this jurisdiction, that shall require the same, full and complete lectures and uniform mode of work *in the first three degrees of Masonry...*" (Underscoring ours).

Just a very few years later, as a result of this revealing report, perhaps, as well as from other matters referred in the Masonic Revival, we find in the Constitution and General Regulations of the Grand Lodge, revised and finally adopted May 4, 1849, that Grand Lecturers had at least gained a constitutional recognition; for it was then provided:

"Whenever, in the opinion of the Grand Master, the interest of the craft requires it, Grand Lecturers may be temporarily appointed, whose duty it shall be to exemplify the Work and Lecture(s) in Grand Lodge, if required, and impart instruction to any Lodge requiring their services..."

Here, the basis of our present Section 34 of the Constitution is clearly discernible; and there can be no question that the limits as to "the first three degrees of Masonry" were clearly understood, and in mind, from the nature of the records and reports of the close previous years.

And so we must find, from the beginning, the pattern of the "work and lectures" as definitely set and specified, and as confined to "the first three degrees of Masonry." It has not since been changed.

Neither was there change at that time, nor since, as to the "certain original, essential and unalterable powers" of the Grand Lodge "to establish *and preserve* a uniform mode of working and lectures," under "the sanction of," or "in accordance with the ancient landmarks and customs of Masonry."

Certainly, the word "preserve" can not mean any system of continuing change or invention to suit new ideas, or passing whims and fancies—by anyone.

In addition to the foregoing, your Grand Master was also deeply conscious, as every Grand Master should be, of the imposing and challenging words of his installation ceremony, as provided and as adopted by Grand Lodge.

Not only does this ceremony point out, that "By immemorial usage and the irrevocable landmarks of Masonry

....(he is)....invested, as Grand Master of Masons, with powers which are well nigh absolute...., but also, "As a Mason, he should cling to the old land-marks, and be sternly opposed to their infringement; be proficient in the laws, *language and literature* of the Fraternity; (and) be desirous to learn and apt to teach....;" and, further, that, "As an officer, he should remember, first of all, that he is an individual Mason, sharing in that respect a common lot with his Brethren, and therefore interested in the welfare of each and all; be devoid of undue ostentation and ~~haughty~~ overbearing; be accessible to all, cultivating the closest friendship and the most unlimited confidence with his associate officers; be eager to take counsel with his Brethren, and ready to give it...."

Surely these words, adopted, published, and distributed, by Grand Lodge—and available to all, before and after the installation of every Grand Master—can not mean that he may casually or even busily sit in some ivory-tower, or distant office. He can not thus, "share a common lot with his Brethren;" "be accessible to all;" "cultivate close friendships with his associate officers" in various lodges; and, really "take counsel with his Brethren."

Nor does the language, in its extremely personal application, seem to hold or indicate even the slightest suggestion—or permission—for the delegation of these functions and attributes to others.

And so it was, that your Grand Master and Grand Lecturer sat down on a number of occasions to consider the Schools of Instruction as contemplated in Section 34, Grand Lodge Constitution 1941, and in which both officers are still constitutionally concerned.

Both were conscious of their official obligation—as everyone in this room who has ever been installed into office should be conscious—and of the solemn promise upon the honor of a Mason, according to the best of their abilities, to strictly comply with the Constitution and Regulations of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maine, and all other ancient Masonic usages, so far as the same should come to their knowledge.

And there was no need, or excuse, that the same should not come to their knowledge—with the Constitution and Text-book, as provided, before them for attention.

There was no need to discuss or suggest the manner of conducting such Schools of Instruction. Said Section 34 clearly indicates that it is the Grand Lecturer who shall exemplify the work and lectures in Grand Lodge, if required, and impart instruction to the officers and brethren of lodges in Schools of Instruction in connection with the same; and your Grand Master had observed, and shared with, the Grand Lecturer in somewhat similar Schools during a period of some ten years.

The discussions were simply to mutually understand the program and limits of instruction, or specifications, under the Constitution; and in the light of various backgrounds. Such specifications seemed very clearly defined in the "original, essential and unalterable powers and privileges" of Grand Lodge, "to establish *and preserve* (not newly create) a uniform mode of working and lectures in accordance with," or under sanction of "the ancient landmarks and customs of Masonry;" and further, as confined to "the first three degrees of Masonry," as by many sources, and in the backgrounds and records before indicated and quoted.

It was earnestly hoped, and resolved, that there should be little or no particular opportunity for members to repeat, "Oh! I like it better the way it used to be."

However, beyond all this, it was well and definitely understood, from the experience of attending Schools of Instruction for some twenty-five years, that the Brethren, in their search for Masonic light and knowledge, would have many questions aside from, and beyond, the working and lectures of the first three degrees of Masonry. Here, it seemed that there might be desired and perhaps required opportunity for a practical expression of the duties and attributes of a Grand Master, as before stated, and adopted.

How better, than by advertised attendance at Schools of Instruction, could a Grand Master "cling to the old landmarks, (and) be . . . opposed to their infringement." How

better, "be proficient in the laws, language and literature of the Fraternity....desirous to learn and apt to teach...."

How better could he, "As an officer,...remember, first of all, that he is an individual Mason, sharing in that respect a common lot." How better, "be accessible to all, cultivating the closest friendship.... with his associate officers" in the various lodges. And how better could he, "be eager to take counsel with his Brethren, and ready to give it....upon every portion of his jurisdiction."

How better, to relieve the Grand Lecturer—and any others—of the awkwardness of many questions, which, in Masonry, and in spite of ambition or desire, are beside and beyond the "working and lectures" of the first three degrees of Masonry; and in which, unalterably, there has been no constitutional authority to act, or speak, or decide, for the Grand Lodge, or the Grand Master.

And so it was, in addition to the constitutional direction as to "times and places" by the Grand Master, and by personal inclination, beyond any expectancy or duty, as set forth in the installation ceremonies, that it was the decision and desire that the Grand Master attend, if possible, each and every School of Instructions—simply to be "accessible to all" and to "take counsel with his Brethren." It did not seem to your present Grand Master that he could do less, and still share "a common lot" with his Brethren.

Actually, a great many points and problems, far more than might be expected or realized, and far beyond the scope of the Schools, had presentation and discussion—some publicly, but many more privately with the Grand Master: Dispensations, jurisdiction, residence, domicile, by-laws, amendments, courtesy work, grievances, offences, incorporation, funds, etc.—hundreds of items, sometimes similar, but always different as to fact or circumstance.

There would have been more; for it was only because of two unavoidable schedule conflicts, and a completely unscheduled virus infection, that the Grand Master could not be present to discuss such questions and problems, and enjoy every regular School in each of the twenty-four Districts.

Some sections were later covered by unscheduled Schools, especially requested; and others by personal visit to various lodges.

Such was the connection of your Grand Master with Schools of Instruction. The many unflinching courtesies extended were appreciated; and there is need, particularly, to express appreciation for the unflinching attention and boundless enthusiasm of the Grand Lecturer in the program outlined.

No Grand Lecturer—ever—more conscientiously and devotedly approached and carried out the constitutional program of Schools of Instruction.

I am grateful to him.

ENDOWMENTS.

In 1930, from the foreword of the Report of the late M. W. Ashley A. Smith, D. D., Past Grand Master of Maine, and then Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, we find the following:

"An annual suggestion—in no sense an importunate appeal—might be made along the same line as the other Grand Lodges for increased Endowments."

Other pertinent excerpts from the Foreword of M. W. Brother Smith, in 1930, might appear as follows:

"Maine has never stressed the matter (endowments). Although we have a few small bequests which have been generously given in former years by earnest brethren, and these have grown by judicious management and re-investment into substantial endowments at the present time.

"Many of our well-to-do and even wealthy members, have never had the matter brought to their attention and while Maine has a few such bequests made largely on the brother's own initiative—it is our conviction that many others would do the same kindly service if the matter was brought to their attention in the proper way.

"Our Maine Charity Foundation might be augmented in this way by just bringing the matter to the attention of the brethren in a quiet way, and their good will and judgment will do the rest."

Other Grand Masters in Maine have followed the suggestion and particularly may we note quotation from M. W. Brother Smith, and additional comment, by M. W. Brother George F. Giddings, in his Annual Address as Grand Master, Page 501, 1939 Proceedings:

" Our Grand Lodge Charity Fund offers every Mason an opportunity to establish a memorial to himself that will endure through many generations to come by setting aside by gift or bequest a sum, be it a hundred or a thousand dollars, that will remain in the hands of the Trustees to aid in the comfort and support of worthy, needy brethren and their dependents."

He continues:

" What greater recompense can one have than to know that he has contributed to the relief of some worthy brother Master Mason, or those dependent on him? "

Your present Grand Master is glad to repeat, and to again call these sentiments to attention.

DISPENSATIONS.

The very narrow limits of constitutional authority for the issuance of dispensations should be pointed out and kept in mind; and should be of concern to every Grand Master, and many Masons in Maine.

As previously stated, a dispensation is not to carry into effect some wish or whim of the Grand Master—or others; but actually, to dispense with, or temporarily set aside some sound and fundamental rule or law of Masonry or Grand Lodge. And it is only with extreme care, and very unusual circumstance, that any of the tested and beneficial laws and rules of Masonry can be set aside, even temporarily, without some loss or even injury to the few or many concerned. History reveals the failure of many great nations, organizations, and governments, where there has been creeping substitution or temporary and immediate expediency, for the organic law and the well grounded concepts and ideals which made such governments, organizations and nations great.

Many interjurisdictional visits and contacts indicate an increasing awareness of this inherent danger of dispensations—some Grand Masters indicating a determination to reduce and resist even very careful issuance.

In Maine, the number of Dispensations has declined somewhat from the high of last year; but in each and every case the request, or application, has been carefully considered as to sufficiency of information and circumstance. The variety of reasons remains about the same, with cases connected with the Armed Services predominating.

It is in this Armed Services field, which is now an almost accepted part of every day living, that most Grand Masters are having difficulty in finding "emergency" in anything which can be so readily foreseen; or in circumstances being "extraordinary" which are so common that we may reliably expect them to happen on an almost daily, weekly, or even monthly basis.

A table of comparisons is included herewith:

DISPENSATIONS.						
Comparative Summary.						
	1948-9	1949-50	1950-1	1951-2	1952-3	1953-4
To Confer Degrees.....	9	11	23	31	31	20
To Visit or Entertain from other Grand Jurisdictions.	2	8	12	7	14	4
To Receive Applications....	1	0	1	0	0	0
To Elect Officers.....	1	1	3	2	1	3
To Hold Annual Meeting...	2	1	1	0	1	0
To Hold Meetings in other Halls,.....	3	3	2	1	3	1
Special Miscellaneous.....	0	0	0	0	2	10
Totals.....	18	24	42	41	52	38

Detail of Dispensations issued may be found in Appendix "A" attached.

REVISIONS AND AMENDMENTS TO LODGE BY-LAWS.

Misunderstanding, or inattention, as to the requirements of Section 86, Constitution Grand Lodge of Maine 1941 (Pages 32-33), seems to continue, just as the amendments continue in about the same number as last year.

The said Section 86 very clearly provides:

"A lodge adopting or revising by-laws shall forward copies in *triplicate* of such by-laws or revisions, *properly attested as to date of proposal and adoption*, by the lodge, to the Grand Master for his approval..." and said Section 86 continues further, and explains the reason and "must" for the several copies:

"On approval *one copy* shall be returned to the lodge, and *two copies* forwarded to the Recording Grand Secretary for the *Grand Lodge Library*."

This Constitutional requirement for attestations, and the several copies, leaves the Grand Master no alternative except

delay and correspondence when such attestations or sufficient copies are missing. With only one, or perhaps two, exceptions such delay and correspondence has had to occur.

In one other respect, Secretaries and others could be very helpful, although it is not required by the Constitution. It would be very helpful, for example, as the triplicate copies, properly attested, are made out, that a *fourth* copy should be made and included. In these days of typewriters and carbon paper this is not too difficult; and it saves the Grand Master from having to make up a separate copy for his record as to just what he has approved. Any Grand Master will really appreciate the thoughtful courtesy of a *fourth* copy attested as to date of proposal and adoption.

This constant attention and revision of by-laws, and portions thereof, is a pleasing evidence that the lodges are alert to their changing local conditions.

REVISIONS AND AMENDMENTS TO LODGE BY-LAWS.

Comparative Summary.

	1948-9	1949-50	1950-1	1951-2	1952-3	1953-4
General Revisions.....	0	3	2	3	2	2
Amendments.....	20	10	16	35	18	19
Totals.....	20	13	18	38	20	21

A list of revisions and amendments appears in Appendix "B" attached.

THE GEORGE WASHINGTON TWO HUNDREDTH MASONIC ANNIVERSARY YEAR FOR MAINE.

In accordance with vote of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Maine, at its One Hundred and Thirty-third Annual Communication, that suitable program be instituted to commemorate the Two Hundredth Anniversary of the making of George Washington a Mason, a Special Committee, under the Chairmanship of Henry R. Gillis, Past Grand Master of Maine, and Grand Representative, Grand Lodge of Virginia, was appointed, as appears on Page 702, 1952 Proceedings.

The Committee was a good one—it really worked.

Unlike certain Grand Jurisdictions, where there were celebrations almost simultaneously required and observed within very narrow limits around November 4th, it seemed to your Grand Master that there could be a much broader and more general observance, to include even more than first Masonic Light.

In accordance with this more general idea, your Grand Master, on September 2, 1952, issued Proclamation designating October 1, 1952 to October 1, 1953, as

The George Washington Two Hundredth
Masonic Anniversary Year for Maine

and urging that all members, and Lodges and Districts, under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Maine, wherever and whenever possible, have suitable recognition and observance of many events, and a re-dedication to the principles and faith and the greatness of George Washington, the Man and the Mason.

The very wide acceptance and response to the general program and objectives, was very pleasing, and Special Committee Report as to the observances of The George Washington Two Hundredth Masonic Anniversary Year for Maine, will be presented for your information later in this Annual Grand Lodge Communication.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES.

Recommendation for the appointment of Grand Representatives of other Grand Jurisdictions near the Grand Lodge of Maine have been as follows:

Arkansas	ARTHUR W. SEAWARD	Kittery
Wisconsin	CLIFFORD H. M. FERRY	Millinocket
British Columbia	EVERETT S. HIGGINS	Lubec
New South Wales	ADIN L. HOPKINS	Camden

On recommendation of other Grand Jurisdictions, appointments as Grand Representatives of the Grand Lodge of Maine, near other Grand Lodges, have been made as follows:

South Carolina	FRED C. McFADDEN	Rock Hill
Tasmania	V. P. FORD	Hobart
Texas	CLINTON D. SHOEMAKER	Jacksonville
Vermont	JULIUS C. THOMAS	Orwell
France (Grand Lodge Nationale Francaise)	A. BAXTER	Pierre Cheret

MAINE MASONIC TEXTBOOK.

It is proper to suggest, for the personal use and information of every individual Mason, the purchase of the Maine Masonic Textbook, through the Lodge Secretary.

It could be said, that the lodge which has the highest ratio of Textbooks in the hands of its members, for their own personal use as they choose, in all probability will be the Best Lodge in the State of Maine; because its membership will be the most interested and best informed membership in the State of Maine. Information, conveniently at hand, always creates interest, and interest, in turn, will always seek and produce more information. It is an inspiring cycle.

The individual Mason, by having his own personal Textbook, will find a greater appreciation of Masonry, and of the work of the Lodge Officers. The background stories, ceremonies, rules, regulations, decisions, opinions, etc., are fascinating in their interest, and as alive and moving as the beating of a heart; and it is our interest and information which can strengthen and nourish the great, pulsing heart of universal Freemasonry.

A new supply of Textbooks has been printed, and it is hoped that everyone here, as well as many other individual members, will make use of the opportunity to secure one.

INCORPORATION OF LODGES.

Particular reference is made to that section of the Grand Master's Address of last year, which appears under Incorporation of Lodges, Pages 58-69, 1953 Proceedings; and the report of the Committee on Jurisprudence, in reference thereto, as appears on Page 112, of said 1953 Proceedings.

For reasons deemed sufficient, it seemed advisable to delay, for the time being, the suggested investigation and report to Grand Lodge for suitable attention.

Contact has been had with the Deputy Grand Master, as to the situation; and suggestions were received from him as to the general form of a questionnaire to secure needed information.

and to state that our reviews "are informative and written in literary excellence."

A new portrait of Bro. Moore at his desk precedes his Report.

The Iowa statistics show that there are 15,620 lodges in the United States, with a combined membership of 3,964,657. The yearly increase was 71,946.

Bro. Ray R. Douglass was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Earl B. Delzell was re-elected.

IRELAND, 1954.

The Annual Meeting of the Grand Lodge of Ireland was held in Dublin on St. John the Evangelist's Day, 1954. The Grand Master, M. W. Raymond F. Brooke, was on the Throne. He was re-elected as Grand Master for the coming year.

The Grand Master announced the retirement of Major General Sir George Franks, K. C. B., as Provincial Grand Master of Wicklow and Wexford. He was succeeded as such by R. W. Charles L. McDonogh, M. D.

Grand Lodge meetings were held in March, June, October and December. The March meeting was held in Cork, and the October meeting in Belfast. At Belfast, the Grand Master laid the foundation stone of the new Masonic Temple, being erected by the Provincial Grand Lodge of Antrim at a cost of 173,000 pounds.

An emergency grant of 100 pounds was made to the Lord Mayor's flood relief fund.

The Grand Lodge mourns the death of the R. W. and Rt. Rev. A. E. Hughes, D. D., Bishop of Kilmore, Elphin and Ardagh, Past Grand Chaplain, and of R. W. Bro. W. N. T. Williams, Grand Inspector for Bermuda and Superintendent of Police in that Colony.

Warrants were issued for five new lodges, two of which are located in Northern Ireland, one in South Africa, one in India and one in Singapore. The Grand Inspector at Hong Kong flew 2,000 miles to constitute the new lodge at Singapore.

The Irish lodges in Rhodesia united with those of the English Constitution in a meeting honoring His Excellency the Governor General, the Rt. Hon. Lord Llewellyn, G. B. E., M. C., D. L., Provincial Grand Master of Dorset. They also welcomed the Assistant Grand Master of England, Major General Sir Allan Adair, Bt., C. B., D. S. O., M. C., on the occasion of his visit to Rhodesia.

A degree team from the Irish Grand Lodge of Instruction visited England and demonstrated the conferring of the Master Mason degree according to the Irish working in the London Masonic Temple.

The Grand Lodge adopted a resolution for transmission to the Grand Lodge of Greece in which it expressed its regret and disappointment that

"The charter or charter certificate must be present when the lodge is opened." (Constitution, Section 132). In other words—unless there is a "live" Charter, and the Master "can have access thereto and take the same into his possession at his discretion." (See S. R. 41, Sec. 1), there can be no opened lodge. (See also Maine Masonic Textbook, under Installation, Page 65).

c. In very recent years, several Charters have been "lost track of"—through no fault of the Landmarks, or Legislation by Constitution or Standing Regulations.

It is the Special Duty of the District Deputies, this year, to see that the provisions of the Constitution and Standing Regulations are not overlooked, or ignored.

Therefore, each District Deputy will require, under provisions of Standing Regulation No. 41, Section III, that the Charter be produced:—"Upon the visitation of the lodge by the . . . District Deputy Grand Master . . ."

This means, of course, "that notice to that effect shall have been seasonably given."

This year, each District Deputy Grand Master, on the back of the blue "Report of Official Visit" for each Lodge, and in connection with the question, "Did you inspect their Charter?" should definitely be able to answer "Yes".

There should be no need to say, at any time, or in any case, "No Charter—No Official Visit."

Such, Brethren, among many others, were the miscellaneous mimeographed instructions given to your District Deputies; and I believe, for the most part, that they were very conscientiously carried out.

I know that there were mixed reactions to the program—many Lodges saying, "There is no need for all of that. We always have our Charter present at Installation, and any other time when requested to do so;" while other Lodges very frankly stated, "We have never done it that way (some even mentioning thirty-five years), and we always thought the certificate on the wall (or in the ante-room) took care of such things." Some Lodges insisted that the Charters were in banks or vaults, somewhere, for safekeeping; but later found them in locations other than as expected.

Several Charters really thought to be "lost" over rather long periods of years, have been found by diligent and extended search, and restored to the required care and custody of the respective Masters—one being found in a seldom

used safe in the cellar of a retired Past Master who had moved to another town some distance away from his Lodge and former place of business; another which had been "missing" for a long time was found behind some shelving in a bank vault; another, a long way off, was found in a storage vault in Portland; while yet another was unidentified in a distant vault where it had been hurriedly and temporarily placed because of a disastrous fire which had destroyed the lodge hall and almost the entire community.

Doubtless there were other interesting experiences in locating and displaying Charters.

Of special interest might be a quotation from a very courteous post-script of a letter recently received:

"...this meeting is sponsored by the Paul Revere Club, an organization recently formed by Past Masters and members...to promote the welfare and preserve the traditions of Maine's oldest Masonic lodge. The name of the club had its origin from the fact that many of the brethren discovered the signature of that great Mason on our original charter which was on display in the lodge room during the latest official visit of the District Deputy Grand Master."

If there had been no other purpose than to bring to the attention of certain lodges the matters of Grand Lodge Constitution and Regulations concerning Charters, the resulting formation of this one club "to promote the welfare and preserve the traditions" would have been worth while.

Your Grand Master has been personally present on other occasions when a charter was displayed, and it was very pleasing to observe the wide and very general interest in these important and fundamental documents which had been so seldom seen in some few Lodges.

At the present time there seem to be only two Charters which might appear to be really "misplaced"—Harwood Lodge, No. 91, Machias and Anchor Lodge, No. 158, South Bristol. One is still thought to be in a bank vault somewhere; and the other to be among the papers of a deceased Brother, which will not be accessible until the return of some of the family during the summer. I am sure, as careful search continues, that these two missing Charters will be discovered and restored to the proper custody of the respective Masters.

Let's have each Master conscious of his duty; and each Charter present at the time of Installation.

VISITATIONS AND MASONIC FUNCTIONS

ATTENDED.

No listing of Visitations and Masonic Functions Attended, can ever cover or express the never-ending delight and inspiration to the Grand Master, in the multitude of personal contacts made. There is relaxation, refreshment, and stimulus, in meeting with so many close personal friends, and with the thousands of Masonic friends and brothers, old and new.

As was somewhat similarly expressed, a year ago, the happy reflections consequent upon the many well spent visits and occasions, will come surging back to brighten and adorn the prospective hours of refreshment and rest, in present and in future years; and there is great and sincere appreciation in the privilege and opportunity of building such great storehouse of treasure, for such everyday use, even before the twilight of memories shall set in.

Only as a comparison of great opportunity and privilege, and in no sense as a measure of any quality or value in services rendered, the following tables are presented herewith.

VISITATIONS.

Comparative Summary.

1948-9 1949-50 1950-1 1951-2 1952-3 1953-4

Local Lodge Visits.	22	20	33	42	61	176
Total Masonic Functions. . .	**	**	57	76	127	251

Note—** Total Masonic Functions not listed in Proceedings.

For detailed reference and information a list of Visitations and Masonic Functions attended is attached herewith as Appendix "C."

Many more informal meetings and functions could have been included.

BREAKDOWN OR ANALYSIS OF APPENDIX "C".

Maine Lodges Visited by the Grand Master This Year.	153
Maine Lodge Meetings Attended by the Grand Master This Year. . . .	176

Maine Lodge Anniversary Celebrations Attended by the Grand Master This Year.....	10
Grand Jurisdictions Visited by the Grand Master This Year.....	8
Schools of Instruction (All Types) Attended by the Grand Master This Year.....	21
District Meetings Attended by the Grand Master This Year.....	19
Maine Masonic Functions Attended by the Grand Master This Year..	232
Out-of-State Masonic Functions Attended by the Grand Master This Year.....	19
Total Masonic Function (As by Appendix "C") Attended by the Grand Master This Year.....	251

NOTE: Within a comparatively few week it is planned, and expected, that the present Grand Master, who makes this report, will have personally visited in each and every lodge in this Grand Jurisdiction.

Only a very few such visits remain, which some illness and unavoidable schedule conflicts have made it impossible to complete, before this report. It will be a pleasure—for me at least—to complete these visit and unofficially continue in many others.

LAYING OF CORNER STONE.

As will also appear in the 1954 Proceedings, a Special Communication of the M. W. Grand Lodge of Maine was held at Orrington, Maine, on Saturday, April 24, 1954, for the Laying of the Corner Stone of the New Masonic Temple for Ralph J. Pollard Lodge, No. 217, under construction.

The old ceremony of Laying Corner Stones, by Masons, quite common in former days, has been falling into disuse in recent years. Prior to this particular occasion, it had been fifteen years since a corner stone was laid with Masonic rites in Maine.

From time immemorial it has been the custom of the Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons to lay, when requested so to do, with their ancient forms, the corner stone of buildings erected for Masonic purpose; for the worship of God; for charitable objects; or for the purposes of the administration of justice and free government; and of no other buildings. The ceremony is one of the few Masonic Ceremonies which can be performed in the sight of the general public.

In a very common way of thinking, we frequently seem to believe that the only Rituals and Ceremonies we have, are for Degree Work behind tyled doors; but this is not so, for here we have an old and very splendid Ritual and Ceremony for use in public, and outside tyled doors. It is good to have opportunity, from time to time, to realize that there is a great deal more to Masonry than just Degree work, and the forms and rituals connected with it.

The Brethren of Ralph J. Pollard Lodge, No. 217, the youngest lodge in this Grand Jurisdiction, and one which bears honored name, are to be congratulated on their zeal and enthusiasm, and their opportunity to share in the building of the new Temple for their use; and we may be grateful that they bring to mind and attention that we have Rituals and Ceremonies which are very important in our Masonry, although perhaps seldom used. It is interesting to note that our beloved Brother Ralph J. Pollard, served as Senior Grand Warden at the previous laying of the corner stone of the Dexter Post Office.

The scheduled program consisted of the Corner Stone Ceremonies in the afternoon; followed by a bountiful supper, and an evening Communication with work in the F. C. degree, and an address by P. M. W. Bro. Ralph J. Pollard.

We can be proud in the determination and effort by the members and officers of Ralph J. Pollard Lodge, No. 217.

OUTSTANDING MASONIC EVENTS.

In the multitude of impressions and recollections in the more than two hundred and fifty masonic functions attended this year, it would be particularly difficult, and perhaps unfair, to set up a few events as particularly outstanding when there were so many. Each particular occasion had its own special interest and appeal, which have compounded into a tremendous respect and appreciation for Maine, and Maine Masonry.

The Washington, D. C. Meetings were impressive.

It was indeed an honor and privilege for Maine and your Grand Master to sit with over one thousand and thirty Masons at the banquet tables, at the same time, and in the

same room, and later to address them as the principal speaker, on the subject of "The Outstanding Greatness—Of A Petty King" at the Feast of Saint John the Evangelist as observed by the Grand Lodge of the Most Ancient and Honorable Society of Free and Accepted Masons for the State of New Jersey, at Trenton, December 12, 1953. It was a challenge, and a signal honor, to be invited to follow M. W. and Rev. Thomas Sherrard Roy of Massachusetts who was guest speaker the year before.

There was color and stirring response to being "piped" into the 98th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Canada, for the province of Ontario, at Toronto, July 13-17, 1953, by kilted bagpipe band.

There was unusual pleasure in attending the Quarterly Communication of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, and to have special invitation, as Grand Master, to attend a Special Communication and Reception in the exceptionally beautiful (to me) Lodge room of Monitor Lodge in Waltham, Massachusetts, where I was born and grew up—that is if I ever really did grow up. (Sometimes my wife informs me that I never quite "made it"—but I seem to enjoy it that way). Many boyhood and early manhood recollections came flooding back as I had opportunity to speak and meet with old friends and schoolmates at this outstanding Reception to Melvin Maynard Johnson, Outstanding Mason, and Dean of the Past Grand Masters of Massachusetts, on the occasion of his Fiftieth Anniversary of serving as Worshipful Master of Monitor Lodge.

It was impressive to attend the Installation Ceremony of our good friend and Brother, Whitefield W. Johnson, as he was installed as the new Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, in ancient form and ceremony, and invested with three-cornered colonial or Paul Revere hat of that office. Brother Johnson was invested with the hat—not his station.

The Dedication of Halls, and Laying Corner Stones, as elsewhere reported, are always important and outstanding events.

These and many other recollections may be recalled, but none can be more impressive than the multitude of pleasing recollections which may come to mind in the hundreds of visits to Maine Lodges in this and previous years; the delightful custom and practice of changing organ music, and the officers of Springvale Lodge, No. 190, entering their Lodge room in procession, exactly as the nearby curfew sound at 7.30 P. M.; the deep impressiveness of the long, slow and steady circumambulation of the candidate in this Corinthian Hall, in absolute silence, after the Lesson of some degree has been recited; the effective organ or piano music as a background of lessons and circumambulations in other lodges; the almost casual perfection of the work and lectures of officers and members in many lodges; such fixed and intensely earnest concentration by certain officers, that their words, all unknowingly come tumbling out, occasionally doubled-up and sometimes transposed, in the earnestness of their effort; the precision of floor work in many lodges, indicating long hours of rehearsal; the infinite adaptability and competence of many officers and members in unexpected circumstances and situations; the capable and fraternal business proceedings; the stirring appeal of problems, and the quiet strength and expression of true Masonry in practical applications; the cordial attentions; the gracious thoughtfulness; the proud ceremonies; all these—and a hundred other impressions, to be followed by still more—all equally important, all equally fascinating, all equally to be remembered—have made almost each and every event attended, an Outstanding Masonic Event. I am proud to have shared in them.

MAINE MASONIC BLOODBANK.

The need and subject of a Maine Masonic Bloodbank has been brought sharply to attention on several occasions during the year just past.

While such a worthwhile program is by no means automatic, we do have in Maine the need, and at least a well developed nucleus, and timely opportunity, for a splendid Masonic Service.

In Maine, this nucleus has developed around certain hospitals where independent Lodges, or groups, have developed

and maintained independent blood-banks for a number of years; for example, Star in the East Lodge, No. 60, Old Town, has had a blood-bank program through the Eastern Maine General Hospital, at Bangor, for some six or more years; Mystic Lodge, No. 65, Hampden, is in the process of developing such a program through the same hospital; and Anah Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., Bangor, has a broad program which covers the eastern and northern sections of the State through that same Hospital. In another direction we have the Seventeenth Masonic District Blood Bank, which is maintained through the Maine General Hospital, at Portland, with slightly different rules of procedure than those at Bangor. And no doubt there are many other Lodges or Masonic Groups which have programs, but which simply have not come to my particular immediate attention.

The Grand Lodge of Massachusetts has developed, and maintains, a blood-bank program through its Lodges, but in connection with the American Red Cross, which service, for the moment, does not seem to be available to Lodges in Maine.

Other Grand Lodges maintain similar programs, not confined to limited benefit to the members of some particular Lodge but to all Masons, and their dependents, whenever there is immediate Masonic need and distress.

It is in the well integrated programs of Massachusetts and other Grand Jurisdictions that we find acute embarrassment, when the Masonic needs of Maine Masons are unhesitatingly supplied, and we in turn are unable to reciprocate when their members find unexpected and urgent need within our Jurisdiction.

As is all too apparent, that urgent need for blood, cannot be controlled as to time, location, and place. The need strikes quickly, and often it is far from home, and friends, and Lodge; and it is here that the great universal brotherhood of Masonry may so wonderfully appear. In an integrated program between Lodges, and between Jurisdictions, a great Masonic need may be served, and blood bank credits may be created, assigned, and even the blood itself transferred, when a truly co-ordinated centralization, such as through a Grand Lodge, is in effect.

The time for such an integrated and co-ordinated program is urgent, and now; and only to enable the Masons in Maine to share in the benefits where and when needed, but also to reciprocate when occasion need requires. But even more than this, the need is now—because of the larger program of blood banks which is certain, as the Civil Defense Program increases. We must be ahead of it—and well organized—or our Masonic program will be lost, or will never be able to establish its particular identity in the face of the large, over-all Civil Defense program.

At one other point do we have a strong nucleus, in Maine, around which to build. In all blood bank or similar programs there has been found to be a necessity of initial, and continuing, education, information, and appeal. In the first flush of enthusiasm there is easy response. Lodges will respond; donors will respond—but it must be realized that the same Lodges and donors cannot continue to give, and go on giving, over and over again. There must be periods of rest, and other Lodges and donors must be continually found to reliably take their places during the rest periods in donations and in enthusiasm. There must be a continuing contact throughout the Jurisdiction, if any program is to hold its own; particularly in the face of continuing pressures in Civil Defense.

We have such a focal point of education, information, and appeal, in our Grand Lodge Committee on Education, which in reality is a function of our Committee on Library and Museum, and particularly in their "Occasional Bulletin," an official publication, which reaches into the length and breadth of this Grand Jurisdiction. Not only may this Bulletin be dedicated to Masonic information and Education, but it can also be dedicated, perhaps by means of greater frequency, to one of the finest and most vital Masonic services yet conceived in the urgent, critical, and unpredictable hour of Masonic need.

With all the earnestness at my command, I sincerely hope that some over-all Maine Masonic Blood-bank Program, suitable for integration with other Grand Jurisdictions, may be initiated by this Grand Lodge; and that some, perhaps

many, interested and well informed Brethren will bring the matter to attention, from the floor of Grand Lodge if necessary, for the earnest consideration of the Brethren here assembled.

It is tragic, Brethren, that a Brother Mason should die—because there is no blood bank available to him—and when there is no time to seek and to find donors of the types needed.

Tragic, also, are the words, "Too little—too late," when those who might make existing supplies available, can not be conveniently located.

These words need never be uttered in Maine, if we have a well organized program, with understanding, integrity, reliability—and human kindness—between Lodges, Brethren, Hospitals, and others.

I submit the need, and the ideal, for such a blood-bank program for your consideration.

DECISIONS — OPINIONS — REFERENCES.

As stated a year ago, there are two great standards which have been clearly and imposingly set up in Maine, and between which each question, as presented to the Grand Master for Decision, Opinion, or Reference, should pass.

When these standards are well and firmly fixed in the mind of each and every one of us, we shall have greater appreciation, and respect, and a broader understanding, in the problems of Masonry.

Both of these standards are from the words of a world leader in Freemasonry and Fraternal Correspondence, and, very importantly, from a world leader in Masonic Jurisprudence, our own Josiah H. Drummond. His opinions were, and are, accepted everywhere, and we may be very proud to report them here.

Well recognized and widely published, two of his great standards, were as follows:

(1) "The recognition of immutable laws relating to the Institution, which the Fraternity itself cannot change and remain Masonic in Character, imposes upon the governing bodies the duty of seeing that 'the Ancient Landmarks be preserved'; this duty introduces into the Masonic system of jurisprudence a feature peculiar to itself."

and

(2) " The study of Masonic Jurisprudence from the early times, teaches most emphatically not only rigid adherence to the fundamental principles and Landmarks of the Society, unyielding resistance to all innovations however slight, and faithful obedience to the laws and usages of the Craft; but also while in other relations one may lawfully do what is not prohibited, to a Mason whatever does not find a warrant in those Landmarks, laws, or usages is absolutely forbidden."

We may read and repeat these words, over and over again; and when we keep our Masonic thinking, our questions, and our actions, circumscribed within their precepts, our Masonic understanding will be strengthened and immeasurably broadened; and it will be impossible that we should materially err. It is only when we try to set up the little standards of our own, that confusion arises, misunderstandings occur, and our great Fraternity is harmed, and becomes less Masonic in its character.

Between these great standards of Masonry, much of the need for Decisions and Opinions by the Grand Master disappears; and one may safely, wisely, and informatively satisfy questions by means of References—old, true, and proven.

With the wealth of the years behind us, and the matchless strength and skill of distinguished predecessors, we may hesitate to presume that there will be new and startling decisions, or previously undiscovered wise opinions. True, there may be come scintillating genius who quickly comes among us—fired with zeal and ambition to create—but we must remember for him—and for ourselves—that it is our job, as Masons, to "preserve" and not to "create"—and that the true measure and manifestation of strength and genius is in the ability to mold and adapt the lives of men to Masonry; and not by even brilliant half-measures try to adjust our Masonry to the rushing, devious, rapid changes in present-day living, with little to recommend it except progress in a reckless race for power, a bigoted intolerance, and atomic destruction.

As well try to change a sturdy, outspreading, and sheltering oak, into some sort of clinging vine or ivy to drape a newly constructed wall.

May we restfully pause, for the moment, to contemplate,

and really view the larger central portions of the beautiful stained-glass windows which adorn the walls of our Temple.

We have learned, in modern times, that lodges are dedicated to Saint John the Baptist, and Saint John the Evangelist, said to be two eminent Christian patrons of Freemasonry.

Here, in this room, there is more than appropriate ritualistic phrasing; for here we have, in all the deep richness of coloring and detail, the life size representations of Saint John the Baptist, cousin and forerunner of Jesus, on the left; and Saint John the Evangelist, associate, confidant and disciple of Jesus, on the right. The architectural concept of such windows was most appropriate.

If I were to leave no other thought, I wish that I might impress upon your minds, to look at these two windows—often—and note their changing light values. Let it not be said, arbitrarily, that there is no light in the North; for here in Maine, in this Grand Lodge, in this room, and, at this very moment, we have it:—actually, spiritually, and masonically.

We may observe, as we now view these windows in our present peace and security, the richness of their coloring, the sharpness of their detail, even the earnestness of expression, of those two great leaders and patrons of Freemasonry:—the one, the man of the wilderness, a great example of strength and fortitude, even to giving up his life—as did another we know of in legend—because he could not recant or surrender in that which he had voluntarily assumed; and the other, the favored writer and disciple, who gave to the years, the matchless story of the Eternal One who also died that we might live.

Those windows, my Brethren, in that north wall of our Temple, are like our Masonry. So long as the radiance of daylight and of the sun, with all its limitless energies and forces from the past, streams to us through those windows, their beauty, richness, and detail, are apparent. But when we try to set up our own little imitations of solar light, and try to illuminate those windows—and our Masonry—from our viewpoint, they become dull and lifeless, with beauty, significance, and detail gone.

Let's take the lesson of our windows, so emphatically but otherwise expressed by Drummond in those great standards of the immutable laws of our Institution with consequent jurisprudence peculiar to itself; and, to Masons, whatever does not find warrant in the Landmarks, laws, and usages, is absolutely forbidden.

Let's hold to his emphatic standard of rigid adherence to the fundamental principles and Landmarks of the Society, and unyielding resistance to all innovations however slight—even more than we should resist casual or studied mutilation of those windows.

Yes, there might be those with artistic or ambitious zeal, who might want to try a little change of color, here and there, for some special light or purpose; or who might fancy, for a time, a change in the earnestness of expression—to some thoughtless smile, or even tear upon the cheek.

But, Brethren, let's hold to our windows—and our Masonry—as they are; so that their full radiance—as from those patron figures now—may continue to look down upon us, from a light and radiance much greater than our own.

When we stand by the lesson of our windows, and try our questions and problems by the great standards of Drummond, we will find less need, for Decisions and Opinions, and less temptation for comparatively easy snap-judgment instead of the strong, good answers from the record of the past.

Again, this year, there seemed to be no question with need for Decision or Opinion, which could not find answer by Reference to well established Laws and Opinions already given.

In each question there has been careful search, and a conscious effort, not only to provide answer, but to give information and understanding with it.

CONCLUSION.

A great many years ago, in the days of Isabella, Queen of Spain—but one hundred years after the great Regius Poem of Masonry was written—there was a dauntless leader, who sailed out upon an unknown ocean, to widen the bounds of human knowledge, to further the great cause of discovery, and to find a great continent instead of a new route to the riches of India.

He had not gone far, when his crew—terrified by the unknown and increasing mystery of the deep—tried to turn him back; and failing, they threatened to put him in chains, to kill him if necessary, to gain control of the ship. But the dominance of his spirit gave him mastery over them; and he prevailed—against their numbers, their terror, and their threats. And the day after his most serious encounter with the mutineers, we find Columbus wrote in the log-book of his ship, with direct and revealing simplicity: "This day we sailed West."

There is a lesson here for every-day living; the essence of a whole philosophy. He did not preserve or record the petty annoyances, the nagging hardships, or his own uncertain moments of doubt. He steadfastly viewed and remembered only the big thing he was determined to do; and made that the permanent record in his log-book, and in his heart.

So may we never be dismayed by the multitude of conditions, or difficulties, which beset us. If we are big enough, we shall not falter. If we are big enough, we shall not complain. If we are big enough, we too may write in our log-books, and in our hearts—proudly; "This day we sailed West!"

APPENDIX "A"

Dispensations Granted.

To Permit Lodges to confer degrees in less than the required time on Candidates in Military or Connected Service:

(53- 1) Delta Lodge, No. 153,	May 8, 1953
(54- 2) Union Lodge, No. 31,	May 8, 1953
(56- 4) Winter Harbor Lodge, No. 192,	May 8, 1953
(59- 7) Ancient Land-Mark Lodge, No. 17,	May 23, 1953
(61- 9) Ancient Land-Mark Lodge, No. 17,	June 5, 1953
(62-10) Deering Lodge, No. 183,	June 15, 1953
(63-11) Lafayette Lodge, No. 48,	July 18, 1953
(64-12) Hancock Lodge, No. 4,	July 18, 1953
(65-13) Molunkus Lodge, No. 165,	July 18, 1953
(66-14) Kennebec Lodge, No. 5,	Aug. 11, 1953
(67-15) Rising Star Lodge, No. 177,	Aug. 18, 1953
(73-21) Freedom Lodge, No. 42,	Oct. 24, 1953
(75-23) Meduncook Lodge, No. 211,	Nov. 14, 1953
(76-24) Olive Branch Lodge, No. 124,	Dec. 8, 1953
(78-26) Lynde Lodge, No. 174,	Dec. 19, 1953
(81-29) Monument Lodge, No. 96,	Dec. 30, 1953

The Grand Master reminded the brethren that his father had served as Grand Master thirty years ago, and quoted from his annual address delivered in 1925. Bro. Mitchell was well satisfied with the condition of the Craft. He was pleased at the response to his letter calling for contributions for the new buildings at the Masonic Home. To date, the sum of \$800,000 has been contributed to this project.

Bro. Mitchell participated in the Washington Meetings, attended Grand Lodge communications in Illinois, Colorado, Nebraska and Canada in Ontario, and was assiduous in visiting lodges in his own State. He held a Grand Master's breakfast in a St. Louis hotel, which was attended by more than 750 brethren who had previously attended Church Services. The address at this breakfast was delivered by Bro. J. C. Penney, one of America's leading merchants. During the year, one consolidation was effected. Cornerstones were laid for a college library, a private school chapel, a Christian Church, a new Masonic Temple, and two public school buildings.

The Grand Master ruled that the consolidation of one lodge with another does not carry with it the territorial jurisdiction of said lodge. He also ruled that an appointive officer, once he is installed, cannot be removed from office by the Worshipful Master, and that a lodge by-law authorizing such removal is invalid.

During the year, the Grand Lodge began the publication of an official magazine, known as "*The Free Mason*." This is free to all members.

At this communication, a commission as Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of the State of Israel was presented to M. W. Bro. Harry S. Truman. In view of the contribution which M. W. Bro. Truman made, while President of the United States to the establishment of Israel as a sovereign state, this appointment is most appropriate.

At the suggestion of M. W. Bro. Truman, the brethren stood with bowed heads while the Grand Chaplain prayed for the recovery of President Dwight D. Eisenhower, who was then suffering from his heart attack.

Fraternal recognition was extended to the Grand Lodges of Amazonas and Acre, Bahia, Ceara, Para, Paraiba, Piaui and Pernambuco in Brazil; the Grand Lodges of Barranquilla, Bogota and Cartagena in Colombia; and the Grand Lodge of Ecuador. The Committee stated: "Only by a policy of recognizing all deserving grand lodges may we expect to attain that universality of Freemasonry on which we pride ourselves, and through which we expect to bring peace to a troubled world."

M. W. Bro. Ray V. Denslow again presented the Missouri Correspondence Report. As always, this is a most interesting document, containing much information not ordinarily found in reports of this nature. Much space is devoted to Latin American bodies, for which Bro. Denslow has a particular sympathy and liking. On the question of foreign recognition, Bro. Denslow is a pronounced liberal, who has little patience with those ultra-conservative brethren who insist on dotting the "i's" and crossing the "t's." He feels that these brethren are often animated by prejudice

and spite, and regards them as "small" men, standing in the way of Masonic progress.

May we respectfully suggest to Bro. Denslow that some of these ultra-conservative brethren may be animated only by a sincere love of Freemasonry, a devotion to its fundamental principles, and a desire to save their own Grand Lodges from needless embarrassment? The mere fact that these brethren cannot, in conscience, share Bro. Denslow's confidence in certain foreign bodies is no reason for him to attribute to them any unworthy motives. We have great respect for Bro. Denslow. We do not agree with his liberalism, but we would *never* dream of questioning the purity of *his* motives or of belittling *his* stature.

Bro. William J. Craig was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Harold L. Reader was re-elected.

MONTANA, 1955.

The Ninety-first Annual Communication.

Lodges, 139. Members, 25,843. Gain, 411.

The Annual Communication was held in Missoula on August 16-17, 1955. Grand Master Earl S. Bardwell presided, and welcomed distinguished guests from Nevada, Alberta, Idaho, North Dakota, Colorado, Saskatchewan, Indiana, Utah and Washington.

Montana was host to the fourth annual Rocky Mountain Conference. The Grand Master also attended the Banff and Washington Conferences, visited the sister Grand Lodges of Wyoming, Colorado and North Dakota, and made thirty-seven visitations in his own State. Four special communications of Grand Lodge were held, at which two new Temples were dedicated, and Masonic funeral services for M. W. Bros. Henry O. Morgan and Robert J. Hathaway were conducted.

The Grand Master held that only Montana work could be used on a Montana candidate; that a Junior Warden could not be elected to fill a vacancy in the office of Senior Warden; and that an objection could be made to a petition for affiliation the same as to a petition for initiation.

The Report on Fraternal Relations and Foreign Correspondence was presented by its Chairman, Rev. George S. Sloan. On recommendation of this Committee, recognition was extended to the Grand Lodges of Colombia at Barranquilla, Bogota and Cartagena, and to the Grand Lodge of Venezuela.

The Proceedings of forty-one Jurisdictions were reviewed by their respective Grand Representatives. Our Maine review for 1955 is by Bro. Albert F. Milham. Special mention is made of our blood bank program.

Bro. Charles G. Johnson was elected Grand Master. His father and brother were present at his installation. Grand Secretary Byron F. Gaither was re-elected.

To Hold Special Communication and Work Degree in
Grand Lodge:

(90-38) Meridian Splendor Lodge, No. 49, Apr. 10, 1954

(To hold Special Communication and work M. M.
degree on their own candidate, with M. W. Grand
Lodge of Maine, duly opened and in session, and as
exemplification of work and lectures as by Section
34, Grand Lodge Constitution).

APPENDIX "B"

General Revisions and Amendments of Lodge By-laws.

General Revisions:

Ashlar Lodge, No. 105,	Approved July 18, 1953
Katahdin Lodge, No. 98	Approved November 14, 1953

Amendments:

Orient Lodge, No. 15,	Approved May 23, 1953
Increase in Dues.	

Cambridge Lodge, No. 157,	Approved May 23, 1953
Increase in Dues.	

Evening Star Lodge, No. 147,	Approved May 23, 1953
Change from Moon Monday to 2nd Monday and closing July and August by vote. Reduce Application Fee. Increase in Dues.	

Mount Moriah Lodge, No. 56,	Approved June 5, 1953
Changing from Moon Wednesday to third Wednesday and for closing during July and August.	

Excelsior Lodge, No. 151,	Approved July 18, 1953
Increase in Dues.	

Temple Lodge, No. 25,	Approved September 3, 1953
Change of Annual Communication from September to January.	

Hancock Lodge, No. 4,	Approved September 12, 1953
(1) To permit closing July and August; (2) elect Committee of Fin- ance; (3) add Committee for the Sick; (4) exempt Honorary Mem- bers from Dues and Assessments; (5) increase Fees; (6) increase Dues and payable in advance.	

Columbia Lodge, No. 200,	Approved October 31, 1953
Increase in Dues and Fees.	

Rising Virtue Lodge, No. 10,	Approved October 31, 1953
Increase in Dues and Fees.	

Pacific Lodge, No. 64, Increase in Dues and Fees.	Approved November 7, 1953
Fraternal Lodge, No. 55, Increase in Dues.	Approved November 7, 1953
Lincoln Lodge, No. 3, Increase in Dues, and Honorary Members.	Approved November 14, 1953
York Lodge, No. 22, Increase in Dues.	Approved November 21, 1953
Timothy Chase Lodge, No. 126, Increase in Dues and Fees; Trustees, Charity Fund, Change Annual Meeting, etc.	Approved December 19, 1953
Benevolent Lodge, No. 87, Increase in Dues and Fees; Notices, Committees, etc.	Approved December 19, 1953
Vassalboro Lodge, No. 54, Change Annual Meeting.	Approved December 19, 1954
Euclid Lodge, No. 194, Increase in Dues and closing July and August.	Approved January 9, 1954
Horeb Lodge, No. 93, To bring provisions for reinstatement N. P. D. to correspond with Grand Lodge Constitution.	Approved January 23, 1954
Saint Croix Lodge, No. 46, Increase in Dues and Fees.	

APPENDIX "C"

1953-54.

Visitations and Masonic Functions Attended.

May 7, 1953, Portland, Me. Grand Lodge. Re-Installed as Grand Master.

May 7, 1953, Portland, Me. Special District Deputy Grand Master's Meeting.

May 8, 1953, Lewiston, Me. Fourteenth Annual Blue Lodge Ladies' Night. Kora Temple Units A. A. O. N. M. S.

May 9, 1953, Meehanic Falls, Me. Tyrian Lodge, No. 73. 100th Anniversary.

May 10, 1953, Standish, Me. Standish Lodge, No. 70. 100th Anniversary.

May 12, 1953, Unity, Me. Star in the West Lodge, No. 85. Past Masters' Night. Installation Leo K. Andrews, Grand Organist.

May 14, 1953, Waterville, Me. Teconnet Chapter, No. 52. York Rite Night. Representing Grand Lodge.

May 15, 1953, Portland, Me. Maine Consistory, No. 1, A. A. S. R. Received as Grand Master.

May 17-18, 1953, Providence, R. I. Grand Lodge of Rhode Island.

May 19-20, 1953, Manchester, N. H. Grand Lodge of New Hampshire.

May 20, 1953, Manchester, N. H. New Hampshire Society of Veteran Free Masons.

May 23, 1953, Skowhegan, Me. Mt. Moriah Council, No. 10, R. & S. M. Inspection.

May 26, 1953, North Anson, Me. Northern Star Lodge, No. 28. Guest Officers' Night, and Annual Lobster Festival.

May 27, 1953, China, Me. Central Lodge, No. 45. E. A. Degree.

May 31, 1953, Gardiner, Me. DeBouillon Conclave, No. 2, Red Cross Constantine. Funeral Em. Sir Norris P. Cates. (Attended as M. P. Sovereign and as Grand Master).

June 1, 1953, Madison, Me. Euclid Lodge, No. 194. Great Northern Degree Team.

June 2, 1953, Gardiner, Me. Hermon Lodge, No. 32. Fraternal Visit. Regular.

June 3, 1953, South Bristol, Me. Anchor Lodge, No. 158. Fifty Year Medal Presentations.

June 5, 1953, Norridgewock, Me. Lebanon Lodge, No. 116. Past Masters' Night.

June 6-7, 1953, North Anson and Lakewood, Me. Masonic Group. Grand Lecturer's Program and School.

June 8, 1953, Skowhegan, Me. Somerset Lodge, No. 34. Regular. Master Mason degree.

June 9, 1953, Burlington, Vt. Grand Council of Vermont, R. & S. M. Annual Assembly.

June 9-11, 1953, Burlington, Vt. Grand Lodge of Vermont. 160th Annual Communication.

June 10, 1953, Burlington, Vt. Champlain Lodge, No. 237, (Champlain, N. Y.). M. M. degree under Dispensation.

June 10, 1953. Burlington, Vt. Masonic Veterans' Association of Vermont. (Grand Masters of Maine, New Hampshire, Delaware, and Quebec, elected, and became regular members).

June 11, 1953, Gardiner, Me. DeBouillon Conclave, No. 2, Red Cross of Constantine. Annual Conclave. Retired as M. P. Sovereign.

June 12, 1943, Solon, Me. Keystone Lodge, No. 80. Annual Strawberry Festival.

June 13, 1953, Fryeburg, Me. Pythagorean Lodge, No. 11. 150th Anniversary. Speaker.

June 15, 1953, South Berwick, Me. Saint John's Lodge, No. 51. Fifty Year Medal and Strawberry Festival.

June 16, 1953, Guilford, Me. Mount Kineo Lodge, No. 109. Past Masters' Night.

June 18, 1953, LaGrange, Me. Composite Lodge, No. 168. Past Masters' Night.

June 20, 1953, New Gloucester, Me. Cumberland Lodge, No. 12. 150th Anniversary. Speaker.

June 21, 1953, North Anson, Me. Northern Star Lodge, No. 28. St. John's Day Sunday.

June 22, 1953, Machias, Me. Harwood Lodge, No. 91. Special. M. M. degree.

June 23, 1953, East Machias, Me. Warren Lodge, No. 2. Regular. E. A. degree.

June 24, 1953, Belfast, Me. St. John's Day Observance. Palestine Commandery, No. 14, Host to all Commanderies.

June 24, 1953, Dresden Mills, Me. Dresden Lodge, No. 103. Adjutant General Degree Team. M. M. degree.

June 26, 1953, Thorndike, Me. Unity Lodge, No. 58. 125th Anniversary Celebration and Strawberry Festival.

June 27, 1953, Winterport, Me. Howard Lodge, No. 69. 100th Anniversary Celebration. Speaker.

June 29, 1953, Auburn, Me. Ancient Brothers' Lodge, No. 178. F. C. degree.

June 30, 1953, Gardiner, Me. Herman Lodge, No. 32. Adjutant General Degree Team. 50 Year Medal.

July 7, 1953, Turner, Me. Nezinscott Lodge, No. 101. Past Masters' Night. Two Fifty Year Medals.

July 9, 1953, Auburn, Me. Funeral, Rev. I. James Merry, W. Grand Chaplain.

July 9, 1953, Charleston, Me. Olive Branch Lodge, No. 124. In special honor, C. H. "Bert" Dyer, 66 Year Mason, 90 years old, working as Worshipful Master. M. M. degree.

July 13-17, 1953, Toronto, Canada. Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario. 98th Annual Communication.

July 20, 1953, Cutler, Me. Lookout Lodge, No. 131. E. A. degree.

July 21, 1953, Thomaston, Me. Orient Lodge, No. 15. F. C. degree.

July 22, 1953, Hallowell, Me. Kennebec Lodge, No. 5. Regular.

July 23, 1953, Readfield, Me. Lafayette Lodge, No. 48. Special. F. C. degree by Dispensation.

July 25, 1953, Waterville, Me. Teconnet Chapter, No. 52. Grand Chapter, R. A. M. School of Instruction.

NEW JERSEY, 1955.

The One Hundred Sixty-eighth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 284. Members, 103,489. Gain, 2,003.

M. W. Bro. Alfred Rowe presided over the Annual Communication, which was held in Atlantic City on April 20-21, 1955. M. W. Paul L. Powers, Grand Master of Maine, was in attendance. He was accompanied by his Grand Marshal, R. W. Norman W. Lindquist. Other distinguished guests hailed from Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, Virginia, Maryland, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Vermont, Delaware, District of Columbia, Indiana and Canada in Ontario. Our Maine Representative, M. W. Franklin E. Pellegrin, was on duty.

The Grand Master stressed the importance of the Investigating Committee, and charged Masters to use the utmost care in the selection of such committees. He notified all lodges that the recent legalizing of bingo by the State made no change whatever in the Grand Lodge law against games of chance. He declined the invitation of the Grand Lodge of New York to have New Jersey join in the publication of its official magazine.

M. W. Bro. Rowe attended the Washington Conferences, and visited the Grand Lodges of New York, Canada in Ontario, Delaware, Illinois, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, Virginia and Connecticut. He issued a dispensation for one new lodge. Cornerstones for two new Temples were laid. Masonic funeral ceremonies were performed for R. W. Bro. Frederick H. Lum, Jr.

More than 1,200 brethren gathered in Trenton to honor the veteran Grand Secretary, R. W. Isaac Cherry, on the fiftieth anniversary of his raising. A gold token was presented by the Grand Master, and presentations were made by the Grand Lodge Officers, the Secretaries of constituent lodges, the Conference of Grand Secretaries, and the Scottish Masonic Club of Trenton. A month later, Bro. Cherry and his wife celebrated their Golden Wedding. His tribute to her was beautiful and touching.

We quote from the conclusion of M. W. Bro. Rowe's address: "We are the conservators of the ancient landmarks, ritual, traditions, philosophy and symbolism which are the peculiar characteristics of Freemasonry. As we have received them, so must we transmit them, unimpaired, to those who follow us." To which we say "Amen."

At this communication, much important legislation was enacted. A waiting period of at least one week between election and initiation was adopted. Sponsorship of DeMolay Chapters by lodges, without financial liability, was authorized. At least two black balls were required to sustain an objection to the initiation of a candidate. Legislation was adopted making it possible for permanent residents of New Jersey who have received part of their degrees in a Jurisdiction which will not request courtesy work, to complete their degrees and become members of a New Jersey lodge. Previously, only Master Masons could affiliate.

September 9, 1953, Waltham, Mass. Monitor Lodge. Reception and Communication honoring M. W. Melvin Maynard Johnson on 50th Anniversary as W. M. of Monitor Lodge of Waltham, Mass.

September 10, 1953, East Boothbay, Me. Bay View Lodge, No. 196. Regular.

September 12, 1953, Strong, Me. Davis Lodge, No. 191. Dedication new Masonic Hall. Fifty Year Medals. M. M. degree.

September 13, 1953, South China, Me. "Killdeer Lodge." Annual District Deputy Grand Master's Association. Outing.

September 14, 1953, Warren, Me. Saint George Lodge, No. 16. School of Instruction, District No. 9.

September 15, 1953, South Paris, Me. Paris Lodge, No. 94. Regular.

September 16, 1953, Auburn, Me. Tranquil Lodge, No. 29. Regular.

September 16, 1953, Lewiston, Me. Rabboni Lodge, No. 150. Regular.

September 17, 1953, Sidney, Me. Rural Lodge, No. 53. School of Instruction, District No. 11.

September 18, 1953, Kittery, Me. Naval Lodge, No. 184. School of Instruction, District No. 19.

September 19, 1953, Waterville, Me. Teconnet Chapter, R. A. M., No. 52. Reception to Aubrey L. Burbank, Grand High Priest. Speaker.

September 21, 1953, North Brooksville, Me. Bagaduc Lodge, No. 210. School of Instruction, District No. 4.

September 22, 1953, Jefferson, Me. Riverside Lodge, No. 135. School of Instruction, District No. 7.

September 23, 1953, Carmel, Me. Benevolent Lodge, No. 87. Regular. By-law changes.

September 24, 1953, Mount Vernon, Me. Vernon Valley Lodge, No. 99. School of Instruction, District No. 15.

September 25, 1953, Denmark, Me. Mount Moriah Lodge, No. 56. 125th Anniversary Celebration. Speaker.

September 26, 1953, Millinocket, Me. Nollesemic Lodge, No. 205. Reception Clifford H. M. Perry, R. W. Grand Junior Warden and Frederick C. Davis, Grand Organist. Speaker.

September 28, 1953, Belfast, Me. Phoenix Lodge, No. 24. School of Instruction, District No. 8.

September 29, 1953, Saco, Me. Saco Lodge, No. 9. George Washington Memorial Observance.

September 30, 1953, Hallowell, Me. Kennebec Lodge, No. 5. Special. E. A. degree.

October 1, 1953, West Buxton, Me. Buxton Lodge, No. 115. School of Instruction, District No. 18.

October 2, 1953, Portland, Me. Atlantic Lodge, No. 81. School of Instruction, District No. 17.

October 3, 1953, Kittery, Me. Naval Lodge, No. 184. Reception to Arthur W. Seaward, Grand Senior Warden.

October 5, 1953, Lewiston, Me. Ashlar Lodge, No. 105. Special. F. C. degree.

October 6-7, 1953, Wilmington, Delaware. Grand Lodge of Delaware. 148th Annual Communication.

October 8, 1953, Gardiner, Me. Annual Conferring of Degrees and Ladies' Night, DeBouillon Conclave, No. 2, Red Cross of Constantine.

October 9, 1953, Boothbay Harbor, Me. Seaside Lodge, No. 144, School of Instruction, District No. 10.

October 10, 1953, North Anson, Me. Northern Star Lodge, No. 28. School of Instruction, District No. 13.

October 12, 1953, Waterford, Me. Mount Tir'em Lodge, No. 132. School of Instruction, District No. 16.

October 13, 1953, North Vassalboro, Me. Vassalboro Lodge, No. 54. Regular. Installation.

October 14, 1953, Greenville, Me. Columbia Lodge, No. 200. School of Instruction, District No. 5.

October 15, 1953, Bowdoinham, Me. Village Lodge, No. 26. Inspection (Jay A. Walker). Appointment and Installation, Roland William Cornish, D. D. G. M., District No. 14.

October 16, 1953, Patten, Me. Katahdin Lodge, No. 98. School of Instruction, District No. 24.

October 17, 1953, North Anson, Me. Mount Bigelow Chapter, No. 48, O. E. S. Reception, Genevieve D. Patridge, "Grand Ruth." Home Conference with D. G. M.

October 21, 1953, Hallowell, Me. Kennebec Lodge, No. 5. M. M. degree.

October 29, 1953, Hallowell, Me. Jerusalem Chapter, No. 4, R. A. M. Past Masters degree.

November 3, 1953, Hallowell, Me. Trustees Masonic Charitable Foundation. Quarterly Meeting.

November 10, 1953. North Anson, Me. Northern Star Lodge, No. 28. Inspection.

November 12, 1953, Ellsworth, Me. Lygonia Lodge, No. 40. School of Instruction, District No. 21.

November 13, 1953, Fairfield, Me. Siloam Lodge, No. 92. School of Instruction, District No. 12.

November 16, 1953, Oakland, Me. Drummond Chapter, No. 27, R. A. M. School of Instruction.

November 17, 1953, Hermon, Me. Lynde Lodge, No. 174. 25th Anniversary, Lodge Building Dedication. Speaker.

November 19, 1953, Readfield, Me. Lafayette Lodge, No. 48. Past Masters' Night.

November 20, 1953, New Sharon, Me. Franklin Lodge, No. 123. Past Masters' Night.

November 23, 1953, Bucksport, Me. Felicity Lodge, No. 19. Inspection.

November 24, 1953, Mount Vernon, Me. Vernon Valley Lodge, No. 99. M. M. degree.

November 27, 1953, Bangor, Me. Saint Andrew's Lodge, No. 83. Regular.

November 30, 1953, Friendship, Me. Meduncook Lodge, No. 211. F. C. degree under Dispensation.

December 1, 1953, Cambridge, Me. Cambridge Lodge, No. 157. Annual.

December 2, 1953, Stockton Springs-Searsport. Pownal Lodge, No. 119. E. A. degree.

December 3, 1953, Oakland, Me. Messalonskee Lodge, No. 113. M. M. degree.

December 3, 1953, Hallowell, Me. Jerusalem Chapter, No. 4, R. A. M. Inspection M. E. M.

December 4, 1953, Norway, Me. Oxford Lodge, No. 18. Annual.

December 5, 1953, Addison, Me. Tuscan Lodge, No. 73. Insepction.

December 5, 1953, West Sullivan, Me. David A. Hooper Lodge, No. 201. Annual.

December 7, 1953, Stonington, Me. Reliance Lodge, No. 195. Regular.

December 7, 1953, Deer Isle, Me. Marine Lodge, No. 122. E. A. degree.

December 8, 1953, Dixfield, Me. King Hiram Lodge, No. 57. E. A. degree.

December 9, 1953, Livermore Falls, Me. Oriental Star Lodge, No. 21. E. A. degree.

December 10, 1953, Bethel, Me. Bethel Lodge, No. 97. Installation.

December 10, 1953, Lovell, Me. Delta Lodge, No. 153. Annual with Moving Picture Program.

December 11, 1953, Kennebunk, Me. York Lodge, No. 22. M. M. degree by Presiding Masters 19th and 18th District.

December 12, 1953, Trenton, N. J. Grand Lodge of New Jersey. Feast of St. John. Speaker.

December 14, 1953, Rockport, Me. St. Paul's Lodge, No. 82. Regular.

December 14, 1953, South Thomaston, Me. Knox Lodge, No. 189. Inspection. F. C. degree.

December 15, 1953, Durham, Me. Acacia Lodge, No. 121. Annual and Installation.

December 16, 1953, Cumberland Mills, Me. Warren Phillips Lodge, No. 186. Past Masters' Night.

December 17, 1953, Vassalboro, Me. Neguemkeag Lodge, No. 166. Inspection. F. C. degree.

December 18, 1953, Northport, Me. Excelsior Lodge, No. 151. E. A. degree.

December 19, 1953, Springfield, Me. Forest Lodge, No. 149. Regular Meeting. Twenty-five Year Buttons.

December 21, 1953, Mount Desert, Me. Mt. Desert Lodge, No. 140.. Regular. Annual.

December 22, 1953, Orland, Me. Rising Sun Lodge, No. 71. 100th Anniversary and Twenty-five Year Buttons.

December 23, 1953, Limerick, Me. Freedom Lodge, No. 42. Annual.

December 23, 1953, Brownfield, Me. Shepherd's River Lodge, No. 169. Annual Meeting.

December 25, 1953, Skowhegan, Me. DeMolay Commandery, No. 10. Christmas Observance.

December 27-29, 1953, Boston, Mass. Grand Lodge of Massachusetts. Installation and Feast of Saint John.

December 31, 1953, Washington, Me. Mount Olivet Lodge, No. 203. Regular.

January 5, 1954, North East Harbor, Me. North East Harbor Lodge, No. 208. , Installation.

January 5, 1954, McKinley, Me. McKinley Lodge, No. 212. Inspection.

January 6, 1954, Rockland, Me. Aurora Lodge, No. 50. Annual.

January 7, 1954, Tenants Harbor, Me. Eureka Lodge, No. 84. Annual.

January 12, 1954, Jonesport, Me. Jonesport Lodge, No. 188. Past Masters' Night.

January 13, 1954, Portland, Me. U. S. Armed Forces Reserve—Civil Defense & Public Safety T. V. Program. Present and Speaker as Grand Master.

January 14, 1954, Bolster's Mills, Me. Crooked River Lodge, No. 152. Regular and F. C. degree.

January 16, 1954, Deer Isle, Me. Marine Lodge, No. 122. Special, M. M. degree. Two "father-son " combinations.

January 18, 1954, Lisbon Falls, Me. Ancient York Lodge, No. 155. Regular. F. C. degree.

January 18, 1954, Richmond, Me. Richmond Lodge, No. 63. Regular, F. C. degree.

January 19, 1954, Rockland, Me. Rockland Lodge, No. 79. Installation.

January 19, 1954, Belfast, Me. Corinthian Chapter, No. 7, R. A. M. Installation and Ladies' Night.

January 20, 1954, Phillips, Me. Blue Mountain Lodge, No. 67. Regular.

January 20, 1954, Weld, Me. Mystic Tie Lodge, No. 154. Regular, and Special School of Instruction, District No. 15.

January 21, 1954, Clinton, Me. Seabaticook Lodge, No. 146. Special. Guest Officers' Night. M. M. degree. P. M. W. Carrol W. Keene with son as candidate.

January 22, 1954, Cherryfield, Me. Narraguagus Lodge, No. 88. Special. School of Instruction, District No. 3.

January 25, 1954, Old Town, Me. Star in the East Lodge, No. 60. Regular, and F. C. degree.

February 1, 1954, Augusta, Me. Bethlehem Lodge, No. 35. Regular.

February 2, 1954, Hallowell, Me. Trustees Masonic Charitable Foundation. Quarterly Meeting.

February 2, 1954, Yarmouth, Me. Casco Lodge, No. 36. Regular, and F. C. degree.

February 3, 1954, Hartland, Me. Corinthian Lodge, No. 95. Regular, and E. A. degree.

February 4, 1954, Canton, Me. Whitney Lodge, No. 167. Regular.

February 5, 1954, Norridgewock, Me. Lebanon Lodge, No. 116. Inspection, and F. C. degree.

February 6, 1954, Auburn, Me. Eusebius Conclave, No. 3, Red Cross of Constantine. Annual Ladies' Night.

February 8, 1954, Bristol, Me. Bristol Lodge, No. 74. Regular.

February 9, 1954, Corinna, Me. Parian Lodge, No. 160. Regular.

February 9, 1954, Canaan, Me. Carrabassett Lodge, No. 161. Inspection. E. A. degree.

February 10, 1954, Winter Harbor, Me. Winter Harbor Lodge, No. 192. Special. M. M. degree.

February 11, 1954, Wiscasset, Me. Lincoln Lodge, No. 3. Regular, F. C. degree. (Three blood brothers).

February 15, 1954, Hallowell, Me. Augusta Assembly, No. 10, Order of Rainbow for Girls.

February 16, 1954, Portland, Me. Portland Council, No. 4, R. & S. M. Inspection.

February 16, 1954, York Village, Me. Saint Aspinquid Lodge, No. 198. Special. E. A. degree.

February 17, 1954, Hallowell, Me. Kennebec Lodge, No. 5. Regular.

February 19, 1954, Portland, Me. Yates Lodge of Perfection, A. A. S. R. 7th and 13th degrees.

February 19, 1954, Portland, Me. Corner Stone Lodge, No. 216. M. M. (Trowel Club).

February 20, 1954, Portland, Me. Funeral Walter P. Dow, Past Grand Commander, Grand Commandery of Maine.

February 22, 1954, Alexandria, Va. Forty-fourth Annual Convention, The George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association.

February 22, 1954, Alexandria, Va. Alexandria-Washington Lodge, No. 22. Washington Anniversary Meeting.

February 22-24, 1954, Washington, D. C. Conference of Grand Masters of Masons in North America.

February 24, 1954, Washington, D. C. Grand Secretaries' Conference and Banquet.

February 25, 1954, Washington, D. C. Thirty-fifth Annual Meeting. The Masonic Service Association of the United States.

February 25,, 1954, North Berwick, Me. Yorkshire Lodge, No. 179. Regular. F. C. degree.

February 27, 1954, Oakland, Me. Mount Lebanon Council, No. 13, R. & S. M. Inspection.

March 1, 1954, Winthrop, Me. Temple Lodge, No. 25. Inspection. E. A. degree.

March 2, 1954, Bar Harbor, Me. Bar Harbor Lodge, No. 185. Special. F. C. degree.

March 3, 1954, Gorham, Me. Harmony Lodge, No. 38. Past Masters' Night.

March 4, 1954, Sangerville, Me. Abner Wade Lodge, No. 207. Regular.

March 4, 1954, Newport, Me. Meridian Splendor Lodge, No. 49. Regular. M. M. degree.

March 5, 1954, Portland, Me. Atlantic Lodge, No. 81. Special. F. C. degree.

March 6, 1954, Portland, Me. Portland Commandery, No. 2. Annual Ladies' Night. Attended as Grand Master.

March 8, 1954, Portland, Me. Deering Lodge, No. 183. Regular.

March 8, 1954, Old Orchard, Me. Orchard Lodge, No. 215. F. C. degree. Regular.

March 9, 1954, Springvale, Me. Springvale Lodge, No. 190. Regular. Fifty Year Medal. E. A. degree.

March 9, 1954, Limington, Me. Adoniram Lodge, No. 27. Regular. E. A. degree.

March 10, 1954, Bath, Me. Polar Star Lodge, No. 114. Annual.

March 11, 1954, Southwest Harbor, Me. Tremont Lodge, No. 77. Past Masters' Night. Twenty-five Year Buttons.

March 12, 1954, Bangor, Me. Anah Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. Master Masons' and Grand Master Night.

March 13, 1954, Hampden, Me. Mystic Lodge, No. 65. Regular. E. A. degree. Fifty Year Medal.

March 17, 1954, Alfred, Me. Fraternal Lodge, No. 55. Regular. M. M. degeee. 6.30 Supper.

March 19, 1954, Portland, Me. Portland Lodge, No. 1. Invitation Night, St. John's Lodge, Boston. Dispensation.

March 22, 1954, Sedgwick, Me. Eggemoggin Lodge, No. 128. Special E. A. degree.

March 23, 1954, Pittsfield, Me. Meridian Lodge, No. 125. Past Masters' Night. M. M. degree.

March 23, 1954, Newport, Me. Meridian Splendor Lodge, No. 49. Rehearsal, Grand Lodge degree.

March 24, 1954, Bridgton, Me. Oriental Lodge, No. 13. Regular. Past Masters' Night.

March 27, 1954, Portland, Me. Maine Conclave, No. 1, Red Cross of Constantine. Degree Work. Ladies' Night.

March 29, 1954, Warren, Me. Saint George Lodge, No. 16. Veteran's Medal. M. M. degree.

March 30, 1954, Gardiner, Me. Hermon Lodge, No. 32. Third Annual Father and Sons Banquet and Entertainment.

April 1, 1954, Goodwin's Mills, Me. Arion Lodge, No. 162. Regular.

April 2, 1954, Portland, Me. Deering Lodge, No. 183. Seventy-fifth Anniversary Celebration.

April 6, 1954, Monson, Me. Doric Lodge, No. 149. Regular. E. A. degree.

April 7, 1954, Brooklin, Me. Naskeag Lodge, No. 171. Past Masters' Night. Veteran's Medal. Pictures and Speaker.

April 8, 1954, Hallowell, Me. Jerusalem Chapter, No. 4, R. A. M. Rehearsal. M. M. M. degree.

April 10, 1954, North Windham, Me. Presumpscot Lodge, No. 127. Regular. F. C. degree.

April 12, 1954, West Newfield, Me. Day Spring Lodge, No. 107. Regular.

April 13, 1954, Augusta, Me. Augusta Lodge, No. 141. Annual Past Masters' Night. M. M. degree.

April 14, 1954, Hallowell, Me. Kennebec Lodge, No. 5. Regular. M. M. degree.

April 15, 1954, North Parsonfield, Me. Drummond Lodge No. 118. Special.

April 16, 1954, Waldoboro, Me. King Solomon's Lodge, No. 61. Regular.

April 16, 1954, Camden, Me. Amity Lodge, No. 6, Regular. F. C. degree.

April 18, 1954, Brooks, Me. March River Lodge, No. 102, rooms, and First Congregational Church. Easter Service. St. Omer and Palestine Commanderies as special guests.

April 19, 1954, Brownville, Me. Pleasant River Lodge, No. 163. Regular. M. M. degree.

April 20, 1954, Presque Isle, Me. Trinity Lodge, No. 130. District Meeting, No. 1. M. M. degree.

April 21, 1954, Exeter, Me. Pacific Lodge, No. 64. M. M. degree (Trowel Club). Twenty-five Year Buttons. Regular.

April 22, 1954, Augusta, Me. Cushnoc Chapter, No. 43, R. A. M. P. M. degree.

April 24, 1954, Orrington, Me. Ralph J. Pollard Lodge, No. 207. Grand Lodge Laying Corner Stone Ceremonies. Lodge Special. F. C. degree.

April 26, 1954, Augusta, Me. Emeth Chapter Rose Croix, A. A. S. R. Official Visitation.

April 27, 1954, Lincoln, Me. Horeb Lodge, No. 93, District Meeting 24th District. Active Masters in Key Officers.

April 28, 1954, Hallowell, Me. Kennebec Lodge, No. 5. Special. E. A. degree.

April 29, 1954, Augusta, Me. Cushnoc Chapter, No. 43, R. A. M. M. E. M. degree.

May 1, 1954, Saco, Me. Chalcedon Conclave, No. 5. Red Cross of Constantine.

May 2-3, 1954, Portland, Me. 103rd Annual Conclave, Grand Commandery, Knights Templar, State of Maine.

May 2, 1954, Portland, Me. Past Commanders' Association, State of Maine.

May 3-6, 1954, Portland, Me. 135th Annual Communication, Grand Lodge of Maine, A. F. & A. M.

May 4, 1954, Portland, Me. Past District Deputies' Association. Luncheon and Meeting.

May 4, 1954, Portland, Me. Trustees Meeting, Grand Lodge Charitable Foundation.

May 4-5, 1954, Portland, Me. 129th Annual Convocation, Grand Royal Arch Chapter, State of Maine.

May 4, 1954, South Portland, Me. Hiram Lodge, No. 180. Special. F. C. degree.

May 5, 1954, Portland, Me. Council of the Order of High Priesthood, State of Maine.

May 5, 1954, Portland, Me. Past Officers' Association, State of Maine.

May 5, 1954, Portland, Me. 100th Annual Assembly, Grand Council, Royal and Select Masters, State of Maine.

APPENDIX "D"

Foreword by the Grand Master.

In any consideration of the "Charity Fund," so-called—and its operation and application—there must be frequent reference to the Regulations of the Charity Fund of the Grand Lodge of Maine.

Not only should there be studied consideration of these Regulations, as presented herewith, but there should also be careful study, research, and

understanding, in the light of their development through earlier years. It may very well be, that these Regulations are the "By-Laws" referred to in Chapter 4, Private and Special Laws of 1820, "An Act to Incorporate The Master, Wardens and Members of the Grand Lodge of Maine," as amended by Chapter 21, Private and Special Laws of 1935.

It might be enlightening to compare clearly specified "styles and titles" in the Constitution of the Grand Lodge of Maine, 1941:—(1) Part First, Article I, Section 1, "The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Maine;" and (2) Part Second, Article I, Section 58, "Master, Wardens and Members of the Grand Lodge of Maine, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons" (See almost exactly the same wording in the Act of Incorporation as a frontispiece, page 2, of Constitution). There seems to be clear and unmistakable indication that there is, and has been, a *separate corporate* entity—aside from the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maine—with definitely limited statutory purpose and power to sue and be sued;" "to make . . . by-law not repugnant to the laws of this state, nor to ancient masonic usages;" and "to take and hold for charitable and benevolent uses, any real estate to the value of \$250,000 (as amended), and any personal estate to the value of \$750,000 (as amended)."

The wide difference, "to form perfect fraternal union," as stated in the preamble of the Grand Lodge Constitution, and the relatively narrow purpose "to take and hold for charitable and benevolent uses, any real estate. . . and any personal estate. . ." (in limited amounts), is so obvious as to need little attention, except to emphasize the difference. And it could be pointed out that there would be a Grand Lodge of Maine, even if there had never been a limited Act of Incorporation—simply by reason of the "ancient masonic usages," which are admitted and specifically mentioned in the Act of Incorporation.

Some of the basic reasons for the separate corporate identity of the "Grand Lodge Charity Fund," so-called, and the Grand Lodge itself, were pointed out in the Grand Master's Address, Pages 58-60, 1953, Grand Lodge Proceedings; and recent court and legal entanglements clearly indicate the need for clear and clean-cut distinction, and corporate by-laws, as compared with the Grand Lodge of Maine, and its Constitution, which contemplates far more than just Masonic benevolence.

To insure our Masonic privacy, there should never be attempt to consolidate specific corporate functions and titles with the ancient and modern Constitutions of broader Fraternal Union.

REGULATIONS OF THE CHARITY FUND OF THE GRAND LODGE OF MAINE.

ARTICLE I.

The fund is applicable to the following cases:

First, to poor and worthy members of lodges under this jurisdiction, in cases where the funds of their own lodges are not adequate to the exigency of the case.

Secondly, to poor and worthy Masons resident in this state, not members of any subordinate lodge, and being in circumstances to render such membership not a masonic duty.

Thirdly, to poor and worthy Masons being sojourners in this State.

Fourthly, to other cases of distress.

ARTICLE II.

The widows and orphans of deceased Masons are to be relieved as the husband or parent would be upon the principle stated in preceding article.

ARTICLE III.

Applications for relief are to be made to the Recording Grand Secretary in writing, signed by the applicant or some Master Mason in his behalf who is personally cognizant of his circumstances, stating the peculiar circumstances of the case, accompanied with a certificate from the Master of the lodge to which the applicant belongs, or of the nearest lodge, vouching for his masonic standing and his need of the relief prayed for.

IN BOARD OF TRUSTEES, PORTLAND, May 5, 1858.

Voted, That every brother intrusted with funds be required to take receipts for the same, when paid, and forward said receipts forthwith to the Grand Treasurer.

IN BOARD OF TRUSTEES, PORTLAND, May 8, 1862.

Voted, That each Almoner be provided by the Grand Treasurer with one printed blank receipt for each person for whom such Almoner draws money from the Charity Fund, which receipts such Almoner is to cause to be signed by the beneficiaries respectively, and file the same with the Grand Treasurer.

Voted, That no Almoner who fails to file with the Grand Treasurer a receipt from each person for whose benefit money has been appropriated by this board for the full amount of such appropriation when the money has been drawn by such Almoner, shall be considered worthy to be entrusted with the sacred office of Almoner for this Charity Fund.

IN BOARD OF TRUSTEES, PORTLAND, May 4, 1871.

Voted, That hereafter no application for relief be considered by the Trustees, unless made in writing, according to Article III of the Regulations of the Charity Fund.

Voted, That the Secretary be directed to make a list of such applications, including all that come to his hands up to Monday evening preceding the day of the Annual Communication, and that all applications presented after that time be referred to the next annual meeting of the Trustees.

Voted, That the Grand Secretary notify each lodge of this action, at least one month before the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge.

IN BOARD OF TRUSTEES, PORTLAND, May 8, 1872.

Resolved, That applications for relief from the Grand Charity Fund *must* state the amount expended in charity during the past year, by the lodge making such application, the names of recipients, and the condition of the finances of the lodge at last annual meeting, or such applications will not be considered by the Trustees.

IN BOARD OF TRUSTEES, PORTLAND, May 6, 1885.

Voted, That hereafter all applications for relief, not seasonably presented in accordance with the rules and regulations adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Charity Fund, be passed over.

IN BOARD OF TRUSTEES, PORTLAND, May 5, 1886.

Voted, That the Grand Secretary, when he sends his papers to the different lodges for their returns, issue a circular to each lodge notifying them that applications to the Board of Trustees for relief must be made in accordance with the rules of the Board of Trustees,—otherwise they will not be considered.

IN BOARD OF TRUSTEES, PORTLAND, May 3, 1889.

Voted, That whenever the Grand Treasurer has any money to invest, or considers any change should be made in the investments, it shall be necessary that such investments and re-investments shall first receive the written approval of the Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master, and the Grand Secretary, or either two of them.

IN BOARD OF TRUSTEES, PORTLAND, May 8, 1918.

Voted, That the Grand Secretary instruct each applicant to name the age of the beneficiary in the application.

A true copy from the record of Regulations and Votes.

Attest:

CONVERS E. LEACH,

Secretary of Board of Trustees.

(From 1935 Proceedings, Grand Lodge of Maine, Pages 474-475).

(At the conclusion of the reading of that portion of the Grand Master's Address entitled " Necrology,"

the Grand Master called up the Communication and the following proceedings occurred):

GRAND MASTER: We pause to honor those who have gone their way before us.

GRAND CHAPLAIN Rev. M. GERRY PLUMMER: Let us pray.

All wise and loving Father, we no longer see among us the familiar faces of those whose names have been mentioned, but in our hearts lingers the memory of them. We still feel the warmth of the hand-clasp, the cordiality of the word, and, in our faith, we have a firm belief that that better part which never dies is now on familiar ground among familiar faces where circles are never broken, where friendships never cease, and where there is no death or night. May we live in this confidence, that we, in our time answering the same summons, may find an abundant entrance and a warm welcome. Amen.

On motion of R. W. Bro. PAUL L. POWERS

The Grand Master's Address was referred to the Committee on Doings of Grand Officers. It was also voted that the reports of the Deputy Grand Master, Senior Grand Warden, Junior Grand Warden, and District Deputy Grand Masters be referred to the Committee on Doings of Grand Officers without reading.

GRAND TREASURER.

The Grand Treasurer submitted his report as follows:

PORTLAND, MAINE,
May 4, 1954.

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

I herewith submit my Annual Report as Grand Treasurer for the year ending March 31, 1954.

GENERAL FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Grand Lodge Dues and Assessments.....	\$26,654.00
Receipts of Grand Lodge Office.....	3,374.76
Sale of Aprons.....	24.00
Dispensations.....	81.00
Delinquency Fines, 1953.....	6.00
Delinquency Fines, 1954.....	157.00
Interest on Bank Deposits.....	68.81
Balance 1953 Dues.....	4.00
Library Account.....	8.33
Check No. 6633, Written Off.....	2.00
	<hr/> \$30,379.90

DISBURSEMENTS.

Masonic Trustee, Rent.....	\$ 3,600.00	
C. E. Leach, Grand Secretary, Salary.....	\$ 3,000.00	
E. D. Webster, Assistant, Salary.....	1,900.00	
H. N. Maxfield, Grand Treasurer, Salary.....	1,000.00	
A. L. Burbank, Grand Lecturer, Per Vote.....	300.00	
R. J. Pollard, Correspondence, Per Vote.....	550.00	
		6,750.00
Telephone.....	\$ 237.71	
Office Equipment.....	173.45	
Printing and Binding.....	859.12	
Office Supplies and Services.....	273.19	
Grand Lodge Supplies and Services.....	7,285.24	
Bond, Grand Treasurer.....	125.00	
Stenographic Expense, Grand Treasurer.....	49.32	
Box Rent.....	30.00	
Auditing.....	350.00	
Library Account.....	90.63	
Education.....	50.49	
		9,524.15
Grand Master, Contingent.....	\$ 1,350.00	
Grand Lecturer, Travel Expense.....	365.29	
Official Conferences.....	126.84	
District Deputy Grand Masters, Travel Expense...	925.84	
Washington Conferences, Travel Expense.....	400.00	
Payroll, 1953 Communication.....	6,415.20	
		9,583.17
Printing Proceedings.....	2,418.11	
Tyler and Organist.....	35.00	
Stenographer.....	77.25	
Entertainment of Guests.....	903.82	
Flowers.....	67.58	
		3,501.76
Masonic Service Association, Dues.....	1,176.70	
Hospital Service.....	2,500.00	
		3,676.70
Social Security Taxes.....	92.08	
Deputy Grand Master, Expense, 1953.....	200.00	
		\$36,927.86
Deficit.....	6,547.96	
		\$30,379.90
Balance, March 31, 1953.....	\$35,855.44	
Deficit, 1954 Account.....	6,547.96	
Balance, March 31, 1954.....	\$29,307.48	

Accounts Receivable

Grand Bodies, Rent and Office Expense, 1953..	\$ 1,906.50
Grand Lodge Dues, 1954.....	26.00
Delinquency Fines, 1954.....	126.00
Interest on Savings Account.....	69.69

\$ 2,128.19

Accounts Payable

Transfer to Disaster Fund, Per Vote.....	\$ 500.00
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DISASTER FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Interest on Savings Deposit.....	\$ 82.52	
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DISBURSEMENTS.

None.....	\$ 0.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 0.00
Balance.....		82.52
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		\$ 82.52

Balance, March 31, 1953.....	\$ 510.00
Balance, 1954 Account.....	82.52

Balance, March 31, 1954.....	\$ 592.52
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Accounts Receivable

Transfer from General Fund, Per Vote.....	\$ 500.00
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Accounts Payable

General Fund, Interest.....	\$ 69.69
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MAINE MASONIC WAR FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Income on Investments.....	\$ 150.00
Interest on Deposits.....	309.87
\$5,000 U. S. Treasury, 2's, 1953-51, Matured.....	5,000.00
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	\$ 5,459.87

DISBURSEMENTS.

\$ 5,000 Province of Nova Scotia, 3¾'s, 1971, @ 102¾.....	\$ 5,118.75
\$ 5,000 Province of New Brunswick, 4½'s, 1970, @ 105¾.....	5,287.50
\$10,000 General Motors Corp. 3¼'s 1979, @ 102¼.....	10,225.00
Interest on Securities Bought.....	46.32
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	\$20,677.57
Deficit.....	<hr/>
	15,217.70
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	\$ 5,459.87

Balance, March 31, 1953.....	\$27,306.30
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Deficit, 1954 Account.....	15,217.70
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Balance, March 31, 1954.....	\$12,088.60
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SECURITIES.

MARCH 31, 1954.

	<i>Cost</i>	<i>Income</i>
\$ 5,000 U. S. Treasury, 2's, 1952-54, Dated Dec. 1, 1944.....	\$ 5,062.50	\$ 100.00
\$ 5,000 Province of Nova Scotia, 3¾'s, 1971.....	5,118.75	.....
\$ 5,000 Province of New Brunswick, 4½'s, 1970.....	5,287.50	.....
\$10,000 General Motors Corp., 3¼'s, 1979.....	10,225.00
Income on Investments no Longer Owned.....	50.00
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	\$25,693.75	\$ 150.00

FUND.

Investments at Cost.....	\$25,693.75
Balance.....	12,088.60
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	\$37,782.35

GEORGE WASHINGTON MASONIC NATIONAL MEMORIAL FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Assessments.....	\$ 1,604.00
Contributions.....	144.00
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	\$ 1,748.00

DISBURSEMENTS.

George Washington Masonic National Memorial Ass'n.....	\$ 1,700.00
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Balance.....	48.00
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	\$ 1,748.00
Balance, March 31, 1953.....	\$ 14.00
Balance, 1954 Account.....	48.00
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Balance, March 31, 1954.....	\$ 62.00

Fraternally submitted,

H. NORTON MAXFIELD,

Grand Treasurer.

RECAPITULATION OF ASSETS OF THE GRAND LODGE OF MAINE, A. F. & A. M.

MARCH 31, 1954.

GENERAL FUND:

Balance, First Portland National Bank, Checking Account.....	\$ 29,307.48	
	<hr/>	\$ 29,307.48

DISASTER FUND:

Balance, Maine Savings Bank, Account No. 12356.....	\$ 592.52	
	<hr/>	592.52

MAINE MASONIC WAR FUND:

Investments at Cost.....	\$ 25,693.75	
Balance Maine Savings Bank, Account No. 14352.....	5,959.52	
Balance Portland Savings Bank, Account No. 136545.....	6,129.08	
	<hr/>	37,782.35

CHARITY FUND:

Investments at Cost.....	\$348,094.27	
Balance, First Portland National Bank, Savings Account No. 22609.....	2,221.75	
	<hr/>	350,316.02

CHARLES M. FARRAR FUND:

Investments at Cost.....	\$ 33,982.50	
Balance, First Portland National Bank, Savings Account No. 22609.....	1,437.50	
Balance, Portland Savings Bank, Account No. 136385.....	315.63	
	<hr/>	35,735.63

FREDERICK C. THAYER FUND:

Investments at Cost.....	\$ 1,027.00	
Balance, First Portland National Bank, Savings Account No. 22609.....	20.00	
	<hr/>	1,047.00

THOMAS H. BODGE MEMORIAL FUND:

Investments at Cost.....	\$ 24,609.83	
Balance, Portland Savings Bank, Account No. 136386.....	349.30	
	<hr/>	\$ 24,959.13

RELIEF FUND:

Balance, Canal National Bank, Checking Account.....	\$ 42,025.50	
Balance, Portland Savings Bank, Account No. 123838.....	3,582.10	
	<hr/>	\$ 45,607.60

DANA B. CUTTER FUND:

Investments at Cost.....	\$ 11,851.81	
Balance, Principal Account, First Portland National Bank, Savings Account No. 22609.....	71.00	
Balance, Interest Account, Portland Savings Bank, Account No. 136384.....	1,772.00	
	<hr/>	13,694.81

GEORGE R. RICH MEMORIAL FUND:

Investments at Cost.....	\$ 4,043.44	
Balance, Interest Account, Portland Savings Bank, Account No. 136383.....	1,312.94	
	<hr/>	5,356.38
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		\$544,398.92

UNCOLLECTED ITEMS:

Grand Lodge Dues, 1954.....	\$ 26.00
Delinquency Fines, 1954.....	126.00
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	\$ 152.00

COMMITTED FUNDS:

George Washington Masonic National Memorial Fund:	
Balance, First Portland National Bank, Checking Account.....	\$ 62.00

Fraternally submitted,

H. NORTON MAXFIELD,
Grand Treasurer.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

The Grand Treasurer then presented the following report on Delinquent Lodges:

PORTLAND, MAINE, May 4, 1954..

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

I herewith submit the following report of delinquencies on the part of nineteen Lodges in respect to the transmission of Grand Lodge Returns and Dues as prescribed in Section 79 of the Constitutions, as amended:

Lodge and Number	Returns received postmarked	Penalty	Penalty Paid
Phoenix, No. 24,	Feb. 8	\$11.00	March 1
Temple, No. 25,	Feb. 13	16.00	Feb. 24
Union, No. 31,	Feb. 6	9.00	March 1
Alna, No. 43,	Feb. 8	11.00	Feb. 24
Fraternal, No. 55,	Feb. 19	22.00	Unpaid
Mount Moriah, No. 56,	Feb. 10	13.00	Feb. 24
Howard, No. 69,	Feb. 3	6.00	March 12
Pioneer, No. 72,	Feb. 16	19.00	Feb. 24
Eureka, No. 84,	Feb. 2	5.00	Unpaid
Nezinscot, No. 101,	Feb. 19	22.00	April 10
Ashlar, No. 105,	Feb. 3	6.00	Feb. 25
Polar Star, No. 114,	Feb. 2	5.00	March 15
Franklin, No. 123,	Feb. 5	8.00	Feb. 8
Olive Branch, No. 124,	Feb. 4	7.00	Feb. 24
Molunkus, No. 165,	Feb. 8	11.00	March 22
Winter Harbor, No. 192,	Feb. 8	11.00	March 18
Washburn, No. 193,	Feb. 15	18.00	March 16
Mount Olivet, No. 203,	Feb. 8	11.00	Feb. 25
Meduncook, No. 211,	Feb. 4	7.00	March 10

Fraternally submitted,

H. NORTON MAXFIELD,

Grand Treasurer.

The report was accepted.

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

The Auditor's Report was presented as follows:

Report of
LEE D. HODGKINS COMPANY
TO
GRAND LODGE OF MAINE

APRIL 1, 1953 TO MARCH 1, 1954

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Warden, Officers and Members of
the Grand Lodge of Maine;*

GENTLEMEN:

Submitted herewith is our report covering an audit of the accounts of your Treasurer for the Fiscal Year April 1, 1953, to March 31, 1954, and certification is expressed to the extent of the following text and tabulations.

We found all moneys shown as received to be properly accounted for and either cancelled checks or vouchers to be on file supporting payments made by your Treasurer. Checking Accounts representing the Charity and Relief Funds were reconciled with statements furnished by the depositors and found to exactly agree with the Treasurer's Accounts. All pass books representing savings deposits were examined and found to agree with the amounts shown to be on deposit in such accounts. All securities shown to be the property of the Grand Lodge were found to be in the custody of the Treasurer.

FINANCIAL CONDITION

Based on Market Value of Securities on March 31, 1954, a comparative statement of the financial condition of the Grand Lodge follows:

	<i>Mar. 31, 1954</i>	<i>Mar. 31, 1953</i>
Cash.	\$ 95,158.32	\$121,898.28
Securities Priced at Market Value	499,233 22	426,916 75
Accounts due from Lodges.	51 00	4 00
TOTAL	\$594,442.54	\$548,819.03

The Assets of the Grand Lodge, \$594,442.54, are divided as to the several funds as follows:

General Fund.....	\$ 29,307.48
Charity Fund.....	394,101.61
Relief Fund.....	45,607.60
Rich Fund.....	5,527.94
Thayer Fund.....	1,490.36
George Washington Memorial Fund.....	62.00
Post-War Fund.....	37,868.60
Disaster Fund.....	592.52
Farrar Fund.....	36,842.13
Cutter Fund.....	14,245.50
Bodge Fund.....	28,796.80

TOTAL.....	\$594,442.54
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We found the accounts of your Treasurer to be carefully and accurately kept.

Fraternally submitted,

LEE D. HODGKINS COMPANY,

By LEE D. HODGKINS.

Dates at Portland, Maine,

April 23, 1954.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

GRAND SECRETARY.

The Grand Secretary reported as follows:

MASONIC TEMPLE,

Portland, May 4, 1954.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge:

The preliminary announcements of the doings of the Grand Lodge at its One Hundred and Thirty-fourth Annual Communication were mailed on May 18, 1953, and the full printed proceedings were mailed on July 1st.

CARD INDEX.

Both the general and the individual Lodge indexes have been brought up to date as per the returns of January 1, 1954.

RETURNS.

Once again, the work of the office was delayed by a *few lodge secretaries* failing to have their returns in the office early in February. The last one was received on the twenty-third day of the month, three weeks late,

REPORTS OF LODGE TREASURERS.

Of the 207 Lodges, seventy-seven treasurers failed to comply with the regulation requiring a copy of their annual report to be forwarded to us within ten days after the annual meeting.

NECROLOGY.

We have been called upon to mourn the loss, during the past year, of Grand Chaplain I. James Merry; R. W. Allen L. Curtis, Past Junior Grand Warden; two District Deputy Grand Masters, Irving C. Trufant of the 14th District, and Jay A. Walker of the 23rd District.

REQUESTS FOR RECOGNITION.

Requests for recognition have been received from the Grand Lodge of Israel; the Grand Lodge of France; the United Grand Lodge of Germany, and from several clandestine lodges in Mexico and Brazil. These have been promptly referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations and their report on same will be presented at this session.

COURTESY WORK.

We have continued to receive many requests for degree work, most of which has fallen on lodges near Army Bases in Cumberland, Aroostook and Penobscot Counties. We have been obliged to ask for considerable degree work by lodges of other Grand Jurisdictions, all of which results in a large correspondence.

CERTIFICATES OF CHARTER.

Certificates of Charter have been issued to Horeb Lodge, No. 93, and Bristol Lodge, No. 74.

REQUEST FOR RE-INSTATEMENT.

A request for re-instatement has been received from a brother who was expelled by the Grand Lodge in 1947, and has been referred to the Committee on Grievances and Appeals.

GRAND SECRETARIES' CONFERENCE.

Once more, the week of February 22nd found a large number of Grand Masters and Grand Secretaries, from all parts of the United States, Canada, Philippine Islands, Cuba and Mexico, in Washington for their annual conference.

On Monday the 22nd, the Annual Meeting of the George Washington National Memorial Association was held in the memorial building at Alexandria, followed later in the afternoon with a reception at the Statler Hotel.

Tuesday, the Grand Master's Conference was in session all day. The usual banquet being in the evening which was addressed by U. S. Senator John W. Bricker who substituted for the scheduled speaker, who was called out of the city at the last moment. He gave an inspiring and helpful message.

Wednesday, the Grand Secretary's Conference was held all day in the Pan American Room. The secretaries giving their attention to the discussion of four subjects:

1. Uniformity of Procedures among Grand Secretaries.
2. Increased responsibility of Investigating Committees.
3. Lodge attendance.
4. Annual Returns, Make-up, Requirements, Penalties, etc.

The Annual Banquet was held in the evening at which the speaker was the Honorable Robert F. Patterson, Dean of the University of South Dakota.

On Thursday, the Masonic Service Association held their meeting, closing at noon by a lunch.

A cordial invitation was extended by the Grand Lodge of Cuba, for the conference of 1955 to adjourn to Cuba, when the new Masonic Temple will be dedicated.

The value of these conferences to all of our Grand Bodies, cannot be over estimated.

FINANCIAL.

I have received from the sale of Text Book, Rituals, and other supplies.....	\$3,831.67
From which I have paid Postage and express. \$	386.75
Masters Book.....	25.00
Office sundries.....	45.16
Grand Treasurer.....	3,374.76
	<hr/> \$3,831.67

INVITATIONS.

Once more I want to express my thanks for the many kind invitations that I have received to attend many Masonic functions both in this and many other Grand Jurisdictions, but the duties of the office have prevented me from accepting many of them.

To this report is attached Appendix A, being announcement of deaths that have occurred in other Grand Jurisdictions, and the other marked B, the Veterans' Medals that have been presented to brethren who have been in good standing for fifty years or more. Those marked with the * were presented by the Grand Master.

Fraternally submitted,

CONVERS E. LEACH,
Grand Secretary.

Appendix A.

Colorado. F. ERNEST NEWSON, Grand Master, 1928. Born April 13, 1883; died January 6, 1954.

Delaware. WALTER W. HYSON, Grand Master, 1943. Born February 19, 1873; died July 4, 1953.

District of Columbia. ROY D. BORDEN, Grand Master. Born September 11, 1897; died June 19, 1953.

England. Brigadier General WILLIAM H. DARELL, Grand Master. Died February 7, 1954.

Florida. L. TREVETTE LOCKWOOD, Deputy Grand Master. Born May 1, 1888; died March 29, 1954.

Georgia. WILLIAM GRIGGS MEALOR, Grand Master, 1931. Born November 30, 1871; died October 12, 1953.

Idaho. FRANK KNOX, Grand Master, 1924. Born June 1, 1878; died September 1, 1953.

Illinois. HAL CARTER McLOUD, Grand Master, 1937. Born March 21, 1876; died September 16, 1953.

Kansas. DOUGLAS A. MEREDITH, Grand Senior Warden. Born June 20, 1884; died August 30, 1953.

Kentucky. HUGH MOORE, Grand Master, 1935. Born June 20, 1880; died March 1, 1954.

Manitoba. Justice WILLIAM J. MAJOR, Grand Master, 1923. Died August 23, 1953.

Michigan. JOHN H. HAWKES, Grand Master, 1916. Born February 25, 1871; died November 12, 1952.

Minnesota. EDMUND A. MONTGOMERY, Grand Master, 1920. Born September 20, 1868; died August 11, 1952.

VERNON GATES, Grand Master, 1946. Born February 5, 1888; died November 20, 1952.

HERMAN WELD, Grand Master, 1922. Born July 23, 1875; died October 25, 1953.

Mississippi. JOSHUA RICE WILLIAMS, Past Grand Master; Grand Lecturer. Born August 3, 1867; died November 26, 1953.

Missouri. KARL M. VETSBURG, Grand Master, 1940. Died September 19, 1953.

ARCHER ALEXANDER JOHNSON, Grand Master, 1911. Born July 9, 1869; died January 20, 1954.

Montana. RALPH NICHOLAS LODGE, Grand Secretary. Born July 30, 1892; died January 25, 1954.

Nevada. SCOTT E. JAMESON, Grand Master, 1931. Born January 4, 1877; died April 8, 1954.

Nebraska. EDWIN D. CRITES, Grand Master, 1926. Born January 29, 1884; died November 7, 1953.

JOHN R. TAPSTER, Grand Master, 1931. Born November 30, 1876; died March 21, 1954.

North Carolina. JULIUS C. HOBBS, Grand Master, 1944. Born June 20, 1879; died June 8, 1953.

Ohio. ALPHEUS A. STEPHENS, Grand Master. Born September 18, 1887; died November 4, 1953.

Oregon. JARED WILLIAM SUMMERHAYS, Grand Master, 1952. Born March 20, 1896; died June 9, 1953.

Panama. RAFAEL AGOSTINI. Born September 23, 1890; died December 19, 1952.

Rhode Island. NORRIS GREENLEAF ABBOTT, Grand Master, 1922. Born June 9, 1875; died October 3, 1953.

South Carolina. CARLTON DURANT, Grand Master, 1926. Born March 8, 1874; died May 4, 1953.

ROBERT ARCHER COOPER, Grand Master, 1916. Born June 12, 1874; died August 7, 1953.

SAMUEL TICKER LENHAM, Grand Master, 1919. Born March 8, 1884; died July 31, 1953.

South Dakota. SANFORD GRANT DONALDSON, Grand Master, 1933. Born January 15, 1880; died March 28, 1953.

Virginia. WILLIAM SIMPSON PETTIT, Grand Treasurer. Born October 30, 1875; died June 2, 1953.

West Virginia. CHARLES S. ANGEL, Grand Master, 1917. Born June 10, 1865; died October 5, 1953.

Wisconsin. ALBERT W. ELMGREN, Grand Master, 1949. Born July 31, 1878; died May 14, 1953.

Wyoming. DR. GEORGE O. HANNA, Grand Master, 1943. Born April 10, 1881; died May 16, 1953.

J. L. SAWYER, Grand Master, 1944. Born February 9, 1879; died January 7, 1954.

WILLIAM H. PUGH, Grand Master, 1912. Born September 15, 1863; died February 26, 1954.

APPENDIX B.

Veterans' Medals have been presented to the following brethren who have been in good standing for fifty years or more. Those marked * were presented by the Grand Master.

LODGE	NAME	MASONIC AGE	PRESENTED
Portland Lodge, No. 1	Harry M. Freeman	5-13-1903	10-14-1953
Portland Lodge, No. 1	Leroy E. Dow	3- 7-1903	10-14-1953
Portland Lodge, No. 1	Maurice H. Woodbury	6-10-1903	12 -9-1953
Lincoln Lodge, No. 3	Fessenden M. Chase	4-21-1904	4-29-1954

With regret, we must record our own personal disapproval of this suggestion. While the time-honored requirement that all men must come to Masonry of their own free will and accord and without solicitation cannot properly be considered as a Landmark, it is certainly a well-established and universally accepted principle of Masonic common law, any departure from which could only serve to cheapen Freemasonry and to destroy one of the unique and distinctive characteristics of the Institution. We are unalterably opposed to any and all attempts to "modernize" Freemasonry, or to depart from the ancient usages and traditions of the Craft.

The Grand Master attended the usual district meetings, participated in the Washington Conferences, visited the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, and paid an unofficial fraternal visit to our own Waterville Lodge, No. 33. Two new Temples were dedicated. Another new Temple was destroyed by fire before it could be dedicated.

At this communication, the Grand Lodge joined the Masonic Relief Association of the United States and Canada. The first awards of Vermont's newly established decorations were made. The John Barney Medal was presented to two Vermont Masons who have never held elective Grand Lodge office. The Philip C. Tucker Medal was awarded to M. W. Aaron H. Grout, Grand Secretary of Vermont, and to Bro. Carl H. Claudy, Executive Secretary of the M. S. A. The Medal of Honor was awarded to Bro. Warren R. Austin, formerly United States Senator and Ambassador to the United Nations.

The Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico was recognized.

The Grand Master, Bro. F. Ray Adams, and the Grand Secretary, Bro. Aaron H. Grout, were re-elected.

There is no Correspondence Report.

VICTORIA, 1954.

Quarterly Communications.

Lodges, 744. Members, 107,078. Gain, 3,292.

The usual Quarterly Communications were held in 1954. Our Maine Representative, R. W. Bro. R. P. Dick, P. D. G. M., was present on three out of four occasions.

The Grand Master, Sir Dallas Brooks, was absent at the March Quarterly, being in personal attendance upon Her Majesty the Queen, then visiting in Victoria. On behalf of the Grand Lodge, he presented a Loyal Address to Her Majesty and a message of fraternal greetings to His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh. These were graciously acknowledged. As a further mark of her favor, the Queen conferred upon Sir Dallas the additional distinction of Knight Commander of the Royal Victorian Order.

LODGE	NAME	MASONIC AGE	PRESENTED
Casco Lodge, No. 36	John Carr	3-17-1903	5-30-1953
Casco Lodge, No. 36	Ronald C. Raynes	2-23-1904	3-31-1954
Washington Lodge, No. 37	Thomas O. Lock	11- 4-1903	11- 4-1953
Washington Lodge, No. 37	William K. Holmes	11- 4-1903	10-26-1953
Harmony Lodge, No. 38	Frank W. Barnes, Jr.	11-25-1903	11-25-1953
Penobscot Lodge, No. 39	Harry A. Fifield	3- 9-1903	4-29-1953
Penobscot Lodge, No. 39	Arthur H. Page	3- 9-1903	4-29-1953
Penobscot Lodge, No. 39	Albert McKusick	2-29-1904	3-28-1954
Lygonia Lodge, No. 40	Charles W. Campbell	4-17-1902	6-26-1953
Lygonia Lodge, No. 40	Embert C. Osgood	4-24-1902	6- 4-1953
Lygonia Lodge, No. 40	James I. Frazier	12- 5-1901	10-22-1953
Alna Lodge, No. 43	Fred Harrington	10- 8-1902	12- 5-1952
Piscataquis Lodge, No. 44	James O. McKeen	1- 8-1903	10-23-1953
Central Lodge, No. 45	Nelson M. Heikes	5- 6-1903	6-29-1953
Lafayette Lodge, No. 48	Charles S. Brown	4- 4-1903	9- 2-1953
Lafayette Lodge, No. 48	Arian H. Jones	1- 2-1904	2-28-1954
St. John's Lodge, No. 51	*Edward F. Gowen	6- 8-1903	6-15-1953
St. John's Lodge, No. 51	C. Dean Varney	6- 8-1903	10-13-1953
Mount Moriah Lodge, No. 56	Orel M. Gifford	11-12-1902	6-24-1953
Mount Moriah Lodge, No. 56	Albert F. Wentworth	1-28-1903	4-22-1953
Mount Moriah Lodge, No. 56	Charles F. Pingree	6- 3-1903	6-24-1953
King Hiram Lodge, No. 57	Thomas P. Holt	12- 8-1903	12- 1-1953
Star in the East Lodge, No. 60	Albert G. Averill	3- 7-1904	3- 8-1954
King Solomon's Lodge, No. 61	Roland T. Waltz	8-14-1903	11- 5-1953
King Solomon's Lodge, No. 61	Harry D. Benner	11-27-1903	11- 5-1953
Mystic Lodge, No. 65	Charles H. Rogers	4-11-1903	5-23-1953
Mechanics' Lodge, No. 66	C. Parker Crowell	11- 4-1903	12-16-1953
Rising Sun Lodge, No. 71	Daniel L. Keyes	3- 1-1904	3- 2-1954
Pioneer Lodge, No. 72	Fred C. Stevens	7- 1-1903	10-21-1953
Pioneer Lodge, No. 72	Amos Koslosky	12- 9-1903	3-12-1954
Tyrian Lodge, No. 73	Percy G. Hayford	8- 6-1903	9-17-1953
Tyrian Lodge, No. 73	Albert Ramsdell	12-31-1903	1-14-1954
Bristol Lodge, No. 74	Herbert S. Loud	6-20-1903	8-10-1953
Tremont Lodge, No. 77	John Carroll	12-17-1903	1- 7-1954
Crescent Lodge, No. 78	James Abernethy	9-24-1902	1- 7-1953
Crescent Lodge, No. 78	Guy D. Sinclair	2- 4-1903	6-15-1953
Atlantic Lodge, No. 81	Stephen E. Dorsey	3-16-1904	4-21-1954
St. Andrew's Lodge, No. 83	Watson S. Purinton	11-15-1899	11- 6-1953
Temple Lodge, No. 86	James Y. Kinmond	6-10-1903	11-18-1953
Temple Lodge, No. 86	Philip Dana	6-10-1903	1-24-1954

LODGE	NAME	MASONIC AGE	PRESENTED
Temple Lodge, No. 86	Ernest F. Kinmond	11-10-1903	1-25-1954
Harwood Lodge, No. 91	B. Frank Dudley	9-29-1902	3- 3-1954
Siloam Lodge, No. 92	Carl C. Piper	2- 5-1903	9-10-1953
Siloam Lodge, No. 92	Charles H. Gibson	4- 9-1903	9-10-1953
Siloam Lodge, No. 92	Ezra P. Totman	7-30-1903	9-10-1953
Corinthian Lodge, No. 95	Daniel A. Packard	12-10-1902	7-29-1953
Corinthian Lodge, No. 95	Lindon C. Lancaster	4- 9-1903	11- 4-1953
Monument Lodge, No. 96	William H. Ormsby	6- 9-1903	6-21-1953
Nezinscot Lodge, No. 101	Charles C. Turner	4-11-1903	5- 1-1953
Nezinscot Lodge, No. 101	*Embert H. Jones	4-11-1903	7- 8-1953
Nezinscot Lodge, No. 101	*Prentiss French	7-19-1902	7- 8-1953
Marsh River Lodge, No. 102	Harry M. Brown	2-10-1904	4- 8-1954
Ashlar Lodge, No. 105	Herbert C. Edwards	2-23-1903	11-27-1953
Ashlar Lodge, No. 105	H. Robert Brown	1-11-1904	2-16-1954
Ashlar Lodge, No. 105	George E. Bearce	2-23-1903	2-16-1954
Tuscan Lodge, No. 106	Allen Baillie	3-28-1903	10- 3-1953
Day Spring Lodge, No. 107	Charles E. Jowett	4- 7-1903	11- 9-1953
Mount Kineo Lodge, No. 109	Franklin B. Pease	5-25-1903	9-10-1953
Greenleaf Lodge, No. 117	Winfred C. Ayer	2-21-1902	4-18-1953
Greenleaf Lodge, No. 117	Samuel G. Sawyer	4-18-1902	4-18-1953
Greenleaf Lodge, No. 117	Charles Cotton	6- 5-1903	4-18-1953
Acacia Lodge, No. 121	Ralph E. Vickery	4- 9-1903	6-23-1953
Acacia Lodge, No. 121	Delmar R. Sylvester	6- 9-1903	6-23-1953
Marine Lodge, No. 122	Harold F. Joyce	5-26-1903	7-11-1953
Olive Branch Lodge, No. 124	Edwin F. Bolton	12- 4-1903	12-10-1953
Trinity Lodge, No. 130	Melvin A. Dudley	6-22-1903	9- 1-1953
Asylum Lodge, No. 133	Chester G. Bisbee	3- 4-1903	11-30-1953
Riverside Lodge, No. 135	*George C. Erskine	9- 5-1903	9- 2-1953
Lewy's Island Lodge, No. 138	Woodbury McDowell	2- 6-1904	2- 9-1954
Augusta Lodge, No. 141	Clarence H. Burdin	5-19-1903	5-19-1953
Preble Lodge, No. 143	Jesse A. Johnson	5-28-1903	6- 3-1953
Moses Webster Lodge, No. 145	Harry L. Sanborn	9-29-1903	10-13-1953
Sebasticook Lodge, No. 146	Julian M. Estes	2-18-1904	3-25-1954
Forest Lodge, No. 148	Jesse Osgood	10-11-1902	9-21-1953
Mystic Tie Lodge, No. 154	Henry G. Swett	8- 4-1903	11-18-1953
Ancient York Lodge, No. 155	Asbury M. Blake	6-22-1903	6-22-1953
Anchor Lodge, No. 158	*Everett P. Kelsey	6-23-1903	6- 3-1953
Arion Lodge, No. 162	Cecil F. Clark	11-20-1902	4- 5-1953
Arion Lodge, No. 162	Jesse D. Littlefield	4- 9-1903	10-15-1953
Neguemkeag Lodge, No. 166	Frank M. Morgan	9- 5-1903	11-20-1953
Whitney Lodge, No. 167	Harry F. Doe	5- 7-1903	5-17-1953
Caribou Lodge, No. 170	Edgar W. Russ	1- 7-1904	1- 7-1954

LODGE	NAME	MASONIC AGE	PRESENTED
Pine Tree Lodge, No. 172	Austin K. Rush	2-22-1902	6-20-1953
Pine Tree Lodge, No. 172	Joseph M. Libby	4-19-1902	8-27-1953
Pine Tree Lodge, No. 172	John Smith	3 -7-1903	6-29-1953
Pine Tree Lodge, No. 172	Charles T. Coombs	4-11-1903	6-28-1953
Pine Tree Lodge, No. 172	Albert F. Martin	8- 8-1903	1-25-1544
Rising Star Lodge, No. 177	Herbert C. Perry	8- 8-1903	1-20-1954
Rising Star Lodge, No. 177	Herman E. Perkins	2-22-1904	4-28-1954
Hiram Lodge, No. 180	Robert E. Hale	2-17-1903	10-2-19583
Hiram Lodge, No. 180	Arthur F. Carey	6-16-1903	10-28-1953
Deering Lodge, No. 183	George M.W. Whitney	6-13-1902	5-18-1953
Deering Lodge, No. 183	Albert F. Austin	5-25-1903	5-18-1953
Deering Lodge, No. 183	John M. Stevens	5-25-1903	5-18-1953
Deering Lodge, No. 183	Peter W. Wescott	5-25-1903	5-18-1953
Deering Lodge, No. 183	Augustus M. Hersey	6 -8-1903	12-29-1953
Naval Lodge, No. 184	Charles F. Hussey	5-20-1903	8-12-1953
Naval Lodge, No. 184	Joseph M. Heeney	5-20-1903	5-26-1953
Naval Lodge, No. 184	Richard J. Rogers	5-20-1903	5-26-1953
Naval Lodge, No. 184	George D. Boulter	6- 3-1903	5-26-1953
Bar Harbor Lodge, No. 185	Arthur W. Brown	3-26-1903	5-28-1953
Bar Harbor Lodge, No. 185	John H. Butterfield	10-15-1903	12-14-1953
Bar Harbor Lodge, No. 185	James M. Shea	11-19-1903	1-18-1954
Bar Harbor Lodge, No. 185	Harry C. Copp	2-11-1904	4 -8-1954
Davis Lodge, No. 191	Fred H. McCleary	5-15-1903	7-23-1953
Davis Lodge, No. 191	Alonzo P. Richards	2-12-1904	4-23-1954
Washburn Lodge, No. 193	Robert C. Foote	8 -5-1903	11-26-1953
Euclid Lodge, No. 194	*James M. Spence	3- 2-1903	6 -1-1953
Euclid Lodge, No. 194	Ernest H. Ward	12- 7-1903	12 -7-1953
Euclid Lodge, No. 194	Eugene S. Leeman	1-20-1896	12-29-1953
Bay View Lodge, No. 196	Cleveland E. Giles	9- 5-1903	9- 4-1953
Aroostook Lodge, No. 197	Carfield W. Boynton	6-13-1903	12-29-1953
St. Aspinquid Lodge, No. 198	Cecil B. Hobson	4- 7-1903	6-29-1953
Bingham Lodge, No. 199	Roland F. Baker	1-17-1903	6- 3-1953
Bingham Lodge, No. 199	Carl O. Cates	2-13-1904	3- 3-1954
David A. Hooper Lodge, No. 201	Percy W. DeBeck	5-30-1903	4-12-1954
Mount Bigelow Lodge, No. 202	Arthur E. Wright	5- 5-1903	7-24-1953
Mount Bigelow Lodge, No. 202	Cliff E. Wing	8 -8-1903	8 - -1953
Mount Olivet Lodge, No. 203	Lyndon H. Stevens	4-13-1897	3-27-1953
Mount Olivet Lodge, No. 203	John S. Jones	10-28-1899	3-10-1953
Kemankeag Lodge, No. 213	Wilmot E. Patterson	3-18-1903	9- 2-1953

LODGE	NAME	MASONIC AGE	PRESENTED
Ralph J. Pollard Lodge, No. 217	Elmer W. Cole	11-18-1903	3 -5-1954

The report was referred to the Committee on Doings of Grand Officers.

FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE.

M. W. BRO RALPH J. POLLARD: Most Worshipful Grand Master, the report this year is very brief. The report of the Committee is in print and is in the hands of the Brethren. There will be no supplementary report. Several matters are in the hands of your committee upon which we are not prepared to make formal recommendations at the present time. Accordingly, I move that the printed report be accepted and published as an appendix to the Proceedings.

The report was accepted.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

R. W. Bro. GEORGE H. MINOTT, for the Committee on Unfinished Business reported that there was no unfinished business pending from the previous Grand Communication and the report was accepted.

(At 12.05 P. M. the Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment until 2.00 P. M., Tuesday, May 4, 1954).

FIRST DAY — AFTERNOON.

2.00 P. M., TUESDAY, May 4, 1954.

The Grand Lodge was called from refreshment to labor at 2.00 o'clock with the same Grand Officers as at the morning session.

M. W. Bro. WHITFIELD W. JOHNSON, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts was called upon and he responded in part as follows:

"I have been here on a number of occasions, as Grand Marshal, and I was very happy indeed to have this opportunity to come back as Grand Master. And I had one other reason for wanting to come. Those of you who were at the meeting, last night, heard me allude to Henry Price, our first Provincial Grand Master in Massachusetts. Some years ago, Massachusetts had a medal struck off, called the Henry Price Medal, which it is the privilege of our Grand Masters to bestow upon Distinguished Masons of our own as well as of other jurisdictions, and since Maine and Massachusetts are so closely allied and since you have had presiding over your Grand Lodge for the last two years a man who has distinguished himself by his great ability and his great zeal for the welfare of the Fraternity, I take pleasure, Most Worshipful Grand Master, in presenting to you in your own Grand Lodge the Henry Price Medal of our Grand Lodge. I trust that you will honor us by wearing it and that that you will accept it in the spirit in which it is presented to you, namely, that we in Massachusetts are very proud of your Grand Lodge; we are very proud of you, and, as a personal and as an individual privilege for me, I take great pleasure in presenting it to you."

(The Communication stood and applauded vigorously).

HENRY PRICE MEDAL.

Grand Master ELA expressed his appreciation for the Medal and spoke of the admiration he held for Henry Price. He then addressed M. W. Bro. JOHNSON as follows:

"Now, there is a very great pride in Massachusetts in Henry Price. We have a very, very great pride in Maine in Josiah Hayden Drummond, who was a great Mason. He

spent some time in Boston, I believe, as the head of the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite. I don't know whether he handled it all from this office or not, but we had him in Maine, anyway, although perhaps the grandest office of that illustrious organization is now in Boston. However, I am very, very delighted to have this privilege of bestowing upon you one of the very limited number of medals that our Grand Master may present—the Josiah Hayden Drummond Medal of the Grand Lodge of Maine. I hope that we can have it work out all right, and I assure you and the Brethren that there was no idea of any such reciprocal arrangement."

DRUMMOND MEDAL.

M. W. Bro. JOHNSON: "Most Worshipful Grand Master, you did take me by surprise, because when you started to talk about Josiah Drummond you were looking this way, but until you looked me squarely in the eye and said you wished to present it to me, I did not realize that you were addressing me particularly. But I am well acquainted not only with what this medal signifies, but indeed with what Most Worshipful Bro. Drummond signified, not only to the Masons in Maine, not only to the Supreme Council for the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction, but also to Masons throughout the Masonic world. Because he is recognized, as you know and as I am sure most of the Brethren know, as one of the world's outstanding Masonic students, scholars, and leaders, and I am very happy indeed to be honored by receiveing this medal which I know is bestowed with great infrequency, and I thank you very much, Most Worshipful Sir, and appreciate your generosity in the thought which prompted your giving it to me."

Grand Master ELA then caused R. W. Brother HARRY S. GRINDALL to be presented to the East and presented him with a Josiah Hayden Drummond medal. Bro. GRINDALL received vigorous applause from the communication.

TELEGRAM.

The following telegram was read:

BENJAMIN W. ELA,
Masonic Temple,
Portland, Maine.

Best wishes for harmonious and creative Annual Communication. Congratulations on successful and constructive year. Fraternal greetings to all.

CARL H. CLAUDY, *Executive Secretary,*
Masonic Service Association.

DOINGS OF GRAND OFFICERS.

M. W. Bro. Clark D. Chapman, for the Committee on Doings of Grand Officers, presented the following report which was accepted and the recommendations were adopted:

IN GRAND LODGE,
May 4, 1954.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maine:

Your Committee on Doings of Grand Officers has given careful consideration to the address of our Grand Master and to the reports of other officers which have been presented to it.

We congratulate our Grand Master upon a successful and busy year and join with him in expressing satisfaction that he has been able to visit so many lodges and attend so many Masonic functions, both within and without this Grand Jurisdiction.

We are pleased to note that the Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master, Grand Secretary and others from Maine were present at the Grand Masters' Conference and other meetings held in Washington, D. C., in February.

We also congratulate our Grand Master upon the many honors which have been conferred upon him and through him upon our Grand Lodge at the outstanding Masonic events which he has reported.

We recommend that the portions of the address of the Grand Master in which he discusses the condition of the Fraternity, together with the reports of the Deputy Grand Master, Grand Wardens, District Deputy Grand Masters and Grand Lecturer, be referred to the Committee on the Condition of the Fraternity.

We recommend that the portions of the Grand Master's address entitled "Dispensations" and "Decisions—Opinions—References" be referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

We have studied the portion of his address entitled "Maine Masonic Bloodbank." The need is all too apparent. The matter should be carefully considered. We, therefore, recommend that this portion of the address be referred to Grand Lodge.

We commend our Grand Secretary upon his continued faithful and efficient performance of duty, and once more express our appreciation to him.

Fraternally submitted,

CLARK D. CHAPMAN,	}	<i>Committee on Doings of Grand Officers.</i>
GEORGE F. GIDDINGS,		
GRANVILLE C. GRAY,		

FINANCE.

M. W. Bro. CARROLL W. KEENE, for the Committee on Finance, submitted the following report which was accepted.

MASONIC TEMPLE,

PORTLAND, ME., May 4, 1954.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maine:

Your Committee on Finance submit the following report:

The report of the Grand Treasurer as to receipts and disbursements of the several Grand Lodge funds have been checked and we find the same are in accord with the report of the Auditor. The books and records of the Recording Grand Secretary have been examined and the same found properly kept.

A member of the committee accompanied the Auditor in his check of the Grand Lodge securities as listed in the Grand Treasurer's report and found all properly accounted for.

Fraternally submitted,

CARROLL W. KEENE,
DAVID F. DREW,
HORACE M. BUDD,
Finance Committee.

The Grand Treasurer's report and the Grand Secretary's report, and the Auditor's report were then accepted.

RETURNS.

R. W. Brother CONVERS E. LEACH, for the Committee on Returns, submitted the following report

which was accepted and ordered printed in the Proceedings together with the Abstract of Returns from the Lodges:

MASONIC TEMPLE,

PORTLAND, ME., May 4, 1954.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maine:

Nineteen Lodges failed to make Returns on time. Some of these were reminded by letter and telephone several times that they were over due, but still failed to report thus delaying the work of the office for some time.

Last year we reported a net gain of 645, this year the net gain is 619, making the present membership 46,954. One hundred and thirty-five lodges report a gain, fifty-six lodges report a loss, and sixteen lodges retain the same membership as a year ago.

There were raised, 1,577; affiliated, 128; and re-instated, 114; dimitted 141; suspended N. P. D., 256; died, 803.

There were 247 rejections, the largest number by Rising Virtue, No. 10 rejecting 14.

The largest gain was Hiram Lodge, No. 183, gaining 37.

Hiram Lodge continues to be the largest with 1,118 members, and Mount Tir'em No. 132, the smallest with 52 members.

The average membership is now 225. There are 28 lodges with less than one hundred members.

The following table shows comparison for the past five years:

	1950	1951	1952	1953	1954
Initiated.....	1,788	1,396	1,575	1,600	1,580
Raised.....	1,819	1,489	1,562	1,564	1,577
Affiliated.....	167	144	156	134	128
Re-instated.....	138	88	152	128	114
Dimitted.....	167	145	171	141	141
Suspended.....	0	0	0	0	0
Suspended from membership.....	238	81	223	218	256
Deprived of membership.....	0	0	0	1	0
Expelled.....	1	1	0	2	0
Died.....	797	643	815	819	803
Number of members.....	44,181	45,032	45,690	46,335	46,954

Fraternally submitted,

CONVERS E. LEACH,
CLYDE FRENCH, } *Committee.*

ABSTRACT OF RETURNS, 1954

Nos.	LONGES	Initiated.	Raised.	Affiliated.	Re-instated.	Dimitted.	Died	Suspended	Expelled	N. P. D.		No. Members	Rejected
										Suspended.	D. of Mem.		
1	Portland	7	9	0	1	3	9	0	0	5	0	390	1
2	Warren	3	3	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	149	0
3	Lincoln	8	4	1	0	2	4	0	0	4	0	226	2
4	Hancock	2	2	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	106	0
5	Kennebec	8	8	1	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	211	1
6	Amity	4	5	2	0	1	8	0	0	3	0	343	0
7	Eastern	3	3	0	0	1	5	0	0	2	0	158	2
8	United	19	16	0	0	2	6	0	0	0	0	445	3
9	Saco	10	10	0	0	0	9	0	0	0	0	368	8
10	Rising Virtue	28	28	0	2	4	16	0	0	2	0	691	14
11	Pythagorean	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	149	1
12	Cumberland	3	3	0	0	0	4	0	0	1	0	260	2
13	Oriental	7	7	1	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	240	4
14	Solar	12	13	1	1	5	7	0	0	0	0	461	0
15	Orient	7	8	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	194	0
16	St. George	4	1	0	0	3	1	0	0	0	0	130	0
17	Ancient Land-Mark.	9	10	0	4	5	12	0	0	1	0	605	4
18	Oxford	8	11	1	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	226	0
19	Felicity	8	9	0	0	1	3	0	0	6	0	270	0
20	Maine	10	10	2	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	261	2
21	Oriental Star	2	1	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	174	1
22	York	17	19	1	0	1	7	0	0	0	0	273	3
23	Freeport	7	7	0	0	2	9	0	0	0	0	243	1
24	Phoenix	10	7	2	1	2	2	0	0	0	0	239	0
25	Temple	10	9	2	1	0	6	0	0	0	0	159	0
26	Village	0	1	1	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	124	2
27	Adoniram	1	3	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	85	0
28	Northern Star	6	6	0	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	127	1
29	Tranquil	20	20	5	0	0	9	0	0	0	0	612	0
30	Blazing Star	15	9	0	1	1	5	0	0	2	0	403	4
31	Union	8	7	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	141	0
32	Hermon	21	23	4	2	0	10	0	0	2	0	551	6
33	Waterville	16	16	3	1	4	18	0	0	10	0	810	1
34	Somerset	6	7	0	0	0	9	0	0	1	0	205	2
35	Bethlehem	20	17	0	4	1	6	0	0	2	0	478	0
36	Casco	12	13	0	0	2	5	0	0	0	0	322	3
37	Washington	6	3	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	185	0
38	Harmony	18	16	2	0	0	5	0	0	1	0	277	2
39	Penobscot	8	9	1	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	256	0
40	Lygonia	18	14	0	2	2	3	0	0	9	0	457	0
41	Morning Star	2	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	118	0
42	Freedom	7	7	0	0	1	2	0	0	1	0	103	2
43	Alna	8	9	3	0	2	8	0	0	0	0	212	0
44	Piscataquis	13	10	0	0	2	3	0	0	0	0	299	0
45	Central	3	5	1	0	0	3	0	0	2	0	155	1
46	St. Croix	11	11	2	2	1	2	0	0	0	0	331	6
47	Dunlap	7	7	0	1	1	7	0	0	0	0	339	7
48	Lafayette	4	6	2	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	182	0
49	Meridian Splendor..	3	7	2	0	0	1	0	0	3	0	228	0
50	Aurora	8	8	0	3	2	6	0	0	0	0	429	1

Nos.	Lodges.	In.	R.	A.	R.	D.	D.	S.	E.	N. P. D.		Mem.	R.
										S.	D.		
51	St. John's	8	7	1	1	1	6	0	0	0	0	263	3
52	Mosaic	7	6	0	2	2	7	0	0	2	0	252	0
53	Rural	2	2	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	81	1
54	Vassalboro	2	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	95	0
55	Fraternal	6	4	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	151	0
56	Mount Moriah	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	95	0
57	King Hiram	7	4	0	1	0	5	0	0	0	0	168	0
58	Unity	1	4	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	131	0
59	Mt. Hope (ch. sur.)												
60	Star in the East....	23	27	0	1	0	10	0	0	2	0	456	6
61	King Solomon's....	15	13	0	1	1	6	0	0	2	0	234	0
62	King David's.....	2	2	1	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	94	0
63	Richmond	3	2	2	0	4	0	0	0	4	0	169	0
64	Pacific	1	1	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	80	0
65	Mystic	12	14	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	300	1
66	Mechanics'.....	7	7	2	1	0	3	0	0	1	0	285	0
67	Blue Mountain....	3	5	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	124	0
68	Mariners'.....	3	1	5	0	0	3	0	0	1	0	122	0
69	Howard	2	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	178	2
70	Standish	3	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	191	3
71	Rising Sun.....	1	4	0	0	1	3	0	0	2	0	120	1
72	Pioneer	6	6	0	1	0	3	0	0	2	0	172	1
73	Tyrian	8	5	1	1	1	3	0	0	1	0	280	2
74	Bristol	2	2	0	0	1	4	0	0	0	0	153	0
75	Archon	5	3	0	3	0	1	0	0	2	0	107	3
76	Arundel	8	5	1	1	0	3	0	0	0	0	206	0
77	Tremont	6	6	1	0	1	3	0	0	1	0	196	1
78	Crescent	4	4	1	0	1	4	0	0	0	0	110	0
79	Rockland.....	21	21	1	2	1	5	0	0	15	0	293	2
80	Keystone	5	7	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	127	0
81	Atlantic	19	22	0	0	2	15	0	0	6	0	583	4
82	St. Paul's	3	5	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	215	0
83	St. Andrew's	17	21	2	5	3	14	0	0	7	0	929	9
84	Eureka	3	4	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	106	0
85	Star in the West....	2	3	1	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	119	2
86	Temple	10	9	0	0	2	8	0	0	6	0	330	1
87	Benevolent	3	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	106	0
88	Narraguagus	12	12	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	138	0
89	Island	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	78	0
90	Hiram Abiff (ch. rev.)												
91	Harwood	11	9	0	0	0	7	0	0	2	0	196	0
92	Siloam	8	5	1	1	4	6	0	0	3	0	326	2
93	Horeb	9	14	3	1	0	6	0	0	5	0	289	7
94	Paris	6	5	0	0	1	5	0	0	1	0	157	0
95	Corinthian	2	2	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	142	0
96	Monument	32	29	0	0	0	10	0	0	3	0	575	2
97	Bethel	8	7	1	1	0	5	0	0	3	0	176	1
98	Katahdin.....	3	4	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	146	2
99	Vernon Valley.....	11	10	1	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	136	1
100	Jefferson	2	2	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	109	0
101	Nezinscot	3	3	1	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	132	0
102	Marsh River	8	6	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	134	0
103	Dresden	4	1	1	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	87	0
104	Dirigo	6	6	0	0	1	4	0	0	0	0	156	0
105	Ashlar	15	15	1	4	1	6	0	0	3	0	373	0
106	Tuscan.....	2	3	1	1	1	3	0	0	1	0	181	0

Nos.	Lodgers	In.	R.	A.	R.	D.	D.	S.	E.	N. P. D.		Mem.	R.
										S.	D.		
107	Day Spring	3	3	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	116	1
108	Relief (<i>ch. rev.</i>)												
109	Mount Kineo	8	11	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	195	0
110	Monmouth	8	5	4	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	216	1
111	Liberty	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	92	0
112	Eastern Frontier	16	12	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	307	5
113	Messalonskee	11	11	1	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	179	0
114	Polar Star	12	10	0	1	0	6	0	0	4	0	418	0
115	Buxton	5	5	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	195	1
116	Lebanon	4	4	0	0	1	2	0	0	1	0	137	0
117	Greenleaf	3	3	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	162	0
118	Drummond	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	7	0	76	0
119	Pownal	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	116	0
120	Meduncook (<i>ch. sur.</i>)												
121	Acacia	7	4	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	124	0
122	Marine	12	10	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	234	0
123	Franklin	5	7	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	159	0
124	Olive Branch	7	7	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	181	0
125	Meridian	7	7	1	0	2	3	0	0	0	0	253	0
126	Timothy Chase	3	4	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	196	0
127	Presumpscot	12	12	1	0	0	9	0	0	0	0	297	0
128	Eggemoggin	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	98	1
129	Quantabacook	5	5	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	120	0
130	Trinity	10	10	1	2	5	4	0	0	13	0	401	1
131	Lookout	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	61	0
132	Mount Tir'em	2	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	53	0
133	Asylum	2	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	82	0
134	Trojan (<i>consol'd</i>)												
135	Riverside	2	2	1	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	147	1
136	Ionic (<i>ch. sur.</i>)												
137	Kenduskeag	11	13	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	206	0
138	Lewy's Island	19	17	0	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	290	3
139	Archon (<i>consol'd</i>)												
140	Mount Desert	5	4	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	82	0
141	Augusta	16	22	2	0	2	8	0	0	0	0	536	1
142	Ocean	10	8	2	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	235	2
143	Preble	9	11	1	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	373	1
144	Seaside	8	10	1	1	0	10	0	0	0	0	281	4
145	Moses Webster	4	4	2	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	158	0
146	Sebasticook	5	6	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	177	0
147	Evening Star	1	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	95	0
148	Forest	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	119	0
149	Doric	3	3	0	0	2	3	0	0	0	0	106	0
150	Rabboni	5	7	1	1	0	5	0	0	0	0	230	4
151	Excelsior	3	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	57	0
152	Crooked River	4	4	2	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	130	3
153	Delta	2	2	0	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	87	0
154	Mystic Tie	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	63	0
155	Ancient York	5	6	0	0	2	2	0	0	1	0	183	0
156	Wilton	5	5	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	268	1
157	Cambridge	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	99	0
158	Anchor	1	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	73	0
159	Esoteric (<i>consol'd</i>)												
160	Parian	4	4	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	106	0
161	Carrabasset	1	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	72	0
162	Arion	2	4	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	148	2
163	Pleasant River	2	3	0	0	0	6	0	0	4	0	294	1

Nos.	LODGES	In.	R.	A.	R.	D.	D.	S.	E.	N. P. D.		Mem.	R.
										S.	D.		
164	Webster	8	12	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	124	1
165	Molunkus	4	4	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	189	0
166	Neguemkeag	6	7	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	112	0
167	Whitney	4	4	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	115	0
168	Composite	9	11	0	1	0	3	0	0	0	0	204	1
169	Shepherd's River...	2	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	91	0
170	Caribou	10	9	0	2	1	4	0	0	2	0	321	8
171	Naskeag	2	1	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	72	0
172	Pine Tree	0	1	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	125	0
173	Pleiades	10	12	0	0	0	5	0	0	3	0	185	3
174	Lynde	11	12	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	144	1
175	Baskahegan	8	8	0	0	1	4	0	0	0	0	182	0
176	Palestine (consol'd) ..												
177	Rising Star	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	115	0
178	Ancient Brothers'...	16	17	0	1	0	8	0	0	1	0	427	2
179	Yorkshire	9	8	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	181	0
180	Hiram	53	53	6	5	3	17	0	0	7	0	1118	5
181	Reuel Washburn (con.)												
182	Granite	0	1	0	1	0	5	0	0	0	0	75	0
183	Deering	32	32	4	4	2	18	0	0	7	0	1021	2
184	Naval	23	19	2	3	1	14	0	0	9	0	816	4
185	Bar Harbor	13	13	0	1	0	6	0	0	3	0	238	0
186	Warren Phillips	8	10	0	2	2	14	0	0	1	0	392	0
187	Ira Berry	4	5	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	98	0
188	Jonesport	9	5	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	166	1
189	Knox	4	4	0	1	0	1	0	0	8	0	151	0
190	Springvale	6	8	1	1	1	6	0	0	0	0	284	1
191	Davis	5	4	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	154	0
192	Winter Harbor	14	13	0	0	2	4	0	0	0	0	178	0
193	Washburn	9	9	0	0	0	2	0	0	3	0	215	0
194	Euclid	10	8	1	3	1	5	0	0	9	0	204	2
195	Reliance	3	5	2	2	1	1	0	0	3	0	138	0
196	Bay View	9	7	1	0	0	4	0	0	1	0	164	0
197	Aroostook	8	7	0	1	1	5	0	0	3	0	232	1
198	St. Aspinquid	14	18	0	3	1	9	0	0	1	0	354	2
199	Bingham	12	10	0	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	264	3
200	Columbia	7	6	0	1	1	1	0	0	2	0	223	1
201	David A. Hooper	6	6	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	219	0
202	Mount Bigelow	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	106	0
203	Mount Olivet	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	84	2
204	Mount Abram	2	2	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	137	0
205	Nolleseme	13	17	2	0	1	5	0	0	0	0	338	7
206	Island Falls	13	15	0	0	2	4	0	0	0	0	257	3
207	Abner Wade	3	3	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	128	0
208	Northeast Harbor	4	5	0	1	0	5	0	0	2	0	132	0
209	Fort Kent	2	2	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	110	0
210	Bagaduce	4	4	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	70	1
211	Meduncook	2	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	68	0
212	McKinley	2	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	115	0
213	Kemankeag	3	4	0	0	0	1	0	0	3	0	112	2
214	Limestone	6	6	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	124	0
215	Orchard	18	13	1	0	1	0	0	0	3	0	241	2
216	Corner Stone	43	45	1	1	4	11	0	0	10	0	779	12
217	Ralph J. Pollard	20	17	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	227	3
		1580	1577	128	114	141	803	0	0	256	0	46954	247

GEORGE WASHINGTON MASONIC NATIONAL MEMORIAL.

R. W. Bro. H. NORTON MAXFIELD, for the Committee on George Washington Masonic National Memorial, presented the following report which was accepted:

PORTLAND, MAINE,
May 4, 1954.

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

The thirty-fourth Annual Meeting of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association was held in the Auditorium of the Memorial Building at Alexandria, Virginia, on Monday, February 22, 1954.

Maine was represented by M. W. Bro. Benjamin W. Ela, Grand Master, R. W. Bro. Paul L. Powers, Deputy Grand Master, and R. W. Bro. Convers E. Leach, Grand Secretary.

Maine's contribution was \$1,700.00, bringing Maine's total contribution to date to \$73,779.00.

M. W. Bro. Clifford D. Jory, Grand Master of Iowa, was re-elected President of the Association.

Fraternally submitted,

H. NORTON MAXFIELD,
Chairman.

JURISPRUDENCE.

M. W. Bro. EDWARD W. WHEELER, for the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence, presented the following report which was adopted:

IN GRAND LODGE,
May 4, 1954.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maine:

The Committee on Jurisprudence, having given consideration to the portions of the address of the Grand Master relating to dispensations and decisions, reports thereon as follows:

We warmly commend the recognition given by the Grand Master to the "very narrow limits of constitutional authority for the issuance of dispensations," and the restraint he has wisely exercised in granting such special authorizations. We consider that the dispensations he has reported were within his constitutional powers and prerogatives, and we assume that all conditions, requirements and safeguards connected therewith, particularly in connection with the dispensation granted to St. Andrew's Lodge, were fully observed.

No decisions have been reported by the Grand Master which require action thereon by this committee.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD W. WHEELER,	}	<i>Committee on Jurisprudence.</i>
CLARK D. CHAPMAN,		
GRANVILLE C. GRAY,		

DISTINGUISHED GUESTS.

The Grand Master called upon the several Distinguished Guests many of whom had to leave early. They responded in words of wisdom and humor which were appreciated by the brethren in attendance.

CREDENTIALS.

W. Bro. GEORGE P. JACKSON, for the Committee on Credentials, presented the final report which was accepted.

There are present, and entitled to vote 40 Permanent Members; 45 Grand Lodge Officers; 192 Lodges represented, three votes, 576; making a total of 661 votes.

GEORGE P. JACKSON,
WILSON C. BLAKE,
JOHN VACCA.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

M. W. Bro. EDWARD W. WHEELER was requested to assume the East and preside over the election of officers. He appointed the following committees to receive, sort and count votes:

1. MERTON E. LEECH, GEORGE W. HASKELL, EDWARD H. BRITTON.
2. GEORGE H. MINOTT, HARRY S. GRINDALL, WILLIAM S. LEVENSAIOR.

They reported the election of

PAUL L. POWERS,	M. W. Grand Master,	Freeport
AUBREY L. BURBANK,	R. W. Deputy Grand Master,	Waterville
PHILIP D. TINGLEY,	" Senior Grand Warden,	Houlton
MERRILL R. KITTREDGE,	" Junior Grand Warden,	Bangor
H. NORTON MAXFIELD,	" Grand Treasurer,	Portland
CONVERS E. LEACH,	" Secretary,	Portland
CONVERS E. LEACH,	" Grand Secretary,	Portland

Trustees of the Charity Fund for three years—M. W. GEORGE F. GIDDINGS and M. W. ERVIN E. J. LANDER.

Committee on Finance—M. W. CARROLL W. KEENE.

Grand Master ELA resumed the East and thanked Brother WHEELER and the tellers for their services.

HISTORY.

R. W. Bro. GEORGE R. CASWELL, for the Committee on History of Masonry in Maine, reported as follows:

IN GRAND LODGE,
May 4, 1954.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maine:

Your Committee on History of Masonry in Maine takes pleasure in reporting that since the last session of Grand Lodge three lodges have presented their histories. These have been examined by your Committee and turned over to Grand Lodge for safe keeping.

The History of Central Lodge, No. 45, of China, Maine, was written by Charles E. Crosby, Past Master of the Lodge. It contains one hundred and thirty-five pages covering the period from 1875 to 1951. It has a list of officers by years and the name of every member who joined the Lodge during the period for which the history is written. It contains the report of the Finance Committee for each year. All the important events of the Lodge are noted. This history was the result of much work. Two hundred and fifty copies were printed and Worshipful Brother Crosby made a very substantial contribution toward having the printing done. Central Lodge of China can indeed be proud of the efforts of its very distinguished member.

The History of Mechanics Lodge, No. 66, of Orono, Maine, was written by Douglass M. Beale, Past Master of the Lodge. This history covers the period from the time its Charter was granted in May, 1851, to the time of its Centennial Celebration May, 1951. This History is a bound typewritten volume of 104 pages and contains information relative to its formation and important events during the one hundred years of its existence. The name of all Masters of the Lodge and their term of office and some important events that happened during these terms are listed. Names of some of the outstanding members such as Grand Lodge Officers, are listed. Information in regard to meeting places, social activities and Masonic Charity is included in this History.

The History of Parian Lodge, No. 160, of Corinna, Maine was written by Roy J. Buxton, Past Master, and Past District Deputy Grand Master of the Twenty-second District. The History contains ninety-two pages and covers the period from the beginning of the Lodge in 1870 down to the present date. It lists the names of the twelve Charter Members, 308 who were raised to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason, and the forty-six who have affiliated with the Lodge. It also lists the Officers for

every year of the Lodges existence. Although Roy J. Buxton was raised in Polar Star Lodge of Bath, Maine, he has been affiliated with Parian Lodge for twenty years. Parian Lodge can indeed be proud of what Roy has done for them.

Standing Regulation Number 2 as adopted by Grand Lodge in 1866, states that all lodges shall furnish their histories to Grand Lodge once in ten years. Only eighteen of the 207 lodges in the state have presented a history in the last decade. Your Committee is asking each Lodge to appoint a Historian during the coming year and that a start be made toward writing a history.

Faternally submitted,

JOHN L. TEWKSBURY,
GEORGE R. CASWELL,
FRED J. LOWELL.

Report was accepted.

LIBRARY AND MUSEUM.

R. W. Bro. EARLE D. WEBSTER, for the Committee on Library and Museum, presented the following report which was accepted:

MASONIC TEMPLE,
May 4, 1954.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maine:

A seven volume set of Mackey's History of Freemasonry was presented to the Library by Brother Lester F. Wallace.

A copy of Masonic Addresses and Writings of Roscoe Pound was purchased at a cost of \$3.83.

We sold books to the amount of \$4.50 which amount was turned over to the Grand Treasurer.

Forty-five Volumes of books were bound at a cost of \$247.50.

Membership in the Correspondence Circle of Quatuor Coronati Lodge, London, No. 2076, has been continued costing \$6.16 for two years.

One issue of the "Occasional Bulletin" was published at a cost of \$50.49.

Each District Deputy Grand Master was supplied with a copy of "Masonic Lodge Methods" by Blakemore. These books should be of great value to the Deputies. They are to be accounted for and turned over to successors in office. The thirty copies purchased cost \$80.23.

Fragernally submitted,

EARLE D. WEBSTER,
WILLIAM A. LEVENSALOR,
FREDERICK C. LOUNDER,
RAYMOND M. RIDEOUT,
GEORGE W. HASKELL,

} Committee
on Library
and
Museum.

TWO HUNDREDTH ANNIVERSARY GEORGE WASHINGTON.

M. W. Bro. HENRY R. GILLIS, for the Special Committee on the 200th Anniversary of the Initiation of Bro. George Washington into Masonry, made the following report which was accepted and the Committee was thanked and discharged:

MASONIC TEMPLE,
PORTLAND, ME., May 4, 1954.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maine:

Your Special Committee appointed at the 1952 Annual Communication to make plans for a participation by the lodges of Maine in a nation wide observance of the bicentennary anniversary of the Initiation into Masonry of Brother George Washington at Fredericksburg, Virginia, which occurred November 4, 1752, submit the following report.

Following organization of the committee it was decided that the promotion of the observances in the lodges be under the direction of the District Grand Masters. The committee obtained literature having interesting and historical data on the life and masonic career of Brother George Washington, and placed this material in the hands of the several deputies for the use of brethren making addresses at the lodge observances.

At the request of the committee the Grand Master issued a proclamation calling on all the lodges to participate in such observances thru the period September, 1952 — October, 1953.

Reports submitted to the committee record many fine meetings held, with the Grand Officers, present and past, and other brethren to the number of thirty making addresses at the several lodge observances.

An outstanding meeting was held under the auspices of Columbia Lodge at Greenville, with all lodges of the district represented, and an attendance of 350 brethren.

District Deputies reports covered observances in 118 lodges. In detail the reports cover observances by all the lodges in Districts Nos. 1, 2, 7, 16, 17, 19; Districts 5, 8, 18, 20 had District Meetings with all lodges represented. Deputies from Districts Nos. 6, 9, 11, 12, 22 did not submit reports to the committee and it is presumed that no observances were held in those districts.

The lodges of Maine, and of the Nation, in paying tribute to Washington the Mason, appropriate honor is paid to one whose whole conduct in life is a true masonic lesson of a brother bearing true faith and allegiance to the Ancient Landmarks of our Craft.

HENRY R. GILLIS,	}	<i>Committee.</i>
ERVIN E. J. LANDER,		
EARLE D. WEBSTER,		
CONVERS E. LEACH,		
FREDERICK C. LOUNDER,		
RAYMOND M. RIDEOUT,		

COMMISSIONERS OF TRIALS.

M. W. Bro. HENRY R. GILLIS, for the Commissioners of Trials, presented the following report which was accepted:

MASONIC TEMPLE,

Portland, Me., May 4, 1954.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maine:

Your Commissioners of Trials herewith submit their annual report as follows:

The Commission considered charges of unmaasonic conduct filed against three members of the Craft. Hearings were held in each case according to the provisions of Article VIII, Section 115 of the Constitution of this Grand Lodge. The conclusions and recommendation arrived at were referred to the Committee on Grievances and Appeals, April 5, 1954.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY R. GILLIS, *Chairman,*

Commissioners of Trials.

(At 4.50 P. M. the Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment until 2.00 P. M., Wednesday, May 5, 1954).

SECOND DAY — AFTERNOON.

MASONIC TEMPLE, PORTLAND, }
Wednesday, May 5, 1954. }

(The Grand Lodge was called from refreshment to labor at two o'clock with the same Grand Officers as at the previous session).

DISTRIBUTION OF CHARITY.

R. W. Bro. H. NORTON MAXFIELD, for the Committee of the Charity Fund, presented the following report which was accepted:

PORTLAND, MAINE,

May 4, 1954.

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

I present the following report for the Trustees of the Charitable Foundation of the Grand Lodge of Maine, A. F. & A. M.:

Since the last Annual Communication of Grand Lodge, quarterly meetings of the Trustees were held on August 4th and November 3rd, 1953, and on February 2nd, 1954, for the consideration of applications for aid.

There were 93 applications considered and assistance given in 81 cases in the total amount of \$19,446.00, an average of \$240 per case.

Reimbursement of unused funds amounting to \$485.00 have been returned to the Relief Account.

Fraternally,

H. NORTON MAXFIELD,
Grand Treasurer.

DISPENSATIONS AND CHARTERS.

M. W. Bro. ERVIN E. J. LANDER, for the Committee on Dispensations and Charters, verbally reported that no matters had been referred to the committee and the report was accepted.

CONDITION OF THE FRATERNITY.

W. Bro. JOHN M. LITTLEFIELD, for the Committee on Condition of the Fraternity, reported as follows and the report was accepted:

MASONIC TEMPLE,
PORTLAND, ME., May 4, 1954.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maine:

The Committee on Condition of the Fraternity have examined the reports of the District Deputy Grand Masters and offer this report:

From a careful study of their reports it appears that their work is being conducted in the usual painstaking manner and that they are faithful in the performance of their duties.

The following data is secured from these reports relative to their visitations:

Degree	Ex.	Good	Fair	Poor	Total
E. A.	8	33	10	2	53
F. C.	9	33	6	0	48
M. M.	33	56	10	0	99
	50	122	26	2	200
					5 No work
					205
Totals 1953	52	124	31	0	
1952	47	127	33	0	

From the above figures it will be seen that there is a slight drop in the quality of work as rated by the District Deputies. Several reports were evidently lost in the mail, as they failed to reach the Committee.

MEMBERSHIP.

The Tabulations of Lodge Returns show the present Grand Lodge membership as 46,954, a net gain of the year 619; number raised this year 1,577, last year, 1,564. These figures show a healthy gain.

ATTENDANCE.

Average attendance of Lodge membership continues very small. We still find that generally the smaller lodges have a much larger percentage of attendance than the larger lodges; also, that the attendance at the Official Visitations of the District Deputies are much smaller than should be expected. Tranquil Lodge, No. 29, Auburn, tops the list this year for attendance at their Official Visitation, having 132 present.

CONCLUSION.

Again the Committee report that the Grand Lodge of Maine is progressing in a healthy manner. We believe that this is due to the conscientious work of our Lodge Officers, who derive much of their inspiration from the Grand Lodge Officers, and as long as we enjoy this keen interest and enthusiasm Freemasonry in Maine will continue to prosper.

Fraternally submitted,

BENJAMIN L. HADLEY,
JOHN M. LITTLEFIELD,
NORRIS C. ESTABROOK.

MEMORIAL TO ALLEN L. CURTIS.

R. W. Bro. JAMES A. SANKER presented the following memorial:

ALLEN L. CURTIS.

Most Worshipful Grand Master and Brethren of the Grand Lodge:

The death of R. W. ALLEN LEONARD CURTIS occurred in the Bradbury Memorial Hospital at Belfast, Maine, early Wednesday morning, February 23, 1954, following a serious illness of only a few weeks. On Tuesday evening, January 19, while dressing in preparation to act as Master of Ceremonies for a Semi-public Installation and Ladies' Night of Corinthian Chapter, he was stricken with a sudden attack from which he never recovered although he had not been feeling quite normal for several months.

R. W. Brother CURTIS was born at Stockton Springs, Maine, May 30, 1882, son of Robert Patterson and Verena Estella (Treat) Curtis, educated in the public schools of Belfast, and soon after graduating entered into business.

R. W. Brother CURTIS for nearly fifty years was very active in Masonry and will be greatly missed by many friends he made not only throughout this Grand Jurisdiction but across the entire Country and into Canada. Brother CURTIS never a presuming figure around Grand Lodge, yet he was always there in his very quiet and dignified manner. He served on many important committees through the years and his judgment and counsel was highly regarded by all with whom he came into contact.

He was raised in Timothy Chase Lodge, No. 126, on May 18, 1905, and was Master in 1907. He served in a very efficient manner as Secretary for ten years, from 1941 until 1951.

Exalted in Corinthian Chapter, No. 7, on October 17, 1905, and served many years, becoming High Priest in 1915.

Greeted in King Solomon's Council, No. 1, on April 23, 1907, becoming Illustrious Master in 1913, and served as its Treasurer from 1915 to the time of his demise.

Knighted in Palestine Commandery, No. 14, on April 26, 1907, and was Commander in 1914.

In the Grand Bodies he served as District Deputy Grand Master of the Eighth Masonic District from 1918 to 1919 inclusive, and Junior Grand Warden in 1921.

In the Grand Chapter he was Grand Captain of the Host in 1931; Grand Scribe in 1932; Deputy Grand High Priest in 1945; and Grand High Priest from May, 1946, to May, 1948.

In the Grand Council he advanced through the several stations becoming Most Illustrious Grand Master in 1937.

He was a member of the Past Officers' Association; Most Puissant Sovereign of De Bouillon Conclave, No. 2, Knights of the Red Cross of Constantine, and Maine Council of High Priesthood.

His influence as an outstanding and prominent member of the Masonic Fraternity was manifest in civic affairs of the community, a loyal member and regular attendant of the Rotary Club of Belfast, serving as its President. In city affairs he was elected to serve on the Board of Assessors from 1942 to 1946, and Tax Collector from 1946 to 1949. He was a stockholder and director of the Masonic Temple Association of Belfast, and was Secretary-Treasurer as well as custodian of the building for many years.

On January 31, 1918, he was united in marriage to Bertha Winifred Morris, who survives him.

His funeral services were held at the Coombs Funeral Home, Friday, February 26, 1954, at two o'clock in the afternoon. The Rev. Frank A. Pitman of the First Church in Belfast officiating, assisted by Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Companion Aubrey L. Burbank. Six members of the several Grand Bodies served as Active Bearers and twenty present and past Grand Officers as Honorary Bearers. With the Funeral Home packed to capacity by a host of friends, with standing room only, and the tremendous profusion of flowers tendered a lasting tribute of respect and admiration to the memory of one who will long be remembered for his untiring efforts and devotion to the cause for which Freemasonry was founded.

"Those Love Truth Best Who To Themselves Are True, and What They Dare To Dream Of, Dare To Do."

Fraternally submitted,

JAMES A. SANKER.

MEMORIAL TO IRVING C. TRUFANT.

M. W. Bro. DAVID L. WILSON presented the following memorial:

IRVING C. TRUFANT.

The Masonic brethren of the Fourteenth District were shocked and distressed, when, on August 17th, the word was spread abroad of the sudden death of our beloved and esteemed District Deputy Grand Master. Brother IRVING C. TRUFANT. While he had been in poor health for several years, and had suffered a number of heart attacks, yet he was able to be about as usual and was stricken on the street. He was carried to the Bath Memorial Hospital, but had "passed on" before his arrival there.

His genial and kindly disposition had endeared him to a host of friends, and he was of extreme value to the Fraternity. For years he had been interested in the Craft and had attained to a wealth of Masonic knowledge. And he gave of his time and services most generously to the Craft, rendering a splendid work in the District. His brethren honored him by electing him Worshipful Master of Polar Star Lodge, No. 114, in 1909-1910. In May, 1953, at the session of Grand Lodge, he was appointed District Deputy Grand Master of the Fourteenth Masonic District, which office he served until his death. He was a member of all the York Rite Bodies. Also of the Scottish Rite, 32°, and of Anah Shrine. And he was much interested in the work of Genesta Chapter, O. E. S. of Bath.

In civil life, he was Town Manager of several Maine communities, including Dover-Foxcroft and Norridgewock, and also conducted a funeral home in Bangor for many years. Four years ago he returned to Bath. Brother Trufant was born in Harpswell, November 23, 1879, the son of Charles E. and Marietta D. Trufant. His widow and one daughter, Mrs. Reginal Murphy of Bangor, survive him.

Funeral services were held at his late home in Bath, August 20, 1953, conducted by the Rev. David L. Wilson, LHD., Grand Chaplain of the Grand Lodge and interment was in the local cemetery.

MEMORIAL TO JAY A. WALKER.

W. Bro. John T. Thomson presented the following memorial:

JAY AUGUSTUS WALKER.

R. W. Bro. JAY AUGUSTUS WALKER died suddenly at his home in Sabattus on Sunday, February 14, 1954, at the age of 56 years. He was born in Webster, February 24, 1897, and was graduated from Lisbon Falls High School and attended Bates College and University of Maine where he took a special Engineering Course. He married Marion Cromwell at Milltown, Maine, June 6, 1924, who survives him, also six daughters and three sons. He was a member of the Community Baptist Church and was serving as Moderator at the time of his death.

He was made a Master Mason in Webster Lodge, No. 164, January 29, 1920, and served as its Master for two years, 1947-49. Appointed District Deputy Grand Master of the Twenty-third District in 1952, and was re-appointed in 1953, and was serving with distinction at the time of his death, and was well liked by all the members of the Craft. In the Scottish Rite he received the 14° in Lewiston Lodge of Perfection in Lewiston, January 18, 1946, the 16° in Auburn Council Princes of Jerusalem, March 29, 1946, the 18° in H. H. Dickey Chapter of Rose Croix, April 26, 1946, and the 32° in Maine Consistory at Portland, May, 1946. Made a member of Kora Temple of Lewiston, June 27, 1952, served four times as Worthy Patron of Lakeside Chapter, No. 60, O. E. S. at Sabattus; Charter Member of Webster-Wales Lions Club; former Director of Maine Good Roads Association, and a member of American Road Building Association. He also served as Chairman of the Board of Selectmen of Webster for four years and was President of the Webster P. T. A. for two years. Member of Harry J. Conway Post, American Legion, of Sabattus, and served in Company B, 163rd Infantry in World War I in England and France, and was given an honorable discharge with rank of Corporal.

Funeral services were held at the Community Baptist Church and conducted by Rev. Perley A. Sloat, on February 18, and there was a large attendance and many beautiful floral tributes. Webster Lodge, No. 164, attended in a body. Interment was in West Bowdoin Cemetery where prayers were offered by Rev. Sloat. The community as well as Freemasonry have lost an outstanding citizen who will be greatly missed by all who knew him.

MEMORIAL TO ISAAC JAMES MERRY.

W. Bro. JOHN M. LITTLEFIELD presented the following memorial:

ISAAC JAMES MERRY.

Freemasonry in Maine lost one of its outstanding and faithful members when Brother and Reverend I. JAMES MERRY died in a Lewiston, Maine, hospital on July 7, 1953.

At the time of his death he was Grand Chaplain of the Grand Lodge of Maine, Grand Chapter of Maine, Maine Council Order of High Priesthood, Grand Council of Maine, and Grand Prelate of Grand Commandery of Maine. He was always present and ready to serve at the meetings of all these Masonic bodies and many of our members knew of no one else who had offered up our thanks and aspirations to Deity during the years they had attended our Grand Bodies.

Brother MERRY was born in New York City, December 12, 1873, where he was educated in the city schools, and later employed in the Law Department of R. J. Dunn & Co.

He came to New England to continue his studies at New Hampton Literary Institute, New Hampton, N. H., and Cobb Divinity School, Lewiston, Maine, in preparation for the ministry. He was ordained September 10, 1893, by the Free Baptist Church at Parsonfield, Maine, and held pastorates in that body for several years, later uniting with the Congregational Church where he continued preaching and doing educational work. He held several pastorates in Maine and New Hampshire, and while preaching at Kittery, was elected local Superintendent of Schools, and after special studies, passed the state examination, and was granted a state certificate of Superintendent's Grade, and for the past thirty years continued in that line of work (preaching occasionally).

For twenty-two years he served the Pownal State School as Director of Education in charge of Occupational Theraphy and Vocational Training work.

While at Kittery he was one of the first Scoutmasters in the State; and sponsored the Girls' Camp Fire Group at Pownal.

He was made a Master Mason in Naval Lodge, No. 184, March 23, 1910, and served as its Master in 1915. Made a Royal Arch Mason in Aurora Chapter, No. 22, October 1, 1920, from which he dimitted in 1926 to become a Charter Member of Boaz Chapter, No. 72, and was its High Priest in 1928. He was made a Royal and Select Master in Dunlap Council, No. 8, March 26, 1926. He was knighted in Lewiston Commandery, No. 6, January 18, 1931, and was its Commander in 1942. He was knighted in Eusebius Conclave, No. 3, Lewiston, on January 23, 1953.

In 1931 he served as Grand King of the Grand Chapter, was Deputy Grand High Priest in 1949, and Grand High Priest in 1950.

He is survived by his widow Mrs. Georgia Alta (Meserve) Merry and a son Bernard E. Merry.

Funeral service was held at the Funeral Home of Plummer & Merrill Auburn, on Thursday, July 9, 1953, and was attended by many of his Masonic friends. Interment was in Freedom, N. H.

I. JAMES MERRY served on the Committee on Memorials for the Grand Chapter of Maine and it seems fitting that this memorial closes with the words which he used in closing his report on memorials in Grand Chapter last year; they are typical of his firm belief in the Life Eternal.

So let them sleep that dreamless sleep,

No sorrow clustering around their heads:

Be comforted ye loved, that weep,

They live with God, they are not dead.

Faternally submitted,

JOHN M. LITTLEFIELD.

(The Communication stood with bowed heads while prayer was offered by the Rev. MILTON MCGORRILL, Grand Chaplain, as follows):

O God, in whom we do live and move and have our being, we acknowledge that we are bound one with another in ties that are beyond the severing by what man calls death. We have shared hopes; we have pursued a common faith; we have contributed to the enrichment of friendship one with another, and we have learned of men and found their spirits steadfast and their work worthy. We record our gratitude for them. We ask that we may recognize once more the inspiration of their experience, the worthiness of their example, and the trustworthiness of the truth that they so diligently endeavored to impart to us. So, in this moment, O God, we lose any sense of time and find ourselves linked in the experience of eternity, knowing again that the things which are seen are temporal but the things which are not seen are eternal, and in that we are satisfied. Amen.

GRAND LECTURER.

R. W. Bro. FREDERICK C. LOUNDER, Grand Lecturer, presented his report as follows:

MASONIC TEMPLE,
PORTLAND, ME., May 4, 1954.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master and Brethren of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maine:

Although in Masonic history the following will be recorded as the report of the Grand Lecturer, it is by no means a summary of the activities or accomplishments of any one individual. Rather, it is a report of the combined efforts of a great many Brethren, working together as a unit and making it possible for me to report to you that more Brethren attended Schools of Instruction this year than ever before in the history of this Grand Lodge.

Our Most Worshipful Grand Master expressed a desire this year to have a School of Instruction in each District, and with the help and assistance of the District Deputy Grand Masters, together with the co-operation and support of the Masters, Secretaries, and Brethren of various Lodges, Schools were arranged and held in each District.

There has been a constant awareness of the responsibilities connected with the office of Grand Lecturer, and a carefully study of the reports of my predecessors was a part of my program of preparedness. My search for knowledge and understanding extended deep into the fascinating history of this Grand Lodge and I found two paragraphs which completely form the basis of my Masonic thinking. I cannot resist the desire to quote them. On page 61 of the 1953 Proceedings of this Grand Lodge, the Most Worshipful Grand Master quotes from the standards of Josiah H. Drummond as follows:

"The study of Masonic Jurisprudence from the early times teaches most emphatically not only rigid adherence to the fundamental principles and Landmarks of the Society, unyielding resistance to all innovations however slight, and faithful obedience to

the Laws and usages of the Craft; but also that while in other relations one may lawfully do what is not prohibited, to a Mason whatever does not find warrant in those Landmarks, laws, or usages is absolutely forbidden."

Again, on page 105 of the same Proceedings, in the report of Right Worshipful Brother Aubrey L. Burbank, then Grand Lecturer, this paragraph appears:

"It is gratifying to find that a great percentage of the brethren of this Grand Jurisdiction are in accord with your Grand Lecturer's efforts in preserving our ritual and ancient ceremonies without innovation."

All good Masons must subscribe unconditionally to the contents of both of those statements and the preservation of our ritual and ancient ceremonies without innovation, was the grand aim I have had in view. In this spirit, and on this basis, in accordance with Section 34, of the Constitution of the Grand Lodge of Maine, and within a Special Communication of each Host Lodge, the schools have been conducted.

TABULATION.

Registration at the twenty-four Schools originally schedules, is as follows:

District	Location	Registration
1.....	Presque Isle.....	78
2.....	Lubec.....	41
3.....	Machias.....	46
4.....	No. Brooksville.....	36
5.....	Greenville.....	45
6.....	Orrington.....	123
7.....	Jefferson.....	43
8.....	Belfast.....	71
9.....	Warren.....	44
10.....	Boothbay Harbor.....	54
11.....	Sidney.....	53
12.....	Fairfield.....	51
13.....	North Anson.....	41
14.....	Lisbon Falls.....	60
15.....	Mount Vernon.....	36
16.....	Waterford.....	57
17.....	Portland.....	67
18.....	West Buxton.....	60
19.....	Kittery.....	65
20.....	Buckfield.....	58
21.....	Ellsworth.....	34
22.....	Newport.....	45
23.....	New Gloucester.....	56
24.....	Patten.....	56
Total.....		1,320

Supplemental Schools by special request:

3.....	Cherryfield.....	26
15.....	Weld.....	10
21.....	McKinley.....	26
21.....	Northeast Harbor.....	23
21.....	Winter Harbor.....	19

Total.....	104
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Grand Total.....	1,424
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It will be noted that I received and accepted five invitations to hold supplemental schools as listed; which action received the approval of our Most Worshipful Grand Master, he being present at Cherryfield and Weld. There was not any expense to Grand Lodge in connection with these five schools.

It is pleasing to note that the total registration of 1,320 Brethren at the twenty-four regularly scheduled schools is the highest on record; exceeding by 215 the previous record of 1,105 established in 1950, and when we add the attendance of 104 Brethren present at the five supplemental schools, we have a grand total attendance of 1,424 Brethren, which exceeds the 1950 record by 319. This is the fourth successive year that the attendance has exceeded 1,000 Brethren.

It is impossible to single out any particular school as being outstanding, other than from the standpoint of attendance, as all schools were equally thrilling, and regardless of the number present, were attended by enthusiastic Brethren anxious to improve themselves in Masonry by a better understanding of our ritual which attracts and holds the interest of more than 46,000 Masons of Maine, and consumes a great deal of the time we spend behind tyled doors.

The largest school was at Orrington with an attendance of 123 Brethren consisting of three Grand Officers, eight Masters, nine Senior Wardens, six Junior Wardens, six Deacons, twenty-two other Officers and sixty-nine Brethren, representing eighteen Lodges, while the smallest school was at Weld with ten present. The small attendance at Weld is easily explained, as the date was January 20, when we had the worst ice and sleet storm in years, and our appointed chauffeur beyond Farmington, Worshipful Brother Benjamin Butler, Grand Marshal, advised us on arrival that the road to Weld was impassable. I was ready to accept his advice as a good and sufficient reason for remaining in Farmington, although our Most Worshipful Grand Master was unwilling to accept defeat. I shall always believe that it was courage and faith, as well as skill in guiding our conveyance, that took us to Weld and back safely.

The following table presents a breakdown of the total registration:

Schools attended by our Most Worshipful Grand Master...	18
Schools attended by our Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master.....	5
Past Grand Masters in attendance.....	3
Other Grand Officers.....	38
Past Senior Grand Wardens.....	13
Past Junior Grand Wardens.....	12
District Deputy Grand Masters.....	30

Total Attendance present and past Grand Officers..... 119

Attendance of Officers and Brethren of subordinate Lodges as follows:

Masters.....	147
Senior Wardens.....	123
Junior Wardens.....	103
Deacons.....	159
Other Officers.....	336
Brethren.....	422

1,290

Visitors..... 15

Grand Total..... 1,424

The preceding table indicated the interest of our Most Worshipful Grand Master, and the other Grand Officers present and past; and particularly the splendid response of the officers and Brethren of the subordinate Lodges. An unscheduled engagement with virus presented the Grand Master from attending at least five schools as planned. He was present, however, at eighteen schools, as indicated, and I here acknowledge the worth and value of his contributions. He was always willing to respond when questions and problems were presented and by request he closed each school with an appropriate message.

Many Officers and Brethren attended more than one school, as did several District Deputies and one visiting Brother from South Africa. A total of fifteen Brethren, representing jurisdictions beyond our shores, were registered at the schools, presenting proof of Freemasonry's Universality.

Six Lodges were represented at the schools by twenty or more Brethren, viz: Ralph J. Pollard, No. 217, with 41; Harwood, No. 19, with 25; Washington, No. 37, and Katahdin, No. 98, with 23 each; Trinity, No. 130, with 22; and Evening Star, No. 147, with 21. I feel that it is also worthy of recording here that ten other Lodges were represented by fifteen or more Brethren; while twenty-one Lodges are credited with having ten or more Brethren at the schools.

Siloam Lodge, No. 92, of Fairfield, was represented by twelve Officers; St. George Lodge, No. 16, of Warren, had eleven Officers present; Bagaduce Lodge, No. 210, of North Brooksville, and Arion Lodge, No. 162, of

Goodwin's Mills, had ten of their Officers in attendance; Naval Lodge, No. 184, of Kittery, Buxton Lodge, No. 115, of West Buxton, Ralph J. Pollard Lodge, No. 217, of Orrington, Evening Star Lodge, No. 147, of Buckfield, Meridian Splendor Lodge, No. 49, of Newport, Hiram Lodge, No. 180, of South Portland, Washington Lodge, No. 37, of Lubec, Harwood Lodge, No. 19, of Machias, Vernon Valley Lodge, No. 99, of Mount Vernon, and Rural Lodge, No. 53, of Sidney, were represented by nine Officers each, six other Lodges were represented by eight Officers each, and sixteen Lodges had five or more Officers in attendance.

SUMMARY OF REGISTRATION BY DISTRICTS.

District	No. Lodges	No Represented	Per Cent Plus
1	9	8	88. Plus
2	5	4	80. "
3	7	1	100
4	8	8	100
5	9	9	100
6	11	11	100
7	8	8	100
8	7	7	100
9	9	6	66. Plus
10	7	7	100
11	11	9	81. "
12	9	8	88. "
13	7	7	100
14	8	8	100
15	10	6	60. "
16	12	11	91. "
17	12	11	91. "
18	10	8	80. "
19	10	10	100
20	5	4	80. "
21	10	10	100
22	7	6	85. "
23	8	8	100
24	8	8	100
	207	189	91. Plus

It is very pleasing to report that 189 of the 207 Lodges, including all six Lodges listed last year as having absence records of either two or three consecutive years, were represented at the schools, and lacking the necessary information to be specific, I can only report that no Lodge in this Grand Jurisdiction has an absence record of more than two consecutive years, and there are many with only one year absence records.

For general information, I list below those Lodges not represented at a school this year. They are:

Pionerr, No. 72	Lewy's Island, No. 138	Rockland, No. 79
Moses Webster, No. 145	Knox, No. 189	Morning Star, No. 41
Asylum, No. 133	Star in the West, No. 85	Davis, No. 191
Mount Bigelow, No. 202	Mount Abrams, No. 204	Kemankeag, No. 213
Day Spring, No. 107	Drummond, No. 118	Blazing Star, No. 30
Cambridge, No. 157	Oriental, No. 13	Standish, No. 70

GENERAL SUMMARY.

Total Registration.....	1,424
Number of Lodges represented.....	189
Percentage of total number of Lodges.....	91. Plus
Number of Lodges not represented.....	18
Percentage of total number of Lodges.....	8. Plus
Largest attendance, Orrington.....	123
Smallest attendance, Weld.....	10
Number of Districts having 100 per cent Lodge attendance.	

(Districts 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 13, 14, 19, 21, 23, 24)

Brethren attending a school for the first time.....	539
Brethren in possession of the Official Cipher.....	883

It has been the custom to present a table of comparative data covering the last five years, but I have chosen to present a ten year table, which if studied in connection with the twenty-five year table as appears on page 635 of the 1944 Proceedings of this Grand Lodge, as prepared by our present Most Worshipful Brother, Charles E. Crossland, who was then Grand Lecturer, will present comparative data covering the last thirty-five years and will reveal some very interesting facts.

Comparative data for the last ten years:

Year	No. of Schools	No. of Lodges Represented	Total Registration	Average per School
1944	24	159	906	38
1945	13	165	853	65
1946	13	161	864	66
1947	15	169	924	61
1948	13	156	886	68
1949	15	170	954	64
1950	19	175	1105	58
1951	19	178	1007	53
1952	21	184	1059	50
1953	29	189	1424	49

The preceding table shows a steady increase in the number of schools held, number of Lodges represented, and total attendance. While the average attendance per school holds amazingly high in ratio to the increase in the number of schools held.

CONCLUSION.

As I approach the end of this report, I again express to you, Most Worshipful Grand Master, for your confidence and for your many contributions to the success of the schools you attended, my grateful appreciation. I am equally grateful to each District Deputy, and to each and every Brother who helped to make this report possible.

Always conscious of my promise that I would strictly comply with the Constitution and Regulations of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maine, and all other ancient Masonic usages, and in strict accordance with the rituals, lectures and general instructions, authorized and sanctioned by this Grand Lodge, as contained in the Official book temporarily intrusted to my care, I have attempted to perform my duties, steadfastly holding to my objective, which was, still is, and always will be, the preservation of our rituals and ancient ceremonies without innovation.

There may be a certain pride in the contents of the preceding summary and report which tabulates results achieved. I take no credit for the records you have established, yet I shall be forever grateful for the privilege of serving with you as your Grand Lecturer.

There will be pleasing recollections of your kindness, hospitality and friendship, which, I am sure, will increase in lustre with the passing of time.

Respectfully submitted,

FREDERICK C. LOUNDER,

Grand Lecturer.

The report was accepted.

FINANCE.

M. W. Bro. KEENE, proposed that a tax equal to ten cents a member be assessed upon the several lodges in this jurisdiction, to be due and payable with the annual dues to the Grand Lodge. It was so voted.

He then proposed to amend Article V, Section 85 (1), so that as amended said Section 85 (1), shall read as follows:

SECTION 85. 1. Each lodge shall pay annually towards the support of the Grand Lodge seventy-five cents each for all of its members, including honorary and life members and those absent from the state, and two dollars for every candidate initiated. Provided, That annual dues shall not be paid to the Grand Lodge by a lodge for any honorary member who at the time such honorary membership was conferred was an active member of another lodge.

FINAL REPORT OF APPROPRIATIONS.

It was voted to entertain the proposition and refer the same to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution to be acted upon at the next Annual Communication.

M. W. Bro. KEENE, for the Committee on Finance, then presented the following report:

IN GRAND LODGE,
PORTLAND, ME., May 5, 1954.

Your Committee on Finance submit the following budget covering estimated financial transactions of the General Fund for 1954-1955.

RECEIPTS.

Grand Lodge Dues and Initiation Fees.....	\$27,000.00	
Special assessment 10 cents per member.....	4,700.00	
Sales—Rituals—Lessons.....	3,000.00	
Sales—Aprons.....	100.00	
Receipts—Grand Lodge Office.....	100.00	
Fees—Dispensations—Delinquency Fines.....	100.00	
Rentals other Grand Bodies.....	1,900.00	
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		\$36,900.00
Total Estimated Receipts.....		\$36,900.00

APPROPRIATIONS.

Grand Lodge Office rent.....		\$ 3,600.00
Salary—Grand Secretary, Convers E. Leach.....	\$ 3,250.00	
Salary—Asst. to Grand Secretary, Earle D. Webster.....	2,150.00	
Salary—Grand Treasurer, H. Norton Maxfield.....	1,250.00	
Salary—Grand Lecturer, Frederick C. Lounder.....	300.00	
Salary—Grand Correspondent, Ralph J. Pollard.....	550.00	
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		7,500.00
Telephone.....	250.00	
Equipment.....	200.00	
Printing—Binding.....	1,000.00	
Supplies, Veterans' Jewels, Diplomas, etc.....	1,500.00	
Bond—Grand Treasurer.....	125.00	
Stenographic expense, actual, Grand Treasurer....	60.00	
Bank Deposit Box.....	30.00	
Insurance.....	125.00	
Audit.....	325.00	
Library—Binding.....	\$200.00	
Bulletins.....	200.00	
Educational.....	300.00	
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		4,315.00

Grand Master, contingent.....	\$ 1,350.00	
Deputy Grand Master, actual expense.....	200.00	
Grand Lecturer, actual expense.....	350.00	
Official Conferences.....	150.00	
District Deputy Travel expense.....	900.00	
Washington Conferences, Travel expense.....	400.00	
Pay Roll, 1954 Communication.....	6,500.00	
		\$9,850.00
Printing Proceedings.....	2,400.00	
Tyler—Organist.....	50.00	
Stenographer.....	75.00	
Entertainment of Guests.....	900.00	
Flowers Dinners—Funerals.....	75.00	
		3,500.00
Masonic Association—Dues.....	1,200.00	
Masonic Association—Hospital Relief.....	2,500.00	
		3,700.00
Social Security Taxes.....		125.00
Association—Membership Fees.....		100.00
Educational Program Appropriation.....	1,500.00	
Total proposed appropriations.....		\$34,190.00
Unallocated surplus.....		\$ 2,710.00
		\$36,900.00

Fraternally submitted,

CARROLL W. KEENE,	} Committee on Finance.
HORACE M. BUDD,	
DAVID F. DREW,	

The report was accepted and the recommendations adopted.

GRIEVANCES AND APPEALS.

R. W. Bro. PAUL L. POWERS, for the Committee on Grievances and Appeals, presented the following report:

IN GRAND LODGE,
PORTLAND, ME., May 5, 1954.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Maine:

Your Committee on Grievances and Appeals hereby makes its Annual Report.

The undersigned, being all the members of this Committee, were in session May 4, 1954, in Masonic Temple at Portland, Maine.

Several cases came before your Committee, upon which we will report separately, as follows:

CASE NO. 1. Waterville Lodge, No. 33, F. & A. M., at Waterville, Maine, vs. Sewall Parker Foss.

The complaint in this case dealt with the conviction of the respondent in the United States District Court at Portland, Maine, for the crime of embezzlement. The record shows that the respondent was found guilty, after a plea of guilty, of the offense of embezzling certain monies of the Lewiston Trust Company and making certain false entries and records of the bank with intent to defraud the bank and deceive its officers and bank examiners in violation of Title No. 18, U. S. Code, Secs. 656 and 1005. He was sentenced to serve two years in a Federal penitentiary. From our review of the report of the Commissioners of Trials, it appears that all action taken by them was strictly in accordance with the Constitution and other regulations of this Grand Lodge. Your Committee confirms the finding of the Commissioners of Trials and recommends that Brother Sewall Parker Foss be expelled from and denied all the rights and privileges of Masonry from the date of the acceptance of this report by this Grand Lodge.

Paul L. Powers, a member of this Committee, did not sit on or participate in this case before your Committee because of the fact that he acted as attorney for Lewiston Trust Company in the situation which gave rise to the above conviction.

CASE NO. 2. Deering Lodge, No. 183, Portland, Maine, vs. Ronald Theodore Holmes.

The complaint in this case dealt with the conviction of the respondent of the crime of forgery. The record shows that the respondent was found guilty, after a plea of guilty, upon an indictment returned at the April, 1953, Term of the Superior Court for Aroostook County. He was sentenced to be imprisoned in the Reformatory for Men. From our review of the report of the Commissioners of Trials, it appears that all action taken by them was strictly in accordance with the Constitution and other regulations of this Grand Lodge. Your Committee confirms the finding of the Commissioners of Trials and recommends that Brother Ronald Theodore Holmes be expelled from and denied all the rights and privileges of Masonry from the date of this report by this Grand Lodge.

CASE NO. 3. Hiram Lodge, No. 180, South Portland, Maine, vs. Raymond Clifford Knight.

The complaint in this case dealt with the conviction of the respondent of the crime of assault and battery. The record shows that the respondent was found guilty, after a plea of guilty, on a charge of assault and battery upon an indictment for assault and battery at the January, 1954, Term of the Superior Court for Cumberland County. He was sentenced to serve not less than two years nor more than four years in the Maine State

Prison at Thomaston. It developed at our hearing that this man was committing immoral acts upon students in the high school of which he was principal. From our review of the report of the Commissioners of Trials, it appears that all action taken by them was strictly in accordance with the Constitution and other regulations of this Grand Lodge. Your Committee confirms the finding of the Commissioners of Trials and recommends that Brother Raymond Clifford Knight be expelled from and denied all the rights and privileges of Masonry from the date of the acceptance of this report by this Grand Lodge.

CASE No. 4. Petition for reinstatement by Albert William Martelle, formerly a member of Warren Phillips Lodge, No. 186, Cumberland, Mills, Maine.

On December 4, 1953, Mr. Martelle applied in proper form to this Grand Lodge for reinstatement. The petition was adequate as to form, seasonably filed and proper notice given to Warren Phillips Lodge, No. 186, on February 3, 1954, all in accordance with Sec. 54 of the Constitution.

Mr. Martelle was expelled from all the rights and privileges of Masonry by Grand Lodge on May 6, 1947, because of alleged false statements in his application for membership. It appears from the record that all proceedings to date have been in accordance with the Constitution. The only issues for your Committee to consider being whether or not Mr. Martelle's punishment was adequate and whether or not his conduct from the time of his expulsion shows that he had been reformed to the point where he deserved to be reinstated, the Committee considered no other facts.

Brother Maurice H. Barter, Worshipful Master, and Brother Elmer E. Hallowell, Secretary of Warren Phillips Lodge, No. 186, and Clarence W. Hughes, District Deputy Grand Master of the Seventeenth Masonic District, all appeared in support of Mr. Martelle's petition for reinstatement. Mr. Martelle was present in his own behalf. There was no opposition. The testimony disclosed the fact that Mr. Martelle's conduct and daily living habits from the time of his expulsion were above reproach, that he had a real desire to be reinstated into Masonry and that he had been amply punished for his offense.

Your Committee recommends that Mr. Martelle be reinstated to his rights and privileges of Masonry.

CASE No 5. Appeal of Mount Moriah Lodge, No. 56, Denmark, from penalty imposed for late filing of annual return.

This case arises under Sec. 79, Article V of the Constitution which deals with the time for filing of the annual return of each lodge.

Brother Earle D. Webster, Corresponding Grand Secretary, was present and confirmed the fact that the forms had been mailed to the wrong address and had not reached the officers of the lodge in sufficient time to enable them to file them as required. Brother Webster recommended that the fine be remitted.

Your Committee, after due consideration, recommends that the appeal be upheld and that the fine be remitted.

CASE NO. 6. Appeal of Polar Star Lodge, No. 114, Bath, from penalty imposed for late filing of annual returns.

Brother Roland W. Cornish, District Deputy Grand Master of the Fourteenth Masonic District, appeared in behalf of the lodge. It appeared that the Secretary of the lodge had deceased and that the new Secretary had not had time or opportunity since said decease to prepare and file the necessary returns.

Your Committee recommends that the appeal be upheld and that the fine be remitted.

CASE NO. 7. Appeal of Phoenix Lodge, No. 24, Belfast, from penalty imposed for late filing of annual return.

Brother Mark W. Brown, Secretary of the Lodge, appeared in behalf of the lodge. The evidence disclosed the fact that the secretary had been confined to his bed by illness some six or eight weeks during the period within which the return would normally be prepared and filed and that the treasurer was out of the state on business.

Because of the illness of the secretary, your Committee recommends that the appeal be upheld and the fine remitted.

CASE NO. 8. Appeal of Molunkus Lodge, No. 165, Sherman Mills, from penalty imposed for late filing of annual return.

Brother Floyd Martin, Secretary of the Lodge, appeared in behalf of the lodge. The returns were not received by him from the Grand Secretary's Office in time for proper filing. Because of this fact, the reason for which no evidence was presented, your Committee recommends that the appeal be upheld and the fine be remitted.

CASE NO. 9. Appeal of Washburn Lodge, No. 193, Washburn, from penalty imposed for late filing of annual return.

This was another case where the forms were not received from the Grand Secretary's Office, for which omission there was no explanation presented at the hearing. Your Committee recommends that the appeal be upheld and the fine be remitted.

CASE NO. 10. Appeal of Meduncook Lodge, No. 211, Friendship, from penalty imposed for late filing of annual return.

The file discloses the fact in this case that the secretary, through oversight, forgot to mail the return. He very frankly and honestly admitted that it became misplaced in his brief case and was not mailed in due time. While your Committee commends the secretary for his frankness and forthright statement of the facts, yet, in view of the policy adopted by this Committee and by this Grand Lodge to the effect that no appeals from the provisions of Article V, Sec. 79 of the Constitution should be allowed

excepting in cases where the return has been lost or the officers responsible are prevented from making the return on time due to illness or other unavoidable casualty, we recommend this appeal be dismissed.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL L. POWERS,	}	<i>Committee on Grievances and Appeals</i>
HARRY E. ROWE,		
EDWARD H. BRITTON,		

The report was accepted and the recommendations were adopted.

EXEMPLIFICATION OF M. M. DEGREE.

R. W. Bro. FREDERICK C. LOUNDER, Grand Lecturer, was called to the East and he called upon the following Officers of Meridian Splendor Lodge, No. 49, of Newport, to perform the work:

Worshipful Master,	CHARLES B. BAIRD
Senior Warden,	RAYMOND K. TORDY
Junior Warden,	HOWARD L. SHAPIRO
Treasurer,	R. W. FRED J. LOWELL
Secretary,	R. W. LEWMAN B. SOPER
Chaplain,	W. HERBERT L. TURNER
Marshal,	W. RICHARD L. BANTON
Senior Deacon,	RICHARD E. MAYNARD
Junior Deacon,	ROLAND N. PETERSON
Senior Steward,	EUGENE I. GRAY
Junior Steward,	MERLE I. TRACY
Tyler,	W. PARKER JACOBY

Bro. GILMAN N. FRIEND acting as Candidate.

The Grand Lecturer complimented the officers upon the excellence of the work and thanked all those who contributed their services.

M. W. Brother ELA, Grand Master, called the Grand Lodge from labor to refreshment until 9.00 A. M., Thursday, May 6, 1954.

THIRD DAY — MORNING.

MASONIC TEMPLE, PORTLAND. }
Thursday, May 5, 1954. }

The Grand Lodge was called from refreshment to labor at 9.00 o'clock.

BLOOD BANK.

M. W. Bro. CLARK D. CHAPMAN moved

That the matter of Masonic Blood Bank in Maine be referred to the incoming Grand Master with request that he investigate and with authority to take such steps as he shall deem expedient or appoint such committees as he shall see fit to implement the program and to expend such unappropriated funds of the Grand Lodge as he in his discretion shall deem proper.

It was duly seconded and the motion was carried.

PAY ROLL.

R. W. Bro. ALVOID E. CUSHMAN, for the Committee on Pay Roll, presented the following report which was accepted:

IN GRAND LODGE,
May 6, 1954.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maine:

Your Committee on Pay Roll is pleased to report that it has received the report of the Committee on Credentials, that a schedule has been prepared, and is now in the hands of the Grand Treasurer.

ALVOID E. CUSHMAN,	} Committee
HARRY E. ROWE,	
MERRILL R. KITTREDGE,	
	on
	Pay Roll.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

R. W. Bro. GEORGE H. MINOTT, for the Committee on Unfinished Business, reported that the business of the Annual Communication had been completed with the exception of the installation.

INSTALLATION.

The M. W. Grand Master invited M. W. Bro. CLARK D. CHAPMAN to assume the East and install the Grand Officers. On assuming the East he appointed M. W. Bro. BENJAMIN W. ELA as Grand Marshal to present R. W. Bro. PAUL L. POWERS, Grand Master Elect, who was duly installed into office, prayer being offered by Rev. M. GERRY PLUMMER, Grand Chaplain.

M. W. Bro. POWERS made the following appointments:

EARLE D. WEBSTER,	R. W. Cor. Grand Secretary,	Portland
MALCOLM HOLTS,	" D. D. G. M. 1st Dist.,	Perham
VERNER T. BROWN,	" " 2nd "	West Perbroke
HOWARD MALLER,	" " 3rd "	Machias
CALVIN E. NASH,	" " 4th "	Stonington
JAMES O. MCKEEN,	" " 5th "	Milo
STANLEY P. DONALDSON,	" " 6th "	Etna
JOHN H. ANNIS,	" " 7th "	West Rockport
CLARENCE W. STILES,	" " 8th "	Stockton
		Springs
ALBERT B. WATTS,	" " 9th "	Rockland
CHARLES L. GAMAGE,	" " 10th "	South Bristol
LESLIE R. LATHE,	" " 11th "	Augusta
HOWARD H. WHITTEN,	" " 12th "	Clinton
ALFRED L. HOLBROOK,	" " 13th "	North Anson
ROLAND W. CORNISH,	" " 14th "	Bowdoinham
FRED B. WADLEIGH,	" " 15th "	Readfield
WALTER W. MATSON,	" " 16th "	Bolsters Mills
AUSTIN ALDEN,	" " 17th "	Gorham
GEORGE A. ELWELL,	" " 18th "	West Buxton
LESTER D. BRAGDON,	" " 19th "	South Berwick
VERNON A. HOWARD,	" " 20th "	Buckfield
JOHN J. WEAST,	" " 21st "	Bar Harbor
JAMES D. SEEKINS,	" " 22nd "	St. Albans
DONALD R. BRIGGS,	" " 23rd "	East Auburn
RALPH W. EMERSON,	" " 24th "	Island Falls
RAYMOND M. RIDEOUT,	" Grand Lecturer,	Augusta
P. G. M. Rev. DAVID L.		
WILSON, LHD,	W. " Chaplain,	Bath
Rev. M. GERRY PLUMMER,	" " "	Brunswick
" ALBERT A. GAISFORD,	" " "	New Sharon
" ERNEST HEYWOOD,	" " "	Calais
" PERCY COTTON,	" " "	Houlton
" MALCOLM ANGUS	" " "	
MACDUFFIE,	" " "	Waterville
" ANDREW C. K. RICHARD,	" " "	Saco
Rabbi DAVID BERANT,	" " "	Lewiston
WARREN MOSES,	" " "	Portland
NORMAN W. LINDQUIST,	" " Marshal,	Yarmouth
B. GLEN MCGEE,	" " Senior Deacon,	Anson
EARLE B. PORTER,	" " Junior Deacon,	Rockland
HAROLD W. BLAISDELL,	" " Steward,	Dexter
JOHN WONNEBERGER,	" " "	Lisbon Falls
WALTER E. TOWNSEND,	" " "	Boothbay Harbor
PARKER R. JACOBY,	" " "	Dixmont

ALPHEUS G. DYER,	W. Grand	Sword Bearer,	Freeport
ROYAL D. CLEAVES,	" "	Standard Bearer,	Winthrop
HARRY D. DAVIS,	" "	Pursuivant,	Vanceboro
JOHN PETERSON,	" "	"	Biddeford
FRED LINCOLN HILL,	Bro. "	Organist,	Westbrook
LEO K. ANDREWS,	" "	"	Augusta
FREDERIC C. DAVIS,	" "	"	Millinocket
HENRY DOHERTY,	" "	Tyler,	Bangor

He then invited M. W. Bro. CHAPMAN to proceed with the installation.

The Grand Officers elect and appointed, who were present were installed and proclamation was made.

The Grand Master resumed the East and thanked Bros. CHAPMAN, ELA and PLUMMER.

INSTALLATION OF ABSENT OFFICERS.

The Grand Secretary was instructed to arrange to have the Grand Officers, elect and appointed, not present, installed in their respective lodges.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Grand Master POWERS appointed the following Standing Committees:

On Amendments to the Constitution.

ERNEST C. BUTLER, CARROLL W. KEENE, BENJAMIN W. ELA

On Condition of the Fraternity

CHARLES E. CROSSLAND, JOHN M. LITTLEFIELD, NORRIS C. ESTABROOK

On Commissioners of Trials

ERVIN E. J. LANDER, HARRY S. GRINDALL, GEORGE B. BARNES
FRED E. HANSCOM, RAY L. LITTLEFIELD

On Credentials

GEORGE P. JACKSON, WILSON C. BLAKE, JOHN VACCA

On Dispensations and Charters

CARROLL W. KEENE, ERVIN E. J. LANDER, ADIN L. HOPKINS

On Doings of Grand Officers

CLARK D. CHAPMAN, GEORGE F. GIDDINGS, GRANVILLE C. GRAY

On Foreign Correspondence

RALPH J. POLLARD, CHARLES E. CROSSLAND, JOHN M. LITTLEFIELD

On Grievances and Appeals

CLARK D. CHAPMAN, JR., HARRY E. ROWE, EDWARD H. BRITTON

On History

GEORGE R. CASWELL, EVERETT S. HIGGINS, FRED J. LOWELL

On Jurisprudence

EDWARD W. WHEELER, CLARK D. CHAPMAN, GRANVILLE C. GRAY

On Library and Museum

EARLE D. WEBSTER, WILLIAM A. LEVENSALOR, GEORGE W. HASKELL
With Special Assistants: LEON M. SANBORN and FRANK L. MILAN

On Pay Roll

ALVOID E. CUSHMAN, MERRILL R. KITTREDGE, HARRY E. ROWE

On Returns

CONVERS E. LEACH, FREDERICK C. LOUNDER, CLYDE FRENCH

On Unfinished Business

GEORGE H. MINOTT, JOHN L. POLLEYS, JAMES P. BUNKER

Special Committee on Masonic Education

RALPH J. POLLARD, ERVIN E. J. LANDER, WILLIAM A. LEVENSALOR
LEWIS T. BROWN

JEWEL

M. W. Bro. CARROLL W. KEENE presented M. W. Bro. ELA with a Past Grand Master's Jewel, for which thanks was expressed in well chosen words.

DRUMMOND MEDAL

M. W. Brother POWERS then presented M. W. Bro. ELA with a Josiah Hayden Drummond Medal in recognition of his untiring efforts for the cause of Masonry during the past two years.

APRON.

M. W. Bro. ELA presented a Grand Master's Apron to M. W. Bro. POWERS.

RECORDS.

On motion of R. W. Bro. AUBREY L. BURBANK, it was voted that when the stenographic report of the transactions of this Annual Communication shall have been transcribed by the stenographer, and read and approved by the Grand Master and Grand Secretary, it shall become the official record of this Grand Communication.

CLOSING

At 10.40 A. M., Eastern Daylight Time, the Grand Lodge was closed, with prayer by Grand Chaplain WARREN MOSES.

*Grand Master.*

Attest:

*Grand Secretary.*

The One Hundred and Thirty-sixth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge will be held at the Masonic Temple, Portland, Tuesday May 3, 1955, at 9.00 A. M.

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
Trustees of the Charity Fund

MASONIC TEMPLE,
Tuesday, May 4, 1954.

The Trustees of the Masonic Charitable Foundation of the Grand Lodge of Maine met, in accordance with Section 59, Constitution of the Grand Lodge of Maine, at 5.00 P. M., Eastern Daylight Time, Tuesday, May 4, 1954.

Present — BENJAMIN W. ELA, *Grand Master and President*
PAUL L. POWERS, *Deputy Grand Master*
ARTHUR W. SEAWARD, *Senior Grand Warden*
CLIFFORD H. M. PERRY, *Junior Grand Warden*
CONVERS E. LEACH, *Grand Secretary*
EDWARD W. WHEELER, *Trustee*
DAVID L. WILSON, *Trustee*
ERNEST C. BUTLER, *Trustee*
CHARLES E. CROSSLAND, *Trustee*
GEORGE F. GIDDINGS, *Trustee*
ERVIN E. J. LANDER, *Trustee*

Present by invitation — H. NORTON MAXFIELD, *Grand Treasurer*.

Voted, To omit the reading of the various records, and that as recorded, distributed, or printed, they be confirmed.

Voted, To approve, ratify and confirm the investments and changes in the investments which have been made in the Invested Funds during the past year.

The Treasurer's Report was presented as follows:

CHARITY FUND.

RECEIPTS.

\$1,000 Pittston Co., 4's, 1961, Called @103.....	\$ 1,030.00
\$3,000 Pittston Co., 4's, 1961, Called @102½....	3,075.00
Eastman Kodak Co., 5/100 Share, Sold.....	2.14
\$10,000 U. S. Savings, "G," July, 1953, Ex- changed.....	10,000.00
\$10,000 U. S. Savings, "G," October, 1953, Ex- changed.....	10,000.00
50 Shares, Bates Manufacturing Co., Sold at 81 7/8.....	4,093.75
50 Rights, American Tel. & Tel. Co., Sold.....	123.50
4/14 Share, First Portland National Bank, Sold..	16.00
6/8 Share, Canal National Bank, Sold.....	26.25
First Portland National Bank, Interest.....	273.50
Relief Account, Transfer, Per Vote.....	15,000.00
	<hr/> \$ 43,640.14

DISBURSEMENTS.

13 Shares, Bangor Hydro-Elec. Co. @25.....	\$ 325.00
5 Rights, Bangor Hydro-Elec. Co. @ 0.12½....	0.63
\$20,000 U. S. Treasury 3¼'s, 1983-78, Exchange..	20,000.00
8 Shares, First National Bank of Boston, Stock Dividend.....	.....
1 Share, First National Bank of Boston (1/13 Rights).....	3.99
6 Shares, Eastman Kodak Co., Stock Dividend	.....
12 Shares, First Portland National Bank, Stock Dividend.....	.....
20 Shares Canal National Bank of Portland, Stock Dividend.....	.....
\$5,000 Pacific Gas & Elec. Co., 3's, 1979, @ 97¾.....	4,868.75
40 Shares, General Mills, 5% Pfd., @121½....	4,860.00
60 Shares, General Mills, 5% Pfd., @121.....	7,260.00
100 Shares, Cleveland Electric Illuminating Co., Common @ 54.....	5,400.00
100 Shares DuPont de Nemours Co., Common @ 106.....	10,600.00
	<hr/> \$ 53,318.37
Deficit.....	9,678.23
	<hr/> \$ 43,640.14

Balance, March 31, 1953.....	\$ 11,899.98
Deficit, 1954 Account.....	9,678.23
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Balance, March 31, 1954.....	\$ 2,221.75

SECURITIES.

MARCH 31, 1954.

Face	Bond	Cost	Income
\$ 1,000	American Tel. & Tel. Co., 2 $\frac{3}{4}$'s, 1961	\$ 1,023.60	\$ 27.50
1,000	American Tel. & Tel. Co., 3 $\frac{1}{2}$'s, 1964	1,044.40	35.00
5,000	Arkansas Power & Light Co., 3 $\frac{1}{8}$'s 1974 . .	5,150.00	156.25
5,000	Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Co., 4's, 1975 .	4,900.00	200.00
3,000	Boston & Maine Railroad Co., Inc. Mtg. 4 $\frac{1}{2}$'s, 1970	2,925.00	135.00
1,200	Boston & Maine Railroad Co., 4's, 1960 . .	1,200.00	48.00
5,000	British Columbia, Province of, 4 $\frac{1}{2}$'s 1957 .	5,425.00	225.00
5,000	Canada, Dominion of, Internal, 3's, 1959 .	4,737.50	150.00
5,000	Canada, Dominion of, Internal, 3's, 1959 .	4,837.50	150.00
5,000	Central Illinois Public Service Co., 3 $\frac{3}{8}$'s, 1971	5,350.00	168.75
10,000	Central Maine Power Co., 2 $\frac{3}{4}$'s, 1976	10,200.00	275.00
5,000	Central Maine Power Co., 3 $\frac{1}{2}$'s, 1970	5,425.00	175.00
500	Consolidated Gas Electric Light & Power Co., 3 $\frac{1}{4}$'s, 1967	500.00	16.25
8,000	Dartmouth Real Estate Co., 3 $\frac{1}{2}$'s, 1962 . .	8,200.00	280.00
5,000	Green Mountain Power Corp., 3 $\frac{3}{4}$'s, 1963 .	5,287.50	187.50
5,000	Illinois Central Railroad Co., 4's, 1955 . . .	4,925.00	200.00
5,000	Maine Central Railroad Co., 5 $\frac{1}{8}$'s, 1978 . .	4,981.25	256.25
5,000	New York Steam Corp., 3 $\frac{1}{2}$'s, 1963	5,287.50	175.00
5,000	Northeastern Water Co., 5's, 1968	5,162.50	250.00
5,000	Pacific Gas & Electric Co., 3's, 1979	4,868.75	.....
5,000	Pittsburg, Cincinnati, Chicago & St. Louis Railroad Co., 5's, 1970	5,681.25	250.00
3,000	Portland Terminal Co., 5's, 1961	3,000.00	150.00
3,000	Portland Terminal Co., 4's, 1961	2,750.00	120.00
5,000	Public Service Electric & Gas., 6's, 1998 . .	7,525.00	300.00
5,000	Saskatchewan, Province of, 4 $\frac{1}{2}$'s, 1955 . . .	5,400.00	225.00
1,000	Shreveport Bridge & Terminal Co., 5's, 1955	1,000.00	50.00
2,000	Toledo Terminal Railroad Co., 4 $\frac{1}{2}$'s, 1957 .	2,000.00	90.00
200	Toledo Terminal Railroad Co., 4 $\frac{1}{2}$'s, 1957 .	200.00	9.00
5,000	U. S. Savings, Ser. " G," 2 $\frac{1}{2}$'s, July, 1956 .	5,000.00	125.00
10,000	U. S. Savings, Ser. " G," 2 $\frac{1}{2}$'s, July, 1958 .	10,000.00	250.00
5,000	U. S. Savings, Ser. " G," 2 $\frac{1}{2}$'s, Sept. 1954 .	5,000.00	125.00
1,000	U. S. Savings, Ser. " G," 2 $\frac{1}{2}$'s, Oct. 1955 .	1,000.00	25.00
10,000	U. S. Savings, Ser. " G," 2 $\frac{1}{2}$'s, Nov. 1956 .	10,000.00	250.00
5,000	U. S. Treasury, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$'s, 1972-67, Dated June 1, 1945	5,000.00	125.00
10,000	U. S. Treasury, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$'s, 1972-67, Dated Nov. 15, 1945	10,000.00	250.00
20,000	U. S. Treasury, 3 $\frac{1}{4}$'s, 1983-72, Dated May 1, 1953	20,000.00	405.36

STOCKS

Shares	Stocks	Cost	Income
50 Shares,	American Tel. & Tel. Co.	\$ 7,519.21	\$ 450.00
38 Shares,	Bangor Hydro-Electric Co., Common.	938.13	61.30
186 Shares,	Canal National Bank of Portland	2,500.00	171.00
50 Shares,	Central Maine Power Co., 3½% Pfd.	4,900.00	175.00
145 Shares,	Chase National Bank, New York	6,037.50	290.00
100 Shares,	Cleveland Electric Illumination Co., Common	5,400.00	65.00
50 Shares,	Consolidated Edison Co., 5% Pfd.	5,375.00	250.00
150 Shares,	Consolidated Gas Electric Light & Power Co.	4,537.50	210.00
100 Shares,	DuPont de Nemours Co., Common. . .	10,600.00	100.00
127 Shares,	Eastman Kodak Co.	5,225.00	232.55
125 Shares,	First National Bank of Boston, Mass.	6,133.99	286.50
184 Shares,	First Portland National Bank, Port- land, Me.	8,137.00	350.00
100 Shares,	General Electric Co., Common.	4,550.00	425.00
100 Shares,	General Mills, 5% Cum. Pfd.	12,120.00	.....
100 Shares,	Great Northern Paper Co.	4,150.00	300.00
100 Shares,	Hollingsworth & Whitney Co., Com- mon	3,075.00	250.00
9 Shares,	Maine Central Railroad Co., Prior Pfd.	900.00	54.00
118 Shares,	Manufacturers Trust Co.	6,500.00	336.30
230 Shares,	National Bank of Commerce, Port- land, Me.	8,115.00	425.50
55 Shares,	New England Tel. & Tel. Co., Com- mon	6,412.50	330.00
50 Shares,	Portland Gas Light Co., \$5 Ser. Cum. Pfd.	4,634.00	250.00
100 Shares,	Sears, Roebuck & Co.	5,675.00	275.00
300 Shares,	S. D. Warren Co.	2,793.75	300.00
200 Shares,	Standard Oil Co., of New Jersey	12,075.00	900.00
80 Shares,	St. Croix Paper Co., Common.	4,300.00	320.00
246 Shares,	Texas Co., Common.	6,550.00	836.40
150 Shares,	Union Carbide & Carbon Corp., Com- mon	4,943.75	375.00
100 Shares,	United Fruit Co., Common.	6,687.50	350.00
134 Shares,	West Virginia Water Service Co., Common	2,322.69	167.50
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		\$348,094.27	
Uninvested.		2,221.75	87.89
Income on securities no longer owned.	526.69
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		\$350,316.02	\$ 15,010.49

CHARLES M. FARRAR FUND.

RECEIPTS.

\$4,000 Western Union Telegraph Co., 5's, 1960, Sold @ 102.....	\$ 4,080.00	
Interest on Bank Deposits.....	7.93	
		\$ 4,087.93

DISBURSEMENTS.

20 Shares, Kankakee Water Co., 5½% Pfd., @ 102.....	\$ 2,040.00	
\$5,000 Westinghouse Air Brake, 3 7/8's, 1978, @ 101 7/8.....	5,093.75	
Relief Account, Interest on Savings Account.....	7.93	
		\$ 7,141.68
Deficit.....		3,053.75
		\$ 4,087.93

Balance, March 31, 1953.....	\$ 4,806.88
Deficit, 1954 Account.....	3,053.75
Balance, March 31, 1954.....	\$ 1,753.13

SECURITIES.

MARCH 31, 1954.

Face	Bond	Cost	Income
\$1,000 Birmingham Terminal Co., 4's, 1957.....		\$ 1,060.00	\$ 40.00
3,000 Canada, Dominion of, Internal, 3's, 1959..		2,805.00	90.00
2,000 Jamestown, Franklin & Clearfield R. R. Co., 4's, 1959.....		1,920.00	80.00
3,000 Maine Central Railroad Co., 5½'s, 1978...		2,988.75	153.75
2,000 New York Telephone Co., 2¾'s, 1982.....		2,060.00	55.00
2,000 Northern Pacific Railway Co., 4's, 1997...		1,630.00	80.00
3,000 Portland General Electric Co., 3½'s, 1975..		3,105.00	93.75
1,000 Portland Terminal Co., 4's, 1961.....		910.00	40.00
1,000 Portland Terminal Co., 5's, 1961.....		1,020.00	50.00
2,000 U. S. Savings " G," 2½'s, July, 1956.....		2,000.00	50.00
1,000 U. S. Savings " G," 2½'s, March, 1958....		1,000.00	25.00
5,000 Westinghouse Air Brake, 3 7/8's, 1978....		5,093.75	.....
Shares	Stocks	Cost	Income
50 Shares, Corn Exchange Bank Trust Co., New York.....		3,050.00	150.00
20 Shares, Kankakee Water Co., 5½% Pfd.,..		2,040.00	55.00
100 Shares, Socony-Vacuum Oil Co., Common.		3,300.00	225.00
		\$ 33,982.50	
Uninvested.....		1,753.13	7.93
Income on Investments no Longer Owned.			100.00
		\$ 35,735.63	\$ 1,295.43

FREDERICK C. THAYER FUND.

No Transactions.

Balance, March 31, 1954.....\$ 20.00

SECURITIES

MARCH 31, 1954

Face	Bond	Cost	Income
\$ 50 U. S. Savings, Ser. " F," 2½, 1955.....	\$	37.00	.....
Shares	Stocks	Cost	Income
45 Shares, Jamaica Water Supply Co., Common.....	\$	990.00	\$ 81.00
	\$	1,027.00	
Uninvested.....		20.00	.....
	\$	1,047.00	\$ 81.00

THOMAS H. BODGE MEMORIAL FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Interest.....\$ 8.77
\$ 8.77

DISBURSEMENTS.

Relief Account, Interest on Deposit.....\$ 8.77
\$ 8.77
Balance.....0.00
\$ 8.77

Balance, March 31, 1953.....\$ 349.30
Balance, 1954 Account.....0.00
Balance, March 31, 1954.....\$ 349.30

SECURITIES.

MARCH 31, 1954.

Face	Bond	Cost	Income
\$5,000 Detroit Edison Co., 3's, 1970.....	\$	5,437.50	\$ 150.00
5,000 Pacific Gas & Electric Co., 3's, 1974.....		5,450.00	150.00
Shares	Stocks	Cost	Income
100 Shares, Union Pacific R. R. Co., Common. \$		7,135.50	\$ 600.00
45 Shares, U. S. Steel Corp., 7% Com. Pfd...		6,586.83	315.00
	\$	24,609.83	
Uninvested.....		349.30	8.77
	\$	24,959.13	\$ 1,223.77

RELIEF ACCOUNT.

RECEIPTS.

General Fund, Per Capita Tax.....	\$ 23,477.00
Income on Investments, Charity Fund.....	15,010.49
Income on Investments, Farrar Fund.....	1,295.43
Income on Investments, Thayer Fund.....	81.00
Income on Investments, Bodge Fund.....	1,223.77
Reimbursements.....	484.85
Canadian Exchange.....	4.87
Check No. 8140, Unpaid.....	15.00
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	\$ 41,592.41

DISBURSEMENTS.

Beneficiaries.....	\$ 19,446.10
Charity Fund, Transfer, Per Vote.....	15,000.00
Charges and Interest on Bonds Bought and Sold..	165.30
Operating Expenses.....	113.66
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	\$ 34,725.06
Balance.....	6,867.35

\$ 41,592.41

Balance, March 31, 1953..... \$ 38,740.25

Balance, 1954 Account..... 6,867.35

Balance, March 31, 1954..... \$ 45,607.60

DANA B. CUTTER FUND.

PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT.

No. Transactions.

Balance, March 31, 1954..... \$ 71.00

INTEREST ACCOUNT.

RECEIPTS.

Income on Investments.....	\$ 515.27
Interest on Deposits.....	31.87
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	\$ 547.14

DISBURSEMENTS.

None.....	\$ 0.00
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	\$ 0.00
Balance.....	547.14

\$ 547.14

Balance, March 31, 1953..... \$ 1,224.86

Balance, 1954 Account..... 547.14

Balance, March 31, 1954..... \$ 1,772.00

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SECURITIES

Face	Bond	Cost	Income
\$2,000	Dartmouth Real Estate Co., 3¼'s, 1962...	\$ 2,050.00	\$ 70.00
5,000	Nova Scotia, Province of, 3¾'s, 1971.....	4,829.00	187.50
100	Consolidated Gas Elec. L. & P. Co., 3¼,		
1967.....		100.00	3.25
Shares	Stocks	Cost	Income
35 Shares,	Central Maine Power Co., 3½%		
Pfd.....		3,097.50	122.52
30 Shares,	Consolidated Gas Elec. L. & P.		
Co., Common.....		600.31	42.00
50 Shares,	Jamaica Water Supply Co., Com-		
mon.....		1,175.00	90.00
		\$ 11,851.81	
Uninvested, Principal Account.....		71.00	
		\$ 11,922.81	\$ 515.27

GEORGE R. RICH MEMORIAL FUND.

PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT.

No. Transactions.

INTEREST ACCOUNT.

RECEIPTS.

Income on Investments.....	\$ 185.00	
Interest on Deposits.....	27.67	
		\$ 212.67

DISBURSEMENTS.

None.....	\$ 0.00	
		\$ 0.00
Balance.....		212.67
Balance, March 31, 1953.....	\$ 1,100.27	
Balance, 1954 Account.....	212.67	
Balance, March 31, 1954.....	\$ 1,312.94	

SECURITIES.

MARCH 31, 1954.

Face	Bond	Cost	Income
\$2,000 Jamestown, Franklin & Clearfield R. R. Co., 4's, 1959.....		\$ 1,920.00	\$ 80.00
1,000 U. S. Treasury, 2½'s 1972-67, Dated June 1, 1945.....		1,048.44	25.00
Shares	Stock	Cost	Income
20 Shares St. Croix Paper Co., Common....		1,075.00	80.00
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		\$ 4,043.44	\$ 185.00

Fraternally submitted,

H. NORTON MAXFIELD,
Grand Treasurer.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE
CHARITY FUND OF THE GRAND LODGE
1954

PAUL L. POWERS, Grand Master,					Ex-Officio
AUBREY L. BURBANK, Deputy Grand Master					
PHILIP D. TINGLEY, Senior Grand Warden					
MERRILL R. KITTREDGE, Junior Grand Warden					
CONVERS E. LEACH, Grand Secretary					
EDWARD W. WHEELER,	elected May 1, 1952, for three years				
DAVID L. WILSON,	" " 6, 1952	"	"	"	"
ERNEST C. BUTLER,	" " 5, 1953	"	"	"	"
CHARLES E. CROSSLAND,	" " 5, 1953	"	"	"	"
GEORGE F. GIDDINGS,	" " 5, 1954	"	"	"	"
ERVIN E. J. LANDER,	" " 5, 1954	"	"	"	"

Inspection Reports

OF THE

District Deputy Grand Masters

AND

Reports of Lodge Treasurers

Lodges presented work and were rated as follows:

Rated	E. A. Degree		F. C. Degree		M. M. Degree	
	1953	1954	1953	1954	1953	1954
Excellent.....	9	9	11	9	32	33
Good.....	28	30	36	35	60	57
Fair.....	12	10	10	6	9	10
Poor.....	0	2	0	0	0	0
No work.....	0	0	0	0	1	5

Not officially visited, 1.

Seventy-seven Lodges failed to file Treasurer's Report as called for by Standing Regulation.

Reported as contributed by the Lodges for relief, \$27,139.00.

Sixteen Lodges report no dues unpaid for two years.

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1	Portland.	Portland.	17	F.C.	E	26 43 25 20 26 24 23 24								\$	\$	234	\$ 50	\$ 6.00	\$ 333	\$ 30	\$	\$
2	Warren.	East Machias.	3	M.M.	G	14 18 7 8 11 14 10 1								—	—	75	30	3.00	147	117	344	167
3	Lincoln.	Wiscasset.	10	E.A.	E	22 27 22 16 15 20 19 20								—	379	25	30	5.00	135	105	1,242	1,182
4	Hancock.	Castine.	4	No	—	16 15 16 12 16 13 12 13								—	306	325	40	4.00	40	64	1,604	1,110
5	Kennebec.	Hallowell.	11	M.M.	G	27 28 24 20 23 24 25 24								—	—	40	30	4.00	24	28	—	—
6	Amity.	Camden.	7	M.M.	G	19 24 17 16 8 18 14 13								—	—	50	35	4.00	180	77	—	—
7	Eastern.	Eastport.	2	E.A.	G	11 35 11 11 11 11 11 11								—	—	370	50	5.00	80	10	—	—
8	United.	Brunswick.	14	E.A.	E	27 21 27 26 24 27 25 24								—	22,534	490	35	5.00	580	170	3,162	3,243
9	Saco.	Saco.	18	M.M.	G	16 72 14 16 15 15 15 15								—	—	256	50	5.50	203	0	—	—
10	Rising Virtue.	Bangor.	6	M.M.	G	37 93 37 37 33 33 31 33								—	—	200	40	4.00	1,420	280	—	—
11	Pythagorean.	Fryeburg.	16	M.M.	G	11 21 10 11 10 8 11 11								—	—	90	30	5.00	150	60	—	—
12	Cumberland.	New Gloucester.	23	E.A.	G	16 41 16 14 15 16 16 15								—	—	—	30	3.00	150	231	1,623	1,901
13	Oriental.	Bridgton.	16	M.M.	G	16 53 16 14 13 15 13 15								—	739	—	30	4.00	8	0	935	610
14	Solar.	Bath.	4	E.A.	G	48 32 48 44 47 47 46 46								—	501	155	50	6.50	494	110	3,743	3,744

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15	Orient.....	Thomaston.....	9 M.M. G	42 29 41 26 16 38 37 31	\$ —	\$ 159	\$ —	\$ 30 5.00	\$ 72 0	\$ 1,081	\$ 920
16	St. George.....	Warren.....	9 E.A. G	21 24 21 15 20 21 14 15	—	—	—	30 3.00	9 9	1,350	1,041
17	Ancient Land-Mark.....	Portland.....	17 M.M. E	22 30 22 22 22 21 22 22	—	—	150	60 8.00	454 10	—	—
18	Oxford.....	Norway.....	16 F.C. G	17 35 16 14 15 16 17 14	—	—	197	30 5.00	127 37	—	—
19	Felicity.....	Bucksport.....	21 M.M. G	19 20 19 19 18 19 19 17	—	612	—	40 6.00	294 312	1,619	1,622
20	Maine.....	Farmington.....	15 M.M. E	13 48 13 12 13 13 13 13	—	3,136	—	30 5.00	90 45	1,631	1,028
21	Oriental Star.....	Livermore Falls.....	20 M.M. G	13 29 13 10 11 13 13 12	—	194	—	40 5.00	0 0	1,649	922
22	York.....	Kennebunk.....	19 M.M. E	15 40 15 15 10 14 14 13	—	59	25	30 4.50	148 64	3,250	2,733
23	Freeport.....	Freeport.....	14 M.M. G	19 25 19 16 19 18 19 17	—	—	—	35 5.00	148 44	1,160	1,092
24	Phoenix.....	Belfast.....	8 M.M. E	14 37 14 11 14 14 13 13	—	—	—	30 4.00	384 428	—	—
25	Temple.....	Winthrop.....	11 E.A. G	36 20 26 25 19 26 35 22	—	—	20	30 3.00	56 254	1,161	1,253
26	Village.....	Bowdoinham.....	14 F.C. G	14 28 13 12 14 14 12 12	—	1,700	15	30 5.00	40 14	535	294
27	Adoniram.....	Limington.....	18 E.A. F	10 14 10 9 9 10 6 9	—	—	—	30 2.00	126 218	—	—
28	Northern Star.....	North Anson.....	13 F.C. G	17 28 17 15 17 17 14 8	—	2,114	—	30 4.50	90 31	852	585

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29	Tranquil.....	Auburn.....	23	M.M. E	35 38 34 35 33 33 35 35								\$	\$	\$ 121	\$ 50	\$ 3.00	\$ 426	\$ 159	\$ 3,251	\$ 2,548
30	Blazing Star.....	Rumford.....	20	M.M. G	25 39 24 21 23 22 20 23								—	—	—	40	4.00	232	96	2,577	2,625
31	Union.....	Union.....	7	M.M. G	19 11 17 14 13 19 13 6								—	—	10	30	4.00	184	215	811	925
32	Hermon.....	Gardiner.....	11	M.M. G	30 32 28 30 28 30 25 18								—	—	300	40	5.00	320	110	5,763	4,952
33	Waterville.....	Waterville.....	12	M.M. E	29 42 28 29 27 28 25 28								—	23,202	3,062	35	5.00	535	343	4,738	3,181
34	Somerset.....	Skowhegan.....	13	M.M. G	18 30 16 17 14 17 16 17								—	2,717	229	35	5.00	215	155	1,563	1,375
35	Bethlehem.....	Augusta.....	11	M.M. E	32 38 30 23 26 31 28 28								—	—	—	35	4.00	48	0	—	—
36	Casco.....	Yarmouth.....	17	M.M. G	30 37 29 23 28 27 26 24								—	—	—	40	4.00	124	208	—	—
37	Washington.....	Lubec.....	2	M.M. G	17 26 17 15 15 14 15 16								—	2,757	—	40	5.00	90	50	1,807	1,828
38	Harmony.....	Gorham.....	17	M.M. G	19 39 19 19 17 8 15 19								—	—	—	40	5.00	211	57	1,580	1,359
39	Penobscot.....	Dexter.....	5	F.C. E	23 39 22 21 23 15 21 21								—	3,280	45	35	5.00	60	115	3,102	3,597
40	Lygonia.....	Ellsworth.....	21	F.C. E	31 24 30 27 8 27 27 26								—	—	—	30	5.00	675	730	—	—
41	Morning Star.....	Litchfield.....	11	E.A. G	19 20 14 13 16 19 13 13								—	266	10	30	3.00	39	147	440	321
42	Freedom.....	Limerick.....	18	M.M. E	16 22 15 14 14 11 10 13								—	—	—	30	3.00	48	0	—	—

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43	Alna.....	Damariscotta.....	10	M.M. E	21 17 21	20 20	17 19	21	—	\$	1,051	358	30	2.00	288	246	719	546		
44	Piscataquis.....	Milo.....	5	F.C. G	24 28 24	4 21	21 23	12	—	—	—	257	35	5.00	221	235	2,298	1,047		
45	Central.....	China.....	12	M.M. G	17 26 13	14 10	15 11	16	—	—	—	—	30	2.50	20	35	—	—		
46	St. Croix.....	Calais.....	2	M.M. G	23 32 16	18 16	23 16	10	—	—	100	30	4.00	124	88	1,865	1,483			
47	Dunlap.....	Biddeford.....	18	M.M. E	18 38 18	16 15	18 17	18	—	—	—	40	7.00	336	140	—	—			
48	Lafayette.....	Readfield.....	11	F.C. G	23 18 18	12 17	16 16	4	—	739	19	30	4.00	52	352	2,180	1,798			
49	Meridian Splendor.....	Newport.....	22	M.M. G	15 32 14	15 14	14 15	14	—	—	—	30	3.00	165	104	1,387	1,179			
50	Aurora.....	Rockland.....	9	M.M. G	23 25 20	20 14	19 22	23	—	1,744	588	35	5.00	55	40	2,103	1,336			
51	St. John's.....	South Berwick.....	19	F.C. E	18 27 18	17 17	16 16	15	—	—	—	30	5.00	185	20	1,941	1,847			
52	Mosaic.....	Dover-Foxcroft.....	5	E.A. G	17 31 14	12 15	16 11	14	—	—	—	30	3.00	57	18	—	—			
53	Rural.....	Sydney.....	11	M.M. F	15 21 15	14 14	9 14	11	—	—	—	30	3.00	18	18	495	212			
54	Vassalboro.....	North Vassalboro.....	12	F.C. G	11 14 9	10 6	11 8	5	—	—	—	30	3.00	108	54	—	—			
55	Fraternal.....	Alfred.....	19	M.M. G	16 20 16	12 13	14 8	9	—	—	—	30	5.00	252	20	—	—			
56	Mount Moriah.....	Denmark.....	16	E.A. G	12 20 12	11 11	12 1	10	—	—	—	30	2.00	66	42	179	206			

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57	King Hiram.....	Dixfield.....	20	E.A.	E	20	13	20	15	15	20	16	20	\$	100	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
58	Unity.....	Thorndike.....	12	F.C.	G	14	28	13	12	13	14	7	14	—	141	—	30	3.00	54	24	368	842
60	Star in the East.....	Old Town.....	6	M.M.	G	37	31	37	37	32	29	10	20	—	—	24	40	6.00	1,500	294	3,504	2,742
61	King Solomon's.....	Waldoboro.....	9	F.C.	E	37	26	36	29	35	27	31	27	—	—	—	30	3.50	129	28	—	—
62	King David's.....	Lincolnvill.....	7	E.A.	E	14	29	11	14	14	14	12	8	—	—	—	30	2.00	34	150	439	315
63	Richmond.....	Richmond.....	14	F.C.	G	15	19	15	14	12	13	13	15	—	1,089	—	30	3.50	161	131	866	805
64	Pacific.....	Exeter.....	22	E.A.	P	11	17	11	7	10	9	10	10	—	—	—	35	5.00	72	147	160	196
65	Mystic.....	Hampden.....	6	M.M.	F	23	32	22	19	20	23	21	14	—	1,498	50	30	3.00	84	90	1,722	1,350
66	Mechanics'.....	Orono.....	6	M.M.	G	24	31	22	24	23	23	21	10	—	—	—	40	3.00	57	36	—	—
67	Blue Mountain.....	Phillips.....	15	E.A.	G	14	25	11	14	14	14	13	11	—	—	—	30	4.00	20	67	—	—
68	Mariners'.....	Searsport.....	8	E.A.	E	12	20	12	9	9	7	1	8	—	—	—	30	3.00	72	49	685	687
69	Howard.....	Winterport.....	6	E.A.	F	19	23	15	14	6	16	8	15	—	139	188	30	4.00	252	111	884	1,056
70	Standish.....	Standish.....	17	F.C.	G	20	37	20	20	19	19	20	20	—	—	—	30	3.00	128	76	—	—
71	Rising Sun.....	Orland.....	21	F.C.	F	18	15	17	10	15	14	10	14	—	—	—	30	3.00	63	81	—	—

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72	Pioneer.....	Ashland.....	1	M.M.	G	14	24	14	10	14	13	14	7	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$		
73	Tyrian.....	Mechanic Falls.....	22	E.A.	F	21	38	19	21	11	20	17	20	—	569	245	30	3.00	51	0	773	1,237
74	Bristol.....	Bristol.....	10	M.M.	G	15	30	15	15	15	15	15	15	—	391	85	30	3.00	63	14	428	713
75	Archon.....	East Dixmont.....	22	M.M.	F	14	20	14	9	10	14	12	12	—	—	—	30	2.50	20	20	—	—
76	Arundel.....	Kennebunkport.....	19	M.M.	G	28	33	27	20	22	25	22	20	—	676	—	30	5.00	210	20	1,970	2,246
77	Tremont.....	Southwest Harbor.....	21	E.A.	G	18	23	17	18	12	14	16	12	—	53	29	30	3.00	54	18	772	754
78	Crescent.....	Pembroke.....	2	M.M.	F	14	15	13	12	1	12	11	3	—	3,126	—	30	4.00	48	62	420	495
79	Rockland.....	Rockland.....	9	M.M.	G	24	25	22	24	20	21	22	23	—	—	125	35	5.00	120	425	—	—
80	Keystone.....	Solon.....	13	F.C.	G	15	39	13	14	12	13	11	11	—	—	—	30	3.00	18	0	—	—
81	Atlantic.....	Portland.....	17	M.M.	E	28	49	28	18	26	24	18	19	—	—	335	60	8.00	726	156	6,473	5,377
82	St. Paul's.....	Rockport.....	7	F.C.	E	20	32	20	19	19	20	20	17	—	1,585	—	30	4.00	356	216	1,350	1,443
83	St. Andrew's.....	Bangor.....	6	M.M.	G	42	41	40	40	38	40	39	38	—	92,000	250	40	4.00	390	112	13,066	4,305
84	Eureka.....	Tenant's Harbor.....	9	F.C.	G	14	18	14	13	14	14	12	12	—	—	—	30	5.00	155	75	—	—
85	Star in the West.....	Unity.....	12	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	513	—	30	3.00	51	42	493	566

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86	Temple.....	Westbrook.....	17 E.A.	E	21	31	18	19	15	19	17	15	\$	\$ 3,402	\$ 60	\$ 40	5.00	\$ 350	\$ 315	\$ 2,150	\$ 1,804		
87	Benevolent.....	Carmel.....	6 E.A.	F	12	15	11	11	11	12	2	8	—	—	—	30	3.00	30	122	378	403		
88	Narraguagus.....	Cherryfield.....	3 E.A.	F	19	14	19	9	12	19	4	8	—	—	—	30	2.50	52	50	—	—		
89	Island.....	Islesboro.....	7 E.A.	G	29	12	28	28	17	20	27	13	—	—	85	30	4.00	189	99	386	423		
91	Harwood.....	Machias.....	3 M.M.	G	17	26	15	14	13	14	16	10	—	—	—	30	3.00	93	78	—	—		
92	Siloam.....	Fairfield.....	12 E.A.	G	34	25	34	31	27	30	30	19	—	—	—	35	5.00	0	0	—	—		
93	Horeb.....	Lincoln.....	24 M.M.	E	23	36	23	19	19	20	16	12	—	800	35	40	5.00	47	98	2,837	2,386		
94	Paris.....	South Paris.....	16 F.C.	G	14	24	14	14	5	13	9	5	—	—	—	30	4.00	46	0	—	—		
95	Corinthian.....	Hartland.....	22 E.A.	G	18	17	18	16	14	18	6	13	—	583	50	30	3.00	90	27	495	579		
96	Monument.....	Houlton.....	1 M.M.	E	36	35	33	29	27	31	33	30	—	28,372	110	35	5.00	485	255	3,246	3,122		
97	Bethel.....	Bethel.....	16 F.C.	G	18	24	16	16	16	14	16	14	—	—	50	40	6.00	4	40	1,304	1,262		
98	Katahdin.....	Patten.....	24 M.M.	G	15	11	15	15	15	14	6	8	—	—	35	30	5.00	66	129	—	—		
99	Vernon Valley.....	Mt. Vernon.....	15 M.M.	G	21	22	20	14	20	19	7	18	—	—	—	30	3.00	126	105	—	—		
100	Jefferson.....	Bryant Pond.....	16 E.A.	G	11	36	11	10	10	10	9	8	—	—	35	40	4.00	108	0	—	—		

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101	Nezinscot.....Turner.....	23 F.C.	F		12 21 12 12 10 12 10 9								\$	\$	\$	\$ 30 4.00	\$ 68 140			\$	\$	
102	Marsh River.....Brooks.....	8 M.M.	E		20 19 19 17 19 18 17 17							—	—	—	30 3.00	102 9			—	—		
103	Dresden.....Dresden Mills.....	10 E.A.	F		14 14 14 9 10 14 11 10							—	—	—	30 2.00	108 531			—	—		
104	Dirigo.....Week's Mills.....	11 E.A.	G		— 21 21 19 18 20 17 17							—	459	—	30 3.00	105 66			579	662		
105	Ashlar.....Lewiston.....	23 M.M.	E		15 52 15 15 14 14 15 15							—	—	1,086	50 5.00	105 135			—	—		
106	Tuscan.....Addison.....	3 E.A.	G		15 19 15 11 13 15 12 9							—	711	—	30 5.00	24 0			1,094	887		
107	Day Spring.....West Newfield.....	18 F.C.	F		12 23 12 10 12 12 10 8							—	—	—	30 2.50	116 212			487	306		
109	Mount Kineo.....Guilford.....	5 F.C.	G		16 24 13 15 15 12 14 13							—	—	—	30 2.00	0 0			1,122	1,140		
110	Monmouth.....Monmouth.....	11 M.M.	G		20 29 18 17 16 14 16 17							—	—	—	30 3.00	90 306			—	—		
111	Liberty.....Liberty.....	8 F.C.	G		13 20 11 10 4 13 8 1							—	—	100	30 3.00	63 52			314	306		
112	Eastern Frontier.....Fort Fairfield.....	1 M.M.	G		27 30 26 24 18 23 19 21							—	—	—	30 5.00	190 380			1,725	493		
113	Messalonskee.....Oakland.....	12											—	19 120	30 3.00	—				803	682	
114	Polar Star.....Bath.....	14 M.M.	F		19 39 19 19 15 19 19 17							—	—	—	50 6.50	370 0			—	—		
115	Buxton.....West Buxton.....	18 M.M.	E		12 33 12 12 12 12 12 12							—	—	862	30 4.00	24 20			1,555	975		

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116	Lebanon.....	Norridgewock.....	13 F.C.	G	21 26 20 19 19 20 20 18								—	\$ 299	\$ —	\$ 30 3.00	\$ 87 38	\$ 488			\$ 444	
117	Greenleaf.....	Cornish.....	18 F.C.	G	11 28 10 10 6 6 5 8								—	—	15 30 3.00	63 138	—	—				
118	Drummond.....	No. Parsonfield.....	18 F.C.	F	11 14 11 11 8 10 11 10								—	—	25 30 2.50	92 137	—	—				
119	Pownal.....	Stockton Springs.....	8 F.C.	G	14 8 11 8 14 13 10 4								—	—	20 30 3.00	12 57	1,677	1,127				
121	Acacia.....	Durham.....	14 E.A.	F	16 32 16 10 11 16 8 15								—	124 48	30 2.50	67 60	556	599				
122	Marine.....	Deer Isle.....	4 M.M.	G	27 22 25 25 18 24 18 20								—	—	— 30 3.00	88 30	1,491	1,966				
123	Franklin.....	New Sharon.....	15 F.C.	G	12 26 10 11 10 10 8 6								—	—	137 30 3.00	111 141	1,121	959				
124	Olive Branch.....	Charleston.....	6 M.M.	F	15 23 12 12 12 10 9 9								—	—	— 30 3.00	160 36	—	—				
125	Meridian.....	Pittsfield.....	22 F.C.	G	14 31 14 14 11 11 14 7								—	—	— 35 3.00	75 36	1,085	901				
126	Timothy Chase.....	Belfast.....	8 M.M.	E	11 12 10 11 11 11 8 11								—	—	— 40 5.00	228 128	—	—				
127	Presumpscot.....	North Windham.....	17 F.C.	G	14 13 14 12 9 11 14 10								—	—	— 30 3.00	111 443	—	—				
128	Eggemoggin.....	Sedgwick.....	4 F.C.	G	12 16 12 8 7 12 9 2								—	—	— 30 3.00	60 123	188	299				
129	Quantabacook.....	Searsmont.....	7 F.C.	G	15 17 15 11 15 8 5 10								—	—	— 30 3.00	96 168	—	—				
130	Trinity.....	Presque Isle.....	1 E.A.	G	20 38 17 19 15 19 20 6								—	—	— 45 8.00	544 360	3,631	3,610				

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													\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
131	Lookout.....Cutler.....	3	M.M.	G	12	19	11	11	10	7	10	6	—	—	—	30	3.00	99	166	213	349
132	Mount Tir'em.....Waterford.....	16	E.A.	F	11	21	11	9	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	30	3.50	12	39	—	—
133	Asylum.....Wayne.....	11	M.M.	G	17	12	16	12	12	15	14	0	—	2,477	—	30	3.50	17	24	373	324
135	Riverside.....Jefferson.....	7	E.A.	G	19	24	19	19	16	18	18	12	—	1,143	25	30	4.00	114	0	675	489
137	Kenduskeag.....Kenduskeag.....	6	E.A.	F	19	26	18	19	16	17	19	19	—	—	—	35	3.50	108	57	—	—
138	Lewy's Island.....Princeton.....	2	M.M.	F	21	27	18	16	19	18	17	15	—	3,552	197	30	2.00	84	68	1,127	708
140	Mount Desert.....Mount Desert.....	21	F.C.	E	13	16	12	11	11	10	12	12	—	—	—	30	3.00	106	69	—	—
141	Augusta.....Augusta.....	11	M.M.	E	25	35	21	22	24	24	23	22	—	—	180	35	4.00	100	24	2,816	2,750
142	Ocean.....Wells Depot.....	19	M.M.	E	31	27	30	27	30	29	26	14	—	1,101	—	30	5.00	440	365	2,758	2,946
143	Preble.....Sanford.....	19	M.M.	E	25	58	25	22	24	24	24	24	—	—	—	40	5.00	180	25	—	—
144	Seaside.....Boothbay Harbor.....	10	M.M.	E	26	20	25	22	11	26	18	23	—	1,288	88	30	4.00	183	354	1,847	1,640
145	Moses Webster.....Vinalhaven.....	9	No	—	15	23	15	15	14	5	13	15	—	—	—	30	4.00	96	16	—	—
146	Sebasticook.....Clinton.....	12	F.C.	G	16	28	16	15	16	16	11	11	—	194	—	30	3.00	145	198	599	522

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147	Evening Star.....	Buckfield.....	20	E.A.	G	10	12	9	10	9	10	8	10	\$	\$	\$	30	5.00	40	46	514	314
148	Forest.....	Springfield.....	24	No	—	11	13	11	10	10	9	11	2	—	—	—	30	3.00	0	12	—	—
149	Doric.....	Monson.....	5	E.A.	G	12	20	12	12	12	11	10	10	—	—	—	30	4.00	24	48	2,705	2,820
150	Rabboni.....	Lewiston.....	23	M.M.	G	11	29	11	10	11	11	11	11	—	—	500	50	5.00	105	50	—	—
151	Excelsior.....	Northport.....	8	M.M.	E	15	22	15	15	7	15	13	2	—	—	—	30	3.00	10	42	90	55
152	Crooked River.....	Bolster's Mills.....	16	E.A.	G	11	32	11	11	8	10	8	11	—	—	—	30	3.50	38	123	—	—
153	Delta.....	Lovell.....	16	F.C.	G	12	18	11	11	9	11	10	11	—	—	—	30	5.00	100	305	—	—
154	Mystic Tie.....	Weld.....	15	E.A.	E	11	12	9	7	5	9	6	5	—	—	—	35	3.50	35	0	—	—
155	Ancient York.....	Lisbon Falls.....	14	E.A.	G	16	30	16	12	13	16	14	15	—	1,083	—	40	10.00	640	180	2,237	2,199
156	Wilton.....	Wilton.....	15	M.M.	E	15	31	15	14	12	15	14	12	—	—	—	30	5.00	60	5	—	—
157	Cambridge.....	Cambridge.....	22	E.A.	P	12	22	9	8	8	11	5	9	—	—	—	30	3.00	50	36	—	—
158	Anchor.....	South Bristol.....	10	M.M.	G	14	12	14	12	10	10	11	9	—	—	—	30	3.50	14	13	232	176
160	Parian.....	Corinna.....	22	M.M.	G	14	24	14	13	11	9	10	7	—	—	—	30	4.00	228	140	—	—
161	Carrabasset.....	Canaan.....	13	E.A.	F	13	13	13	8	13	11	13	8	—	1,102	—	30	2.00	15	10	272	461

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162	Arion.....	Goodwin's Mills.....	18	M.M. G	15 29 14 14 15 15 15 17								\$	\$	\$	\$ 30 4.00	\$ 256	\$ 164	\$ 692	\$ 475		
163	Pleasant River.....	Brownville.....	5	E.A. G	18 25 18 3 13 14 15 10								—	—	—	50 6.50	272	424	3,531	2,701		
164	Webster.....	Sabattus.....	23	M.M. G	15 28 15 13 9 8 11 15								—	742	—	35 3.00	57	27	785	495		
165	Molunkus.....	Sherman Mills.....	24	No —	20 14 13 15 17 16 17 6								—	—	200	30 5.00	205	252	893	707		
166	Neguemkeag.....	Vassalboro.....	12	F.C. F	16 17 13 16 15 13 11 12								—	142	—	30 3.00	54	170	687	735		
167	Whitney.....	Canton.....	20	E.A. G	19 23 17 17 16 14 10 9								—	—	—	30 4.00	60	40	437	414		
168	Composite.....	Lagrange.....	15	E.A. G	19 15 18 10 11 3 16 11								—	—	—	30 3.00	222	90	1,233	870		
169	Shepherd's River.....	Brownfield.....	16	F.C. G	10 20 10 10 10 10 8 2								—	—	—	30 3.00	48	60	322	228		
170	Caribou.....	Caribou.....	1	M.M. G	16 24 14 6 10 14 14 8								—	—	—	30 5.00	235	220	2,221	2,117		
171	Naskeag.....	Brooklin.....	4	M.M. F	16 17 16 14 14 15 12 10								—	—	—	30 3.00	30	120	—	—		
172	Pine Tree.....	Mattawamkeag.....	24	No —	16 19 15 15 9 12 5 12								—	—	36	40 5.00	20	150	698	753		
173	Pleiades.....	Millbridge.....	3	M.M. G	38 20 34 29 29 30 31 26								—	—	10	30 2.50	109	72	795	637		
174	Lynde.....	Hermon.....	6	F.C. G	19 26 19 18 7 17 18 10								—	—	—	30 4.00	160	36	—	—		
175	Baskahegan.....	Danforth.....	24	F.C. G	15 19 4 15 14 14 10 11								—	—	—	30 3.00	40	15	720	757		

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177	Rising Star	Penobscot	4 E.A.	G	17 23 16 15 15 13 15 15								\$	\$ 483	\$	\$ 30	\$ 3.00	\$ 222	\$ 45	\$ 343	\$ 263	
178	Ancient Brothers'	Auburn	23 M.M.	E	34 34 29 28 25 28 25 21								—	—	150	50	4.00	1,308	584	—	—	
179	Yorkshire	North Berwick	19 M.M.	E	19 28 19 18 17 17 15 14								—	1,630	245	40	5.00	165	324	1,135	816	
180	Hiram	South Portland	17 M.M.	E	44 59 44 44 42 39 41 43								—	—	2,459	60	5.00	1,205	545	—	—	
182	Granite	West Paris	16 M.M.	G	11 14 10 6 7 8 8 9								—	—	—	30	4.00	48	0	—	—	
183	Deering	Portland	17 F.C.	E	37 64 36 37 34 30 28 28								—	—	1,128	60	5.00	435	0	7,728	7,660	
184	Naval	Kittery	19 M.M.	E	39 56 38 39 36 36 36 31								—	—	67	50	5.00	690	480	6,255	5,384	
185	Bar Harbor	Bar Harbor	21 M.M.	G	27 22 26 24 26 26 26 20								—	—	—	40	7.50	502	367	1,921	2,352	
186	Warren Phillips	Cumberland Mills	17 M.M.	E	20 28 18 19 14 18 16 15								—	—	50	40	4.00	660	48	—	—	
187	Ira Berry	Blue Hill	4 E.A.	E	14 20 13 14 14 14 8 5								—	—	—	30	3.00	57	66	380	459	
188	Jonesport	Jonesport	3 M.M.	G	18 22 17 15 5 15 16 14								—	—	—	30	3.50	91	10	868	895	
189	Knox	So. Thomaston	9 F.C.	G	22 18 20 22 19 20 21 21								—	53	70	30	3.00	188	102	535	499	
190	Springvale	Springvale	19 M.M.	E	23 38 23 23 20 21 22 22								—	—	—	40	5.00	130	120	1,910	1,577	
191	Davis	Strong	15 F.C.	E	20 20 20 20 19 19 16 18								—	—	100	30	3.50	42	10	690	683	

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192	Winter Harbor.....	Winter Harbor.....	21	M.M. G	23 18 22 17 18 22 10 12								—	—	—	30	5.00	65	344	—	—
193	Washburn.....	Washburn.....	1	F.C. G	12 20 12 11 10 11 11 8							—	—	—	—	30	5.00	155	25	1,269	761
194	Euclid.....	Madison.....	13	M.M. G	15 28 15 14 12 14 11 14							—	—	—	—	30	5.00	140	652	1,854	1,604
195	Reliance.....	Stonington.....	4	E.A. G	16 14 15 5 14 14 14 11							—	—	—	—	30	5.00	75	105	—	—
196	Bay View.....	East Boothbay.....	10	M.M. E	25 25 21 21 21 23 22 22							—	573	—	—	35	3.00	30	81	983	684
197	Aroostook.....	Mars Hill.....	1	M.M. G	14 28 14 13 10 13 10 10							—	—	—	—	40	8.00	100	379	1,894	1,878
198	St. Aspinquid.....	York Village.....	19	M.M. E	31 32 26 28 25 26 28 26							—	—	50	—	40	5.00	260	90	2,935	2,577
199	Bingham.....	Bingham.....	13	M.M. G	12 36 9 12 10 12 8 10							—	1,794	180	—	35	4.00	—	—	1,735	1,286
200	Columbia.....	Greenville.....	5	M.M. G	18 43 17 18 18 11 12 15							—	709	—	—	45	5.00	130	114	1,842	1,259
201	David A. Hooper.....	West Sullivan.....	21	F.C. G	20 13 18 17 17 20 14 13							—	—	50	—	30	3.00	90	374	—	—
202	Mount Bigelow.....	Flagstaff.....	15	E.A. G	12 12 11 11 11 12 6 7							—	—	—	—	30	4.00	20	166	—	—
203	Mount Olivet.....	Washington.....	7	M.M. G	14 11 14 11 11 6 5 5							—	—	—	—	30	4.00	128	152	—	—
204	Mount Abram.....	Kingfield.....	15	M.M. F	13 15 12 8 12 13 11 8							—	—	700	—	30	3.00	57	6	771	505
205	Nolleseme.....	Millinocket.....	24	M.M. E	25 51 25 22 25 25 23 26							—	1,004	—	—	50	6.00	162	194	2,727	3,416

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206	Island Falls.	Island Falls.	24	F.C.	G	16	24	13	14	14	15	14	6	—	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	
207	Abner Wade.	Sangerville.	5	E.A.	G	17	16	17	16	14	16	14	10	—	247	20	30	5.00	110	64	749	567
208	Northeast Harbor.	Northeast Harbor.	21	E.A.	G	14	22	10	10	9	11	11	11	—	1,405	25	30	3.00	48	72	570	492
209	Fort Kent.	Fort Kent.	1	F.C.	G	14	19	13	8	11	13	10	2	—	—	—	40	8.00	192	230	731	1,264
210	Bagaduce.	North Brooksville.	4	E.A.	G	22	15	21	20	10	17	17	11	—	—	—	30	3.00	24	18	436	494
211	Meduncook.	Friendship.	9	M.M.	G	17	20	17	12	16	16	13	15	—	—	—	30	4.00	14	16	313	362
212	McKinley.	McKinley.	21	F.C.	F	13	15	12	8	10	9	10	8	—	—	—	30	5.00	125	461	—	—
213	Kemankeag.	Rangeley.	15	F.C.	G	11	44	11	11	11	10	10	10	—	—	—	30	4.00	28	92	—	—
214	Limestone.	Limestone.	1	M.M.	G	17	18	15	17	16	13	15	11	—	—	30	40	8.00	88	128	1,672	1,907
215	Orchard.	Old Orchard.	18	E.A.	G	21	38	21	19	18	16	18	17	—	—	—	40	4.50	211	139	2,048	1,277
216	Corner Stone.	Portland.	17	M.M.	E	44	66	37	33	41	35	39	43	—	—	301	60	5.00	655	125	—	—
217	Ralph J. Pollard.	Orrington.	6	M.M.	F	25	48	25	20	21	24	22	17	—	—	473	30	5.00	40	0	1,650	1,858

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- Abner Wade, 207, Sangerville. Frank Bickford, M.; Willard Starbird, S. W.; Elmer Leland, J. W.; Earl L. Humphrey, S. Meeting first Thursday; election, September. 5
- Acacia, 121, Durham. Donald Litchfield, M.; Ermund W. Bowie, S. W.; Edwin Herling, J. W.; Louis A. Bowie, S. Meeting Tuesday on or before full moon; election, December. 14
- Adoniram, 27, Limington. A. P. Weeman, M.; John A. Hubbard, S. W.; Dennis G. Graffam, J. W.; Harvey L. Maxim, S. Meeting second Tuesday; election, December. 18
- Alna, 43, Damariscotta. Clary Erskine, M.; Raymond A. Stevens, S. W.; Joseph E. West, J. W.; Millard S. Clark, S. Meeting first Friday; election, December. 10
- Amity, 6, Camden. Robert N. Hersom, M.; Charles D. Foss, S. W.; Robert Perry, J. W.; Ross M. Howes, S. Meeting Friday on or before full moon; election, October. 7
- Anchor, 158, South Bristol. John H. Gay, III, M.; Herbert M. Thompson, S. W.; Norman E. Kelsey, J. W.; Willard H. Doell, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, December. 10
- Ancient Brothers', 178, Auburn. Howard L. Raithel, M.; Donald E. Flagg, S. W.; Ernest L. Packard, Jr., J. W.; John Marshall, S. Meeting Monday, on or after full moon; election, October. 23
- Ancient Land-Mark, 17, Portland. Franklin G. Hinckley, M.; M. Donald Gardner, S. W.; Stanley F. Sampson, J. W.; Merrill W. Sweetser, (29 Richardson St.), S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, December. 17
- Ancient York, 155, Lisbon Falls. Wendall Wonneberger, M.; Albert W. Dunton, S. W.; John Agathus, J. W.; Royal R. Matthews, S. Meeting Monday on or before full moon; election, December. 14
- Archon, 75, Dixmont. Philip S. Lane, M.; Morton Knowles, S. W.; Wilbur S. Duntore, J. W.; Parker R. Jacoby, S. Meeting second Thursday; election, October. 22

- Arion, 162, Goodwin's Mills. Eric S. Elliott, M.; Leighton A. Drown, S. W.; Russell M. Charles, J. W.; Frederick W. Elwell (Alfred R. F. D. 3), S. Meeting first Thursday; election, November. 18
- Aroostook, 197, Mars Hill. Clair M. Rideout, M.; Charles E. Everett, S. W.; John Edward Quigley, J. W.; Malcolm T. Barry (Blaine), S. Meeting second Monday; election, November. 1
- Arundell, 76, Kennebunkport. J. Archer Knight, M.; Joseph C. Burrows, S. W.; Philip G. Fairfield, J. W.; John G. Smith, S. Meeting Tuesday on or before full moon; election, December 19. 19
- Ashlar, 105, Lewiston. Clifton R. Buck, M.; Richard J. Hodgkins, S. W.; Richard E. Gilbert, J. W.; William B. Duncan (Lewiston), S. Meeting third Monday; election, January. 23
- Asylum, 133, Wayne. Linwood S. Grant, M.; William H. Frost, S. W.; William B. Smith, J. W.; Joseph E. Stetson, S. Meeting Thursday before full moon; election, December. 11
- Atlantic, 81, Portland. Herbert L. Joy, M.; James H. Doyle, S. W.; Lawrence E. Cote, J. W.; George P. Jackson (1156 Forest Ave.), S. Meeting third Wednesday; election, September. 17
- Augusta, 141, Augusta. Edgar F. Robinson, M.; Stewart McCatherin, S. W.; Bertram K. Witherell, J. W.; Charles A. Peirce, S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, January. 11
- Aurora, 50, Rockland. Sheldon M. Eaton, M.; Edward M. Lawrence, S. W.; James L. Thomas, J. W.; Winfield L. Chatto, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, January. 9
- Bagaduce, 210, North Brooksville. Frank K. Snow, M.; Fred Sprague, Jr., S. W.; Wentworth Wersel, J. W.; Gerald S. Gray, S. Meeting second Monday; election, December. 4
- Bar Harbor, 185, Bar Harbor. Richmond H. Kittridge, M.; Harold L. Collier, S. W.; Walter G. Flagg, J. W.; Chandler E. Graves, S. Meeting third Thursday; election, December. 21
- Baskahegan, 175, Danforth. Donald H. Wescott, M.; Seth A. Goad, S. W.; Walter E. Blanchard, J. W.; Lynden E. Pratt, S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, August. 24
- Bay View, 196, East Boothbay. Albert H. Barlow, M.; Edgar W. Lewis, S. W.; Frederic C. McKnown, J. W.; Carlton R. Barlow, S. Meeting second Thursday; election, December. 10
- Benevolent, 87, Carmel. George H. Smith, M.; Clyde M. Newcomb, S. W.; Thomas Shaw Ranney, J. W.; W. H. Downs, S. Meeting Wednesday week of full moon; election, October. 6
- Bethel, 97, Bethel. Henry H. Hastings, M.; Dana G. Brooks, S. W.; Charles A. Keoskie, J. W.; Ernest A. Mundt, S. Meeting second Thursday; election, November. 16

- Bethlehem, 35, Augusta. Arthur W. Ashley, M.; Charles W. Fairbrother, S. W.; Robert A. Strickland, J. W.; Maurice H. Leighton S. Meeting first Monday; election, January. 11
- Bingham, 199, Bingham. Earl W. Hill, M.; Walter L. Sterling, S. W.; Stanley S. Atwood, J. W.; Lee C. Smith, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, June. 18
- Blazing Star, 30, Rumford. Waldo E. Merrill, M.; Richard R. Sarle, S. W.; John H. Allan, J. W.; William H. Gruber, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, December. 20
- Blue Mountain, 67, Phillips. Kenneth V. Smith, M.; Ray L. Welts, S. W.; Sherwood M. Gould, J. W.; Norman E. Butler, S. Meeting Wednesday week of full moon; election, September. 15
- Bristol, 74, Bristol. James C. Chadwick, M.; Guy E. Martin, S. W.; Stephen W. Prentice, J. W.; Leon P. Munroe, S. Meeting second Monday; election, December. 10
- Buxton, 115, West Buxton. Homer M. Illingworth, M.; Herbert E. Redlon, S. W.; Leon E. Redlon, J. W.; George A. Elwell, S. Meeting Monday evening on or before full moon; election, December. 18
- Cambridge, 157, Cambridge. Herbert Burdin, M.; Raymond Whitney, Jr., S. W.; Robert Whitney, J. W.; Raymond Whitney, Sr., S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, December. 22
- Caribou, 170, Caribou. Cecil A. Reid, M.; Asher D. Chambers, S. W.; Edward G. Lundgren, J. W.; Ross Carr, S. Meeting first Thursday; election, December. 1
- Carrabasset, 161, Canaan. John C. Gordon, M.; Raymond H. Hunt, S. W.; Raymond E. Tozier, J. W.; Vernon M. Gleason, S. Meeting second Tuesday; election, October. 13
- Casco, 36, Yarmouth. John Stratta, M.; Perry C. Goodrich, S. W.; Albert W. Siegars, J. W.; Clarence H. Seabury, S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, October. 17
- Central, 45, China. Francis M. Clark, M.; Frank A. Lee, S. W.; Nelson M. Robinson, J. W.; Jasper L. Haines, S. Meeting Wednesday on or before full moon; election, December. 12
- Columbia, 200, Greenville. Herbert Templeton, M.; Fred Roberts, S. W.; John W. Richards, Jr., J. W.; William K. Whitney, S. Meeting fourth Tuesday; election, December. 5
- Composite, 168, Lagrange. Robert E. C. Speed, M.; Donald Smith, S. W.; Russell Smart, J. W.; Robert M. Neal, S. Meeting second Thursday; election, October. 5
- Corinthian, 95, Hartland. Raymond P. Ames, M.; Fred J. Cooper, S. W.; Wendall G. Bubar, J. W.; Maurice E. Hall, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, December. 22

- Corner Stone, 216, Portland. Herschel C. Joslyn, M.; Percy C. McManus, S. W.; Lloyd A. Carll, J. W.; Harlan E. Irish, S. Meeting second Friday except July and August; election, June. 17
- Crescent, 78, Pembroke. James A. Brown, M.; Leigh Leighton, S. W.; Minden M. Perkins, J. W.; Verner T. Brown, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, December. 2
- Crooked River, 152, Bolster's Mills. Lester Thomas, M.; E. Stanton Parks, S. W.; Loren Brett, J. W.; Roy O. Meserve (Casco), S. Meeting second Thursday; election, November. 16
- Cumberland, 12, New Gloucester. Kenneth H. Sawyer, M.; C. Leon McCann, S. W.; Milford M. Flint, J. W.; Leo G. Torrey (Auburn, R. F. D. 3), S. Meeting Saturday before full moon; election, November. 23
- David A. Hooper, 201, West Sullivan. Wayne Milne, M.; Charles Harris, S. W.; Lorenzo Creamer, J. W.; Seth A. Johnson, S. Meeting first Saturday; election, December. 21
- Davis, 191, Strong. Richard E. Lambert, M.; Elbert H. Lambert, S. W.; Mervin A. Timberlake, J. W.; Ralph H. Starbird, S. Meeting Friday evening of week in which moon is full; election, September. 15
- Day Spring, 107, West Newfield. George S. Chick, M.; Waldo F. Carter, S. W.; Shepley L. Ross, J. W.; George F. Wentworth, S. Meeting second Monday; election, December. 18
- Deering, 183, Portland. Harry L. Milliken, M.; Frederick B. Jenson, S. W.; E. S. Winckler, J. W.; Preston L. Legge, S. Meeting second Monday; election, February. 17
- Delta, 153, Lovell. Charlie P. Wahl, M.; Lewis F. Rowe, S. W.; Walter Cook, J. W.; Samuel H. Ring, S. Meeting second Thursday; election, December. 16
- Dirigo, 104, Weeks Mills. Philip N. Taber, M.; Robert J. Baker, S. W.; John H. Crommett, J. W.; Elwood E. Tracy, S. Meeting Monday on or before full moon; election, October. 11
- Doric, 149, Monson. Charles W. Stevens, M.; Aubrey M. Williams, S. W.; Frank W. Nelson, J. W.; Earle H. Jackson, S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, December. 5
- Dresden, 103, Dresden Mills. George C. Allen, M.; Charles J. Gray, S. W.; James C. McCoy, J. W.; Charles E. Foss, S. Meeting second Tuesday; election, October. 10
- Drummond, 118, North Parsonfield. Merle K. Morrill, M.; Raymond L. Chute, S. W.; Charles A. West, J. W.; Fred M. Leavitt (Kezar Falls, R. F. D.), S. Meeting first Thursday; election, September. 18

- Dunlap, 47, Biddeford. Fred M. Winslow, M.; Arthur B. Wheeler, S. W.; Wilmont B. Bailey, J. W.; Clarence B. Rumery (Masonic Bldg.), S. Meeting first Monday, except July and August; election, December. 18
- Eastern, 7, Eastport. Wilford O. McCulloch, M.; Harry Logan, S. W.; James W. Logan, J. W.; Garnett A. Hooper, S. Meeting first Monday; election, December. 2
- Eastern Frontier, 112, Fort Fairfield. Robert J. Hammond, M.; Robert P. Willett, S. W.; Kempton A. Boyd, J. W.; Wallace H. Campbell, S. Meeting second Tuesday; election, December. 1
- Eggemoggin, 128, Sedgwick. Gordon R. Campbell, M.; Cecil Torrey, J. W.; Alton R. Smith, S. W.; Herman W. Chatto (Sangerville), S. Meeting second Monday; election, September. 4
- Euclid, 194, Madison. Jacob B. Price, M.; Elwood L. Perkins, S. W.; Thomas H. McDonald, J. W.; Murray L. Hendsbee, S. Meeting first Monday; election January. September meeting second Monday. 13
- Eureka, 84, Tenant's Harbor. Frank E. Dowling, M.; Albert P. Watts, Jr., S. W.; Wilko Salmi, J. W.; Harlan H. Bragdon (St. George), S. Meeting first Thursday; election, January. 9
- Evening Star, 147, Buckfield. F. Sheldon Mains, M.; Carl Jordan, S. W.; Harry J. Bellavance, J. W.; James E. Warren, S. Meeting Monday on or before full moon; election, September. 16
- Excelsior, 151, Northport. Winfield O. Gurney, M.; Donald M. Wood, S. W.; Herman Kenney, J. W.; Leon Richards, S. Meeting first Friday; election, November. 8
- Felicity, 19, Bucksport. Levi D. Sanborn, M.; Vernon H. Lindsay, S. W.; Fred W. Danforth, J. W.; Verne J. Wheat (R. F. D. 1), S. Meeting second Monday; election, December. 21
- Forest, 148, Springfield. Wayne Linscott, M.; Gerald Morris, S. W.; Winfred Crosby, J. W.; L. A. Barrows, S. Meeting Saturday, preceding full moon; election, September. 24
- Fort Kent, 209, Fort Kent. Donald M. Canders, M.; John D. Wylie, S. W.; Thomas S. Pinkham, Jr., J. W.; Stanley E. Drake, S. Meeting last Wednesday; election, December. 1
- Franklin, 123, New Sharon. Milton Harris, M.; Ernest Smith S. W.; Harold Alexander, J. W.; Fred T. Allen, S. Meeting Friday on or before full moon; election, January. 15
- Fraternal, 55, Alfred. John F. Ford, M.; Henry M. Knight, S. W.; Wallace R. Roberts, J. W.; Dudley T. Forrest, S. Meeting third Wednesday; election, November. 19

- Freedom, 42, Limerick. John E. Hanscom, M.; Harold W. H. Whitely, S. W.; Frederick W. Marston, J. W.; Arthur F. Lougee, S. Meeting fourth Wednesday; election, December. 18
- Freeport, 23, Freeport. Reuben K. Dyer, M.; Fred F. Dalrymple, S. W.; Kenneth C. Sloat, J. W.; Herbert W. Russell, S. Meeting first Monday; election, December. 14
- Granite, 182, West Paris. Ivan C. Morey, M.; Clarence R. Reid, S. W.; Eino H. Kangas, J. W.; Clarence M. Coffin, S. Meeting first Monday; election, October. 16
- Greenleaf, 117, Cornish. Burton L. Lewis, M.; Stanley A. Snow, S. W.; Hanes G. Gibson, J. W.; Ellery A. Mason, S. Meeting second Wednesday; election, December. 18
- Hancock, 4, Castine. Albert L. Skidds, M.; Clarence M. Williams, S. W.; John Little, J. W.; Philip Babcock, S. Meeting first Thursday; election, December. 4
- Harmony, 38, Gorham. Mace W. Messenger, M.; Philip F. Hill, S. W.; Norman S. Hill, J. W.; Durward E. Burnham, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, December. 17
- Harywood, 91, Machias. Harmon Kelton, M.; William Jordan, S. W.; John H. Reynolds, J. W.; Robert I. Watts, S. Meeting first Monday; election, December. 3
- Hermon, 32, Gardiner. Richard P. Lasselle, M.; Arthur S. Greenlaw, S. W.; Percy K. Hanson, J. W.; Russell F. Marston (Randolph), S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, January. 11
- Hiram, 180, South Portland. John A. Baird, M.; George F. Hilborn, Jr., S. W.; Leon E. Burbank, J. W.; Clayton C. Fickett, Jr., (22 Cottage Farms Road), S. Meeting second Tuesday; election, June. 17
- Horeb, 93, Lincoln. Allison J. Briggs, M.; Clayton Jenkins, S. W.; Charles Gemme J. W.; Albert Thomas, S. Meeting second Tuesday; election, first Monday in October. 24
- Howard, 69, Winterport. Arthur Nelson, M.; Raymond Feitos, S. W.; Lawrence Coolidge, J. W.; Herman Reed, S. Meeting fourth Friday; election, September. 6
- Ira Berry, 187, Blue Hill. Warren A. Patridge, M.; Harry C. Duffy, S. W.; Howard M. Custis, J. W.; Philip D. Wesset, S. Meeting third Monday; election, December. 4
- Island, 89, Islesboro. Donald A. Durkee, M.; Leroy G. McCorison, S. W.; Bernard L. Pendleton, J. W.; Howard C. Pendleton (Dark Harbor) S. Meeting first Thursday; election, January. 7
- Island Falls, 206, Island Falls. Clinton K. McArthur, M.; John T. Hulbert, S. W.; Malcolm B. Palmer, J. W.; Vinal L. Webb, S. Meeting third Wednesday; election, September. 24

- Jefferson, 100, Bryant Pond. Lawrence Jordan, M.; E. Lee Mills, S. W.; Leroy Day, J. W.; Frank A. Bean, S. Meeting Tuesday on or before full moon; election, September. 16
- Jonesport, 188, Jonesport. Hans Taubenberger, M.; Conrad Peacock, S. W.; Russell Batson, J. W.; John R. Faulkingham, S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, January. 3
- Katahdin, 98, Patten. Talmage Bishop, M.; Earl Giggery, S. W.; Edgar Harrington, J. W.; Lowell M. Barter, S. Meeting third Thursday; election, December. 24
- Kemankeag, 213, Rangeley. Eric E. Sandstrom, M.; Merton E. Lawrence, S. W.; John M. Russell, J. W.; A. Manson Russell, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, December. 15
- Kenduskeag, 137, Kenduskeag. Elwin M. Roberts, M.; Norman A. Hatch, S. W.; W. E. Canty, J. W.; Philip F. Warren, S. Meeting last Wednesday; election, October. 6
- Kennebec, 5, Hallowell. Walter H. Perkins, M.; Gerald E. Allen, S. W.; Howard W. Varney, J. W.; Daniel J. Foley, S. Meeting Wednesday on or before full moon; election, November. 11
- Keystone, 80, Solon. J. Stanley Waugh, M.; Malon P. Whipple, S. W.; John Dolan, J. W.; Eldred C. Heald, S. Meeting third Wednesday; election, October. 13
- King David's, 62, Lincolnville. William R. Munroe, M.; Donald S. Macrae, S. W.; Roland G. Robbins, J. W.; Robert Rollerson, S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, October. 7
- King Hiram, 57, Dixfield. Fred S. Searles, M.; Albert Merserve, S. W.; Richard Quint, J. W.; M. Kenneth Frost, S. Meeting second Tuesday; election, October. 20
- King Solomon's, 61, Waldoboro. Ervin A. Pinkham, M.; Russell D. Hilton, S. W.; William Both, J. W.; Clinton E. Matthews, S. Meeting Friday on or before full moon; election, October. 9
- Knox, 189, South Thomaston. Western Arey, M.; Walter Drinkwater, S. W.; Norman Drinkwater, J. W.; Randall R. Hopkins, S. Meeting second Monday; election, January. 9
- Lafayette, 49, Readfield. William Whitten, M.; Joseph A. Saunders, S. W.; Lloyd F. Tilton, J. W.; Lee M. Gordon, S. Meeting first Thursday; election, December. 11
- Lebanon, 116, Norridgewock. Paul L. Winslow, M.; Charles E. Hansen, S. W.; Gordon G. Halliday, J. W.; Carrell R. Bickford, S., (R. F. D. 1, Fairfield). Meetings first Friday; election, September. 13
- Lewy's Island, 138, Princeton. Forrest Dennison, M.; Robert Wheaton, S. W.; Ernest Scott, J. W.; Bernard McDowell, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, December, St. John's Day. 2

- Liberty, 111, Liberty. George A. Spencer, M.; Walter Griffin, S. W.; Lloyd Colby, J. W.; Edwin B. Whitaker, S. Meeting second Saturday; election, September. 8
- Limestone, 215, Limestone. Ellsworth Morris, M.; Richard Edgecomb, S. W.; Arthur Libby, J. W.; Harry M. Morris, S. Meeting second Tuesday; election, December. 1
- Lincoln, 3, Wiscasset. William I. Keirstead, M.; Earl B. Colby, S. W.; John M. Lewis, J. W.; Laurence I. Davis, S. Meeting Thursday, on or before full moon; election, December. 10
- Lookout, 131, Cutler. Percell W. Corbett, M.; Neil Corbett, S. W.; Clarence Harmon, J. W.; Charles M. Ackley, S. Meeting Monday on or before full moon; election, December. 3
- Lygonia, 40, Ellsworth. Lawrence G. Higgins, M.; Henry W. Smith, S. W.; Alton G. Ford, J. W.; Harry E. Rowe, S. Meeting first Thursday; election, January. 21
- Lynde, 174, Hermon. Linwood W. Littlefield, M.; Robert K. Burton, S. W.; Zerah P. McCarthy, J. W.; Emery L. Leathers (Bangor, R. F. D. 4), S. Meeting Saturday on or before full moon; election, October. 6
- McKinley, 212, McKinley. Lou E. Wentworth, M.; Harry Davis, S. W.; Russell Gott, J. W.; Shirley Cummings, S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, December. 21
- Maine, 20, Farmington. Richard G. Morton, M.; Nelson D. Austin, S. W.; Clifford A. Rounds, J. W.; Gwilym R. Roberts, S. Meeting Monday week of full moon; election, December. 15
- Marine, 122, Deer Isle. Elwood N. Eaton, M.; Randall E. Haskell, S. W.; Maurice H. Eaton, J. W.; Leon C. Weed, S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, October. 4
- Mariners', 68, Searsport. Carl B. Robbins, M.; H. Warren Maddocks, S. W.; Victor N. Greene, J. W.; Milton L. Clements, S. Meetings first Tuesday; election, October. 8
- Marsh River, 102, Brooks. Leland Kenney, M.; Allen Mollison, S. W.; Elwood Welch, J. W.; John Hall, S. Meeting fourth Thursday; election, October. 8
- Mechanics, 66, Orono. Frederic C. Baird, M.; Frederic J. McInnis, S. W.; Charles B. King, J. W.; Bernie E. Plummer, Jr., S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, December. 6
- Meduncook, 211, Friendship. Warren T. Delano, M.; Adam O. Rodamer, S. W.; Maynard A. Winchenbach, J. W.; Luther Walton, S. Meeting first Monday, except Stated September first Wednesday; election, January. 6

- Meridian, 125, Pittsfield. Harris V. Mathews, Jr., M.; Lester L. Stone, S. W.; Chester C. Lynn, J. W.; Gilbert A. Spear, S. Meeting fourth Tuesday; election, September. 22
- Meridian Splendor, 49, Newport. Charles Bernano Baird, M.; Raymond K. Tardy, S. W.; Howard L. Shapiro, J. W.; Lewman S. Soper, S. Meeting first Thursday; election, December. 22
- Messalonskee, 113, Oakland. Chester J. Blake, M.; Roy E. Dudley, S. W.; Earle M. Hutchinson, J. W.; Harley P. Mairs, S. Meeting on the first Saturday; election, December. 12
- Molunkus, 165, Sherman Mills. John E. Elwell, M.; Thomas Splan, S. W.; Darrell Seavey, J. W.; Floyd Martin, S. Meeting Tuesday on or before full moon; election, October. 24
- Monmouth, 110, Monmouth. Leslie P. Jewell, M.; M. F. Robinson, S. W.; Leland C. Davis, Jr., J. W.; Earle H. Ramsdell, S. Meeting second Monday; election, September. 11
- Monument, 96, Houlton. Joseph A. McKay, M.; Carl C. Dill, S. W.; Leon W. Benn, J. W.; Millard A. Fairley, S. Meeting second Wednesday except June, July and August; election, February. 1
- Morning Star, 41, Litchfield. Clarence W. Roth, M.; Alvin H. Reichel, S. W.; Robert J. Godfrey, J. W.; Weston R. Allen, S. Meeting Tuesday on or before full moon; election, September. 11
- Mosaic, 52, Dover-Foxcroft. Stanley L. Ireland, M.; J. Burton Meisner, S. W.; Donald E. Murch, J. W.; Robert I. Roberts, S. Meeting third Thursday; election, December. 5
- Moses Webster, 145, Vinalhaven. Carl B. Williams, M.; Malcolm E. Whittington, S. W.; Richard A. Williams, J. W.; Charles L. Boman, S. Meeting second Tuesday; election, November. 9
- Mount Abram, 204, Kingfield. Lloyd Williamson, M.; Harvey W. Boynton, S. W.; Earlon P. McClure, J. W.; Everett L. Pushard, S. Meeting Thursday week of full moon; election, September. 15
- Mount Bigelow, 202, Stratton. E. J. Leavitt, M.; Lee F. Ricker, S. W.; Odell L. Dyer, J. W.; Percival B. Parson, S. Meeting second Saturday; election, September. 15
- Mount Desert, 140, Mount Desert. John W. Phippen, M.; Russell Anderson, S. W.; Glendon T. Lurvey, J. W.; Everett Hamor, S. Meeting third Monday; election, December. 21
- Mount Kineo, 109, Guilford. Millard Fogg, M.; Harold S. Page, S. W.; William C. Taylor, J. W.; William L. Bates, S. Meeting third Tuesday; election, December. 5
- Mount Moriah, 56, Denmark. Feter C. Schmidt, M.; Lewis Lamont, Jr., S. W.; Daniel Basil Cram, J. W.; Paul Wadsworth, S. Meeting third Wednesday; election, December. 16

- Mount Olivet, 203, Washington. Rodney P. Boynton, M.; Edward A. Ludwig, S. W.; Talbot W. Johnston, J. W.; Sigbert T. Busch, S. Meeting last Thursday each month; election, September. 7
- Mount Tir'em, 132, Waterford. James H. Tyler, M.; Haynes F. Noyes, S. W.; F. Hugh Foster, J. W.; Harold Kimball, S. Meeting Tuesday on or before full moon; election, December. 16
- Mystic, 65, Hampden. Harold C. Baker, M.; Donald E. Libby, S. W.; Harry L. Sargent, J. W.; Louis C. Stearns, 3rd, S. Meeting Saturday on or before full moon; election, December. 6
- Mystic Tie, 154, Weld. Laforest B. Ellis, M.; Joseph E. Taylor, S. W.; Arlison E. Maxwell, J. W.; Philip E. Maxwell, S. Meeting third Wednesday; election, December. 20
- Narraguagus, 88, Cherryfield. William C. Merritt, M.; Donald McLaughlin, Jr., S. W.; Roy Farren, Jr., J. W.; Percy Wakefield, S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, January. 3
- Naskeag, 171, Brooklin. Wallace W. Rockwell, M.; Rubert R. Burnham, S. W.; Arnold L. Staples, J. W.; George M. Murray, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, November. 4
- Naval, 184, Kittery. Everett H. Day, M.; William H. Eckhart, S. W.; Reginald F. Berry, J. W.; Arthur W. Seaward (Kittery Point), S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, December. 19
- Neguemkeag, 166, Vassalboro. Francis E. Branch, M.; Malcolm C. Brown, S. W.; Marshall H. Kearney, J. W.; Paul Brooks Newcomb, S. Meeting third Thursday; election, September. 12
- Nezinscott, 101, Turner. Oliver A. Murray, M.; Robert S. Hill, S. W.; L. H. Gilbert, Jr., J. W.; Haven L. Roberts, S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, June. 23
- Nollesemic, 205, Millinocket. Walter A. Birt, M.; George W. Goddard, S. W.; Philip K. Libby, J. W.; Clifford H. M. Perry, S. Meeting second Thursday; election, October. 24
- Northeast Harbor, 208, Northeast Harbor. Fred M. Rogers, M.; Charles R. Gillette, S. W.; Edward W. Bucklin, J. W.; William S. Holmes, S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, December. 21
- Northern Star, 28, North Anson. J. Harvey Spear, M.; Chester F. Paine, S. W.; Guy Fowke, J. W.; Alfred L. Holbrook, S. Meeting second Tuesday; election, December. 13
- Ocean, 142, Wells Depot. Charles D. Smith, M.; Gordon Galencia, S. W.; Donald Paine, J. W.; Carl N. Kimball, S. Meeting Wednesday on or before full moon; election, December. 19
- Olive Branch, 124, Charleston. Clayton R. Bragdon, M.; Merle S. Bradford, S. W.; Arthur S. Tasker, J. W.; Franklin W. Rich, S. Meeting second Thursday; election, September. 6

- Orchard, 215, Old Orchard. G. Burton Frederick, M.; Elmer L. G. Rounds, S. W.; Stanley M. Harmon, J. W.; Clarence A. Lary, S. Meeting second Monday; election, September. 18
- Orient, 15, Thomaston. Alfred M. Johnson, M.; Everett R. Nobbe, S. W.; Victor K. Hills, J. W.; Aaron A. Clark, S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, January. 9
- Oriental, 13, Bridgton. Alton E. Bean, M.; E. Lyman Otis, S. W.; Linwood L. Curtis, J. W.; Harry D. Noyes, S. Meeting fourth Wednesday; election, December. 16
- Oriental Star, 21, Livermore Falls. Joseph B. Bowen, M.; H. Wilton Briggs, Jr., S. W.; Alfred G. Gammon, J. W.; Harold W. Jennings, S. Meeting second Wednesday; election, January. 20
- Oxford, 18, Norway. Austin M. Owens, M.; Ralph E. Lambert, S. W.; Joseph N. Margolin, J. W.; Stanley P. Murch, S. Meeting first Friday; election, December. 16
- Pacific, 64, Exeter. Leslie Nute, M.; Charles Tapley, S. W.; Wade W. Pratt, J. W.; Elmer H. Stocker, S. Meeting third Wednesday; election, December. 22
- Parian, 160, Corinna. John E. Pinkerton, M.; Elwood R. Mullis, S. W.; William A. Buckland, Jr., J. W.; John H. Philbrick, S. Meeting second Tuesday; election, December. 22
- Paris, 94, South Paris. Kenneth V. Gray, M.; Laurence E. Brown, S. W.; Wilfred Corbett, J. W.; Walter Gray, S. Meeting third Tuesday; election, January. 16
- Penobscot, 39, Dexter. Victor L. McAllister, M.; Horace W. Hopkins, S. W.; Thomas R. Tillson, J. W.; Chester R. Strout, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, June. 5
- Phoenix, 24, Belfast. Lawrence Dow, M.; Frank Scott, S. W.; Kenneth Nickerson, J. W.; Mark W. Brown, S. Meeting second Monday; election, October. 8
- Pine Tree, 172, Mattawamkeag. Carl W. Stratton, M.; Frederick S. Coombs, S. W.; Philip L. Shedd, J. W.; Carroll F. Shedd, Jr., S. Meeting first Saturday after the full of the moon; election October. 24
- Pioneer, 72, Ashland. Lyman B. Snowman, M.; Robert H. Coffin, S. W.; James A. McDonald, J. W.; Dalton Coffin, S. Meeting second Wednesday; election, December. 1
- Piscataquis, 44, Milo. Liston F. Lewis, M.; Max E. Place, S. W.; Cecil F. Harman, J. W.; Arthur E. Lewis (29 Elm St.), S. Meeting second Friday; election, February. 5
- Pleasant River, 163, Brownville. W. D. Sawtell, M.; Rodney W. Ross, S. W.; Russell H. Ladd, J. W.; D. C. Manzer, S. Meeting third Monday; election, November. 5

- Pleiades, 173, Millbridge. Francis L. Pinkham, M.; Donald H. Leighton, S. W.; Richard H. Parker, J. W.; Albert P. Stewart, S. Meeting first Monday; election, January. 3
- Polar Star, 114, Bath. Harland E. Boynton, M.; Kenneth L. Wood, S. W.; Edmund R. Furben, J. W.; George E. Boynton, S. Meeting second Wednesday, except July and August; election, March. 14
- Portland, 1, Portland. Elmer Bakke, M.; Bernard P. Colton, S. W.; Samuel C. Glines, J. W.; William W. Graves (Box 1843), S. Meeting second Wednesday; election, June. 17
- Pownal, 119, Stockton Springs. Granville Bowden, M.; Joseph Anderson, S. W.; Owen Shute, J. W.; Edwin O. Harrison, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, October. 8
- Preble, 143, Sanford. Paul N. Caros, M.; Carleton J. Hogue, S. W.; Ralph E. Wiggin, J. W.; Clifford P. Cook, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, December. 19
- Presumpscott, 127, North Windham. Robert C. McDonald, M.; Lawrence F. Partridge, S. W.; C. Merton R. Johnson, J. W.; David T. Plummer, (Raymond), S. Meeting second Saturday; election, December. 17
- Pythagorean, 11, Fryeburg. William H. Oliver, M.; Edwin F. Sargent, S. W.; Bernard E. Ridlon, J. W.; James Merrill, S. Meeting Monday on or before full moon; election, December. 16
- Quantabacook, 129, Searsmont. Royal Woodbury, M.; Edwin R. Perry, S. W.; Ray Hatch, J. W.; Horace V. Jackson, S. Meeting first Saturday; election, October. 7
- Quantabacook, 129, Searsmont. Royal Woodbury, M.; Edwin R. Perry, S. W.; Ray Hatch, J. W.; Horace V. Jackson, S. (Morrill, Me.). Meeting first Saturday; election, October. 7
- Rabboni, 150, Lewiston. Samuel E. Alperen, M.; Samuel Hurwitz, S. W.; Albert S. Johnson, J. W.; Dwight F. Marble, S. Meeting third Wednesday; election, January. 23
- Ralph J. Pollard, 217, Orrington. Leland G. Mitchell, M.; Sumner P. Bridges, S. W.; Herbert R. Sawyer, J. W.; William D. Nickerson (R. F. D. So. Brewer), S. Election, December. 6
- Reliance, 195, Stonington. Maynard Gray, Jr., M.; Howard Hotchinson, S. W.; Alan Gott, J. W.; Alfred Colwell, S. Meeting first Monday; election, January. 4
- Richmond, 63, Richmond. Leslie R. Gardner, M.; Wm. J. Sullivan, Jr., S. W.; John W. Thrower, J. W.; Almon W. Riske, S. Meeting third Monday; election, October. 14
- Rising Star, 177, Penobscot. Ralph Gross, M.; Donald Blodgett, S. W.; Alexander Gray, J. W.; Royden Bowden, S. Meeting second Wednesday; election, December. 4

- Rising Sun, 71, Orland. Manley S. Howard, M.; Robert M. Hutchins, S. W.; Herman S. Cunningham, Jr., J. W.; Arthur L. Farnham, S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, December. 21
- Rising Virtue, 10, Bangor. Robert C. Dresser, M.; Robert L. Drinkwater, S. W.; Nels L. Johnson, J. W.; Alden F. Denaco, S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, December. 6
- Riverside, 135, Jefferson. F. Marshall Holmes, M.; Malcolm L. Tilton, S. W.; Donald F. Pierce, J. W.; Wilson Carleton, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, October. 7
- Rockland, 79, Rockland. Willard P. Pease, M.; James Roach, S.W.; Walter G. Dimick, Jr., J. W.; James E. Stevens (Acting), S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, January. 9
- Rural, 53, Sidney. Aaron Marden, M.; Morrill Burton, S. W.; Dean Bailey, J. W.; Joseph E. Blaisdell, S. Meeting second Saturday; election, September. 11
- Saco, 9, Saco. Arthur Collins, M.; Lawrence E. Rowe, S. W.; Ralph C. Lamb, J. W.; Edgar H. Pellerin (246 Beach St.), S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, January. 18
- St. Andrew's, 83, Bangor. Carl W. Hatch, M.; Merrill R. Bradford, S. W.; Alden C. Mitchell, J. W.; Merrill R. Kittredge (38 West St.), S. Meeting last Friday; election, December. 6
- St. Aspinquid, 198, York Village. Harold R. Lovell, M.; John R. Colcord, Jr., S. W.; Samuel R. Blaisdell, Jr., J. W.; G. Howard Dunning, S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, December. 19
- St. Croix, 46, Calais. F. H. Fenderson, M.; Philip N. Beckett, S. W.; Harold S. Wright, J. W.; Francis P. Rutherford, S. Meeting first Monday; election, December, St. John's Day. 2
- St. George, 16, Warren. Russell T. Smith, M.; Douglas G. Starrett, S. W.; George A. Buck, J. W.; Judson P. Lord, S. Meeting third Monday; election, October. 9
- St. John's, 51, South Berwick. Charles W. Osbon, M.; Walter C. Hayden, S. W.; Herbert A. Swett, J. W.; Philip F. Shorey, S. Meeting third Monday; election, December. 19
- St. Paul's, 82, Rockport. Warren Ulmer, M.; Harvey Simonton, S. W.; Howard Simonton, J. W.; Ernest F. Crockett, S. Meeting Monday on or before full moon; election, October. 7
- Seaside, 144, Boothbay Harbor. Francis W. Townsend, M.; Clarence M. Crocker, S. W.; Eugene C. Stover, J. W.; Walter F. Townsend, S. Meeting first Friday; election, December. 10
- Seabiscuit, 146, Clinton. Earl Carr, M.; Bennet T. Moore, S. W.; Paul E. Keene, J. W.; Wesley M. Keene, S. Meeting Thursday on or before full moon; election, October. 12

- Shepherd's River, 169, Brownfield. Paul C. Seavey, M.; Arnold C. Walker, S. W.; Clifton D. Rogers, J. W.; Leland E. Wade (Conway, N. H.), S. Meeting Wednesday on or after full moon; election, December. 16
- Siloom, 92, Fairfield. A. Vernon Pettengill, M.; Edwin F. Savage, S. W.; Douglas T. Bitcon, J. W.; W. Raymond Gower, S. Meeting first Thursday; election, December. 12
- Solar, 14, Bath. Clyde K. Baker, M.; Robert N. Mosher, S. W.; Donald T. Page, J. W.; Karcher S. Jackson, S. Meeting first Monday; election, January. 14
- Somerset, 34, Skowhegan. Neal T. Skillings, M.; Wallace B. Hafey, S. W.; Kendall G. Hunnewell, J. W.; Harold W. Roff, S. Meeting second Monday; election, January. 12
- Springvale, 190, Springvale. Arthur M. Gerry, M.; Roger E. Goodwin, S. W.; Edward E. Austin, J. W.; Charles R. Fuller, S. Meeting second Tuesday; election, December. 19
- Standish, 70, Standish. Harold E. Brown, M.; Harry E. Slattery, S. W.; Raymond L. Alley, J. W.; Walter W. Smith, S. Meeting second Thursday; election, December. 17
- Star in the East, 60, Old Town. Franklin K. Chapman, Jr., M.; Herman C. Hopkins, S. W.; E. Hobart Libby, J. W.; Paul E. West, S. Meeting last Monday; election, September. 6
- Star in the West, 85, Unity. Kenneth E. Brown, M.; Wm. Lassell, Jr., S. W.; Maynard Fowler, J. W.; Lloyd E. Barrows, S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, June. 12
- Temple, 25, Winthrop. Leon Weston, M.; Roland Collins, S. W.; Edwin Grove, Jr., J. W.; Ronald R. Flood, S. Meeting second Monday; election, January. 11
- Temple, 86, Westbrook. Oscar W. Herriman, M.; Thomas J. Barry, S. W.; David Miller, Jr., J. W.; Norman B. Swett (147 Brackett St.), S. Meeting second Wednesday; election, December. 17
- Timothy Chase, 126, Belfast. Boyd B. Stratton, M.; Derwin B. Dean, S. W.; Harold T. Jones, J. W.; M. C. Ellingwood, S. Meeting first Thursday; election, January. 8
- Tranquil, 29, Auburn. Kendrick J. Chapman, M.; Harry W. Woodard, S. W.; Harold F. Eveleth, J. W.; Irving M. Custis, S. Meeting Wednesday on or before full moon; election, January. 23
- Tremont, 77, Southwest Harbor. Walter W. Sanner, M.; James W. Hancock, S. W.; Arthur E. Moore, J. W.; George L. Higgins, S. Meeting first Thursday; election December. 21
- Trinity, 130, Presque Isle. Norman C. Morehouse, M.; Richard E. Evans, S. W.; Stanley R. Taylor, J. W.; Daniel E. Hansen, S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, January. 1

- Tuscan, 106, Addison. Charles F. Lawrence, M.; Fred Champion, S. W.; Warren P. Trundy, J. W.; Donald M. White, S. Meeting first Saturday; election, December. 3
- Tyrian, 73, Mechanic Falls. Samuel Smalley, M.; Peter Setfond, S. W.; Woodrow Gammon, J. W.; F. E. Drisko, S. Meeting Thursday on or before full moon; election, October. 23
- Union, 31, Union. Howard Hawkes, M.; Elmer Goff, S. W.; George Lemar, Jr., J. W.; Roscoe B. Fuller, S. Meeting first Thursday; election, December. 7
- United, 8, Brunswick. Donald C. Hinckley, M.; Raymond A. Freeman, S. W.; Byron A. Harrington, J. W.; Percy E. Norcross, S. Meeting second Tuesday; election, December. 14
- Unity, 58, Thorndike. Wendell P. Noyes, M.; John Hall, S. W.; Adrie W. Giggey, J. W.; Isaiah Jackson, S. Meeting second Thursday; election, September. 12
- Vassalboro, 54, North Vassalboro. Harold M. Wentworth, M.; William Armstrong, S. W.; Kenneth C. Masse, J. W.; Clyde E. Adams, S. Meeting second Tuesday; election, January. 12
- Vernon Valley, 99, Mount Vernon. William E. Hutchins, M.; Knute M. Kilponen, S. W.; Robert S. Pray, J. W.; Fred B. Wadleigh, S. Meeting Tuesday on or before full moon; election, December. 15
- Village, 26, Bowdoinham. Malcolm L. Jewell, M.; Earl W. Elwell, S. W.; Leland E. Benner, J. W.; Edward L. White, S. Meeting Wednesday on or before full moon; election, October. 14
- Warren, 2, East Machias. Edwin J. Cates, M.; Ralph H. White, S. W.; John Archibald, J. W.; LeRoy W. Moan, S. Meeting second Tuesday, election, December. 3
- Warren Phillips, 186, Cumberland Mills. Maurice H. Barter, M.; Frederick F. Weeks, S. W.; Harold E. Jordan, J. W.; Elmer E. Hallowell, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, October. 17
- Washburn, 193, Washburn. Russell W. Smith, M.; Linwood H. Perry, S. W.; Robert A. Johnston, J. W.; Walter Morrison, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, December. 1
- Washington, 37, Lubec. Wyman H. Ramsdell, M.; Emery L. Hallette, S. W.; James L. Simonds, J. W.; Everett S. Higgins, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, December. 2
- Waterville, 33, Waterville. Carlton S. Farnham, M.; Derwood L. Ireland, S. W.; James A. Boardman, J. W.; Harry S. Grindall, S. Meeting second Monday; election, December. 12
- Webster, 164, Sabattus. Stuart T. Saunders, M.; Frank S. Riley, S. W.; Stanley T. Spooner, J. W.; Leo W. Parlin, S. Meeting third Thursday; election, December. 23

- Whitney, 167, Canton. Gerard S. Hutchinson, M.; Charlie C. Atkinson, S. W.; Robert Taylor, J. W.; A. Herbert Stevens, S. Meeting first Thursday; election, September. 20
- Wilton, 156, Wilton. Henry H. McMinnam, M.; Calvin B. Sewall, S. W.; Robert Brown, J. W.; Charlton F. Scott, S. Meeting Wednesday week of full moon; election, January. 15
- Winter Harbor, 192, Winter Harbor. Morton L. Torrey, M.; James S. Torrey, S. W.; Francis M. Simpson, J. W.; Alvin R. Whitten, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, December. 21
- York, 22, Kennebunk. William F. Warren, M.; Cecil R. McConnell, S. W.; Royal E. Spofford, J. W.; Gerald E. McConnell, S. Meeting Monday on or before full moon; election, December. 19
- Yorkshire, 179, North Berwick. Paul E. Staples, M.; Wallace L. Thyng, S. W.; Richard A. Bradburn, J. W.; Floyd R. Johnson, S. Meeting last Friday; election, December. 19

List of Lodges by Districts

DISTRICT No. 1.

District Grand Master—MALCOLM HOLTS, Perham.

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| 72 Pioneer, Ashland. | 193 Washburn, Washburn. |
| 96 Monument, Houlton. | 197 Aroostook, Mars Hill. |
| 112 Eastern Frontier, Ft. Fairfield. | 209 Fort Kent, Fort Kent. |
| 130 Trinity, Presque Isle | 214 Limestone, Limestone. |
| 170 Caribou, Caribou. | |

DISTRICT No. 2.

District Deputy Grand Master—VERNON T. BROWN, Pembroke.

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| 7 Eastern, Eastport. | 78 Crescent, Pembroke. |
| 37 Washington, Lubec. | 138 Lewy's Island, Princeton. |
| 46 St. Croix, Calais. | |

DISTRICT No. 3.

District Deputy Grand Master—HOWARD MALLER, Machias.

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| 2 Warren, East Machias. | 131 Lookout, Cutler. |
| 88 Narraguagus, Cherryfield. | 173 Pleiades, Millbridge |
| 91 Harwood, Machias. | 188 Jonesport, Jonesport. |
| 106 Tuscan, Addison | |

DISTRICT No. 4.

District Deputy Grand Master—CALVIN E. NASH, Stonington.

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| 4 Hancock, Castine. | 177 Rising Star, Penobscot. |
| 122 Marine, Deer Isle. | 187 Ira Berry, Bluehill. |
| 128 Eggemoggin, Sedgwick. | 195 Reliance, Stonington. |
| 171 Naskeag, Brooklin. | 210 Bagaduce, North Brooksville. |

DISTRICT No. 5.

District Deputy Grand Master—JAMES O. MCKEEN, Milo.

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| 39 Penobscot, Dexter. | 163 Pleasant River, Brownville. |
| 44 Piscataquis, Milo. | 168 Composite, Lagrange. |
| 52 Mosaic, Dover-Foxcroft. | 200 Columbia, Greenville. |
| 109 Mount Kineo, Guilford. | 207 Abner Wade, Sangerville. |
| 149 Doric, Monson. | |

DISTRICT No. 6.

District Deputy Grand Master—STANLEY P. DONALDSON, Etna.

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| 10 Rising Virtue, Bangor. | 87 Benevolent, Carmel. |
| 60 Star in the East, Old Town. | 124 Olive Branch, Charleston. |
| 65 Mystic, Hampden. | 137 Kenduskeag, Kenduskeag. |
| 66 Mechanics', Orono | 174 Lynde, Hermon |
| 69 Howard, Winterport. | 217 Ralph J. Pollard, Orrington. |
| 83 St. Andrew's, Bangor. | |

DISTRICT No. 7.

District Deputy Grand Master—JOHN H. ANNIS, West Rockport.

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| 6 Amity, Camden. | 89 Island, Islesboro. |
| 31 Union, Union, | 129 Quantabacook, Searsmont. |
| 62 King David's, Lincolnville. | 135 Riverside, Jefferson. |
| 82 St. Paul's, Rockport. | 203 Mt. Olivet, Washington. |

DISTRICT No. 8.

District Deputy Grand Master—CLARENCE W. STILES, Stockton Springs.

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| 24 Phoenix, Belfast. | 102 Marsh River, Brooks. |
| 68 Mariners' Searsport. | 119 Pownal, Stockton Springs. |
| 151 Excelsior, Northport. | 126 Timothy Chase, Belfast. |
| 111 Liberty, Liberty. | |

DISTRICT No. 9.

District Deputy Grand Master—ALBERT B. WATTS,

117 No. Main St., Rockland.

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| 15 Orient, Thomaston. | 84 Eureka, Tenant's Harbor. |
| 16 St. George, Warren. | 145 Moses Webster, Vinalhaven. |
| 50 Aurora, Rockland. | 189 Knox, South Thomaston. |
| 61 King Solomon's, Waldoboro. | 211 Meduncook Friendship. |
| 79 Rockland, Rockland. | |

DISTRICT No. 10.

District Deputy Grand Master—CHARLES L. GAMAGE, So. Bristol

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| 3 Lincoln, Wiscasset. | 144 Seaside, Boothbay Harbor. |
| 43 Alna, Damariscotta. | 158 Anchor, South Bristol. |
| 74 Bristol, Bristol. | 196 Bay View, East Boothbay. |
| 103 Dresden, Dresden Mills. | |

DISTRICT No. 11.

District Deputy Grand Master—LESLIE R. LATHE, Sydney.

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| 5 Kennebec, Hallowell. | 53 Rural, Sidney. |
| 25 Temple, Winthrop. | 104 Dirigo, Week's Mills. |
| 32 Hermon, Gardiner. | 110 Monmouth, Monmouth. |
| 35 Bethlehem, Augusta. | 133 Asylum, Wayne. |
| 41 Morning Star, Litchfield. | 141 Augusta, Augusta. |
| 48 Lafayette Readfield. | |

DISTRICT No. 12.

District Deputy Grand Master—HOWARD H. WHITTEN, Clinton.

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| 33 Waterville, Waterville. | 92 Siloam, Fairfield. |
| 45 Central, China. | 113 Messalonskee, Oakland. |
| 54 Vassalboro, No. Vassalboro. | 146 Seabasticook Clinton. |
| 58 Unity, Thorndike. | 166 Neguemkeag, Vassalboro |
| 85 Star in the West, Unity. | |

DISTRICT No. 13.

District Deputy Grand Master—ALFRED L. HOLBROOK, No. Anson.

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| 28 Northern Star, North Anson. | 161 Carrabassett, Canaan. |
| 34 Somerset, Skowhegan. | 194 Euclid, Madison. |
| 80 Keystone, Solon. | 199 Bingham, Bingham. |
| 116 Lebanon, Norridgewock. | |

DISTRICT No. 14.

District Deputy Grand Master—ROLAND W. CORNISH, Bowdoinham.

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| 8 United, Brunswick. | 63 Richmond, Richmond. |
| 14 Solar, Bath. | 114 Polar Star, Bath. |
| 23 Freeport, Freeport. | 121 Acacia, Durham. |
| 26 Village, Bowdoinham. | 155 Ancient York, Lisbon Falls. |

DISTRICT No. 15.

District Deputy Grand Master—FRED B. WADLEIGH, Mt. Vernon.

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| 20 Maine, Farmington. | 156 Wilton, Wilton. |
| 67 Blue Mountain, Phillips. | 191 Davis, Strong. |
| 99 Vernon Valley, Mt. Vernon. | 202 Mount Bigelow, Flagstaff. |
| 123 Franklin, New Sharon. | 204 Mount Abram, Kingfield. |
| 154 Mystic Tie, Weld. | 213 Kemankeag, Rangeley. |

DISTRICT No. 16.

District Deputy Grand Master—WALTER W. MATSON, Bolster's Mills.

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| 11 Pythagorian, Fryeburg. | 100 Jefferson, Bryant Pond. |
| 13 Oriental, Bridgton. | 132 Mt. Tir'em, Waterford. |
| 18 Oxford, Norway. | 152 Crooked River, Bolster's Mills. |
| 56 Mt. Moriah, Denmark. | 153 Delta, Lovell. |
| 94 Paris, South Paris. | 169 Shepherd's River, Brownfield. |
| 97 Bethel, Bethel. | 182 Granite, West Paris. |

DISTRICT No. 17.

District Deputy Grand Master—AUSTIN ALDEN, Gorham.

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| 1 Portland, Portland. | 86 Temple, Westbrook. |
| 17 Ancient Land-Mark, Portland. | 127 Presumpscot, North Windham. |
| 36 Casco, Yarmouth. | 180 Hiram, South Portland. |
| 38 Harmony, Gorham. | 183 Deering, Portland. |
| 70 Standish, Standish. | 186 Warren Phillips, Cumb. Mills. |
| 81 Atlantic, Portland. | 216 Corner Stone, Portland. |

DISTRICT No. 18.

District Deputy Grand Master—GEORGE A. ELWELL, West Buxton.

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| 9 Saco, Saco. | 115 Buxton, West Buxton. |
| 27 Adoniram, Limington. | 117 Greenleaf, Corrish. |
| 42 Freedom, Limerick. | 118 Drummond, No. Parsonsfield. |
| 47 Dunlap, Biddeford. | 162 Arion, Goodwin's Mills. |
| 107 Day Spring, West Newfield. | 215 Orchard, Old Orchard. |

DISTRICT No. 19.

District Deputy Grand Master—LESTER D. BRAGDON, So. Berwick.

22 York, Kennebunk.	143 Preble, Sanford.
55 Fraternal, Alfred.	184 Naval, Kittery.
51 St. John's South Berwick.	179 Yorkshire, North Berwick.
76 Arundel, Kennebunkport.	198 St. Aspinquid, York Village.
142 Ocean, Wells Depot.	190 Springvale, Springvale.

DISTRICT No. 20.

District Deputy Grand Master—VERNON A. HOWARD, Buckfield.

21 Oriental Star, Livermore Falls.	147 Evening Star, Buckfield.
30 Blazing Star, Rumford.	167 Whitney, Canton.
57 King Hiram, Dixfield.	

DISTRICT No. 21.

District Deputy Grand Master—JOHN J. WEAST, Bar Harbor.

19 Felicity, Bucksport.	185 Bar Harbor, Bar Harbor.
40 Lygonia, Ellsworth.	192 Winter Harbor, Winter Harbor.
71 Rising Sun, Orland.	201 David A. Hooper, W. Sullivan.
77 Tremont, Southwest Harbor.	208 N. E. Harbor, N. E. Harbor.
140 Mount Desert, Mount Desert.	212 McKinley, McKinley.

DISTRICT No. 22.

District Deputy Grand Master—JAMES B. SEEKINS, Hartland.

49 Meridian Splendor, Newport.	125 Meridian, Pittsfield.
64 Pacific, Exeter.	157 Cambridge, Cambridge.
75 Archon, East Dixmont.	160 Parian, Corinna.
95 Corinthian, Hartland.	

DISTRICT No. 23.

District Deputy Grand Master—DONALD R. BRIGGS,
Oak St., East Auburn.

12 Cumberland, New Gloucester.	105 Ashlar, Lewiston.
29 Tranquil, Auburn.	150 Rabboni, Lewiston.
73 Tyrian, Mechanic Falls.	164 Webster, Sabattus.
101 Nezinscot, Turner.	178 Ancient Brothers', Auburn.

DISTRICT No. 24.

District Deputy Grand Master—RALPH W. EMERSON, Island Falls.

93 Horeb, Lincoln.	172 Pine Tree, Mattawamkeag.
98 Katahdin, Patten.	175 Baskahegan, Danforth.
148 Forest, Springfield.	205 Nolleseme, Millinocket.
165 Molunkus, Sherman Mills.	206 Island Falls, Island Falls.

Towns in Maine Where Masonic Lodges are Located

Location.	Lodge.	District.
ADDISON,	Tuscan, 106.	3
ALFRED.	Fraternal 55.	19
ASHLAND,	Pioneer, 72,	1
AUBURN	Ancient Brothers', 178.	23
AUBURN,	Tranquil, 29,	23
AUGUSTA,	Augusta, 141,	11
AUGUSTA,	Bethlehem, 35,	11
BANGOR,	Rising Virtue, 10,	6
BANGOR,	St. Andrew's, 83,	6
BAR HARBOR,	Bar Harbor, 185,	21
BATH,	Polar Star, 114.	14
BATH,	Solar, 14,	14
BELFAST,	Phoenix, 24,	8
BELFAST,	Timothy Chase, 126	8
BETHEL,	Bethel, 97,	16
BIDDEFORD,	Dunlap, 47,	18
BINGHAM	Bingham, 199,	13
BLUE HILL,	Ira Berry, 187,	4
BOLSTER'S MILLS,	Crooked River, 152,	16
BOOTHBAY HARBOR,	Seaside, 144,	10
BOWDOINHAM	Village, 26,	14
BRIDGTON,	Oriental, 13,	16
BRISTOL,	Bristol, 74,	10
BROOKLIN,	Naskeag, 171,	4
BROOKS,	Marsh River, 102,	8
BROWNFIELD,	Shepherd's River, 169,	16
BROWNVILLE,	Pleasant River, 163	5
BRUNSWICK,	United, 8,	14
BRYANT POND,	Jefferson, 100,	16
BUCKFIELD,	Evening Star, 147,	20
BUCKSPORT,	Felicity, 19,	21
CALAIS,	St. Croix, 46,	2
CAMBRIDGE	Cambridge, 157,	22
CAMDEN,	Amity, 6,	7
CANAAN,	Carrabasset, 161,	13
CANTON,	Whitney, 167.	20
CARIBOU,	Caribou, 170,	1
CARMEL,	Benevolent 87	6

CASTINE,	Hancock, 4,	4
CHARLESTON,	Olive Branch, 124,	6
CHERRYFIELD,	Narraguagus, 88,	3
CHINA,	Central, 45,	12
CLINTON,	Sebasticook, 146,	12
CORINNA,	Parian, 160,	22
CORNISH,	Greenleaf, 117,	18
CUMBERLAND MILLS,	Warren Phillips, 186,	17
CUTLER,	Lookout, 131,	3
DAMARISCOTTA,	Alna, 43,	10
DANFORTH,	Baskahegan, 175,	24
DEER ISLE,	Marine, 122,	4
DENMARK,	Mount Moriah, 56,	16
DEXTER,	Penobscot, 39,	5
DIXFIELD,	King Hiram, 57,	20
DOVER-FOXCROFT,	Mosaic, 52,	5
DRESDEN MILLS,	Dresden, 103,	10
DURHAM,	Acacia, 121,	14
EAST BOOTHBAY,	Bay View, 196,	10
EAST DIXMONT,	Archon, 75,	22
EAST MACHIAS,	Warren, 2,	3
EASTPORT,	Eastern 7,	2
ELLSWORTH,	Lygonia, 40,	21
EXETER,	Pacific, 64,	22
FAIRFIELD,	Siloam, 92,	12
FARMINGTON,	Maine, 20,	15
FORT FAIRFIELD,	Eastern Frontier, 112,	1
FORT KENT,	Fort Kent, 209,	1
FREEPORT,	Freeport, 23,	14
FRIENDSHIP,	Meduncook, 211,	9
FRYEBURG,	Pythagorean, 11,	16
GARDINER,	Hermon, 32,	11
GOODWIN'S MILLS,	Arion, 162,	18
GORHAM,	Harmony, 38,	17
GREENVILLE,	Columbia, 200,	5
GUILFORD,	Mount Kineo, 109,	5
HALLOWELL,	Kennebec, 5,	11
HAMPDEN,	Mystic, 65,	6
HARTLAND,	Corinthian, 95,	22
HERMON,	Lynde, 174,	6
HOULTON,	Monument, 96,	1
ISLAND FALLS,	Island Falls, 206,	24
ISLESBORO,	Island, 89,	7
JEFFERSON,	Riverside, 135,	7
JONESPORT,	Jonesport, 188,	3
KENDUSKEAG,	Kenduskeag, 137,	6
KENNEBUNK,	York, 22,	19

KENNEBUNKPORT,	Arundel, 76,	19
KINGFIELD,	Mount Abram, 204,	15
KITTERY,	Naval, 184,	19
LAGRANGE,	Composite, 168,	5
LEWISTON,	Ashlar, 105,	23
LEWISTON,	Rabboni, 150,	23
LIBERTY,	Liberty, 111,	8
LIMERICK,	Freedom, 42,	19
LIMESTONE,	Limestone, 214,	1
LIMINGTON,	Adoniram, 27,	18
LINCOLN,	Horeb, 93,	24
LINCOLNVILLE,	King David's, 62,	7
LISBON FALLS,	Ancient York, 155,	14
LITCHFIELD,	Morning Star, 41,	11
LIVERMORE FALLS,	Oriental Star, 21,	20
LOVELL,	Delta, 153,	16
LUBEC,	Washington, 37,	2
MACHIAS,	Harwood, 91,	3
MADISON,	Euclid, 194,	13
MARS HILL,	Aroostook, 197,	1
MATTAWAMKEAG,	Pine Tree, 172,	24
McKINLEY,	McKinley, 212,	21
MECHANIC FALLS,	Tyrian, 73,	23
MILLBRIDGE,	Pleiades, 173,	3
MILLINOCKET,	Nollesemic, 205,	24
MILO,	Piscataquis, 44,	5
MONMOUTH,	Monmouth, 110,	11
MONSON,	Doric, 149,	5
MOUNT DESERT,	Mount Desert, 140,	21
MOUNT VERNON,	Vernon Valley, 99,	15
NEW GLOUCESTER,	Cumberland, 12,	23
NEWPORT,	Meridian Splendor, 49,	22
NEW SHARON,	Franklin, 123,	15
NORRIDGEWOCK,	Lebanon, 116,	13
NORTH ANSON,	Northern Star, 28,	13
NORTH BERWICK,	Yorkshire, 179,	19
NORTH BROOKSVILLE,	Bagaduce, 210,	4
NORTHEAST HARBOR,	Northeast Harbor, 208,	21
NORTH PARSONSFIELD,	Drummond, 118,	18
NORTH VASSALBORO,	Vassalboro, 54,	12
NORTH WINDHAM,	Presumpscot, 127,	17
NORTHPORT,	Excelsior, 151,	8
NORWAY,	Oxford, 18,	16
OAKLAND,	Messalonskee, 113,	12
OLD ORCHARD,	Orchard, 215,	18
OLD TOWN,	Star in the East, 60,	6
ORLAND,	Rising Sun, 71,	21

ORONO,	Mechanics', 66,	6
ORRINGTON,	Ralph J. Pollard,	6
PATTEN,	Katabdin, 98,	24
PEMBROKE,	Crescent, 78,	2
PENOBSCOT,	Rising Star, 177,	4
PHILLIPS,	Blue Mountain, 67,	15
PITTSFIELD,	Meridian, 125,	22
PORTLAND,	Ancient Landmark, 17,	17
PORTLAND,	Atlantic, 81,	17
PORTLAND,	Corner Stone, 216,	17
PORTLAND,	Deering, 183,	17
PORTLAND,	Portland, 1,	17
PRESQUE ISLE,	Trinity, 130,	1
PRINCETON,	Lewy's Island, 138,	2
RANGELEY,	Kemankeag, 213,	15
READFIELD,	Lafayette, 48,	11
RICHMOND,	Richmond, 63,	14
ROCKLAND,	Aurora, 50,	9
ROCKLAND,	Rockland, 79,	9
ROCKPORT,	St. Paul's, 82,	7
RUMFORD,	Blazing Star, 30,	20
SABATTUS,	Webster, 164,	23
SACO,	Saco, 9,	18
SANFORD,	Preble, 143,	19
SANGERVILLE,	Abner Wade, 207,	5
SEARSMONT,	Quantabacook, 129,	7
SEARSPORT,	Mariners', 68,	8
SEDGWICK,	Eggemoggin, 128,	4
SHERMAN MILLS,	Molunkus, 165,	24
SIDNEY,	Rural, 53,	11
SKOWHEGAN,	Somerset, 34,	13
SOLON,	Keystone, 80,	13
SOUTH BERWICK,	St. John's, 51,	19
SOUTH BRISTOL,	Anchor, 158,	10
SOUTH PARIS,	Paris, 94,	16
SOUTH PORTLAND,	Hiram, 180,	17
SOUTH THOMASTON,	Knox, 139,	9
SOUTHWEST HARBOR,	Tremont, 77,	21
SPRINGFIELD,	Forest, 148,	24
SPRINGVALE,	Springvale, 190,	19
STANDISH,	Standish, 70,	17
STOCKTON SPRINGS,	Pownal, 119,	8
STONINGTON,	Reliance, 196,	4
STRATTON,	Mount Bigelow, 202,	15
STRONG,	Davis, 191,	15
TENANT'S HARBOR,	Eureka, 84,	9
THOMASTON,	Orient, 15,	9

THORNDIKE,	Unity 58,	12
TURNER,	Nezinscot, 101,	23
UNION,	Union, 31,	7
UNITY,	Star in the West, 85,	12
VASSALBORO,	Neguemkeag, 166,	12
VINALHAVEN,	Moses Webster, 145,	9
WALDOBORO,	King Solomon's, 61,	9
WARREN,	St George, 16,	9
WASHBURN,	Washburn, 193,	1
WASHINGTON,	Mt. Olivet, 203,	7
WATERFORD,	Mount Tir'em, 132,	16
WATERVILLE,	Waterville, 33,	12
WAYNE,	Asylum, 133,	11
WEEKS MILLS,	Dirigo, 104,	11
WELD,	Mystic Tie, 154,	15
WELLS DEPOT,	Ocean, 142,	19
WESTBROOK,	Temple, 86,	17
WEST BUXTON,	Buxton, 115,	18
WEST NEWFIELD,	Day Spring, 107,	18
WEST PARIS,	Granite, 182,	16
WEST SULLIVAN,	David A. Hooper, 201,	21
WILTON,	wilton, 156,	15
WINTER HARBOR,	Winter Harbor, 192,	21
WINTERPORT,	Howard, 69,	6
WINTHROP,	Temple, 25,	11
WISCASSET,	Lincoln, 3,	10
YARMOUTH,	Casco, 36,	17
YORK VILLAGE,	St. Aspinquid, 198,	19

Lodges in Maine

With Dates of Precedent and Charters

LODGE	LOCATION	DATE OF PRECEDENCE	DATE OF CHARTER
1 Portland,	Portland,	Mch. 30, 1769	Mch. 30, 1769
2 Warren,	East Machias,	Sept. 10, 1778	Sept. 10, 1778
3 Lincoln,	Wiscasset,	June 1, 1792	June 1, 1792
4 Hancock,	Castine,	June 9, 1794	June 9, 1794
5 Kennebec,	Hallowell,	Mch. 14, 1796	Mch. 14, 1796
6 Amity,	Camden,	Mch. 10, 1801	Mch. 10, 1801
7 Eastern,	Eastport,	June 8, 1801	June 8, 1801
8 United,	Brunswick,	Dec. 14, 1801	Dec. 14, 1801
9 Saco,	Saco,	June 14, 1802	June 16, 1802
10 Rising Virtue,	Bangor,	Sept. 13, 1802	Sept. 16, 1802
11 Pythagorean,	Fryeburg,	June 13, 1803	June 13, 1803
12 Cumberland,	New Gloucester,	June 13, 1803	June 13, 1803
13 Oriental,	Bridgton,	Mch. 12, 1804	Mch. 12, 1804
14 Solar,	Bath,	Sept. 10, 1804	Sept. 10, 1804
15 Orient,	Thomaston,	Sept. 10, 1805	Sept. 10, 1805
16 Saint George,	Warren,	Mch. 10, 1806	Mch. 10, 1806
17 Ancient Landmark,	Portland,	June 10, 1806	June 10, 1806
18 Oxford,	Norway,	Sept. 14, 1807	Sept. 14, 1807
19 Felicity,	Bucksport,	Mch. 14, 1809	Mch. 14, 1809
20 Maine,	Farmington,	June 13, 1809	Jan. 13, 1810
21 Oriental Star,	Livermore,	June 13, 1811	June 13, 1811
22 York,	Kennebunk,	Mch. 9, 1813	Mch. 9, 1813
23 Freeport,	Freeport,	Sept. 13, 1814	Sept. 13, 1814
24 Phoenix,	Belfast,	Sept. 9, 1816	Dec. 30, 1816
25 Temple,	Winthrop,	Sept. 8, 1817	Oct. 6, 1817
26 Village,	Bowdoinham,	June 9, 1817	Sept. 16, 1817
27 Adoniram,	Limington,	Sept. 9, 1818	Sept. 10, 1818
28 Northern Star,	North Anson,	Dec. 9, 1818	Dec. 15, 1818
29 Tranquil,	Auburn,	Dec. 9, 1818	Dec. 9, 1818
30 Blazing Star,	Rumford,	Mch. 10, 1819	Mch. 11, 1819
31 Union,	Union,	Dec. 27, 1819	April 8, 1820
32 Hermon,	Gardiner,	June 23, 1820	June 23, 1820
33 Waterville,	Waterville,	June 27, 1820	June 27, 1820
34 Somerset,	Skowhegan,	Jan. 11, 1821	Jan. 11, 1821
35 Bethlehem,	Augusta,	July 12, 1821	May 3, 1862†
36 Casco,	Yarmouth,	Oct. 11, 1821	Oct. 24, 1826
37 Washington,	Lubec,	Jan. 10, 1822	Jan. 24, 1821
38 Harmony,	Gorham,	Jan. 10, 1822	Jan. 24, 1822
39 Penobscot,	Dexter,	Jan. 10, 1822	Jan. 24, 1822
40 Lygonia,	Ellsworth,	April 11, 1822	April 11, 1822
41 Morning Star,	Litchfield,	July 11, 1822	July 16, 1822
42 Freedom,	Limerick,	Jan. 11, 1823	Jan. 14, 1823
43 Alna,	Damariscotta,	Jan. 11, 1823	Jan. 14, 1823
44 Piscataquis,	Milo,	Oct. 9, 1823	Oct. 28, 1823
45 Central,	China,	April 8, 1824	April 8, 1824
46 Saint Croix,	Calais,	April 8, 1824	April 8, 1824
47 Dunlap,	Biddeford	Jan. 13, 1826	Jan. 30, 1826
48 Lafayette,	Readfield,	Jan. 13, 1826	May 20, 1850†
49 Meridian Splendor,	Newport,	July 13, 1826	July 18, 1826
50 Aurora,	Rockland,	July 18, 1826	May 9, 1872†
51 Saint John's,	South Berwick,	Jan. 12, 1827	Feb. 13, 1827
52 Mosaic,	Dover-Foxcroft,	April 22, 1827	July 16, 1827
53 Rural,	Sidney,	April 12, 1827	July 25, 1827
54 Vassalboro,	No. Vassalboro,	April 12, 1827	May 31, 1827
55 Fraternal,	Alfred,	Jan. 10, 1828	Jan. 10, 1828

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56 Mount Moriah,	Denmark,	Jan. 10, 1828	Jan. 23, 1828
57 King Hiram,	Dixfield,	April 10, 1828	May 9, 1872†
58 Unity,	Thorndike,	April 10, 1828	May 15, 1828
59 Mount Hope,	Hope,	Jan. 25, 1848	May 4, 1848†
60 Star in the East,	Old Town,	Feb. 23, 1848	May 5, 1848
61 King Solomon's,	Waldoboro,	April 4, 1849	Feb. 4, 1855†
62 King David's,	Lincolntonville,	June 16, 1849	Jan. 13, 1850
63 Richmond,	Richmond,	Jan. 1, 1850	May 10, 1850
64 Pacific,	Exeter,	Oct. 22, 1850	May 12, 1851
65 Mystic,	Hampden,	Mch. 1, 1851	May 12, 1851
66 Mechanics',	Orono,	Mch. 3, 1851	May 12, 1851
67 Blue Mountain,	Phillips,	July 12, 1850	May 10, 1852
68 Mariners',	Searsport,	Oct. 23, 1851	May 10, 1853
69 Howard,	Winterport,	Nov. 28, 1851	May 6, 1853
70 Standish,	Standish,	June 10, 1852	May 10, 1853
71 Rising Sun,	Orland,	Oct. 18, 1852	May 10, 1853
72 Pioneer,	Ashland,	Oct. 26, 1852	May 5, 1854
73 Tyrian,	Mechanic Falls,	Jan. 21, 1853	May 10, 1853
74 Bristol,	Bristol,	Mch. 1, 1853	May 5, 1854
*75 Archon,	East Dixmont,	May 9, 1853	May 5, 1854†
76 Arundel,	Kennebunkport,	May 5, 1854	June 26, 1854
77 Tremont,	So. West Harbor,	June 12, 1854	May 3, 1856
78 Crescent,	Pembroke,	July 4, 1854	July 10, 1854
79 Rockland,	Rockland,	Oct. 25, 1854	April 4, 1872†
80 Keystone,	Solon,	Dec. 16, 1854	May 4, 1855
81 Atlantic,	Portland,	May 3, 1855	May 3, 1855
82 Saint Paul's,	Rockport,	Oct. 27, 1855	May 2, 1856
83 Saint Andrew's,	Bangor,	Feb. 6, 1856	May 3, 1856
84 Eureka,	Tenants Harbor,	July 27, 1855	May 2, 1856
85 Star in the West,	Unity,	May 4, 1855	May 24, 1856
86 Temple,	Westbrook,	Mch. 1, 1856	May 5, 1856
87 Benevolent,	Carmel,	Mch. 12, 1857	May 7, 1857
88 Narraguagus,	Cherryfield,	Mch. 25, 1857	May 28, 1857
89 Island,	Islesboro,	April 3, 1857	Nov. 5, 1857
90 Hiram Abiff,	West Appleton,	Jan. 27, 1857	May 5, 1858§
91 Harwood,	Machias,	April 8, 1858	Oct. 15, 1858
92 Siloam,	Fairfield,	Mch. 8, 1858	Jan. 1, 1859
93 Horeb,	Lincoln,	June 5, 1858	May 5, 1859
94 Paris,	South Paris,	June 15, 1858	May 5, 1859
95 Corinthian,	Hartland,	Sept. 13, 1858	May 5, 1859
96 Monument,	Houlton,	Nov. 18, 1858	May 5, 1859
97 Bethel,	Bethel,	July 6, 1859	May 5, 1860
98 Katahdin,	Patten,	Aug. 24, 1859	May 3, 1860
99 Vernon Valley,	Mount Vernon,	Oct. 28, 1859	May 3, 1860
100 Jefferson,	Bryant Pond,	Feb. 8, 1860	May 3, 1860
101 Nezinscot,	Turner,	Mch. 1, 1860	May 3, 1860
102 Marsh River,	Brooks,	Dec. 24, 1859	May 9, 1861
103 Dresden,	Dresden Mills,	Feb. 3, 1860	May 9, 1861
104 Dirigo,	Week's Mills,	June 12, 1860	May 9, 1861
105 Ashlar,	Lewiston,	Nov. 5, 1860	May 9, 1861
106 Tuscan,	Addison,	Dec. 27, 1860	May 9, 1861
107 Day Spring,	West Newfield,	Mch. 19, 1861	May 9, 1861
108 Relief,	Belgrade,	Jan. 11, 1861	May 8, 1862§
109 Mount Kineo,	Guilford,	May 10, 1861	May 8, 1862
110 Monmouth,	Monmouth,	May 21, 1861	May 8, 1862
111 Liberty,	Liberty,	Nov. 8, 1861	May 8, 1862
112 Eastern Frontier,	Fort Fairfield,	May 8, 1862	May 7, 1863
113 Messalonskee,	Oakland,	May 15, 1862	May 7, 1863

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114 Polar Star,	Bath,	Mch. 7, 1863	May 7, 1863
115 Buxton,	West Buxton,	Mch. 18, 1863	May 7, 1863
116 Lebanon,	Norridgewock,	April 30, 1863	May 7, 1863
117 Greenleaf,	Cornish,	April 22, 1863	May 4, 1864
118 Drummond,	No. Parsonsfield,	May 7, 1863	May 4, 1864
119 Pownal,	Stockton,	July 4, 1863	May 6, 1875†
120 Meduncook,	Friendship,	Feb. 6, 1864	May 4, 1864†
121 Acacia,	Durham,	May 7, 1863	May 4, 1865
122 Marine,	Deer Isle,	Mch. 18, 1864	May 3, 1865
123 Franklin,	New Sharo,	May 4, 1864	May 3, 1865
124 Olive Branch,	Charlestonn,	May 4, 1864	May 3, 1865
125 Meridian,	Pittsfield,	June 7, 1864	May 3, 1865
126 Timothy Chase,	Belfast,	Oct. 26, 1864	May 3, 1865
127 Presumpscot,	North Windham,	Nov. 19, 1864	May 3, 1866
128 Eggemoggin,	Sedgwick,	Mch. 1, 1865	May 3, 1866
129 Quantabacook,	Searsmont,	Mch. 28, 1865	May 3, 1866
130 Trinity,	Presque Isle,	July 17, 1865	May 3, 1866
131 Lookout,	Cutler,	July 18, 1865	May 3, 1866
132 Mount Tir'em,	Waterford,	Oct. 18, 1865	May 3, 1866
133 Asylum,	Wayne,	July 20, 1865	May 9, 1867
134 Trojan,	Troy,	Feb. 19, 1866	May 9, 1867†
135 Riverside,	Jefferson,	Mch. 13, 1866	May 8, 1867
136 Ionic,	Gardiner,	April 24, 1866	May 9, 1867†
137 Kenduskeag,	Kenduskeag,	May 3, 1866	May 8, 1867
138 Lewy's Island,	Princeton,	May 3, 1866	May 8, 1867
139 Archon,	East Dixmont,	Sept. 26, 1866	May 8, 1867†
140 Mount Desert,	Mount Desert,	Feb. 14, 1867	May 8, 1867
141 Augusta,	Augusta,	Mch. 21, 1867	May 8, 1867
142 Ocean,	Wells,	Mch. 22, 1867	May 7, 1868
143 Preble,	Sanford,	May 9, 1867	May 7, 1868
144 Seaside,	Boothbay Har.,	Oct. 7, 1867	May 7, 1868
145 Moses Webster,	Vinalhaven,	Jan. 13, 1868	May 7, 1868
146 Seabaticook,	Clinton,	Feb. 3, 1868	May 7, 1868
147 Evening Star,	Buckfield,	Feb. 22, 1869	May 5, 1869
148 Forest,	Springfield,	April 1, 1869	May 5, 1869
149 Doric,	Monson,	May 7, 1868	May 5, 1869
150 Rabboni,	Lewiston,	Dec. 28, 1868	May 5, 1869
151 Excelsior,	Northport,	Mch. 1, 1869	May 5, 1869
152 Crooked River,	Bolster's Mills,	April 15, 1869	May 5, 1870
153 Delta,	Lovell,	May 5, 1869	May 4, 1870
154 Mystic Tie,	Weld,	June 8, 1869	May 4, 1870
155 Ancient York,	Lisbon Falls,	Jan. 1, 1870	May 4, 1870
156 Wilton,	Wilton,	Jan. 31, 1870	May 4, 1870
157 Cambridge,	Cambridge,	May 5, 1870	May 4, 1871
158 Anchor,	South Bristol,	May 5, 1870	May 4, 1871
159 Esoteric,	Ellsworth,	Sept. 3, 1870	May 4, 1871†
160 Parian,	Corinna,	Sept. 9, 1870	May 9, 1872
161 Carrabassett,	Canaan,	Mch. 2, 1871	May 9, 1872
162 Arion,	Goodwin's Mills,	Mch. 18, 1871	May 9, 1872
163 Pleasant River,	Brownville,	July 28, 1871	May 9, 1872
164 Webster,	Sabattus,	July 28, 1871	May 9, 1872
165 Molunkus,	Sherman Mills,	Aug. 26, 1871	May 9, 1872
166 Neguemkeag,	Vassalboro,	Dec. 22, 1871	May 9, 1872
167 Whitney,	Canton,	Mch. 9, 1872	May 9, 1872
168 Composite,	Lagrange,	May 9, 1872	May 8, 1873
169 Shepherd's River,	Brownfield,	July 1, 1872	May 8, 1873
170 Caribou,	Caribou,	July 27, 1872	May 8, 1873
171 Naskeag,	Brooklin,	Feb. 3, 1873	May 8, 1873

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172 Pine Tree,	Mattawamkeag,	Nov. 14, 1873	May 7, 1874
173 Pleiades,	Millbridge,	May 7, 1874	May 7, 1874
174 Lynde,	Hermon,	May 7, 1874	May 7, 1874
175 Baskahegan,	Danforth,	Dec. 3, 1874	May 20, 1875
176 Palestine,	Biddeford,	May 5, 1875	May 6, 1875
177 Rising Star,	Penobscot,	June 17, 1875	May 4, 1876
178 Ancient Brothers',	Auburn,	June 21, 1875	May 4, 1876
179 Yorkshire,	North Berwick,	Sept. 18, 1875	May 4, 1876
180 Hiram,	South Portland,	Nov. 1, 1875	May 4, 1876
181 Reuel Washburn,	East Livermore,	May 4, 1876	May 3, 1877
182 Granite,	West Paris,	Sept. 16, 1878	May 8, 1879
183 Deering,	Portland,	April 2, 1879	May 8, 1879
184 Naval,	Kittery,	May 8, 1879	May 6, 1880
185 Bar Harbor,	Bar Harbor,	April 19, 1882	May 2, 1882
186 Warren Phillips,	Cumberl'd Mills,	April 18, 1883	May 3, 1883
187 Ira Berry,	Bluehill,	Nov. 12, 1883	May 8, 1884
188 Jonesport,	Jonesport,	May 8, 1884	May 8, 1884
189 Knox,	So. Thomaston,	Sept. 6, 1884	May 7, 1885
190 Springvale,	Springvale,	May 7, 1885	May 6, 1886
191 Davis,	Strong,	May 7, 1885	May 6, 1886
192 Winter Harbor,	Winter Harbor,	Aug. 12, 1887	May 3, 1888
193 Washburn,	Washburn,	Dec. 14, 1887	May 3, 1888
194 Euclid,	Madison,	May 4, 1888	May 9, 1880
195 Reliance,	Stonington,	May 9, 1889	May 8, 1899
196 Bay View,	East Boothbay,	Dec. 20, 1889	May 8, 1890
197 Aroostook,	Mars Hill,	Dec. 17, 1890	May 7, 1891
198 Saint Aspinquid,	York,	July 22, 1892	May 4, 1893
199 Bingham,	Bingham,	Dec. 23, 1892	May 4, 1893
200 Columbia,	Greenville,	July 23, 1894	May 7, 1896
201 David A. Hooper,	West Sullivan,	June 3, 1897	May 5, 1898
202 Mount Bigelow,	Flagstaff,	June 19, 1897	May 6, 1898
203 Mount Olivet,	Washington,	Nov. 24, 1897	May 7, 1898
204 Mount Abram,	Kingfield,	May 4, 1900	May 9, 1901
205 Nollismic,	Millinocket,	Nov. 17, 1900	May 9, 1901
206 Island Falls,	Island Falls,	Oct. 3, 1901	May 8, 1902
207 Abner Wade,	Sangerville,	June 3, 1902	May 7, 1903
208 No. East Harbor,	No. East Harbor,	Sept. 2, 1903	May 6, 1904
209 Fort Kent,	Fort Kent,	Mch. 23, 1904	May 4, 1905
210 Bagaduce,	Brooksville,	Sept. 2, 1905	May 3, 1906
211 Meduncook,	Friendship,	Feb. 15, 1909	May 5, 1910
212 McKinley,	McKinley,	May 6, 1909	May 6, 1910
213 Kemankeag,	Rangeley,	Oct. 6, 1913	May 7, 1914
214 Limestone,	Limestone,	Nov. 10, 1913	May 7, 1914
215 Orchard,	Old Orchard,	May 4, 1916	May 3, 1917
216 Corner Stone,	Portland,	Oct. 27, 1926	May 4, 1927
217 Ralph J. Pollard,	Orrington,	Jan. 28, 1947	May 4, 1948

NOTE.— 6 Petitioned for under the name "Federal."

11 Originally "Peguawket" U. D., Charter restored in 1865, after no meetings since 1830

47 Originally "Buxton," removed to Biddeford 1855, name changed.

59 Mt. Hoope, charter surrendered 1879.

*75 Plymouth consolidated with Archon No. 139 which becomes No. 75.

90 Hiram Abiff, charter revoked 1868.

95 Originally "Pond," name changed in 1864.

108 Relief, charter revoked 1894.

115 Removed from Buxton to Hollis 1867. Originally called "Moderation," name changed 1874.

119 Was "Perseverance" U. D.

120 Meduncook, charter surrendered 1884.

134 Trojan, consolidated with Star in the West, No. 85, in 1888.

136 Ionic, charter surrendered 1882.

139 Consolidated with No. 75.

159 Esoteric consolidated with Lygonia, No. 40, Jan. 11, 1908.

160 Was "Fisher" U. D.

176 Palestine, consolidated with Dunlap, No. 47, in 1895.

181 Reuel Washburn, consolidated with Oriental Star, No. 21, in 1892.

Lodges enrolled 216; extinct 10; working 206.

† Charter surrendered.

‡ Charter revoked.

¶ Consolidated.

‡ Means charter surrendered and afterward restored

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" CLARK D. CHAPMAN,	Portland,	"
" HENRY R. GILLIS,	Portland,	"
" GEORGE F. GIDDINGS,	Augusta,	"
" BENJAMIN L. HADLEY,	Bar Harbor,	"
" CHARLES E. CROSSLAND,	Orono,	"
" CARROLL W. KEENE,	Clinton,	"
" GRANVILLE C. GRAY,	Presque Isle.	"
" RALPH J. POLLARD,	Waldoboro,	"
" ERVIN E. J. LANDER,	Augusta	"
" BENJAMIN W. ELA,	North Anson,	"
R. W. WILLIS A. RICKER,	Castine,	P. S. G. W.
" JOHN J. MARR,	Island Falls,	"
" LEWMAN B. SOPER,	Newport,	"
" HARRY E. ROWE,	Ellsworth.	"
" JAMES ABERNETHY,	West Pembroke	"
" WILLIAM S. HOLMES,	North East Harbor,	"
" ALVOID E. CUSHMAN,	Bangor,	"
" WILLIAM A. SMALL,	Limington,	"
" MANSON D. BROWN,	Patten,	"
" JOHN L. TEWKSBURY,	Camden,	"
" ARTHUR H. LANDER,	Gardiner,	"
" WILLIAM D. BRUCE,	Newport,	"
" WILLIAM A. LEVENSAIOR,	Dover-Foxcroft,	"
" CLARENCE J. PERHAM,	Bryant Pond	"
" HAROLD L. GERRISH,	Augusta,	"
" CLYDE FRENCH,	Lincoln,	"
" ELMER P. SMART,	Bangor,	"
" FRANK L. MILAN,	Deer Isle	"
" JUDSON P. LORD,	Warren,	"
" LEWIS T. BROWN,	Limington,	"
" GEORGE R. CASWELL,	Augusta,	"
" EVERETT S. HIGGINS,	Lubec,	"
" CONVERS E. LEACH,	Portland,	P. J. G. W.
" CARROLL S. DOUGLASS,	Guilford,	"
" DANIEL G. CHAPLIN,	Cornish,	"
" EUGENE A. WHITTREDGE,	Dover-Foxcroft,	"
" GEORGE W. HASKELL,	Houlton,	"
" ARTHUR W. SEAWARD,	Kittery,	"

R. W.	GEORGE H. MINOTT,	South Portland,	P. J. G. W.
"	HARRY S. GRINDALL,	Waterville,	"
"	JAMES P. BUNKER,	Northeast Harbor,	"
"	JOHN L. POLLEYS,	Houlton,	"
"	EDWARD H. BRITTON,	Waterville,	"
"	ELBERT G. MOULTON,	Brooks,	"
"	ARTHUR W. STOCKBRIDGE,	Auburn	"
"	EARLE D. WEBSTER,	Portland,	"
"	FREDERICK C. LOUNDER,	Ellsworth,	"
"	JAMES A. SANKER,	Belfast,	"
"	WESLEY L. OXTON,	West Rockport,	"
"	MERTON E. LEECH,	Oakland,	"
"	HARRY I. ROLLINS,	Greenville,	"
"	FRED J. LOVELL,	Newport,	"
"	ADIN L. HOPKINS,	Camden	"
"	CLIFFORD H. M. PERRY,	Millinocket,	"

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1820-21	*William King	*Simon Greenleaf	*William Swan	*Nathaniel Coffin	*Joseph M. Gerrish	*William Lord
1822	*Simon Greenleaf	*William Swan	*Charles Fox	*Josiah W. Mitchell	*Joseph M. Gerrish	*William Lord
1823	*Simon Greenleaf	*William Swan	*Charles Fox	*Samuel Fessenden	*Joseph M. Gerrish	*William Lord
1824	*William Swan	*Charles Fox	*Samuel Fessenden	*George Thacher, Jr.	*Joseph M. Gerrish	*William Lord
1825	*William Swan	*Charles Fox	*Samuel Fessenden	*George Thacher, Jr.	*Joseph M. Gerrish	*William Lord
1826	*Charles Fox	*Samuel Fessenden	*George Thacher, Jr.	*Robert P. Dunlap	*Joseph M. Gerrish	*William Lord
1827	*Charles Fox	*Samuel Fessenden	*George Thacher, Jr.	*Robert P. Dunlap	*Joseph M. Gerrish	*William Lord
1828	*Samuel Fessenden	*Peleg Sprague	*Robert P. Dunlap	*Amos Nourse	*Joseph M. Gerrish	*William Lord
1829	*Samuel Fessenden	*Peleg Sprague	*Robert P. Dunlap	*Amos Nourse	*Joseph M. Gerrish	*William Lord
1830	*Robert P. Dunlap	*Peleg Sprague	*Amos Nourse	*Reuben Nason	*Joseph M. Gerrish	*William Lord
1831	*Robert P. Dunlap	*Nathaniel Coffin	*Amos Nourse	*Reuben Nason	*James B. Cahoon	*William Lord
1832	*Nathaniel Coffin	*Amos Nourse	*John L. Magquier	*David C. Magoun	*James B. Cahoon	*Asaph R. Nichols
1833	*Nathaniel Coffin	*Reuel Washburn	*John L. Magquier	*David C. Magoun	*James B. Cahoon	*Asaph R. Nichols
1834	*Nathaniel Coffin	*Reuel Washburn	*John L. Magquier	*David C. Magoun	*Benjamin Davis	*Asaph R. Nichols
1835	*Reuel Washburn	*David G. Magoun	*Joel Miller	*Abner B. Thompson	*Benjamin Davis	*Asaph R. Nichols
1836	*Reuel Washburn	*David G. Magoun	*Joel Miller	*Abner B. Thompson	*Benjamin Davis	*Philip C. Johnson
1837	*Reuel Washburn	*David G. Magoun	*Joel Miller	*Abner B. Thompson	*Benjamin Davis	*Philip C. Johnson
1838	*Adner B. Thompson	*Asaph R. Nichols	*Thomas W. Smith	*Stephen Webber	*Benjamin Davis	*Philip C. Johnson
1839	*Abner B. Thompson	*Asaph R. Nichols	*Thomas W. Smith	*Stephen Webber	*Benjamin Davis	*Philip C. Johnson
1840	*Abner B. Thompson	*Asaph R. Nichols	*Thomas W. Smith	*Stephen Webber	*Benjamin Davis	*Philip C. Johnson
1841	*Hezekiah Williams	*Asaph R. Nichols	*Thomas W. Smith	*John T. Paine	*Benjamin Davis	*Philip C. Johnson
1842	*Thomas W. Smith	*Asaph R. Nichols	*John T. Paine	*Alexander H. Putney	*Benjamin Davis	*Philip C. Johnson
1843	*Thomas W. Smith	*Asaph R. Nichols	*John T. Paine	*Alexander H. Putney	*Benjamin Davis	*Philip C. Johnson
1844	*Thomas W. Smith	*James L. Child	*John T. Paine	*Alexander H. Putney	*Henry H. Boody	*Philip C. Johnson
1845	*John T. Paine	*Asaph R. Nichols	*Alexander H. Putney	*John C. Humphreys	*Henry H. Boody	*Charles Fox
1846	*John T. Paine	*Elisha Harding	*Alexander H. Putney	*John C. Humphreys	*Henry H. Boody	*Charles B. Smith
1847	*Alexander H. Putney	*Samuel L. Valentine	*John C. Humphreys	*Frye Hall	*Henry H. Boody	*Charles B. Smith
1848	*Alexander H. Putney	*Samuel L. Valentine	*John C. Humphreys	*Joseph C. Stevens	*Henry H. Boody	*Charles B. Smith
1849	*Joseph C. Stevens	*John C. Humphreys	*Freeman Bradford	*Stephen Webber	*Henry H. Boody	*Charles B. Smith
1850	*Joseph C. Stevens	*John C. Humphreys	*Freeman Bradford	*Timothy Chase	*Henry H. Boody	*Charles B. Smith
1851	*John C. Humphreys	*Freeman Bradford	*Timothy Chase	*William Somerby	*Henry H. Boody	*Charles B. Smith
1852	*John C. Humphreys	*Freeman Bradford	*Timothy Chase	*William Somerby	*Henry H. Boody	*Charles B. Smith
1853	*Freeman Bradford	*Timothy Chase	*Jabez True	*Thomas B. Johnston	*Moses Dodge	*Charles B. Smith
1854	*Timothy Chase	*Jabez True	*Ezra B. French	*Thomas B. Johnston	*Moses Dodge	*Charles B. Smith
1855	*John Miller	*Jabez True	*Ezra B. French	*William Kimball	*Moses Dodge	*Charles B. Smith

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1856	*Jabez True	*Hiram Chase	*Isaac Downing	*William Allen	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1857	*Robert P. Dunlap	*Hiram Chase	*William Allen	*John Williams	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1858	*Hiram Chase	*Josiah H. Drummond	*Gustavus F. Sargent	*Stephen B. Dockham	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1859	*Hiram Chase	*Josiah H. Drummond	*Gustavus F. Sargent	*Oliver Gerrish	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1860	*Josiah H. Drummond	*William P. Preble	*John J. Bell	*Joseph Covell	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1861	*Josiah H. Drummond	*William P. Preble	*John J. Bell	*Francis J. Day	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1862	*Josiah H. Drummond	*William P. Preble	*David Bugbee	*T. K. Osgood	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1863	*William P. Preble	*John J. Bell	*Edmund Hinckley	*F. Loring Talbot	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1864	*William P. Preble	*Timothy J. Murray	*Francis L. Talbot	*John H. Lynde	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1865	*William P. Preble	*Timothy J. Murray	*Francis L. Talbot	*John H. Lynde	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1866	*Timothy J. Murray	*John H. Lynde	*David Cargill	*Thaddeus R. Simonton	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1867	*Timothy J. Murray	*John H. Lynde	*David Cargill	*Thaddeus R. Simonton	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1868	*Timothy J. Murray	*John H. Lynde	*David Cargill	*Thaddeus R. Simonton	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1869	*John H. Lynde	*David Cargill	*Thaddeus R. Simonton	*John W. Ballou	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1870	*John H. Lynde	*David Cargill	*Thaddeus R. Simonton	*John W. Ballou	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1871	*John H. Lynde	*David Cargill	*Albert Moore	*Henry H. Dickey	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1872	*David Cargill	*Albert Moore	*Edward P. Burnham	*William O. Poor	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1873	*David Cargill	*Albert Moore	*Edward P. Burnham	*William O. Poor	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1874	*David Cargill	*Albert Moore	*Edward P. Burnham	*William O. Poor	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1875	*Albert Moore	*Edward P. Burnham	*William O. Poor	*Charles I. Collamore	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1876	*Albert Moore	*Edward P. Burnham	*Charles I. Collamore	*A. M. Wetherbee	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1877	*Edward P. Burnham	*Charles I. Collamore	*Marquis F. King	*S. J. Chadbourne	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1878	*Edward P. Burnham	*Charles I. Collamore	*Marquis F. King	*S. J. Chadbourne	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1879	*Charles I. Collamore	*Marquis F. King	*Sumner T. Chadbourne	*Edwin Howard Vose	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1880	*Charles I. Collamore	*Marquis F. King	*William R. G. Estes	*Archie L. Talbot	*William O. Fox	*Ira Berry
1881	*Marquis F. King	*William R. G. Estes	*John B. Redman	*Fessenden I. Day	*William O. Fox	*Ira Berry
1882	*Marquis F. King	*William R. G. Estes	*Arlington B. Marston	*Charles W. Haney	*William O. Fox	*Ira Berry
1883	*William R. G. Estes	*Fessenden I. Day	*William H. Smith	*Goodwin R. Wiley	*Frederick Fox	*Ira Berry
1884	*William R. G. Estes	*Fessenden I. Day	*Frank E. Sleeper	*Augustus Bailey	*Frederick Fox	*Ira Berry
1885	*Fessenden I. Day	*Frank E. Sleeper	*Joseph M. Hayes	*Henry R. Taylor	*Frederick Fox	*Ira Berry
1886	*Fessenden I. Day	*Frank E. Sleeper	*Albro E. Chase	*Benjamin Ames	*Frederick Fox	*Ira Berry
1887	*Frank E. Sleeper	*Albro E. Chase	*Horace H. Burbank	*Wilford J. Fisher	*Frederick Fox	*Ira Berry
1888	*Frank E. Sleeper	*Albro E. Chase	*Leander M. Kenniston	*Samuel G. Davis	*Frederick Fox	*Ira Berry
1889	*Albro E. Chase	*Henry R. Taylor	*Manley G. Trask	*Algernon M. Roak	*Frederick Fox	*Ira Berry
1890	*Albro E. Chase	*Henry R. Taylor	*Daniel P. Boynton	*E. B. Mallet, Jr.	*Frederick Fox	*Ira Berry

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1891	*Henry R. Taylor	*Horace H. Burbank	*George R. Shaw	*Samuel L. Miller	*Frederick Fox	*Ira Berry
1892	*Henry R. Taylor	*Horace H. Burbank	*Augustus B. Farnham	*Howard D. Smith	*Frederick Fox	*Stephen Berry
1893	*Horace H. Burbank	*Augustus B. Farnham	*Joseph A. Locke	*William Freeman Lord	*Frederick Fox	*Stephen Berry
1894	*Horace H. Burbank	*Augustus B. Farnham	*Herbert Harris	*Gustavus H. Cargill	*Frederick Fox	*Stephen Berry
1895	*Augustus B. Farnham	*Joseph A. Locke	*Winfield S. Choate	*Moses Tait	*Marquis F. King	*Stephen Berry
1896	*Augustus B. Farnham	*Joseph A. Locke	*Albert M. Penley	*Benjamin L. Hadley	*Marquis F. King	*Stephen Berry
1897	*Joseph A. Locke	*Winfield S. Choate	*Alfred S. Kimball	*Enoch O. Greenleaf	*Marquis F. King	*Stephen Berry
1898	*Joseph A. Locke	*Winfield S. Choate	*Elmer P. Spofford	*Millard M. Caswell	*Marquis F. King	*Stephen Berry
1899	*Winfield S. Choate	*Alfred S. Kimball	*William J. Burnham	*Franklin R. Redlon	*Marquis F. King	*Stephen Berry
1900	*Winfield S. Choate	*Alfred S. Kimball	*James E. Parsons	*John H. McGorrell	*Marquis F. King	*Stephen Berry
1901	*Alfred S. Kimball	*William J. Burnham	*Hugh R. Chaplin	*Adelbert Millett	*Marquis F. King	*Stephen Berry
1902	*Alfred S. Kimball	*William J. Burnham	*Edwin A. Porter	*James C. Ayer	*Marquis F. King	*Stephen Berry
1903	*William J. Burnham	*Hugh R. Chaplin	*Charles W. Crosby	*Charles F. Paine	*Marquis F. King	*Stephen Berry
1904	*Hugh R. Chaplin	*Charles F. Johnson	*W. Scott Shorey	*George W. McClain	*Marquis F. King	*Stephen Berry
1905	*Hugh R. Chaplin	*Charles F. Johnson	*Curtis R. Foster	*Edward G. Weston	*Millard F. Hicks	*Stephen Berry
1906	*Charles F. Johnson	*Edmund B. Mallet	*James M. Larrabee	*Albert M. Ames	*Millard F. Hicks	*Stephen Berry
1907	*Charles F. Johnson	*Edmund B. Mallet	*William N. Howe	*Leon S. Howe	*Millard F. Hicks	*Stephen Berry
1908	*Edmund B. Mallet	*Ashley A. Smith	*John Clair Minot	*George W. Holmes	*Millard F. Hicks	*Stephen Berry
1909	*Edmund B. Mallet	*Ashley A. Smith	*Frank J. Cole	*Winifred S. Hinckley	*Millard F. Hicks	*Stephen Berry
1910	*Ashley A. Smith	*Elmer P. Spofford	*Isaac N. Jones	*Sullivan L. Andrews	*Millard F. Hicks	*Stephen Berry
1911	*Ashley A. Smith	*Elmer P. Spofford	*Frank E. Monroe	*Convers E. Leach	*Millard F. Hicks	*Stephen Berry
1912	*Elmer P. Spofford	*Thomas H. Bodge	*Waldo Pettengill	*Ernest P. Parlin	*Millard F. Hicks	*Stephen Berry
1913	*Elmer P. Spofford	*Thomas H. Bodge	*Fred C. Chalmers	*George A. Gilpatric	*Millard F. Hicks	*Stephen Berry
1914	*Thomas H. Bodge	*Waldo Pettengill	*Isaac A. Clough	*Clifford J. Pattee	*Millard F. Hicks	*Stephen Berry
1915	*Thomas H. Bodge	*Waldo Pettengill	*Fred Raymond	*Frank B. Arnold	*Albro E. Chase	*Stephen Berry
1916	*Waldo Pettengill	*Silas B. Adams	*Ralph W. Moore	*Albert H. Newbert	*Albro E. Chase	*Stephen Berry
1917	*Waldo Pettengill	*Silas B. Adams	*James H. Withereff	*Edwin K. Smith	*Albro E. Chase	*Stephen Berry
1918	*Silas B. Adams	Edward W. Wheeler	Willis A. Ricker	Carroll S. Douglass	*Albro E. Chase	*Charles B. Davis
1919	*Silas B. Adams	Edward W. Wheeler	*William S. Davidson	*Wallace N. Price	*Albro E. Chase	*Charles B. Davis
1920	Edward W. Wheeler	*Albert M. Spear	John J. Marr	*Lee M. Smith	*Albro E. Chase	*Charles B. Davis
1921	Edward W. Wheeler	*Albert M. Spear	*John M. Burleigh	*Allen L. Curtis	*Albro E. Chase	*Charles B. Davis
1922	*Albert M. Spear	*David E. Moulton	Lewman B. Soper	*Charles M. Farrar	*Edmund B. Mallet	*Charles B. Davis
1923	*Albert M. Spear	*David E. Moulton	*Frederic O. Eaton	Daniel G. Chaplin	*Edmund B. Mallet	*Charles B. Davis
1924	*David E. Moulton	David L. Wilson	*Frank P. Denaco	*Erwin G. Ryder	*Herbert N. Maxfield	*Charles B. Davis
1925	*David E. Moulton	David L. Wilson	Harry E. Rowe	*James A. Richan	*Herbert N. Maxfield	*Charles B. Davis

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1926	David L. Wilson	*Harold E. Cooke	James Abernethy	Eugene A. Whittridge	*Herbert N. Maxfield	*Charles B. Davis
1927	David L. Wilson	*Harold E. Cooke	*E. Murray Graham	*Ernest J. Record	*Herbert N. Maxfield	*Charles B. Davis
1928	*Harold E. Cooke	*Cyrus N. Blanchard	William S. Holmes	*Norris S. Lord	*Herbert N. Maxfield	*Charles B. Davis
1929	*Harold E. Cooke	*Cyrus N. Blanchard	Alvoid E. Cushman	*Eben J. Marston	*Herbert N. Maxfield	*Charles B. Davis
1930	*Cyrus N. Blanchard	Ernest C. Butler	William A. Small	*Henry W. Loring	*Herbert N. Maxfield	*Charles B. Davis
1931	*Cyrus N. Blanchard	Ernest C. Butler	*J. Blaine Morrison	George W. Haskell	*Herbert N. Maxfield	*Charles B. Davis
1932	Ernest C. Butler	Clark D. Chapman	*Augustus E. Campbell	George F. Giddings	*Herbert N. Maxfield	Convers E. Leach
1933	Ernest C. Butler	Clark D. Chapman	*Irving R. Case	George H. Minott	*Herbert N. Maxfield	Convers E. Leach
1934	Clark D. Chapman	Henry R. Gillis	*George N. Stevens	*Henry D. Davis	*Herbert N. Maxfield	Convers E. Leach
1935	Clark D. Chapman	Henry R. Gillis	Manson D. Brown	Harry S. Grindall	*Herbert N. Maxfield	Convers E. Leach
1936	Henry R. Gillis	*Samuel B. Furbish	John L. Tewksbury	James P. Bunker	*Herbert N. Maxfield	Convers E. Leach
1937	Henry R. Gillis	George F. Giddings	*Charles E. Tuttle	*Harvey L. Haskell	*Herbert N. Maxfield	Convers E. Leach
1938	George F. Giddings	*Harold H. Murchie	Arthur H. Lander	John L. Polleys	*Herbert N. Maxfield	Convers E. Leach
1939	George F. Giddings	*Harold H. Murchie	William D. Bruce	Edward H. Britton	*Herbert N. Maxfield	Convers E. Leach
1940	*Harold H. Murchie	Benjamin L. Hadley	*Frank W. Fuller	Carroll W. Keene	*Herbert N. Maxfield	Convers E. Leach
1941	*Harold H. Murchie	Benjamin L. Hadley	William A. Levensaler	Elbert G. Moulton	*Herbert N. Maxfield	Convers E. Leach
1942	Benjamin L. Hadley	Ralph J. Pollard	Ervin E. J. Lander	*Amos A. Carter	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Convers E. Leach
1943	Benjamin L. Hadley	Charles E. Crossland	Clarence J. Perham	Arthur W. Stockbridge	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Convers E. Leach
1944	Charles E. Crossland	Carroll W. Keene	Harold L. Gerrish	Earle D. Webster	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Convers E. Leach
1945	Charles E. Crossland	Carroll W. Keene	Harold L. Gerrish	Earle D. Webster	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Convers E. Leach
1946	Carroll W. Keene	Granville C. Gray	Clyde French	Frederick C. Louder	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Convers E. Leach
1947	Carroll W. Keene	Granville C. Gray	Elmer P. Smart	Wesley L. Oston	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Convers E. Leach
1948	Granville C. Gray	Ervin E. J. Lander	Frank L. Milan	James A. Sanker	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Convers E. Leach
1949	Granville C. Gray	Ervin E. J. Lander	Judson P. Lord	Merton E. Leech	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Convers E. Leach
1950	Ervin E. J. Lander	Benjamin W. Ela	Lewis T. Brown	Harry I. Rollins	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Convers E. Leach
1951	Ervin E. J. Lander	Benjamin W. Ela	George R. Caswell	Fred J. Lowell	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Convers E. Leach
1952	Benjamin W. Ela	Paul L. Powers	Everett L. Higgins	Adin L. Hopkins	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Convers E. Leach
1953	Benjamin W. Ela	Paul L. Powers	Arthur W. Seaward	Clifford H. M. Perry	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Convers E. Leach

* Deceased.

† Demitted from Oxford No. 18, August 24, 1928.

Josiah Hayden Drummond Distinguished Service Medal

Under the provisions of Standing Regulation No. 56 Drummond Medals have been presented to the following:

- Dec. 27, 1939. M. W. JOSEPH EARL PERRY, Mass., by G. M. Giddings.
 " 27, 1939. M. W. MELVIN M. JOHNSON, Mass., by G. M. Giddings.
 " 27, 1939. M. W. FREDERICK W. HAMILTON, Mass., G. M. Giddings.
 May 7, 1940. M. W. ASHLEY A. SMITH, Maine, by G. M. Giddings.
 " 7, 1949. M. W. THOMAS H. BODGE, Maine, by G. M. Giddings.
 " 7, 1940. M. W. EDWARD W. WHEELER, Maine, by G. M. Giddings.
 " 7, 1940. M. W. DAVID E. MOULTON, Maine, by G. M. Giddings.
 " 7, 1940. M. W. DAVID L. WILSON, Maine, by G. M. Giddings.
 " 7, 1940. M. W. CYRUS N. BLANCHARD, Maine, by G. M. Giddings.
 " 7, 1940. M. W. ERNEST C. BUTLER, Maine, by G. M. Giddings.
 " 7, 1940. M. W. CLARK D. CHAPMAN, Maine, by G. M. Giddings.
 " 7, 1940. M. W. HENRY R. GILLIS, Maine, by G. M. Giddings.
 " 7, 1940. R. W. CONVERS E. LEACH, Maine, by G. M. Giddings.
 " 7, 1940. R. W. FRANK J. COLE, Maine, by G. M. Giddings.
 May 9, 1940. M. W. GEORGE F. GIDDINGS, Maine, by G. M. Murchie.
 April 23, 1941. M. W. CHARLES H. JOHNSON, N. Y., by G. M. Murchie.
 May 4, 1942. M. W. ALBERT A. SCHAEFER, Mass., by G. M. Murchie.
 May 7, 1942. R. W. RALPH J. POLLARD, Maine, by G. M. Murchie.
 May 4, 1943. M. W. HAROLD H. MURCHIE, by G. M. Hadley.
 May 4, 1943. M. W. WALTER W. WILLIAMSON, by G. M. Hadley.
 May 3, 1944. M. W. CHARLES E. CROSSLAND, by G. M. Hadley.
 May 1, 1945. M. W. BENJAMIN L. HADLEY, by G. M. Crossland.
 May 8, 1946. M. W. P. CONANT VOTER, Vt., by G. M. Crossland.
 May 9, 1946. M. W. ANSEL A. PACKARD, Conn., by G. M. Crossland,
 for 1945.
 May 6, 1947. M. W. RAY V. DENSLOW, Missouri, by G. M. Keene.
 May 6, 1947. R. W. ERVIN E. J. LANDER, Maine, by G. M. Keene.
 May 5, 1948. M. W. JOHN TEMPLE RICE, Texas, by G. M. Keene.
 May 5, 1948. W. FRANK C. ALLEN, Maine, by G. M. Keene.
 May 4, 1949. EARL E. DUSENBERY, Iowa, by G. M. Gray.
 May 4, 1949. GEORGE W. HASKELL, Maine, by G. M. Gray.
 May 5, 1949. CARROLL W. KEENE, Maine, by G. M. Gray.
 Aug. 25, 1949. DONALD C. MALCOLM, by G. M. Gray.
 May 4, 1950. GRANVILLE C. GRAY, by Ervin E. J. Lander.
 May 1, 1951. KARL J. MOHN, by Ervin E. J. Lander.
 May 3, 1951. H. NORTON MAXFIELD, by Ervin E. J. Lander.
 May 8, 1952. JOHN M. LITTLEFIELD, by BENJAMIN W. ELA.
 May 8, 1952. THOMAS S. ROY, by ERVIN E. J. LANDER.
 May 4, 1953. WALLACE E. CALDWELL, by BENJAMIN W. ELA.
 May 5, 1954. WHITFIELD W. JOHNSON, by Benjamin W. ElA.
 May 5, 1954. BENJAMIN W. ELA, by Paul L. Powers.



REV. ISAAC JAMES MERRY
Grand Chaplain

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BORN IN NEW YORK CITY, DECEMBER 12, 1873

DIED IN LEWISTON, MAINE, JULY 7, 1953

"No one hears the doors that open
When they pass beyond our call,
Soft as the dropping petals of a rose,
One by one our loved ones fall."

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BORN IN STOCKTON, MAINE, MAY 30, 1882

DIED IN BELFAST, MAINE, FEBRUARY 22, 1954

"A face we loved has vanished
In the darkness of the night,
A sturdy soul has left us
For the realms of peace and light."

Brethren Died During the Year

From January 1, 1953 to December 31, 1953

Those marked * were returned with Masonic Rites.

1 Portland, Portland. Guy E. Steves, * January 24; Edward P. Sawyer, February 2; Harry D. Bowker, February 21; Franklin Lawrence, April 26; Thomas Johnson, December 26, 1952; George W. Sturgis, June 27; Ernest W. Prince, July 29; Joseph Maddocks, August 2; Harry E. Ring* September 2.

2 Warren, East Machias. Frank H. Johnson, July; Willard A. Johnson, July; Frank W. Gray, Jr., September 2.

3 Lincoln, Wiscasset. Raymon B. Sherman, January 15; Vivian R. Giles, January 23; Gardner F. Illsley, May 23; Edwin S. Pooler, October 13.

5 Kennebec, Hallowell. Wellington Smith, June 7; Noyes H. Wheeler, May 18.

6 Amity, Camden. Charles E. Lord, February 24; Harold S. Curvier, February 14; Frank D. Kennedy, April 21; Louis C. Sawyer, June 1; Guy Cucinotta, June 18; Josiah H. Hobbs, June 27; Wilmont Shibles, July 29; Hervey C. Allen, October 12.

7 Eastern, Eastport. John S. Lewis, February 15; Harry A. Roop,* March 30; Edward E. Green, May 26; Horace L. Morrison* August 9; Ronald B. Wadsworth, August 24.

8 United, Brunswick. Thompson E. Ashby, January 29; Carl A. Nordstrom, February 14; Perley J. Meserve, May 2; Osbon R. Pennell, September 12; Maurice A. Lube, September 30; Harry E. Emmons, December 6.

9 Saco, Saco. Howard P. Hill, January 23; Merrill P. Simpson, February 24; Leslie P. Dutton, March 1; John C. Rolfe, April 24; Selden A. Lawe, August 4; William L. Streeter, October 26; Arthur B. Cook, October 30; Ernest H. Mills, November 22; Thomas Hislop, December 22.

10 Rising Virtue, Bangor. Amos E. Small, January 2; Frank L. Boutillier, January 23; Edward W. Wright, February 8; Fred W. Anderson, December 29, 1951; Edward B. Williston, January 1; Alphonzo G. Cooper, April 15; Abner S. Buzzell, April 16; Byron E. Lawson, April 13; George I. Annas, April 30; Carl E. Danforth, May 5; Howard R. Allen, August 6; James A. Spencer, August 25; Leo W. Pratt, October 22; Reginald F. Borroto, October 27; Ralph F. Brown, December 17; Calvin P. Drinkwater, December 20.

11 Pythagorean, Fryeburg. Chester C. Eastman,* July 10.

12 Cumberland, New Gloucester. Charles P. Bennett,* October 17; Robert H. Eveleth, September 10; Eugene Foster, August 26; Nessib S. Kupelian, August 28.

13 Oriental, Bridgton. George A. Cabot, January 2; Hollis H. Caswell, March 7; Maurice E. Heath, March 9; Merwin H. Yeomans, March 25; Albert W. Windle, July 6.

14 Solar, Bath. Howard M. Steen, February 11; John Shaw, February 19; Ernest A. Wood, February 23; Henry G. Shaw, April 26; Clarence C. Seavey, June 9; Willard F. Crowell, July 2; Napoleon B. Corthell, July 4.

16 St. George, Warren. George P. Holt, January 23.

17 Ancient Land-Mark, Portland. James F. Edwards, December 5; Albert W. Andrews, January 14; Durward C. Adams, January 18; Roy T. Hunter, February 2; Charles T. Vose, March 25; Raymond W. Cragin, April 13; Robert B. Ferguson, May 23; James P. Courson, June 20; Carroll S. Chaplin, August 9; Howard M. Dutton, August 5; Henry H. Brock, October 4; Anthony L. Thomsen, November 10.

18 Oxford, Norway. William H. Mottram, January 17; Charles M. Heslop, February 7; James E. Parrott, February 20; Arthur G. Wiley, April 29; Harry P. Kay, May 13.

19 Felicity, Bucksport. Edward H. Emerson,* March 14; Harry L. Hopkins, June 22; Walter F. Chase, December 22.

21 Oriental Star, Livermore Falls. Hershel W. Boothby, February 20; William J. Wynaught, May 26; Leo Baum, October 26.

22 York, Kennebunk. Percy J. Miliken, Mar 2; Truman I. Littlefield, May 15; John H. Cooper, June 9; Arthur L. Leech, June 19; Oliver E. Curtis, July 10; George E. Larrabee, August 20; John K. Larrabees, November 19.

23 Freeport, Freeport. Elmer B. Hill, January 20; Ernest E. Pinkham, February 17; Ernest L. Sims, March 14; Horace B. Briggs, April 6; Thomas D. Fogg, May 8; John B. Randall, June 28; Arthur L. Gould, July 3; Fred N. Kellogg, August 21; Harris T. Rodick, September 12.

24 Phoenix, Belfast. Russell H. Jones, February 26; Amasa Heal, September 14.

25 Temple, Winthrop. John Boretos, June 22; Walter P. Stanley, December 16; George Buxton, July 5; Arthur H. Bailey, May 12; Guy E. Hayward, unknown; Charles L. Gilliland, 1952

26 Village, Bowdoinham. Milton Given,* June 15; LeRoy E. Williams, July 17; James D. Elliott, July 23.

27 Adoniram, Limington. John F. Brackett, May 11; Howard M. Blake, July 14.

28 Northern Star, North Anson. Warren B. Clark, April 8; Frank H. Smith, April 24.

29 Tranquil, Auburn. Fred M. Keith, January 19; Linwood G. Eugley, February 20; Harry E. Bumpus, April 10; John H. Merrill, May 12; Dana P. Fogg, June 8; Adrian J. Frank, June 24; Chester R. Totten, July 11; Elmer D. Greenleaf, July 19; Charles L. Bailey, December 21.

30 Blazing Star, Rumford. Lubert A. Pratt, February 10; Arthur L. Lang, June 2; Benjamin Schurnd, October 14; Fred E. Riley, December 28; Felix J. Gagnon, December 31.

31 Union, Union. Frank O. Wilson, May 22; Alfred Hamm, August 15.

32 Hermon, Gardiner. Frank L. Amesbury, January 10; Daniel G. Rogers, February 5; William M. Smith, April 5; George S. Williams, May 27; Henry W. Hamlin, June 30; William T. Gardiner, August 2; Arthur J. Gibbs, August 15; Alonzo B. Annis, September 18; Josiah R. Maxcy, April 2; Warren R. Martin, December 15.

33 Waterville, Waterville. Solon W. Purinton, February 3; Charles F. Waterman, February 9; Fred C. Colby,* February 12; Harold N. Welch, March 8; Ralph D. Hagerman, March 21; Ernest F. Baldie, March 23; Gustaf T. Gustafson, March 25; Henry C. Dearborn, June 13; Frank Plumstead, July 11; Arthur D. Weymouth, July 15; John F. Presnell, August 11; John C. Smedberg, August 25; Lawrence D. Cole, September 21; Alexander Turbyne, September 21; Charles S. Hodsdon, October 1; Raymond S. Cillery,* November 26; James Turbyne, December 18; Morris E. Allen, December 18.

34 Somerset, Skowhegan. Origene A. Abbey, August 13; Clifton J. Bailey, October 22; Morris P. Cates, May 27; Walter E. Clark,* April 19; Carl Curtis, January 13; Bert B. Harvell, November 15; William F. Merrill, December 17; Leon W. Moore, February 16; Charles E. Patten, June 4.

35 Bethlehem, Augusta. William R. Greig, February 18; Albert E. Harding, May 13; Elwood Jenkins, February 7; Harry H. Pierce, January 12; Clarence L. Pratt, December 27; Thomas A. Thompson, February 3.

36 Casco, Yarmouth. Harry L. Strong, March 18; Albert G. Barbour, July 30; Ernest W. Coffin, August 5; Bert H. Winslow, November 3; Albert H. Coombs, November 7.

37 Washington, Lubec. William J. Darby, March 15; Earle Marston, June 28.

38 Harmony Gorham. Seth Parson,* March 23; Perley A. Wallace,* April 24; Bertram T. Skillin, May 17; David W. Sturgis, May 30; James S. Harris,* October 2.

39 Penobscot, Dexter. Perley M. Libby, April 4; O. Wallace Swanton, May 8; Albert F. Hutchinson, June 10; William Shields,* July 13; Joseph P. Rand,* September 18.

40 Lygonia, Ellsworth. Harry C. Smith, May 4; Herbert M. Salisbury, August 14; Alvin F. Moon, December 19.

42 Freedom, Limerick. Harry Aspinall,* September 26; Louis G. Hill,* October 7.

43 Alna, Damariscotta. Verne F. Batteese, February 9; Albert H. Vaughan, June 21; Oscar W. Peterson, unknown; John Perkins, May 23; Moses A. Bragdon, May 8; Arthur B. Smith, August 15; Augustus S. Nelson, November 30; Eugene Havener, November 24.

44 Piscataquis, Milo. Hugh E. Leonard, February 13; Brainard S. King, September 27; Louis Harris, October 2.

45 Central, China. Charles W. Coffin, February 27; John E. Taylor, September 30; George W. Jones, November 28.

46 St. Croix, Calais. Harold H. Murchie, March 7; Charles H. Spooner, December 4.

47 Dunlap, Biddeford. Edgar H. Benson, March 6; Chandler B. Allen, April 27; Felix Bridger, August 8; William A. Michie, October 8; Elvin M. Stone, October 12; Ernest A. Goodwin, November 11; Charles R. Foresman, December 12.

48 Lafayette, Readfield. Fred G. Tingley, January 5; John McKinnon, December 18.

49 Meriden Splendor, Newport. Walter S. Foster, October 23.

50 Aurora, Rockland. Malcolm S. Smith, September 29, 1952; George A. Wardwell, April 19; John A. Frost, September 2; Oscar B. Foster, October 27; Alden P. Johnston, November 14; Herbert W. Thorndike, December 27.

51 St. John's, South Berwick. Harold E. Ford, February 8; George A. White, January 24; Edward W. Atkinson, May 12; Roy R. Merrill, June 4; Maurice E. Hobbs, July 1; James F. Winter, August 12.

52 Mosaic, Dover-Foxcroft. Gerald V. London, January 29; Lisle M. Snow, February 1; Edwin A. Ramsdell, March 14; Fred C. Dunning, April 25; Bernard E. Alden, May 25; Stanley J. Steward, December 13; LeRoy C. Taft, August 27.

53 Rural, Sidney. Charles Graves, May 29; Howard C. Hammond, January 13; Franklin Chute, January 27; Edward E. Robbins, March 14.

54 Vassalboro, North Vassalboro. Archiebault Steelbrooke, March 7; Merton L. Delano, August 14.

55 Fraternal, Alfred. Charles G. Moulton, March 28; George H. Hobbs, December 5.

57 King Hiram, Dixfield. W. Percy Gammon, January 16; William L. Andrews, July 20; LeForest O. Collins, March 24; Herbert A. Noyes, February 24; James Gates, June 10.

58 Unity, Thorndike. Frederic L. Thurston, May 26.

60 Star in the East, Old Town. E. Leroy Phelps, January 1; Frank Carr,* January 31; Lewis S. Libby,* January 31; Homer M. Orr,* July 3; Weston Nayson,* July 26; Fred H. Burr,* August 21; C. Perley Gray, December 8; Leon V. Jackson, December 20; Walter F. Davis, Sr., December 25; Carl O. Cary, December 31.

61 King Solomon's, Waldoboro. Charles L. Chantal, March 11; Albert L. Shorey, April 8; Oral E. Ludwig, April 20; LaForest I. Mank, July 10; Allan F. Hassner,* August 8; William H. Hilton,* September 17.

62 King David's, Lincolnville. Rodney C. Frohock, January 16; R. Scott Knight, November 3.

63 Richmond, Richmond. Edward C. Heath, September 22; Richard T. Ryan, July 6; Morris Glaser, November 23; Edgar Wild, October.

64 Pacific, Exeter. Vernon B. Hill, August 24; William Batchelder, October 7; Ernest F. Lawrence, December 22.

65 Mystic, Hampden. George C. Parker, March 21; Rufus L. Tasker, May 28; Charles A. Johnson, July 21; Kenneth Austin Foss, October 19.

66 Mechanics, Orono. Carleton M. Plummer, January 9; Gaine S. Hayes, February 27; Verner E. Gilpatrick, September 12.

67 Blue Mountain, Phillips. Lew M. Noble, October 20.

68 Mariner's, Searsport. Harry H. Peavey, January 26; Eugene B. Greenlaw, October 11; Frederick F. Black, December 22.

71 Rising Sun, Orland. Fred E. Wood, March 2; Albea F. Snowman, October 10; Harry B. Small, November 9.

72 Pioneer, Ashland. Orin S. Coffin, May 19; Luther S. Coffin, September 15; Ira H. Coffin, November 30.

73 Tyrian, Mechanic Falls. Calvin H. Mills, September 17; Elmer Strout, November 18; Samuel H. Hawley, December 26.

74 Bristol, Bristol. George A. Ward, December 23; Fred A. Partridge, February 3; Melville E. Munroe, June 25; George W. Gilbert, November 13.

75 Archon, East Dixmont. John R. Read, June 11.

76 Arundel, Kennebunkport. Lloyd W. Dickinson, January 17; Granville Benson, June 18; George C. Perkins, September 30.

77 Tremont, Southwest Harbor. Bowen F. Marshall, May 22; Schuyler R. Clark, August 22; Clinton F. Hamblen, September 19.

78 Crescent, Pembroke. Thomas A. Spearin, February 28; Ray S. Foster, September 4; Herbert J. McFadden, September 24; Howard E. Johnson, November 14.

70 Rockland, Rockland. Sidney Ben Frost, February 19; Sam J. Sawitt, June 5; Benjamin L. Segal, September 8; Walter S. Tripp, November 1; John A. Stevens,* December 9.

80 Keystone, Solon. Ivan L. Brown, January 25; William H. Soper, December 7.

81 Atlantic, Portland. Charles T. Haseltine, January 14; Herman C. Day, February 2; Julius Horeyseck,* February 19; Harland J. Moses, March 8; Arthur E. Libby, April 10; Henry N. Batchelder, May 2; Josiah G. Larrabee, May 19; William F. Shaw, June 1; Ellis Hamilton,* June 14; Benjamin L. Donnell, July 12; Fred C. McKie, November 14; Joseph T. Cote,* August 17; Alfred R. Compton,* October 29; Roy M. Osborne,* November 3; Frederick L. Sears, November 11.

82 St. Paul's, Rockport. John Mooney, October 30; Guy H. Annis, January 6.

83 St. Andrew's, Bangor. Harry I. Bolton, December 1, 1952; Ralph E. Smith, December 23; Delmar D. Shaw, January 12; Howard R. Houston, February 18; Daniel E. Stevenson, March 18; Melville J. Long, April 24; Edward C. Perkins, April 23; Max D. Getchell, April 23; Fred A. Scribner, September 17; Homer D. Hatch, September 20; Joseph F. Murray, October 13; Charles G. Komninos, October 26; Harry A. Levenseller, November 14; Hayden W. Chase, December 7.

84 Eureka, Tenants Harbor. Perley Trask, November 12.

85 Star in the West, Unity. Cecil M. Packard, February 15; Austin T. Myrick, May 16; E. Sam Farwell, August 26; George R. Ashford, November 25.

86 Temple, Westbrook. Edward A. Cartret, December 18, 1952; Oscar G. K. Robinson, Sr., February 14; Arthur B. Whittier, March 5; Charles W. Munson, March 14; Earle H. Babb, March 15; William E. Spencer, June 14; Louis V. Hamilton, July 5; John I. Segar, April 16.

87 Benevolent, Carmel. Thaxter B. Friend, August 24.

88 Narraguagus, Cherryfield. Adfor Grant, December 11.

89 Island, Islesboro. John MacLeod, July 25; Lloyd R. Pendleton, September 5.

91 Harwood, Machias. Frank L. Cates, September 19; William H. Foss, January 29; Walter A. Kneeland, December 26; Richard H. Philbrook, June 1; Frank D. Self, December 16; Sanford Smith, August 11; Frank S. Ames, February 23.

92 Siloam, Fairfield. Horace G. Parkman, May, 1952; James P. Pollard,* February 7; Edward B. Lord, April 30; D. Lincoln Reed, May 8; Almon B. Boston, June 17; Isaac E. Works,* September 11.

93 Horeb, Lincoln. Lloyd C. Hathaway, December 5; Walter Sibley, November 19; Charles G. Payne, November 21; DeWitt C. Warren, July 28; George Loomis, April 10; Clarence R. Christensen, February 13.

94 Paris, South Paris. E. Raymond Shaw, December 17, 1952; James E. Mason, February 14; Carroll Wilson, February 7; Frank Cobb, March 7; U. Hiram Heald, July 4.

95 Corinthian, Hartland. George S. Williams, May 4; Charles E. Ross,* April 1; Otho L. Linn,* April 16; Archibald D. Linn,* May 13; George W. Goforth,* June 4.

96 Monument, Houlton. Frank Gorham, March 8; William B. Gibson,* March 16; James R. Purdy,* April 18; Charles H. Parsons, April 9; Fred E. Anderson, July 11; Thomas A. Murray, July 22; Percy G. Way, October 16; J. M. Foster, December 1; Harry W. Hallett, December 20; M. Lloyd Stantial, December 20.

97 Bethel, Bethel. Warren M. Bean, June 23; Michael Naimey, February 2; Ray Linnell, February 6; Arthur Richardson, June 4; Frank A. Brown, October 29.

98 Katahdin, Patten. Frank McManus, May 15; Mason Goodrich, June 7.

99 Vernon Valley, Mount Vernon. Fred A. Walker, March 15; Harold R. Jacobs, October 24; William P. Walker, December 21.

100 Jefferson, Bryant Pond. Harry L. Seeley, May; Horatio D. Bryant, October.

101 Nezinscot, Turner. Phillip H. Dean, not reported; Lee A. Libby, not reported; George F. Hickey, Jr., not reported.

102 Marsh River, Brooks. Jesse Littlefield, January 1.

103 Dresden, Dresden Mills. Frank J. Preble, February 5; Frank L. Higgins, December 27.

104 Dirigo, Weeks Mills. Angus L. Young, February 28; Francis H. Jones,* March 3; Ernest H. Wellman,* March 15; Daniel E. Hisler,* June 12.

105 Ashlar, Lewiston. John O. Pierce, February 4; Chester O. Newton, February 21; Arthur W. Lewis, August 5; Richard L. Lindquist, August 16; Delbert S. Woodward, October 26; Oscar D. Rollins, December 3.

106 Tuscan, Addison. Fred G. Kirkpatrick, February 2; Darrell K. Emerson, October 11; Daniel E. Donovan, December 1.

107 Day Spring, West Newfield. Clarence A. Pierce, July 7; Charles J. Burbank, May 7.

109 Mount Kineo, Guilford. Everett M. Fairbrother, November 29.

110 Monmouth, Monmouth. Frank W. Greenleaf, January 4; Archie S. Fairbanks, April 28; John W. Robinson, August 16; Harold D. Sanford,* December 11.

111 Liberty, Liberty. Oscar E. Bachelor, January 16; James F. Burkill, January 17; Edgar E. Tasker, May 17.

112 Eastern Frontier, Fort Fairfield. Donald L. DeMerchant,* January 7; Archie V. Everett,* May 30.

113 Messalonskee, Oakland. William P. Hutchins, February 27; William H. Fisher, October 27.

114 Polar Star, Bath. Edward E. Morse, February 24; J. Edward Drake, March 7; Pernando D. Hutchins, May 10; Frederick H. Altekamp, July 5; Irving C. Trufant, August 17; Hartley J. Lounsberry, September 5.

115 Buxton, West Buxton. Clayton E. Hartford, September 10.

116 Lebanon, Norridgewock. William S. Wise, August 17, Walter E. Taylor, December 24.

117 Greenleaf, Cornish. Walter A. Hutchins, December 11.

118 Drummond, North Parsonfield. Frank M. Mapelsden, February 4; Frank H. Bickford, February 4; Philip Gilpatrick, July 4.

119 Pownal, Stockton Springs. Orison A. Brown, September 24.

121 Acacia, Durham. Oswald A. Wilson, March 4; Oscar W. Davis, March 12.

122 Marine, Deer Isle. Harry W. Bray, March 2; Sylvanus G. Haskell, October 17.

123 Franklin, New Sharon. Charles H. Bailey, September 22; Stephen A. Drysdale, March; Ralph L. Stewart, October 18; A. E. Floyd, December.

124 Olive Branch, Charleston. John M. Whitney, August 2; Leslie W. Fitz, July 4; Maurice C. Gay, December 7.

125 Meridian, Pittsfield. Joseph Shuman, January 15; Charles M. Barbour, January 26; Robie Moore, February.

126 Timothy Chase, Belfast. Frank E. Bramhall, March 25; James E. Colcord, May 12; Robert G. Frye, December 25; Henry B. Ladd, May 15.

127 Presumpscot, North Windham. Ernest A. Cook, February 5; George B. Foster, February 9; George Mains, February 17; Donald O. Nichols, Jr., March 23; Delmar C. Ellinwood, not reported; Amon S. Manchester, not reported; Albert H. Wansky, June 3; Robert C. Whited, June 11; Frederick H. Dole, June 2.

128 Eggemoggin, Sedgwick. Ira O. Cooper,* October 2.

129 Quantabcook, Searsmont. Hiram R. Davis, March 12; Kenneth Small, November 5; Roland M. Fuller, November 27.

130 Trinity, Presque Isle. Wilmot A. Burnett, February 25; Kenneth C. Nichols, June 25; Olin K. Porter, August 16; Harry N. Whitney, January 5.

133 Asylum, Wayne. William H. Snyder, January 9.

135 Riverside, Jefferson. George E. Boynton, July 16; Everett A. Hoffses, July 27; Elmer Jackson, September 14; Joseph E. Odiorne, December 21.

138 Lewy's Island, Princeton. Guy Ripley, April 19; Emery Taylor, April 29; Theodore Holmes, May 23; George Hoar, July 14; Alden Metcalf, July 22; James W. Cole, September 9; George Hazelton, June 30; Herman Smith, November 21.

140 Mount Desert, Mount Desert. Harry E. Gray, February 25; Burton A. Fernald, September 21.

141 Augusta, Augusta. Daniel S. Young, January 1; Fred S. Estabrooks, January 13; Montello Cottle, February 18; Donald Q. Burleigh, April 14; Lester E. McCausland, May 10; Wallace P. Berry, March 31; Scott Hewins, May 28, Arthur W. Hough, July 7.

142 Ocean, Wells. Carl Goodwin, not reported; Archie H. Wormwood, December 23.

143 Preble, Sanford. William H. Ober, March 1; Charles W. Genthner,* July 17.

144 Seaside, Boothbay Harbor. George W. Greenleaf, Sr., March 8; Frank Dunton,* March 26; Harrison A. Hodgdon,* April 3; John W. Dearborn,* May 6; Henry I. Phinney,* August 4; Albert W. Land, August 16; Louis A. Carlisle,* September 14; James R. B. Rogers, December 1; Winthrop Davis, December 21; Edward A. Sprague, December 23.

145 Moses Webster, Vinalhaven. Freeman L. Roberts, September 7; Fernald F. Ames, January 19; Charles L. Low, October 18.

146 Seabastick, Clinton. Charles G. Holt, April 24; Marshall H. Gifford, August 5; Marcellus Cain, September 16; Guy W. Brown, September 25.

147 Evening Star, Buckfield. Harry B. Churchill, October 2; Edward E. Conant, October 11; William B. Nulty, September 5.

148 Forest, Springfield. Lyman G. Kelley,* January 2.

149 Doric, Monson. John A. Randall, April 10; Archie W. Greenleaf, October 12; Earl C. Perkins, December 3.

150 Rabboni, Lewiston. G. M. Robinson, May 28; Linwood S. Barbour, June 17; Jacob H. Berman, October 20; Horace Wade, December 13; James I. Nutall, not reported.

152 Crooked River, Bolster's Mills. Arthur V. Smith, March 26; Harry I. Lowell, March 29; Edwin Davis, not reported.

153 Delta, Lovell. Ernest S. Hatch, March 12; Harry G. Ring, June 26; James S. Plummer, October 16.

154 Mystic Tie, Weld. Ernest M. Damon,* July 9.

155 Ancient York, Lisbon Falls. Charles E. Taylor, June 11; Leon Nemon, October 3.

156 Wilton, Wilton. Adna E. Trask, September 7.

160 Parian, Corinna. Charles W. Redman, November 22.

161 Carrabassett, Canaan. Olin A. Lord,* July 1; Abel P. Gleason,* December 17.

162 Arion, Goodwin Mills. Willis M. Goodwin, February 22; George H. Littlefield, June 4.

163 Pleasant River, Brownville. Maxwell Reilly,* February 4; William H. Long, June 21; Clifford W. Gould,* August 23; George O. Hills,* December 1; Charles H. Stanhope,* December 14; Nathaniel H. Crosby,* December 29.

164 Webster, Sabattus. Charles Fralick, January 5, 1950.

165 Molunkus, Sherman Mills. Madison M. Tracy,* March 10; Benjamin F. Howe, April 10; Maurice G. Day,* August 11; Willard E. Crocker,* December 24; Corey A. Dickinson, October 29; Ivan R. Burnham, November 9.

166 Neguemkeag, Vassalboro. Edward W. Colomy, April 29; Augustus E. Wentworth, August 15; Frank M. Morgan, November 6.

167 Whitney, Canton. Lawrence E. Poland, May 28.

168 Composite, Lagrange. Foster Chamberlain, March 6; Harry Weymouth, not reported; Marsden Clark, not reported.

169 Shepherd's River, Brownfield. Chester A. Linscott, May 4; James J. G. Tarr, December 2.

170 Caribou, Caribou. Varnum S. Henderson, June 8; Newell M. Howard, February 26; Albert T. Parsons, May 3, 1947; Arthur L. Ricker, July 30.

171 Naskeag, Brooklin. George F. Gott, June 11; Fred S. Herrick, June 18; Warren S. Ford, August 31.

172 Pine Tree, Mattawamkeag. Floyd E. Gordon, April 15; Lowell F. Ames, May 28.

173 Pleiades, Milbridge. John E. Strout, April 8; George M. D. Grant, May 28; George A. Harrington, July 7; Roscoe J. Mitchell, September 12; Andrew P. Leighton, November 24.

174 Lynde, Hermon. Albert H. Wing,* November 8.

175 Baskahegan, Danforth. Archie Mitchell, February 27; Charles Mitchell, June 19; Vose L. Armstrong, June 6; Einar R. Nelson, October 13.

177 Rising Star, Penobscot. Theodore G. Perkins, April 19.

178 Ancient Brothers', Auburn. Frank W. Durant, April 25; William A. Butler, May 4; Idell F. Blaisdell,* June 1; Carleton W. Cummings, July 3; Gordon W. Patterson, July 7; Leroy C. Sleeper, June 12; Harvey M. Norton, July 26; Edward Coey, October 16.

179 Yorkshire, North Berwick. Orville A. Goodwin, January 5; Earl J. Thompson, June 9; Fred E. Neal, December 7.

180 Hiram, South Portland. Walter R. Fenley, February 22; Carroll A. Crimmin, February 25; Christian L. Buhlert, March 28; Harry W. Dyer, April 10; Oscar E. Lejonhud, April 20; Gordon H. Atkinson, January 9; Marvel W. Foss, April 23; Charles E. West, May 12; George A. Tibbetts, Jr., May 26; Thomas R. Woodbridge, June 1; Allison K. Currie, June 20; Edwin S. Burt, August 2; Frank J. Rodriguez, September 24; Charles H. Bickford, October 7; Amos B. Hitchcox, October 16; Thomas J. Ellis, October 20; Charles A. Coffin, December 13.

182 Granite, West Paris. Robert E. Shaw,* March 2; Charles F. Hamilton, April 23; Lester H. Penley, July 27; Clarence L. Ridlon, July 31; Abner H. Mann, October 13.

183 Deering, Portland. Henry C. Adams, February 28; J. Alton Emery, February 28, William A. Buffam, March 9; Ernest W. Leavitt, March 23; Frank W. Haskell, March 31; John C. Hyberts, April 14; Alton

I. Copley, April 25; William H. Fagan, Jr., May 7; Herbert C. Richardson, June 1; Arthur B. Sherry, June 3; Curtis J. Birkenmayer, August 24; Guy Calderwood, September 12; William I. Johnson, October 12; Neils A. Bruns, October 20; Frank H. Fiske, November 9; Albert B. Gullifer, November 12; Frank E. Congdon, November 22; Frank A. Farwell, December 1.

184 Naval, Kittery. Arthur L. Keene, January 29; Chester C. Bridges,* February 9; Moses W. Blake,* February 24; Henry S. Knudson,* April 16; Oscar T. Clark,* April 30; Cloyd L. Bowen,* June 6; William J. Hargen,* June 8; Isaac J. Merry,* July 7; Natt L. Morrow, July 11; Charles W. Bedell,* July 15; Walter R. Savage,* August 14; Frederick H. Colburn, September 19; George O. Wilson, Jr., December 4; Melvin A. Blake,* December 9.

185 Bar Harbor, Bar Harbor. Charles C. Morrison, Jr., April 13; Carol T. Higgins, May 3; John E. Ash, September 4; Joseph Kirk, October 4; J. Albert Stevens, October 29; Charles A. Hayward,* November 17.

186 Warren Phillips, Cumberland Mills. Roy N. Shaw, November 20, 1952; Edgar R. Hinkley, January 23; George E. Watson, January 27; Henry S. Cobb, January 31; Harold N. Fisk, May 17; Edgar S. Shaw, June 22; William E. Robbins, June 27; Clifford E. Ward, June 29; John H. Carsley, July 16; Hovey G. Thompson, July 31; Weld N. Woodside, September 18; Percy H. Elwell, October 21; Joseph H. Graham, December 20; Albert H. Chandler, December 20.

187 Ira Berry, Blue Hill. William P. Bisset, May 24.

188 Jonesport, Jonesport. Arthur L. Whiting, July 23; Charles A. Lamson, August 7, John R. Chesterton, December 18.

189 Knox, South Thomaston. Albert Crowley, October 10.

190 Springvale, Springvale. Edward A. Ambrose, February 14; John H. Tracy, May 8; Horace P. Webber, May 11; John W. Wood, May 15; Kenneth H. Glidden, July 10; Marcellus Woodward, August 1.

191 Davis, Strong. Hiram A. Durrell, January 23; Frank E. Phillips, December 8.

192 Winter Harbor, Winter Harbor. William M. Childs, May; Wilson H. Sargent, May 20; Rod D. Stewart, August 2; Harry C. Morrison, June 21.

193 Washburn, Washburn. Ray H. Stratton, May 10; John H. Holts, October.

194 Euclid, Madison. Frederick W. Drake, December 12, 1952; Malcolm Hagopian, May 18; Sidney Fogg, July 18; Harry C. Martin, March 20; Lewien B. Foss, August 28.

195 Reliance, Stonington. D. Jewett Noyes, February 7.

196 Bay View, East Boothbay. Harvey R. Barlow,* January 3; Willie E. Farnham,* February 1; Philip H. Seavey, April 7; Herman O. Poole, May 28.

197 Aroostook, Mars Hill. Augustus M. Stackpole, April 1; Warren E. Bradstreet,* June 14; Fred E. Smith,* October 10; Thomas B. Nickerson, May 6; Charles A. Gallupe, November 30.

198 St. Aspinquid, York Village. Arthur W. Norton, January 4; Frank E. Parsons, April 14; Charles A. Parsons, April 17; Howard G. Lucas, June 12; Gilman L. Moulton, June 30; Willard E. Hutchins, July 1; Samuel H. Jenkins, July 18; Daniel R. Austin, September 23; Lionel T. Ingalls, November 3.

199 Bingham, Bingham. Elmer A. Richardson, February 16; Bernard Hinds,* July 26; Elmer L. Sterling,* December 25.

200 Columbia, Greenville. William Merservey, October 26.

201 David A. Hooper, West Sullivan. George S. Bradbury, July 23.

202 Mount Bigelow, Stratton. Alvah A. Berry, January 14.

204 Mount Abram, Kingfield. John E. Cartland, February 17; L. V. Gordon, February 27; Frank A. Bailey, June 16.

205 Nolleseme, Millinocket. Albion A. Hathaway,* January 9; Frank O. Pray, March 20; Clarence L. Raynes, April 23; Howard W. Chase,* May 12; Gerald T. Howard, October 22.

206 Island Falls, Island Falls. Roy S. Brissley,* April 1; Kemp S. McLaughlin,* June 22; Herbert J. Tarbell,* July 17; Guy E. Crosby, December 15.

207 Abner Wade, Sangerville. Andrew Baillie, February 19; Eugene E. Mitchell,* July 18; Erroll C. Drake, September 3; Louis A. Perkins, December 19.

208 Northeast Harbor, Northeast Harbor. Elmer E. Reed, March 10; Thomas B. Ralph, May 14; Mark H. Reed, July 9; Elvin H. Reed, October 25; Ingvald G. Kvam, November 25; Thomas A. McIntire, January 2, 1954.

209 Fort Kent, Fort Kent. Walter L. Stadig,* May 4; Neal W. Gerrish, May 21.

210 Bagaduce, North Brooksville. Alden Blodgett, January 26; James W. Roper, August 21.

212 McKinley, McKinley. Henry S. Mitchell, August 25.

213 Kemankeag, Rangeley. Harry V. Kimball, November 30.

214 Limestone, Limestone. Lyman F. Getchell, July 5.

215 Orchard, Old Orchard. C. Charles Bicknell,* February 3; Wilbur G. Rumery, May 6; Ralph L. Buckley, May 16.

216 Corner Stone, Portland. Norman D. Kearney, January 11; Harlan Leighton, January 24; George A. Wright, January 11; George L. Wight, April 9; Soren Baade, April 9; Thomas L. Hayes, July 1; John T. Archambeau, August 5; Frank W. Jones, August 7; Donald G. Renell, September 22; Emanuel J. Arsenaault, October 19; Elmer C. Hunter, October 31.

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Cuba, March 24, 1952, Delaware, Oct. 8, 1953,	Carlos M. Pineiro. Francis W. Hukill, Middletown.
Denmark, July 21, 1953, Dist. of Columbia, Dec. 16, 1953,	Frode Rydgaard. Frederic B. Blackburn, Masonic Temple.
England, June, 1953, Florida, April 21, 1953, France, Georgia, Oct. 27, 1953, Idaho, Sept. 15, 1953, Illinois, Oct. 13, 1953, Indiana, May 19, 1953, Iowa, June 9, 1953, Ireland, Dec., 1953,	Earl of Scarborough. James L. Mixson, Miami. Pierre Cheret. Marshall A. Chapman, Dublin. Angus Y. Bethune, Kellogg. Carróll T. Hughes. Newell A. Lamb, Kentland. Charles B. Hayes, Des Moines. Raymond F. Brooke, Kildare St. Club, Dublin.
Kansas, Feb. 11, 1953, Kentucky, Oct. 20, 1953, Louisiana, Feb. 8, 1954, Maine, May 4, 1954, Manitoba, June 3, 1953, Maryland, Nov. 17, 1953, Massachusetts, Dec. 14, 1953, Mexico (York G. L.), Apr. 2, 1953,	Bruce Newton, Wichita. C. Frye Haley, Lebanon Junction. Alex L. Stephens. Paul L. Powers, Freeport. Harry H. Gray, St. Vital. John D. Hoshelhorn, Baltimore. Whitfield W. Johnson, Boston. Virgil E. Metcalfe, Oakdale.
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Minnesota, Mar. 19, 1953, Mississippi, Feb. 12, 1952, Missouri, Sept. 29, 1953, Montana, Aug. 18, 1953,	Hermann T. Olsen. Watt Canter, Vardaman. James McBrayer Sellers, Lexington. J. Edward Patterson, Edgar.
Nebraska, June 9, 1953, Nevada, June 11, 1953,	Fay Smith, Imerial. Carl O. Gelmstedt, Yarrington.
New Brunswick, Aug. 27, 1953, New Hampshire, May 20, 1953, New Jersey, Apr. 22, 1953, New Mexico, Mar. 16, 1953, N. South Wales, June, 1953, New York, May 7, 1953, New Zealand, Nov. 26, 1952,	Ralph T. Pearson, Sussex. Walter E. Dunlap, Concord. John C. Barbour, Clifton. Rhea M. De Oliviera, Tucumcari. Sir John Northcott. Ward B. Arbury. John C. Barclay.
Newfoundland, May 3, 1951, Norway, June 29, 1945,	George R. Williams. Jacob Hvinden Haug.
North Carolina, April 21, 1953, North Dakota, June 15, 1953, Nova Scotia, June 14, 1953, Ohio, Oct. 16, 1953, Oklahoma, Feb. 10, 1953, Oregon, June 10, 1953,	Edwin T. Howard, High Point. John A. Graham, Bismark. Dr. Perry S. Cochrane. John L. Guss, Defiance. Murray L. Cophock, Cherokee. Thomas E. Lampkin, No. Powder.
Panama, April 8, 1953, Pennsylvania, Dec. 27, 1952, Peru, July 24, 1953, Philippine Island, Apr. 28, 1953, Porto Rico, April 24, 1953, P. E. Island, June 24, 1953, Quebec, Oct. 14, 1953,	Socrates Rois Merdez. Albert T. Eyler. Gilberto Morey Sotomayor. Mauro Baradi. Jose G. Bloise. Douglas D. MacLaren. C. L. Roman, Valleyfield.
Queensland, June 3, 1953, Rhode Island, May 18, 1953, Saskatchewan, June 17, 1953, Scotland, Feb. 6, 1953, South Australia, April 22, 1953, South Carolina, April 23, 1953, South Dakota, June 9, 1953, Sweden, April 1, 1953,	Benjamin Henry Matthews. Kenneth Craik, Providence. R. L. Hanbidge, Kerrobert. Malcolm Barclay-Harvey. Geoffrey Reed. John I. Smith, Greenville. Arthur E. Munck, Pierre. H. N. the King. Gustaf IV Adolf.

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Utah, Jan. 27, 1953,	Ferdinand Erickson, Richfield.
Vermont, June 10, 1953,	D. Burleigh Smalley, Jr., Johnson.
Victoria, Dec. 17, 1952,	Dallas Brooks.
Virginia, Feb. 10, 1953,	Orvin M. Miles, Roanoke.
Washington, June 16, 1953,	Fred Winkels, Spokane.
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West Australia, May, 1952,	James C. Battye.
Wisconsin, June 9, 1953,	Robert H. Gollmar, Baraboo.
Wyoming, Aug. 24, 1953,	Homer E. Zorn, Greybull.
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RECAPITULATION — 1954

Lodges, enrolled	217
" extinct	10
" working	207
" represented at Communication, 1954	192
Number of Representatives	284
Lodges to make returns	207
Making returns in time	193
Raised	1,577
Affiliated	128
Re-instated	114
Total increase	— 1,819
Demitted	141
Died	803
Suspended, U. M. C.	0
Expelled	0
Suspended, N. P. D.	256
Total loss	— 1,200
Net gain	619
Membership, March 1, 1953	46,335
Membership, March 1, 1954	46,954
Grand Lodge Receipts	\$ 30,379.90
Grand Lodge Disbursements	\$ 36,927.86
Amount of Charity Fund	\$428,024.03

GRAND LODGE BANQUET

The Seventeenth Grand Lodge Banquet was held at the Eastland Hotel on Monday, May 3, 1954. Most Worshipful Grand Master ELA presiding. He presented the following guests:

R. E. ALEXANDER A. LAFLEUR, Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Maine.

M. E. AUBREY L. BURBANK, Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Maine.

M. Ill. CHARLES M. DURLAND, Grand Master of the Grand Council of Maine.

Ill. FRANK C. ALLEN, 33°, Deputy for Maine.

M. W. WHITFIELD W. JOHNSON, Grand Master, and R. W. LAURENCE O. EATON, Grand Marshal of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts.

R. W. JOSEPH H. GICK, Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of New Jersey.

M. W. JOHN H. SMITH, Grand Master, and R. W. CONRAD HAHN, Junior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge of Connecticut.

M. W. KENNETH H. CRAIK, M. W. Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Rhode Island.

M. W. WALTER E. DUNLAP, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of New Hampshire.

He then presented M. W. WHITFIELD W. JOHNSON, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, who delivered an able and instructive address.

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RULES FOR MASONIC DATES.

ANCIENT CRAFT MASONS —

Add 4000 years to the Common Era. Thus: 1954 and 4000 — 5954.

SCOTTISH RITE —

Add 3760 to the Common Era. Thus: 1954 and 3760—5716,
After September add another year.

ROYAL ARCH —

Add 530 years to the Vulgar Era. Thus: 1954 and 530—
2484.

ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS —

Add 1000 to the Common Era. Thus: 1954 and 1000—2954.

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR —

From the Christian Era take 1118. Thus: 1118 from 1954
— 836.

ORDER OF HIGH PRIESTHOOD —

To the Christian Era add 1913, the Year of the Blessing.
Thus: 1954 and 1913 — 3867.

MASONIC CALENDAR.

ANCIENT CRAFT MASONS commence their era with the creation of the world, calling it ANNO LUCIS [A.L.], "in the year of light."

SCOTTISH RITE, same as Ancient Craft, except the Jewish chronology is used, ANNO MUNDI [A.M.], "in the year of the world."

ROYAL ARCH MASONS date from the year the second temple was commenced by Zerubbabel, ANNO INVENTIONIS [A.I.], "in the year of the discovery."

ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS date from the year in which the temple of Solomon was completed, ANNO DEPOSITIONIS [A.Dep.], "in the year of the deposit."

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR commence their era with the organization of their Order, ANNO ORDINIS [A.O.], "in the year of the Order."

ORDER OF HIGH PRIESTHOOD dates from the year of the blessing of Abraham by the High Priest Melchisedec; ANNO BENEFACIO [A.B.], "in the year of the blessing."

APPENDIX



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Report of Correspondence 1954

*To the Most Worshipful, the Grand Lodge of Maine, Ancient Free and Accepted
Masons:*

We submit herewith our ninth Annual Report on Foreign Correspondence.

FOREWORD.

The Masonic Fraternity is one of the most widespread of human institutions. Its lodges are to be found on every Continent and on the islands of every Ocean. Yet, as is well known, this world-wide institution has no common head. The regular lodges in every autonomous State are, of right, entitled to form a Grand Lodge of their own, and, when formed, such a Grand Lodge is, within the limits of its own proper jurisdiction, absolutely sovereign over all things Masonic. These independent and sovereign Grand Lodges are bound together only by their common allegiance to the Ancient Landmarks of the Craft, by their common descent from the original Grand Lodges of the British Isles, and by the fraternal ties which have been voluntarily and mutually established between them.

If all so-called Masonic bodies were, in fact, descended from the British Grand Lodges, and if all such bodies did, in fact, bear true faith and allegiance to the Ancient Landmarks of the Craft, there would be little need for anything in the nature of a Masonic foreign policy, for recognition would be at once automatic and universal.

Unfortunately, however, such is not the case. There are many bodies in the world today which are not descended from the British Grand Lodges but which derive their origin from European Grand Orients or from Supreme Councils of the Scottish Rite; and it is no secret that certain of these bodies are something less than loyal to the Ancient Landmarks of the Craft.

Both in Europe and in Latin America, we still find bodies which have openly repudiated either or both of those fundamental Landmarks which require a positive and unequivocal belief in Almighty God, the Author, Creator and Ruler of the Universe, and which call for the presence of the

Holy Bible upon the altar. Needless to say, such bodies have ceased to be Masonic. Nevertheless, Grand Lodges of Scottish Rite descent and Latin speech have, with few exceptions, remained in amity with these disloyal bodies, condoning their offense, and sympathizing with that rationalistic philosophy which makes such an offense possible. Certain of these bodies have themselves adopted interpretations of these Ancient Landmarks which are little better than outright repudiation.

These gross irregularities, together with the highly unsatisfactory conditions now existing in many Jurisdictions, make it necessary that each regular Grand Lodge adopt a definite policy for the regulation of its foreign fraternal relationships.

Recognizing this need, most of our American Grand Lodges have adopted official "standards of recognition," which, while differing in minor details, are remarkably uniform in prescribing the essential qualifications necessary for recognition. Unfortunately, there is little uniformity in the practical application of these uniform standards. Some of our American Grand Lodges, animated by a desire to demonstrate the universality of Freemasonry, have adopted a most liberal interpretation of their own requirements, and are apparently willing to recognize almost anything which calls itself Masonic and which solicits recognition at their hands. Other Grand Lodges are consistently conservative, while still others, probably constituting a majority of the whole, are apparently without a truly settled policy, being conservative at one time and liberal at another, and frequently reversing their own decisions. As each Grand Lodge is a law unto itself on this question, this diversity of action is only natural, and we do not see how anything else can be expected.

Since World War II, there has been a marked increase in the number of applications for recognition received in this Country. At the same time, there has been a general trend towards a more liberal attitude in dealing with these requests. A natural sympathy for bodies which have suffered persecution in the past, an increased interest in international affairs, a belief that Masonic action might assist American diplomacy, a desire to extend the "good neighbor policy" to things Masonic, a belief that Masonic unity might further the cause of World Peace, and an utterly unwarranted hope that bodies of doubtful regularity might be reformed by a closer association with regular Grand Lodges, all contributed to this liberal trend.

The result has been far from happy, and there are signs that a conservative reaction is already setting in. In the meantime, much damage has been done, many mistakes have been made, unworthy bodies have been recognized, and many of our sister Grand Lodges have found themselves in highly embarrassing positions.

We do not mention these things in any spirit of unfraternal criticism, but merely to point out the good fortune of our own Grand Lodge in having a traditional foreign policy which has saved it from any such embarrassment.

Under this policy, the Grand Lodge of Maine has always been ready to recognize bodies of unquestioned regularity, but it has been equally ready to denounce any deviation from the Ancient Landmarks of the Craft. It has consistently refused to make the slightest compromise in regard to fundamental Masonic principles. In all doubtful cases, it has followed a policy of caution, refusing to take any action, one way or another, until *all* the evidence is in, and until the status of the doubtful body has been fully and finally established. It does not allow itself to be stampeded into any hasty or premature action, which might later be an occasion for embarrassment or regret. It takes no chances, but requires that all applicants demonstrate their fitness for recognition by living under the tongue of good report for an adequate period of years. Incidentally, it does not admit that any body can be considered as living under the tongue of good report while it knowingly remains in amity with unmasonic bodies, or while its own interpretation of the Landmarks is in any way evasive or equivocal. By its adherence to these principles, the Grand Lodge of Maine has won an international reputation for a sound and conservative policy.

Despite its conservatism, the Grand Lodge of Maine is already in fraternal relationship with Grand Lodges whose combined membership comprises more than ninety-eight per cent of all the Masons in the world. The recognition or non-recognition of the remaining two per cent is, in our opinion, of little consequence compared with the preservation of fundamental Masonic principles.

For the Committee:

RALPH J. POLLARD, P. G. M.,

Chairman

SPECIAL REPORTS.

(a) ISRAEL.

After two years of careful planning, the five Scottish lodges in Israel have organized an independent and sovereign Grand Lodge for that State. In this venture, these lodges had the full approval and authority of their Mother Grand Lodge. The Constitution of the new Grand Lodge was submitted to the Grand Lodge of Scotland for its approval, and the new Grand Lodge is pledged to follow the "Aims and Relationships of the Craft" as set forth by that venerable body.

The ceremony of erection and consecration was held in the Y. M. C. A. building in Jerusalem on October 20, 1953. A Special Communication of the Grand Lodge of Scotland was opened by the Rt. Hon. the Earl of Elgin and Kincardine, K. T., Past Grand Master. Many distinguished visitors were welcomed, including the Grand Master of the Netherlands. The five Israeli lodges then surrendered their Scottish charters, which

were received by Lord Elgin. The Grand Lodge of the State of Israel was then solemnly consecrated, after which the Grand Lodge of Scotland was closed.

Lord Elgin then opened the Grand Lodge of the State of Israel, and installed Bro. Shabetai Levi, C. B. E., as its first Grand Master. The Constitution of the new Grand Lodge was then formally adopted, and charters were issued to the five founder lodges.

The impending establishment of this new Grand Lodge, under the powerful sponsorship of the great Grand Lodge of Scotland, placed in a highly embarrassing position those American Grand Lodges which had already recognized the irregular Grand Lodge then existing in Israel. Fortunately, this embarrassment was of short duration. When it became certain that the new Grand Lodge was to be formed, the leaders of the irregular body approached the organizing committee of the Scottish lodges with a request for unification. These overtures were reported to the Grand Lodge of Scotland, which answered that it had no objections to unification, provided that all groups of Masons coming under the new Grand Lodge take an obligation to abide by the Ancient Landmarks of the Order and to support the Constitution of the new Grand Lodge. On this basis, negotiations were successfully completed.

Accordingly, one of the first acts of the new Grand Lodge was to authorize the issue of charters to the several lodges formerly under the irregular Grand Lodge. The Masters of these lodges then entered the hall, took the required obligation of loyalty to the Landmarks and Constitution, and received their new charters under the Grand Lodge of the State of Israel.

The Grand Lodge of Scotland recommends this daughter Grand Lodge to the favorable consideration of the Masonic world.

(b) FRANCE.

The Grand Lodge of France (a Scottish Rite body which is not to be confused with either the National Grand Lodge or the Grand Orient) advises us that it now requires the use of the Holy Bible by its subordinates. In the past, it has permitted each lodge to decide this question for itself. Having returned to technical regularity, this body now seeks recognition by regular Grand Lodges.

The Grand Lodge of Maine, like most regular Masonic powers, recognizes the National Grand Lodge of France as Masonically sovereign in that Country, with exclusive territorial jurisdiction over France and the French Colonies. This being so, we cannot consider the recognition of any other Masonic body in France.

In any case, we would be very slow in recommending the recognition of any body whose past conduct has brought the good name of Freemasonry into disrepute. No body which has disregarded the Ancient Landmarks for years can expect, by a mere technical return to regularity, to win im-

mediate acceptance into the fellowship of legitimate Freemasonry. It must, in our opinion, prove the sincerity of its repentance by living under the tongue of good report for an adequate period of years.

(c) **GERMANY.**

Masonic conditions in Germany are still confused. In the Berlin area, a schism has taken place. A new Grand Lodge, calling itself the Grand Lodge of Berlin, and also claiming jurisdiction, as a Grand Lodge in exile, over all East Germany, has been formed as a rival to the existing United Grand Lodge of Berlin, a union between the Grand Lodge Zu den Alten Pflichten and the Grand Lodge Royal York of Friendship. The new Grand Lodge claims to represent elements of German Masonry which survived the Hitler regime by going into exile in Palestine. The Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of Germany supports the United Grand Lodge of Berlin and regards the new Grand Lodge as being the work of "misguided and ambitious brethren." We await with interest a report on this situation by the Rhode Island lodge in Berlin.

In West Germany, the United Grand Lodge of Germany continues to strengthen and solidify its position, despite the existence of at least two rival bodies. This Grand Lodge now has 213 lodges, with 10,500 members, and is recognized by a majority of our American Grand Lodges. As reported last year, this Grand Lodge has severed relations with all improper bodies and is now free from unmasonic entanglements.

By invitation, a delegation from the United Grand Lodge of Germany conferred with the Board of General Purposes of the United Grand Lodge of England. To date, neither party to this conference has issued a report thereon. However, the Conference of British Grand Lodges, which met at Edinburgh on September 18, 1953, was "of the opinion that there appears to be no reason why the United Grand Lodge of Germany should not be recognized." Definite action was deferred, however, pending further correspondence with the Scandinavian Grand Lodges. This correspondence was made necessary by the action of the Grand Lodge of Sweden, which has extended a qualified recognition to one of the rival German bodies, "Die Grosse Landesloge der Freimaurer von Deutschland." This body, working in the Swedish Rite, has lodges both in Berlin and in West Germany.

As a matter of general principle, we feel that it is still the part of wisdom for us to wait for definite action by the United Grand Lodge of England.

(d) **MEXICO.**

After several years of relative tranquility, Masonic conditions in Mexico have again taken a turn for the worse. It has become increasingly apparent that the Confederation of Mexican Grand Lodges is, in reality, a Supreme Grand Lodge, which exercises control over both the internal and the external affairs of its constituent Grand Lodges. This raises serious

doubts as to the independence and sovereignty of these bodies, and, even if they were otherwise qualified, precludes their recognition under our Maine standards.

The attitude of this Confederation and some of its members towards the M. W. York Grand Lodge of Mexico has caused the most serious concern to the many Grand Lodges which enjoy relations with that worthy body. Since 1945 the York Grand Lodge has had intervisitation agreements with a few of the most respectable among the native bodies. On May 22, 1953, the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico, the largest and most powerful of these Scottish Rite organizations, summarily cancelled its agreement with the York Grand Lodge, basing this arbitrary action upon the stipulations of Article V of the Interpotential Treaty which governs the Confederation of Mexican Grand Lodges.

The history of Scottish Rite Masonry in Mexico has been a sorry record of recurrent irregularity, of improper political activity, and of bitter internal dissension. Against this background, the York Grand Lodge has, for many years, been the only stable and consistently regular factor in the Masonic life of our sister Republic to the south. It has been meticulously correct in its relationship with its Scottish Rite neighbors, recruiting its membership only from English speaking residents in Mexico, claiming jurisdiction only over its own lodges and their members, and carefully avoiding any competition or rivalry with the native bodies. When it appeared that some of these bodies were once more stable and regular, the York Grand Lodge was prompt in extending the right hand of fellowship by the negotiation of intervisitation agreements. This door has now been closed.

The York Grand Lodge is recognized by every Grand Lodge in the United States. It is the *only* Mexican body recognized by the United Grand Lodge of England or by the M. W. Grand Lodge of Maine. Under present conditions, it is very likely to retain this unique position.

(e) **PHILIPPINES.**

An application for recognition has been received from one of the several clandestine groups which infest the Philippines. This body, calling itself the Grand Lodge of the Philippine Republic, under the auspices of the Supreme Council of the 33rd Degree, Orient of the Philippines, Inc., also describes itself as being of the Philippine Family of Universal Masonry, and claims to be recognized by the Grand Lodge Unida Mexicana, the Grand Lodge of Chile, and the Grand Lodge of Paraguay, all members of the Inter-American Masonic Confederation!

Of course, the Grand Lodge of Maine is in happy fraternal relationship with the M. W. Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands, and can have no dealings with this spurious organization.

(f) CONCERNING MAINE.

(1). One of the most interesting Masonic publications of the past year was a book entitled "*Wellsprings of American Freemasonry*," written by Bro. H. L. Haywood and published by the Masonic Service Association. In this book, Bro. Haywood skillfully traces the origin and descent of each American Grand Lodge, mentions the outstanding events and personalities in its history, and points out its peculiar and distinguishing characteristics.

Under Maine, Bro. Haywood pays tribute to M. W. Simon Greenleaf, the architect and founder of our Grand Lodge, and to M. W. Josiah H. Drummond, the ablest Foreign Correspondent of all time and the greatest of all authorities in the field of Masonic jurisprudence. Of the Grand Lodge of Maine itself, Bro. Haywood writes: "From 1820 until the present, the Grand Jurisdiction has become the synonym for a Masonry that is conservative, steady, sure, safe, sound."

We thank Bro. Haywood for his courtesy, and only hope and pray that our Grand Lodge may continue to merit his description.

(2). The November, 1953, number of the Iowa Grand Lodge Bulletin contains a most interesting article dealing with the life and work of M. W. Simon Greenleaf, the second Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Maine. It pays high tribute to his classic Masonic publication, "*A Brief Inquiry into the Origin and Principles of Free Masonry*," which was published in 1820, the year in which our Grand Lodge was founded. Two copies of this long-forgotten Masonic classic are to be found in the Grand Lodge Library of Iowa.

(3). In the December number of the same valuable Bulletin, appears a most interesting table of statistics, originally compiled by the Texas Grand Lodge Magazine, and dealing with the ratio of Masonic membership to the general population. In the United States as a whole, 2.53 per cent of the total population are members of the Craft. In Maine, which leads the entire country in this respect, the percentage of Masons in proportion to the total population is 5.07. Kansas is second and Vermont third. Maine also leads in the number of Masons in proportion to the male population over twenty-one years of age, the percentage being 16.3. Vermont is second and Kansas third.

ALABAMA, 1952.

The One Hundred Thirty-second Annual Communication.

Lodges, 426. Members, 66,356. Gain, 2,100.

M. W. Bro. W. Lipsey Legg, presided over the Annual Communication, held in Montgomery on November 18-19, 1952. Maine's Representative, Bro. Hoyt A. Ayres, was in attendance, as were fraternal visitors from Tennessee, Mississippi, Georgia, Connecticut and Louisiana. The usual visit from the Grand Chapter, O. E. S., was received.

The Grand Master attended the Grand Masters' Conference and visited the sister Jurisdictions of Louisiana and Vermont. He issued a general letter soliciting contributions to the Masonic Home, Endowment Fund. Four lodges were constituted, dispensations for two new lodges were issued, one new hall was dedicated, and seven cornerstones were laid. One consolidation was effected.

In Alabama, lodges which fail to be represented in Grand Lodge for two consecutive years forfeit their charters. The Grand Master issued dispensations authorizing eighteen lodges in this category to continue work. He also authorized the acceptance of thirty-six maimed candidates.

Without question, the Grand Lodge accepted the California expulsion of an Alabama Mason who had, while resident in California, violated the Masonic laws of that Jurisdiction. This is the only Masonic way to deal with this recurrent problem.

The Alabama Masonic Home has 109 guests. A special committee of agricultural experts gives free advice regarding the management of the Home farm.

An attempt to limit the life of a dimit to six months was, on recommendation of the Jurisprudence Committee, defeated.

The National Grand Lodge of France was recognized.

Bro. Joseph S. Southall was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Charles H. Stubinger was re-elected.

There is no Correspondence Report.

ALBERTA, 1953.

The Forty-eighth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 160. Members, 16,535. Gain, 398.

The Annual Communication was held in Calgary on June 11-12, 1953. M. W. Bro. Harry E. Howard presided, and welcomed distinguished visitors from British Columbia, North Dakota, Manitoba and Saskatchewan. A civic welcome was extended by the Mayor, and the traditional Flag Ceremony was conducted by brethren of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police. Maine's Representative was absent.

A loyal message was forwarded to Her Majesty the Queen on the occasion of her Coronation.

The Grand Master said: "I am convinced that generally the condition of Freemasonry in this Jurisdiction is strong and virile, and we should thank the Most High for this blessing." He attended the All-Canadian, Washington, and Banff Conferences, and visited the sister Jurisdictions of Saskatchewan, Montana and Manitoba. His local visitations included attendance at eighteen district meetings. Two lodges were constituted and two new lodges were instituted.

The Grand Lodge contributed \$1,000 to flood relief in England, and an additional \$1,000 to flood relief in the Netherlands.

At this communication, a pension plan for Grand Lodge employees was adopted. An attempt to change the date of the annual communication was defeated.

Fraternal recognition was extended to the Grand Lodges of Argentina and Panama.

The speaker at the Grand Lodge banquet was M. W. Bro. the Rt. Rev. George R. Calvert, Lord Bishop of Calgary and a Past Grand Master in Manitoba.

The Report of the Committee on Fraternal Correspondence was presented by its Chairman, M. W. Bro. William Ireland. Forty-nine volumes of Proceedings are reviewed by the several members of the Committee, our Maine review for 1952 coming from the pen of Wor. Bro. Charles P. Blacklee. Our doings are well covered, and extensive quotations are made from Grand Master Lander's address. Our own report is mentioned, and courteous reference is made to our address on "Masonry Around the World."

Bro. William H. Jackson was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary George Moore was re-elected.

ARIZONA, 1953.

The Seventy-first Annual Communication.

Lodges, 42. Members, 9,400. Gain, 356.

M. W. Seymoure C. Pierce presided over the 1953 Communication, which was held in Prescott on April 27-28. Maine's veteran Representative, the Rev. J. Rockwood Jenkins, was in attendance, as were distinguished guests from California, Nevada, Washington and Wyoming.

Throughout the Jurisdiction, the Grand Master found a healthy condition as to finances and membership. He was active in local visitation, attended Grand Lodge communications in California, New Mexico and Louisiana, and represented his Grand Lodge at the Grand Masters' Conference. He issued dispensations for two new lodges, and conducted Masonic funeral services for Past Grand Master Marquis L. Gibbons.

Bro. Pierce ruled that an Arizona lodge could not waive jurisdiction in favor of a lodge in Nevada. Although a strong supporter of DeMolay, he was obliged to rule that lodge funds could not, under Arizona law, be

used for the benefit of that organization. Later in the session, the regulation imposing this restriction was repealed.

An attempt to involve the Grand Lodge in a Masonic and Eastern Star Home project was defeated.

The Grand Lodge of Israel and the United Grand Lodge of Germany were recognized.

Bro. Franklyn E. Brown was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Joseph A. E. Ivey was re-elected.

There is no Correspondence Report.

ARKANSAS, 1952.

The One Hundred Eleventh Annual Communication.

Lodges, 385. Members, 54,844. Gain, 1,637.

The Albert Pike Memorial Temple in Little Rock was the scene of the Annual Communication, held on November 18-19, 1952. The Grand Master, Dr. Wesley J. Ketz, was in the Chair. Our Maine Representative, Dr. Gilbert L. Kimball, was in attendance, as were distinguished visitors from the Grand Lodge of Missouri.

Bro. Ketz made sixty-two visitations in his own State, attended the annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Texas, and represented his Grand Lodge at the Washington Conferences. Two new lodges were constituted, two cornerstones were laid, four new halls were dedicated, and Masonic funeral services for Past Grand Master Luther Wood were conducted. The bi-centennial of George Washington's initiation was observed.

The Grand Master was obliged to suspend the charters of two lodges, one of which had indulged in irregular balloting, while the other had failed to discipline some of its unworthy members.

A Shrine Club held a horse show on Sunday, in violation of Grand Lodge regulations. The officers of the parent Temple co-operated with the Grand Master in disciplinary action.

At this communication, the Jurisdiction was divided into twenty-five districts, with a D. D. G. M. in charge of each. The appointment of a Committee on Masonic Education was authorized, and the observance of Public Schools Week was arranged for. The Grand Lodge refused to change its liquor laws or to support the sub-committee of the Grand Masters' Conference collecting information in regard to foreign bodies.

The Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence was presented by its Chairman, R. W. Bro. Francis J. Scully. Masonic conditions throughout the world are quite fully discussed. On the whole, Bro. Scully's viewpoint is conservative. The danger of hasty action, with possible embarrassment in the future, is pointed out. Only the United Grand Lodge of Germany was recommended for recognition. There are no jurisdictional reviews.

Bro. Roy C. Bolling was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary W. A. Thomas was re-elected.

BRITISH COLUMBIA, 1953.

The Eighty-second Annual Communication.

Lodges, 135. Members, 21,376. Gain, 928.

The Annual Communication was held in Penticton on June 18-19, 1953, with the M. W. Grand Master, Bro. Laurence Healey, on the Throne. A civic welcome was extended by the Mayor, Wor. Bro. W. A. Rathbun. The Communication was honored by the presence of distinguished visitors from Scotland, Alberta and Idaho.

A loyal address was forwarded to Her Majesty the Queen on her Coronation Day.

The Grand Master reported a year of outstanding activity and service. He traveled 45,000 miles on Masonic business, visited every lodge in the Jurisdiction, made numerous calls on sick and shut-in brethren, attended Grand Lodge Communications in Washington and Oregon, and also visited several Washington lodges. The Deputy Grand Master represented him at the Banff and Montreal Conferences. Two lodges were constituted, and six new lodges were instituted. One of these new lodges appropriately named "Northern Lights Lodge," is located at Mayo, Yukon Territory, far up under the Arctic Circle.

A reception was tendered to the Grand Master, at which His Honour, Bro. Clarence Wallace, Lieutenant Governor of British Columbia, presented him, on behalf of the Canadian Red Cross, with an award for more than twenty donations of blood at the Vancouver Clinic.

The Grand Master issued an exceptionally good letter of instructions to his District Deputies. The reports of these officers show the Craft to be in excellent condition.

No recommendations for recognition were made at this communication.

Because of illness, R. W. Bro. J. Russell Oliver, Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, was unable to be present. His Report was presented by Wor. Bro. R. W. Ashworth.

With interest, we note that talks of an educational nature were given during the year by the members of this Committee.

We quote from Bro. Oliver's report: "Some Jurisdictions make very short recommendations—practically yes or no—and like many others this reviewer has been looking for more itemized reasons, and this year has found the best arguments for and against recognition in the 1952 Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Maine, presented by M. W. Bro. Ralph J. Pollard; and those interested are urged to peruse the copy on file in the office of the Grand Secretary."

Sixty-three volumes of Proceedings are reviewed by the Committee, with Bro. Oliver himself attending to Maine. Grand Master Lander is twice quoted, our recognition of Iceland is noted, and quotation is made from our own Foreword. We thank Bro. Oliver for another fine review.

As its concluding item of business, the Grand Lodge constituted and consecrated the new lodge at Penticton.

Bro. William A. Curran was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary J. H. N. Morgan was re-elected.

CALIFORNIA, 1952.

The One Hundred Third Annual Communication.

Lodges, 613. Members, 207,832. Gain, 5,332.

The Annual Communication was held in San Francisco on October 13-17, 1952. The Grand Master, Mr. Justice Louis C. Drapeau, of the California Court of Appeals, was in the Chair. A fraternal welcome was extended to visiting dignitaries from Arizona, Oregon, Washington, Montana, South Dakota and the Philippine Islands. His Excellency, M. W. Bro. Earl Warren, Governor of California, was in attendance.

The Grand Master reported the details of a pleasant and busy year. He traveled 47,000 miles on Masonic business. He made the customary visit to Hawaii, during which he laid wreaths on the graves of two Hawaiian kings who had been members of the Order. He attended the Grand Masters' Conference, visited the sister Grand Lodges of Oregon and Nevada, and participated in nine lodge centennials. Four lodges were constituted, eight new lodges were instituted, four cornerstones were laid, and eleven new Temples were dedicated. It is interesting to note that all of these new Temples are one-story buildings. Like so many others, the Grand Master was obliged to denounce the chain letter nuisance.

Because the lodges in Hawaii were being swamped by the tremendous demand for courtesy work, the Grand Master ruled that courtesy work by these lodges be discontinued.

The troublesome case of the California Mason expelled by Nebraska for selling liquor (see 1952 Report) has at last been settled, the offender also being expelled in California. This decision is in keeping with the established principle of Masonic law which requires a sojourning Mason to abide by the laws of the Jurisdiction in which he resides. Any other decision would endanger that comity between Grand Lodges which so happily exists in this Country.

Once again, the Grand Lodge refused to authorize the establishment of Spanish-speaking lodges.

Here is a new one! Both the National Grand Lodge of France and the clandestine Grand Lodge of France were recognized! How can this be? The Grand Lodge of Argentina, the United Grand Lodge of Germany, the Grand Orient of the State of Rio de Janeiro, the Grand Lodge of Israel, and the Grand Orient of Italy were also recognized.

The Grand Lecturer noted that certain degree teams are introducing innovations into the authorized work. He warned all Masters that they are responsible for all work done in their lodges, whether by their own members or by visiting degree teams.

The salary of the Grand Secretary was increased to \$16,800, and that of the Assistant Grand Secretary to \$9,000.

The usual excellent topical report was presented by the Committee on Correspondence, of which Bro. Newcomb Condee is Chairman. Our Maine method of dispensing charity is noted, and our own Special Report on "Anti-Masonic Activities" is quoted in full.

An interesting table of statistics is appended to this report, showing the number of Masons in proportion to population in each of the several States. Maine and Vermont head the list, with no less than 98 Masons for each 1,000 males. The national average is 50. Utah has the fewest, with only 18 Masons per 1,000 males.

Bro. Arthur M. Warren was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Lloyd E. Wilson was re-elected.

CALIFORNIA, 1953.

The One Hundred Fourth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 624. Members, 213,639. Gain, 5,807.

The Grand Lodge met in San Francisco on October 12-16, 1953, with M. W. Bro. Arthur M. Warren in the Chair. Distinguished guests from Virginia, Oregon, Washington, Colorado, Nevada, Idaho, Utah, Arizona, Montana, Philippine Islands, Texas and England were in attendance. A telegram was despatched to Past Grand Master Earl Warren, congratulating him on his appointment as Chief Justice of the United States.

The Grand Lodge suffered heavy losses during the year, five Past Grand Masters and the Grand Lecturer being called to the Grand Lodge Above.

Bro. Warren made 139 official appearances, attended the Grand Masters' Conference, visited Hawaii, and paid a fraternal visit to the Grand Lodge of Arizona. Four lodges were constituted, ten new lodges were instituted, and three new halls and a public school building were dedicated. Cornerstones were laid for a Baptist Church, a College building, and three Masonic Temples.

Grants of \$10,000 each were made to two lodges which had lost their Temples by earthquake. The sum of \$2,500 was contributed to Netherlands flood relief.

The Grand Master held that a fifty year button could not be awarded posthumously; that one who had been convicted of desertion by an Army Court Martial, imprisoned, and dishonorably discharged, was ineligible for the degrees; that membership in the Communist Party constitutes a Masonic offense; and that the son of a brother who was mentally ill could not apply for a demit so as to escape payment of his father's dues. In this case, the Grand Master thought that the lodge should remit the dues.

At this communication, the Grand Lodge received its stone from the White House, approved the purchase of land upon which to erect a Memorial Masonic Temple in San Francisco, approved the appointment of a Judge Advocate to act as the legal advisor of the Grand Master, and

approved the appointment of Grand Representatives when requested by sister Jurisdictions.

Recognition was extended to the Grand Lodges of Piaui and China. An application from the Grand Lodge of Berlin was rejected.

The Committee on Correspondence presented a report, which, however, does not appear in the Proceedings. Apparently, this report is to be published separately.

Bro. Frank Harwell, Jr., was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Lloyd E. Wilson was re-elected.

CANADA, 1953.

The Ninety-eighth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 588. Members, 125,596. Gain, 2,538.

M. W. Bro. Nelson C. Hart presided over the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Canada, in the Province of Ontario, which was held in Toronto on July 15-16, 1953. M. W. Bro. Benjamin W. Ela, Grand Master of Masons in Maine, was in attendance, as were other distinguished guests from British Columbia, Connecticut, Delaware, Illinois, Indiana, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Missouri, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Nova Scotia, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Quebec, South Carolina and Virginia.

A resolution expressing the loyalty and devotion of the Grand Lodge to Her Most Gracious Majesty Queen Elizabeth II was adopted.

Fitting tribute was paid to M. W. Bro. Roderick B. Dargavel, Past Grand Master and Supervisor of Benevolence, who passed away in September of 1952.

Grand Master Hart made many visits to districts and lodges in Ontario, and also attended Grand Lodge sessions in Illinois, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, Connecticut, North Carolina, South Carolina, Indiana and Michigan. The Deputy Grand Master represented him at the Montreal and Washington Conferences. Two lodges were constituted, seven new lodges were instituted, and eight new halls were dedicated. The sum of \$5,000 was donated to the Grand Lodge of the Netherlands for flood relief. Special donations of \$500 each were made to the Boy Scouts and the Red Cross.

The Grand Master denounced chain letters; reprimanded a brother who was actively canvassing for Grand Lodge office; refused to approve the holding of a lodge social function in a public tavern; and insisted that greater care be exercised in the rental of Masonic properties to non-Masonic organizations, all doubtful cases to be referred to the Grand Master for his decision. This ruling was made necessary by the unfavorable publicity received when the auditorium in a Masonic Temple was rented for a meeting which was to have been addressed by the so-called "Red Dean of Canterbury."

The Grand Master ruled that an application could not be received from a man who was totally deaf, unless he could hear with the assistance of a hearing aid.

On recommendation of a special committee, a liability insurance plan was adopted. To cover the necessary expense, an additional assessment of ten cents per capita was levied.

The Grand Master of Massachusetts decorated M. W. Bro. Hart with the Henry Price Medal.

The Report of the Committee on Fraternal Correspondence was again presented by its distinguished Chairman, M. W. Bro. Frank A. Copus. With full approval, we quote the following from his excellent Foreword: "The problem of foreign recognition bulks large everywhere. It is encouraging to note that our Canadian Grand Lodges, almost without exception, maintain sturdy soundness in their thinking, for 'Wait and See' has been the verdict with reference to nearly all of the Grand Lodges that are applying for recognition. Quite rightly they think it better to move slowly, rather than put themselves in a position where they might have to bitterly regret a too hasty willingness to extend the right hand of fellowship. A stiffening in this connection is also noticeable in the reports of many of the United States Grand Lodges, but even yet some of them appear to us here in Canada to be unduly generous." Attention is invited to our Maine report.

R. W. Bro. A. E. MacGregor reviews seventy-two volumes of Proceedings in his usual happy manner. Maine for 1952 is given generous consideration. Grand Master Lander is quoted in regard to membership, education, finances and foreign recognition. Our conservative foreign policy is described as "sound." Our recognition of Iceland is noted, and a lengthy quotation is made from our report denying recognition to Chile. Our own Foreword and Special Reports are summarized. Bro. MacGregor writes: "We are glad that our work pleases him. His work certainly pleases us." We congratulate Bro. MacGregor on still another fine report.

Bro. Joseph A. Hearn was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary E. G. Dixon was re-elected.

4 **COLORADO, 1953.**

The Ninety-second Annual Communication.

Lodges, 156. Members, 43,148. Gain, 1,188.

The Grand Lodge met in Denver on January 27-28, 1953. Grand Master Olin P. Lee presided. The Grand Honors were accorded to distinguished guests from Illinois, Kansas, Montana, Nebraska, New Mexico, Texas and Wyoming. Maine's Representative was not present.

The Grand Master held the writing of chain letters to be unmasonic. He participated in the Washington and Rocky Mountain Conferences, and also attended the Mexico City Conference as an observer. He made

113 visitations in Colorado, and also visited in Utah, Louisiana, Nebraska, Wyoming, Illinois, Cuba, New York and New Mexico.

Seventeen special communications were held. Five lodges were constituted, and one new lodge was instituted. Two Masonic halls were dedicated. Cornerstones were laid for two Masonic Temples, two school buildings, one County Court House, one Municipal building, and one Shrine Club.

The bi-centennial of George Washington's initiation was generally observed throughout the State.

The Grand Lecturer, Bro. Giles N. Alkire, was outspoken in denouncing the introduction of innovations into the ritualistic work, and in deploring the growing tendency on the part of certain misguided brethren to make a farce out of our sublime degrees. Bro. Alkire presented an outstanding paper before the Rocky Mountain Conference, entitled "Dignity in Conferring the Degrees." We fully agree with what he has to say on this question.

The United Grand Lodge of Germany, the Grand Lodge of China, and the National Grand Lodge of France were recognized.

Bro. Edwin J. Wittelshofer again presented the report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence. This is of the topical variety and contains no mention of the Grand Lodge of Maine. Much space is devoted to the public schools and to the preservation of the traditional separation between Church and State. In discussing Masonic problems in Latin America, Bro. Wittelshofer takes a most liberal and sympathetic attitude towards the Latin American bodies.

Bro. Hubert Glover was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Harry W. Bundy was re-elected.

CONNECTICUT, 1953.

The One Hundred Sixty-fifth Annual Communication. •

Lodges, 131. Members, 45,652. Gain, 673.

M. W. Robert H. Nisbet presided over the Annual Communication, which was held in New Haven on April 1-2, 1953. Maine's Representative, M. W. Ansel A. Packard, was in attendance, as were distinguished guests from Nova Scotia, Canada in Ontario, District of Columbia, Ohio, Delaware, Vermont, Rhode Island, New Hampshire, Maryland, New Jersey, New York, Virginia, Pennsylvania and Massachusetts.

The Grand Master suffered a series of heart attacks, and, in consequence, was unable to make many of the visitations which he had planned. He did manage to attend the Washington Conferences and to visit the Grand Lodges of Canada in Ontario, Delaware, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts and Virginia. He also attended the celebration held in Fredericksburg, Virginia, to commemorate the bi-centennial of Washington's initiation. This anniversary was generally observed by lodges in Connecticut.

The sum of \$1,000 was contributed to Holland flood relief.

The Grand Master ruled that the display of Masonic emblems on automobiles was not, unless used as advertising, in violation of Masonic law, but merely in possible bad taste.

In his annual address, Bro. Nisbet stressed the non-sectarian character of Masonry, took an ultra-liberal attitude in regard to the recognition of foreign bodies, and sounded a note of warning concerning the eighty or more affiliated societies which now predicate their membership on Masonry, and which are, in his opinion, "bleeding Masonry white."

It is interesting to note that Connecticut has no Grand Lecturer or other method of ritualistic instruction.

Connecticut's stone from the White House and its accompanying letter from M. W. Harry S. Truman were presented by M. W. Carl H. Claudy, Past Grand Master in the District of Columbia.

The twenty-five cent assessment for the M. S. A. hospital work was continued.

No new requests for recognition were received.

M. W. Earle K. Haling again presented the Report on Correspondence, consisting of a Foreword and sixty-eight excellent reviews. Maine for 1952 receives courteous consideration. A summary of Grand Master Lander's address is given, and a quotation is made from the report of our Committee on Condition of the Fraternity. Our recognition of Iceland and our refusal to recognize Chile are reported. A paragraph is quoted from our own Foreword.

Bro. George S. Hull was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Earle K. Haling was re-elected.

DELAWARE, 1953.

The One Hundred Forty-eighth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 23. Members, 7,434. Gain, 267.

The Annual Communication was held in Wilmington on October 7-8, 1953. M. W. Edward E. Clough presided. The communication was honored by the presence of the Hon. J. Caleb Boggs, Governor of Delaware, and the Hon. August F. Waltz, Mayor of Wilmington. The Grand Master of Maine, M. W. Benjamin W. Ela, was in attendance, as were other distinguished visitors from Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, Virginia, New Jersey, South Carolina, Maryland, Connecticut, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, District of Columbia, and the York Grand Lodge of Mexico. Bro. H. C. Bauer, Grand Representative of Maine, was on duty.

We quote from the Grand Master's address: "I conceive it to be the duty and the purpose of this great fraternity to fight shoulder to shoulder with the churches of every creed and denomination for the preservation of those great moral principles without which no nation can long endure."

Bro. Clough visited all constituent lodges in Delaware, attended the Washington Conferences, and made courtesy visitations in the sister Jurisdiction of Maryland, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Virginia, District of Columbia, Massachusetts, Connecticut, New York, Rhode Island,

New Hampshire, Vermont and Canada in Ontario. The bi-centennial of Washington's initiation was fittingly commemorated; the annual "Masonic Church Sunday" was observed; and the sum of \$150 was contributed to Holland flood relief. The chain letter superstition was condemned.

At this communication, Grand Lodge dues were raised from \$1.00 to \$1.25. Delaware's stone from the White House was presented by the Grand Master of the District of Columbia.

Recognition was extended to the Grand Lodges of Vienna for Austria and Israel, and was withdrawn from the Grand Lodge Zu den Alten Pflichten.

The Report on Foreign Correspondence was again the work of Past Grand Master W. Stewart Allmond, Jr. This is of the topical variety, although Bro. Allmond tells us frankly that this form of report is not his personal choice. He does an excellent job in the space at his disposal. Two extensive quotations are made from the 1953 address of M. W. Benjamin W. Ela of Maine.

Bro. Francis W. Hukill was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Chester R. Jones was re-elected.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, 1952.

The One Hundred Forty-second Annual Report.

Lodges, 48. Members, 25,265. Gain, 188.

M. W. Bro. Renah F. Camalier presided over the stated communications held on May 14, December 17, and December 27, 1952. Five special communications were also held. We note the presence of Bro. John H. Eiseman, Grand Representative of Maine. Distinguished guests from Connecticut, Delaware, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island and Virginia were received.

The President of the United States appointed the Grand Master one of the Commissioners of the District of Columbia.

Despite his official duties, Bro. Camalier had a busy Masonic year. He welcomed the Grand Masters' Conference to Washington, made many visitations in the District, and visited the sister Jurisdictions of Delaware, Maryland, New York and Louisiana. One cornerstone was laid. Masonic funeral services were conducted for Senior Grand Steward J. Vernon Thomas and Junior Grand Steward Henry B. Cusick.

The Grand Master ruled that a life member of a lodge, with whom the lodge had been unable to make any contact for more than seven years, might be regarded as legally dead and dropped from the roll of active membership.

During the reconstruction of the White House, several stones bearing Masonic emblems were discovered. Through the interest of M. W. Bro. Harry S. Truman, President of the United States, these stones were preserved and were turned over to the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia, for presentation to the several Grand Lodges of the United

States. Each of these historic stones will be accompanied by a letter from President Truman, framed in wood from the White House. A special committee has charge of this distribution.

The Grand Lodge Distinguished Service Medal was presented to Wor. Bro. John D. Cunningham of Kansas, Director of Welfare of the M. S. A.

The Report of the Committee on Correspondence was presented by its new Chairman, Bro. J. Williamson Cook, to whom we extend a hearty welcome to the fellowship of the Round Table. On recommendation of the Committee, fraternal recognition was extended to the Grand Lodge of Iceland.

Bro. Cook reviews the Proceedings of forty-six Jurisdictions, including Maine for 1952. The fact that Grand Master Lander responded to the welcome extended to the Grand Masters' Conference by M. W. Bro. Camalier is noted. Our trouble in connection with the Brownville Temple is discussed. Our recognition of Iceland is noted, and our own address on "Masonry Around the World" is mentioned.

Bro. Roy D. Borden was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Raymond N. Babcock was re-elected.

ENGLAND, 1953.

The Annual Investiture was held in London on April 29, 1953. The Rt. Hon. the Earl of Scarbrough, Knight of the Most Noble Order of the Garter, was again proclaimed as Grand Master. The Earl of Derby was re-appointed as Deputy Grand Master, and Brigadier General W. H. V. Darell as Assistant Grand Master. An additional Assistant Grand Master was also named, this appointment going to Major General Sir Allan Adair, Baronet, C. B., D. S. O., M. C., the distinguished commander of the Guards Armoured Division during the recent war. The Earl of Shrewsbury and Waterford was designated as Senior Grand Warden, and Lord Milner of Leeds became Junior Grand Warden.

The usual Quarterly Communications were held during the year. At the March Quarterly, it was announced that His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh, K. G., the husband of Her Majesty the Queen, had become a member of the Fraternity. He was initiated on December 5, 1952, in the Navy Lodge, No. 2612, the same lodge in which King George VI was made a Mason, and over which he later presided as Master. This newest tie between the Royal House and the Craft is most gratifying to our British brethren, who will doubtless follow the Duke's progress in Masonry with the greatest interest.

At this same communication, the sum of 1,000 guineas was voted for flood relief in the Eastern Counties, and an additional sum of 500 guineas was voted for flood relief in Holland.

The June Quarterly was held on the day following the Coronation of Her Majesty the Queen. Fraternal visitors from Tennessee, Costa Rica, Sweden, Queensland, New Zealand, New Jersey, Victoria, Western Australia, Tasmania, South Australia and Manitoba were in attendance. On the

Grand Master's motion, the Grand Lodge adopted a Loyal Address to the Queen, and the National Anthem was sung.

The Grand Master, in his capacity as Lord Chamberlain, was one of the peers standing closest to the Throne during the Coronation ceremony. His Grace the Archbishop of Canterbury, who placed the Crown on Her Majesty's head, is a Past Grand Chaplain of the United Grand Lodge of England.

In the Queen's Birthday Honours List, an additional distinction was accorded to the Grand Master, who was created a Knight Grand Cross of the Royal Victorian Order.

The portrait of the Grand Secretary has been painted, and was on display at this communication.

In September, the Grand Lodge voted to contribute 1,000 pounds a year for seven years to the Westminster Abbey Appeal Fund. As this National Shrine was originally erected by the operative Craft of the Middle Ages, it is eminently fitting that the speculative Craft of the present day should make a worthy contribution towards its restoration and preservation.

A distinguished visitor from the Grand Lodge of New South Wales was present at the December Quarterly. At this communication, the sum of 1,500 pounds was appropriated for earthquake relief in Greece. Plans for extensive overseas visitations in 1954 were announced.

The Grand Lodge mourns the death of Wor. Bro. J. Heron Lepper, Librarian and Curator of Grand Lodge, and a Masonic historian of international repute. Among other distinguished Masons who passed away during the year, we note R. W. Bro. General Sir Reginald Wingate, Bart., G. C. B., G. C. V. O., G. B. E., K. C. M. G., D. S. O., Past District Grand Master for Egypt and the Sudan, R. W. Bro. the Earl of Lauderdale, Past Grand Warden, R. W. Bro. the Rev. Canon C. Dudley Hart, Provincial Grand Master for Nottinghamshire, and R. W. Bro. His Grace the Duke of Abercorn, K. G., K. P., Past Grand Warden.

The Masonic regalia worn by His late Majesty King George VI has been presented to the Grand Lodge Museum by Her Majesty the Queen.

The Board of Benevolence, meeting monthly, granted relief to the amount of 50,460 pounds.

Because of changed conditions in the countries concerned, five more lodges have ceased to meet and have been erased from the Grand Lodge roll. Two of these lodges were located in China, one is Kashmir, one in Jerusalem, and one in Egypt.

Warrants were granted to seventy-seven new lodges, situated in England and Wales, Brazil, South Africa, Jamaica, Gold Coast, Rhodesia and India.

The Grand Master, M. W. Bro. the Rt. Hon. the Earl of Scarbrough, K. G., P. C., G. C. S. I., G. C. I. E., G. C. V. O., T. D., and the Grand Secretary, R. W. Bro. Sir Sydney White, K. C. V. O., remain in office.

FLORIDA, 1953.

The One Hundred Twenty-fourth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 257. • Members, 53,571. Gain, 2,479.

M. W. Perry R. Marsh presided over the Annual Communication, which was held in Jacksonville on April 21-23, 1953. Distinguished guests from Alabama, Virginia and Oregon were in attendance. Maine's Representative, M. W. George Fish, was in his place as Grand Treasurer. At an appropriate point in the proceedings, a delegation from the O. E. S. was received.

The Grand Master attended the Grand Master's Conference and visited the Grand Lodge of Georgia. He was present at the annual "All-States Night" held in St. Petersburg, at which more than 2,500 Masons were registered. Seven cornerstones were laid, seven lodges were constituted, and four new halls were dedicated. Five new lodges were established under dispensation. A new Infirmary at the Masonic Home was dedicated.

Through the M. S. A., the sum of \$500 was contributed to Holland Flood Relief.

The Grand Master ruled that it was not proper to use Masonic emblems in connection with a private business; that a lodge could not enter into a joint venture with other civic and fraternal organizations for the erection of a building; and that a lodge could not enter a float in the Tobacco Festival Parade.

At this communication, legislation was adopted prohibiting the dissemination or circulation of critical and controversial correspondence tending to impair the harmony of the Craft.

Fraternal recognition was extended to the United Grand Lodge of Germany.

We quote from the Foreword of M. W. Hal W. Adams, Chairman of the Committee on Correspondence: "It is no wonder to us that Free Masonry has moved through the centuries triumphant and victorious in the ultimate, even though powerful enemies have beset it on every side and sought to destroy it. But they have failed, for their way was one of darkness, while the pathway which Free Masonry has followed has been continually illuminated by the Great Light, which is the Word of God."

The Proceedings of forty Jurisdictions are reviewed, including those of Maine for 1952. Our Grand Lecturer is quoted, and our own remarks in regard to the Grand Lodge of Chile are described as "appropriate and instructive."

Bro. James L. Mixson was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary George W. Huff was re-elected.

FRANCE (National), 1954.

We have for review the 1954 Year Book of the French National Grand Lodge. From this we learn that the National Grand Lodge has under its jurisdiction two Provincial Grand Lodges, one Lodge of Instruction, and twenty-three subordinate lodges. Twelve of these lodges work in the French language, the other eleven in English. There is also a Grand Royal Arch Chapter, with four subordinates. Following the English custom, these chapters are attached directly to some lodge, and the principal officers of the Grand Lodge hold corresponding rank in the Grand Chapter.

The Grand Lodge recently enjoyed a visit by the Rt. Hon, the Earl of Derby, M. C., Deputy Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England, who was accompanied by Sir Sydney White, K. C. V. O., Grand Secretary.

A Provincial Grand Lodge for Flanders was established in 1953. One new lodge was constituted.

At the Annual Communication in October, the Grand Master, Bro. P. Cheret, and the Grand Secretary, Bro. L. F. Poirson, were re-elected for three year terms.

GEORGIA, 1952.

The One Hundred Sixty-sixth Annual Communication.
Lodges, 470. Members, 86,390. Gain, 3,260.

The Grand Lodge met in Macon on October 28-29, 1952. The Grand Master, Dr. J. G. Standifer, presided over the sessions and welcomed distinguished guests from South Carolina, Florida, North Carolina and Pennsylvania. Maine's Representative, Bro. John A. Dunaway, was on duty. A civic welcome was extended by the Mayor, Wor. Bro. Lewis B. Wilson.

The Grand Master stated his belief that "next to God's Church, Freemasonry is the strongest moral force in America today." He stressed the importance of the investigating committee, deplored the assembly-line method of making Masons, and urged his hearers "to return to your respective lodges with the determination to teach the members that the degrees are sublime and should be conferred with beauty, dignity and reverence."

Dr. Standifer attended 228 meetings in the course of the year. He represented Georgia at the National Conferences and visited the Grand Lodges of Alabama, Louisiana, South Carolina and Florida. Four lodges were constituted, and dispensations for two new lodges were issued. One charter was arrested. Three new halls were dedicated. Cornerstones were laid for four Masonic Temples, one City Hall, one Methodist Church, and three Baptist Churches.

At this communication, the Grand Lodge adopted regulations governing the bestowal of life membership; authorized plural membership outside the State; authorized the employment of an assistant to the Grand Secretary; and again refused to liberalize its liquor laws.

No new recognitions of foreign bodies were granted.

Bro. Walter B. Purse, the new Foreign Correspondent of the Grand Lodge of Georgia, presented his first report, consisting of an excellent Foreword and forty-one generous reviews. Maine for 1951 is among the Jurisdictions reviewed. Quotation is made from Grand Master Lander's address, and the raising of our six blood brothers is noted. Bro. Purse is particularly kind in his reference to our own Foreword and Special Reports, saying: "Bro. Pollard is rendering a real service to all Freemasonry." We thank Bro. Purse for his courtesy and welcome him to the Round Table.

Bro. Henry L. Brown was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Daniel W. Locklin was re-elected.

IDAHO, 1953.

The Eighty-seventh Annual Communication.

Lodges, 83. Members, 13,885. Gain, 284.

The Annual Communication was held in Boise on September 15-17, 1953. M. W. Noel M. Leavitt presided. An address of welcome was given by Bro. the Rt. Rev. Frank A. Rhea, Bishop of Idaho. Our Maine Representative, Wor. Lewis L. Smith, was in attendance, as were distinguished guests from Washington, Oregon, Colorado, Utah, Nevada, California, Kentucky and Montana.

The Grand Master made thirty-four visitations in Idaho, attended the Tri-State and Washington Conferences, and visited the Grand Lodges of Oregon, Washington and British Columbia. He participated in the annual "Idaho Night" held by Fiat Lux Lodge, No. 1079, in New York City, and had the great pleasure of conferring the third degree upon his own son in a California lodge. One new lodge was constituted, and three new halls were dedicated. Masonic funeral services were conducted for Past Grand Master Frank Knox.

The sum of \$275 was contributed to Netherlands flood relief. Contributions of \$2,137 were made to the hospital visitation work of the M. S. A.

Bro. Leavitt ruled that the widow of a Mason who had been suspended for non-payment of dues could not pay up those dues after his death so that his daughters might be eligible for the O. E. S.

An outstanding oration was delivered by the Grand Orator, His Excellency, Wor. Bro. Leonard B. Jordan, Governor of Idaho.

An ambassador from the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia presented one of the marked Masonic stones from the White House, with its companion letter from M. W. Harry S. Truman.

The Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence was presented by its Chairman, M. W. Bro. Jay G. Eldridge. On his recommendation, the Grand Lodge of Argentina was recognized. He pointed out that Idaho occupies a middle of the road position on the question

of recognition, recognizing fifty-eight foreign Jurisdictions, as compared with the eighty-seven recognized by Kentucky or the mere thirty recognized by Maine. He writes: "We are rather proud not to have found it necessary to withdraw from fraternal relations with any Jurisdiction, as several Grand Lodges have done after having chosen unwisely."

Bro. Eldridge's Foreword is most interesting. In it, he tells us more about his European tour, and described his visits to lodges under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Greece, the National Grand Lodge of France, and the United Grand Lodge of England. As Bro. Eldridge is the Grand Representative of England near the Grand Lodge of Idaho, he was given a royal welcome by the Mother Grand Lodge.

Maine for 1953 is one of the Jurisdictions reviewed. Bro. Eldridge refuses to believe that M. W. Bro. Ela was born in 1860, as stated in our Proceedings. So do we! The death of R. W. Bro. Frank J. Cole is noted. Considerable space is devoted to our Grand Masters' address before the Grand Master's Conference, and quotation is made therefrom. Our own Foreword is mentioned, and we are credited with "about sixty pages of excellent reviews."

Bro. Angus Y. Bethune was elected Grand Master, Grand Secretary Clyde I. Rush was re-elected.

ILLINOIS, 1953.

The One Hundred Fourteenth Annual Meeting.

Lodges, 975. Members, 250,693. Gain, 1,423.

M. W. Bro. James Green presided over the Annual Meeting, which was held in Chicago on October 13-14, 1953. Distinguished visitors from Connecticut, Nebraska, Indiana, Ohio, Tennessee, Iowa, Kansas, South Dakota, Colorado, Michigan, Wisconsin, Maryland, Missouri, Louisiana, North Carolina, Minnesota, Mississippi, South Carolina, Rhode Island, New York, Virginia, Wyoming, District of Columbia, Canada in Ontario and Saskatchewan were in attendance.

M. W. Bro. Green made seventy-six official visitations. He participated in the Washington Conferences, and had the honor of presiding over the annual meeting of the M. S. A. He also attended the Western Canadian Conference at Banff and visited the sister Grand Lodges of Colorado, Louisiana, Minnesota, Indiana and Wisconsin. He laid the cornerstones of two new Masonic Temples.

The sum of \$2,500 was contributed to Holland flood relief. An additional \$30,000 was contributed by Illinois brethren to the hospital visitation work of the M. S. A.

Illinois was represented at the Midwest Conference on Masonic Education. Next year, this conference meets in Chicago.

The Grand Master again prohibited the holding of Sunday picnics, and urged greater care in the investigation of candidates. A case of flagrant neglect came to light during the year. Two residents of Des

Moines, Iowa, who had been repeatedly rejected by lodges in that community, were accepted by Chicago lodges. They have now been expelled.

A body which predicates its membership on Masonry continues to violate the Grand Lodge law against gambling, claiming that it needs its income from gambling in order to pay its bills! We quote from the Grand Master's remarks: "It should be thoroughly understood by all concerned that privileges accorded due to Masonic membership or affiliation necessarily call for observance of and adherence to Masonic laws and principles. A disregard of our established customs, if persisted in, should result in the withdrawal of our sanction and approval from those guilty of such disregard, particularly when such organizations are linked in the public mind as 'Masonic.' We cannot condone any deliberate lowering of our high moral standing in the community."

Illinois' stone from the White House was presented by M. W. Bro. Carl H. Claudy, Past Grand Master in the District of Columbia.

Fraternal recognition was extended to the United Grand Lodge of Germany, the Grand Lodge of Argentina, and the Grand Orient of Italy.

With deep regret, we report the death of M. W. Bro. Hal C. McLoud, the distinguished Chairman of the Illinois Committee on Masonic Correspondence. His Masonic funeral services were conducted by the Grand Lodge. Before his passing, Bro. McLoud had prepared his 1953 Report, consisting of a Foreword and sixty-two reviews. Maine for 1953 receives courteous attention. Bro. McLoud does not think that our Grand Master looks like a nonagenarian. Tribute was paid to the work of R. W. Bro. Frank J. Cole as Chairman of our Committee on Distribution, and courteous reference was made to our own Report.

Maine's distinguished Representative near the Grand Lodge of Illinois, Bro. Carroll T. Hughes, was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Richard C. Davenport was re-elected.

INDIANA, 1953.

The One Hundred Thirty-sixth Year.

Lodges, 544. Members, 175,271. Gain, 3,235.

The Grand Lodge met in Indianapolis on May 19-20, 1953. Grand Master Ralph E. Legeman presided, and welcomed fraternal visitors from Massachusetts, South Carolina, Pennsylvania, Virginia, Maryland, Kentucky, Ohio, District of Columbia, Missouri, Michigan, Illinois, Iowa and Canada in Ontario. M. W. Elmer F. Gay, Grand Representative of Maine, was on duty.

The Grand Master made 103 visitations, including attendance at the Washington Conferences and at Grand Lodge sessions in Ohio and Massachusetts. Two new Temples were dedicated, and cornerstones were laid for a Methodist Hospital and for two Masonic Temples. Masonic funeral services were conducted for Past Grand Masters Charles C. LaFollette and Richard H. Schweitzer.

The sum of \$1,000 was donated to Holland flood relief.

The Grand Master refused to allow a Masonic Temple to be used for a "Jackson Day" dinner, or to allow the substitution of black marbles for black cubes in the ballot box.

The State Legislature having passed an anti-gambling law, with exemptions in favor of religious and fraternal organizations, the Grand Master issued an official statement to press and radio setting forth that gambling was contrary to Grand Lodge law since 1818, and that the Masonic Fraternity did not seek and would not accept exemption from the general provisions of the law.

Clandestine lodges exist in the City of South Bend, and certain innocent parties, in ignorance of their true character, have joined these bodies. To meet this problem, the Grand Lodge carries a paid advertisement in the local press, listing all regular lodges in the City, with their place of meeting.

One of the Masonic stones from the White House was presented to Grand Lodge by M. W. Carl H. Claudy, Past Grand Master in the District of Columbia.

The salary of the Grand Secretary was raised to \$7,600.

The sum of \$5,000 was voted to the Washington Memorial, and the sum of \$10,000 to the hospital visitation work of the M. S. A.

The United Grand Lodge of Germany, the Grand Lodge of Vienna for Austria, and the Grand Lodge of Peru were recognized.

The Annual Report of the Reviewer (M. W. Dwight L. Smith) consists of an interesting topical summary and sixty-seven brief reviews. Maine for 1952 is one of the Jurisdictions noted. Our recognition of Iceland and our Brownville problem are mentioned.

Bro. Newell A. Lamb was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Dwight L. Smith was re-elected.

IOWA, 1953.

The One Hundred Ninth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 547. Members, 93,747. Gain, 855.

M. W. Bro. J. Ellitt Grayson presided over the Annual Communication, which was held in Davenport on June 9-11, 1953, in conjunction with the celebration of the centennial of Masonry in that City. Distinguished visitors from Illinois and Minnesota were in attendance. The Grand Matron presented the greetings of the O. E. S. The Flag was posted by a detail from the 556th Field Artillery, 34th Division. Letters of greeting were received from the Hon. Dwight D. Eisenhower, President of the United States, and Bro. William S. Beardsley, Governor of Iowa.

The Grand Master was outspoken in denouncing communism, called for a more careful investigation of candidates, urged support for the public schools, and had good words for the O. E. S., the White Shrine and DeMolay. He held that a Jewish Rabbi might be regarded as a

"Minister of the Gospel" under the clause authorizing the remission of fees for such candidates.

Bro. Grayson welcomed the third annual Midwest Conference on Masonic Education to Iowa. He attended the events of Masonic Week in Washington, visited the Grand Lodges of Missouri, Illinois and Minnesota, and made 137 local visitations. He issued a dispensation for one new lodge, constituted two lodges under their charters, dedicated one new hall, and laid the cornerstone of a public school building. The sum of \$500 was contributed to Holland flood relief.

The Grand Master expressed his appreciation for the great work being done by Iowa's distinguished Fraternal Reviewer, M. W. Bro. Ernest R. Moore. He stated: "His reviews are kind and understanding, covering all essential matter thoroughly. We envy him his ability to locate and clarify the significant happenings in each Jurisdiction. Would that his loyalty, devotion, faith and inspiration might be transmitted to the greatest number of our brethren."

In the past, Iowa has exchanged Representatives only with a few foreign Grand Lodges. Bro. Grayson took steps to extend such an exchange to all recognized Grand Lodges outside the United States.

At this communication, one of the Masonic stones from the White House was presented to the Grand Lodge.

Recognition was withdrawn from the Grand Lodge of Sao Paulo and was extended to the United Grand Lodge of Germany and the Grand Lodge of Argentina.

The sum of \$3,500 was again voted to the hospital work of the M. S. A.

To us, the Fraternal Review prepared by M. W. Bro. Ernest R. Moore is always the highlight in the Iowa Proceedings. In his 1953 Foreword, Bro. Moore quotes with approval the five planks in the patriotic and civic platform favored by the Supreme Council of the Scottish Rite for the Southern Jurisdiction of the United States. He then reviews the Proceedings of sixty-three Jurisdictions with his usual skillful touch and evidence of sympathetic understanding.

In his review of Maine for 1952, he says: "It is a privilege to be permitted to read the Proceedings of this fine old Jurisdiction. There is dignity, manifest Masonic spirit, pride in record, and respect, almost reverence, for those who through the years have carried on. It has the admiration of Masonry everywhere."

Grand Master Lander's activities are noted, and three quotations are made from his address. Quotations are also made from our own Foreword and from our report refusing to recommend the recognition of the Grand Lodge of Chile. With pardonable pride, we quote Bro. Moore's reference to our own report: "It was excellent in every way, fully informative, discriminative in coverage, wise in observation, and all in scholarly diction. His Foreword is especially timely and should have wide reading." Again, we thank M. W. Bro. Moore for his courtesy to us and for one of the outstanding Reports of the Masonic year.

An unusual situation developed when the brother who was elected Senior Grand Warden died a few hours after his election, making necessary a new election to fill that office. Bro. Charles B. Hayes was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Earl B. Delzell was re-elected.

IRELAND, 1952.

The usual Grand Lodge Communications were held, and were presided over by the Grand Master, M. W. Bro. Raymond F. Brooke. The March meeting took place in Cavan, and was largely attended. Our Maine Representative, R. W. Bro. J. E. Radcliffe, was present. The October meeting was held in Belfast, and the St. John's Day meeting in Dublin.

At the death of M. W. Bro. His Majesty King George VI, the Grand Master despatched a message of sympathy to Her Majesty the Queen. Formal resolutions on the King's passing were adopted at the March communication.

R. W. Bro. Sir Basil McFarland, Baronet, made an extensive tour in South Africa and Rhodesia, where he found the Irish lodges flourishing.

The Rt. Hon. the Earl of Donoughmore, the son of the late Grand Master, has been appointed Provincial Grand Master for the South-Eastern Counties. Lord Donoughmore is also Worshipful Master of the Lodge of Erin, E. C., in London.

A joint Conference with the Grand Lodges of England and Scotland was held in Dublin. Many matters of mutual interest were discussed.

Fraternal relations with the National Grand Lodge of France, suspended during the war as a result of enemy action, have been restored.

During the year, five new lodges were added to the roll. Lodge Erin, No. 463, of Shanghai, China, has been removed to Hong Kong.

It is interesting to note that the largest lodge under the Irish Constitution, Duke of Leinster Lodge, No. 363, with 316 members, is located in Adelaide, South Australia.

The Grand Master, M. W. Raymond F. Brooke, and the Grand Secretary, R. W. Henry C. Shellard, were re-elected.

There is no Correspondence Report.

KANSAS, 1953.

The Ninety-seventh Annual Communication.

Lodges, 440. Members, 96,177. Gain, 2,465.

M. W. Bro. S. Allan Daugherty presided over the Annual Communication, which was held in Wichita on February 11-12, 1953. The sister Grand Lodges of Nebraska, Colorado and Missouri were represented by visiting dignitaries. Maine's Representative was absent.

In his annual address, the Grand Master said: "To our care, my Brethren, this Institution is committed in this generation. It is our duty

to see that Freemasonry suffers no detriment at our hands. Our Fraternity will continue to go forward as long as we ourselves remain loyal to the Landmarks—true to the teachings—faithful to our sacred obligations.”

The Grand Master noted with pride the honors which have come to two Kansas Masons—M. W. Bro. Claud F. Young, who was elected Grand Secretary General for the Southern Jurisdiction of the Scottish Rite, and Wor. Bro. John D. Cunningham, Director of Welfare of the M. S. A., who was awarded the Distinguished Service Medal of the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia.

Bro. Daugherty participated in the National Conferences, visited the Grand Lodge of Missouri, and attended many functions in his own State. Two lodge halls were dedicated, and one cornerstone was laid. Letters of dispensation were issued for one new lodge. The bi-centennial of George Washington's initiation was fittingly observed.

The Grand Lodge of Kansas was again represented at the annual Midwest Conference on Masonic Education.

The sum of \$500 was contributed to European flood relief, and the sum of \$2,500 was voted to the endowment fund of the Washington Memorial.

On behalf of the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia, one of the Masonic stones from the White House, accompanied by a letter from M. W. Bro. Harry S. Truman, was presented to Grand Lodge.

Tribute was paid to the memories of two Past Grand Masters who passed away during the year—M. W. Bros. William E. Hutchison and Harry D. Evans.

The Grand Lodge of Sao Paulo was recognized.

It is interesting to note that the Grand Lodge of Kansas has on its roll the largest lodge in the entire world, Albert Pike Lodge, No. 303, with 5,175 members.

The Report on Correspondence was again prepared by M. W. Otto R. Souders. In his Foreword, Bro. Souders discusses the problem arising when a sojourning brother is disciplined for violating the laws of the Grand Lodge within whose jurisdiction he resides. We fully agree with Bro. Souders that the home lodge and Grand Lodge of such a brother must accept as final the judgment of the Grand Lodge whose laws were violated. This is a well-settled principle of Masonic law.

Sixty-two volumes of Proceedings are succinctly reviewed. Maine for 1952 is given a good report. Our membership gain is noted, and the difficulties of Pleasant River Lodge are discussed. Our recognition of Iceland and our refusal to recognize Chile are reported. Brief quotation is made from our Kansas review. Bro. Souders agrees with our comments regarding the admission of Chile to our Grand Masters' Conference.

Bro. Bruce Newton was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Elmer F. Strain was re-elected.

KENTUCKY, 1952.

The One Hundred Fifty-second Annual Communication.

Lodges, 470. Members, 88,769. Gain, 3,613.

The Grand Lodge met in Louisville on October 21-23, 1952. M. W. Bro. J. Heber Lewis presided, and welcomed fraternal visitors from Arkansas, Indiana, Michigan, Mississippi, Missouri, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Tennessee and Virginia. A Color Guard from Fort Knox posted the Colors.

A telegram of greeting was sent to Past Grand Master John H. Cowles, who was sick in hospital.

Maine has a new Representative near the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, Senior Grand Warden C. Frye Haley.

In his many visitations throughout the State, Bro. Lewis urged support for the Kentucky Masonic Homes. He also urged the establishment of a fund to provide college education for Home graduates. He participated in the events of Masonic Week in Washington and visited the Grand Lodges of Indiana and Ohio. Six cornerstones were laid, and seven new halls were dedicated. One consolidation took place.

There are 271 guests at the Widows' and Orphans' Home, and 103 guests at the Old Masons' Home. A full-time resident Chaplain is now on duty at the Homes.

At this communication, a single ballot for the three degrees was adopted. An increase of \$1.25 was made in the annual assessment for the Masonic Homes.

Maine was not among the fifty-six Jurisdictions whose Proceedings were reviewed by Past Grand Master Charles A. Keith.

Dr. Robert M. Sickie was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Al E. Orton was re-elected. At this communication, Bro. Orton was presented with his fifty-year button.

MANITOBA, 1953.

The Seventy-eighth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 114. Members, 14,884. Gain, 499.

A picture of His Majesty King George VI, in Highland dress and clothed as Grand Master of Scotland, appears in the Manitoba Proceedings.

M. W. Bro. Gordon A. McMorran presided over the Annual Communication, held in Winnipeg on June 3-4, 1953. Maine's Representative, R. W. Bro. W. D. Harper, was in attendance, as were distinguished guests from Saskatchewan, Alberta, Minnesota, North Dakota and South Dakota. The usual colorful flag ceremony was conducted, with Major W. W. Hughes presenting the Union Jack and Captain Samuel Gee presenting the Star and Stripes. The two National Anthems were sung.

A message of loyalty was despatched to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II on her Coronation Day.

The Grand Master represented his Grand Lodge at the Banff, Montreal and Washington Conferences, visited the sister Grand Lodges of Saskatchewan, Alberta, Montana and Minnesota, attended all eleven district meetings, constituted one new lodge, and paid official visits to the four lodges in the far North which are under the personal supervision of the Grand Master.

Two unique international meetings were held. On May 1, the Grand Lodge of North Dakota, by invitation, held a special communication at Souris, Manitoba, while on May 11, the Grand Lodge of Manitoba held a special communication at Langdon, North Dakota.

Very properly, recognition was withdrawn from the Grand Lodge of Uruguay. The Grand Lodge of Argentina was recognized.

The Fraternal Reviews contain no mention of Maine.

Because of illness, the Grand Master elect, Bro. Harry H. Gray, could not be present for installation. M. W. Bro. McMorran remained at the head of the Craft until his installation could be conducted. Grand Secretary Thomas C. Jackson was re-elected.

MARYLAND, 1952.

The One Hundred Sixty-sixth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 126. Members, 43,339. Gain, 1,022.

The Annual Communication was held in Baltimore on November 18-19, 1952. M. W. Jacob S. New presided. Maine's Representative, Bro. Howard E. Stewart, was in attendance, as were prominent Craftsmen from Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Virginia, New York, New Jersey, North Carolina, Connecticut, New Hampshire, Delaware, Ohio, District of Columbia, Indiana, Illinois, Canada in Ontario and Cuba.

At the death of King George VI, the Grand Master wrote to the Grand Master of England, expressing the deep sympathy of the Grand Lodge of Maryland.

Bro. New presided over the usual Semi-Annual Communication, participated in the Washington Conferences, attended the Oregon Centennial, and visited the Grand Lodges of Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, Virginia, Connecticut, New Jersey, New York, Canada in Ontario, Delaware and Illinois. He also attended the exercises held in Fredericksburg Lodge, No. 4 (Virginia), commemorating the bi-centennial of George Washington's initiation into Freemasonry. One lodge was constituted, and one new hall was dedicated.

The Grand Master visited the graves of several Past Grand Masters. Wreaths were placed and religious services were conducted.

The Grand Master had high praise for the Masonic Home (140 guests) and for the blood donor service. For the second time, he was forced to mention the chain letter nuisance. He suspended two brothers who had written insulting letters to the Grand Master.

An expelled Mason was seen at a Shrine meeting. The Shrine, on being questioned, stated that it paid no attention to Grand Lodge expulsions, awaiting notice from the Commandery or Consistory! Something wrong, methinks!

More than 4,000 people attended the annual "corn husking" at the Masonic Home.

The Grand Lodge of Vienna for Austria was recognized.

Bro. John D. Hospelhorn was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Claud Shaffer was re-elected.

There is no Correspondence Report.

MASSACHUSETTS, 1952.

The Two Hundred Twentieth Stated Communication.

Lodges, 331. Members, 121,415. Gain, 2,245.

The Annual Stated Communication was held in Boston on December 29, 1952. M. W. Thomas S. Roy was in the Chair. Maine's Grand Master, M. W. Benjamin W. Ela, was present, as were distinguished Masonic leaders from South Carolina, Pennsylvania, Virginia, New York, New Jersey, Maryland, North Carolina, New Hampshire, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Vermont, Delaware, Louisiana, Indiana, Canada in Ontario, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick. R. W. Leverett Saltonstall, United States Senator from Massachusetts, was in attendance.

Four Quarterly and fourteen Special Communications were held during the year.

R. W. James S. M. Grieve, Past Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Scotland, was entertained by the Grand Lodge during his visit in Boston.

The Grand Master paid an official visit to the Massachusetts lodges in the Panama Canal Zone. While in the Zone, he laid the cornerstone of a new Church building. The Grand Masters of Costa Rica and Panama were present at this ceremony. Bro. Roy paid a return visit to the Grand Lodge of Panama.

M. W. Bro. Roy was an honored guest at the annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Maine. He addressed our Grand Lodge, and was decorated with our Drummond Medal. He attended the National Conferences, and visited the Grand Lodges of Virginia, Connecticut, Rhode Island, New Jersey, Nebraska, Canada in Ontario, New Brunswick, Delaware, Quebec, Illinois, Maryland and Pennsylvania.

The bi-centennial of George Washington's initiation was fittingly observed at a special communication of Grand Lodge. The Grand Master also attended bi-centennial observances in Virginia and New Jersey.

Four new lodges were constituted. The charter of one of the Massachusetts lodges in China was revoked. Another of these lodges was transferred from Shanghai, China, to Tokyo, Japan.

Bro. Roy was obliged to denounce the chain letter nonsense for the second time. He warned against the use of unauthorized cypher rituals, and issued three directives dealing with the work of the third degree. He had high praise for the Masonic Home and Hospital, for the blood donor service, and for the Order of DeMolay.

At the September Quarterly, Bro. Roy devoted the major portion of his address to an answer to the anti-Masonic religious propaganda which has been increasingly violent in recent years. Coming from a clergyman of Dr. Roy's standing, this defense of the Craft is certain to have a most favorable effect. The Grand Lodge of Scotland has secured permission to reproduce this address.

The Grand Lodge mourns the passing of M. W. Arthur W. Coolidge, Past Grand Master and formerly President of the Massachusetts Senate and Lieutenant Governor of the Commonwealth. It is interesting to note that M. W. Bro. Coolidge was a native of Woodfords, Maine.

A special edition of the Henry Price Medal, struck in gold, was presented to M. W. Melvin M. Johnson, Senior Past Grand Master in Massachusetts.

The principal speaker at the Feast of St. John the Evangelist was R. W. Richard A. Kern, Past Grand Master in Pennsylvania.

The Grand Master, M. W. and Rev. Thomas S. Roy, D. D., and the Grand Secretary, R. W. Earl W. Taylor, were re-elected.

There is no Correspondence Report.

MEXICO (York Grand Lodge), 1952.

The Ninety-second Annual Communication.

Lodges, 10. Members, 574. Gain, 11.

The Annual Communication was held in Mexico City on April 10, 1952. M. W. Bro. Merrell W. Russey presided. Our Maine Representative, M. W. Bro. Jacob Stump, was among the Past Grand Masters in attendance.

A message of greeting was received from the Worthy Matron of the O. E. S.

The York Grand Lodge was represented at the Grand Masters' Conference in Washington by M. W. Bro. W. S. Turnpaugh.

At this communication, it was voted that all inter-jurisdictional correspondence be initiated in the office of the Grand Secretary; that all dispensations granted by wire, telephone or verbally be confirmed in writing; and that the annual per capita tax be increased to fifteen pesos, the present four peso assessment being discontinued.

Fraternal recognition was extended to the National Grand Lodge of France.

Maine was not among the forty Jurisdictions whose Proceedings were reviewed by Fraternal Correspondent Walter S. Turnpaugh.

Bro. George P. Friedmann was elected Grand Master. Bro. Cantwell C. Brown was elected Grand Secretary.

MINNESOTA, 1953.

The One Hundredth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 290. Members, 65,017. Gain, 1,147.

The Grand Lodge of Minnesota celebrated its centennial at this Annual Communication, which was held in St. Paul on March 18-20, 1953. M. W. George W. Christie presided, and welcomed distinguished guests from Manitoba, North Dakota, Iowa, District of Columbia, Illinois, Canada in Ontario, Montana, Alberta, Wisconsin, Massachusetts, Nebraska and South Dakota. Maine's Representative was not present.

An excellent centennial program was presented. The National Colors and the Union Jack were paraded by a Color Guard from the Shrine Legion of Honor, and the National Anthems of the two Countries were sung. Musical numbers were rendered by a Masonic chorus of 190 voices. An address, entitled "The Challenge of Freemasonry" was delivered by M. W. and Rev. Thomas S. Roy, D. D., Grand Master of Masons in Massachusetts. An historical pageant, depicting the establishment of Freemasonry in Minnesota, was presented. Other features connected with the centennial were the adoption by the State Legislature of a resolution congratulating the Grand Lodge on its anniversary, and the publication of a Grand Lodge History, written by Bro. Edward Johnstone.

The Grand Master attended the Washington and Banff Conferences, visited the sister Grand Lodges of Manitoba, Wisconsin, North Dakota and Illinois, and traveled 38,000 miles on Masonic business. He issued dispensations for two new lodges. One charter was surrendered. Three new halls were dedicated. Masonic funeral services were conducted for Past Grand Master Vernon Gates.

The sum of \$500 was contributed to Holland flood relief.

The Grand Master ordered work stopped on a candidate who was a communist, and warned all lodges to be more careful in their investigation of applicants.

M. W. Carl H. Claudy, on behalf of the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia and M. W. Harry S. Truman, ex-President of the United States, presented to the Grand Lodge of Minnesota one of the Masonic stones from the White House, with its accompanying message from Bro. Truman.

At this communication, minimum lodge dues of \$5.00 were prescribed.

With deep regret, we report the death of M. W. Edmund A. Montgomery, who had written the Minnesota Correspondence Report for the last thirty years. One of our oldest and best Reviewers, he will be deeply missed by his colleagues at the Round Table. His younger brother, Wor. Charles P. Montgomery, completed the 1953 Report.

Sixty-six Jurisdictions are reviewed. Under Maine for 1952, our membership figures, our schools of instruction, our charitable expenditures,

and our recognition of Iceland are all noted. Mention is made of our Correspondence Report.

Bro. Herman T. Olson was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary John H. Anderson was re-elected.

MISSISSIPPI, 1953.

The One Hundred Thirty-fifth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 311. Members, 45,140. Gain, 1,450.

The Grand Lodge met in Jackson on February 10-11, 1953. Grand Master Watt Carter presided, and extended a fraternal welcome to distinguished guests from Alabama, Georgia, Kentucky, Tennessee, Illinois and Connecticut. Maine's Representative was absent. A delegation from the O. E. S. was received.

Bro. Carter attended the Washington Conferences, visited the sister Jurisdictions of Alabama and Tennessee, and made 161 Masonic appearances in his own State. Two lodges were constituted, dispensations for two new lodges were issued, and cornerstones were laid for a Masonic Temple and a County Court House. Masonic funeral services were conducted for Grand Tyler Morris Goldstein.

Meetings commemorating the bi-centennial of George Washington's initiation were held in all Masonic districts.

We quote from the excellent report of Grand Lecturer J. Rice Williams: "Through our system of teaching, absolute uniformity of work has been attained. But repetition of words and perfection in ritualistic ceremony 'become as sounding brass, or a tinkling cymbal,' unless dignity and decorum are maintained throughout all degree work. Fun and laughter have no place in our solemn ritual. *Let there be no Levity.*"

M. W. Bro. Tom Q. Ellis paid a splendid tribute to M. W. Bro. Williams, who is to the Grand Lodge of Mississippi all that Josiah H. Drummond once was to the Grand Lodge of Maine.

On recommendation of Bro. Williams, the Grand Lodge voted that lack of eye-sight should no longer be a bar to the reception of the degrees.

The Report on Foreign Correspondence was presented by Bro. T. Philip Means. We quote from his Foreword: "It is noteworthy that the problem of Grand Lodge recognition again bulks largely in the proceedings of our sister Grand Lodges. We are encouraged to observe that a policy of 'Go Slowly' in this important matter has become almost universal. Universality is a noble goal, but it should *not* be attained by sacrificing too many of our ancient principles."

The Proceedings of fifty-eight Jurisdictions are reviewed. Under Maine for 1952, Bro. Means quotes from the address of Grand Master Lander and discusses our difficulty in regard to the Brownville Temple.

Bro. Lawrence C. Corban was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Sid F. Curtis was re-elected.

MISSOURI, 1953.

The One Hundred Thirty-second Annual Communication.

Lodges, 594. Members, 120,196. Gain, 2,196.

M. W. Richard O. Rumer presided over the Annual Communication, which took place in St. Louis on September 29-30, 1953. Our Maine Representative, Bro. Frank P. Briggs, was in his place as Grand Junior Deacon. Among the Past Grand Masters in attendance was M. W. Bro Harry S. Truman, ex-President of the United States. A welcome was extended to distinguished guests from Nebraska, Kansas, Iowa and the District of Columbia.

The Grand Master attended the Grand Masters' Conference, visited the Grand Lodges of Arkansas and Indiana, and made 120 Masonic appearances in his own State. One lodge was constituted, two consolidations were effected, four Temples were dedicated, and cornerstones for three school buildings were laid.

Special Masonic Church services were held in St. Louis, followed by a Communion breakfast at one of the local hotels.

The sum of \$500 was contributed to Holland flood relief.

The Grand Master denounced unauthorized cipher rituals, urged close adherence to the prescribed Missouri work, and prohibited the use of robes in the third degree. He forced a commercial cemetery association to discontinue the use of Masonic emblems and the word "Masonic" in its advertising.

The troublesome question of the Missouri Mason who was expelled by Nebraska for selling liquor in that State, a matter that has hung fire for several years, has at last been settled by the sensible ruling of the Grand Master that the Nebraska judgment must be given full effect in Missouri. No other course is possible under well established principles of Masonic law. Regardless of his own membership, every Mason is bound by the laws of the Jurisdiction in which he resides.

The Grand Lodge of Venezuela was recognized.

Another \$5,000 was contributed to the hospital visitation work of the M. S. A.

Missouri's marked Masonic stone from the White House was presented, with remarks by M. W. Renah F. Camalier, Past Grand Master in the District of Columbia, and by M. W. Harry S. Truman, whose interest while President of the United States made possible the preservation and distribution of these historic stones.

M. W. Ray V. Denslow gives us another number of "The Masonic World." As always there is a wealth of information contained in this report. Many foreign Jurisdictions, regular, irregular and unmasonic, pass in review before us, and topical treatment is given to Masonic problems, events and personalities in our own Country. A portrait of the Earl of Scarbrough, Grand Master of England, appears as a frontispiece to this report.

Bro. James M. Sellers was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Harold L. Reader was re-elected.

MONTANA, 1952.

The Eighty-eighth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 135. Members, 24,690. Gain, 491.

The Annual Communication was held in Helena on August 19-20, 1952. M. W. Chandler C. Cohagen presided, and welcomed fraternal visitors from North Dakota, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Idaho, District of Columbia, Utah, Manitoba, South Dakota and Washington. Our Maine Representative, Bro. Albert F. Milham, was on duty. The Hon. Zales N. Ecton, United States Senator, and the Hon. Wesley A. D'Ewart, Member of Congress, were present and addressed the brethren.

The Deputy Grand Master, Bro. Herbert L. Lange, passed away during the year and was buried with Masonic honors.

Bro. Cohagen traveled 33,000 miles, made eighty Montana visitations, addressed the Grand Masters' Conference, and visited the sister Jurisdictions of Wyoming, Idaho, Alberta and Saskatchewan. One new lodge was instituted, one cornerstone was laid, and two new halls were dedicated. The Grand Lodge of Montana participated in the organization of the new Rocky Mountain Masonic Conference.

The Grand Master is a strong supporter of DeMolay. He pointed with pride to the fact that Montana has more DeMolay boys in proportion to population than any other state. The founder of DeMolay, Bro. Frank S. Land, was present at this communication.

There are forty guests at the Montana Masonic Home.

A ceremonial Canadian Flag was presented to the Grand Lodge by the Grand Master of Alberta.

The Grand Master presented a check for \$3,417 to M. W. Carl H. Claudy, as a contribution to the hospital visitation work of the M. S. A.

At this communication, the Grand Lodge liquor laws were clarified; the date for the annual returns was changed to coincide with the close of the calendar year; and *consecutive* service was eliminated as a requirement for the fifty-year award.

The Report of the Committee on Fraternal Correspondence was presented by its Chairman, R. W. and Rev. George S. Sloan. The recognition of the United Grand Lodge of Germany was recommended. Several other applications were again deferred.

Fifty-two volumes of Proceedings are reviewed by the several members of the Committee. Our Maine review for 1951 is the work of Bro. Raymond V. Love. Our schools of instruction, the raising of our six blood brothers, and the establishment of our twenty-five year button are all noted.

Bro. George G. Hoole was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Ralph N. Lodge was re-elected.

MONTANA, 1953.

The Eighty-ninth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 138. Members, 24,879. Gain, 189.

The Grand Lodge met in Billings on August 18-19, 1953. Grand Master George G. Hoole was in the Chair. The United States and Canadian Colors were presented by a Color Guard from the Army, Navy, Marine Corps and Air Force. Maine's Representative, Bro. Albert F. Milham, was in attendance, as were distinguished guests from Kansas, Utah, North Dakota, Colorado, Alberta, Wyoming, Washington, District of Columbia and California.

Bro. Hoole urged greater care on the part of investigating committees, reminded his hearers that the lectures are part of the work and must not be omitted, and denounced rough and undignified conduct in the second section of the third degree. He ruled that a Blue Lodge could sponsor a Bethel of Job's Daughters.

The Grand Master attended the Banff, Rocky Mountain and Washington Conferences, made forty-six visitations in Montana, and also made out-of-state visitations in Wyoming, Washington, British Columbia, Nevada, California, Ohio, Utah, Colorado and North Dakota. One lodge was constituted, three new lodges were instituted, and the cornerstone of a Y. M. C. A. Building was laid.

The Grand Lodge conducted Masonic funeral services for Past Grand Master William J. Marshall.

The National Grand Lodge of France and the Grand Lodge of Argentina were recognized.

Montana's stone from the White House was presented by M. W. Bro. Carl H. Claudy, Past Grand Master in the District of Columbia.

This year, the Fraternal Reviews are written by the Grand Representatives of the Jurisdictions concerned. Accordingly, our Maine review for 1953 is from the pen of Bro. Albert F. Milham. Bro. Cunningham's talk is mentioned, and M. W. Bro. Ela is quoted in regard to the M. S. A.

Bro. J. Edward Patterson was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Ralph N. Lodge remains in office.

NEBRASKA, 1953.

The Ninety-sixth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 276. Members, 44,287. Gain, 1,008.

M. W. Edward M. Knight presided over the Annual Communication, which was held in Omaha on June 9-11, 1953. Flowers were presented on behalf of the O. E. S., and distinguished guests from North Carolina, Illinois, Kansas and Colorado were welcomed. Maine's Representative was absent.

The Grand Master visited fifty Nebraska lodges, attended Grand Lodge sessions in Oregon, Missouri, Illinois, Colorado and Kansas, and

represented his Grand Lodge at the National Conferences. Three cornerstones were laid, and two new halls were dedicated. The bi-centennial of Washington's initiation was observed at schools of instruction held throughout the State. One charter was restored and one charter was surrendered.

The Grand Custodian called attention to an unhealthy condition existing in certain lodges, where the regular officers do no work except to open and close, all degrees being conferred, year after year, by permanent degree teams. This matter was referred to the incoming Grand Master.

At this communication, the brethren had an opportunity to visit the Nebraska Masonic Home, and to inspect the two new wings recently opened at that institution.

M. W. Wallace E. Caldwell of North Carolina, acting as an ambassador from the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia, presented one of the marked Masonic stones from the White House, with its accompanying letter from President Truman.

The Committee on Fraternal Relations presented a wisely conservative report. Because of confused world conditions, all pending applications for recognition were held over for further study.

The salary of the Grand Secretary was raised to \$6,000 and that of the Grand Custodian to \$4,500.

The Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, in topical form, was again prepared by M. W. William B. Wanner. Maine's leading position in number of Masons to total population is mentioned. So is the fact that our per-member expenditures are the lowest in the United States. Quotation is made from Grand Master Lander's address.

Bro. Fay Smith was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Carl R. Greisen was re-elected.

NEVADA, 1953.

The Eighty-ninth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 27. Members, 4,861. Gain, 134.

The Annual Communication was held in Winnemucca on June 11-12, 1953. Grand Master Richard H. Cowles presided, and greeted distinguished visitors from Utah, Arizona, California and Idaho. Maine's Representative was not present.

In his many visitations throughout the State, Bro. Cowles stressed the importance of maintaining the traditional American doctrine of separation between Church and State. He issued a proclamation calling for the observance of Public Schools Week. He visited every lodge in Nevada, installed the officers of sixteen lodges, attended Grand Lodge sessions in Utah and Arizona, and laid cornerstones for two Churches—one Lutheran and one Presbyterian.

The call for Holland flood relief was answered by a contribution of \$200.

Past Grand Masters Elwood H. Beemer and Frank H. Norcross passed away during the year.

The sum of \$795 was remitted to the M. S. A. for its hospital visitation work.

At this communication, the Grand Lodge adopted a liability insurance plan; recognized the United Grand Lodge of Germany; received its stone from the White House; and refused to allow the Order of Amaranth to enter Nevada.

The Report on Fraternal Correspondence, consisting of sixty-four excellent reviews, was again prepared by Past Grand Master and Grand Secretary E. C. Peterson. Thorough coverage is given to our Maine doings in 1952. Of our own work, Bro. Peterson writes: "It would be well for our Committee on Legitimacy of Grand Lodges to read his Foreword on Foreign Lodges." We thank Bro. Peterson, and again congratulate him on the appearance of the Nevada Proceedings.

Bro. Carl O. Gelmstedt is the new Grand Master in Nevada. Grand Secretary E. C. Peterson was re-elected.

NEW BRUNSWICK, 1952.

The Eighty-fifth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 46. Members, 8,426. Gain, 230.

Grand Lodge sessions were held in the City of St. John on August 28, 1952, with the Grand Master, M. W. James William Duncan, on the Throne. M. W. Benjamin W. Ela, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Maine, was in attendance, as were distinguished Masons from Massachusetts, Canada in Ontario, New Hampshire, Quebec, Nova Scotia and Indiana.

M. W. Bro. Duncan made twenty-four visitations in his own Province, attended the Grand Masters' Conference in Washington, and visited the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia, where he was decorated with the Erasmus J. Phillips Medallion.

On June 22, the Grand Lodge attended Church in a body. One new hall was dedicated. St. John's Lodge, No. 2, celebrated its sesqui-centennial. The principal address at the 75th Anniversary of Campbellton Lodge, No. 32, was delivered by M. W. Thomas S. Roy, D. D., Grand Master in Massachusetts. A group of Ohio Masons visited in New Brunswick and demonstrated the ritualistic work of their Jurisdiction.

At this communication, legislation was adopted permitting Masonic funeral services to be held at the home or funeral parlor on the evening preceding the interment. Gold trimmed regalia was authorized for centennial lodges.

On behalf of the Grand Lodge of New Hampshire, both the Grand Master and the Grand Secretary were decorated with the Jeremy L. Cross Medal.

Grand Master J. William Duncan was re-elected. Grand Secretary R. D. Magee remains in office.

There is no Correspondence Report.

NEW BRUNSWICK, 1953.

The Eighty-sixth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 46. Members, 8,652. Gain, 226.

The Grand Lodge met in St. John on August 27, 1953. M. W. Bro. J. William Duncan was on the Throne, and welcomed distinguished guests from Massachusetts, Maine, New Hampshire and Nova Scotia. The Maine visitor was our Grand Master, M. W. Bro. Benjamin W. Ela.

The Grand Master urged continued care in the investigation of candidates. He represented his Grand Lodge at the All-Canadian Conference at Montreal and at the North American Conference at Washington, visited the Grand Lodges of Quebec and Nova Scotia, and made thirty-two Masonic appearances in his own Province. Two new lodge rooms were dedicated.

A new educational booklet has been prepared, which is mailed directly to each newly raised Mason by the Grand Secretary.

The D. D. G. M. of the 4th District visited our Maine lodge at Presque Isle when the Master Mason degree was conferred by a degree team of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police.

At this communication, the date of the annual Grand Lodge session was changed from August to May.

Bro. Ralph T. Pearson was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary R. D. Magee remains in office.

There is no Fraternal Review.

NEWFOUNDLAND (E. C.), 1953.

The Eighty-second Annual Communication.

Lodges, 18. Members, 2,088. Gain, 67.

The District Grand Master, R. W. Bro. George R. Williams, M. B. E., presided over the Annual Communication of the District Grand Lodge of Newfoundland under the English Constitution, which was held in St. John's on April 29, 1953.

Bro. Williams had another busy year. He traveled extensively throughout the Province, and installed the officers of thirteen lodges. One cornerstone was laid, and one new hall was dedicated. One new lodge, Canam (Canadian-American) Lodge, No. 7219, E. C., located at Ernest Harmon Air Force Base, was duly consecrated. Fraternal visits were exchanged with the District Grand Lodge under the Scottish Constitution, and the two bodies united in a joint Church service.

The President and Vice President of the Board of General Purposes represented the District Grand Lodge at the All-Canadian Conference held at Montreal.

A group of National Sojourners, officers in the Armed Forces of the United States, met in the Masonic Temple in St. John's and were presented with a stand of Colors by R. W. Bro. David M. Macfarlane, District Grand Master under the Grand Lodge of Scotland.

In accordance with legislation recently adopted by the United Grand Lodge of England, the District Grand Lodge established a Board of Benevolence, and Dr. Cluny Macpherson, C. M. G., was named as its first President.

The District Grand Master, R. W. George R. Williams, and the District Grand Secretary, Wor. A. G. Miles, retain their respective offices.

NEW HAMPSHIRE, 1953.

The One Hundred Sixty-fourth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 81. Members, 16,403. Gain, 232.

The Annual Communication was held in Manchester on May 20, 1953. The Grand Master, M. W. Harold C. McAllister, was in his station. Our Maine Representative was not present. The Grand Honors were accorded to distinguished guests from Maine, District of Columbia, Delaware, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, Massachusetts and Pennsylvania, the Maine visitor being our Grand Master, M. W. Benjamin W. Ela.

The Grand Master attended the National Conferences, and saw M. W. Reginald E. Goldsmith of New Hampshire elected a Vice President of the Washington Memorial Association. He presided over the usual semi-annual communication, over eight lodges of instruction, and over two special communication of the Grand Lodge. Thirty-six constituent lodges were visited, and several important anniversaries were commemorated.

One Past Grand Master, M. W. Orville E. Cain, passed away during the year.

Bro. McAllister attended the reception given to M. W. Benjamin W. Ela by his home lodge at North Anson, Maine, and there decorated Bro. Ela with New Hampshire's highest honor, the Jeremy L. Cross Medal.

Through the M. S. A., New Hampshire contributed \$300 to Holland flood relief.

New Hampshire lodges were practically unanimous in observing the bi-centennial of Washington's initiation. Under dispensation, several of these meetings were semi-public.

Wor. John D. Cunningham, Director of Welfare of the M. S. A., addressed the Grand Lodge, telling of the hospital visitation work of the Association. A hospital visitor is now on duty at the Veterans' Hospital in Manchester, N. H. An assessment of fifty cents per dues-paying member was levied for the benefit of this work, and the Jeremy L. Cross Medal was presented to Bro. Cunningham.

The Grand Master of the District of Columbia presented to the Grand Lodge one of the marked stones from the White House, together with a letter of transmittal from M. W. Harry S. Truman, framed in wood taken from that same historic building.

At this communication, the annual per capita tax was increased by twenty-five cents.

No action was taken on several pending applications for recognition.

We always turn with pleasant anticipation to the splendid Report on Foreign Correspondence presented annually by M. W. Bro. J. Melvin Dresser. This year's report is one of the best. In his Foreword, Bro. Dresser calls attention to the fact that "New Hampshire claims the oldest living Mason in the world, Bro. Alfred D. Nute, a member of our Humane Lodge, No. 21, Rochester, who was raised to the sublime degree, October 27, 1874, who will celebrate the one hundredth Anniversary of his birth on August 3, 1953."

Our Maine Proceedings for 1952 are among those reviewed by Bro. Dresser in this Report. Our doings are thoroughly covered, and Grand Master Landier is quoted in regard to Masonic education. Our Brownville difficulty, with its happy ending, is mentioned. Of our own work, Bro. Dresser writes: "M. W. Bro. Ralph J. Pollard continues to present a Correspondence Report that is certainly informing and really valuable." Once more we thank Bro. Dresser for his courtesy.

Bro. Walter E. Dunlap was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary J. Melvin Dresser was re-elected.

NEW JERSEY, 1953.

The One Hundred Sixty-sixth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 283. Members, 99,270. Gain, 2,066.

M. W. Bro. Adrien B. Hommell presided over the Annual Communication, held in Atlantic City on April 22-23, 1953. The American and Canadian Colors were displayed, and the two National Anthems were sung. Invited guests from Massachusetts, Virginia, New York, Pennsylvania, Maryland, New Hampshire, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Vermont, Delaware, Ohio, Illinois, Canada in Ontario and the District of Columbia were in attendance. Our Maine Representative, M. W. Franklin E. Pellegrin, was on duty.

Many years ago, the writer was a member of New Jersey's Mantua Lodge, No. 95. With pleasure, he notes that two good friends of former years, R. W. Bros. C. Fowler Cline and Harry Jonas, are still active and were present at Grand Lodge.

Bro. Hommell made 160 visitations in his own State, attended the Washington Conferences, and visited in New York, Rhode Island, Canada in Ontario, Delaware, Illinois, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, Virginia and Connecticut. He was represented at the annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Maine by the R. W. Alfred Rowe, Senior Grand

Warden. Special meetings were held in several districts, at which fifty-year tokens were presented. Cornerstones for two new Temples were laid. Masonic funeral services were conducted for Past Grand Masters William B. Mackey and William T. Vanderlipp.

By invitation of the Grand Master, the brethren made Thanksgiving Day contributions of more than \$60,000 to the New Jersey Masonic Home. Voluntary contributions of \$8,500 were made to the hospital visitation work of the M. S. A.

The Grand Master proclaimed "Go to Church Sunday." In answer to this call, more than 20,000 Masons attended Church on the day designated.

The official observance of the bi-centennial of the initiation of George Washington was held in Trenton in conjunction with the annual celebration of the Feast of St. John the Evangelist. A specially written Masonic play, dealing with events which took place in New Jersey during the Revolution, was presented, and an address was delivered by M. W. and Rev. Thomas S. Roy, D. D., Grand Master in Massachusetts. Other observances were held throughout the State.

At this communication, one of the Masonic stones from the White House was presented to the Grand Lodge by M. W. Carl H. Claudy, acting as representative of the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia and of M. W. Harry S. Truman.

Last year we mentioned the New Jersey Past Grand Master's jewel. Through the courtesy of our Maine Representative, M. W. Bro. Pellegrin, we have received a picture and detailed description of this jewel. Of design similar to that used in Maine, it is set with no less than thirty-eight diamonds, the largest being a magnificent stone of more than three carats.

The Grand Lodge of Argentina was recognized.

The Fraternal Correspondence Report consists of fifty-nine reviews. Our Maine doings in 1952 are courteously reviewed by the Committee Chairman, M. W. Bro. Walter S. Gray. Grand Master Lander is quoted in regard to Masonic education, the initial issue of our twenty-five year button is mentioned, and our recognition of Iceland is reported. Of our own work, Bro. Gray writes: "M. W. Bro. Ralph J. Pollard presents an excellent set of reviews, sometimes caustic, often complimentary. Jersey is accorded a comprehensive page."

Bro. John C. Barbour was elected Grand Master. New Jersey's veteran Grand Secretary, R. W. Isaac Cherry, was re-elected.

NEW MEXICO, 1953.

The Seventy-sixth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 59. Members, 12,182. Gain, 530.

M. W. Richard W. Thorne presided over the Grand Lodge sessions, which were held in Albuquerque on March 16-17, 1953. Our Maine Representative, R. W. George H. Hoopes, was in attendance, as were distinguished visitors from Colorado and Arizona.

The Grand Master paid official visits to every lodge in New Mexico, attended the Washington Conferences, and visited the Grand Lodges of Texas and Colorado. He granted dispensations for four outdoor meetings. One cornerstone was laid, and one new hall was dedicated. One lodge was allowed to change its meeting place. Masonic funeral services were conducted for Past Grand Master Rupert F. Asplund.

The sum of \$100 was contributed to Holland flood relief. The sum of five cents per capita was voted to the hospital visitation work of the M. S. A.

At this communication, it was voted that aprons as well as jewels be presented to Past Grand Masters. Dual membership was again defeated, and the National Federated Craft was again refused permission to establish itself in New Mexico.

Recognition was granted to the United Grand Lodge of Germany, the National Grand Lodge of France, the Grand Lodge of Iceland, and the Grand Lodge of Peru. Action in regard to Israel was postponed.

The Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence was presented by its Chairman, M. W. John Milne. An attempt to omit this Report from the printed Proceedings was, we are glad to say, defeated. This year, the Proceedings of forty-six Jurisdictions are reviewed. Under Maine for 1952, Bro. Milne mentions our twenty-five year button, our relief expenditures, and our schools of instruction. Our refusal to recognize Chile is noted, and brief quotation is made from our own Foreword.

Bro. Rhea M. De Oliveira was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Chandler C. Thomas was re-elected.

NEW SOUTH WALES, 1952.

The Sixty-fourth Annual Report.

Lodges, 795. Members, 123,722. Gain, 4,931.

The new Grand Master, M. W. Bro. John H. Hodgson, was installed at impressive ceremonies held in the Sydney Town Hall on August 22, 1951. His Excellency, Wor. Bro. General Sir John Northcott, K. C. M. G., C. B., M. V. O., Administrator of the Government of the Commonwealth of Australia, was in attendance, as were distinguished visitors from all Australian States.

The usual Quarterly Communications were held in September and December of 1951 and in March and June of 1952.

The Grand Master attended the installation of M. W. Bro. the Earl of Scarbrough, K. G., as Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England. He had the honor of addressing the Mother Grand Lodge on behalf of all Australian delegations. While in London, he visited several English lodges, including the Australia Lodge, No. 6505, to which he presented a handsomely bound copy of the Holy Bible. He visited Windsor Castle, where he was entertained by the Earl and Countess of Gowrie. It will be

remembered that Lord Gowrie formerly served as Governor General of Australia and as Grand Master of New South Wales.

Bro. Hodgson also visited the National Grand Lodge of France in Paris. This Grand Lodge, the only regular Freemasonry in France, has twenty-two lodges, with 1,200 members.

At the March Quarterly, a beautiful and impressive memorial service was held, honoring the memory of His late Majesty, M. W. Bro. King George VI. Appropriate messages of sympathy were forwarded to Her Majesty the Queen and to the United Grand Lodge of England.

During the year, twenty new lodges were consecrated. In one of these new lodges, the original Master, Wardens, Deacons and Inner Guard were all sons of the man in whose honor the lodge was named. Foundation stones were set for several Masonic structures, including a new building at the Masonic Home. Many official visitations were made by senior Grand Lodge officers. The Grand Lodge was represented at the installations of new Grand Masters in Queensland and Western Australia.

A ceremonial sword of state was presented to Grand Lodge.

Fraternal recognition was extended to the Grand Lodges of Argentina and Iceland.

The Masonic Hospital had a busy year, 1,153 operations being performed. The ladies held two fetes in aid of this institution, one of which raised 6,000 pounds, while the other netted 8,000 pounds.

The Report of the Foreign Correspondence Committee was presented by its Chairman, V. W. Bro. H. J. Ford. Forty-three Jurisdictions are reviewed. Maine for 1951 is given generous treatment. Grand Master Lander's address is summarized, and the raising of our six blood brothers is noted. Our Correspondence Report is mentioned, and your Correspondent is credited with "a very careful and accurate analysis of affairs at home and abroad, clearly and succinctly laying down the principles of recognition of other Grand Lodges and the serious effect of indiscriminate recognition of irregular outfits such as the Grand Lodge of Israel."

His Excellency, General Sir John Northcott, K. C. M. G., C. B., M. V. O., was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary James S. Miller, remains in office.

NEW SOUTH WALES, 1953.

The Sixty-fifth Annual Report.

Lodges, 809. Members, 126,040. Gain, 2,318.

The usual Quarterly Communications were held during the year ending on June 10, 1953. His Excellency, Lieutenant General Sir John Northcott, K. C. M. G., C. B., M. V. O., Governor of New South Wales, was installed as Grand Master at a Special Communication held on August 6, 1952. The reigning Grand Masters in Queensland, Western Australia,

Tasmania, Victoria and South Australia, each accompanied by a delegation of distinguished brethren, honored this ceremony by their presence. M. W. Bro. John H. Hodgson was named as His Excellency's Pro Grand Master.

Despite his official duties, the Grand Master was able to visit the Masonic Hospital and the Masonic Schools, and to make numerous visitations throughout the State. Many other visitations were made by the Pro Grand Master and other senior Grand Lodge officers. Fourteen new lodges were consecrated. The Grand Lodge dues were increased by one shilling per annum. A new regulation which would have required a residence of seven years in Australia before one could become a member of a lodge in New South Wales was defeated.

The Grand Master denounced raffles as being contrary both to civil and to Masonic law, and the Grand Inspector of Workings held that music by brass instruments was not a suitable substitute for organ music during the ritualistic work. The charter of a lodge which had failed to exclude an unworthy brother was revoked.

The Grand Master called attention to the initiation of His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh, K. G., which took place on December 5, 1952.

The Grand Master called upon all lodges to commemorate the Coronation of Her Majesty the Queen at their June meetings, and to comply with Her Majesty's request that prayers be offered on her behalf. The Grand Lodges's own Coronation Service was held on June 10, 1953. A splendid address was delivered by the Grand Master, a loyal address to Her Majesty was adopted, and a special Coronation prayer was offered by the Grand Chaplain, R. W. Bro. Archdeacon John Bidwell. The National Anthem was sung.

At the June Quarterly, the Grand Master reported that Past Grand Master F. A. Maguire had passed away that very afternoon. M. W. Bro. Maguire was one of the most distinguished Masons in Australia, a leading physician, and a Major General in the Army Medical Corps during the late war.

Thirty-nine volumes of Proceedings are reviewed by the Foreign Correspondence Committee, of which Wor. Bro. John Kingsley is Chairman. Maine for 1952 is well covered. Grand Master Lander's service in presiding over the Annual Meeting of the M. S. A. is noted, and his views on many questions are reported. Our Library is mentioned. We quote the following: "The Committee on Foreign Correspondence gives a very detailed and searching analysis of the claims for recognition of certain Grand Lodges. The detailed research on the Grand Lodge of Chile is timely and well worth reading for itself, and the manner in which a report of this nature should be prepared."

The Grand Master was re-elected. Grand Secretary James S. Miller remains in office.

NEW YORK, 1953.

The One Hundred Seventy-second Annual Communication.

Lodges, 1,057. Members, 303,025. Gain, 2,052.

M. W. Ward B. Arbury, Grand Master, presided over the Annual Communication, which was held in New York City on May 5-7, 1953. The Flag of Our Country was presented by the Grand Standard Bearer and the National Anthem was sung. Visitors from Canada in Ontario, Massachusetts, Connecticut, New Jersey, England, Delaware, Rhode Island, Ohio and the District of Columbia were received.

Bro. Arbury visited extensively in every section of the Empire State, represented his Grand Lodge at the Grand Masters' Conference, and attended the annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Canada in Ontario. M. W. Charles W. Froessel visited the United Grand Lodge of England and conducted an investigation of Masonic conditions in Germany. The sum of \$250,000 was contributed to the Masonic Brotherhood Fund. Additional grants for research in the field of rheumatoid diseases were made. Dispensations for two new lodges were issued.

The Grand Master ruled that a lodge could not charge admission to a meeting, in order to defray the expenses of a visiting degree team. In answer to a question, he held that a lodge could use the new Revised Standard Version of the Bible if it so desired.

The nine New York lodges in Syria and the Lebanon are flourishing, having a membership of 994. They are requesting the establishment of a District Grand Lodge.

We again quote from the Grand Lecturer's report: "Again, I strongly recommend the continuance of care with reference to undue roughness in the Third Degree." We note that the Grand Lodge of New York does not recognize the so-called "Past Masters' Degree."

In well chosen words, M. W. Carl H. Claudy, on behalf of the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia, presented to the Grand Lodge one of the Masonic stones from the White House, together with its letter of transmittal from the M. W. Harry S. Truman, then President of the United States.

The old "Masonic Outlook" and the "Masonic Family Magazine" are being merged in a new official publication, "The Empire State Mason."

This year, the Grand Lodge Medal for Distinguished Achievement was presented to R. W. Bro. Sir Alexander Fleming, the eminent scientist who discovered penicillin. Sir Alexander is a Past Grand Warden of the United Grand Lodge of England.

The Grand Lodge mourns the loss of its Grand Treasurer, M. W. Christopher C. Mollenhauer.

There are 544 guests at the New York Masonic Home.

Fraternal recognition was extended to the Grand Lodge of Iceland, the Grand Lodge of Greece, the Grand Lodge of Vienna for Austria, and the United Grand Lodge of Germany.

The usual fine topical Report on Correspondence, covering the Proceedings of sixty-one Jurisdictions, was prepared by R. W. Harry N. Holmes. Grand Master Lander of Maine is quoted, and our troubles over the Brownville Temple are mentioned.

The table appended to this report shows that there are now 3,815,968 Masons in the United States of America.

The Grand Master, M. W. Ward B. Arbury, and the Grand Secretary, R. W. Edward P. Carman, were re-elected.

NEW ZEALAND, 1952.

The Sixty-third Annual Communication.

Lodges, 368. Members, 39,794. Gain, 1,097.

The Annual Communication was held in Dunedin on November 26, 1952, with the Grand Master, M. W. Bro. John C. Barclay, on the Throne. Distinguished visitors from the English, Irish and Scottish Constitutions were in attendance. Our Maine Representative was absent.

At the passing of M. W. Bro. King George VI, the New Zealand lodges were ordered into mourning, and a message of sympathy and loyalty was forwarded, through the Governor General, to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

The Grand Lodge also mourns the passing of M. W. Bro. Oliver Nicholson, the "grand old man" of New Zealand Masonry, who served as Grand Master in 1916-17.

M. W. Bro. Barclay made sixty official visits, reaching lodges in every section of the Dominion. One new hall was dedicated. Ten new lodges were constituted.

The Grand Master of England, M. W. Bro. the Earl of Scarbrough, K. G., attended a meeting of the New Zealand Lodge, No. 5175, E. C., in London, at which Mr. Frederick Widdowson Doidge, High Commissioner for New Zealand in the United Kingdom, was initiated. Two Past Grand Masters of New Zealand, M. W. Bro. C. L. MacDiarmid and M. W. Bro. Sir Stephen Allen, were in attendance, as were some 200 brethren belonging to the English and New Zealand Constitutions.

Several constitutional amendments were adopted at this communication. One new Masonic District was established. The Grand Lodge ruled that no New Zealand Freemason could become a member of the O. E. S.

The Proceedings of sixty-seven Jurisdictions were duly reviewed. The review of our Maine doings in 1952 appeared in the May, 1953, number of the "*New Zealand Freemason*." Our membership figures, our educational program, our charitable expenditures, and our conservative stand in regard to the recognition of foreign Grand Lodges are all mentioned. Extensive quotation is made from the address of Grand Master Lander.

Bro. Adam Smith was elected and installed as Grand Master of New Zealand. We quote from his inaugural address: "While we glory in the

past, let us look to the future and endeavor to prove worthy of our traditions. The future of Freemasonry is in the hands of its present members and will be safe so long as we honestly practice the principles and tenets of our system and take every care to admit only those whom we consider will do likewise."

Because of ill health, Grand Secretary H. A. Lamb retired, being succeeded by Bro. F. G. Northern.

NORTH CAROLINA, 1953.

The One Hundred Sixty-sixth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 335. Members, 54,127. Gain, 1,881.

M. W. William H. White presided over the Annual Communication, which was held in Charlotte on April 21-22, 1953. Maine's Representative was absent. The Grand Honors were accorded to distinguished brethren hailing from Massachusetts, South Carolina, Virginia, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Tennessee and Canada in Ontario.

The Grand Master made 184 Masonic appearances during the year. He attended the Washington Conferences and visited the Grand Lodges of South Carolina, Illinois, Kentucky, Maryland and Virginia. He also attended the Washington bi-centennial observance held at Fredericksburg, Virginia, at which the principal address was delivered by M. W. Luther T. Hartsell of North Carolina. Five lodges were constituted, and three cornerstones were laid.

Forty-three district meetings and seventy-five schools of instruction were held. The bi-centennial of George Washington's initiation was widely observed, and the Lodge System of Masonic Education was reported to be in general use throughout the State.

The Grand Master authorized the construction, with proper safeguards, of a one-story lodge building. He ruled that a bartender in a club was ineligible for the degrees. He reprimanded three lodges, one of which had initiated a candidate who refused to "swear," one of which had initiated an insane person, and one of which had conferred a degree upon one who was intoxicated.

The Oxford Orphanage cares for 324 children. A new chapel at this institution was consecrated during the year. The Masonic and Eastern Star Home has seventy-three guests.

The Joseph Montfort Medal was presented to M. W. James N. Hillman of Virginia.

We are sorry to report that the North Carolina Lodge of Research has become dormant.

A stone from the White House, bearing a Masonic mark, and an accompanying letter from M. W. Harry S. Truman, were presented to Grand Lodge by an ambassador from the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia.

The sum of \$3,000 was voted to the hospital visitation program of the M. S. A.

Fraternal recognition was extended to the Grand Lodges of Ceara, Rio Grande do Sul, and Piaui.

The Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence was presented by its Chairman, M. W. Wallace E. Caldwell. This is of the topical variety, and contains numerous pertinent quotations. Much space is devoted to the proceedings of the Grand Masters' Conference.

Bro. Edwin T. Howard was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Wilbur L. McIver was re-elected.

NORTH DAKOTA, 1953.

The Sixty-fourth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 119. Members, 14,352. Gain, 220.

Distinguished guests from the District of Columbia, Manitoba, Alberta, Minnesota, South Dakota, Kansas and Montana were in attendance at the Annual Communication, which was held in Fargo on June 15-17, 1953. Grand Master Edward J. Franta presided. The American and Canadian Colors were saluted. The Rainbow Girls presented a floral offering, and the usual delegation from the O. E. S. was received.

M. W. Bro. Walter H. Murfin was honored by the presentation of a framed certificate constituting him a Commissioner Emeritus *ad vitam* of the M. S. A.

The Grand Master traveled 21,600 miles and attended 141 Masonic functions. He participated in the Banff, Washington, and Cedar Rapids Conferences, and attended Grand Lodge sessions in Montana, Minnesota, Manitoba and South Dakota. He dedicated one new Masonic Temple. Numerous outdoor meetings were held, including several of an international character.

An unprecedented exchange occurred when the Grand Lodge of North Dakota held a special communication in Manitoba, while the Grand Lodge of Manitoba held a return meeting in North Dakota. Both meetings were largely attended, and did much to foster a spirit of fraternal and international good will.

M. W. Bro. Franta would like to see the usual summer recess in lodge work eliminated. He ruled that no other emblem could appear near the letter "G" while the lodge was in session, and that a lodge was free to accept an application from an American-born Chinese.

The call for Holland flood relief was answered by a contribution of \$300.

The sum of \$5,000 was paid over to the M. S. A. for its hospital visitation work.

The Grand Historian presented an interesting report, dealing with the lives of the eleven Masons who have served as Governors of North Dakota.

M. W. Bro. Carl H. Claudy was the principal speaker at the Grand Lodge banquet. Acting as the representative of M. W. Bro. Harry S.

Truman and the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia, he also presented to the Grand Lodge its Masonic stone from the White House.

At this communication, the appointment of District Deputy Grand Lecturers was authorized.

No new recognitions were granted.

For the twenty-fifth consecutive year, M. W. Bro. Walter H. Murfin presented the Report on Fraternal Correspondence. In his Foreword, Bro. Murfin mentions the chain letter nuisance, the problem of oversized lodges, and the deplorable conditions existing in Colombia. He then reviews the Proceedings of forty-six Jurisdictions. Under Maine for 1952, he quotes from Grand Master Lander's address, and notes our recognition of Iceland. Our own Report on Correspondence is commended.

Bro. John A. Graham was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Harold S. Pond was re-elected.

NOVA SCOTIA, 1953.

The Eighty-eighth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 108. Members, 13,868. Gain, 238.

The Annual Communication was held in Lunenburg on June 14-15, 1953. M. W. Bro. Perry S. Cochrane, M. D., was on the Throne. Divine Service was held in St. John's Anglican Church, at which an outstanding sermon was preached by the Grand Chaplain, R. W. Bro. Canon A. Stanley Walker, D. D. R. W. Bro. Frederick C. Lounder, Past Junior Grand Warden and Grand Lecturer of the Grand Lodge of Maine, was presented to the Grand Lodge by our Maine Representative, R. W. Bro. John Hare. Other distinguished guests, representing the Grand Lodges of England, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Rhode Island, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island, were in attendance.

We quote from Dr. Cochrane's address: "We have much to offer to a troubled world and in a time of great conflict between opposing ideologies, we should never lose an opportunity to show to the world that our faith is well founded and that our trust and hope is in a Divine Providence."

The Grand Master was an honored guest at the annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Maine. He also visited the sister Jurisdictions of Prince Edward Island, Canada in Ontario, Quebec, Massachusetts and Connecticut. He presented a paper at the All-Canadian Conference in Montreal, participated in the Grand Masters' Conference at Washington, attended twelve district meetings, and made forty-five visits to lodges in his own Province. One new hall was dedicated, three lodges were constituted, and two new lodges were instituted.

The Grand Master held that an illiterate person was ineligible for the degrees.

An organization associated in the public mind with Masonry attempted to hold a lottery. With the approval of the Advisory Board, the Grand

Master issued a statement declaring such conduct to be contrary both to Canadian and to Masonic law. How long will sovereign Grand Lodges continue to tolerate such impertinent violations of law by these parasitic organizations?

The Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia maintains the only Masonic Home in Canada. This institution now has forty-seven guests.

At this communication, addresses were delivered by M. W. Bros. G. S. Hull of Connecticut and Thomas S. Roy of Massachusetts. Bro. Roy was elected an Honorary Past Grand Master of Nova Scotia.

It is interesting to note that Nova Scotia has five brethren wearing its seventy-year service bar.

A special medal for lodge Secretaries having served as such for twenty-five years was authorized.

Fraternal recognition was extended to the Grand Lodges of Greece and Vienna for Austria.

A well-written Fraternal Review, in topical form, covering the Proceedings of fifty-six Jurisdictions, appears in the Nova Scotia Proceedings. No author is named. No mention of Maine occurs therein.

The Grand Master, Dr. Perry S. Cochrane, and the Grand Secretary, M. W. Bro. Reginald V. Harris, Q. C., were re-elected.

OHIO, 1952.

The One Hundred Forty-third Annual Communication.

Lodges, 650. Members, 265,551. Gain, 5,115.

The Mayor of Cincinnati, Bro. Carl W. Rich, extended a welcome to that City, where the Annual Communication was held on October 17-18, 1952. M. W. Bro. William M. Judd presided. The Colors were posted by a Commandery escort, and the National Anthem was sung. The Grand Lodge was honored by the presence of distinguished guests from Pennsylvania, Indiana, Canada in Ontario, Montana, Kentucky, Connecticut, Tennessee, Maryland and Virginia. Our Maine Representative, M. W. David B. Sharp, was in attendance.

We quote from the Grand Master's address: "Unless the community in which we live is better for the truths we teach, unless there is a greater purity and a higher sense of honor in those with whom we come in contact, we have failed in our mission."

A conference of District Deputies was held early in the year, at which an outstanding address was delivered by Bro. Hazen G. Werner, Methodist Bishop for the Ohio Area.

The Grand Master attended the National Conferences. At the Washington Memorial, he unveiled the marble bust of the late M. W. Bro. Elmer R. Arn, Past Grand Master in Ohio and for many years President of the Memorial Association. The presentation speech, on behalf of the Grand Lodge of Ohio, was made by Past Grand Master L. Todd McKinney.

M. W. Bro. Judd made 131 visitations in the course of the year, including fraternal visits to the Grand Lodges of Connecticut, Indiana, Oregon and Washington. Three lodges were constituted, dispensations for six new lodges were issued, two new halls were dedicated, and cornerstones for a Methodist Church, a Congregational Church, four public school buildings, and a Masonic Temple were laid.

There were several violations of the Code by organizations predicating their membership on Masonry. The Grand Master recommended that copies of the Code be furnished to the presiding officers of all such bodies, so that they might no longer plead ignorance of Masonic law as an excuse for such violations.

Fraternal recognition was extended to the United Grand Lodge of Germany and the Grand Lodge of Minas Gerais.

There are 557 guests at the Ohio Masonic Home.

Ohio's Foreign Correspondent, M. W. Bro. Carl W. Ellenwood, presented another excellent report, consisting of a Foreword and sixty-six generous reviews. His Foreword ends with these words: "We close this Foreword with an appreciation of the kinship we feel for our fellow Correspondents across the Masonic World."

Our Maine doings in 1952 are reviewed. The prompt publication of our Proceedings is noted, Grand Master Lander's views on lodge finances are commended, our difficulty in regard to the Brownville Temple is discussed, and our expenditures for relief are mentioned. Bro. Ellenwood is good enough to say that our own report constitutes a "vital part" of the Maine Proceedings.

Bro. Thomas A. Reber was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Harry S. Johnson was re-elected.

OKLAHOMA, 1953.

The Forty-fifth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 387. Members, 80,183. Gain, 2,183.

The Annual Communication was held in Muskogee on February 10-12, 1953. Grand Master Lee F. Parks presided. A distinguished guest from Arkansas was in attendance, as was the Grand Representative of Maine, Bro. Ernest Castle. At a suitable time, the Worthy Grand Matron of the O. E. S. was received.

We quote from the Grand Master's address: "We stand as soldiers in the great Masonic army of the world; we guard with vigilance that priceless heritage passed down to us through the years and which is now in our keeping. Our cause is just. Faith in the ideals and principles of our institution is unwavering."

In his many appearances throughout the state, Bro. Parks continually warned against the evil ideology of communism. He attended the Grand Masters' Conference in Washington. Two lodges were constituted, and a

dispensation for one new lodge was issued. Cornerstones were laid for two public school buildings. One new hall was dedicated.

Long standing differences with the Grand Lodge of Kansas, resulting from a misunderstanding in regard to courtesy work, were successfully ironed out at a joint conference between the two Jurisdictions, initiated by the Grand Lodge of Oklahoma.

The Oklahoma Masonic Home shelters 100 adults and 54 children.

At this communication, legislation was adopted making it a Masonic offence to belong to any organization which seeks the overthrow of the United States Government by force. Legislation was also adopted prohibiting lodges from accepting as candidates, affiliates or visitors any members of the African race.

The Grand Lodge mourns the untimely death of M. W. Lyle H. Ball, immediate Past Grand Master.

The Committee on Fraternal Correspondence and Relations, of which M. W. Bro. J. Fred Latham is Chairman, presented an able Report. The recognition of the Grand Lodge of Iceland was recommended. Numerous other applications were, because of unstable world conditions, held in abeyance. We quote: "As we have stated in other reports, we do not feel that a delay will unduly alter their position nor do any serious injury."

After quoting at length from our Maine Report denying recognition to the Grand Lodge of Chile, the Oklahoma Committee writes: "Your Committee is of the opinion that we must carefully watch the action of all Grand Lodges that are not positive in their demands for a belief in God or that do not use and believe in the Volume of the Sacred Law. We would respectfully suggest that the succeeding Committee give careful attention to our neighbors to the south, particularly those in South America."

The Committee reviews the Proceedings of fifty-one Jurisdictions. Bro. Latham himself gives generous space to our Maine doings in 1952. Quotations are made from Grand Master Lander's address and from the report of our Grand Lecturer. Our recognition of Iceland is noted. Extensive quotation is again made from our Committee report denying recognition to the Grand Lodge of Chile and from our own Foreword. We thank Bro. Latham for his courtesy.

Bro. Murray L. Coppock was elected Grand Master. After many years of distinguished service, Grand Secretary Claude A. Sturgeon retired, and was elected Grand Secretary Emeritus. He was succeeded by M. W. Bro. J. Fred Latham.

OREGON, 1953.

The One Hundred Third Annual Communication.

Lodges, 184. Members, 41,557. Gain, 1,002.

The Grand Master, M. W. Jared W. Summerhays, died in office on June 9, the day preceding the opening of Grand Lodge. Accordingly,

the Deputy Grand Master, R. W. Thomas E. Lampkin, presided over the Annual Communication, which was held in Portland on June 10-12, 1953. Distinguished guests from British Columbia, Idaho, Washington and California were in attendance, as was Bro. Harry W. Swafford, Grand Representative of Maine.

The address prepared by the late Grand Master was read. In it, he reported the details of a busy year. Three Temples were dedicated, two lodges were constituted, one new lodge was instituted, and six cornerstones were laid—five of them being for public school buildings. Thirty-one district meetings were held. The Grand Master represented his Grand Lodge at the Grand Masters' Conference, attended the Tri-State Conference, and visited the sister Grand Lodges of Washington, Idaho and California.

The Grand Master issued a dispensation under which a Fellow Craft who was bedfast in a Veterans' Hospital received the Master Mason degree, being taken to the lodge room on an ambulance stretcher. This brother passed away shortly after receiving his degree. The Grand Master also authorized the acceptance of an application from a blind man.

Bro. Summerhays had deserved condemnation for the idea that there are any higher degrees than those conferred in the Blue Lodge, and for those brethren who apparently regard membership in the Shrine as an excuse for conduct which brings the good name of Masonry into disrepute.

The Washington bi-centennial was fittingly observed throughout the State. The lodges in the Portland area conducted an outstanding meeting, attended by some 8,000 persons. A specially written Masonic play, requiring a cast of 150, was presented.

Two Past Grand Masters, Arthur D. Hay and Walter M. Ransom, passed away during the year.

At this communication, one of the Masonic stones from the White House was presented to the Grand Lodge. An attempt to do away with the Grand Representative system was, on recommendation of the Jurisprudence Committee, defeated. The dispensation of Oregon Military Lodge in Germany was continued.

Fraternal recognition was extended to the National Grand Lodge of France and the Grand Lodge of Argentina. Action in regard to Israel was postponed.

The Report on Foreign Correspondence, in topical form, was again presented by Bro. Edward B. Beaty. Grand Master Ervin E. J. Lander of Maine is quoted.

Bro. Thomas E. Lampkin was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Harry D. Proudfoot was re-elected.

PENNSYLVANIA, 1952.

Quarterly and Annual Communications.

Lodges, 578. Members, 239,832. Gain, 5,005.

The usual Quarterly and Annual Communications were held in Philadelphia on March 5, June 4, September 3, December 3, and December 27, 1952. All were presided over by the R. W. Grand Master, Bro. Albert T. Eyler. Past Grand Master Ervin E. J. Lander of Maine was a visitor at the December Quarterly. Other distinguished guests received during the year hailed from Virginia, Maryland, Connecticut, New Jersey, Rhode Island, Delaware, District of Columbia, New York, Massachusetts, South Carolina, North Carolina, Illinois and Canada in Ontario.

In his annual address, the Grand Master called attention to the bi-centennial observance of George Washington's initiation into Freemasonry, and paid fitting tribute to Washington's work and to that of his Masonic colleagues. He also said: "But, Brethren, it is not enough to recognize that we have received this magnificent heritage from the past. Those early Masons lived noble lives but they are no longer here to act today. You and I stand in their places. We are the custodians of Masonry and its influence today and the fundamental struggle between good and evil is waged anew in each generation."

The Grand Master attended the Washington Conferences. The Louis A. Watres Memorial Library, the gift of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania to the Washington Memorial, was dedicated with appropriate ceremonies.

In May, Bro. Eyler visited the Grand Lodge of Maine. He also attended Grand Lodge communications in Louisiana, Virginia, New Jersey, Indiana, Oregon, Ontario, Delaware, Illinois, Ohio and Georgia, and made many visitations in his own Jurisdiction. He made one Mason at sight. One new lodge was constituted.

The Grand Secretary, Bro. Frederick S. Hammann, died in office. Bro. George A. Avery was named as his successor.

Legislation was adopted permitting Pennsylvania lodges, with the consent of the Grand Masters concerned, to meet and to confer degrees in the Washington Memorial.

The old slate roof on the Philadelphia Masonic Temple has been replaced by an all-aluminum covering.

As part of the Washington observance, the Library and Museum arranged a special display of the Washingtoniana in its custody.

With the permission of the Grand Master, the Masonic Service Association published a brochure describing some of the Masonic treasures of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.

There are 611 guests at the Pennsylvania Masonic Home.

Grand Master Albert T. Eyler was re-elected. Bro. George A. Avery was elected Grand Secretary.

Pennsylvania publishes no Fraternal Review.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS, 1953.

The Thirty-seventh Annual Communication.

Lodges, 105. Members, 9,080. Gain, 713.

The Grand Lodge met in Manila on April 28-30, 1953. The Grand Master, M. W. Bro. Sidney M. Austin, was in the Grand East. Prayer was offered, and the National Colors were saluted.

In addition to visiting extensively in the home Islands, the Grand Master also visited the Philippine lodges in Guam, Okinawa and Japan. Five lodges were constituted, two new lodges were instituted, three Temples were dedicated, and the cornerstone of one Temple was laid.

A circular letter was issued calling for contributions for the relief of typhoon sufferers.

During the year, the Craft was subjected to a vicious attack by the hierarchy of the Roman Catholic Church. Three prominent Masons, the top-ranking officials of the Philippine Department of Education, were accused of violating their oaths of office, and the Grand Lodge itself was charged with conspiring to sabotage that clause of Philippine law which authorizes *optional* religious instruction in the public schools. Of course, what the Grand Lodge really opposes is the *compulsory* sectarian instruction desired by the Church. The Grand Lodge position was set forth in a formal public statement. These charges were investigated by a Congressional committee, and by a special investigator appointed by the President of the Philippines. The Grand Secretary, in his official capacity, was called to testify before these tribunals. As a result of these investigations, the President of the Philippines issued an administrative order completely exonerating the Grand Lodge and the three accused brethren from the charges made against them.

We quote from the address of the Grand Secretary: "We have a monumental task ahead. These are difficult days for all of us who make of Masonry a way of life. Our Masonic living is being challenged by the same forces of darkness as in centuries before. As Masons we do accept the challenge."

The Grand Lodge made a pilgrimage to the Rizal Monument on the Lunetta, where the Grand Master delivered an inspiring address.

At this communication, the National Grand Lodge of France was recognized.

The Report of the Committee on Correspondence was again presented by R. W. Bro. Mauro Baradi. Jurisdictional reviews appeared in the various numbers of the "*Cabletow*," but Maine was not one of the Jurisdictions reviewed.

Bro. Mauro Baradi was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Antonio Gonzalez was re-elected.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND, 1952.

The Seventy-seventh Annual Communication.

Lodges, 16. Members, 1,333. Gain, 14.

M. W. Bro. J. Archibald Thomson presided over the Annual Communication, which was held in Montague on June 25, 1952. A welcome was extended to distinguished visitors from Nova Scotia and Canada in Ontario. Maine's Representative was not recorded as being present.

The Grand Master paid touching tribute to the memory of His late Majesty, M. W. Bro. King George VI, and pledged the allegiance of the Craft to Her Most Gracious Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

Bro. Thomson made official visitations to all lodges in the Jurisdiction. He praised the fine appearance of the lodge rooms. He urged the establishment of a Grand Lodge Library as an aid to Masonic education, and advised lodges to undertake some project of a benevolent or charitable nature.

The purchase of a new set of Grand Lodge regalia was authorized.

Fraternal recognition was extended to the Grand Lodges of Iceland, Finland, Argentina and Colombia at Bogota. No action was taken in regard to China, Germany or Italy.

The Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence was presented by M. W. Bro. George G. Wood. We quote with approval: "Your Committee feels that it should repeat our statement of other years that in dealing with the Grand Lodges of South America caution should be our watchword. Many of these Grand Lodges are politically involved and it is questionable if the establishment of relations between us would be advantageous to either party."

Bro. Fred I. Bell was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary L. A. McDougall was re-elected.

QUEBEC, 1952.

The Eighty-second Annual Communication.

Lodges, 101. Members, 17,393. Gain, 294.

The Annual Communication was held in Montreal on October 8-9, 1952, and was presided over by the Grand Master, M. W. Bro. J. W. Buckland. Maine's honored Representative, R. W. Bro. O. E. Stanton, was in attendance, as were distinguished visitors representing the Grand Lodges of Canada in Ontario, Massachusetts, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Vermont and British Columbia.

An Especial Communication of Grand Lodge was held on February 15, 1952, at which an impressive memorial service for His late Majesty, M. W. Bro. King George VI, was conducted. Participating in this service was the Rt. Rev. John H. Dixon, Lord Bishop of Montreal and a Past Grand Chaplain of the United Grand Lodge of England. Appropriate resolutions of sympathy and loyalty were adopted, to be laid at the foot of the Throne.

The Grand Master had a busy year. He traveled 11,000 miles in the service of the Craft, made forty-one official visitations, and attended twelve Masonic Church services. He participated in the Washington Conferences, visited the Grand Lodges of Canada in Ontario and Vermont, and represented his Grand Lodge at the installation of M. W. Bro. the Earl of Scarbrough, K. G., as Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England. One lodge was consecrated and one new lodge was instituted.

Bro. Buckland was obliged to warn against the telling of suggestive stories at Masonic banquets, and to remind Masters that they are responsible for the quality of the entertainment presented at refreshment.

The Lodge of Antiquity, No. 1, celebrated the 200th anniversary of the original charter granted by the Grand Lodge of Ireland to the Lodge of Social and Military Virtues, No. 227, from which the Lodge of Antiquity is traditionally descended. Originally a military lodge attached to the 46th Regiment of Foot, this lodge was visited by George Washington during the French and Indian War.

An attempt to change the date of the annual communication was defeated.

The Grand Lodge mourns the passing of Past Grand Master Arthur B. Wood.

The Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence was presented by its distinguished Chairman, R. W. Bro. O. E. Stanton. Five applications for recognition were reported, but all were held in abeyance. We quote with approval: "It is the opinion of the Committee that it is better to go slow rather than rush in and, perhaps, shortly after regret and have to withdraw recognition."

The Proceedings of forty-four Jurisdictions are reviewed by the several members of the Committee. Bro. Stanton himself reviews our Maine doings in 1951, giving us more than three pages of kindly comment. Grand Master Lander's activities are reported and several quotations are made from his address. The raising of our six blood brothers, the establishment of our twenty-five year button, and our increased per diem are mentioned. Bro. Stanton is kind enough to say that "The Foreign Correspondence Report was most interesting, informative and instructive as usual, and is one of the best reviews this writer has seen." We thank Bro. Stanton for his personal congratulations on our promotion.

Bro. Charles L. Roman was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary R. W. Louthood was re-elected.

QUEBEC, 1953.

The Eighty-third Annual Communication.

Lodges, 102. Members, 17,690. Gain, 297.

M. W. Bro. C. L. Roman presided over the Annual Communication, held in Montreal on October 14-15, 1953. Our Maine Representative, R. W. Bro. O. E. Stanton, was in attendance, as were distinguished guests

from Canada in Ontario and Vermont. A telegram from M. W. Bro. Benjamin W. Ela, Grand Master in Maine, expressing regret at his inability to be present, was read.

The Grand Master delivered a scholarly address, replete with quotations from both ancient and modern writers. He made patriotic reference to the Coronation of Her Majesty the Queen, and told of the Masonic Coronation service held in his own Church, of which he has been an Elder for thirty years. He denounced communism, urged care in the admission of candidates, and warned against vulgarity and coarse humor at Masonic functions.

Bro. Roman issued orders to the Craft prohibiting raffles, bingo games, lotteries, or any form of gambling as a method of raising money for Masonic purposes.

During the year, one lodge was consecrated, one new lodge was instituted, one hall was dedicated, and one cornerstone was laid.

The Deputy Grand Master represented the Grand Lodge of Quebec at the All-Canadian and Washington Conferences. The Grand Master visited the Grand Lodges of Canada in Ontario, Vermont and Massachusetts.

At this communication, several constitutional amendments were adopted, including one changing the date of the annual communication from October to June.

Numerous applications for recognition were received, but all were held in abeyance.

With regret, we note that the Report on Foreign Correspondence will hereafter be limited to a topical synopsis. We will certainly miss Bro. Stanton's good reviews of Maine.

Grand Master C. L. Roman and Grand Secretary R. W. Louthood were re-elected.

QUEENSLAND, 1952.

The Thirty-first Annual Report.

Lodges, 399. Members, 30,385. Gain, 1,310.

One Special and four Quarterly Communications were held during the year ending in June of 1952. The new Grand Master, the Hon. Mr. Justice Benjamin H. Matthews, was formally installed at a special communication held in Brisbane on July 4, 1951. Delegations from Western Australia, Tasmania, Victoria, New South Wales and South Australia honored this event by their presence.

M. W. Bro. W. H. Green represented the Grand Lodge at the installation of the Earl of Scarbrough as Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England. His report was read at the December Quarterly.

At the same communication, M. W. Bro. E. A. Jones reported on the official visit made by him on behalf of Grand Lodge to lodges in Papua and New Guinea.

At the March Quarterly, the Grand Master made fitting reference to the death of His Majesty King George VI. An appropriate message of sympathy was forwarded to the Royal Family and a period of Masonic mourning was ordered.

A new ritual was adopted at the June Quarterly. The Board of General Purposes expressed its concern over reports of excessive drinking in some lodges. Masters are held responsible that no such abuses occur at the festive board.

Nine new lodges were consecrated during the year.

The Grand Master, M. W. Bro. B. H. Matthews, was re-elected. Grand Secretary E. G. Radford remains in office.

There is no Correspondence Report.

RHODE ISLAND, 1953.

The One Hundred Sixty-second Annual Communication.

Lodges, 44. Members, 18,278. Gain, 452.

M. W. Bro. Fred W. Johnstone presided over the Annual Communication, which was held in Providence on May 18, 1953. Our own Grand Master, M. W. Benjamin W. Ela, was in attendance, and was presented to the Grand Lodge by our Maine Representative, M. W. Charles W. Littlefield. Other distinguished visitors hailed from Massachusetts, New York, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Connecticut, New Hampshire, Vermont, Delaware and the District of Columbia.

Bro. Johnstone was an honored guest at the annual communication of our own Grand Lodge. He also attended Grand Lodge sessions in New Hampshire, Oregon, Delaware, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, Virginia, Connecticut and New Jersey, represented his Grand Lodge at the Washington Conferences and visited thirty Rhode Island lodges. On three occasions, the Grand Lodge officers attended Church officially, and special Church services were held in each Masonic district. The bi-centennial of Washington's initiation was also observed in each of the districts.

The splendid sum of \$1,277 was contributed by Rhode Island brethren to Holland flood relief.

Harmony must prevail in Rhode Island, for the Grand Master was not called upon for any legal rulings or decisions.

The Grand Lodge mourns the death of Past Grand Master Chester M. Aldrich.

M. W. Roy D. Borden, Grand Master in the District of Columbia, presented one of the Masonic stones from the White House, and M. W. Renah F. Camalier, Past Grand Master, told how the President of the United States requested the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia to undertake the distribution of these stones. Bro. Camalier was also the speaker at the Grand Lodge banquet.

Fraternal recognition was extended to the National Grand Lodge of France and to the Grand Lodges of Vienna for Austria, El Potosí, Argentina and Greece. Despite this recognition of the National Grand Lodge of France, the Grand Lodge of Rhode Island continues to recognize the clandestine Grand Lodge of France. How can this be? Both of these bodies cannot be Masonically sovereign in France at the same time.

Bro. Kenneth Craik was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary N. Arthur Hyland was re-elected.

There is no Correspondence Report.

SASKATCHEWAN, 1953.

The Forty-seventh Annual Communication.

Lodges, 204. Members, 17,201. Gain, 370.

The Annual Communication was held in Regina on June 17-18, 1953. M. W. Bro. Guy H. Hummel was on the Throne. Distinguished guests from Manitoba and Alberta were in attendance, as was M. W. Bro. Hector Mackay, Q. C., Grand Representative of Maine. The Union Jack and the Stars and Stripes were presented by two non-commissioned officers of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police.

On Coronation Day, June 2, a cablegram of loyal greetings was despatched to Her Majesty the Queen.

The Grand Master represented his Grand Lodge at the Western Canadian Conference at Banff, the All-Canadian Conference at Montreal, and the North American Conference at Washington. He also visited the Grand Lodges of Canada in Ontario, Montana, Illinois, Manitoba and Alberta. In all, he traveled 27,500 miles on Masonic business. District meetings were held in all districts. One new Temple was dedicated.

Bro. Hummel ruled that a lodge could not contribute from its funds towards the construction of a community skating rink.

At the district meetings, an outstanding address on "My Church and My Lodge" was delivered by the Grand Secretary.

Recognition was extended to the Grand Lodges of Argentina and Panama. Because of the unhealed schism therein, recognition was denied to the Grand Lodge of Peru. Numerous applications were deferred.

After twenty years of distinguished service, M. W. Bro. Chief Justice W. M. Martin has retired from the Chairmanship of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, being succeeded by M. W. Bro. Douglas Fraser, to whom we extend a hearty welcome to the Round Table. We deeply regret that our Maine Proceedings were not among those reviewed in Bro. Fraser's first Report.

Bro. Robert L. Hanbidge, Q. C., was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Robert A. Tate was re-elected, and the rank of Past Grand Master was conferred upon him.

SCOTLAND, 1953.

The Grand Master Mason, Sir Malcolm Barclay-Harvey of Kinord, K. C. M. G., D. L., suffered a prolonged period of illness, and it was not until the August Quarterly that he could be installed for his fourth year in office.

The famous *Eglinton Manuscript*, an original copy of the *Schaw Statutes* of 1598 which has been the property of the Earls of Eglinton for more than three centuries, has been presented to the Grand Lodge by the present Earl, now serving as Senior Grand Warden and as Chairman of the Foreign and Colonial Committee.

At the February Quarterly, the Earl of Elgin and Kincardine reported on his recent world tour, during which he made Masonic contacts in Canada, New Zealand and Australia. The Senior Grand Warden, the Earl of Eglinton and Winton, reported on the official visit which he and the Grand Secretary made to the Scottish lodges in West Africa.

The Substitute Grand Master, Sir George Graham, O. B. E., paid an official visit to the five Masonic Districts in South Africa, and represented the Grand Lodge at a conference of District Grand Masters held in Durban on June 26, 1953.

Distinguished visitors from the Grand Lodges of Queensland, Greece and Norway, and from the Scottish Districts in Palestine and Pakistan were present at the August Quarterly.

The Scottish Masonic Home at "Ault Wharrie" is now filled, and a new wing is to be opened shortly.

The Grand Lodge of Scotland was host to the annual Conference of British Grand Lodges, which was held in Edinburgh on September 18, 1953. The Grand Master Mason presided. The Scottish delegation also included the Depute Grand Master, the Senior Grand Warden, and two other members of the Foreign and Colonial Committee. The United Grand Lodge of England was represented by the President of its Board of General Purposes and its Grand Secretary, and the Grand Lodge of Ireland by its Deputy Grand Master, Senior Grand Warden and Assistant Grand Secretary. Many matters of mutual interest to the three Grand Lodges were discussed, with a view to preserving uniformity of procedure. Particular attention was given to the question of foreign recognition. It was agreed that there appeared to be no reason why the United Grand Lodge of Germany should not be recognized, but definite action was deferred, pending further correspondence with the Scandinavian Grand Lodges. This probably results from the action of the Grand Lodge of Sweden in recognizing one of the other bodies existing in Germany.

A delegation from the Grand Lodge of Scotland, including the Rt. Hon. the Earl of Elgin and Kincardine, K. T., Past Grand Master, and Dr. Alexander F. Buchan, M. B. E., Grand Secretary, flew to Jerusalem and participated in the ceremonies incident to the consecration of the new Grand Lodge of the State of Israel. Lord Elgin presided over these ceremonies, which were held on October 20, 1953. He was elected the first

Honorary Member of the new Grand Lodge. A framed picture of His late Majesty, King George VI, clothed as Grand Master Mason of Scotland, was presented to the new body, which was formed by the five lodges in Israel deriving their original charters from the Grand Lodge of Scotland. The Scottish delegation was received by the President of Israel and was entertained at the British Embassy.

As a result of the establishment of this new Grand Lodge, the Scottish District of Palestine has ceased to exist. A new District of the Eastern Mediterranean has been created, and Dr. G. L. Colenso-Jones, formerly Superintendent in Palestine, has been appointed District Superintendent. Lodge Jordan, No. 1339, which formerly met in Jaffa, Palestine, has changed its meeting place to Amman, the capital of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan.

On its way home from Israel, the Scottish delegation visited the Grand Lodge of Greece, and had the pleasure of witnessing degree work in a Greek lodge. The late King's picture was also presented to the Greek Grand Lodge.

Lord Elgin reported on his trip at the November Quarterly. At this communication, the sum of 100 guineas was voted for Greek earthquake relief. Legislation was adopted providing that a lodge can accept an application from one who is totally blind under dispensation from the Grand Master Mason. On recommendation of the five Scottish lodges in Chile, Bro. John G. Macfarlane was appointed District Superintendent in that country.

The Right Honourable Lord Macdonald, Chief of his Clan and Lord Lieutenant of Inverness-shire, was elected Grand Master Mason. Grand Secretary Alexander F. Buchan, M. B. E., remains in office.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA, 1953.

The Seventieth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 182. Members, 22,715. Gain, 836.

The Annual Communication was held in Adelaide on April 15, 1953. The Grand Master, the Hon. Mr. Justice Abbott, B. A., L. L. B., was on the Throne.

The Grand Master reported the details of a busy year. He presided over the usual Half-Yearly Communication, attended Grand Lodge installations in Western Australia, New South Wales and Tasmania, and made many official visitations in his own State. Three new lodges were consecrated.

M. W. Bro. Abbott pledged the loyalty of the Craft to Her Most Gracious Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, and mentioned the joy with which all Australia is looking forward to Her Majesty's coming visit to that Commonwealth.

The Grand Inspector of Lodges deplored certain attempts to make "improvements" in the ritualistic work.

Fraternal recognition was extended to the Grand Lodge of Iceland.

The Proceedings of forty-seven Jurisdictions are reviewed. Our Maine review for 1952 is, as usual, from the pen of Bro. Frank Smith, our Representative near the Grand Lodge of South Australia. Our membership gain, our lodge centennials, our twenty-five year button, and our conservative policy in regard to recognition are all noted. Quotations are made from Grand Master Lander's address and from our own review of England.

The new Grand Master, the Hon. Sir Geoffrey Reed, one of Her Majesty's Judges of the Supreme Court of South Australia, was duly installed at a Special Communication held on April 22, 1953. Mr. Justice Abbott acted as installing officer. Our Maine Representative, Bro. Frank Smith, was in attendance, as were official delegations from the Grand Lodges of Ireland, Scotland, New South Wales, Victoria, Tasmania, Western Australia and Queensland. The new Governor of South Australia, Bro. His Excellency Air Vice-Marshal Sir Robert George, K. B. E., C. B., M. C., honored this event by his presence.

We quote from Sir Geoffrey's inaugural address: "It is fitting that my first act should be to re-affirm our belief in God, and to pledge our loyalty, collectively and individually, to our Gracious Sovereign, Her Majesty the Queen."

Grand Secretary F. J. Ellen remains in office.

SOUTH CAROLINA, 1953.

The Two Hundred and Sixteenth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 292. Members, 47,547. Gain, 2,036.

The venerable Grand Lodge of South Carolina met in Greenville on April 23-24, 1953. M. W. Bro. John I. Smith presided, and welcomed visiting Masonic notables from Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, Virginia, Georgia, North Carolina, Connecticut, Tennessee, Indiana and Canada in Ontario. Maine's Representative was absent. The customary religious service, conducted by the Grand Chaplain, preceded the formal opening.

Two Past Grand Masters, M. W. Bros. Joseph E. Hart and Walter F. Going, passed away during the year.

The Grand Master represented his Grand Lodge at the Washington Conferences, made ninety-eight appearances in his own State, and visited the Grand Lodges of Canada in Ontario, Georgia, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, Virginia and North Carolina. Three lodges were constituted, one charter was restored, two new lodges were set to work under dispensation, seven new Temples were dedicated, and one cornerstone was laid. One Master's jewel was arrested.

Very properly, the Grand Master issued orders prohibiting Sunday degree work.

In accordance with the Grand Master's proclamation, the bi-centennial of George Washington's initiation was generally observed. Of particular

interest was the great meeting held at Spartanburg, with some 3,000 in attendance.

The sum of \$1,000 was contributed to Holland flood relief.

The principal address at this communication was delivered by M. W. and Rev. Thomas S. Roy, D. D., Grand Master of Masons in Massachusetts. Dr. Roy was decorated with the Albert Gallatin Mackey Medal. This great honor was also conferred upon three Past Grand Masters of South Carolina, M. W. Bros. Robert A. Cooper (former Governor and Federal Judge), Samuel T. Lanham, and Charlton Du Rant.

On behalf of the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia, a framed letter from Ex-President Truman, together with one of the Masonic stones from the White House, was presented to the Grand Lodge.

A renewed application for recognition was received from the so-called Grand Lodge of Israel. Very wisely, action was again deferred.

The Review of Symbolic Freemasonry in Other Grand Jurisdictions was again prepared by Grand Chaplain H. Dwight McAlister. Maine (1952) was among the fifty-five Jurisdictions whose Proceedings were reviewed. Our activities are summarized, and our educational program is mentioned. Our recognition of Iceland and our refusal to recognize Chile are noted. Our own objection to Chile's admission as a member of our Grand Masters' Conference is also referred to with approval.

The Grand Master, M. W. John I. Smith, and the Grand Secretary, M. W. Henry F. Collins, were re-elected.

SOUTH DAKOTA, 1953.

The Seventy-ninth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 169. Members, 19,721. Gain, 349.

M. W. Bro. Roger S. Brown presided over the Annual Communication, which was held in Watertown on June 9-10, 1953. He welcomed honored guests from Manitoba, Minnesota and Illinois. The Colors were saluted, and a civic welcome was extended by the Mayor. Maine's Representative was absent.

We quote from the Grand Master's message: "The profane world is constantly watching us to determine what Masonry is. The world evaluates Masonry by our conduct and acts outside the lodge room. The good name and reputation of Masonry is constantly within our keeping. Our everyday life as Masons is either an incentive for men of good character to seek membership with us or it stifles that desire."

Bro. Brown attended the Minnesota centennial and participated in the Midwest Conference on Masonic Education. He represented his Grand Lodge at the Washington Conferences, and made eighty-five official visitations. One lodge was constituted, one new lodge was instituted, three cornerstones were laid, and five new halls were dedicated.

Because the Grand Lodge of South Dakota does not recognize the Grand Lodge of the Netherlands, the Grand Master declined to contribute to Holland flood relief. He again denounced chain letters, and ruled that a petitioner for the degrees need not, of necessity, be an American citizen.

Wor. Bro. John D. Cunningham, on behalf of the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia, presented to the Grand Lodge one of the Masonic stones from the White House.

The Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence was again presented by its Chairman, the Rev. David Graham. On his recommendation, the United Grand Lodge of Germany and the Grand Lodge of Vienna for Austria were recognized. Action in regard to Piaui was postponed.

The Grand Lodge of South Dakota has refused to recognize the irregular Grand Lodge of Israel. Now Bro. Graham calls attention to the coming establishment of a regular Grand Lodge in that State by the former Scottish lodges, and writes as follows: "The United States Grand Lodges now recognizing the Grand Lodge of Israel must find themselves in a delicate position, and we congratulate ourselves on escaping that embarrassment."

This year, Bro. Graham confines his Jurisdictional reviews to South Dakota's nearest neighbors in the Midwest.

Bro. Arthur E. Munck was elected Grand Master, Grand Secretary Elvin F. Strain was re-elected.

SWEDEN, 1953.

Lodges, 33. Members, 24,667. Gain, 197.

The Annual Grand Lodge Festival was held in Stockholm on March 22, 1953.

The outstanding event of the year was the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of His Majesty the King's initiation into Freemasonry. This celebration took place on January '28, and was commemorated by the striking of a special medal.

Having been approved by the Grand Master, a new revision of the General Laws and Regulations of the Grand Lodge went into effect.

The Grand Lodge has resumed a limited fraternal relationship with one of the rival German bodies, "Die Grosse Landesloge der Freimaurer von Deutschland." This body works the Rite of Strict Observance, and is not the German body now being so generally recognized in the United States.

The sum of 462,645 Swedish kroner was expended in charity.

M. W. Bro. His Majesty King Gustav VI Adolf remains Grand Master and Supreme Governor of the Swedish Craft. Grand Secretary Eric Hallin retired, and was succeeded by R. W. Bro. G. E. A. Bottiger, M. D., K. C. R. C., Physician in Ordinary to His Majesty the King.

TASMANIA, 1953.

The Sixty-second Annual Communication.

Lodges, 63. Members, 7,473. Gain, 361.

The Grand Master, M. W. Bro. A. C. Lowe, was sick in hospital at the time of the Annual Communication, which was held in Hobart on February 28, 1953. In his absence, the Pro Grand Master, Bro. R. P. Furmage, presided. His Excellency, Bro. the Rt. Hon. Sir Ronald Cross, Baronet, P. C., K. St. J., Governor of Tasmania, was in attendance, as were delegations of distinguished brethren from the sister Jurisdictions of Queensland, Western Australia, Victoria, New South Wales and South Australia.

It was a busy year for the Tasmanian Craft. The usual Half-Yearly Communication was held. Delegations from Tasmania attended the installation ceremonies in New South Wales and Western Australia. A new Lodge of Research was consecrated. Foundation stones were laid for two new Temples and for two cottages at the Lindisfarne Masonic Homes. Two new Temples were dedicated.

The Board of General Purposes was forced to mention the chain letter craze, which has apparently reached Tasmania.

The outstanding Masonic event of the year was the initiation of the Governor, Sir Ronald Cross, in the Lodge of Fidelity, No. 63. The Grand Master officiated. This is the first time in the history of Tasmania that a Governor has been initiated while in office. Our new Brother has a most distinguished record of public service, having served as a Member of the British Parliament, as a Commissioner of the Treasury, as Minister of Economic Warfare, as Minister of Shipping, as a Privy Councillor, and as Vice-Chamberlain of the Royal Household.

At this communication, legislation was adopted increasing the number of Grand Deacons and Grand Stewards and also increasing the representation of country lodges on the Board of General Purposes.

Bro. R. P. Furmage was elected and installed as Grand Master of Tasmania. Grand Secretary H. A. Wilkinson remains in office.

There is no Correspondence Report.

TEXAS, 1952.

The One Hundred Seventeenth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 918. Members, 209,836. Gain, 5,885.

The Grand Lodge met in Waco on December 3-4, 1952. Maine's distinguished Representative near the Grand Lodge of Texas, M. W. Bro. Gibb Gilchrist, who is also Chancellor of the Texas A & M College System, presided as Grand Master. Distinguished visitors from New Mexico, Louisiana, Ohio, Arkansas and Michigan were in attendance. The Colors were posted by a detail of Texas A & M Cadets. A civic welcome was extended by Bro. Ralph Wolf, Mayor of Waco. At this communication, Bro. Gilchrist used the historic gavel once used by General Sam Houston

in presiding over the Convention at which the Grand Lodge of Texas was organized.

The Grand Lodge mourns the passing of Grand Treasurer J. J. Gallaher, Past Grand Master Pat M. Neff, and Past Grand Master Frank C. Jones. Bro. Jones was the senior Past Grand Master in Texas, and Bro. Neff was formerly Governor of Texas and President of Baylor University. The Grand Master also called attention to the death of Wor. John J. Ray, the oldest Freemason in the world. Bro. Ray was 106 years of age and had been a Master Mason for 84 years.

The Grand Master represented his Grand Lodge at the National Conferences in Washington. He delivered the commencement address at the Masonic Home and School. Three lodges were constituted, and a dispensation for one new lodge was issued. Four Masonic Temples were dedicated. Cornerstones were leveled for two Masonic Temples, two school buildings, and an education building for the Methodist Church. Two consolidations were effected. Public Schools Week was again observed.

Bro. Gilchrist refused to authorize the formation of a Spanish-speaking lodge. He held that Masonic lodge rooms could be used on Sunday only for Masonic funeral services.

At this communication, a new printed form for use in presenting the claims of maimed candidates was adopted. A distinctive apron for D. D. G. M.'s was authorized. Legislation was adopted permitting the award of the twenty-five year button to brethren whose service has been in more than one lodge. Previously, all twenty-five years had to be in the lodge awarding the button.

The principal address at this communication was delivered by Wor. George E. Bushnell, Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Grand Lodge of Michigan, and a Supreme Court Justice in that State.

The Proceedings of sixty-five Jurisdictions were carefully reviewed by R. W. Leo Hart. Maine for 1952 has a place in this report. Our educational program and the work of our Grand Lecturer are mentioned. Extensive quotation is made from the address of Grand Master Ervin E. J. Lander.

Bro. John McKee was elected Grand Master. Because of ill health, Grand Secretary Leo Hart retired and was succeeded by Bro. Harvey C. Byrd. Methodist Bishop Hiram Abiff Boaz is the new Grand Chaplain. It requires no less than 121 D. D. G. M.'s to supervise the Texas lodges.

UTAH, 1953.

The Eighty-first Annual Communication.

Lodges, 27. Members, 6,210. Gain, 166.

M. W. Bro. John E. Clark presided over the Annual Communication, held in Salt Lake City on January 26-27, 1953. Maine's Representative, Bro. Bert Atwater, was in attendance, as were distinguished visitors from Nevada, Montana, Idaho and District of Columbia.

Bro. Clark made official visitations to all constituent lodges in Utah, attended the Washington and Rocky Mountain Conferences, and also visited in the sister Jurisdictions of Indiana, Nevada, Wyoming and Montana. One cornerstone was laid, and one new Temple was dedicated.

The Grand Lodge conducted Masonic funeral services for Past Grand Master Fred M. Nye.

At this communication, M. W. Bro. Carl H. Claudy, on behalf of the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia, presented to the Grand Lodge of Utah one of the Masonic stones from the White House, with its accompanying letter from M. W. Bro. Harry S. Truman, then President of the United States.

It was voted that steps be taken to establish fraternal relations with the Grand Lodge of Finland. Very wisely, action in regard to Israel was again deferred.

The Correspondence Report, in topical form, is again from the able pen of Bro. Edward G. Titus. Among his many quotations is one from the 1952 address of Grand Master Ervin E. J. Lander of Maine.

Bro. Ferdinand Erickson was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Emery Roy Gibson remains in office.

VERMONT, 1953.

The One Hundred Sixtieth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 103. Members, 18,729. Gain, 36.

The Annual Communication was held in Burlington on June 10-11, 1953, with M. W. Bro. D. Burleigh Smalley, Jr., in the Chair. M. W. Benjamin W. Ela, Grand Master of Maine, was in attendance, as were other distinguished visitors from Quebec, Canada in Ontario, District of Columbia, Delaware, Rhode Island, New Hampshire, Connecticut, New Jersey, Maryland, Pennsylvania, New York, Virginia and Massachusetts. Bro. Harold J. Arthur, ex-Governor of Vermont, was received as the personal representative of the present Governor, Bro. Lee E. Emerson.

Maine's distinguished Representative near the Grand Lodge of Vermont, M. W. Bro. P. Conant Voter, was absent. On the day following the Grand Lodge sessions, this outstanding Mason was called to the Grand Lodge Above.

The Grand Master represented Vermont at the Grand Masters' Conference, visited the Grand Lodges of Canada in Ontario and Quebec, and attended all district meetings in his own State. The Grand Lecturer, Bro. N. Dean Rowe, represented him at the annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Maine. A contribution of \$200 was made to flood relief in Holland. Twenty-five Vermont lodges observed the bi-centennial of Washington's initiation into the Fraternity. Masonic funeral services for Past Grand Master Cady L. Earle were conducted.

R. W. Frederic B. Blackburn, Deputy Grand Master in the District of Columbia, presented one of the historic Masonic stones from the White House.

At this communication, the Grand Lodge of Vermont adopted an official list of seven Landmarks, replacing Mackey's list of twenty-five, which has previously been used in this Jurisdiction.

The sum of \$4,500 was again appropriated for the hospital visitation work of the M. S. A.

The Vermont Proceedings contain a memorial page, honoring the memory of Rev. Bro. George L. Fox, one of the four immortal Chaplains who went down with the U. S. S. *Dorchester* in 1943. Chaplain Fox was a member of Vermont's Moose River Lodge, No. 82.

Recognition was denied to the Grand Lodge of Paraíba, a body which adheres to the "ideal principle" formula adopted by the Montevideo Conference. Because of the schism therein, recognition was withdrawn from the Grand Lodge of Sao Paulo. The Grand Lodge of Piaui was recognized. All action in regard to Israel was deferred.

The excellent Report on Correspondence, consisting of a brief but telling Foreword and seventy-two exceptionally good reviews, was again the work of M. W. Aaron H. Grout. Our Maine Proceedings for 1952 receive courteous treatment at his hands. Our Grand Master's remarks in regard to chain letters and financial problems are mentioned. Our recognition of Iceland and our refusal to recognize Chile are noted. Bro. Grout quotes our personal tribute to M. W. Josiah H. Drummond. Of our own work, he writes: "His Foreword plainly states his ultra-conservatism in the matter of recognition, which he backs up with excellent arguments."

Grand Master D. Burleigh Smalley, Jr., and Grand Secretary Aaron H. Grout were re-elected.

VICTORIA, 1952.

Quarterly Communications.

Lodges, 710. Members, 99,201. Gain, 2,965.

The usual Quarterly Communications were held in Melbourne in March, June, September and December. All were attended by Maine's Representative, R. W. Bro. R. P. Dick. During the year, visitors from the Grand Lodges of England, Tasmania and Canada in Ontario were received.

The March Quarterly was honored by the presence of M. W. Bro. the Rt. Hon. Lord Huntingfield, K. C. M. G., Senior Past Grand Master and former Governor of Victoria. Lord Huntingfield also brought greetings from the United Grand Lodge of England.

On February 20, a Lodge of Sorrow was held, honoring the memory of M. W. Bro. His Majesty King George VI. More than 2,000 brethren were in attendance at this meeting, which was held in the Melbourne

Town Hall. The Grand Master, General Sir Dallas Brooks, presided, and delivered an appropriate address. A superb musical program was presented by the Grand Lodge Choir. Prayer was offered by the Grand Chaplain. A memorable oration was made by His Honor Judge Book, Q. C., Past Grand Master. The exercises were concluded by the singing of "*God save the Queen*."

The September Quarterly was unique in the history of Grand Lodge. Because of the limited accommodations in Freemasons' Hall the average attendance at Grand Lodge is relatively small, and that at the festive board even smaller. Desiring to meet and to address a truly representative gathering of the Craft, the Grand Master arranged for the September Quarterly to be held in the Exhibition Building, the largest auditorium in the City. Some 4,200 brethren attended, and later sat down around the festive board. To this great assembly, the Grand Master delivered an outstanding and inspiring address. He noted that Masonic membership in Victoria has doubled in the last twelve years, and urged a careful maintenance of quality alike in the character of the candidates selected and in the dignity and accuracy of the ritualistic work. He also noted society's need for spiritual and moral leadership, and called upon Freemasonry to do its part in furnishing that leadership. He urged his hearers to shape their lives according to the Ancient Landmarks of the Craft, having faith in God and living in accordance with the precepts of the Volume of the Sacred Law.

At the December Quarterly, the portrait in oils of M. W. Bro. R. A. Rowe was unveiled.

The Grand Lodge of Iceland was accorded fraternal recognition.

During the year, twelve new lodges were consecrated.

Our Maine Proceedings were not among those reviewed by the Grand Representatives of the Jurisdictions concerned.

The Grand Master, M. W. Bro. His Excellency General Sir Dallas Brooks, K. C. B., K. C. M. G., D. S. O., K. St. J., Governor of Victoria, was re-elected. Grand Secretary C. W. Davis remains in office.

VIRGINIA, 1953.

The One Hundred Seventy-fifth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 335. Members, 62,159. Gain, 1,920.

M. W. Bro. Charles M. Lankford, Jr., presided over the Annual Communication, which was held in Richmond on February 10-12, 1953. His Excellency, Wor. Bro. John Stewart Battle, Governor of Virginia, honored the Communication by his presence and addressed the brethren. Maine's Representative was not present, but distinguished guests from Delaware, District of Columbia, Colorado, Maryland, Pennsylvania, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Rhode Island, South Carolina, South Dakota, Connecticut and Massachusetts were welcomed by the Grand Master.

The Grand Master had an extremely busy year, making more than 100 visitations. He was an honored and most welcome guest at the annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Maine, also visited the sister Jurisdictions of North Carolina, Rhode Island, South Dakota, Maryland, Pennsylvania and Massachusetts, and represented his Grand Lodge at the Washington Conferences. He wrote personal letters to all newly raised Masons, welcoming them to the Fraternity.

The outstanding Masonic event of the year was the celebration of the bi-centennial of the initiation of George Washington into the Fraternity. This observance was nation wide, but, very naturally, reached its peak in Virginia. An emergent Communication of Grand Lodge was held on November 4, 1952, meeting in the lodge room of Fredericksburg Lodge, No. 4. The Washington relics were on display. Official representatives of twenty-three sister Grand Lodges were present. M. W. Thomas S. Roy of Massachusetts spoke for all visitors. In the forenoon, in a joint communication of Fredericksburg Lodge, No. 4, and Alexandria-Washington Lodge, No. 22, the Entered Apprentice Degree was conferred in full Colonial costume. In the afternoon, the Grand Lodge program was presented, the guest speaker being M. W. Luther T. Hartsell of North Carolina. A religious service was conducted in the Presbyterian Church, and a banquet was served at Mary Washington College. In the evening the Scottish Rite bodies of Richmond presented the Masonic play "*John Brent*."

An outstanding feature of the Virginia celebration was the publication of a memorial volume, entitled "*George Washington — Freemason*." This remarkable and scholarly work was from the pen of M. W. William Mosely Brown.

Masonic funeral services were conducted for Past Grand Master Enoch D. Flowers.

The Grand Lodge laid cornerstones for a Baptist Church and a Y. W. C. A. building. Under dispensation, subordinate lodges laid cornerstones for two Methodist Churches, a Municipal Building, two Baptist Churches, a Masonic Temple and a Fire House.

The Grand Master authorized the issue of an official identification card for all Past Grand Masters, and the striking of a golden token commemorating sixty years of Masonic service. He refused to contribute to the support of the "fact finding agency" set up by the Grand Masters' Conference. Bro. Lankford's doubts concerning this venture are shared by many other conservative Masons.

At this communication, the Grand Lodge authorized the construction of a building for old folks at the Virginia Masonic Home. Heretofore, the Home has cared only for children.

A stone from the White House, bearing a Masonic mark, was presented to the Grand Lodge by the Grand Master of the District of Columbia, together with a letter from M. W. Bro. Harry S. Truman, then President of the United States.

Fraternal relations with the National Grand Lodge of France were restored. The United Grand Lodge of Germany was recognized.

M. W. James N. Hillman again presented the Report on Fraternal Correspondence, consisting of an excellent Foreword and fifty-one reviews. Maine (1952) is courteously reviewed. Grand Master Lander is quoted and our own Report is mentioned with approval.

Bro. Orvin M. Miles was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary James N. Hillman was re-elected.

WASHINGTON, 1953.

The Ninety-sixth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 277. Members, 65,942. Gain, 1,138.

The Annual Communication was held in Spokane on June 16-18, 1953. Distinguished visitors from Idaho, British Columbia, California, Indiana, Oregon and Montana were welcomed by the presiding Grand Master, M. W. Bro. Lemuel W. Sims. Our Maine Representative was not present. A message of greeting was received from Past Grand Master Ford Q. Elvidge, now serving as Governor of Guam.

The Grand Master represented his Grand Lodge at the National and Tri-State Conferences, and made an official visit to Alaska, where the Grand Lodge of Washington now has fifteen constituent lodges with some 2,500 members. He made ninety-four visitations, including fraternal visits in California, British Columbia and Oregon. Two lodges were constituted, three cornerstones were laid, three new halls were dedicated, and dispensations for two new lodges were issued.

The Grand Lodge conducted Masonic funeral rites for Past Grand Master Leslie W. Lee.

M. W. Bro. Sims ruled that the Master of a lodge is not required to honor an anonymous objection to a candidate, that an objection can be made at any time before the candidate has taken the obligation, and that when the widow of a Mason re-marries she forfeits her Masonic claim. He removed from office the Master of a lodge who had purchased and was operating a liquor business, and reprimanded a brother who had told improper stories in lodge.

Olympia Lodge, No. 1, celebrated its centennial with an appropriate program. The Grand Masters of Oregon and British Columbia honored this event by their presence.

An ambassador from the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia presented one of the marked Masonic stones from the White House, together with a letter of presentation from M. W. Bro. Harry S. Truman, written while he was still President of the United States.

An outstanding work in the field of Masonic education is being carried on by the Walter F. Meier Lodge of Research, No. 281.

The speaker at the Fellowship Dinner was M. W. Bro. Dwight L. Smith, Past Grand Master and Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Indiana.

Fraternal recognition was withdrawn from the irregular Grand Lodge of Denmark, and the National Grand Lodge of Denmark was recognized in its stead. The United Grand Lodge of Germany and the Grand Orient of Italy were recognized. No action was taken in regard to Israel.

The Report on Fraternal Correspondence, in topical form, is again from the pen of M. W. Bro. Loomis Baldrey, and is a most readable and interesting survey of trends and problems throughout the Masonic world. Speaking of the many feuds and schisms which now divide certain foreign Jurisdictions, Bro. Baldrey says: "It really seems that until conditions are settled and all regular Masons united within each jurisdiction, the position of the Grand Lodges of the United States should be to stand on the sidelines without taking part." We certainly agree.

Under the heading "Recognition of Jurisdictions," Bro. Baldrey honors your Correspondent by quoting his 1952 Foreword in its entirety. We thank him for his courtesy.

Bro. Fred Winkels was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary John I. Preissner was re-elected.

WISCONSIN, 1953.

The One Hundred Ninth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 306. Members, 64,147. Gain, 655.

The Grand Lodge met in Milwaukee on June 9-10, 1953. Grand Master Ingvald O. Hembre presided, and extended a cordial welcome to distinguished visitors from Illinois, Tennessee, Indiana, Minnesota, Philippine Islands, Michigan, South Dakota, North Dakota and the District of Columbia.

M. W. Bro. Hembre reported the appointment of Bro. Arnold R. Petersen as Grand Representative of Maine, near the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin. He noted the passing of two Past Grand Masters, M. W. Bros. Dwight H. Mooney and Albert W. Elmgreen. He ruled that the O. E. S. could not hold a Christmas party, a tea, or a reception in a Masonic Temple on Sunday; that a children's fish-bowl, with prizes at ten cents a throw, constituted a violation of the Grand Lodge law against gambling; and that a part-time bartender was not eligible for the degrees.

The Grand Master made many visitations in his own Jurisdiction, participated in the Grand Masters' Conference, and visited the Grand Lodge of Illinois. The new addition to the Masonic Hospital, made possible through the generosity of the Grand Chapter, O. E. S., was dedicated, as were seven new Masonic Temples. Two cornerstones were laid.

An outstanding address was delivered by M. W. Bro. Cenon S. Cervantes, Past Grand Master in the Philippine Islands.

Wisconsin's stone from the White House was presented by M. W. Carl H. Claudy, speaking for ex-President Truman and the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia.

The Grand Secretary's salary was increased to \$8,000, that of the Grand Lecturer to \$6,250, and the Grand Lodge per diem to \$10.00. The sum of \$6,000 was voted to the hospital visitation work of the M. S. A.

The Committee on Foreign Relations, of which the Foreign Correspondent is not a member, recommended that correspondence be opened with a large number of foreign Jurisdictions, looking towards eventual recognition and exchange of Representatives.

M. W. Bro. Herbert W. Dixon again presented the Report on Foreign Correspondence. In his able Foreword, Bro. Dixon discusses two questions which are attracting considerable attention at the present time: enforced waiting periods before the new Mason can petition for the additional degrees, and compulsory proficiency in the ritualistic work. In neither case does he regard restrictive legislation as being the answer. We agree.

Fifty-eight volumes of Proceedings are reviewed. Apparently, Bro. Dixon is not pinched for space, for his reviews are remarkably full and comprehensive. Particularly gracious treatment is given to our Maine doings in 1952. Grand Master Lander's activities are reported, and quotation is made from his address. Our recognition of Iceland is noted. Speaking of our own reports dealing with certain foreign Jurisdictions, Bro. Dixon writes: "This portion of his report should be 'must reading' for those charged with the responsibility of recommending recognition for these Grand Jurisdictions." He also states: "We commend his able Foreword to those seeking light in granting recognition to other jurisdictions." We thank you, Bro. Dixon.

Bro. Robert H. Gollmar was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Paul W. Grossenbach was re-elected.

WYOMING, 1953.

The Seventy-ninth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 51. Members, 12,120. Gain, 355.

M. W. Bro. James B. Milstead presided over the Annual Communication, which took place in Worland on August 24-25, 1953. Fraternal visitors from Colorado, Utah, Montana, California, Nebraska, South Dakota, Kansas and the District of Columbia were in attendance. It is interesting to note that this was the fifty-sixth consecutive annual communication attended by Past Grand Master C. H. Townsend.

The Grand Master attended the Washington Conferences, visited the Grand Lodge of Colorado, and made twenty-eight official visitations in his own State. One new lodge was instituted, and the cornerstone of a public library was laid. Thirty-eight lodges observed the bi-centennial of

Washington's initiation. The sum of \$125 was contributed to Holland flood relief.

The Grand Lodge was represented at the Rocky Mountain Masonic Conference.

Voluntary contributions amounting to \$5,028 were made to the hospital visitation program of the M. S. A.

At this communication, the Grand Lodge voted to incorporate; did more work on the revision of the Code; received its stone from the White House; and refused to change the date of its annual communication.

The Grand Lodges of China and Israel were recognized.

Bro. Homer E. Zorn was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Irving E. Clark was re-elected.

There is no Report on Correspondence.

PROCEEDINGS REVIEWED

Alabama.....	1952	New Hampshire.....	1953
Alberta.....	1953	New Jersey.....	1953
Arizona.....	1953	New Mexico.....	1953
Arkansas.....	1952	New South Wales.....	1952-1953
British Columbia.....	1953	New York.....	1953
California.....	1952-1953	New Zealand.....	1952
Canada.....	1953	North Carolina.....	1953
Colorado.....	1953	North Dakota.....	1953
Connecticut.....	1953	Nova Scotia.....	1953
Delaware.....	1953	Ohio.....	1952
District of Columbia.....	1952	Oklahoma.....	1953
England.....	1953	Oregon.....	1953
Florida.....	1953	Pennsylvania.....	1952
France (National).....	1954	Philippine Islands.....	1953
Georgia.....	1952	Prince Edward Island.....	1952
Idaho.....	1953	Quebec.....	1952-1953
Illinois.....	1953	Queensland.....	1952
Indiana.....	1953	Rhode Island.....	1953
Iowa.....	1953	Saskatchewan.....	1953
Ireland.....	1952	Scotland.....	1953
Kansas.....	1953	South Australia.....	1953
Kentucky.....	1952	South Carolina.....	1953
Manitoba.....	1953	South Dakota.....	1953
Maryland.....	1952	Sweden.....	1953
Massachusetts.....	1952	Tasmania.....	1953
Mexico (York).....	1952	Texas.....	1952
Minnesota.....	1953	Utah.....	1953
Mississippi.....	1953	Vermont.....	1953
Missouri.....	1953	Victoria.....	1952
Montana.....	1952-1953	Virginia.....	1953
Nebraska.....	1953	Washington.....	1953
Nevada.....	1953	Wisconsin.....	1953
New Brunswick.....	1952-1953	Wyoming.....	1953
Newfoundland (E. C.).....	1953		



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1955

One Hundred and Thirty-sixth Annual Communication

MASONIC TEMPLE, PORTLAND,
Tuesday, May 3, 1955.

The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Maine met in Annual Communication in Masonic Temple at nine in the morning (E. D. T.).

GRAND OFFICERS PRESENT:

PAUL L. POWERS,	M. W. Grand Master
AUBREY L. BURBANK,	R. W. Deputy Grand Master
PHILIP D. TINGLEY,	" Senior Grand Warden
MERRILL R. KITTREDGE,	" Junior Grand Warden
H. NORTON MAXFIELD,	" Grand Treasurer
CONVERS E. LEACH,	" Grand Secretary
EARLE D. WEBSTER,	" Cor. Grand Secretary
RAYMOND M. RIDEOUT,	W. Grand Lecturer
Rev. M. GERRY PLUMMER,	" " Chaplain
" ERNEST HEYWOOD,	" " "
" PERCY COTTON,	" " "
WARREN MOSES,	" " "
NORMAN W. LINDQUIST,	" " Marshal
B. GLEN MCGEE,	" " Senior Deacon
EARLE B. PORTER,	" " Junior Deacon
HAROLD W. BLAISDELL,	" " Steward
JOHN WONNEBERGER,	" " "
WALTER E. TOWNSEND,	" " "
PARKER R. JACOBY,	" " "
ALPHEUS G. DYER,	" " Sword Bearer
ROYAL L. CLEAVES,	" " Standard Bearer
HARRY D. DAVIS,	" " Pursuivant,
JOHN PETERSON,	" " "
FRED LINCOLN HILL,	Bro. " Organist
HENRY DOHERTY,	" " Tyler

Also 297 delegates, representing 193 of the 207 chartered lodges; 10 of the living Past Grand Masters, with 32 of the other Permanent Members, including 50 of the 74 Representatives of the other Grand Lodges, together with visiting Brethren.

The Grand Lodge was opened in ample form, prayer being offered by the Rev. M. GERRY PLUMMER, Grand Chaplain, followed by the reciting of the Lord's Prayer by the Grand Chaplain and Grand Communication in unison.

On motion of R. W. AUBREY L. BURBANK, it was

Voted, To dispense with the reading of the records of the last Annual Communication and that as printed they be confirmed.

Voted, That all Master Masons in good standing be admitted as visitors during the Annual Communication.

Voted, That the Grand Tyler be authorized to employ assistants, not exceeding four, to aid him in the work of his office during the session of the Grand Lodge, and that the Committee on Pay Roll be authorized to place the names of such employees upon the payroll, and that they receive the usual per diem for their services.

The following Past Grand Masters were thereupon escorted to the West of the Altar by the Grand Marshal, Past Grand Master RALPH J. POLLARD being present nearby:

M. W. Bro. EDWARD W. WHEELER, M. W. Bro. ERNEST C. BUTLER, M. W. Bro. CLARK D. CHAPMAN, M. W. Bro. HENRY R. GILLIS, M. W. Bro. GEORGE F. GIDDINGS, M. W. Bro. BENJAMIN L. HADLEY, M. W. Bro. CHARLES E. CROSSLAND, M. W. Bro. CARROLL W. KEENE, M. W. Bro. ERVIN E. J. LANDER.

They were accorded Private Grand Honors and took seats in the East.

GAVEL.

W. Bro. FREDERICK F. DALRYMPLE, Master of Freeport Lodge, No. 23, (Grand Master Powers' Lodge) presented the Grand Master with the gavel of that lodge for use during the Communication.

DISTINGUISHED GUESTS.

MAINE. Sir Knight NELSON B. CAMICK, Rt. Em. Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Maine, presented by M. W. Bro. GEORGE F. GIDDINGS; M. E. Companion EARLE D. WEBSTER, Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Maine, presented by R. W. Bro. AUBREY L. BURBANK; M. I. Companion FLOYD E. ANDERSON, Grand Master of the Grand Council of Maine, presented by W. Bro. JOHN M. LITTLEFIELD; Ill. Bro. FRANK C. ALLEN, Deputy for Maine of the Supreme Council, 33°, presented by M. W. Bro. EDWARD W. WHEELER.

MASSACHUSETTS. R. W. Bro. A. NEILL OSGOOD, Deputy Grand Master, and R. W. Bro. HENRY O. HOLLEY, Senior Grand Warden, of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, presented by M. W. Bro. EDWARD W. WHEELER.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA. M. W. Bro. CARL H. CLAUDY, Past Grand Master of the District of Columbia and Ex. Secretary of the Masonic Service Association, presented by M. W. Bro. CARROLL W. KEENE.

PENNSYLVANIA. R. W. Bro. LOUIS BACHRACH, Grand Treasurer of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, presented by R. W. Bro. AUBREY L. BURBANK.

RHODE ISLAND. M. W. Bro. BERNARD B. ABEDON, Grand Master and R. W. Bro. N. ARTHUR HYLAND, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Rhode

Island and Providence Plantations, presented by M. W. Bro. CLARK D. CHAPMAN.

NOVA SCOTIA. M. W. Bro. JEPHTHA S. MUNRO, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia, presented by M. W. Bro. ERNEST C. BUTLER.

NEW HAMPSHIRE. M. W. Bro. WALTER E. DUNLAP, Grand Master, and M. W. Bro. HAROLD O. CADY, Past Grand Master and Grand Secretary, of the Grand Lodge of New Hampshire, presented by M. W. Bro. GEORGE F. GIDDINGS.

NEW JERSEY. R. W. Bro. AUGUST L. ULLRICH, Junior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge of New Jersey, presented by M. W. Bro. BENJAMIN L. HADLEY.

VERMONT. R. W. Bro. FRANK M. BROWNELL, Senior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge of Vermont, presented by M. W. Bro. CHARLES E. CROSSLAND.

CONNECTICUT. R. W. Bro. J. HULL MANWARING, Senior Grand Warden, and M. W. Bro. EARLE K. HALING, Past Grand Master and Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Connecticut, presented by M. W. Bro. ERVIN E. J. LANDER.

The Guests were received, invited to seats in the East, and accorded Grand Honors.

GRAND MASTER: Brethren, at this time it is my pleasure to present some of my personal guests whom I have asked to come to this meeting, and as I call their names, if they are present, will they please rise and remain standing, until I have completed.

FREDERICK F. DALRYMPLE, Worshipful Master, Freeport Lodge.

HAROLD R. MOXCEY, High Priest, Cumberland Chapter.

FRANCIS W. NORTON, Illustrious Master, Mt. Vernon Council.

ROBERT M. REYNOLDS, Commander, Portland Commandery, K. T.
HAROLD O. CARMAN, Department Commander, Knights Templar.
ARTHUR L. PETERSON, Thrice Potent Master, Yates Lodge of
Perfection.

RAYMOND M. RIDEOUT, Sovereign Prince, Portland Council, P. of J.
LEWIS T. BROWN, Most Wise Master, Dunlap Chapter Rose Croix.
FRANK O. STEPHENS, Commander-in-Chief, Maine Consistory.
GEORGE W. LANE, Jr., Representative of the Imperial Potentate.
EARLE C. PERRY, Potentate, Annah Temple.

ROBERT E. CLEAVES, Director, Put Stevens Court, R. O. J.

ROBERT S. GASS, Deputy for Maine, Order of DeMolay.

FRANK E. SOUTHARD, Ill. Imperial Sovereign, R. C. of Constantine.

HERBERT M. LIBBY, Worthy Grand Patron, Order of Eastern Star.

WALTER A. POWERS, Cousin of the Grand Master.

COLORS PRESENTED.

The Communication stood at attention and saluted the Flag as the Colors — a United States of America Flag and a Canadian Flag — were presented at the rear of the Altar by Master Sergeant, Brother RUEL H. ANDERSON of Freeport Lodge, No. 23, and Technical Sergeant, Brother WILLIAM C. JOLLY, of John A. LeJeune Lodge, No. 350, of Quantico, Virginia.

The Pledge of Allegiance was repeated. The Communication sang one verse of "America," and one verse of "God Save the Queen."

VACANCIES ON COMMITTEES.

The Grand Master appointed R. W. Bro. PHILIP D. TINGLEY to fill a vacancy on the Committee on Dispensations and Charters, W. Bro. MERTON E. LEECH to fill a vacancy on the Committee on Unfinished Business, and M. W. Bro. GEORGE F. GIDDINGS to fill vacancy on the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES.

Newly appointed Grand Representatives presented their credentials at the Altar as follows:

Nevada — PHILIP D. TINGLEY

New South Wales — MERRILL R. KITTREDGE

Queensland — WALTER W. MATSON

Victoria — ALFRED L. HOLBROOK

They were welcomed by the Grand Master.

The Grand Secretary called the roll of Grand Representatives and the following responded:

Alabama — LEWMAN B. SOPER

Arizona — ARTHUR W. STOCKBRIDGE

British Columbia — EVERETT S. HIGGINS

Connecticut — ERVIN E. J. LANDER

District of Columbia — ARTHUR H. LANDER

England — ALVOID E. CUSHMAN

Florida — MERTON E. LEECH

France — National Grand Lodge — PAUL L. POWERS

Georgia — WILLIAM A. LEVENSALOR

Idaho — FRANK H. MILAN

Indiana — H. NORTON MAXFIELD

Kansas — AUBREY L. BURBANK

Kentucky — WILLIAM S. HOLMES

Louisiana — EARLE D. WEBSTER

Manitoba — GEORGE R. CASWELL

Maryland — HARRY E. ROWE

Mexico (York G. L.) — ERNEST C. BUTLER

Missouri — EDWARD H. BRITTON

Montana — HAROLD L. GERRISH

Nebraska — JAMES A. SANKER

Nevada — PHILIP D. TINGLEY

New Jersey — BENJAMIN L. HADLEY

New South Wales — MERRILL R. KITTREDGE

New York — EDWARD W. WHEELER

North Carolina — GEORGE W. HASKELL

North Dakota — FRED J. LOWELL

Nova Scotia — JOHN L. POLLEYS

Ohio — CONVERS E. LEACH

Oklahoma — CLYDE FRENCH

Panama — JOHN J. FAAS

Peru — JOHN M. LITTLEFIELD

Philippine Islands — ELMER P. SMART

Quebec — CARROLL W. KEENE

Queensland — WALTER W. MATSON
 Rhode Island — CLARK D. CHAPMAN
 Saskatchewan — HARRY I. ROLLINS
 Scotland — GEORGE F. GIDDINGS
 South Australia — LEWIS T. BROWN
 South Carolina — DANIEL G. CHAPLIN
 South Dakota — ELBERT G. MOULTON
 Sweden — RALPH J. POLLARD
 Tasmania — WILFORD G. CHAPMAN
 Tennessee — HARRY S. GRINDALL
 Utah — JOHN C. ARNOLD
 Vermont — CHARLES E. CROSSLAND
 Victoria — ALFRED L. HOLBROOK
 Virginia — HENRY R. GILLIS
 Washington — JUDSON P. LORD
 Western Australia — WESLEY L. OXTON
 West Virginia — FLOYD E. ANDERSON
 Wisconsin — CLIFFORD H. M. PERRY

The Grand Master requested them to communicate with the Grand Masters of the Grand Lodges represented and extend to them the greetings of the Grand Lodge of Maine.

CREDENTIALS.

W. Bro. GEORGE P. JACKSON, for the Committee on Credentials, presented the following report and it was voted that the Committee have authority to add and amend during the morning session.

IN GRAND LODGE OF MAINE,
 MASONIC TEMPLE, PORTLAND, May 3, 1955.

Your Committee on Credentials have attended to their duties and report that the Chartered Lodges are represented as follows:

- 1 PORTLAND, by Bernard P. Colton, M.; Samuel G. Glines, S. W.; Lawrence Bibber, J. W.
- 2 WARREN, by Frank S. Dowling, Proxy.
- 3 LINCOLN, by Earl B. Colby, M.
- 4 HANCOCK, by Clarence N. Williams, S. W.
- 5 KENNEBEC, by Gerald E. Allen, M.; Howard Varney, S. W.; Daniel J. Foley, Proxy.
- 6 AMITY, by Albert W. Hoffses, Proxy.
- 7 EASTERN, by Miles F. Mincton, Proxy.
- 8 UNITED, by Byron Harrington, M.; Wesley M. Martin, Proxy.

- 9 SAGO, by Lawrence E. Rowe, M.; Lester W. Pray, J. W.; Thomas H. Hooper, Proxy.
- 10 RISING VIRTUE, by Robert L. Drinkwater, M.; Harley C. Polk, S. W.
- 11 PYTHAGOREAN, by Edwin F. Sargent, M.; Bernard Ridlon, S. W.; David Hastings, J. W.; Charles F. Trumbell, Proxy.
- 12 CUMBERLAND, by C. Leon McCann, M.; Milford Flint, S. W.; Carroll Foster, J. W.
- 13 ORIENTAL, by E. Lyman Otis, M.; Linwood Curtis, S. W.; A. Stewart Varney, Proxy.
- 14 SOLAR, by Robert N. Mosher, M.; Donald T. Page, S. W.; Roy Lawrence, J. W.; K. S. Jackson, Proxy.
- 15 ORIENT, by Everett R. Noble, M.; Victor R. Hills, S. W.
- 16 ST. GEORGE, by Douglass E. Starrett, M.
- 17 ANCIENT LAND-MARK, by M. Donald Gardner, M.; Richard D. Bicknell, J. W.; Franklin G. Hinckley, Proxy.
- 18 ———— OXFORD, not represented.
- 19 FELICITY, by Vernon H. Lindsay, M.; Fred Danforth, S. W.
- 20 MAINE, by Nelson Austin, M.; Clifford Rounds, S. W.
- 21 ORIENTAL STAR, by Henry W. Briggs, Jr., M.
- 22 ———— YORK, not represented.
- 23 FREEPORT, by Frederick Dalrymple, M.; Kenneth Sloat, S. W.; Shailer Hayes, J. W.; Alpheus G. Dyer, Proxy.
- 24 PHOENIX, by Frank Scott, M.
- 25 TEMPLE, by Roland Collins, M.
- 26 VILLAGE, by Earl W. Elwell, M.; Leland B. Chapman, Proxy.
- 27 ———— ADONIRAM, not represented.
- 28 NORTHERN STAR, by Chester F. Paine, M.
- 29 TRANQUIL, by Henry N. Tukey, Jr., Proxy.
- 30 BLAZING STAR, by Richard W. Sarle, M.; John H. Allen, S. W.; Charles M. Durland, Proxy.
- 31 UNION, by Elmer F. Goff, M.
- 32 HERMON, by Arthur S. Greenlaw, M.; Lloyd Wiles, J. W.
- 33 WATERVILLE, Derwood Ireland, M.; Louis Lombard, J. W.
- 34 SOMERSET, by Wallace B. Hafey, M.
- 35 BETHLEHEM, by Robert A. Strickland, S. W.; Cony A. Duncan, Proxy.
- 36 CASCO, by M. Cleveland Quinnam, Proxy.
- 37 WASHINGTON, by Robert H. Josselyn, Proxy.
- 38 HARMONY, by Philip F. Hill, M.; Norman S. Hill, S. W.; Miles Brooks, Proxy.
- 39 PENOBSCOT, by W. Marvin Salisbury, Proxy.
- 40 LYGONIA, by Lawrence G. Higgins, M.
- 41 MORNING STAR, by C. W. Roth, M.; Benjamin R. Small, Proxy.
- 42 FREEDOM, by Harold W. H. Whitley, M.
- 43 ALNA, by Raymond Staples, M.
- 44 PISCATAQUIS, by Max E. Place, M.
- 45 CENTRAL, by Frank A. Lee, M.
- 46 ST. CROIX, by Philip N. Beckett, M.

- 47 DUNLAP, by Arthur B. Wheeler, M.; Wilmont B. Bailey, S. W.; Elmer E. Bardsley, J. W.
- 48 LAFAYETTE, William Whitten, Proxy.
- 49 MERIDIAN SPLENDOR, by Raymond K. Tardy, M.; Alfred H. McCarrison, Proxy.
- 50 AURORA, by Edward M. Lawrence, M.; James L. Thomas, S. W.; George X. Bernier, J. W.; James E. Stevens, Proxy.
- 51 ST. JOHN'S, by Walter Hayden, M.; Herbert A. Swett, S. W.
- 52 MOSAIC, by J. Berton Meisner, M.
- 53 RURAL, by Morrill Burton, M.
- 54 VASSALBORO, by William Armstrong, M.; Clyde E. Adams, Proxy.
- 55 FRATERNAL, by Wallace Roberts, M.
- 56 MOUNT MORIAH, by Lewis Lamont, M.
- 57 KING HIRAM, by Albert Meserve, M.
- 58 UNITY, by John Hall, M.; Isaiah J. Jackson, Proxy.
- 59 MT. HOPE—*Charter surrendered in 1879.*
- 60 STAR IN THE EAST, by Hermon C. Hopkins, M.; Norman C. Knapp, S. W.
- 61 KING SOLOMON'S, by Russell D. Hilton, M.; Otis W. Ellis, Proxy.
- 62 KING DAVID'S, by Donald S. Macrae, M.
- 63 RICHMOND, by William J. Sullivan, M.; John Thrower, S. W.; Nathaniel A. Gilpatrick, Proxy.
- 64 ————PACIFIC, not represented.
- 65 MYSTIC, by E. Everett Hewes, Proxy.
- 66 MECHANICS', by Frederick McInnis, M.; Charles B. King, S. W.; William Skolfield, J. W.
- 67 BLUE MOUNTAIN, by Ray Weldes, M.; Sherwood Gould, S. W.; Vernet Whittemore, J. W.
- 68 MARRINERS' by H. Warren Maddocks, M.
- 69 HOWARD, by Lawrence A. Coolidge, M.
- 70 STANDISH, by David Drew, Jr., J. W.
- 71 RISING SUN, by William E. Leach, Sr., Proxy.
- 72 ————PIONEER, not represented.
- 73 ————TYRIAN, not represented.
- 74 BRISTOL, Guy Martin, M.
- 75 ARCHON, by Morton Knowles, M.
- 76 ARUNDEL, by Joseph Burrows, M.
- 77 TREMONT, by George L. Higgins, Proxy.
- 78 CRESCENT, by J. A. Brown, M.
- 79 ROCKLAND, by James Roach, M.; Walter Dimick, Jr., S. W.
- 80 KEYSTONE, by Malon P. Whipple, M.
- 81 ATLANTIC, by James H. Doyle, M.; Lawrence E. Cote, S. W.; Warren N. Graffam, J. W.
- 82 ST. PAUL'S, by Harvey H. Simonton, M.
- 83 ST. ANDREW'S, by Alden Mitchell, S. W.; Frank E. St. Clair, J. W.; Curtis D. Beatham, Proxy.
- 84 ————EUREKA, not represented.

- 85 STAR IN THE WEST, by Lloyd E. Barrows, Proxy.
- 86 TEMPLE, by Thomas J. Barry, M.; Henry P. Bailey, Proxy.
- 87 BENEVOLENT, by Clyde M. Newcomb, M.
- 88 NARRAGUAGUS, Clifford H. West, Proxy.
- 89 ISLAND, by Harry F. Hinckley, Jr., M.
- 90 HIRAM ABIFF—*Charter revoked in 1869.*
- 91 HARWOOD, by Millard A. Whitney, Proxy.
- 92 SILOAM, by Preston W. Stewart, Proxy.
- 93 HOREB, by Clayton Jenkins, M.
- 94 PARIS, by Elmore C. Edmunds, Proxy.
- 95 CORINTHIAN, by Linwood Perkins, J. W.
- 96 MONUMENT, by Leon W. Bean, Proxy.
- 97 BETHEL, by Dana Brooks, M.
- 98 KATAHDIN, by Daniel R. Woodbury, Proxy.
- 99 ————VERNON VALLEY, not represented.
- 100 JEFFERSON, by Edward Lee Mills, M.
- 101 NEZINSCOT, by Robert S. Hill, M.
- 102 MARSH RIVER, by Allan Mollison, M.
- 103 DRESDEN, by Charles Gray, M.; James C. McCoy, S. W.; R. B. Cate, J. W.
- 104 DIRIGO, by Robert Baker, M.; John Crommett, S. W.; Harold Carlton Casey, J. W.
- 105 ASHLAR, by Thomas Hunter, Proxy.
- 106 ————TUSCAN, not represented.
- 107 DAY SPRING, by W. F. Carter, M.
- 108 RELIEF—*Charter revoked in 1894.*
- 109 MOUNT KINEO, by Harold S. Page, M.
- 110 MONMOUTH, by Merle F. Robinson, M.; Ernest H. Ramsdell, Proxy.
- 111 LIBERTY, by George Spencer, M.; Cleve Olliver, Proxy.
- 112 EASTERN FRONTIER, Robert Willett, M.
- 113 MESSALONSKEE, Earl M. Hutchinson, J. W.; Chester J. Blake, Proxy.
- 114 POLAR STAR, by Kenneth Wood, M.; Edmund Furber, S. W.; Harrison K. Dutton, J. W.
- 115 BUXTON by Homer M. Illingworth, Proxy.
- 116 LEBANON, by Paul L. Winslow, Proxy.
- 117 GREENLEAF, by Marshall Spring, M.; Hanes Gibson, S. W.
- 118 DRUMMOND, by Raymond Chute, M.
- 119 POWNAL, by Joseph C. Sandersen, M.
- 120 MEDUNCOOK—*Charter surrendered in 1884.*
- 121 ACACIA, by Harold E. Booker, J. W.
- 122 MARINE, by R. E. Haskell, M.
- 123 FRANKLIN, by Ernest H. Smith, M.
- 124 OLIVE BRANCH, by Merle Bradford, M.; F. Raymond Ross, S. W.
- 125 MERIDIAN, by Kilborn H. Merrill, Proxy.
- 126 TIMOTHY CHASE, Derwin Dean, M.
- 127 PRESUMPCOT, by Lawrence Partridge, M.
- 128 EGGEMOGGIN, by Clarence Hale, Proxy.

- 129 QUANTABACOOK, by Clarence E. Gelo, Proxy.
- 130 TRINITY, by Richard E. Evans, M.
- 131 LOOKOUT, by Purcell W. Corbett, M.
- 132 ———MOUNT TIR'EM, not represented.
- 133 ASYLUM, by W. B. Smith, S. W.; Alphonso T. Barker, Proxy.
- 134 TROJAN—*Consolidated with Star in the West, No. 85 in 1888.*
- 135 RIVERSIDE, by Harold S. Baker, Proxy.
- 136 IONIC—*Charter surrendered in 1882.*
- 137 KENDUSKEAG, by George R. Mower, Proxy.
- 138 LEWY'S ISLAND, by Robert H. Wheaton, M.
- 139 ARCHON & PLYMOUTH—*Consolidated as Archon, No. 75, in 1939.*
- 140 ———MOUNT DESERT, not represented.
- 141 AUGUSTA, by Stewart McCatherin, M.; Bertram Witherell, S. W.;
Raymond Rideout, Jr., J. W.
- 142 OCEAN, by Gordon Galencia, M.; Donald Paine, S. W.; Charles
Seaman, J. W.
- 143 PREBLE, by Carlton J. Hogue, M.; Ralph E. Wiggin, S. W.; Stanley
V. Charlton, J. W.
- 144 SEASIDE, by Chester T. Blanchard, J. W.
- 145 MOSES WEBSTER, by David Duncan, Proxy.
- 146 SEBASTICOOK, by Ben Moore, M.
- 147 EVENING STAR, by Wendell M. Allen, M.
- 148 FOREST, by Eugene Dicker, Proxy.
- 149 DORIC, by Charles W. Stevens, M.
- 150 RABBONI, by Samuel M. Hurwitz, M.; Albert S. Johnson, S. W.;
William L. Scott, J. W.; William H. Davis, Proxy.
- 151 EXCELSIOR, by John L. Ketner, Sr., S. W.
- 152 CROOKED RIVER, by Loren Brett, S. W.; Orrell Linnell, J. W.
- 153 DELTA, by Samuel H. Ring, Proxy.
- 154 MYSTIC TIE, by Ervin White, M.
- 155 ANCIENT YORK, by Albert Dunton, M.
- 156 WILTON, by Calvin B. Sewall, M.
- 157 ———CAMBRIDGE, not represented.
- 158 ANCHOR, by Willard Herman Doell, Proxy.
- 159 ESOTERIC—*Consolidated with Lygonia, No. 40 in 1808.*
- 160 PARIAN, by Roy J. Buxton, Proxy.
- 161 CARRABASSETT, by Raymond Hunt, M.
- 162 ARION, by Leighton Drown, M.; Freeland W. Elwell, Proxy.
- 163 PLEASANT RIVER, by Rodney W. Ross, M.; Russell Ladd, S. W.
- 164 WEBSTER, by John T. Thomson, Proxy.
- 165 MOLUNKUS, by John E. Elwell, Proxy.
- 166 NEGUEMKEAG, by John P. Kennedy, Proxy.
- 167 WHITNEY, by Charles A. Newton, Proxy.
- 168 COMPOSITE, by Charles R. Leavitt, Proxy.
- 169 SHEPHERD'S RIVER, by Lyman H. Wells, Proxy.
- 170 CARIBOU, by A. D. Chambers, M.
- 171 NASKEAG, by George M. Murray, Proxy.

- 172 PINE TREE, by Claude H. Lombard, Proxy.
173 PLEIADES, by Donald H. Leighton, M.
174 LYNDE, by Emery L. Leathers, Proxy.
175 BASKAHEGAN, by Seth A. Good, M.
176 PALESTINE—*Consolidated with Dunlap, No. 47 in 1895.*
177 RISING STAR, by Leeman B. Bowden, Proxy.
178 ANCIENT BROTHERS' by Donald E. Flagg, M.; Claude Cox, Proxy.
179 YORKSHIRE, by Wallace Thyng, M.
180 HIRAM, by George F. Hilborn, Jr., M.; Leon Burbank, S. W.; William Danes, J. W.; Ferdinand M. Bartlett, Proxy.
181 REUEL WASHBURN—*Consolidated with Oriental Star, No. 21, in 1892.*
182 GRANITE, by Clarence M. Coffin, Proxy.
183 DEERING, by Frederick B. Jensen, M.; Elvin S. Winckler, S. W.; Donald B. Vickerson, J. W.
184 NAVAL, by William H. Eckhart, M.; Reginald F. Perry, S. W., Norman R. Searles, J. W.
185 BAR HARBOR, by Harold L. Collier, M.; Walter G. Flagg, S. W.
186 WARREN PHILLIPS, by Harold Jordan, S. W.; Reginald J. Rutter, Proxy.
187 IRA BERRY, by Warren Partridge, M.
188 JONESPORT, by Harry L. Norton, Proxy.
189 KNOX, by James M. Williams, Proxy.
190 SPRINGVALE, by Roger E. Goodwin, M.; Edward Everett Austin, S. W.
191 DAVIS, by E. H. Lambert, M.; M. A. Timberlake, S. W.
192 ————WINTER HARBOR, not represented.
193 WASHBURN, by Russell Smith, M.
194 EUCLID, by Elwood Perkins, M.
195 RELIANCE, by Alfred Colwell, S. W.
196 BAY VIEW, by Chester C. Varney, Jr., Proxy.
197 AROOSTOOK, by Charles Everett, M.
198 ST. ASPINQUID, by James R. Colcord, Jr., M.; Samuel R. Blaisdell, Jr., S. W.; Earl C. Hayford, J. W.
199 BINGHAM, by Allan P. Robinson, Proxy.
200 COLUMBIA, by Fred W. Roberts, M.
201 DAVID A. HOOPER, by Charles E. Harris, M.
202 MOUNT BIGELOW, by Harold T. Ricker, Proxy.
203 MOUNT OLIVET, by Fred L. Ludwig, Proxy.
204 MOUNT ABRAM, by Wesley Winter, Proxy.
205 NOLLESEMIC, by George Goddard, M.; Philip Libby, S. W.; Charles Coffin, J. W.
206 ISLAND FALLS, by John T. Hulbert, M.
207 ABNER WADE, by Willard A. Starbird, M.
208 NORTHEAST HARBOR, by Edward W. Bucklin, S. W.
209 FORT KENT, by John D. Wylie, M.
210 BAGADUCE, by Ray C. Gray, M.
211 MEDUNCOOK, by Adam Otto Rodamer, Proxy.

- 212 McKINLEY, by Edmond Reed, Proxy.
 213 ——— KEMANKEAG, not represented.
 214 ——— LIMESTONE, not represented.
 215 ORCHARD, by Elmer L. G. Rounds, M.; Stanley Harmon, S. W.;
 Asa Douglass, J. W.; Ray L. Littlefield, Proxy.
 216 Corner Stone, by Percy C. McManus, M.; Lloyd A. Carr, S. W.
 217 RALPH J. POLLARD, by Sumner P. Bridges, M.; Herbert R. Sawyer,
 S. W.; Robert Glidden, J. W.; Leland C. Mitchell, Proxy.

Grand Officers as follows:

PAUL L. POWERS,	M. W. Grand Master
AUBREY L. BURBANK,	R. W. Deputy Grand Master
PHILIP D. TINGLEY,	" Senior Grand Warden
MERRILL R. KITTREDGE,	" Junior Grand Warden
H. NORTON MAXFIELD,	" Grand Treasurer
CONVERS E. LEACH,	" " Secretary
EARLE D. WEBSTER,	" Cor. Grand Secretary
MALCOLM R. HOLTS,	" D. D. G. M., 1st Dist.
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JAMES O. MCKEEN,	" " " 5th "
STANLEY P. DONALDSON,	" " " 6th "
JOHN H. ANNIS,	" " " 7th "
ALBERT B. WATTS,	" " " 9th "
CHARLES L. GAMAGE,	" " " 10th "
LESLIE R. LATHE,	" " " 11th "
HOWARD H. WHITTEN,	" " " 12th "
ALFRED L. HOLBROOK,	" " " 13th "
ROLAND W. CORNISH,	" " " 14th "
FRED B. WADLEIGH,	" " " 15th "
WALTER W. MATSON,	" " " 16th "
AUSTIN A. ALDEN,	" " " 17th "
GEORGE A. ELWELL,	" " " 18th "
LESTER A. BRAGDON,	" " " 19th "
VERNON A. HOWARD,	" " " 20th "
JAMES B. SEEKINS,	" " " 22nd "
DONALD R. BRIGGS,	" " " 23rd "
RALPH W. EMERSON,	" " " 24th "
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" PERCY COTTON,	" " "
WARREN MOSES,	" " "
NORMAN W. LINDQUIST,	" " Marshal
B. GLEN MCGEE,	" " Senior Deacon
EARLE B. PORTER,	" " Junior Deacon
HAROLD W. BLAISDELL,	" " Steward

JOHN R. WONNEBERGER,	W.	Grand Steward
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ALPHEUS G. DYER,	"	"
ROYAL L. CLEAVES,	"	Sword Bearer
HARRY D. DAVIS,	"	Standard Bearer
JOHN W. PETERSON,	"	Pursuivant
JOHN W. PETERSON,	"	"
FRED LINCOLN HILL,	Bro.	Organist
HENRY DOHERTY,	"	Tyler

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M. W.	EDWARD W. WHEELER,	P. G. M.
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"	CHARLES E. CROSSLAND	"
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"	ALVOID E. CUSHMAN	"
"	ARTHUR H. LANDER	"
"	WILLIAM D. BRUCE	"
"	WILLIAM A. LEVENSALOR	"
"	HAROLD L. GERRISH	"
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"	FRANK L. MILAN	"
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"	LEWIS T. BROWN	"
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"	JOHN L. POLLEYS	"
"	EDWARD H. BRITTON	"
"	ELBERT G. MOULTON	"
"	ARTHUR W. STOCKBRIDGE	"
"	EARLE D. WEBSTER	"

R. W. JAMES A. SANKER .	P. J. G. W.
" WESLEY L. OXTON	"
" MERTON E. LEECH	"
" HARRY I. ROLLINS	"
" FRED J. LOWELL	"
" CLIFFORD H. M. PERRY	"

And the following Grand Representatives:

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 Rhode Island — CLARK D. CHAPMAN
 Saskatchewan — HARRY I. ROLLINS
 Scotland — GEORGE F. GIDDINGS
 South Australia — LEWIS T. BROWN
 South Carolina — DANIEL G. CHAPLIN
 South Dakota — ELBERT G. MOULTON
 Sweden — RALPH J. POLLARD
 Tasmania — WILFORD G. CHAPMAN
 Tennessee — HARRY S. GRINDALL
 Vermont — CHARLES E. CROSSLAND
 Victoria — ALFRED L. HOLBROOK
 Virginia — HENRY R. GILLIS
 Washington — JUDSON P. LORD
 Western Australia — WESLEY L. OXTON
 West Virginia — FLOYD E. ANDERSON
 Wisconsin — CLIFFORD H. M. PERRY

Lodges represented, 193; Not represented, 15; Number of Representatives, 296; Grand Lodge Officers, 44; Permanent Members, 42.

Entitled to Vote, 193; Lodges at three, 579; Grand Lodge Officers, 43; Permanent Members, 42; Total, 664.

Fraternally submitted,

GEORGE P. JACKSON,
 WILSON C. BLAKE,

} Committee.

FLOWERS.

It was voted that flowers be sent to M. W. Bro. DAVID L. WILSON accompanied by a note, written by W. Bro. M. GERRY PLUMMER, Grand Chaplain.

The Grand Master then read his

ANNUAL ADDRESS

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Maine.

BRETHREN:

While the language of our constitution requires us, and the unbroken record of an annual meeting every year since our institution as a Grand Lodge may make us proud, yet the spiritual force that attracts us to this place on this day is the deep desire to join the brethren with whom we have worked in the past, to feel the hearty handshake, to see the pleasing eye, to hear the friendly and cordial words of greeting and to become acquainted with the new associates who have come here to work with us in furthering the great mission of Masonry—the building of character in men. This spiritual force or power more than all else brings us to this 136th Annual Communication.

One year ago this month, you elected me as your 67th Grand Master to direct the activities of this Grand Lodge for this year. My every act has been carried out with a deep sense of humility, a realization of the responsibilities of the office and an awareness of the confidence you have reposed in me.

In 1846 it was suggested for the first time that the practice of having the Grand Master give a report of his activities and of the condition of the Fraternity, be adopted in the Grand Lodge of Maine, and in 1867 the Grand Master stated that the custom had been so long practiced and followed it was nearly equivalent to Masonic Law.

It is in accordance with this time-honored custom and usage that I make this report of my stewardship and of the condition of the Fraternity in Maine, in brief compass and without the adornment of rhetoric.

WELCOME.

It is with sincere pleasure that I cordially welcome each member and each guest of this Grand Lodge, and I know that I speak for every officer to every member in expressing these words. Our aim and purpose is one; namely, to consider the

activities and record of the year now closing and to plan and build as wisely as possible for the year ahead. Please feel free to express very frankly your thoughts and ideas to the Grand Lodge and to me at all times. We are here to serve you to the best of our abilities.

We are especially happy to greet and welcome our distinguished guests from our sister jurisdictions. It is our sincere hope that you will feel at home with us, and that we may in some small measure attempt to return the delightful hospitality and the many courtesies you have shown us while we have visited your truly grand jurisdictions. Come often; we want you to like Maine as we love it.

NECROLOGY.

While we are happy to meet at this reunion and to shake the hands of old friends and exchange fraternal greetings, we do not forget those of our brethren who have passed to that Celestial Lodge above from whose bourne no traveler returns and who will never again assemble with us around the altar of our earthly temple. Our minds and hearts turned instinctively to them as our Grand Chaplain led us in prayer, and we pause in the business of this meeting and lift up our hearts in gratitude to the Great Giver of all Light, for the manifold blessings and comforts of their lives and in sincere tribute to their memory.

During the Masonic year just ended eight hundred seventy-five of our brethren have passed to that Undiscovered Country above, a striking lesson of the uncertainty of human life.

Our sister jurisdictions, too, have suffered in the passing of many of their members who have distinguished themselves in Masonry, and to them we extend our fraternal sympathy. The Grand Secretary will include a list of these members in his report.

While our line of Grand Officers remains unbroken, yet three of our permanent members have passed to that Undiscovered Country.

Right Worshipful Brother Adin L. Hopkins, Past Junior Grand Warden, deceased on December 26, 1954, and funeral services were held in the Baptist Church in Camden, Maine,

on December 28. No member of this Grand Lodge was held in more esteem and affection by the Craft over the entire State of Maine, in our time, than Adin Hopkins. No man has contributed more to the welfare and betterment of his community. An affectionate and considerate husband and father, a great Mason, a real man and a trustworthy friend has gone from us. We shall grieve from this loss for a long time.

Right Worshipful Brother Clarence J. Perham, Past Senior Grand Warden, passed on November 13, 1954, at his home in Bryant Pond. His funeral services were held at the Baptist Church in Bryant Pond on November 16. Right Worshipful Brother Perham was a strong man in Masonry in his section of the State and gave freely of his time and ability in furthering the objectives of the Fraternity. He will be missed greatly by all of us who have held him in such high esteem for these many years.

Right Worshipful Brother John L. Tewksbury, Past Senior Grand Warden, passed on August 30, 1954, at his home in Camden, Maine. Funeral services were held in the St. Thomas Episcopal Church on September 2. This grand brother was greatly respected by the Craft as a whole, and his work on our Grand Lodge Committee on Lodge Histories will long be remembered.

Appropriate memorials will be presented at a later time in these proceedings.

Let us stand in reverent prayer for our departed brethren, led by our Grand Chaplain.

CONDITION OF THE FRATERNITY

It is with pleasure that I am able to report that Masonry in Maine is in a good, safe, and healthy condition. The records show a continued increase in membership. The net gain was 336. This total again represents the highest number on our membership rolls ever reported in this Grand Jurisdiction, a grand total of 47,290. While this is gratifying, yet I place more importance on the work our lodges are doing and the attitude and the interest of the officers and members in the

ritualistic and in the non-ritualistic parts of our Masonic work.

A concerted program of non-ritualistic Masonic education is in operation; and the results, even at this early stage of the program, are indeed gratifying.

Our program of ritualistic instruction is in excellent condition under the able, efficient and pleasing direction of our Grand Lecturer.

No case of invasion of jurisdiction by any lodge or by any other Grand Lodge has been reported to me during the year.

There is an increase in some lodges this year in the amount of uncollected lodge dues, and I strongly urge the officers of our lodges to use their best efforts to meet this problem tactfully but effectively, and as early as possible.

Fraternal relations between and among the Grand Jurisdictions in this country are in a most harmonious and peaceful state.

There are several problems existing involving the recognition of certain foreign jurisdictions, all of which are fully set forth in the excellent report of our committee on foreign correspondence, the chairman of which committee is our most able and well-informed Brother M. W. Ralph J. Pollard. I urge every member to read this report. Our long standing record of a conservative approach to this matter of foreign recognition has indeed proved to be correct, and I urge a continuation of it.

MASONIC CHARITABLE FOUNDATION.

At the annual meeting of the trustees of the Foundation, held at the constitutional hour in May, of 1954, the trustees voted to adjourn the meeting to a time and place to be selected by the President of the Board.

Pursuant to this vote of adjournment, the next meeting was called and held on June 11, 1954, at the Wooster House, in Hallowell. Ten of the trustees were present together with the Grand Treasurer. At this meeting, it developed that the unanimous opinion of the trustees was to consider a change from the procedure followed during the last two years in the

method of processing applications for relief. It was the unanimous opinion of the trustees that the procedure was too slow and too cumbersome. It was pointed out that Part Second, Article I, Section 57, Paragraph Second of the Grand Lodge Constitution authorized the appointment of a committee on distribution appointed by the trustees from their own members, and it was voted that all grants for relief should be made to the lodges and not to the individual members, this vote being within the language of the above-mentioned constitutional provisions. Past Grand Master Brother Charles E. Crossland was unanimously elected by secret ballot as chairman of the committee on distribution, the other members being the Grand Secretary and the Grand Master. It was further voted that the Secretary of the lodge shall be the almoner in each case.

At this same meeting, it was voted to appoint a subcommittee to consider amending and reclassifying trustees' regulations, the votes of the trustees of May 4, 1871, Article III of May 6, 1885, and to consider possible amendment of Section 59 of the Constitution as to the place of meeting. Senior Grand Warden Philip D. Tingley, and Junior Grand Warden Merrill R. Kittredge were appointed as this subcommittee. The meeting adjourned to the call of the President.

Pursuant to vote of adjournment, a further meeting was called and held at the Wooster House in Hallowell, December 30, 1954. Ten of the trustees were present, together with the Grand Treasurer.

At this meeting, the report of the subcommittee on investments was considered and accepted together with the report of the Grand Treasurer. The report of the chairman of the committee on distribution given in detail was considered at length and accepted. Necessary appropriations were voted. A new form of application for relief and new forms for the distribution of funds were presented, all of which were approved and adopted.

The Trustees voted to propose an amendment to Section 59 of the Grand Lodge Constitution concerning the time and

and place of meetings of the trustees. This amendment will be presented at this communication.

The Trustees adopted new rules and regulations, a copy of which will be submitted by the Grand Secretary at this communication.

A final meeting of the trustees was held at the Wooster House in Hallowell, on April 27, 1955, when final reports for the year were acted upon.

A total of \$23,365.72 was paid to 65 lodges to assist 98 persons or families. The grand total, including grants to all recipients, of \$24,638.22 was distributed.

The reports of the Grand Treasurer and the Grand Secretary will present these matters in detail, and I urge a careful reading of them.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES.

I have recommended the appointment of Grand Representatives of other Grand Jurisdictions near the Grand Lodge of Maine as follows:

Nevada	PHILIP D. TINGLEY	Houlton
New South Wales	MERRILL R. KITTREDGE	Bangor
Queensland	WALTER W. MATSON	Bolsters Mills
Victoria	ALFRED L. HOLBROOK	N. Anson

On recommendation of other Grand Jurisdictions, I have made the following appointments of Representatives of the Grand Lodge of Maine near other Grand Lodges:

Massachusetts	EARL W. TAYLOR	Belmont, Mass.
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DISTRICT DEPUTIES' SCHOOLS.

Schools of Instruction for District Deputy Grand Masters were conducted at Portland on August 11, and at Bangor on August 12, 1954. Every District Deputy attended at least one of these schools, and we were honored by the presence of several of our Past Grand Masters, other Permanent Members and Grand Lodge Officers.

At these schools, we outlined the program of work for the year and explained the objectives of this year's administration.

We continued the procedure as set up and followed by our immediate Past Grand Master and supplemented it with this year's program. The value of these schools and their assistance to the District Deputy Grand Masters cannot be overstated.

GRAND LECTURER'S WORK.

The appointment of Right Worshipful Brother Raymond W. Rideout, of Augusta, for the most important office of Grand Lecturer proved to be an excellent choice. Brother Rideout's knowledge of the ritual, his ability as a leader and instructor, and his exceptional qualifications as a specialist in public relations are matched only by his tact, diplomacy and his genial personality.

Schools of ritualistic instruction were conducted in each of the twenty-four masonic districts, and the report of the Grand Lecturer will show that the attendance at these schools was the second highest in the history of our Grand Lodge.

I attended four of these schools of instruction, only as a guest and not as a director. Since I had designated one of the most important parts of our work to a man in whose ability I had the utmost confidence, I concluded there was no need that I attend more of these schools.

DISTRICT MEETINGS.

Due to the nature of my vocation, I could not hope to equal the outstanding record of lodge visitations established by my distinguished predecessor, M. W. Benjamin W. Ela. I determined, however, to create an opportunity to meet with the officers of every lodge in the State and proceeded to arrange for a district meeting in each of the twenty-four masonic districts. A record of these district meetings is attached hereto and entitled "Appendix C."

At these district meetings, it has been my pleasure and opportunity to meet with the officers of every lodge in our

Grand Jurisdiction, with but two or three exceptions. The attendance at all district meetings was very good.

In accordance with prearranged plans, these meetings were devoted first to the major portions of our masonic program for the year; namely: masonic education, lodge histories, and the Grand Lodge Masonic Blood Bank; secondly: to the non-ritualistic work of Masonry; and lastly to an open forum for the purpose of asking any question concerning Masonry, with the promise of as definite an answer as possible for all questions. This program proved very successful and interesting to all present.

In addition to this series of meetings, the District Deputies in most of the districts have held other district meetings, and the value of and benefit from these meetings has been invaluable to the members present and to me. I sincerely hope that the practice of holding one district meeting in each lodge of the district can become established at an early date.

LODGE HISTORIES.

In accordance with the statement contained in my acceptance remarks, following my installation last May, I inaugurated a program designed to bring about the compliance by all lodges with Standing Regulation No. 2 which provides in substance that each lodge shall furnish its history each ten years for the preceding decade.

At the beginning of the Masonic year, less than twenty of our lodges were in compliance with this section of our Masonic law.

After conferences with our Grand Lodge Committee on lodge histories, headed by its very efficient chairman R. W. Brother George R. Caswell, we concluded there were two major reasons why so many lodges were in breach of this regulation. First, there seemed to be a general apprehension that most lodges did not have a member who felt he had the time and ability to prepare the history, and, secondly, most lodges felt they could not afford to have their histories printed and published. To meet these obstacles, the Committee, under my direction, prepared and delivered to each lodge in September,

1954, an outline that could be followed by any lodge and which would result in the compilation of all data necessary for historical purposes. To meet the second objection, we advised each lodge that the history need not be printed, that typewritten copies with a simple stapled binding would be acceptable as a minimum requirement, and the lodges were encouraged to have their histories prepared in as much better form as they might determine.

The history program was stressed in the schools for District Deputies, in every district meeting, at the schools of instruction, and at each official inspection by the District Deputies.

In September, a questionnaire requesting necessary information was mailed to each lodge.

Periodical follow-up and check-up has been made by the Committee and by the District Deputies, and each lodge has been instructed that it was my request that their history be brought up to date and furnished to Grand Lodge before May, 1955. I advised each lodge that I would agree to extend this time only if they could assure the Committee that the project was well under way and that the history would be furnished to Grand Lodge before January, 1956.

I am happy to report that a great many of the histories have been furnished and that every lodge has definitely promised to be in compliance with this regulation within the above time. In the event any lodge fails to comply with this regulation, a report to Grand Lodge will be made next May with the recommendation that action be taken by this Grand Lodge.

I am indeed very grateful to the many lodges and to their faithful members who have complied with the requirement, and I extend to them my sincere appreciation.

The Committee on Histories will present the details of this program in their report.

MASONIC BLOOD BANK.

Following the recommendation of our immediate Past Grand Master Benjamin W. Ela, this Grand Lodge voted last May "that the matter of Masonic Blood Bank in Maine be

referred to the incoming Grand Master with request that he investigate and with authority to take such steps as he shall deem expedient or appoint such committee as he shall feel fit to implement the program and to expend such unappropriated funds of the Grand Lodge as he in his discretion shall deem proper." Following this vote, I investigated the matter and decided to appoint a statewide committee consisting of one member from each Masonic District, headed by a state chairman. With the assistance of the District Deputy Grand Masters, the statewide committee was appointed with Brother Elmer S. Doe, of Portland, as chairman. The Master of each lodge was directed to appoint a chairman for his lodge.

On August 25, 1954, at Masonic Temple in Waterville, a statewide meeting of the Masonic Blood Program Committee, together with many of the lodge chairmen, District Deputies and other Grand Lodge officers, was held, the purpose of the meeting being to explain the organization and working of the program.

We were very fortunate in procuring the services of Worshipful Brother Chester D. Shepherd, service director and chairman of the Grand Lodge Masonic Blood Bank for the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Massachusetts. Brother Shepherd explained the method of operating the program in Massachusetts and delivered a very inspiring talk upon the subject.

All the District Deputies have been of great help in assisting this program. Right Worshipful Brother Lester D. Bragdon, District Deputy Grand Master in the Nineteenth District, has donated twenty-seven pints of his blood to the Blood Bank, which is certainly an outstanding contribution to one of our most modern and realistic expressions of Masonic charity and brotherhood.

A report by the chairman of this committee will show that much progress has been made and, I believe, will also show that much work remains to be done to weld the program into an efficient project.

The total expenditure for the blood program to date is \$192.12.

Many of our brethren and their families have benefited from this great expression of Masonic charity and brotherhood. The report of the chairman of the committee will present the details. The personnel of the committee as originally appointed is shown by Appendix B attached hereto.

MASONIC EDUCATION.

You may recall that I stated in my inaugural remarks last May it was my hope to institute an effective plan of Masonic education so that this Grand Lodge at this time could evaluate and act upon it.

Pursuant to the provisions of our Constitution and Regulations, early in the Masonic year I appointed a special committee on Masonic Education, headed by Most Worshipful Brother Ralph J. Pollard, whom I consider to be the most able Masonic scholar of our time, assisted by Past Grand Master Ervin E. J. Lander, and Past Grand Wardens Lewis T. Brown and William A. Levensalor whom I chose on the basis of their knowledge of and love for Masonry.

For some two years previous, I had been studying various plans used in our sister Grand Jurisdictions, and I became convinced that we were in real need of an effective program. That need has been recognized and stressed by many of our Past Grand Masters.

Grand Lodge appropriated the sum of \$1,500.00 for this project.

Following conferences and meetings with the Committee and its members, we prepared and put into effect the Pollard Plan. This name was unanimously chosen by the rest of the Committee and without the knowledge of M. W. Brother Pollard until after the action was taken.

The able chairman of the Committee did the literary work, and after a few changes and additions suggested by the Committee, bids for printing were obtained from seven concerns. Our Brother Harold Kelley, of Belfast, submitted the best proposition, and the Pollard Plan, consisting of the four booklets, a guide to the instructor, the circular entitled "How the Plan Will Work" and a short list of selected

readings to be recommended to the candidate, came into form early in the Fall of 1954.

Each lodge has appointed its instructors, and each District Deputy Grand Master is responsible for the operation of the Plan in his District.

The unanimous report of the District Deputies shows that the Plan is very well received over the entire State, that it is very effective in the instruction of the candidate in the matters of Masonic history, symbolism, philosophy and jurisprudence, and is the most effective means we have adopted thus far in this Grand Lodge along this line.

The Committee has kept within the appropriation, having expended \$1,126.34.

A copy of the entire Plan has been presented to each Grand Lodge Officer and to each Permanent Member. I would be happy if every member of this Grand Jurisdiction requested a copy of this Plan for his personal use. This request would be granted.

It is my sincere hope that this Grand Lodge will approve the Plan and accept the report of the Committee and it is my belief that we can improve upon it and make it even more effective with years of use. The report of this Committee will cover this matter more fully.

GRAND LODGE LIBRARY.

While we have always understood the Grand Lodge of Maine had one of the best Masonic libraries in the country, yet it was discovered that there was no written record or catalogue of the contents of the library.

My District Deputies and I have been urging the brethren, and especially the newly-raised members, to do more reading and to consult our literary works on Masonry.

The Committee on Education decided that a listing or catalogue of the books in the Grand Lodge library was a necessary part of this program, and as a result I authorized the Grand Librarian to engage the necessary assistants and prepare a catalogue of our library. R. W. Brother Earle Webster, our Grand Librarian, succeeded in procuring the

services of a very efficient lady with library training and experience, and on December 15, 1954, the catalogue was completed, mimeographed and delivered to every lodge and to each Grand Lodge Officer and Permanent Member.

If and when funds are available, this catalogue should be further classified and indexed, especially to cover the periodical section which has thousands of interesting topics contained therein.

MASONIC FILMS.

With a view to furthering and diversifying the program of Masonic education, we have had prepared and circulated among all the lodges on December 15, 1954, instructions on how to obtain moving pictures on Masonic and other interesting subjects.

We urge each lodge to take advantage of this service.

SPEAKERS' BUREAU.

In conjunction with, and as a part of the Masonic education program, we have organized and developed a Masonic Speakers' Bureau. In this Bureau, we have presented approximately one hundred different topics.

A preliminary circular was prepared and sent to each Permanent Member, each Grand Lodge Officer, and many of the Past District Deputies and other brethren known to be interested in the subject. The Bureau starts out with approximately forty-five speakers. The completed circular has been delivered to each lodge, each Grand Lodge Officer and each Permanent Member. New speakers are being added, and we hope to make this a very effective part of our Masonic Educational program. Every lodge is strongly urged to take advantage of this Speakers' Bureau.

MAINE MASONIC TEXTBOOK.

Continuing the program stressed by Most Worshipful Brother Ela, my District Deputies and I have taken advantage of every opportunity to place the Maine Masonic Textbook in the hands of as many of our brethren as possible.

I am convinced that this great work should be made a necessary part of every member's Masonic instruction. A great many of the books have been sold, and Right Worshipful Brother Roland Cornish, D. D. G. M. from the 14th Masonic District, holds the record of having disposed of approximately seventy-five of these books this year.

GRAND LODGE INVENTORY.

Upon taking my office, I discovered that we did not have an inventory or record of Grand Lodge property. Believing that an inventory and appraisal showing the fair value of our property was a vital part of the business of the Grand Lodge of Maine, I directed that such an inventory and appraisal be prepared, and on December 31, 1954, the inventory was completed, mimeographed and delivered to each Grand Lodge Officer and to each Permanent Member.

A study of this inventory reveals the need of modernizing and re-equipping the office of our Grand Secretary and our Grand Treasurer. This office serves 47,000 members. It is the business nerve center of our entire organization, and we cannot hope to properly serve our membership or to furnish our Grand Treasurer, Grand Secretary and their assistants with the proper tools and equipment without such a program.

LODGE CHARTERS.

One of the most constructive programs in our recent history was conducted by our immediate Past Grand Master, dealing with the matter of Lodge Charters. That program resulted in a return to the constitutional requirements dealing with the presence and whereabouts of the Charters of our lodges. As a result, many Charters were found that had been misplaced for years, and the requirements of having the Charter present at installation and inspection ceremonies were stressed.

I have continued that program this year and as a result the following action has taken place:

- a. A duplicate Charter for Baskehegan, No. 175 was issued at my direction, since I was convinced that their Charter was lost. The constitutional fee was paid.

- b. The misplaced Charters of Harwood, No. 191, and Anchor, No. 158, have been found after being misplaced for many years.
- c. A Certificate of Charter was issued to Eastern Frontier, No. 112.

It is believed that every lodge now has its Charter.

PAST MASTERS' DISTRICT ASSOCIATIONS.

These associations have been functioning in several of the districts for some years and have been a decided asset and aid to Masonry in their respective districts.

The association in the Seventeenth District furnished me with a copy of its by-laws. These have been mimeographed and delivered to each of the District Deputy Grand Masters to be kept as part of the equipment in their kit, and with instructions to encourage the creation of these associations in every district. It is expected that every district will have such an association completed within the next two or three months.

MASTER AND WARDENS' ASSOCIATIONS.

Several years ago in the Seventeenth Masonic District, an informal organization known as the Master and Wardens' Association was organized and created by Right Worshipful Norman W. Lindquist, who was then District Deputy Grand Master for the Seventeenth Masonic District. Under this organization, the Master and Wardens of all the lodges in the district held an informal meeting once each month rotating around the lodges in the district.

The Association proved to be of great value in promoting the interests and work in Masonry in the district. Realizing the value of this implement, I have requested each of the District Deputy Grand Masters to organize such an association in each district, and an outline showing the procedure of creating the association and the method of its operation was prepared by Brother Lindquist, now our Grand Marshal, and has been mimeographed and delivered to all the District Deputies. These associations have been created in most of

the districts, and every district will have such an association within the next couple of months.

MAINE COUNCIL OF DELIBERATION.

It was my pleasure to be invited to attend the annual meeting of the Maine Council of Deliberation at the Masonic Temple in Auburn on July 15, 1954. Every courtesy and genuine hospitality was accorded me, and for this gesture I am indeed grateful to Illustrious Commander in Chief Frank Colman Allen and the members of the Council. I delivered an address entitled "Justice—A Cardinal Virtue." With the thought that this address might be of some interest, it is attached to this report and entitled "Appendix A."

VISITATIONS IN MAINE.

At the time of my installation, I stated it would be impossible for me to come anywhere near equaling the record of visitations made by our immediate Past Grand Master, who established the highest number of such visitations in any one year in the history of our Grand Lodge. The nature of my vocation prevented me from accepting a great many invitations to attend Masonic functions. However, I have been able, during the year, to attend 117 Masonic meetings, functions and assemblies of appendant bodies within the State, in the course of which I have traveled approximately 11,600 miles. Our Deputy Grand Master has attended many meetings and functions as my personal representative, and to him I am very grateful for his very able and efficient assistance.

A record of all Masonic visitations and functions and of all assemblies of appendant bodies attended is attached hereto and entitled "Appendix F."

VISITATIONS OUTSIDE THE STATE.

Invitations to attend Grand Lodge sessions of many of our sister Grand Jurisdictions have been received, and it has resulted in my Masonic education and enlightenment, in addition to my personal pleasure, to accept and attend these Grand Lodge sessions in Massachusetts, New Jersey, New

Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont, Connecticut, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Quebec and Cuba.

Several other invitations were extended that I was unable to accept. Our Deputy Grand Master has personally represented me at the Grand Lodge session in Pennsylvania and at the Grand Lodge of Canada in Ontario.

These interjurisdictional visitations serve to improve the relations among all the Grand Jurisdictions and result in the mutual advantage of all our Grand Jurisdictions. I have traveled some 9,200 miles in attending these functions.

OUTSTANDING MASONIC EVENTS ATTENDED.

To attempt to state which of the Masonic events attended were the most outstanding would be difficult and require too much time at this point in these proceedings. However, to mention three such events, I would include the 150th Anniversary of the creation of Solar Lodge, No. 14, at Bath, which was attended by more than 700 Master Masons and where the ritualistic work of the Master Mason degree was exemplified by a colorful and outstanding degree team from Massachusetts.

In the company of several brethren from Maine, together with our ladies, we were the guests of the Grand Lodge of Cuba, in March, 1955, where we attended the dedication of the new Temple Building of the National Grand Lodge of Cuba. The color and pageantry of the Masonic parade, including ten or twelve thousand people, which preceded the dedication ceremony was a spectacle not soon to be forgotten. The building itself is a beautiful, modern structure of some twelve stories comprising almost an entire city block. On the top of the building is a huge globe surmounted by a golden square and compasses which revolve, are lighted at night, and can be seen over a great part of the City of Havana. The interior of the building is modern and beautiful to the last detail. This Temple marks a milestone in the progress of Masonry in the country of Cuba.

Representatives from forty-one nations witnessed the impressive dedication ceremony.

We were lavishly and delightfully entertained for three days by the Grand Lodge of Cuba.

My Mother Lodge, Freeport, No. 23, held a reception in my honor at the Freeport Gymnasium on October 23, 1955, which was attended by 1,100 of my brethren, friends, relatives and their ladies. This was an occasion I shall never forget, with a program of entertainment including my four daughters. I was presented with a solid gold wrist watch, beautifully inscribed, a gift from my Grand Lodge Officers and from the brethren of my lodge. This is a token of affection and friendship which I shall deeply cherish the remainder of my life.

WASHINGTON CONFERENCES.

Masonic Week, so called, was held in Washington, D. C., February 21-24, 1955. Maine had a sizeable delegation in attendance at all meetings. The Grand Master was accompanied by the Deputy Grand Master Aubrey L. Burbank, Grand Secretary Convers E. Leach, immediate Past Grand Master Benjamin Ela, Past Grand Master David L. Wilson, Senior Grand Warden Philip D. Tingley, Past Grand Warden Everett S. Higgins, Grand Lecturer Raymond M. Rideout, Grand Sword Bearer Alpheus G. Dyer, and Brother I. Ray Libby, Grand Captain General of the Grand Commandery of Maine.

The Thirty-sixth Annual Meeting and luncheon of the Masonic Service Association was held on February 21. The reports of the committees of the Association were most interesting, and one cannot be familiar with the wonderful work done by this great organization without realizing the outstanding contribution it makes to World Masonry.

The hospital visitation program is one of the most realistic expressions of Masonic charity and brotherly love we have in this country. The Grand Lodge of Maine was honored by having its Grand Master appointed to the Finance Committee of the Association.

The work of this Association is conducted under the efficient and outstanding supervision of its executive secretary, Most Worshipful Brother Carl H. Claudy whom we are honored to have present today in this Grand Communication.

It is important, I believe, to note that the Grand Lodge of Maine contributed \$2,500.00 to the Hospital Visitation program while the Association expended \$3,514.32 within the Grand Jurisdiction of Maine for the same purpose. I shall recommend an increase in our contribution.

On Tuesday, February 22, we attended the annual meeting of the George Washington National Memorial Association at the Memorial Building in Alexandria, Virginia. It was the pleasure of your Grand Master to present a check in the sum of \$1,475.00. I shall recommend in this report a further contribution for the building fund.

We attended the sessions of the Grand Secretary's Conference on February 22, including the Grand Secretary's dinner, where we listened to an inspiring address by Past Grand Master Thomas S. Roy, of Massachusetts.

On February 23 and 24, we attended the sessions of the Grand Master's Conference and listened to several outstanding papers on a variety of interesting and timely Masonic topics.

The Grand Lodge of Maine was again honored by having its Grand Master appointed to the Conference Committee for 1956.

One of the outstanding features of Masonic Week in Washington was the breakfast tendered in honor of President Dwight D. Eisenhower by Frank S. Land, the founder of DeMolay, who was presently serving as Imperial Potentate of A. A. O. M. M. S. The color and entire atmosphere of this occasion was one we will never forget. The President, with most of the members of his Cabinet and several members of the United States Supreme Court, including its Chief Justice, Past Grand Master Earl Warren of California, were in attendance. The uniformed bodies and Choir of the Shrine Temple in Washington furnished a delightful musical program with the able assistance of the United States Marine Band orchestral section. The message of the President was inspiring, and his warm personality captivated every man present.

The Grand Lodge of Maine was again honored by having its Grand Master serve on the the formal committee to receive the President.

On Thursday evening, I was the guest of Brother Robert S. Gass, Deputy for Maine, at the annual meeting and banquet of the Supreme Council of the International Order of DeMolay for boys. This was an outstanding occasion, and I only wish it were possible for the members of this Grand Lodge to learn of the work, sponsorship and support by a great majority of the Grand Lodges of this country in the work of this splendid youth organization.

BROTHERHOOD LODGE, N. D.

During the last three years, in the course of my visitations among the lodges in the City of Portland, I have encountered considerable sentiment in favor of a new lodge being created in that city.

On May 31, 1954, by arrangement, I met with a committee of nineteen brethren having membership in eighteen different lodges both within and without the State of Maine and all residing in and about the City of Portland. These brethren requested and received instructions on the procedure and routine for obtaining a dispensation for a new lodge as provided by our Constitution.

On July 6, 1954, written request to the five lodges whose jurisdiction would be affected was made by seventy-six brethren living within the jurisdiction of these Portland lodges. The request asking for a vote of approval to petition the Grand Master for a dispensation to form a new lodge to be known as "Brotherhood Lodge," alleged that a proper meeting place had been assured. This request did not state whether any or all of the men signing the request would sign the petition for the dispensation or would become a member of the new lodge if created.

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 63 of the Constitution, these requests were presented at a stated meeting of each of the five lodges concerned and were held over and voted upon at the next stated meeting of each lodge. With the exception of one, all the lodges whose jurisdiction would be affected voted favorably on this request.

Austin Alden, District Deputy Grand Master for the 17th District gave his approval as required by the Constitution on September 10, 1954.

Corner Stone Masonic Corporation voted on September 10, 1954, to make its hall and facilities available for the new lodge.

On November 22, 1954, a petition for dispensation was presented to me signed by fourteen Master Masons in good standing, all properly avouched for to me by Worshipful Brother Harlan E. Irish, Secretary, Corner Stone Lodge, No. 216. The number of signers upon this petition for dispensation was purposely restricted to a small group at my suggestion, on the ground that the Constitution required only seven members to be named in a dispensation, and I felt that for the Grand Secretary to write some seventy names into the dispensation in longhand would be an unnecessary amount of work.

Of the five lodges, having an aggregate membership of 3,378, whose jurisdiction would be affected, the lodge having the smallest membership, approximately twelve per cent of the total was the only one withholding its approval to the request for the petition for dispensation. This lodge was situated almost completely across the City from the neighborhood in which the proposed lodge had arranged for its meeting place. In view of these facts and pursuant to the provisions of Section 63 of the Constitution, I determined, on November 29, 1954, that the recommendation of this one lodge had been unreasonably withheld, and on that date I requested the Grand Secretary to prepare the dispensation.

Dispensation was prepared by the Grand Secretary and issued by me on November 30, 1954, to the signers of the petition for the dispensation.

On December 9, 1954, Right Worshipful Brother Austin Alden, the District Deputy Grand Master of the 17th Masonic District, at my request and in my behalf personally delivered the dispensation to Daniel I. Kornetsky, the Master named in the dispensation, at a meeting of the signers of the dispensation in the lodge room of Corner Stone Lodge.

Satisfactory evidence was presented to me that the men named in the dispensation had made proper arrangements for finances and for correct Masonic regalia.

Since the issuance of the dispensation, thirteen meetings of the lodge have been held.

The brethren named in the dispensation have had the wholehearted support and encouragement of the officers of every lodge in the City of Portland including the lodge which voted to withhold recommendation.

Right Worshipful Brother Austin Alden has attended nearly every meeting of the lodge and has been most helpful with his advice and assistance in the work of the lodge.

The total of thirteen members have been raised to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason. The sincerity and determination of the members of the lodge to perform their work strictly in accordance with our law and ritual is most impressive. The care and caution with which they select their candidates is a lesson for every one of our lodges. It is an example which could well be followed by all our lodges. There have been five rejections.

In my opinion there is real and definite need for this new lodge in Portland. The last lodge chartered in the City of Portland was Corner Stone, No. 216, on May 4, 1927. Nearly thirty years have elapsed and Portland has a much greater population than 1927, and four of the five lodges have memberships well in excess of five hundred each, one having a membership of more than one thousand and another of nearly eight hundred.

On March 31, 1955, accompanied by two of our Past Grand Masters, three of our District Deputy Grand Masters, and several other Grand Lodge officers, I attended a meeting of Brotherhood Lodge when, for the first time, they worked the Master Mason degree upon three brethren. We were all impressed with the sincerity and dignity with which the work was performed and with the outstanding floor work.

A petition for a charter has been presented to the Grand Lodge together with the dispensation, attested transcript of all the proceedings, the by-laws and the dues of the lodge. These matters will be considered by our committee on dispensations and charters.

I recommend wholeheartedly, and it is my sincere hope that this Grand Lodge will vote to issue a charter to Brotherhood Lodge.

PROPOSED LODGE AT
LORING AIR FORCE BASE, LIMESTONE.

While serving this Grand Lodge as Deputy Grand Master, I learned from Most Worshipful Brother Ela, then our Grand Master, that he had been approached by interested brethren concerning a new lodge on or near the Loring Air Force Base, at Limestone, and that he had been to the Base and had a personal conference with the men interested.

Early in the summer of 1954, I was visited by Major Willie G. Williamson, who makes his home on the Base and who is a brother in good standing of a lodge within the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Texas, who explained in detail to me the nature of his problem. This problem resolved itself into the fact that there were many Master Masons who were professional military men living upon the Base with their families having no other domicile and knowing no other home. These men expected to be living on the Base for several years. The fact that they lived upon the military Base and did not vote or pay a poll tax in Maine precluded them from being considered as residents within the meaning of several decisions approved by our Grand Lodge, especially one approved in 1906. He pointed out that these men are extremely interested in having their own lodge.

By arrangement and in the company of our Senior Grand Warden, the District Deputy Grand Master of the First Masonic District, Past Grand Warden Right Worshipful Brother George Haskell, and Grand Sword Bearer Brother Alpheus G. Dyer, I made a personal visit to the Base there at Limestone. We were conducted over the Base by Major Williamson, and I know I speak for all who were present when I say it was one of the most inspiring and interesting trips we ever expect to make. The important information we obtained from the trip, from a Masonic point of view, was to learn that these men had their only home there upon the Base where they live with their families. There on the Base

they shop in the stores, have their own doctors, dentists, hospital, their own recreation; in fact their entire everyday life.

That evening, we met with and were entertained at dinner by sixteen Masonic brethren, all of whom were members of the Craft. The meeting was held at Fort Fairfield. These men were the key officers there at the Base charged with the responsibility of maintaining the largest bomber base on this continent nearest to Moscow. They were typical of the most able-bodied, most brilliant young men in America today. We became convinced that the success or failure of America in the next war rested directly upon their shoulders and upon the shoulders of the men working with them. These men were all brother masons from nine different Grand Jurisdictions, keenly interested and anxious to have a lodge of their own.

We explained in detail our constitutional provisions and decisions affecting the problem, and I promised to discuss the matter with the proper committees.

Limestone Lodge, No. 214, at Limestone, Caribou Lodge, No. 170, at Caribou, and the District Deputy Grand Master of the First Masonic District have all indicated they would gladly approve the issuance of a dispensation to form this new lodge.

After a further study of the matter and pursuant to the provisions of Section 39 of the Constitution, I submitted the problem to our Jurisprudence Committee on November 29, 1954, expressed my sympathy with this group and recommended that we do everything possible and proper for them. While the matter should probably be reviewed and considered by our Committee on Dispensations and Charters, yet I considered that this Grand Lodge, as well as that committee, would eventually require the consideration of the Jurisprudence Committee in view of the decisions above referred to.

On February 12, 1955, the chairman of the Jurisprudence Committee advised me that his committee had studied the matter at length but regretted to advise me that in the opinion of the committee our decisions concerning Masonic residence

were a complete bar to allowing men stationed at the Base to become members of the new lodge, if formed. The Committee on Jurisprudence further advised me that they felt the matter should be disposed of in the event this Grand Lodge were so disposed by amendment of Section 92 of the Constitution.

While I probably had authority to grant dispensation for such a new lodge, yet I have felt it would be unwise to take that action until this Grand Lodge votes to amend the Constitution.

I am convinced that a lodge is needed there at the Loring Air Force Base and that it would be a definite asset to Maine Masonry. A proposal to amend the Constitution will be submitted at this communication and must, of necessity, lay over for vote until the next annual communication. I sincerely hope that this proposal will be favorably received and be voted upon favorably at our next annual communication. I feel that no dispensation for a new lodge should issue either from this Grand Lodge or from me unless our Constitution is amended as above indicated.

APPROVALS OF BUILDINGS AND PLANS UNDER
STANDING REGULATION NO. 46.

This regulation provides that "no building shall be purchased, erected or extensively reconstructed at the expense, in whole or in part, of any lodge in this jurisdiction until the plans of the same, and the terms and conditions of its construction or acquisition, shall have been approved by the Grand Master." I interpret this language to mean that when such a building is to be purchased, erected or extensively reconstructed and lodge funds go into the project, either directly or indirectly, then these acts require the approval of the Grand Master and the mere fact that lodge funds are first passed to a building corporation, which may be handling the project, does not relieve the lodge from this approval. To hold otherwise would be to eliminate a major part of the purpose of the regulation, which of course is to protect the funds of the lodge as well as to approve the design of the building.

On June 10, 1954, I approved the purchase and alteration of a building at 22 Poland Street in the Deering Section of Portland for Corner Stone Lodge. This project has been completed and the lodge now has some of the finest lodge facilities in the State. The lodge room is really beautiful and is an asset to Maine Masonry.

On December 6, 1954, I gave formal approval of the plans and financial arrangements for reconstruction and renovation of the Masonic Temple at Bangor, Maine, the approval being directed to St. Andrews Lodge, No. 83. The lodge advised me that Past Grand Master Benjamin W. Ela had considered the plans in 1953 and had approved the plans verbally but that they had no written approval in their files. Upon reading pages 57 and 58 of the 1953 Proceedings, a section of Grand Master Ela's address, it would appear that formal approval had been given. However, to clarify the matter, I affirmed Grand Master Ela's statement and endorsed my approval upon the plans and financial arrangements. The project is well underway and it is understood it will be completed in the early fall of 1955.

On February 8, 1955, I gave formal approval to Ralph J. Pollard Lodge, No. 217, of the plans and arrangements of their new Temple at Orrington. The officers of the lodge stated that while they understood that Grand Master Ela had approved the project and while I considered that such approval was given, orally at least, especially in view of the fact that Grand Master Ela and his Grand Lodge officers laid the corner stone in formal ceremonies in April of 1954, yet I gave written formal approval to bring the matter to a close. This building is practically completed and the lodge is now meeting within the structure. It is one of the finest Masonic buildings in the State and shows very thoughtful and careful planning.

REVISIONS OF AND AMENDMENTS TO LODGE

BY-LAWS.

During the year there have been general revisions of the By-laws of several of our lodges and amendments made to the By-laws of several of the other lodges. Before approving

these changes and revisions, I have made a careful reading of the same and considered them in connection with our Grand Lodge Constitution, Regulations and Decisions. All revisions and amendments have been made in accordance with the existing By-laws of the lodges involved and are consistent with Grand Lodge law. A record of these acts is attached hereto and entitled "Appendix E." I will repeat the request made by Grand Master Ela in his address last year, asking that an additional copy be submitted to the Grand Master, that is four copies in all so that he may have one for his file.

In several cases I have refused to approve amendments because they did not comply with our Masonic law.

HURRICANES CAROL AND EDNA.

Two disastrous hurricanes struck the State of Maine during the fall of 1954 and left extensive damage in their wakes. However, no substantial loss was caused to our Masonic lodges with the exception of Solar Lodge, No. 14, at Bath, which had planned to celebrate the 150th Anniversary of its institution. These plans had to be cancelled because of the damage caused by Hurricane Edna and the lodge suffered considerable financial loss. However, the program was held at a later date with more than seven hundred brethren in attendance; truly an outstanding occasion in the history of Masonry in Maine. In behalf of the Grand Lodge I extended my sympathy to the lodge and its officers for the loss they had suffered. I was assured by officers of the lodge that the loss to the lodge could safely be absorbed from lodge funds.

The Masonic Service Association, through its Executive Secretary, Most Worshipful Brother Carl H. Claudy, wired me on September 13, 1954, placing all the resources of the Association at our command in the event the same were necessary to relieve our lodges or our Grand Lodge. I wired Brother Claudy immediately, thanking him for his offer of help and advising him that there was no apparent need for financial help. A like offer of assistance was received from Frank Colman Allen, Illustrious Deputy for the Northern Jurisdiction, Scottish Rite Bodies, and a like reply was made, expressing our appreciation.

These kind offers of assistance are deeply appreciated and this Grand Lodge is most grateful for the thoughtfulness and offers of these two great organizations.

DISPENSATIONS.

I believe there has been a slight decline in the number of dispensations issued this year.

Dispensations issued to work degrees out of time have been restricted to those cases of men in the military service and to those cases within the language of Section 108 of our Constitution authorizing such dispensation to be granted. Each dispensation for out-of-time work has been issued upon the express condition that the candidate shall receive all necessary and suitable instruction before and after each degree and in accordance with the Pollard Plan.

A record of the dispensations issued is attached to this report and entitled "Appendix D."

Several requests for dispensation have been refused.

DECISIONS AND ORDERS.

Following the experience of my predecessors in this office, I have answered a great many questions by referring to our Masonic law consisting of the Grand Lodge Constitution, Standing Regulations and Decisions previously made and approved by the Grand Lodge. I have been very conscious of the invaluable aid and assistance which is available by a study of this law.

A great amount of the correspondence in the Grand Master's office deals with questions that could be readily answered by a reference to the Maine Masonic Textbook and to our Constitution and Regulations, and in the district meetings which I have above referred to I have stressed the fact that the officers of a lodge should equip themselves with copies of these two invaluable guides.

There have been several questions submitted to me which I felt required a decision and those decisions are as follows:

QUESTION No. 1.—Sec. 81 of the Grand Lodge Constitution provides that no lodge shall "move its hall more than one-half a mile from where it is located, or where it may be located when the lodge is constituted,

without the consent of the Grand Lodge." Can this consent be given by the Grand Master or must the removal of the hall await a communication of the Grand Lodge?

ANSWER.—The consent may be given by the Grand Master.

QUESTION NO. 2.—Standing Regulation No. 46 provides that "no building shall be purchased, erected or extensively reconstructed at the expense, in whole or in part, of any lodge in this jurisdiction until the plans of the same and the terms and conditions of its construction or acquisition, shall have been approved by the Grand Master." In a case where the lodge funds are advanced to a building corporation in exchange for its stock or membership certificate which corporation is, in fact, constructing, purchasing or altering the building, is approval by the Grand Master necessary?

ANSWER.—Yes such approval by the Grand Master is necessary. Otherwise, the whole purpose of the regulation which is not only intended to approve the design and arrangement of the building but also to protect the lodge from an unsafe expenditure of its funds would be lost and any lodge wishing to proceed without having this approval could simply arrange to set up a corporation and accomplish exactly what this section intends to prevent.

QUESTION NO. 3.—An applicant is rejected in Lodge "A" in 1950. In 1952 he moves his residence to the jurisdiction of Lodge "B." In 1953 he applies to Lodge "A" for a waiver of jurisdiction. The waiver is denied. Does the five year period of jurisdiction of Lodge "A" commence with the date of the rejection of the original application or with the date of the refusal to grant the waiver of jurisdiction?

ANSWER.—Lodge "A" loses jurisdiction in five years from the date of the rejection and not from the date of refusing the waiver of jurisdiction. A decision in 1880, page 298, states that an applicant whose application for a waiver of jurisdiction is rejected is in exactly the same status as before applying for the application for the waiver of jurisdiction.

QUESTION NO. 4.—Sec. 67 of the Grand Lodge Constitution, dealing with the matter of granting a charter to a lodge under dispensation, states, in part, that "the Grand Secretary, under the direction of the Grand Master, shall omit from the charter the names of all who do not file their dimits or proper evidence that they are not then affiliated." Should the dimits from the men who intend to become charter members be placed on file with the Grand Secretary before the Grand Lodge votes on the question of whether to issue the charter or should they be filed after the Grand Lodge vote and before the charter is prepared and issued by the Grand Master?

ANSWER.—The dimits should not be filed until after Grand Lodge has voted on the question of whether to issue the charter. They should be filed after said vote and before the charter is actually issued.

QUESTION NO. 5.—Sec. 85, paragraph 3 of the Grand Lodge Constitution provides that "each lodge shall be entitled to receive as many diplomas

from the Grand Lodge as it makes Master Masons. No duplicate of a diploma shall be issued." In a situation where the Grand Secretary has forwarded the diploma to the lodge for the new member and because of some failure or neglect to deliver the diploma by the officers of the lodge to the new member, he has never received his diploma, is the Grand Secretary correct in issuing another diploma and forwarding it to the lodge for presentation to the member?

ANSWER.—The diploma has not been issued until it has been completely executed and delivered to the candidate. Once the candidate has received his diploma, he shall never be entitled to receive another. Where the candidate has never received a diploma and the lodge arranges for a diploma to be delivered to him, this latter diploma is not a duplicate. It is my opinion that we are obligated, in view of our Constitution, to see to it that the candidate actually receives one diploma and, if we fail to deliver that diploma to him, it is our duty to the new member to correct the situation.

QUESTION No. 6.—Standing Regulation No. 55 provides for the presentation of the Grand Lodge of Maine Veteran's Medal to each Master Mason who holds membership in this jurisdiction at least twenty-five years and who has been a Master Mason in good standing for fifty years. If either of these periods have been interrupted by dimit or suspension, are the years during which suspension or dimit was in effect counted in determining whether or not the Brother is eligible to receive this Veteran's Medal?

ANSWER.—If the Brother has been a member in good standing for fifty years, twenty-five of which include membership in a Maine lodge, he is entitled to receive the Medal; however, the years during which he was under suspension or dimit shall not be counted in arriving at the requisite number of years. If the Brother became a member more than fifty years before applying for the Medal and he has an aggregate number of years in good standing, not under suspension or dimit, equaling fifty years, even though the period of his membership may have been interrupted by suspension or dimit, he is entitled to receive the Veteran's Medal.

QUESTION No. 7.—A candidate receives his first degree in Lodge "A." Subsequently he moves to a different town within the jurisdiction of Lodge "B." Lodge "A" issues a waiver of jurisdiction to Lodge "B." Some years elapse before the candidate appears to take his second degree. In the meantime, an objection is made confidentially to the Master of the lodge against the advancement of the candidate. What action must be taken upon this objection?

ANSWER.—Since the candidate has received one degree, the objection should be made in open lodge and, if the objection is supported by two-thirds of the members present, the objection is sustained and the candidate cannot be advanced. If the objection is not so made and so disposed

of, it is entirely within the discretion and judgment of the Worshipful Master to determine when the candidate shall be advanced.

QUESTION No. 8.—Is a Past District Deputy Grand Master correctly addressed in Masonry as "Right Worshipful?"

ANSWER.—A Past District Deputy Grand Master is entitled to be addressed as Right Worshipful for the remainder of his Masonic life. There is language on page 297 of the last revision of the Maine Masonic Textbook stating that "a Masonic title is a personal one which attaches to a Brother by virtue of his having acquired an office in a lodge or the Grand Lodge and to which he is not divested when his term of office expires."

QUESTION No. 9.—What action can be taken to compel a newly raised Master Mason to pass an examination in open lodge as required by Sec. 54 of the Constitution?

ANSWER.—A newly raised member refusing to pass this examination as required by the mandatory language of this section is subject to disciplinary action which should be taken after the preferring of charges by the Junior Warden all in accordance with the provisions of our law.

QUESTION No. 10.—Is a member who refuses to pay an assessment subject to the same penalty as one who refuses to pay dues as provided in Sec. 117 of the Grand Lodge Constitution?

ANSWER.—The words "dues" and "assessments" are synonymous terms within the language of this section and, if a member fails to pay either one, including a Grand Lodge assessment, he is subject to the penalty.

QUESTION No. 11.—Is it necessary that an application for admission bear the written recommendation of two members of the lodge to which the application is directed?

ANSWER.—A decision approved in 1865, page 85, states that "an application should not be accepted until it is recommended by at least one member of the lodge." If there is no By-law of the lodge requiring the application to be signed by two members of the lodge, then, in view of the above decision, it is my opinion that only one of the men signing the recommendation need be a member of the lodge. However, if the By-laws of the lodge require that two members sign the application, then that regulation should be followed.

QUESTION No. 12.—Is the legal quorum of a lodge three or seven members?

ANSWER.—We have reference in our ritualistic work that "three made a Master Mason's lodge." However, Sec. 110 of the Constitution provides that no ballot shall be taken for initiation or membership, unless there are at least seven members of the lodge present. Sec. 122 of the Constitution provides that all general business should be done in a Master's lodge and at least seven members must be present. A decision passed in 1868, page 200, states that a quorum for a lodge to do business is seven.

Another decision passed in 1875, page 528, requires that there must be seven members present to do work in the Master Mason's degree. In view of these Constitutional provisions and decisions, no lodge can do business or perform work unless there are at least seven present. A lodge can open and close without performing work or doing business if there are three present besides a tyler.

QUESTION No. 13.—Is it Masonically proper to allow committee meetings of a political party to be held in a lodge room while the lodge is not in session?

ANSWER.—No political committee and no meeting of any group held either for the purpose of discussing political problems or in connection with the observance of a political anniversary of any party should be held at any time in a Masonic hall or lodge room.

QUESTION No. 14.—Is it necessary that every candidate be passed through the Pollard Plan in accordance with the routine established by the special committee on Masonic Education?

ANSWER.—Yes. Each candidate must be processed and passed through the Pollard Plan as now established or hereafter altered and the Master of each lodge shall appoint instructors in his lodge as provided in the plan, whose duty it shall be to carry out the provisions of the Pollard Plan. This procedure shall be followed until vote by Grand Lodge to the contrary.

QUESTION No. 15.—Is it necessary that a visiting degree team, not including the officers of any lodge or the past masters of a lodge doing work in their own lodge at a Past Masters' Night or on any other occasion, performing ritualistic work in any of the lodges within this Grand Jurisdiction, be inspected and have their work approved by our Grand Lecturer?

ANSWER.—In view of the order issued by the Grand Master in July of 1954, no visiting degree team, not to include the officers of any lodge, or the past masters of a lodge, working within their lodge, and not to include the officers of a lodge working as a visiting degree team in another lodge, shall perform ritualistic work within any of the lodges of this Grand Jurisdiction without first having been inspected and approved by the Grand Lecturer and the Grand Lecturer is hereby ordered to make such inspection and approval or disapproval.

QUESTION No. 16.—Is it necessary that the Master of a lodge or a member presiding in the Master's chair read the order of the Grand Master dated August 2, 1954, concerning dignity and decorum on each occasion that the Master Mason's degree is worked?

ANSWER.—Until further order of the Grand Master to the contrary, the Master or the member acting as Master of each lodge shall read aloud to the lodge just prior to the beginning of the second section of the third degree, whenever the third degree is conferred, the following statement: "The second section of the third degree constitutes a most solemn and impressive portion of our ritualistic work. In it are taught the ultimate

lessons of Masonic philosophy—victory over death and the immortality of the soul. Nothing must be allowed to impair the deep impression which should be made upon the mind of the candidate. Accordingly, the Grand Lodge frowns upon any levity, horseplay or undue roughness and requests that there be no such actions and no audible laughter or other noise in the lodge room which might distract the attention of the candidate." Failure to comply with this order and any action by any officer or member in violation of or inconsistent with the language of the order shall constitute grounds for disciplinary action.

QUESTION No. 17.—Shall the Master of a lodge wear a hat while in the performance of his duties as such in an open lodge of Masons and, in his absence, by whom may or shall the same be worn?

ANSWER.—The Master, while the lodge is engaged in work, should wear a hat of some type and description of his own choice. The hat should be removed whenever in the presence of higher authority such as during prayer, in church, during any reference to Deity and in the presence of the Grand Master. The hat may be removed on occasion for the convenience and comfort of the Master. A hat should not be worn by anyone else while occupying the Master's chair, excepting a Past Master while acting as Master. If the Master is present in the lodge room and any other person is temporarily occupying the Master's chair, it shall be within the Master's discretion whether or not he, the Master, shall at that time wear a hat. No other person, excepting the Grand Master, shall wear a hat in a lodge.

QUESTION No. 18.—Is it permissible to allow the Order of Rainbow for Girls, and the International Order of DeMolay for Boys to use a Masonic hall for their meetings?

ANSWER.—Standing Regulation No. 23 includes a vote passed in 1882 which provides "that application to a lodge for joint occupation of its hall by another society shall be granted only by a two-thirds vote of the lodge, the application having been laid over from one stated meeting to another."

Any concordant or appendant order or organization, including the Order of Rainbow for Girls and the International Order of DeMolay for Boys may properly use Masonic halls for their meetings, subject to the provisions of the above-mentioned vote.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

SPONSORSHIP OF DEMOLAY.

The merit and real worth of the functions and objectives of the International Order of DeMolay for Boys has been recognized over the entire Masonic World for many years. It has been the subject of discussion in this Grand Lodge on previous occasions. In 1925, Past Grand Master Ashley A.

Smith wrote a delightful article on Youth and Masonry. In 1929, Past Grand Master Harold E. Cooke, in his annual address, made very favorable comments concerning the Order of DeMolay, and in 1942, Most Worshipful Brother Melvin M. Johnson, Senior Past Grand Master of Masons in Massachusetts, prepared a paper which was included in our annual proceedings for that year, in which he strongly endorsed the work of the Order of DeMolay when he said "those of us who are Freemasons and who are not furthering the work of the Order of DeMolay, are, it seems to me, guilty of neglect of a great opportunity if we do not either join therein or energetically develop some better way to reach and touch the hearts and minds of youth."

At the present time, thirty of the Grand Lodges in this country sponsor and endorse the Order of DeMolay for Boys. Many of our Grand Lodges raise substantial sums of money for the employment of professional directors of youth activities. As an example, the Grand Lodge of Rhode Island appropriates and expends Ten Thousand Dollars each year for this project.

In 1954, our Mother Grand Lodge of Massachusetts approved a ruling by their Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother Whitfield M. Johnson, authorizing lodges to sponsor DeMolay Chapters and to use their funds in support of the same.

In Maine, there are eleven Chapters of DeMolay having some 700 members. This record is a very poor one when compared with the condition of the Order in our sister jurisdictions and especially when compared to the present condition of the Order of Rainbow for Girls in Maine, which is sponsored by the Chapters of the Order of Eastern Star. There are twenty-four Assemblies having more than 2,000 members in this girls' youth organization. Certainly the Order of DeMolay is entitled to the same encouragement, growth and development.

I have been very aware over the last three years that the Grand Lodge of Maine was not performing its duty to youth and I appointed our Deputy Grand Master as a special committee of one to make an investigation and study of facts

which I had collected and of material which he had discovered.

In view of the above facts and of the report by this special committee, I recommend that this Grand Lodge adopt a regulation that a constituent lodge of this Grand Jurisdiction may become a sponsoring body for a Chapter of the International Order of DeMolay, and the sponsoring of such a Chapter shall be deemed a proper Masonic purpose for the expenditure of any lodge funds which such lodge may wish to appropriate for such purpose; provided, however, that notice of the proposal to become the sponsoring body for such a Chapter and notice of a proposal to appropriate lodge funds for such a purpose shall be contained in the official notice of the meeting at which such proposed action is to be taken.

EQUIPMENT IN THE GRAND LODGE OFFICE.

It is very apparent from an observation of our Grand Lodge office and from a study of the recent inventory, that the offices of our Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer need to be equipped with modern office furniture, files, partitions and mechanical devices for dictation, mimeographing, etc. No action has been taken for a great many years by Grand Lodge to keep our business office abreast of the times. Our Grand Secretary and his assistants are now serving more than 47,000 members and our membership is entitled to and rightfully expecting modern service. It is a hardship and entails a great amount of additional work upon the Grand Secretary and his assistants to operate on the present basis of equipment and arrangement, and I recommend that this Grand Lodge appoint a committee with authority to survey the situation and purchase the necessary equipment to bring this important office up to present day standards.

REPRINTING OF CONSTITUTION AND REGULATIONS.

Our Grand Lodge Constitution and Standing Regulations were last printed in 1941. There are less than 25 copies on hand, and there have been many amendments and additions. I recommend that a committee be appointed with authority

to arrange for the revising, annotating and reprinting of the Constitution and Standing Regulations.

MASONIC VETERANS' LAPEL BUTTONS.

A great many of our Masonic Veterans have recommended to me that Grand Lodge adopt a suitable lapel button that could be worn by these fine brethren outside the lodge room as well as in lodge. They point out that the medal which they all prize so highly is very suitable for lodge wear but not exactly appropriate for street wear. I have gathered considerable information on the matter and have appointed Right Worshipful Brother Lewis T. Brown as a special committee to study my file and such other facts as he might feel pertinent and to make a report. Based on these facts and this report, I recommend this Grand Lodge appoint a committee with authority to have prepared a lapel button for our Masonic Veterans, and I further recommend that these lapel buttons be available for presentation only to those brethren entitled to the Grand Lodge of Maine Veteran's Medal as provided in Standing Regulation No. 55.

PROPOSED SIMON GREENLEAF MEDAL.

Most Worshipful Brother Simon Greenleaf, our second Grand Master, made a great contribution to Masonry in Maine and to Masonry in the country as a whole. He was one of the leaders in the creation of our Grand Lodge and would have been its first Grand Master had he not stepped aside so that Maine's first Governor, William King, could have the honor of being our first Grand Master. He was the author of one of the outstanding early books on Masonic History in this country, entitled "A Brief Inquiry Into the Origin and Principles of Freemasonry," which he wrote in 1820. In honor of this great Mason and Masonic pioneer in Maine Masonry, I recommend that a committee be appointed with authority to prepare the Simon Greenleaf medal and to prescribe the conditions under which this medal should be awarded and presented, and I further recommend that a Standing Regulation be adopted to cover the situation.

MASONIC FUNERAL SERVICE.

More and more of our Masons have been serving in the armed forces and have, in consequence, become entitled to military funeral honors rendered at the graveside. Most Worshipful Brother Ralph J. Pollard has suggested that I recommend a slight change in our funeral service which would allow military honors to be rendered at the Master's order and under his direction just before the committal prayer.

I recommend that such a change be made and that the Grand Lodge appoint a committee to prepare the necessary language.

STANDING REGULATION 54.

Many complaints have been reported to me over several sections of the State that newly raised Master Masons do not learn the lesson and pass an examination in open lodge on the Master Mason degree within sixty days of receipt of the same, as provided by this regulation. I recommend that this regulation and all pertinent constitutional provisions be amended to provide that no man raised to the sublime degree of a Master Mason shall sign the by-laws, become a member of the lodge, or receive his diploma until he has complied with this section.

MEMBERS WHOSE WHEREABOUTS ARE UNKNOWN.

Section 117 of the Constitution provides that a member delinquent in payment of dues shall be suspended or forfeit his membership only after due notice. Many lodges have complained to me that they have members whose addresses and whereabouts are unknown and to whom due notice cannot be given. Our decisions require proof of actual receipt of notice to constitute due notice. It is a hardship to the lodge to carry these men for several years and pay the per capita tax upon them. I recommend this Section be amended or that a new Section or regulation be added to provide, in effect, that a lodge shall be excused from paying the per capita tax upon a member whose address or whereabouts cannot be found, after reasonable attempt has been made by the secretary of the lodge to the satisfaction of the Grand Secretary.

MASONIC SERVICE ASSOCIATION.

I recommend we increase our contribution from \$2,500.00 to \$3,500.00 for the hospital visitation fund.

GEORGE WASHINGTON NATIONAL MASONIC
MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION.

I recommend that we contribute to the building fund of the Association in addition to the endowment fund, and that a committee be appointed by this Grand Lodge to recommend the amount to be so contributed.

MASONIC EDUCATION.

I recommend that an appropriation of \$1,500.00 be made for the continuation of this program for the coming year.

PROPOSED LODGE AT LORING AIR FORCE BASE.

I recommend that Section 92 of the Grand Lodge Constitution be amended to provide that military men stationed within and having their domicile within the jurisdiction of any of our lodges for one year shall be within the Masonic Jurisdiction of such lodges, and of the Grand Lodge of Maine.

MASONIC BLOOD BANK.

I recommend that the Masonic Blood Bank Program be continued under the same conditions as voted at our last Grand Lodge Communication.

AUTOMATIC SUSPENSION.

Constitutional Provisions providing for the automatic suspension of members for non-payment of dues is in effect and proving very successful in many of our sister Grand Jurisdictions. Our Grand Secretary has suggested that we study this plan in Maine. I recommend that a committee be appointed to make a study of the subject and report at our next Annual Communication for the consideration of this Grand Lodge.

TIME AND PLACE FOR MEETING OF TRUSTEES,
CHARITABLE FOUNDATION.

I recommend that Sec. 59 of the Constitution be amended to the extent of altering the language pertaining to the time

and place of meeting for the Trustees. Amendment will be proposed at this communication.

INCREASE OF PER CAPITA GRAND LODGE DUES.

I recommend that the amendment to the Constitution proposed at the May, 1954, communication be adopted and accepted by this Grand Lodge. This will raise the annual per capita tax twenty-five cents per member. It will provide funds very much needed to render the Masonic service which our membership is expecting and is entitled to receive.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND APPRECIATION.

May I express my sincere appreciation and gratitude for the invaluable help, advice and assistance which I have had from the brethren of this Grand Jurisdiction. The kindly and expert advice and help from our Grand Secretary has been indispensable. He and his assistant, Right Worshipful Brother Earle D. Webster, have handled several new projects at my request this year, and I am well aware of the fact that it has added a heavy load to their already crowded program of work.

Our Deputy Grand Master has been of great assistance to me, and I have established a practice this year which I hope will be continued, of forwarding a copy of all correspondence, orders and decisions each week to the Deputy Grand Master. Our relations have been very close and extremely pleasant, and I am indebted to him for all that he has done.

Our Past Grand Masters have given freely of their time, advice and experience without the aid of which the administration of this office would have been materially different. I am particularly indebted to Past Grand Masters Wheeler, Chapman and Gray, who constitute our important committee on jurisprudence. I have referred many problems to them pursuant to the provisions of Section 39 of our Constitution. They have been very sympathetic and patient with me and my objectives.

Past Grand Master Ralph J. Pollard has been a tower of strength to me, especially in our Masonic Educational Program.

My District Deputies have assumed the burden of several additional projects, and I am deeply indebted to them for the success of our program this year. All our Grand Lodge Officers, especially our Grand Wardens, have supported our program and made a real contribution to Maine Masonry.

Our Grand Sword Bearer, Brother Alpheus G. Dyer, has served as Acting Grand Marshal on a great many occasions, both within and without this Grand Jurisdiction, on occasions when our able Grand Marshal, Brother Lindquist, has been unable to attend because of the nature of his vocation. I am, indeed, grateful to these two outstanding brethren, one of whom has accompanied me on every visitation.

CONCLUSION.

Brethren, you now have before you the record of my acts as your Grand Master, and I submit the record to you for such action and treatment as you, in your wisdom and judgment, shall deem fit and proper. For those duties which I have failed to perform and for any activities which, in your judgment, I have erroneously or imprudently conducted, I ask your forgiveness; and for those acts which, in your opinion, have made any contribution to Masonry in this Grand Jurisdiction, I shall appreciate your approval. The experience and the many friendships I have gained through this office have more than repaid me for the time and energy I have expended. I feel that I am a better man from having had the experience, and I deeply appreciate the honor of having served you as Grand Master. If I have made any beneficial contribution to Masonry, then I am indeed grateful.

APPENDIX A.

Justice — A Cardinal Virtue.

Illustrious Commander-in-Chief, Officers and Members of Maine Council of Deliberation, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry.

It is with extreme pleasure that I bring to you the very cordial and fraternal greetings of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Maine. The splendid relationship and close co-operation which has existed between the Grand Lodge of symbolic Masonry and the Scottish Rite bodies here in the State of Maine over the many years of our history is a most impressive expression of the

fine principles upon which our Freemasonry is founded and of the type of men who have carried those principles into the very life and blood stream of every community of our State.

When our Commander-in-Chief, Illustrious Brother Allen, so cordially invited me to address this group of outstanding Masonic scholars, I was well aware of my limited knowledge and ability to talk upon a Masonic subject and please rest assured that it was my devotion to the Scottish Rite Degrees of Freemasonry and my admiration and high regard for Frank Colman Allen which led me to accept, especially in view of my very conscious knowledge of the fact that I do not have the ability to leave any profound or philosophical thought with you or to make any real contribution to the objectives of one of the most honorable bodies of Freemasonry.

The subject I am about to discuss I am sure you will recognize as more in the nature of a review of an elementary lesson which we all learned in the Entered Apprentice degree, the very first step in our Masonry, rather than a venture into the more complex or profound field of our Masonic philosophy.

The age old question, "What is Freemasonry?" has been answered in a hundred different ways and all these answers are sound and correct. However, when one realizes and recalls the four perfect points of his entrance into Masonry, which are explained to him in the Entered Apprentice degree, and learns their relationship to the four cardinal virtues of temperance, fortitude, prudence and justice, the original principal virtues of antiquity, he has before him one of the simplest yet most comprehensive answers to that question, "What is Freemasonry?" because he learns that those four cardinal virtues, if followed, can lead only to the development of sterling character, the building of men as men, and the creation of a design for living which cannot be improved upon.

Of the four cardinal virtues, my discussion today deals with the fourth, namely, Justice. Every man in this room has been taught and I know has learned that "justice is that standard or boundary of right which enables us to render unto every man his just due without distinction. This virtue is not only consistent with divine and human laws but is the very cement and support of civil society, and as justice, in a great measure, constitutes the really good man, so should it be the invariable practice of every man never to deviate from the minutest principle thereof." I feel certain that the beautiful language I have just quoted sounds familiar to you all.

We learn from Webster's dictionary that the word "justice" is defined as being the quality of being righteous; impartiality; fairness; quality of being right or correct; sound reason.

The great Dr. Albert Mackey has said that "the Freemason, who remembers how emphatically he has been charged to preserve an upright position in all his dealing with mankind, should never fail to act justly to himself, to his brethren and to the world. This is the corner stone on which alone he can expect to erect a super-structure alike honorable to

himself and to the Fraternity. In iconology, the general science pertaining to images, justice is usually represented as a matron, her eyes bandaged, holding in one hand a sword and in the other a pair of scales at equipoise, but in Freemasonry, the true symbol of justice as illustrated in the First Degree is the feet firmly planted on the ground and the body upright."

The word "cardinal" is defined as that on which something turns or depends, on which something hinges; fundamental; principal; chief. And, again, the word "virtue" is defined as being general moral excellence, right action in thinking; goodness of character. The two words "cardinal virtues" used together are known in theology as the basic virtues. These virtues were already traditional in the fourth century B. C. The cardinal virtues were not created or originated by Masonry. They have, throughout history, been known as the basic virtues upon which character is developed, and philosophers, centuries ago, argued whether these virtues were innate or whether they were acquired or developed by teaching and by habit. Dr. Mackey calls the cardinal virtues the pre-eminent or principal virtues on which all the others hinge or depend.

It has been said many times by distinguished scholars of Scottish Rite Masonry that symbolic Masonry or Craft Masonry is the very foundation of all Freemasonry and that the advanced degrees of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite form the superstructure. These same scholars have recognized the fact that the superstructure can be no stronger than its foundation. The relation of the Scottish Rite Degrees to the Symbolic Degrees has been likened to the relation of a college education to an elementary school education.

The Scottish Rite Degrees lay great stress on the cardinal virtue, Justice.

In the Symbolic Degrees, the candidate is taught that justice is a cardinal virtue and a very necessary part in the development of his character but not until he has had the privilege and the honor of receiving the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite Degrees has he had the opportunity to see that cardinal virtue of justice portrayed and depicted in such an impressive and delightful manner. For instance, our Seventh Degree of Provost and Judge teaches us to render justice to our brethren and to act impartially in our dealings with all men. We are told that these lessons are of the utmost importance in the right conduct of our daily lives; that we should not pass judgment hastily where we are not called upon to judge at all but after all reservations have been made we are constantly called upon to pass judgment in our minds upon the conduct of our fellows and offer to take action based upon such judgment; that it is our imperative duty to be just, fair and impartial in such judgments and actions, avoiding all prejudice and all personal or partisan motives; that we should exercise as much mercy as the general welfare will permit, never seeking a personal revenge or acting in anger; that we should always remember what God has said, "Vengeance is mine; I will repay," thus taking vengeance out of the hands of men. Because God has thus spoken, sin and its consequence is indissolubly connected. Evil doing insures its own punishment. The

true Mason will always be guided by these principles in all his thoughts, words and actions, regarding the conduct of his brethren and of all those with whom he comes in contact. The court scene in the Seventh Degree is one which deeply impresses the candidate with the virtue of Justice.

Again, in the Twenty-first Degree of Patriarch Noachite, we are dramatically taught that the practice of the cardinal virtue, Justice, by Freemasons was in effect in the twelfth century when crime was rampant and could not be kept under control by the governments of central Europe, back in the time when kings, princes, potentates and chivalric knights were leagued together to punish crime, reward virtue and render protection to the innocent. In this degree, the members of the Grand Chapter were termed Patriarch Noachites. The number of their adherents was not known but it is said to have embraced hundreds of thousands and held in check the church and the state. This body of Masons heard complaints against individuals or roving bands and neither rank nor wealth was a protection against its wrath when it uttered a decree. We will all remember, I am sure, that this degree is intended to emphasize the fact that Freemasonry is not to be counted on as a shield for evil doing and the Freemason who does evil is not protected by his brethren. This lesson is of great importance. There is a prevalent misapprehension in the minds of the profane that Masons shelter each other in evil doing and this misapprehension is shared by not a few ill-informed brethren. Everything possible should be done to remove this gross misapprehension. You will recall that the story in this degree brings out the fact that our Order continued to exercise its vast powers until law and civilization rendered them no longer necessary; however, the Order still continued to exist, deciding Masonic controversies only and inflicting no other than Masonic punishments. Any man who has ever witnessed this wonderful degree can never forget the poor, unfortunate character who, at the height of his career, was engaged in evil doing and the falsification of facts and who, deluded by the thought that Freemasonry would shield him in his wrongful acts and, to his great surprise, found his Brother Freemasons preferring charges against him, taking action and rendering judgment which found him guilty, the result of which ended his Masonic career with the word "dead" written across his record. In this degree, we are taught so impressively that in all our judgments it is our rule and duty to judge of other men's motives and actions by the same rules by which we judge our own, to believe others equally as honest in their views as ourselves and to find for the conduct of others the same excuses that we find for our own, for this, alone, is justice. In this degree, we prove our humility by our tolerance which causes us to believe that our opinions are as likely to be erroneous as the opinions of others to the contrary and that the Deity, alone, knows what is truth.

So much importance is attached to this cardinal virtue of Justice that our Scottish Rite Freemasonry is not content to leave the matter in the mind of the candidate with the degrees I have mentioned but again, in the Thirty-first Degree, or the Degree of Grand Inspector Inquisitor

Commander, teaches that justice in Masonry as exemplified in this degree requires that the true and just Mason must listen attentively and without prejudice, to deliberate calmly and impartially and act decisively. He must never allow rank, influence or money to sway judgment, giving every man the benefit of the presumption of innocence and purity of intention so that judgment in each case shall be true, just, equitable and merciful; for all practical purposes to render justice, to give everyone his due, to conform to the principles of rectitude in the dealings of men with each other; to be righteous, impartial and equitable.

Justice, in the Masonic sense, is something loftier than the administration of justice as it is given in our courts of law. The justice of civilized society rests upon force. In a criminal case, if the prisoner is found guilty, it is the force of a policeman or prison bars which enforce the law. In a civil suit, a judgment is rendered and the parties must abide by it or suffer a legal penalty which will be administered by force. But the justice taught in Masonry, while it includes these, means the abstract justice of personal judgment, the justice by which a man governs his actions and determines his conduct towards others with no force save that which he supplies. It is the justice in a man's soul which Freemasonry stresses in her inner meaning, the justice which is behind all unselfishness, all altruism, all self-sacrifice, accomplished because they are right and not because otherwise is force, and prison bars.

Our own late brother, Josiah Hayden Drummond, internationally recognized as one of the greatest authorities on Masonic jurisprudence, made the statement that "experience has shown that Masons do not always obey the laws of the institution and that it sometimes becomes necessary to inflict punishment on that account. Freemasonry has, therefore, developed its own system of trials and penalties." Our system, here in Maine, is one of the most workable and one of the most just possible.

The ancient Landmarks, as set forth by the late Dr. Mackey and embodied in our Maine Masonic Textbook, base the entire system of Masonic trials and penalties upon the cardinal virtue of justice; guarantee to every Mason a fair trial of which he must have due notice and an opportunity to defend himself, together with the right of appeal to Grand Lodge. Our principles of Masonic trials and penalties are not intended necessarily for the punishment of the recreant or offender but more especially are they provided to preserve the character and good reputation of Freemasonry, and that dramatic trial back in the twelfth century, which we have so often seen portrayed in our Twenty-first Degree, completely illustrates the fundamentals and practices of our Masonic trial system today. We are, unfortunately, obliged in our time to write the word "dead" across the Masonic record of some of our Masonic brethren who have been unmindful of their teachings and obligations, including men who have had the unusual privilege and advantage of training and education in the Scottish Rite Degrees.

If we were to ignore the cardinal virtue of justice today or in the future, we would no longer have Freemasonry but rather something entirely different and foreign.

As Freemasons, we must exercise our greatest influence to act justly to ourself, to our brethren and to the world in general. We must all see to it that in our daily contacts with the profane world the quality of justice is never missing; that in our complex problems of government every class, every creed, every color is given its just due. The recent decree of the highest tribunal in our land, the United States Supreme Court, on the matter of racial segregation is, of course, a most progressive and just step and every Freemason in this country, who is true to the teachings of Freemasonry, should give that decree his support and approval. Without justice, there can be no American way of life because our Constitution embraces that cardinal virtue so firmly and irrevocably.

The so-called "Cold War" in which the soldiers of freedom, and the champions of personal rights and individual dignity are locked in contest with the forces of tyranny, darkness, ignorance and brutality may determine, in our time, the life or death of the practice of that Cardinal Virtue—Justice, and even the very existence of our Masonic fraternity. There can be no question where we, in Masonry, stand in this struggle.

Finally, my brethren, in our every act, word, thought and deed we must ever bear in mind the most wonderful definition of the word "Justice," of all time, as set forth in *The Great Light of Masonry* in these words—"Therefore, all things whatsoever ye would men should do to you, do ye even so to them for this is the law and the prophets."

APPENDIX B.

Maine Masonic Grand Lodge Blood Bank Committee.

State Chairman ELMER S. DOE, 93 Gilman St., Portland.

DISTRICT	CHAIRMAN	ADDRESS
1st	Ernest Smith,	13 Dudley St., Presque Isle
2nd	Everett S. Higgins,	31 Pleasant St., Lubec
3rd	William Jordan,	Machias
4th	Rodney H. Bartlett,	Blue Hill
5th	Fred M. Packard,	Sebec Station
6th	John C. Condon,	So. Brewer, R. F. D. 3
7th	Elmer C. Rose,	Lincolnton Beach
8th	Victor Greene,	Searsport
9th	Walter Loker,	43 Rankin St., Rockland
10th	Leon P. Munro,	Round Pond
11th	Royal Cleaves,	R. F. D. 2, Winthrop
12th	Maxwell D. Ward,	Clinton
13th	Robert Hamilton,	Canaan
14th	Frank Barker.	26 Boody St., Brunswick
15th	Richard C. Morton,	Farmington

DISTRICT	CHAIRMAN	ADDRESS
16th	A. Stewart Varney,	4 Walker St., Bridgton
17th	Clarence A. Hughes,	747 Main St., Westbrook
18th	Willis H. Webber,	R. F. D. 1, Berwick
19th	W. M. Amazeen,	Old Sanford Road, Berwick
20th	Wesley W. Records,	P. O. Box 11, Dixfield
21st	George Liston Paquet,	1 Derby Ave., Bar Harbor
22nd	Robert E. Scott, Jr.	Hartland
23rd	Fred Banks,	172 Summer St., Auburn
24th	E. E. Goodwin,	Monarda

APPENDIX C.

District Meeting Schedule for 1954.

DISTRICT	DATE	PLACE	HOST LODGE
1st	Nov. 5, 1954	Fort Kent	Fort Kent, No. 209
2nd	Oct. 27, 1954	Lubec	Washington, No. 37
3rd	Oct. 18, 1954	Millbridge	Pleiades, No. 173
4th	Jan. 18, 1955	North Brooksville	Bagaduce, No. 210
5th	Nov. 10, 1954	Sangerville	Abner Wade, No. 207
6th	Dec. 9, 1954	Charleston	Olive Branch, No. 124
7th	Mar. 15, 1955	Searsmont	Quantabacook, No. 129
8th	Feb. 4, 1955	Northport	Excelsior, No. 151
9th	Dec. 15, 1954	Thomaston	Orient, No. 15
10th	Apr. 15, 1955	Damariscotta	Alna, No. 213
11th	Nov. 19, 1954	Monmouth	Monmouth, No. 110
12th	Oct. 28, 1954	Waterville	Waterville, No. 33
13th	Nov. 22, 1954	Skowhegan	Somerset, No. 34
14th	June 11, 1954	Bowdoinham	Village, No. 26
15th	Apr. 11, 1955	Farmington	Maine, No. 20
16th	Dec. 17, 1954	South Paris	Paris, No. 94
17th	Dec. 8, 1954	South Portland	Hiram, No. 180
18th	Jan. 13, 1955	West Buxton	Buxton, No. 115
19th	Feb. 12, 1955	South Berwick	St. Johns, No. 51
20th	Jan. 20, 1955	Livermore Falls	Oriental Star, No. 21
21st	Nov. 30, 1954	Bucksport	Felicity, No. 19
22nd	Sept. 21, 1954	Pittsfield	Meridian, No. 125
23rd	Dec. 14, 1954	Sabattus	Webster, No. 164
24th	Sept. 24, 1954	Millinocket	Nollesemic, No. 205

APPENDIX D.

Dispensations Granted.

To permit lodges to confer degrees in less than the required time on candidates in military or connected service:

Presumpscot Lodge, No. 127	May 7, 1954
Winter Harbor Lodge, No. 192	May 8, 1954
Whitney Lodge, No. 167	May 8, 1954

Lygonia Lodge, No. 40	May 24, 1954
Blazing Star Lodge, No. 30	June 7, 1954
Hiram Lodge, No. 180	July 8, 1954
Island Falls Lodge, No. 206	July 28, 1954
Cambridge Lodge, No. 157	Oct. 8, 1954
Hiram Lodge, No. 180	Nov. 5, 1954
Sebastcook Lodge, No. 146	Nov. 10, 1954
Ancient Landmark Lodge, No. 17	Dec. 17, 1954
Oriental Star Lodge, No. 21	Feb. 10, 1955
Bristol Lodge, No. 74	Mar. 15, 1955

To permit lodges in this Grand Jurisdiction to visit lodges in other Grand Jurisdictions or to invite lodges in other Grand Jurisdictions to pay fraternal visits to lodges in this Grand Jurisdiction (with consent of other Jurisdictions):

Blazing Star Lodge, No. 30	June 1, 1954
Solar Lodge, No. 14	Aug. 24, 1954
Saco Lodge, No. 9	Aug. 30, 1954
Portland Lodge, No. 1	Sept. 24, 1954
Naval Lodge, No. 184	Oct. 27, 1954
Preble Lodge, No. 143	Feb. 9, 1955
Saco Lodge, No. 9	Mar. 23, 1955

Permission for invasion of jurisdiction by invitation:

Saint John's Lodge, No. 51	Aug. 30, 1954
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(To invite Granite Lodge, No. 65, Salmon Falls, New Hampshire, to use Saint John's Lodge Hall for the annual visitation and inspection of Granite Lodge, No. 65, it being anticipated that the rooms of Granite Lodge, No. 65, at Salmon Falls, New Hampshire, would not be large enough to accommodate the meeting).

To ballot upon petition less than four weeks after presentation:

Bethlehem Lodge, No. 35	Sept. 24, 1954
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To hold meetings outside its own lodge hall:

Solar Lodge, No. 14	June 21, 1954
Liberty Lodge, No. 111	Sept. 21, 1954
Bristol Lodge, No. 74	Oct. 8, 1954
St. Andrew's Lodge, No. 83	Nov. 4, 1954
St. Andrew's Lodge, No. 83	Nov. 12, 1954
Rising Virtue Lodge, No. 10	Nov. 15, 1954
St. Andrew's Lodge, No. 83	Dec. 4, 1954

To receive application from candidate who has resided within jurisdiction of lodge for more than six months but who has not resided within the State of Maine for one year last past:

Webster Lodge, No. 164	Dec. 11, 1954
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To hold special election for purpose of filling vacancies in offices of Senior Warden and Junior Warden. Persons elected declining to accept and be installed:

Freedom Lodge, No. 42 Feb. 4, 1955

To form and conduct public procession:

Oriental, No. 13 Sept. 11, 1954

To transact business at a special communication:

Casco Lodge, No. 36 Jan. 20, 1955

To hold annual meeting on date subsequent to that provided in by-laws, having been prevented by hurricanes:

Liberty Lodge, No. 111 Sept. 21, 1954

Rural Lodge, No. 53 Sept. 21, 1954

To move its hall from present location, being more than one-half mile:

Corner Stone Lodge, No. 216 June 21, 1954

To work degree upon its own candidate in lodge room of another lodge upon invitation of said other lodge and with consent of said candidate:

St. Andrew's Lodge, No. 83 Mar. 26, 1955

To allow installation of officers without lodge charter being present:

Freeport Lodge, No. 23 Jan. 3, 1955

(D. D. G. M. Roland W. Cornish was ready to proceed with installation of officers with large audience of brethren present; Grand Master present; officers of lodge had neglected to remove lodge charter from bank vault during day. The District Deputy rightfully refused to proceed with the installation without the charter. This was the Grand Master's own lodge, and he had personally seen the charter a short time before the day of installation. To avoid cancellation of the installation and general confusion, and on the condition that he would personally review the charter the next day (which he did) the Grand Master granted special permission to the District Deputy Grand Master to proceed with the installation without the presence of the charter).

To hold a special communication and work degree in Grand Lodge:

Atlantic Lodge, No. 81 Apr. 15, 1955

To hold a special communication and work the Master Mason degree on their own candidate in the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maine duly opened and in session, on May 4, 1955, and as exemplification of work and lectures as provided by Sec. 34 of the Grand Lodge Constitution.

APPENDIX E.

General Revisions of and Amendments to Lodge By-laws.

GENERAL REVISIONS:

APPROVED

Ancient York Lodge, No. 155	Sept. 16, 1954
Lebanon Lodge, No. 116	Sept. 16, 1954
King Hiram Lodge, No. 57	Oct. 21, 1954

AMENDMENTS:

Phoenix Lodge, No. 24	
Increase in fees and dues and change of meeting date	June 5, 1954
Mariner's Lodge, No. 68	
Increase in dues and fees	June 11, 1954
King David's Lodge, No. 62	
Increase in dues and other provisions	June 30, 1954
Euclid Lodge, No. 194	
Re-investment of funds	Aug. 11, 1954
St. Andrew's Lodge, No. 83	
Increase in fees	Sept. 3, 1954
Buxton Lodge, No. 115	
Change of meeting date	Sept. 20, 1954
Warren Lodge, No. 2	
Increase in dues	Nov. 8, 1954
Lynde Lodge, No. 174	
Increase in dues	Dec. 8, 1954
Oxford Lodge, No. 18	
Change of meeting date	Dec. 23, 1954
St. John's Lodge, No. 51	
Increase in fees and dues	Jan. 31, 1955
Freedom Lodge, No. 42	
Change of meeting date	Feb. 2, 1955
Warren Phillips Lodge, No. 186	
Change of annual meeting and increase in dues	Feb. 8, 1955
Mt. Abram Lodge, No. 204	
Change of meeting date	Feb. 8, 1955
Riverside Lodge, No. 135	
Creating Board of Trustees and other changes	Feb. 15, 1955
Pine Tree Lodge, No. 172	
Changing meeting date	Mar. 7, 1955
Trinity Lodge, No. 130	
Creates Committee of Charity	Mar. 9, 1955
Siloam Lodge, No. 92	
Creates life membership provisions	Mar. 10, 1955
Moses Webster Lodge, No. 145	
Increase in dues	Mar. 17, 1955
Abner Wade Lodge, No. 207	
Provides for suspension for non-payment of dues	Mar. 25, 1955

APPENDIX F.**Visitations—May, 1954 to May, 1955.**

- May 3, 1954. Eastland Hotel, Portland. Grand Lodge Dinner.
May 4, 1954. Masonic Temple, Portland, Grand Lodge.
May 5, 1954. Masonic Temple, Portland, Grand Lodge.
May 6, 1954. Masonic Temple, Portland. Grand Lodge.
May 7, 1954. Kora Temple, Lewiston. Blue Lodge Night.
May 11, 1954. Vassalboro Lodge No. 34. Present Fifty-Year Medal.
May 13, 1954. Masonic Temple, Portland. Maine Consistory.
May 14, 1954. Masonic Temple, Portland. Maine Consistory.
May 16 and 17, 1954. Providence, Rhode Island. Grand Lodge, Rhode Island.
May 18 and 19, 1954, Manchester, New Hampshire. Grand Lodge, New Hampshire.
May 22, 1954. Preble Lodge, No. 143, Sanford. Annual Ladies' Night.
May 24 and 25, 1954, Bangor. May 24: Guest of Honor Grand Chapter, O. E. S. May 25, Rising Virtue, No. 10.
May 26, 27 and 28, 1954, St. John, New Brunswick. Grand Lodge, New Brunswick.
May 31, 1954, Portland. Inspect New Hall Corner Stone Lodge.
June 2, 3 and 4, 1954, Montreal. Grand Lodge, Quebec.
June 7, 1954, Granite, No. 182. West Paris 75th Anniversary.
June 8 and 9, 1954, Burlington, Vermont. Grand Lodge, Vermont.
June 11, 1954, Village, No. 26, Bowdoinham. 14th District Meeting.
June 11, 1954, Hallowell. Charity Trustees' Meeting.
June 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16, 1954, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia. Grand Lodge, Nova Scotia.
June 18, 1954, Keystone, No. 80, Solon. Annual Strawberry Festival. Address.
June 19, 1954, Portland. Annual Father-Daughter Banquet. Rainbow for Girls. Official Guest.
June 20, 1954, United, No. 8, Brunswick. St. John's Day Observance.
June 21, 1954, St. George, No. 16, Warren. Present Fifty-Year Medal.
June 23, 1954, Rabboni, No. 150, Lewiston. Reception for Rabbi Berent. Ralph Pollard Speaker.
June 24, 1954, Sebasco Estates. Commandery Field Day.
June 25, 1954, Orchard, No. 215, Old Orchard. Present Fifty-Year Medal.
June 26, 1954, Unity, No. 58, Thorndike. Annual Strawberry Festival. Address.
July 15, 1954, Masonic Temple, Auburn. Maine Council of Deliberation. Address.
July 16, 1954, Poland Spring. Jesters' Field Day. Speaker.
July 17, 1954, Crescent, No. 78, Pembroke. 100th Anniversary. Address.

July 20, 1954, Ocean Park. Canadian Masonic Club Luncheon.

July 22, 1954, Waldoboro. Conference with Ralph Pollard and Education Committee.

July 28, 1954, Freeport. Conference with Elmer Doe, Chairman Masonic Blood Bank.

August 11, 1954, Masonic Temple, Portland. D. D. G. M. School of Instruction.

August 12, 1954, Masonic Temple, Bangor. D. D. G. M. School of Instruction.

August 14, 1954, Freeport, No. 23, Freeport. Annual Field Day.

August 17, 18 and 19, 1954, Aroostook County Trip. Inspected L. A. F. B. at Limestone. Aug. 17, Dinner Meeting with Aspirants at Fort Fairfield. Aug. 18, 100th Anniversary Pioneer, No. 72, at Ashland. Address. Aug. 19, Return to Freeport.

August 25, 1954, Masonic Temple, Waterville. Statewide Masonic Blood Bank Meeting.

August 27, 1954, Poland Spring. Dinner Party. Guest of George Lane.

September 1, 1954, Anchor, No. 158, South Bristol. Annual Lobster Bake and Reception honoring Charles L. Gamage, D. D. G. M.

September 6, 1954, Freeport, No. 23. Lodge Meeting.

September 10, 1954, Solar, No. 14, Bath. 150th Anniversary. Address.

September 12, 1954, South China, Killdeer Lodge. District Deputy Association summer meeting.

September 18, 1954. Portland. Rainbow for Girls. Speaker.

September 19, 1954, Oriental, No. 13, Bridgton. 150th Anniversary. Address.

September 21, 1954, Meridian, No. 125, Pittsfield. 22nd District Meeting.

September 24, 25 and 26, 1954, Nollesemeic, No. 205. Sept. 24, 24th District Meeting. Sept. 25, Reception honoring Herbert Libby, Grand Patron, O. E. S. Address. Sept. 26, Return from Millinocket.

September 30, 1954, Messalonskee, No. 113, Oakland. 12th District School of Instruction.

October 1, 1954, Alton, New Hampshire. Reception to Raymond Duncan, Grand Patron, O. E. S. Official Guest.

October 4, 1954, Freeport, No. 23. Present Fifty-Year Medal.

October 6, 1954, Aurora, No. 50, Rockland. 9th District School of Instruction.

October 8, 1954, Kora Temple, Lewiston. Guest of Honor. Received by Imperial Potentate.

October 9, 1954, Masonic Temple, Portland. Guest of Honor with Official Suite. Annual Conclave DeMolay. Address.

October 9, 1954, Solar No. 14, Bath. Postponed Celebration 150th Anniversary. Address.

October 10, 1954, Chestnut Street Church, Portland. DeMolay and Rainbow Church Service.

October 11, 1954, Bristol, No. 74, Bristol. 100th Anniversary. Address.

October 12, 1954, Arion, No. 162, Goodwins Mills. 18th District School of Instruction.

October 13, 1954, Masonic Temple, Yarmouth. Cumberland Royal Arch Chapter. Speaker.

October 14, 1954, Auburn. Androscoggin Valley Square and Compass Club. Address.

October 16, 1954, Kora Temple, Lewiston. 100th Anniversary Grand Council Royal and Select Masters, Lewiston.

October 18, 1954, Pleiades, No. 173, Millbridge. 3rd District Meeting.

October 20, 1954, Harmony, No. 38, Gorham. Reception for Austin Alden, D. D. G. M. Address.

October 23, 1954, Freeport Gymnasium, Freeport. Reception for Grand Master.

October 25, 1954, No. 79 at Rockland. 100th Anniversary. Address.

October 27, 1954, Washington No. 27, Lubec. 2nd District Meeting.

October 28, 1954, Masonic Temple, Waterville. 12th District Meeting.

October 29, 1954, Kora Temple, Lewiston. Annual Ladies' Night. Speaker.

October 30, 1954, Ancient York, No. 135, Lisbon Falls. Burning of Mortgage Ceremony. Address.

November 3, 1954, Bristol. O. E. S. Meeting. Speaker.

November 4, 1954, Monument, No. 96, Houlton. Reception, Senior Grand Warden. Address.

November 5, 1954, Fort Kent, No. 209, Fort Kent. First District Meeting.

November 6, 1954, St. Andrew's, No. 86, Bangor. Reception, Junior Grand Warden. Address.

November 8, 1954, Freeport. Conference with Petitioners for Dispensation for Brotherhood Lodge, U. D.

November 10, 1954, Abner Wade, No. 207, Sangerville. Fifth District Meeting.

November 16, 1954, Jefferson, No. 100, Bryant Pond. Funeral Service Clarence J. Perham, Past Senior Grand Warden.

November 19, 1954, Monmouth, No. 110, Monmouth. 11th District Meeting followed by reception at Winthrop, honoring Brother Herbert Foster. Speaker.

November 20, 1954, Masonic Temple, Portland. Reception for Harold A. Carman, Department Commander, Knights Templar.

November 22, 1954, Somerset, No. 34, Skowhegan. 13th District Meeting.

November 23, 1954, Naval, No. 184, Kittery. Massachusetts Degree Team. Address.

November 27, 1954, Thomaston. Reception honoring Brother John Fitzpatrick, Grand Sentinel, O. E. S.

November 29, 1954, Richmond, No. 63, Richmond. 14th District School of Instruction.

November 30, 1954, Felicity, No. 19, Bucksport. 21st District Meeting.

December 2, 1954, Hiram No. 180, South Portland. Past Masters. Association 17th District. Address.

December 3, 1954, Bath. O. E. S. Reception for Leah Page.

December 7, 1954, No. 141 at Augusta. Present Fifty-Year Medal.

December 8, 1954, Hiram, No. 180, South Portland. 17th District Meeting.

December 9, 1954, Olive Branch, No. 124, Charleston. 6th District Meeting.

December 10, 1954, Portland. Put Stevens Court, R. O. J.

December 13, 1954, Deering, No. 183, Portland. Lodge Meeting and Reception to Raymond Rideout, Grand Lecturer.

December 14, 1954, Webster, No. 164, Sabattus. 23rd District Meeting.

December 16, 1954, Orient, No. 15, Thomaston. 9th District Meeting.

December 17, 1954, Paris, No. 94, South Paris. 16th District Meeting.

December 25, 1954, Masonic Temple, Portland. Portland Commandery Christmas Observance. Address.

December 26, 27 and 28, 1954, Boston. Grand Lodge of Massachusetts.

December 30, 1954, Hallowell. Trustees' Meeting, Maine Charitable Foundation.

January 3, 1955, Freeport, No. 23. Installation of Officers.

January 13, 1955, Buxton, No. 115. 18th District Meeting.

January 18, 1955, Bagaduce, No. 210, North Brooksville. 4th District Meeting.

January 19, 1955, Aurora, No. 50, Rockland. Installation of Officers.

January 20, 1955, Oriental Star, No. 21, Livermore Falls. 20th District Meeting.

January 22, 1955, City Hall, Bangor. Scottish Rite, Blue Lodge, and Ladies' Party. Address.

January 26, 1955, Freeport. Conference with Deputy Grand Master.

January 27, 1955, Masonic Temple, Portland. Madonna White Shrine; Presented as Grand Master.

February 4, 1955, Excelsior, No. 151, Northport. 8th District Meeting.

February 12, 1955, St. John's, No. 151, South Berwick. 19th District Meeting.

February 16, 1955, Orion, No. 162, Goodwins Mills. Presentation Fifty-Year Medal.

February 19, 1955, Masonic Temple, City Hall, Portland. Reception for Alexander A. LaFleur, Grand Commander.

February 20 to 24, 1955, Washington, D. C. Grand Masters' Conference.

February 25 to March 4, 1955, Havana, Cuba. Dedication Masonic Temple.

March 3, 1955. Allapattah, No. 271, Miami, Fla. Mahi Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., at Miami, Fla. For visitation by Imperial Potentate, Frank S. Land.

March 11, 1955, Portland Council Princes of Jerusalem, Portland.

March 15, 1955, Quantabacook, No. 129, Searsmont. Seventh District Meeting.

March 17, 1955, Portland Commandery. Inspection.

March 19, 1955, Portland Assembly, Rainbow for Girls.

March 22, 1955, Order Eastern Star, Durham. Installation.

March 24, 1955, Marsh River Lodge, Brooks. Initiation by Past Master of his four sons.

March 26, 1955, Rockport, Maine. Reception for John Annis, D. D. G. M. Address.

March 29, 1955, Evening Star, No. 147, Buckfield. Mortgage-burning Ceremony. Address.

March 31, 1955, Brotherhood Lodge, U. D., Portland. Master Mason Degree.

April 1, 1955, Anah Temple, Bangor. Annual Blue Lodge Night. Speaker.

April 5, 6 and 7, 1955, Grand Lodge of Connecticut, New Haven.

April 8, 1955, Boothbay Harbor. Reception for Walter Townsend, Grand Steward. Address.

April 11, 1955, Maine Lodge, No. 20, Farmington. Fifteenth District Meeting.

April 15, 1955, Alna Lodge, No. 43, Damariscotta. Tenth District Meeting.

April 17, 1955, Portland, Maine. Annual Church Service Portland Assembly of Rainbow for Girls.

April 18, 1955, Freeport Lodge, No. 23. Presentation Fifty-Year Medal to Brother Levi T. Patterson.

April 19, 20 and 21, 1955, Grand Lodge of New Jersey, Atlantic City.

April 27, 1955, Maine Charitable Foundation at Hallowell. Trustees' Meeting.

April 30, 1955, Chalcedon Conclave, Knights of the Red Cross of Constantine, Saco, Maine.

(At the conclusion of the reading of that portion of the Grand Master's Address entitled "Necrology,"

the Communication stood in reverent prayer for their departed brethren, led by Grand Chaplain WARREN MOSES at the Altar).

On motion of R. W. Bro. AUBREY L. BURBANK

The Grand Master's Address was referred to the Committee on Doings of Grand Officers. It was also voted that the reports of the Deputy Grand Master, Senior Grand Warden, Junior Grand Warden, and District Deputy Grand Masters be referred to the Committee on Doings of Grand Officers without reading.

GRAND TREASURER.

The Grand Treasurer submitted his report as follows:

PORTLAND, MAINE,
May 3, 1955.

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

I herewith submit my Annual Report as Grand Treasurer for the year ending March 31, 1955.

GENERAL FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Grand Lodge Dues and Assessments.....	\$31,154.90	
Receipts of Grand Lodge Office.....	3,774.54	
Sale of P. M. Aprons.....	37.00	
Dispensations.....	70.00	
Delinquency Fines, 1954.....	49.00	
Interest on Bank Deposits.....	69.69	
Balance 1954 Dues.....	2.00	
Library Account.....	9.00	
Rentals, 1953.....	1,906.50	
Rentals, 1954.....	1,869.53	
	<hr/>	\$38,942.16

DISBURSEMENTS.

Masonic Trustees, Rent.....	\$ 3,600.00	
C. E. Leach, Grand Secretary, Salary.....	\$ 3,250.00	
E. D. Webster, Assistant Salary.....	2,150.00	
H. N. Maxfield, Grand Treasurer, Salary.....	1,250.00	
F. C. Lounder, Grand Lecturer, Salary.....	300.00	
R. J. Pollard, Grand Correspondent, Salary.....	550.00	
	<hr/>	7,500.00

Telephone.....	\$ 249.51	
Equipment.....	297.34	
Printing and Binding.....	1,185.56	
Supplies, Jewels, Diplomas.....	2,616.77	
Bond, Grand Treasurer.....	125.00	
Stenographic Expense, Grand Treasurer.....	56.45	
Safe Deposit Box Rent.....	27.50	
Insurance.....	39.50	
Auditing.....	375.00	
Library — Binding.....	\$247.50	
— Bulletins.....	50.49	
— Educational.....	13.61	
	<u>311.60</u>	
		5,284.23
Grand Master, Contingent.....	\$ 1,350.00	
Deputy Grand Master (Powers) Actual Expense....	200.00	
Grand Lecturer, Actual Expense.....	306.38	
Official Conferences.....	112.38	
D. D. G. M., Travel Expense.....	930.62	
Washington Conferences, Travel Expense.....	400.00	
Payroll, 1954 Session.....	6,422.85	
	<u>9,722.23</u>	
Printing Proceedings.....	2,611.10	
Tyler, Organist.....	20.00	
Session Stenography.....	74.10	
Entertainment of Guests.....	661.38	
Flowers.....	41.41	
	<u>3,407.99</u>	
Masonic Service Association Dues.....	1,189.08	
Masonic Service Association, Hospital Program....	2,500.00	
	<u>3,689.08</u>	
Social Security Taxes.....	159.64	
Association Membership Fees.....	95.00	
Educational Program.....	1,126.34	
Delinquency Fines, Remitted by Vote.....	58.00	
Transfer to Disaster Fund.....	500.00	
Blood Bank Program.....	194.12	
History Program.....	40.96	
Check No. 6633 Written off—Paid.....	2.00	
Clerical Assistance.....	521.60	
	<u>\$35,901.19</u>	
Balance.....		3,040.97
		<u>\$38,942.16</u>

Balance, March 31, 1954.....	\$29,307.48
Balance, 1955 Account.....	3,040.97
Balance, March 31, 1955.....	<u>\$32,348.45</u>

Accounts Receivable:

Dues and Assessments, 1955.....	\$ 3.10
Delinquency Fines, 1955.....	38.00
	<u>\$ 41.10</u>

Accounts Payable:

Withholdings.....	\$ 221.54
Social Security Taxes.....	40.30
Supplies and Services.....	49.53
D. D. G. M. Travel Expense.....	107.24
	<u>\$ 418.61</u>

DISASTER FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Transfer from General Fund, Vote 1953.....	\$ 500.00
Interest on Savings Account.....	19.06
	<u>519.06</u>

DISBURSEMENTS.

General Fund, Interest 1953.....	\$ 69.69
	<u>\$ 69.69</u>
Balance.....	449.37
	<u>\$ 519.06</u>

Balance, March 31, 1954.....	\$ 592.52
Balance, 1954 Account.....	449.37

Balance, March 31, 1955.....	<u>\$ 1,041.89</u>
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GEORGE WASHINGTON MASONIC NATIONAL MEMORIAL FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Assessments.....	\$ 1,380.90
Contributions.....	52.10
	<u>\$ 1,433.00</u>

DISBURSEMENTS.

George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association.....	\$ 1,475.00
	<u>\$ 1,475.00</u>
Deficit.....	—42.00
	<u>\$ 1,433.00</u>

Balance, March 31, 1954.....	\$ 62.00
Deficit, 1955 Account.....	—42.00

Balance, March 31, 1955.....	<u>\$ 20.00</u>
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RECAPITULATION OF ASSETS OF THE GRAND LODGE
OF MAINE, A. F. & A. M.

MARCH 31, 1955

GENERAL FUND:

Balance, First Portland National Bank, Checking Account,	\$ 32,348.45
	\$ 32,348.45

DISASTER FUND:

Balance, Maine Savings Bank, Account No. 12356,	\$ 1,041.89
	\$ 1,041.89

CHARITY FUND:

Investments at Cost,	\$369,440.47
Balance, First Portland National Bank, Savings Account No. 22609,	960.65
	\$370,401.12

CHARLES M. FARRAR FUND:

Investments at Cost,	\$ 35,013.75
Balance, First Portland National Bank, Savings Account No. 22609,	393.75
Balance, Portland Savings Bank, Account No. 13685,	323.56
	\$ 35,731.06

FREDERICK C. THAYER FUND:

Investments at Cost,	\$ 1,027.00
Balance, First Portland National Bank, Savings Account No. 22609,	20.00
	\$ 1,047.00

THOMAS H. BODGE MEMORIAL FUND:

Investments at Cost,	\$ 24,609.83
Balance, Portland Savings Bank, Account No. 136386,	358.07
	\$ 24,967.90

RELIEF FUND:

Balance, First Portland National Bank, Checking Account,	\$ 23,645.00
Balance, Canal National Bank, Checking Account,	17,312.08
Balance, Portland Savings Bank, Account No. 123838,	3,672.21
	\$ 44,629.29

MAINE MASONIC WAR RELIEF FUND:

Investments at Cost.....	\$ 35,168.75
Balance, First Portland National Bank, Savings Account No. 22609.....	3,581.40
	<hr/> \$ 38,750.15

DANA B. CUTTER FUND:

Investments at Cost.....	\$ 11,751.81
Balance, Principal Account, Portland Sav- ings Bank, Account No. 136384.....	172.00
Balance, Interest Account, Portland Sav- ings Bank, Account No. 136384.....	2,325.67
	<hr/> \$ 14,249.48

GEORGE R. RICH MEMORIAL FUND:

Investments at Cost.....	\$ 4,043.44
Balance, Interest Account, Portland Sav- ings Bank, Account No. 136383.....	1,551.85
	<hr/> \$ 5,595.29
	<hr/> \$568,761.63

UNCOLLECTED ITEMS:

Grand Lodge Dues, 1955.....	\$ 3.10
Delinquency Fines, 1955.....	38.00
	<hr/> \$ 41.10

COMMITTED FUNDS:

George Washington Masonic National Me-
morial Fund:

Balance, First Portland National Bank, Checking Account.....	\$ 20.00
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Fraternally submitted,

H. NORTON MAXFIELD,
Grand Treasurer.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

The Auditor's Report was presented as follows:

Report of
LEE D. HODGKINS COMPANY
TO
GRAND LODGE OF MAINE

APRIL 1, 1954 TO MARCH 31, 1955

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Wardens, Officers and Members of
the Grand Lodge of Maine:*

GENTLEMEN:

Submitted herewith is our report covering an audit of the accounts of your Treasurer for the Fiscal Year April 1, 1954 to March 31, 1955, and certification is expressed to the extent of the following text and tabulations.

We found all moneys shown as received to be properly accounted for and either cancelled checks or vouchers to be on file supporting payments made by your Treasurer. Checking Accounts representing the Charity and Relief Funds were reconciled with statements furnished by the depositories and found to exactly agree with the Treasurer's Accounts. All pass books representing savings deposits were examined and found to agree with the amounts shown to be on deposit in such accounts. All securities shown to be the property of the Grand Lodge were found to be in the custody of the Treasurer.

FINANCIAL CONDITION.

Based on Market Value of Securities on March 31, 1955, a comparative statement of the financial condition of the Grand Lodge follows:

	<i>Mar. 31, 1955</i>	<i>Mar. 31, 1954</i>
Cash.....	\$ 87,726.58	\$ 95,158.32
Securities Priced at Market Value.....	598,152.53	499,233.22
Accounts due from Lodges.....	23.20	51.00
TOTAL.....	\$685,902.31	\$594,442.54

The Assets of the Grand Lodge, \$685,902.31, are divided as to the several funds as follows:

General Fund.....	\$ 32,348.45
Charity Fund.....	471,864.96
Relief Fund.....	44,629.29
Rich Fund.....	6,414.15
Thayer Fund.....	1,818.37
George Washington Memorial Fund.....	20.00
Post-War Fund.....	38,818.90
Disaster Fund.....	1,041.89
Farrar Fund.....	40,389.31
Cutter Fund.....	15,125.17
Bodge Fund.....	33,431.82

TOTAL..... \$685,902.31

We found the accounts of your Treasurer to be carefully and accurately kept.

Fraternally submitted,

LEE D. HODGKINS COMPANY,
By LEE D. HODGKINS,

Dated at Portland, Maine,
April 25, 1955.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

GRAND SECRETARY.

The Grand Secretary reported as follows:

MASONIC TEMPLE,
PORTLAND, May 3, 1955.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maine:

I take pleasure in presenting this my twenty-third Annual Report as Grand Secretary.

The routine duties of the office have been attended to promptly and the correspondence which has increased tremendously during the year has been given as early attention as circumstances would permit.

Our membership in 1932 was 43,250; we now number 47,290. This means that both the individual Lodge and personal records have been added to the indexes together with all changes in Lodge officers have been brought up to date. The importance of keeping this index up to date cannot be easily appreciated, and only by noting the many inquiries, which can be answered only by this information can their value be appreciated.

RETURNS.

On January 31st, the date when all returns are due, found us lacking several returns. We had notified some eighty lodge secretaries a week or more in advance that they would be due on the 31st. In spite of this notice, two lodges held up the work in the office, one of them causing a delay of two weeks.

REPORTS OF LODGE TREASURERS.

Of the 208 Lodges, eight-one treasurers failed to comply with the regulation requiring a copy of their annual report to be forwarded to us within ten days after the annual meeting.

NECROLOGY.

We have been called upon to mourn the loss of three members of the Grand Lodge during the year.

R. W. JOHN L. TEWKSBURY, Past Senior Grand Warden.

R. W. CLARENCE J. PERHAM, P. S. G. W.

R. W. ADIN L. HOPKINS, Past Junior Grand Warden.

REQUESTS FOR RECOGNITION.

Requests for recognition have been received from the Grand Lodge of China, Grand Lodge of Greece, Istado de Seo. Paulo, Brazil, and May Respitable Mexico all of which were promptly referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

CHARTERS.

Copy of charter has been issued to Baskahegan Lodge, No. 175, and a certificate of Charter has been issued to Eastern Frontier Lodge, No. 112.

COURTESY WORK.

We have continued to receive many requests for courtesy work both from this country and abroad. We also have been obliged to ask for similar work in other jurisdictions, all of which calls for a large correspondence.

GRAND SECRETARIES' CONFERENCE.

The week of February 21st found a large number of Grand Masters and Grand Secretaries from all parts of the United States, Canada, France, Germany, Cuba, Philippine Islands, and Mexico in Washington for their annual conference.

This year, only three subjects were discussed.

1. Uniformity of Minutes and Records of Subordinate Lodges.
2. Life Memberships in Various Lodges.
3. Summary of Proceedings in Cases involving difference in Grand Lodge Rules and Regulations.

On Tuesday evening was held the annual banquet at which M. W. Dr. Thomas S. Roy gave a very fine address on Freemasonry and Democracy.

FEES AND DUES.

There are now 208 Lodges that charge less than \$50.00 for the degrees. Should not the minimum be increased from the \$30.00 now charged?

There are now 125 Lodges with annual dues of less than \$5.00.

The reports show that dues two years or more in arrears amount to \$26,300.00. Should not we consider seriously the adoption of automatic suspension for non-payment of dues?

FINANCIAL.

I have received from the sale of Text Books, Rituals and other supplies.	\$4,362.29
From which I have paid postage, express and office sundries.	\$ 587.75
Grand Treasurer.	3,774.54
	<hr/> \$4,362.29

INVITATIONS.

Once more I want to express my thanks for the many kind invitations that I have received to attend many Masonic functions both in this and many other Grand Jurisdictions, but the duties of the office have prevented me from accepting many of them.

To this report is attached Appendix A, being announcement of deaths that have occurred in other Grand Jurisdictions, and the other marked B, the Veterans' Medals that have been presented to brethren who have been in good standing for fifty years or more. Those marked with the * were presented by the Grand Master.

Fraternally submitted,

CONVERS E. LEACH,
Grand Secretary.

Appendix A.

Alabama. CLARENCE EDWARD MICHAELS, Sr., Grand Master, 1946-1947. Born February 26, 1888; died March 22, 1955.

Alberta. GEORGE MOORE, Grand Master, 1939. Born February 10, 1884; died November 22, 1954.

ALFRED JACKSON DAVIS, Grand Treasurer, 1937-1954. Born December 8, 1883; died May 6, 1954.

JOHN THOMAS MACDONALD, Grand Master, 1909. Born September 6, 1874; died August 23, 1954.

Delaware. HENRY F. LAW, Grand Master, 1950. Born April 20 1907; died December 31, 1954.

England and Wales. WILLIAM H. DARELL, Grand Master, 1964. Died February 7, 1954.

Idaho. JOHN E. WOOD, Grand Master, 1934. Born November 25, 1879; died November 2, 1954.

Illinois. FRED IRVING MILLS, Grand Master, 1947. Born June 19, 1879; died November 30, 1954.

Indiana. ELMER F. GAY, Grand Master, 1912. Born January 17, 1864; died November 26, 1954.

Kansas. RICHARD ELY BIRD, Grand Master, 1923. Born November 4, 1878; died January 10, 1955.

Kentucky. JOHN HENRY COWLES, Grand Master, 1909-1910. Born August 22, 1863; died June 18, 1954.

Maryland. HARRY B. WRIGHT, SR., Grand Master, 1935. Born July 23, 1886; died December 29, 1954.

Michigan. HAZEN O. COLE, Grand Master, 1948. Born May 21, 1901; died October 24, 1954.

LOUIS E. ANDERSON, Grand Master, 1932. Born September 28, 1884; died September 9, 1954.

ARTHUR M. HUME, Grand Master, 1909-1910. Born July 16, 1859; died February 14, 1955.

WILLIAM H. PARKER, Grand Master, 1937-1938. Born February 23, 1884; died February 2, 1955.

Minnesota. THEODORE S. HENRY, Grand Master, 1924-1925. Born January 7, 1881; died March 8, 1955.

Montana. HENRY O. MORGAN, Grand Master, 1948. Born July 6, 1888; died September 27, 1954.

New Jersey. FRANK M. TOTTON. Died November, 1954.

New Mexico. REUBEN PERRY, Grand Master, 1935. Born April 15, 1868; died December 13, 1954.

Oklahoma. CHARLES H. EVERETT, Grand Master, 1938. Born March 21, 1869; died June 1, 1954.

Rhode Island. WINFIELD S. SOLOMON, Grand Master, 1927. Born April 25, 1876; died September 12, 1954.

ARTHUR WHITEHEAD, Grand Master, 1932. Born July 26, 1878; died July 18, 1954.

South Dakota. OWEN K. WILLIAM, Grand Master, 1913. Born March 25, 1865; died July 10, 1954.

MARSHALL R. BROWN, Grand Master, 1915. Born June 1, 1869; died December 21, 1954.

West Virginia. CHARLES BOGER AHRENS, Grand Master, 1951. Born June 27, 1898; died January 14, 1955.

Wisconsin. HERBERT W. DIXON, Grand Master, 1927. Born February 3, 1889; died November 7, 1954.

Wyoming. J. MELVIN EVANS, Grand Master, 1942. Born February 3, 1898; died March 19, 1954.

APPENDIX B.

Veterans' Medals have been presented to the following brothers who have been in good standing for fifty years or more. Those marked * were presented by the Grand Master.

LODGE	NAME	MASONIC AGE	PRESENTED
Warren Lodge, No. 2	James I. Travis	4-19-1904	11-10-1954
Lincoln Lodge, No. 3	Harry E. Rines	6- 9-1904	6-10-1954
Kennebec Lodge, No. 5	Chester A. Fuller	2-15-1905	3-20-1955
Amity Lodge, No. 6	Thomas L. French	7-17-1904	10-22-1954
Amity Lodge, No. 6	Harry C. Richards	9- 9-1904	10-22-1954
Amity Lodge, No. 6	Arthur Philbrook	12-18-1903	11- 6-1954
Eastern Lodge, No. 7	George F. Hold	10- 5-1904	10-29-1954
United Lodge, No. 8	Alfred M. Feeley	4-25-1904	5-10-1954
United Lodge, No. 8	Ernest M. Davis	6-14-1904	6-14-1954
United Lodge, No. 8	Uriah N. Nash	6-14-1904	10-12-1954
United Lodge, No. 8	Augustus E. Wilson	10-11-1904	11-27-1954
Pythagorean Lodge, No. 11	Charles E. Fox	5-18-1904	6-16-1954
Cumberland Lodge, No. 2	Lewis W. Symonds	2-27-1904	6-12-1954
Cumberland Lodge, No. 2	Alexander Maerz	6-25-1904	7-14-1954
Oriental Lodge, No. 13	Charles LeRoy Brown	2-27-1904	3-23-1955
Oriental Lodge, No. 13	Clarence Merle Libby	9-10-1904	3-23-1955
St. George Lodge, No. 16	*Harold D. Sawyer	6-20-1904	6-21-1954
Ancient Land-Mark Lodge, No. 17	Wilbur T. Emerson	11-17-1904	12- 1-1954
Ancient Land-Mark Lodge, No. 17	John W. Gorman	2-21-1902	12- 3-1954
Oxford Lodge, No. 18	Winfield E. Gammon	3-13-1903	3-19-1955
Oxford Lodge, No. 18	James L. Kay	6-24-1904	1-22-1955
Felicity Lodge, No. 19	William H. McKay	11-15-1904	12-13-1954
Maine Lodge, No. 20	W. Raymond Davis	6-27-1904	11-15-1954

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Maine Lodge, No. 20	Henry H. Haines	6-27-1904	11-15-1954
Oriental Star Lodge, No. 21	Ozro Roys	1-28-1904	11-10-1954
York Lodge, No. 22	Leander G. Smith	6-21-1904	1-17-1955
York Lodge, No. 22	Augustus S. Furbish	12- 5-1904	1-29-1955
Freeport Lodge, No. 23	*Perley T. Fickett	6-27-1904	10- 4-1954
Freeport Lodge, No. 23	*Levi T. Patterson	4-17-1905	4-18-1955
Adoniram Lodge, No. 27	Leroy S. Hubbard	5-24-1904	1-11-1955
Hermon Lodge, No. 32	Archie D. Buker	2-28-1905	2-28-1955
Waterville Lodge, No. 33	Harry A. Littlefield	2- 1-1904	5-20-1954
Waterville Lodge, No. 33	Fred W. Rollins	4-11-1904	5-17-1954
Waterville Lodge, No. 33	Fred P. Heald	5-30-1904	7-13-1954
Waterville Lodge, No. 33	George F. Murrell	6-20-1904	12-19-1954
Waterville Lodge, No. 33	*Abbott B. Gragin	9-21-1904	10-28-1954
Waterville Lodge, No. 33	Arthur F. Roundy	9-22-1904	12-30-1954
Somerset Lodge, No. 34	Fred F. Lawrence	12-28-1903	12-2-1953
Somerset Lodge, No. 34	Blin W. Page	7-25-1904	7-22-1954
Bethlehem Lodge, No. 35	Danforth L. Nash	2-23-1903	5-17-1954
Bethlehem Lodge, No. 35	Percy V. Hill	6- 8-1903	5-17-1954
Casco Lodge, No. 36	William Olson	4- 2-1904	4-26-1954
Casco Lodge, No. 36	William E. Dow	4-29-1904	5-18-1954
Casco Lodge, No. 36	Perley E. Winslow	3-28-1905	4- 5-1955
Harmony Lodge, No. 38	Ralph M. Whitney	6-14-1904	6-17-1954
Harmony Lodge, No. 38	Charles C. Shaw	9- 7-1904	12- 1-1954
Harmony Lodge, No. 38	Frederick R. Summersides	1-18-1904	12- 1-1954
Lygonia Lodge, No. 40	Willis E. Dunn	12-17-1902	10-14-1954
Lygonia Lodge, No. 40	John H. Brown	12- 3-1903	10-14-1954
Lygonia Lodge, No. 40	Fred G. Smith	12-23-1903	10-14-1954
Morning Star Lodge, No. 41	Warren R. Smith	8-18-1896	1-18-1955
Morning Star Lodge, No. 41	William W. Keyes	3- 1-1904	1-18-1955
Piscataquis Lodge, No. 44	Arthur Rosie	4-27-1904	10-22-1954
Piscataquis Lodge, No. 44	Ralph A. Leonard	6-24-1904	10-22-1954
Piscataquis Lodge, No. 44	George S. Rosie	7-20-1904	10-22-1954
Piscataquis Lodge, No. 44	Claud D. Harmon	7-22-1904	10-22-1954
Central Lodge, No. 45	Everett S. Danforth	6-22-1904	6-20-1954
Dunlap Lodge, No. 47	George E. Dudley	6- 6-1904	2-19-1955
Dunlap Lodge, No. 47	John H. Durgin	3- 2-1896	2-19-1955
Dunlap Lodge, No. 47	James W. Burnie	3- 7-1898	2-19-1955
Dunlap Lodge, No. 47	Sidney A. Staples	6-22-1898	2-26-1955
Dunlap Lodge, No. 47	William J. Nicol	3- 6-1899	2-19-1955
Dunlap Lodge, No. 47	Harry C. Calderwood	4- 7-1902	2-21-1955
Dunlap Lodge, No. 47	Israel H. Herrick	6-18-1902	2-19-1955
Dunlap Lodge, No. 47	Howard P. Andrews	4-21-1903	2-21-1955
Dunlap Lodge, No. 47	John H. Emmons	6- 1-1903	2-21-1955
Dunlap Lodge, No. 47	Walter G. Johnson	4- 4-1904	2-19-1955
Dunlap Lodge, No. 47	Franklin A. Ferguson	4-11-1904	2-19-1955

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Aurora Lodge, No. 50	George L. St. Clair	2-17-1904	11- 3-1954
Aurora Lodge, No. 50	William W. Henderson	11-16-1904	11-16-1954
St. John's Lodge, No. 51	John E. Beaver	1-11-1904	5-21-1954
St. John's Lodge, No. 51	Walter H. Lord	2- 1-1904	5-17-1954
St. John's Lodge, No. 51	William C. McCue	1-11-1904	5-17-1954
Vassalboro Lodge, No. 54	*J. Arno Wyman	1904	5-11-1954
Star in the East, No. 60	Samuel J. Harris	10- 3-1904	10-11-1954
King Solomon's Lodge, No. 61	Jesse V. Benner	3-25-1904	9-10-1954
King Solomon's Lodge, No. 61	Virgil L. Morse	3-25-1904	12-10-1954
King Solomon's Lodge, No. 61	Clinton E. Matthews	11-18-1904	12-10-1954
Richmond Lodge, No. 63	Harry E. Duren	10-10-1904	1-13-1955
Richmond Lodge, No. 63	Robert E. Wyman	10-10-1904	1-17-1955
Mystic Lodge, No. 65	Harold E. Mayo	11-28-1903	6-15-1954
Mystic Lodge, No. 65	John T. Dunton	11-28-1903	3-13-1954
Mechanics' Lodge, No. 66	Newton A. Robbins	5- 8-1904	12- 1-1954
Blue Mountain Lodge, No. 67	Carl E. Cragin	10- 7-1903	5-12-1954
Blue Mountain Lodge, No. 67	John W. Russell	6- 1-1904	10-13-1954
Blue Mountain Lodge, No. 67	Willard E. Littlefield	2- 5-1895	10- 1-1954
Blue Mountain Lodge, No. 67	Cory M. Hoyt	12-21-1904	2- 9-1955
Mariners' Lodge, No. 68	Louis M. Rand	7-31-1900	11-24-1954
Pioneer Lodge, No. 72	Lawrence S. Coffin	2-17-1904	11-24-1954
Pioneer Lodge, No. 72	*George V. Cole	6- 8-1904	8-25-1954
Pioneer Lodge, No. 72	*Alfred C. Coffin	5-11-1904	8-18-1954
Pioneer Lodge, No. 72	William P. McNally	6-27-1904	1-12-1955
Pioneer Lodge, No. 72	*Murchie A. Seeley	8-31-1904	8-18-1954
Pioneer Lodge, No. 72	*Fred C. Gates	10- 5-1904	8-18-1954
Tyrian Lodge, No. 78	Clifford C. Mitchell	9-22-1904	11- 4-1954
Arundel Lodge, No. 76	Frank E. Miller	6-21-1904	4- 5-1955
Crescent Lodge, No. 78	Charles B. Smith	11-11-1903	8-10-1954
Crescent Lodge, No. 78	Oscar Newcomb	7- 6-1904	9-28-1954
Keystone, No. 80	George O. Nottage	7-23-1904	2-16-1955
Atlantic Lodge, No. 81	Clarence E. Morton	11-16-1904	12- 7-1954
St. Paul's Lodge, No. 82	Charles R. Lane	2- 6-1905	2-21-1955
Temple Lodge, No. 86	Harry F. G. Hay	6-16-1904	9-22-1954
Temple Lodge, No. 86	Ellsworth L. Booth	3- 8-1905	3- 9-1955
Island Lodge, No. 89	Amasa E. Williams	4-29-1904	5- 6-1954
Siloam Lodge, No. 92	Ralph A. Jewell	8- 4-1904	10-21-1954
Horeb Lodge, No. 93	George A. Lord	10-25-1904	1-11-1955
Monument, No. 96	Ora C. Pomeroy	6- 8-1904	6-10-1954

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Katahdin Lodge, No. 98	Thomas B. Drew	4-28-1904	5-10-1954
Katahdin Lodge, No. 98	W. S. Pullen, Sr.	6-11-1903	6-16-1954
Jefferson Lodge, No. 100	Albert H. Russ	2- 9-1904	6-16-1954
Jefferson Lodge, No. 100	Carl C. Dudley	11- 1-1904	11- 9-1954
Ashlar Lodge, No. 105	Ralph A. Lockhead	6-27-1904	10- 6-1954
Messalonskee Lodge, No. 113	Lloyd L. Sykes	8- 6-1904	11-11-1954
Buxton Lodge, No. 115	George F. Cressey	3-28-1904	6-20-1954
Marine Lodge, No. 122	Horace F. Davis	3- 8-1904	6- 9-1954
Marine Lodge, No. 122	Fred L. Sylvester	5-10-1904	10-19-1954
Marine Lodge, No. 122	Howard P. Lowe	1-15-1904	12-19-1954
Marine Lodge, No. 122	Ralph H. Saunders	2-14-1905	2-22-1955
Timothy Chase Lodge, No. 126	Guy L. Peavey	4- 7-1904	4- 5-1955
Quantabacook Lodge, No. 129	Frank W. Bryant	9-17-1904	10-16-1954
Trinity, Lodge, No. 130	Fred P. Sawyer	6-27-1904	6-15-1954
Mount Tir'em Lodge, No. 132	Wallace H. Elliott	9- 1-1903	1- 2-1955
Asylum Lodge, No. 133	Albert J. Pike	3-14-1905	4- 5-1955
Kenduskeag Lodge, No. 137	George F. Varney	11-16-1904	1-19-1955
Seaside Lodge, No. 144	Louis A. Orne	5-22-1903	5- 5-1954
Seaside Lodge, No. 144	John V. McKown	7-17-1903	4-20-1954
Seaside Lodge, No. 144	Alfred E. Rowe	10- 9-1904	11-19-1954
Seaside Lodge, No. 144	John W. Brackett	4-22-1904	11-19-1954
Sebasticook Lodge, No. 146	George A. Bell	7-21-1904	10-21-1954
Doric Lodge, No. 149	Eugene H. Flint	4- 4-1904	6- 1-1954
Rabboni Lodge, No. 150	Arthur W. Sharp	2-11-1903	6-10-1954
Rabboni Lodge, No. 150	Seldon T. Crafts	2-10-1904	6-10-1954
Rabboni Lodge, No. 150	Jerome A. Turrell	5-18-1904	11-16-1954
Rabboni Lodge, No. 150	Wilbur H. Davis	12-14-1904	12-15-1954
Mystic Tie Lodge, No. 154	Leland E. Williams	4-26-1904	5-19-1954
Parian Lodge, No. 160	Edward B. Holt	7- 2-1904	2- 8-1955
Parian Lodge, No. 160	O. L. Sprague	11-19-1904	1-11-1955
Arion Lodge, No. 162	*Byron L. Hill	2- 6-1905	2-16-1955
Pleasant River Lodge, No. 163	John R. Foulkes	8-24-1903	6-23-1954
Pleasant River Lodge, No. 163	Charles M. Foulkes	5-23-1904	6-23-1954
Pleasant River Lodge, No. 163	Waldo W. Worth	6- 8-1903	6-23-1954
Pleasant River Lodge, No. 163	Samuel H. Cohen	7-25-1904	10-18-1954
Naskeag Lodge, No. 171	Chester A. Smith	12- 9-1903	4- 7-1954
Pine Tree Lodge, No. 172	Henry R. Haynes	5-28-1904	8-21-1954
Baskahegan Lodge, No. 175	Percy Trafton	2-27-1904	4-10-1955

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Ancient Brothers' Lodge, No. 178	Moses Shapiro	7-13-1903	5-24-1954
Ancient Brothers' Lodge, No. 178	Fred L. Sylvester	11- 9-1903	5-24-1954
Hiram Lodge, No. 180	Raymond L. Elliott	5- 3-1904	5-25-1954
Hiram Lodge, No. 180	William D. Broughton	10-18-1904	1- 6-1955
Hiram Lodge, No. 180	Percival H. Mosher	11- 1-1904	1- 6-1955
Deering Lodge, No. 183	John R. M. Giffard	6- 1-1903	5-17-1954
Deering Lodge, No. 183	Carl N. Haskell	12- 7-1903	5-17-1954
Deering Lodge, No. 183	Charles H. Nelson	4-11-1904	5-17-1954
Naval Lodge, No. 184	Alonzo E. Titus	7-27-1904	10-19-1954
Bar Harbor Lodge, No. 185	Clifford F. Came	6- 9-1904	12- 9-1954
Warren Phillips Lodge, No. 186	Ernest W. Jamieson	6-21-1904	6-30-1954
Ira Berry Lodge, No. 187	Forrest B. Snow	4- 3-1905	4-18-1955
Ira Berry Lodge, No. 187	Andrew M. Moor	1-17-1905	4-18-1955
Springvale Lodge, No. 190	Walter H. Clark	3- 1-1904	3- 9-1954
Springvale Lodge, No. 190	Ralph C. Hamilton	3-29-1904	3-10-1954
Springvale Lodge, No. 190	Harry E. Ford	11-22-1904	1-11-1955
Winter Harbor Lodge, No. 192	Colon C. Baker	3-13-1903	5-19-1954
Winter Harbor Lodge, No. 192	Harvey L. Myrick	3-23-1904	3-31-1954
Washburn Lodge, No. 193	Frank C. McIntire	5-21-1898	11-19-1954
Washburn Lodge, No. 193	Milton E. Smith	3-30-1904	9- 3-1954
Washburn Lodge, No. 193	Owen K. Story	4- 2-1904	11-19-1954
Euclid Lodge, No. 194	Bernard Gibbs	8-22-1904	12- 6-1954
Reliance Lodge, No. 195	Thurlo Lane	3- 1-1902	1-17-1954
Aroostook Lodge, No. 197	William B. Burns	1-18-1905	2-14-1955
Columbia Lodge, No. 200	Fred C. N. Parke	5-24-1904	7-24-1954
Columbia Lodge, No. 200	Harry L. Davis	1-30-1904	9- 5-1954
David A. Hooper Lodge, No. 201	Sidney A. Havey	11- 5-1904	2- 8-1955
David A. Hooper Lodge, No. 201	Wolf Lipsky	6 -2-1898	2- 8-1955
David A. Hooper Lodge, No. 201	Fred Havey	4- 7-1900	2- 8-1955
Nollesemic Lodge, No. 205	Fred A. Donley	11-17-1904	11-26-1954
Abner Wade Lodge, No. 207	William A. Burgess	6- 4-1903	4-19-1955
Northeast Harbor Lodge, No. 208	Chester A. Maddocks	1-24-1904	2-26-1954
Northeast Harbor Lodge, No. 208	Frank R. Ober	7-19-1904	7-19-1954
Northeast Harbor Lodge, No. 208	George E. Turner	1-10-1903	4- 5-1955
Fort Kent Lodge, No. 209	*George H. Page	10-13-1904	11- 5-1954

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Fort Kent Lodge, No. 209	Harry E. Hasey	1-14-1905	1-26-1955
Orchard Lodge, No. 215	*Howard N. Robinson	4-18-1904	5-25-1954
Orchard Lodge, No. 215	*Thomas Fegler	2-26-1903	6-25-1954
Corner Stone Lodge, No. 216	Silas S. Lemont	3-17-1904	4- 1-1955

The report was referred to the Committee on Doings of Grand Officers.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

R. W. Bro. MERTON E. LEECH, for the Committee on Unfinished Business, reported that the only legislation pending was the proposal received last year to amend Section 85 of the Constitution to raise the per capita tax, which was referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution.

FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE.

M. W. Bro. RALPH J. POLLARD, for the Committee on Foreign Correspondence reported that the reviews of other Grand Lodges were in print and in the hands of the Brethren, and it was voted that it be printed as an appendix to the Proceedings.

He also presented the following Supplementary Report which was accepted and the recommendation adopted:

IN GRAND LODGE,
May 3, 1955.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maine:

(1) A renewed application for recognition has been received from the Grand Lodge of Vienna for Austria. This body has been under consideration by your Committee for several years. There is no doubt as to its regularity, and it is recognized by the United Grand Lodge of England, the Grand Lodge of Ireland, and the Grand Lodge of Scotland. However, political conditions in Austria are far from favorable. Due to Russia's refusal to negotiate a peace treaty, Austria is still a conquered, occupied and divided country, with some of its fairest provinces under Russian control. Of course, Freemasonry is prohibited in the Russian Zone. Even in the West, strong anti-Masonic elements exist. The future of Freemasonry in Austria is far from bright.

Nevertheless, the little Grand Lodge of Vienna for Austria, which suffered persecution and suppression under Hitler, has staged a remarkable come-back since the war, has overcome many obstacles, and has won the renewed endorsement of the British Grand Lodges. Whatever the future holds, it is now functioning in a satisfactory manner. Accordingly, it is recommended that fraternal recognition be extended, and that an exchange of Grand Representatives be arranged.

(2) During the past year, this Committee has given careful and sympathetic consideration to several other applications, upon which we had hoped to make favorable recommendations at this communication. Unfortunately, this hope has not been realized. In some cases, expected recognition by the United Grand Lodge of England has failed to materialize, while in others local developments have made delay advisable. Accordingly, we must recommend that these applications be left in the hands of this Committee, pending further developments.

Fraternally submitted,

RALPH J. POLLARD,	} Committee.
CHARLES E. CROSSLAND,	
JOHN M. LITTLEFIELD,	

GRAND LECTURER.

R.W. Bro. RAYMOND M. RIDEOUT, Grand Lecturer, presented his report as follows:

MASONIC TEMPLE,
PORTLAND, ME., May 4, 1955.

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Master and Brethren of the Most Worshipful
Grand Lodge of Maine:*

I herewith submit my report as Grand Lecturer and relate to the members of this Grand Lodge, some of the efforts made to transmit a more nearly correct knowledge of the ritual among the officers and members, of our many lodges of this Grand Jurisdiction during the Masonic Year last passed.

One of the truly great Masonic Scholars of our time, and perhaps of all time, Brother Carl H. Claudy, has written this about the Masonic Ritual:

"Truth may be taught without ritual, but truth taught by ritual is always taught as the original teachers desired and makes a lasting impression upon the mind of the learner."

"A ritual which becomes sacrosanct in human belief tends to stabilize truth and keep it uncontaminated by 'modern' ideas. Many a man has thought that he could 'improve' the ritual of Freemasonry. None has succeeded in making better that which was already 'best,' since its

content was and is living, breathing, sentient truth, conveyed in words, actions, and symbols which by their very antiquity prove that they are 'best' for the purpose."

I wholeheartedly agree with our most distinguished Brother as well as with my own honored predecessors, who have always taught and continually emphasized a rigid adherence to the ritual and ancient ceremonies of the Craft, together with unyielding resistance to any innovations, however slight; and I can only state that my efforts during the past year have been in accordance with those convictions.

In accordance with the wish of the Most Worshipful Grand Master, a school of instruction was scheduled for, and held in, each of the twenty-four Masonic Districts of Maine. In a still further effort to stimulate interest, many of the schools were planned to be held in certain of the smaller lodges, in out of the way locations, some of which had not been host to a school for many years, if ever. We were seeking a greater response and attendance from the less active lodges and were successful to a marked degree in our plans.

TABULATION OF SCHOOLS.

We list the following registration of the twenty-four schools:

District	Location	Registration
1.....	Limestone.....	69
2.....	Pembroke.....	32
3.....	Cutler.....	33
4.....	Brooklin.....	31
5.....	Milo.....	60
6.....	Orono.....	67
7.....	Rockport.....	39
8.....	Stockton Springs.....	32
9.....	Rockland (Aurora).....	58
10.....	South Bristol.....	18
11.....	Weeks Mills.....	80
12.....	Oakland.....	52
13.....	Bingham.....	35
14.....	Richmond.....	58
15.....	Strong.....	63
16.....	Fryeburg.....	37
17.....	Portland (Deering).....	83
18.....	Goodwin's Mills.....	38
19.....	South Berwick.....	67
20.....	Rumford.....	38
21.....	Ellsworth.....	25
22.....	Hartland.....	30
23.....	Auburn (Tranquil).....	50
24.....	Sherman Mills.....	42
Total.....		1,137

The tabulation shows that the total attendance for the twenty-four schools was 1,137 Brethren, which seems to be the second highest figure on record. This is the fifth successive year that the registration has exceeded 1,000.

The largest school was held at Deering Lodge in Portland with 83 members present, including 8 Masters, 18 Wardens, 12 Deacons, 19 other officers and 26 Brethren, representing 14 lodges. Our smallest school was held at South Bristol with but 18 present, representing 3 lodges. The second largest school was held in a small country lodge in Weeks Mills, Dirigo, No. 104, with 80 officers and brethren present. This attendance was most unusual, because the lodge is situated on the far end of the 11th Masonic District, not on a main road, and somewhat difficult for even members of this district to reach. The remarkable feature of this school was that 11 Masters, 14 Wardens, 13 Deacons, 26 other officers and 15 brethren were present, including a visitor from Omaha, Nebraska. How did this all come about? Well, this is the home lodge of P. S. G. W. George R. Caswell, and up to this year, Dirigo Lodge had never been honored by being host to a school of instruction, because of their geographical position, before referred to. Knowing George over the many years, the Deputy and I agreed to hold the school at Dirigo Lodge, when he said that he would see that we had a worthwhile attendance, and we did. Out of it all came a real idea that I believe will help all schools in the future. George, with the assistance of the Secretary, made up individual post cards and mailed them out to every officer of every lodge in the district, to his home, one week before the school, reminding him of the date and place, and inviting him to be present. The idea really worked.

One of the weaknesses of our system of holding schools, seems to be that general letters are sent out to the lodges early in the year, around late August or early September, listing all the schools. They are presumably read at the first stated communication, when there is usually a small attendance, and that is about the last of that notice. As a consequence, the date or location of the school is forgotten. The District Deputy tries to overcome this weakness by contacting all the lodges, and many of the officers personally, but still I hear reports that this officer or that one would have attended, if the date had not slipped his mind. Well, that is just the information that the little postcard supplies, and it is a potent reminder.

District Deputy Roland Cornish, of the 14th District, using about the same method, brought 58 out to a school in Richmond, again located on the far end of his district, which again demonstrated the soundness and value of the idea. It is my strong belief that if this system of notification is used in the future, the registration will increase, and the system will be of assistance to both the Deputies and officers of every district.

The following table presents some interesting information regarding the registration of the schools by districts:

SUMMARY OF REGISTRATION BY DISTRICTS.

District	No. Lodges	No. Registered	
1	9	9	100
2	5	5	100
3	7	6	87 plus
4	8	8	100
5	9	9	100
6	11	11	100
7	9	7	87 plus
8	7	6	87 plus
9	8	7	77 plus
10	7	3	44 plus
11	11	10	90 plus
12	9	8	87 plus
13	7	7	100
14	8	7	87 plus
15	10	8	80
16	12	11	91 plus
17	12	12	100
18	10	9	90
19	10	10	100
20	5	5	100
21	10	4	40
22	7	7	100
23	8	8	100
24	8	7	87 plus
Totals	207	184	88 plus

It is a pleasure to record that 11 districts had 100% attendance of their lodges, and eight only lacked one lodge more, to have 100%. Of the constituent lodges: two had 11 officers present at the schools, Limestone, No. 214, and Davis, No. 191. Ten officers were present from three lodges, St. Paul's, No. 82, Aurora, No. 50, and Bingham, No. 199. Nine officers were present from six lodges, namely, Mechanics, No. 66, Bethlehem, No. 35, Augusta, No. 141, Naval, No. 184, Blazing Star, No. 30 and Tranquil No. 29. Twelve more lodges had eight officers registered at the schools, which reflects their interest in the Order.

As shown by the report above, 184 of the 207 lodges were represented at ten of the schools. Fourteen of the eighteen lodges, who were not registered at any school last year, were present this year, leaving only four lodges with a two year or more, absentee record. They are as follows:

Moses Webster, No. 145

Kemankeag, No. 213

Asylum, No. 133

Day Spring, No. 107

In addition, there were nineteen other lodges which were not registered at any school this year, as follows:

Tuscan, No. 106	Dresden, No. 103	Rising Sun, No. 71
Quantabacook, No. 129	Central, No. 45	Mt. Desert, No. 140
Phoenix, No. 24	Ancient York, No. 155	Winter Harbor, No.
Meduncook, No. 211	Mystic Tie, No. 154	192
Lincoln, No. 3	Granite, No. 182	N. E. Harbor, No. 208
Alna, No. 43	Felicity, No. 19	McKinley, No. 212
Bristol, No. 74		Horeb, No. 93

GENERAL SUMMARY.

Total Registration.....	1,137
Number of Lodges represented.....	184
Percentage of total Lodges.....	89 plus
Number of Lodges not represented.....	23
Percentage of total Lodges.....	10 plus
Largest attendance Portland (Deering Lodge).....	83
Smallest attendance South Bristol.....	18
Number of Districts having 100% attendance of Lodges, Districts Number 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 13, 17, 19, 20, 22, 23.....	
Brethren attending School for the first time.....	360
Brethren in possession of New Official Cypher.....	748
Number of Masters in attendance.....	134
Percentage of total.....	69.56%
Number of Senior Wardens in attendance.....	119
Percentage of total.....	57.48%
Number of Junior Wardens in attendance.....	89
Percentage of total.....	42.51%
Number of Deacons in attendance.....	145
Percentage of total.....	35.02%
Other officers in attendance.....	268
Visitors outside our Jurisdiction.....	19

Of the above registrants, 755 were officers of their respective lodges.

COMPARATIVE DATA FOR THE PAST FIVE YEARS.

Year	No. of Schools	No. Lodges Represented	Total Registration	Average per School
1950	19	175	1105	58
1951	19	178	1007	53
1952	21	184	1059	50
1953	29	189	1424	49
1954	24	184	1137	47

As in some previous years, the Masters, Wardens and Deacons registered at the schools accounted for over 42% of the total attendance. Approximately 65% of the total registered as having the new Official

Cypher, and about 31% were attending school for the first time. I am somewhat concerned about a relatively small but important group of Masters, Wardens and Deacons, who are still endeavoring to use the older Cypher. While corrections can be and are made in the older books, their continued use make the proper presentation of the ritual that much more difficult for any officer, and I urge their replacement as soon as possible.

It has been an honor to welcome our Most Worshipful Grand Master to four of the schools this year, in spite of his own crowded and busy schedule. His presence and the Masonic information that he left with us, in a short talk at the closing of the schools, were an inspiration to all. In addition, 17 Grand Officers were present, 3 Past Grand Masters, 8 Past Senior Grand Wardens, and 9 Past Junior Grand Wardens. Every District Deputy Grand Master was present at his own school with some attending other schools, while we enjoyed the presence of 24 Past District Deputy Grand Masters.

APPROVALS.

During the year, there have been very few requests for approval of charges and dialogues. I found it impossible to approve all those requested, as I believe that none should be approved that in any way constitute any innovation. In all instances where any were approved, it was only with the stipulation that they should be used only after the regular charge had been given, and then only on special occasions.

SPECIAL APPROVALS.

On August 2, 1954, an Order of the Grand Master, on behalf of the Special Committee on Masonic Education, stipulated that no so-called degree team (not regular lodge officers) could perform ritualistic work without first having been inspected and approved by the Grand Lecturer. Later, because of the difficulties of inspection, this order was modified to the point where, if the individuals in charge of the degree teams signed an agreement to conform strictly both to the letter and spirit of the Order, approval could be granted to exemplify the degrees, with the understanding that approval could be and would be withdrawn, in case of any breach of the agreement. The system has worked out satisfactorily, because the degree teams were in accord with the reason for the Order and have maintained their part of the agreement. Approval has been extended to nine so-called degree teams, although one has voluntarily relinquished their approval, because they were unable to maintain their own high standards, due to the great distances that their members had to travel to get together for rehearsals. We feel that this part of the order has been carried out in accordance with the terms of the order, and to the best interests of all concerned. This special order of the Grand Master and the Special Committee on Masonic Education was discussed fully at the various schools of instruction, and found complete response from most of the brethren. Since the schools have been held, it is believed that the great majority of the lodges, if not all, have co-operated fully and completely.

DISTRICT DEPUTY SCHOOLS.

As has been the custom in recent years, two schools for the District Deputy Grand Masters were held during the summer, in Portland and Bangor. Most of the time at these schools was devoted to responsibilities, plans and general information with some time devoted to discussion and questions relating to ritual. These schools have a very definite value, especially to the newly-made deputies, and also to the Grand Master and Lecturer, as they afford an opportunity to discuss and outline their official duties, and coordinate all the activities of this group for the best interests of the Order.

CONCLUSION.

It is a real and distinct pleasure for me to be able to express my sincere appreciation of all who have contributed so much to the success of our schools of instruction. Many of our officers and members have shown their interest and devotion to our great Order by their outstanding fraternal spirit and helpfulness in ways that I shall never forget.

I am constantly amazed and delighted at the interest shown by the many brethren, in all lodges, both large and small, all through the Grand Jurisdiction. If I have been able to bring anything of value to them, I am sincerely grateful, for they, by their words, deeds and actions, have taught me a great deal about the real meaning of fraternalism, and for that, I shall always be indebted to them.

I should have liked to participate in the many programs to which I was so kindly invited, but my own busy schedule did not permit me that luxury, with but few exceptions. My sincere thanks to all for your many kind invitations, and perhaps at some future time, I may be able to visit with you, and I shall look forward to it.

The co-operation of the R. W. Grand Secretary, his office, several of the Past Grand Lecturers, all the District Deputy Grand Masters, as well as the members and officers of the host lodges has been especially fine, and I want to thank them all sincerely.

I am particularly grateful to our Most Worshipful Grand Master for his co-operation, suggestions and complete understanding, and for the privilege of being given the opportunity of serving my brethren and the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maine.

Respectfully submitted,

RAYMOND M. RIDEOUT,
Grand Lecturer.

The report was accepted and referred to the Committee on Doings of Grand Officers.

BROTHERHOOD LODGE, U. D.

The M. W. Grand Master read the petition for a charter from Brotherhood Lodge, U. D., which was referred to the Committee on Dispensations and Charters.

MASONIC SERVICE ASSOCIATION

It was voted that the contribution to the Masonic Service Association for the hospital visitation program be increased from \$2,500.00 to \$3,500 and that we pay \$3,500.00 to this Association for this purpose.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON MASONIC EDUCATION.

M. W. Bro. RALPH J. POLLARD, for the Special Committee on Masonic Education presented the following report which was accepted and it was voted that the program as outlined, be continued.

IN GRAND LODGE,
May 3, 1955.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maine:

The Special Committee on Masonic Education has completed its assignment and submits the following report:

(1) The first duty of this Committee was to survey the educational needs and existing educational facilities in this Jurisdiction. In making this survey, the Committee realized that the broad subject of Masonic education naturally divided itself into two distinct phases—ritualistic instruction and non-ritualistic instruction. With the first of these phases, that of ritualistic instruction, this Committee had no proper concern. The traditional Maine system of ritualistic education is adequate and efficient, and leaves nothing to be desired. Our only recommendation in this field was that due care be taken to preserve dignity and decorum at all times, and to eliminate all levity, horse-play and excessive roughness from the work. We did make two specific suggestions; first, that all so-called traveling degree teams be brought under the supervision and control of the Grand Lecturer, and, second, that each Worshipful Master be requested to read a prepared statement of Grand Lodge policy just before the conferring of the second section of each third degree. The Most Worshipful Grand Master was graciously pleased to approve these suggestions, and issued his orders putting them into effect.

(2) The remaining field of non-ritualistic education also seemed to present two distinct problems, the bringing of Masonic education to the general membership and the proper Masonic education of the candidate. Our survey showed that an adequate machinery for the bringing of Masonic light to the general membership already existed in this Jurisdiction, the only problem being to make efficient use of that machinery. The custom of holding district conventions, at which educational programs are presented, is well established in Maine. Educational programs are frequently presented in individual lodges. The Grand Lodge has maintained a Speakers' Bureau since 1924. A circulating library service has been available to the Craft for many years. The publication of the "*Occasional Bulletin*" furnishes a medium for the dissemination of Masonic Instruction by means of the printed word. All lodges also receive the educational material published by the M. S. A.

Accordingly, the Committee made the following recommendations:

(a) That each District Deputy Grand Master hold at least one district meeting in the course of the year, at which programs of educational value will be presented.

(b) That each District Deputy encourage the Masters of his several lodges to hold educational programs in their lodges on appropriate occasions.

(c) That the Grand Lodge Speakers' Bureau be reorganized and enlarged.

(d) That a new list of books in the Grand Lodge Library be furnished to the lodges.

(e) That publication of the "*Occasional Bulletin*" be continued at the discretion of the Grand Master and Librarian.

These recommendations were approved by the Grand Master. District meeting have been held throughout the State. Educational programs have been presented in numerous lodges. A complete catalogue of the Grand Lodge Library has been published. The Speakers' Bureau has been reorganized, and a list of forty-four available speakers has been furnished to the lodges, also showing the subjects upon which each speaker is prepared to talk.

(3) In the field of candidate education, this Committee found its greatest opportunity for service and the real reason for its appointment. The need for a more adequate program of candidate instruction, had long been felt, but, until this Committee was appointed, nothing concrete along this line had ever been attempted. It was, therefore, the duty of this Committee to evolve a program of candidate education suited to the needs of this Jurisdiction, and to put this program into successful operation. Before attempting to prepare a Maine program, the Committee made a careful study of programs already in use in other Jurisdictions, such as Indiana, Iowa and Massachusetts. From this study, much valuable information was obtained. The Committee then proceeded to formulate

a distinctive Maine program, which combines some of the best features of other programs with certain features peculiar to itself.

Our program is built around a series of four educational booklets, one of which is presented to the candidate prior to his initiation, while the others are presented in order immediately after his reception of each degree. At the request of the Grand Master and the other Committee Members, these booklets were written by the Committee Chairman, who is very happy to have had this opportunity for further service to the Craft. In them, he has endeavored to furnish the candidate with essential information as to the nature, principles and history of the Fraternity, the historical background and principal teachings of each degree, the privileges, duties and responsibilities of lodge membership, the ethics of the ballot box, the organization, powers and functions of the Grand Lodge, the right of visitation, the elements of Masonic law and discipline, and other matters of practical interest and value. Every effort has been made to present the largest possible amount of information in the fewest possible words, and to keep the booklets brief, clear and concise. After careful editing by the full Committee, and after receiving the approval of the Most Worshipful Grand Master, an initial edition of 6,000 sets of booklets was printed.

The principal features of the Maine program are as follows:

(a) Each District Deputy Grand Master also acts as Director of Masonic Education in his district. He instructs the several lodges in the workings of the program, furnishes them with suitable quantities of Grand Lodge publications, assists them with advice, supervises their activities under the plan, and reports to the Grand Master on the effectiveness of the program in his district.

(b) In each lodge, the Worshipful Master appoints one or more qualified brethren to act as Instructors. These brethren are responsible that the program is carried out in their lodge. They make personal contact with the candidate prior to his initiation, and maintain this contact until the candidate has completed his course of instruction. At the proper time, they present the candidate with the appropriate Grand Lodge booklets, make sure that these are read and understood, explain them when necessary, and answer all questions that may arise in the mind of the candidate.

Along with the fourth and final booklet, they present the candidate with a list of books which are especially recommended for his reading, and explain how he can avail himself of the service rendered by the Grand Lodge Library. The Committee realizes that these Instructors are the keymen in the whole program, upon whose efficiency and enthusiasm the success of the plan very largely depends. To assist them in their work, the Committee has published an additional booklet, entitled "*A Guide for Instructors.*"

(c) To insure that right Masonic habits are formed, our plan of candidate instruction does not stop with the reception of the third degree, but carries on through the vital first year of membership. It

is urged that each Master appoint some interested brother who is himself a regular attendant at lodge meetings to act as the Masonic "elder brother" of the newly made Mason. This may well be the brother who signed the candidate's application, a near neighbor, or a fellow-employee or business associate. This brother will see that the new member is reminded of all meetings, encouraged to attend, furnished with transportation when necessary, made to feel at home in lodge, and instructed in the little niceties of Masonic etiquette and lodge room deportment. He will also encourage the new member to attend district meetings, to visit neighboring lodges, and, in general, to get the most out of his Masonic membership.

(4) Without consulting the Committee Chairman, the Grand Master and other members of the Committee designated our Maine program of candidate instruction as "The Pollard Plan." While undeserved, this honor is greatly appreciated. By order of the Grand Master, the plan went into operation on November 1, 1954, since which time all candidates have been processed under the plan. Reports from District Deputy Grand Masters, Masters and Secretaries of Lodges, and other interested brethren throughout the State indicate that the plan has been very well received by the lodges, and that the initial reaction thereto has been most favorable. One District Deputy reports that officers and members in his district have come to him and said that the plan is the best thing that the Grand Lodge has ever put out. Another regards the plan as a great step forward in Masonic education. Still another writes that the officers in his district feel that something along this line should have been done long ago. One Deputy feels that the plan is not only making better Masons of the candidates, but is also stirring up interest among the older members and actually increasing lodge attendance. One lodge Secretary reports that the booklets are being read in open lodge, for the benefit of all present. In many lodges, the booklets are being widely read by older members. Some lodges have ordered an extra supply of the booklets in order to make them available to all members. Candidate reaction to the plan is very gratifying. The first booklet and the personal contacts with the Instructor appear to be particularly appreciated. Quite a few candidates have gone out of their way to tell the Chairman of this Committee how much they liked the booklets. Of course, the success of the plan varies according to the enthusiasm and efficiency of the Lodge Instructors. In some districts, local conditions make it difficult to get the "elder brother" phase of the program working. Elsewhere, this feature is operating successfully and is actually increasing lodge attendance. Without exception, all officers making reports to this Committee feel that the program should be continued.

The only adverse comment comes from a few brethren who are opposed to giving any information whatever to the candidate prior to his initiation. These brethren object to the use of Booklet Number One. Your Committee cannot regard this as a reasonable objection. The brethren making it apparently fail to differentiate between that which is secret and that

which is not. They are certainly out of touch with current Masonic thought on this question. Such pre-initiatory instruction is an essential feature of every system of candidate education studied by this Committee, and we regard it as one of the most important portions of our own program. Our Booklet Number One contains nothing that the candidates does not have a perfect right to know, nothing that is in any way secret, nothing that has not been printed a thousand times, and nothing that is not common knowledge to all well-informed profanes.

(5) Of course, this program has not been in operation long enough to demonstrate its value. Several years must elapse before any honest evaluation of results can be made. Undoubtedly, experience will suggest improvements, both in the subject matter and in the administration of the program. Accordingly, if it be the will and pleasure of the Grand Master, we recommend that this Committee be continued, for the purpose of observing the program at work, studying its operation, receiving suggestions from the field, and considering possible methods of improving the efficiency of the program.

(6) This report would be incomplete without an acknowledgment by this Committee of its indebtedness to our Most Worshipful Grand Master for his unfailing encouragement, co-operation and support. Certain phases of our work placed a heavy burden upon his office, and the successful accomplishment of our mission was largely due to his energy and enthusiasm.

Fraternaly submitted,

RALPH J. POLLARD.
ERVIN E. J. LANDER,
WILLIAM A. LEVANSALOR,
LEWIS T. BROWN,

} Committee.

STANDING REGULATION NO. 54.

It was proposed that Standing Regulation 54 be amended by adding the following sentence:

"No Master Mason raised in any lodge in this State shall sign the By-laws, become a member of the lodge or receive his diploma until he has complied with this Standing Regulation."

and it was Referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution.

DRUMMOND MEDAL.

The Grand Master caused M. W. Bro. CARL H. CLAUDY to be presented to the East and presented him with a Josiah Hayden Drummond Distinguished

Service Medal. M. W. Bro. CLAUDY responded as follows:

Most Worshipful Sir and My Brethren of Maine:

From the feeling in my stomach I know you would rather eat than listen to me, but you must listen just long enough for me to say that I believe in this Grand Lodge, at this time, I have received the largest payment of Masonic wages ever to come to me in all my years in Masonry. No man can overevaluate the service of Josiah Hayden Drummond to Masonry. He is in a class with Albert G. Mackey and Albert Pike. Josiah Hayden Drummond does not belong to Maine any more, any more than Washington belongs to Virginia or Lincoln to Illinois. Josiah Hayden Drummond belongs to the Masonic world. So does Mackey. So does Pike.

To be able to wear this medal on my breast is a matter of great honor to me, and I receive the kind words accompanying this medal with the greatest of appreciation, and you have my complete gratitude.

(The Communication thereupon sang "Faith of Our Fathers.")

(At 12.45 P. M. the Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment until 2.00 P. M., Tuesday, May 3, 1955).

FIRST DAY — AFTERNOON.

2.00 P. M., TUESDAY, May 3, 1955.

The Grand Lodge was called from refreshment to labor at 2.00 o'clock with the same Grand Officers as at the morning session.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

M. W. Bro. CARROLL W. KEENE, for the Committee on Finance, presented the following report which was accepted and the recommendation adopted:

MASONIC TEMPLE,
PORTLAND, ME., May 3, 1955.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maine:

Your Committee on Finance submit the following report:

The reports of the Grand Treasurer as to receipts and disbursements of the several Grand Lodge funds have been checked, and we find the same in accord with the Auditor's report.

We have examined the reports of the Recording Grand Secretary and find the same properly kept.

The bank books and securities in the hands of the Grand Treasurer have been examined and checked by the Grand Master, the Auditor, and a member of the Finance Committee and report the same properly accounted for.

We recommend that the reports of the Grand Treasurer and the Auditor be accepted and spread upon the records of this annual communication.

Fraternally submitted,

CARROLL W. KEENE,	} Finance Committee.
HORACE M. BUDD,	

ORDER OF DEMOLAY

R. W. Bro. AUBREY L. BURBANK, for the Special Committee on Sponsoring the International Order of DeMolay, presented the following report which was accepted and the Section relative to the proposed Standing Regulation was referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maine:

Your Special Committee appointed by the Most Worshipful Grand Master to consider the matter of Grand and Constituent Lodge participation in the encouragement and endorsement of youth activities within this Grand Jurisdiction begs leave to submit the following report.

The first thought which comes to our minds in the consideration of this matter is the question: "What has Masonry to do with youth activities? Are we not an adult institution?—Need I answer that question? Masonry has an obligation to humanity, by creating in the heart of man a desire to do good, to build character, to promote the general good of society, to inculcate universal benevolence and to inspire men in the principles of the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of man. Where could such influence be of greater value than in the training of youth. Most Worshipful Brother Joseph Earl Perry, Past Grand Master of Massachusetts saw the need of such influence several years ago. I quote from his address before that Grand Lodge at its Quarterly Communication in March, 1940: "The endless stream of life enters maturity through the portals of youth. May there always be Masons standing at those portals to welcome and guide and inspire the boys and girls who constitute that everflowing stream." One of the pioneers in Masonic youth movements is the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan which established, shortly after World War II, a ' Grand Master's Committee on Freemasonry

and Youth,' its motto being, "The Hope of Tomorrow is the Youth of Today." The continuance and expanded activity of this movement through the years since its inception is proof of its success, and its benefits, both to Freemasonry and youth, are beyond measure.

The most obvious approach to the consideration of Masonic participation in Youth Activities is, of course, through the already established International Order of DeMolay, an organization dedicated to youth, which, while not connected to Masonry is, nonetheless, closely related to our institution in that its Chapters are sponsored by Masonic Organizations or individual groups of Masons.

There now exist within this State, eleven DeMolay Chapters sponsored by various York and Scottish Rite bodies and Masonic Clubs, with a total membership of over seven hundred youths. All existing Chapters are or will be, self-supporting. The sponsoring bodies sometimes contribute funds in the initial establishment of such Chapters, but it is their intention to be self-supporting once established.

A study of Youth Activities in other jurisdictions reveals that the Grand Lodge of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations has been a pioneer in this field, establishing an advisory board in 1951 whose subsequent report and recommendation brought about the unanimous adoption of a resolution providing for a "Grand Lodge Masonic Youth Foundation," financed through an assessment upon its members, the program to be on trial basis for a period of two years. The worth of this project was substantiated in 1953 by the employment of a salaried, trained Director of Youth Activities, and in 1954 by the unanimous adoption of a resolution providing for the continuance of that program. Its activities thus far have been largely, if not entirely, devoted to DeMolay, consisting of a physical, recreational and educational program. Several athletic tournaments have been held in which Chapters from all over New England have participated, including William Whipple Chapter of Kittery and Bangor Chapter of Bangor. One of the most attractive programs at present is that of Vocational Guidance.

Several other jurisdictions have followed the lead of the Grand Lodge of Rhode Island, and have benefitted by the experience of this pioneer body.

On March 10, 1954, the Grand Master of Massachusetts, Most Worshipful Brother Whitfield W. Johnson, ruled, in effect, that while in accordance with previous rulings Constituent Lodges may not use funds for the support of non-masonic bodies, the sponsoring of DeMolay may be considered a proper masonic purpose and thereby Constituent Lodges may become sponsoring bodies of such Chapters, and the expenditure of such funds as Lodges may wish to appropriate for such purpose is entirely proper, (incorporating in his ruling provision for proper procedure in such action).

Certain statistics concerning DeMolay in this country are pertinent in your consideration of this matter.

Statistics show that there have been in excess of 2,000,000 members in DeMolay in the past 36 years, the present membership being over 115,000 in about 1,800 Chapters. Over 50% of these Chapters are sponsored by Masonic Lodges. It is estimated that there are approximately 20,000 Masons enlisted in DeMolay activities in one capacity or another.

What bearing has the boys' DeMolay experience had on Masonry?

At least 15 are present or past Grand Masters.

Over 16% have become Masons (some Chapters boast 30%).

Over 3,500 have become Masters of Lodges.

Nearly 7½% of all Masons on the Continent of America were DeMolays in their youth.

About 4,000 are present officers of Lodges.

Around 8,000 DeMolays are reaching the age of 21 each year (potential Masons).

Time and space does not permit a State by State listing of the ratio of DeMolays to Masons, but to take the figures at their extremes would indicate that where Grand Lodges sponsor or encourage DeMolay, the ratio runs from 1 DeMolay to every 8.85 Masons up to 1 to every 91.8 whereas in jurisdictions which do not sponsor or encourage, the ratio runs from 1 to every 14.4 up to 1 to every 191.

Thirty Grand Lodges now sponsor or permit and encourage subordinate lodges to sponsor.

The Grand Lodge of Arizona recently appropriated \$6,000.00 to promote DeMolay.

As indicated earlier, in considering youth activities our thoughts naturally turn to DeMolay, but it need not end there. There is an unlimited opportunity for Masonry to play an important part in the future of this country and the world by helping to shape the character and mind of our youth.

In concluding this report, I would like to lift a sentence from the Proceedings of this Grand Lodge as of 1820, at which time Brother Nathaniel Coffin (who was later to become Grand Master) reporting on the reasons which led to the form of our Grand Lodge Seal—and I quote that part concerning the pillars at the base of that seal—as he said: "And as the whole rests upon pillars having their foundation in the Grand Lodge, the device reminds us that the State and the Fraternity should always find a steady support in the patriotic and benevolent principles for which this great institution stands." As a start in that direction, I therefore propose the following as Standing Regulation No. 77:

Resolved, That any lodge under the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge may become a sponsoring body for a Chapter of the International Order of DeMolay, and that the appropriation and expenditure of such lodge funds as may be expedient in such sponsorship may be deemed a proper Masonic purpose.

Provided however, that no action shall be had in any lodge upon a proposal to become a sponsoring body of such a Chapter, or to use or appropriate funds for such sponsorship until the proposal has been before the Lodge one month.

AUBREY L. BURBANK,
Committee.

It was voted, that the report of the Committee be accepted and that that section having to do with a Proposed Standing Regulation be referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution to be reported on later in this session.

CREDENTIALS.

W. Bro. GEORGE P. JACKSON, for the Committee on Credentials, presented the final report, which was accepted.

There are present and entitled to vote 42 Permanent Members; 43 Grand Lodge Officers; 193 Lodges represented, three votes, 579; making a total of 664 votes.

GEORGE P. JACKSON,
WILSON C. BLAKE,
JOHN VACCA.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

M. W. Bro. EDWARD W. WHEELER was requested to assume the East and preside over the election of officers. He appointed the following committees to receive, sort and count votes:

1. MERTON E. LEECH, GEORGE W. HASKELL and EDWARD H. BRITTON.
2. HARRY S. GRINDALL, WILLIAM S. LEVENSALOR, and LEWIS T. BROWN.

They reported the choice of

PAUL L. POWERS,	M. W. Grand Master,	Freeport
AUBREY L. BURBANK,	R. W. Deputy Grand Master,	Waterville
ROYAL L. CLEAVES,	" Senior Grand Warden,	Winthrop
HAROLD W. BLAISDELL,	" Junior Grand Warden,	Dexter
H. NORTON MAXFIELD,	" Grand Treasurer,	Portland
CONVERS E. LEACH,	" Grand Secretary,	Portland

Trustees of the Charity Fund for three years: EDWARD W. WHEELER, and DAVID L. WILSON.

Committee on Finance: DAVID F. DREW.

Grand Master POWERS resumed the East and thanked Brother WHEELER and the tellers for their services.

DOINGS OF GRAND OFFICERS.

M. W. Bro. CLARK D. CHAPMAN, for the Committee on Doings of Grand Officers, presented the following report which was accepted and the recommendations were adopted:

IN GRAND LODGE,
May 3, 1955.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maine:

Your Committee on Doings of Grand Officers has carefully considered the address of our Grand Master and all other reports which have been presented to it.

We know that all will join with your committee in expressing the appreciation of Grand Lodge to our Grand Master for his diligence and faithfulness in discharging the many duties of his office. He has indeed had a busy year. We are gratified that he has been able to make many visitations both within and without this Grand Jurisdiction and congratulate him upon the honors that have been conferred upon him.

We recommend that the portion of the Grand Master's address in which he discusses the condition of the Fraternity, and the entire reports of the Deputy Grand Master, Grand Wardens, District Deputy Grand Masters and Grand Lecturer be referred to the Committee on the Condition of the Fraternity.

We recommend that the following proposals and recommendations of the Grand Master be referred to the Committee on Finance:

1. Recommended increase for contribution to Masonic Service Association for the Hospital Visitation Fund.
2. Contribution to the George Washington National Masonic Memorial Association for the building fund of the Association in addition to the endowment fund.
3. Appropriation for Masonic education.
4. Further appropriation for the classifying and indexing of the important material that is available in the Grand Lodge Library.

We recommend that the following matters be referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution:

1. Proposed adoption of a standing regulation that a constituent lodge of this Grand Jurisdiction may become a sponsoring body for a Chapter of the International Order of DeMolay.
2. Proposed amendment to Standing Regulation No. 55 to provide for suitable lapel buttons for those entitled to wear our Masonic Veterans' Medal.

3. Proposed amendment to Standing Regulation No. 54 and pertinent constitutional provisions to require each newly raised Master Mason to pass an examination in open lodge on the Master Mason Degree before becoming a member of the lodge.

4. Proposed amendment to Section 117 of the Constitution concerning members whose whereabouts are unknown.

5. Proposed amendment to Section 92 of the Constitution concerning jurisdiction over military men.

6. Proposed amendment to Section 59 of the Constitution concerning time and place for meetings of Trustees of the Charitable Foundation.

7. Proposed amendment to the Constitution to provide for the automatic suspension of members for non-payment of dues.

We recommend that the following recommendations of the Grand Master be referred to Grand Lodge:

1. Continuance of Masonic blood bank.

2. Appointment of special committee to survey the situation and purchase necessary equipment for the Grand Lodge office.

3. Revision, annotation and reprinting of Grand Lodge Constitution and Standing Regulations.

4. Proposed Simon Greenleaf medal.

5. Proposed change in Masonic funeral service.

We recommend that the sections of the address entitled "Dispensations" and "Decisions and Orders" be referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

We also recommend that the section of the address under the title "Brotherhood Lodge, U. D." be referred to the Committee on Dispensations and Charters.

The Constitution of this Grand Lodge provides that the Committee on Doings of Grand Officers shall have referred to it addresses and reports of the Grand Officers and shall refer all matters contained therein to the committees especially charged with the particular duties under this Constitution and the Regulations of the Grand Lodge. In making the foregoing recommendations, it is not the intention of your committee to express any opinion upon the merits of any of the referred recommendations. We have, however, many proposals before us this year. Some may involve substantial changes in existing law and practices in this Grand Jurisdiction. We urge that you remember that Freemasonry has constantly advanced in a very gradual process of evolution during the ages. Let us approach the business of this Annual Communication in the spirit of Freemasonry and mindful that its welfare must be our first consideration.

Fraternally submitted,

CLARK D. CHAPMAN,
GEORGE F. GIDDINGS,

} Committee on
Doings of
Grand Officers.

HISTORY.

R. W. Bro. GEORGE R. CASWELL, for the Committee on History of Masonry in Maine, reported as follows:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maine:

Your Committee on History of Masonry in Maine takes pleasure in reporting the greatest progress ever made in writing Lodge History. One year ago eighteen Lodges had their History written up-to-date. During the past year forty-one more Lodges have presented a History. Every Lodge in the state has reported that the writing of its History has started. This situation has never before existed since Grand Lodge passed Standing Regulation No. 2 in 1866.

The Committee recommends that each Lodge present two copies of History instead of the one required by Grand Lodge regulations. With two copies in the vault future Historians may borrow one copy. Also, should the records of a Lodge become destroyed the second copy could be returned to the Lodge to take the place of the Lodge records. All Histories shall be presented to the Committee for review, and are not to be sent to the Grand Lodge office.

We also recommend that each Lodge keep a regular Historian appointed at all times. Under our present system a Committee is appointed to write a History. Upon completion of the job, the members of the Committee are discharged at a time when they have gained valuable knowledge regarding the History of their Lodge. If each Lodge Master will keep under appointment as Lodge Historian an interested brother the task of keeping the History up-to-date would be made much easier.

This Committee also recommends that all Lodge Histories written in the past be reviewed and rewritten if necessary. One trip to Grand Lodge office in Portland and an hour's time would give any Historian a fair insight into what has been written. Particular care should be taken to see that a list of officers for each year, and the names and date of the raising of every member of the Lodge be recorded.

The following Lodges have their Histories up-to-date as of April 30, 1955:

Lincoln, 3, Wiscasset	Ashlar, 105, Lewiston
Solar, 14, Bath	Mount Kineo, 109, Guilford
Orient, 15, Thomaston	Buxton, 115, West Buxton
Oriental Star, 21, Livermore Falls	Lebanon, 116, Norridgewock
York, 22, Kennebunk	Greenleaf, 117, Cornish
Freeport, 23, Freeport	Acacia, 121, Durham
Tranquil, 29, Auburn	Marine, 122, Deer Isle
Somerset, 34, Skowhegan	Eggemoggin, 128, Sedgwick
Casco, 36, Yarmouth	Riverside, 135, Jefferson
Lygonia, 40, Ellsworth	Forest, 148, Springfield
Central, 45, China	Excelsior, 151, Northport

Aurora, 50, Rockland
 Fraternal, 55, Alfred
 King Hiram, 57, Dixfield
 Unity, 58, Thorndike
 King Solomon's, 61, Waldoboro
 King David's 62, Lincolnville
 Richmond, 63, Richmond
 Mechanics, 66, Orono
 Rising Sun, 71, Orland
 Arundel, 76, Kennebunkport
 Crescent, 78, Pembroke
 Horeb, 93, Lincoln
 Paris, 94, South Paris
 Monument, 96, Houlton
 Bethel, 97, Bethel
 Katahdin, 98, Patten
 Jefferson, 100, Bryant Pond
 Nezinscot, 101, Turner
 Dirigo, 104, Weeks Mills

Crooked River, 152, Bolsters Mills
 Ancient York, 155, Lisbon Falls
 Parian, 160, Corinna
 Arion, 162, Goodwin's Mills
 Molunkus, 165, Sherman Mills
 Whitney, 167, Canton
 Composite, 168, Lagrange
 Shepherd's River, 169, Brownfield.
 Lynde, 174, Hermon
 Baskahegan, 175, Danforth
 Ancient Brothers', 178, Auburn
 Naval, 184, Kittery
 Springvale, 190, Springvale
 Columbia, 200, Greenville
 Abner Wade, 207, Sangerville
 Northeast Harbor, 208, Northeast Har.
 Bagaduce, 210, North Brooksville
 Meduncook, 211, Friendship

It is requested that every Lodge in the State have its History completed and in the hands of the Committee on History of Masonry in Maine not later than January 1, 1956.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE R. CASWELL,
 EVERETT S. HIGGINS,
 FRED J. LOWELL,

} Committee
 on
 History.

And the report was accepted.

Supplementary Report of the Committee on History submitted May 5, 1955.

The following Lodges presented their histories during the session of Grand Lodge.

Blazing Star, 30, Rumford
 Alna, 43, Damariscotta
 Meridian Splendor, 49, Newport
 Bristol, 74, Bristol
 Tremont, 77, Southwest Harbor
 Temple, 86, Westbrook

Island, 89, Islesboro
 Dresden, 103, Dresden Mills
 Monmouth, 110, Monmouth
 Pleiades, 173, Milbridge
 Reliance, 195, Stonington
 Mount Abram, 204, Kingfield

STANDING REGULATION NO. 2.

It is moved that Standing Regulation No. 2 be amended to read as follows:

2. *Resolved*, That once every ten years each Lodge in this Grand Jurisdiction shall prepare its History for the preceeding Decade, and furnish two copies to the Grand Lodge Committee on History of Masonry in Maine.

Each year the Master of each Lodge shall appoint a Lodge Historian whose duty shall be to prepare the History of the Lodge once each year for the preceeding year to enable the Lodge to more easily comply with this Standing Regulation.

The Amendment was referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution.

DISTINGUISHED GUESTS.

Throughout the Proceedings, the Grand Master called upon several of the distinguished guests who brought inspiring messages from their respective jurisdictions. M. W. Bro. WALTER E. DUNLAP presented the Grand Lodge with "THE SYMBOL OF GOOD WILL," with the following words:

"During the year 1933, in the depths of the depression, when activities were scarce and there was very little work in the Lodge Room, it was suggested that some activity be indulged in to keep up the interest of the members of the Lodge, and V. Wor. Bro. Reid brought in the suggestion that we send a good will token of some form to the different lodges throughout the world.

"After a lengthy discussion, a committee was formed, which was known as the Good Will Committee, and they decided that a symbol be procured, to be known as the Good Will Symbol.

"V. Wor. Bro. Charles Brookes was requested to bring in a design suitable for such an undertaking. This he did and a design was accepted, and after further discussion it was decided that it should be made of products of the Province of Ontario only.

"The design consisted of a Masonic emblem with the crest of the Imperial Lodge superimposed thereon. It was made of gold, silver and copper. These three metals represent the three degrees in Masonry, and are, of course, native to the Province of Ontario. In the square were set seven garnets, representing the seven stars. These were from the garnet mines near Madoc, Ontario. The emblem was surrounded by maple leaves in gold, enameled in autumnal colors, the

maple leaf being the emblem of Canada, and the whole inserted in a cabinet made of bird's eye maple from Northern Ontario. The outer case was made of solid walnut which was procured from a tree grown near Newmarket, Ontario.

"The lower part of the center case contained a registration book for each Lodge to attach its seal on receipt of the symbol. This book was bound in blue sheepskin, this being the color of our Order, and was made by an English Mason who was a bookbinder. All parts of the emblem, etc., were made by members of the Craft.

"The making of this symbol took considerable time and was not fully completed until the year 1936. In 1937 it started on its journey and V. Wor. Bro. Brookes was privileged to present it to the Imperial Lodge, No. 1694, High Holborn, London, England. During the war it was deposited with the Grand Lodge of England; but prior to that, and since then, it has traveled through England, Australia, New Zealand, etc.

"Its real purpose is in the making of new contacts in Fraternal Fellowship and Brotherly Love; to link up in closer union the various sections of the Masonic world. It carries the sincerest greetings from the Masonic Brethren of Toronto, the capital city of Ontario, the premier province of the Dominion of Canada. It rejoices in the peaceful and happy relations with the great nation occupying the southern half of the North American Continent, the United States of America; in spirit of true and lasting peace joins hands with mankind in the fundamental principles of the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man."

"(This box was stored in Freemasons Hall in London, England, from May, 1942, to May, 1945. After its return from Australia and New Zealand it was sent to Buffalo, N. Y., and after going to several Lodges in New York State it came to the Grand Lodge of Vermont, which Grand Lodge delivered it to the Grand Lodge of New Hampshire.)"

"(The Grand Lodge of New Hampshire now places this Symbol of Good Will in the keeping of the Grand Lodge of Maine, that it may continue its journey.)"

RETURNS.

R. W. Bro. EARLE D. WEBSTER, for the Committee on Returns, submitted the following report which was accepted and ordered printed in the Proceedings together with the Abstract of Returns from the Lodges:

MASONIC TEMPLE,
PORTLAND, ME., May 3, 1955.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maine:

Two Lodges failed to make Returns on time, thus delaying the work of the office for some two weeks.

Last year we reported a net gain of 619, this year the net gain is 336, making the present membership 47,290. One hundred and fourteen lodges report a gain, 76 lodges report a loss, and 17 lodges retain the same membership as a year ago.

There were raised 1,340; affiliated, 138; and re-instated, 113; dimitted, 141; suspended N. P. D., 236; died, 875.

There were 202 rejections, the largest number by Rising Virtue, No. 10, rejecting 11, and Phoenix, No. 24, and Caribou, No. 170, rejecting 10 each.

The largest gain was Hiram Lodge, No. 180, gaining 45.

Hiram Lodge continues to be the largest with 1,129 members, and Mount Tir'em, No. 132, the smallest with 52 members.

The average membership is now 227. There are 28 lodges with less than one hundred members.

The following table shows comparison for the past five years:

	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955
Initiated	1,396	1,575	1,600	1,580	1,392
Raised	1,489	1,562	1,564	1,577	1,340
Affiliated	144	156	134	128	138
Re-instated	88	152	128	114	113
Dimitted	145	171	141	141	141
Suspended	0	0	0	0	0
Suspended from Membership	81	223	218	256	236
Deprived of membership	0	0	1	0	0
Expelled	1	0	2	0	3
Died	643	815	819	803	875
Number of Members	45,032	45,690	46,335	46,954	47,290

Fraternally submitted,

CONVERS E. LEACH,
CLYDE FRENCH,

} Committee.

ABSTRACT OF RETURNS, 1955

Nos.	Lodges.	Initiated.	Raised.	Affiliated.	Re-instated.	Dimitted.	Died.	Suspended.	Expelled.	N. P. D.		No. Members	Rejected
										Suspended.	D. of Mem.		
1	Portland	12	10	1	4	1	10	0	0	1	0	393	1
2	Warren	5	4	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	152	0
3	Lincoln	7	10	1	1	1	3	0	0	0	0	234	0
4	Hancock	5	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	111	0
5	Kennebec	8	8	1	1	0	6	0	0	3	0	212	2
6	Amity	10	9	3	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	349	0
7	Eastern	5	5	1	0	2	5	0	0	2	0	155	1
8	United	14	13	1	0	1	4	0	0	0	0	454	1
9	Saco	8	6	0	0	1	4	0	0	1	0	368	6
10	Rising Virtue	19	14	1	2	4	10	0	0	0	0	694	11
11	Pythagorean	5	5	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	152	0
12	Cumberland	6	8	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	264	2
13	Oriental	11	11	1	1	1	8	0	0	0	0	244	6
14	Solar	18	7	2	3	1	7	0	0	11	0	454	1
15	Orient	8	7	0	1	0	0	0	0	3	0	199	1
16	St. George	4	7	1	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	133	0
17	Ancient Land-Mark.	12	12	4	2	3	11	0	0	3	0	606	0
18	Oxford	15	15	1	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	238	1
19	Felicity	3	3	0	0	4	6	0	0	3	0	260	0
20	Maine	6	6	1	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	265	0
21	Oriental Star	5	6	1	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	176	0
22	York	9	10	2	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	281	2
23	Freeport	7	2	1	1	2	6	0	0	0	0	239	0
24	Phoenix	8	9	1	1	1	2	0	0	5	0	242	10
25	Temple	5	6	2	2	1	3	0	0	1	0	164	0
26	Village	1	1	1	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	122	0
27	Adoniram	1	2	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	84	1
28	Northern Star	4	4	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	128	1
29	Tranquil	12	14	3	1	2	8	0	0	0	0	620	0
30	Blazing Star	9	15	0	0	1	15	0	0	0	0	402	4
31	Union	7	5	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	146	0
32	Hermon	14	16	0	3	1	12	0	0	7	0	550	2
33	Waterville	16	16	3	2	2	21	0	1	5	0	802	7
34	Somerset	9	8	2	0	2	8	0	0	1	0	204	0
35	Bethlehem	17	17	3	1	1	9	0	0	0	0	489	0
36	Casco	8	9	0	0	1	6	0	0	0	0	324	3
37	Washington	3	3	4	1	2	5	0	0	0	0	186	0
38	Harmony	7	10	1	0	0	5	0	0	1	0	282	0
39	Penobscot	4	4	0	1	0	3	0	0	1	0	257	0
40	Lygonia	9	12	4	2	2	7	0	0	4	0	462	2
41	Morning Star	0	0	0	1	2	2	0	0	3	0	112	1
42	Freedom	6	6	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	107	0
43	Alna	4	4	0	1	0	2	0	0	2	0	213	0
44	Piscataquis	18	18	0	3	1	10	0	0	0	0	309	0
45	Central	2	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	158	0
46	St. Croix	9	7	0	0	1	6	0	0	0	0	331	0
47	Dunlap	7	5	0	1	1	6	0	0	0	0	338	1
48	Lafayette	4	4	4	0	2	3	0	0	4	0	181	0
49	Meridian Splendor..	14	11	1	0	2	3	0	0	0	0	235	1
50	Aurora	4	3	6	2	3	7	0	0	5	0	419	0

Nos.	Lodgers.	In.	R.	A.	R.	D.	D.	S.	E.	N. P. D.		Mem.	R.
										S.	D.		
51	St. John's	14	11	1	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	270	1
52	Mosaic	12	13	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	258	0
53	Rural	1	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	80	1
54	Vassalboro	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	94	0
55	Fraternal	4	4	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	152	0
56	Mount Moriah	2	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	96	0
57	King Hiram	6	8	0	0	0	3	0	0	4	0	169	0
58	Unity	1	0	1	1	0	6	0	0	1	0	126	0
59	Mt. Hope (<i>ch. sur.</i>) ..												
60	Star in the East....	20	17	2	0	0	4	0	0	4	0	467	5
61	King Solomon's....	4	4	3	0	0	4	0	0	1	0	236	0
62	King David's.....	2	2	0	0	0	4	6	0	0	0	92	1
63	Richmond	6	6	1	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	172	0
64	Pacific	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	79	0
65	Mystic	9	9	1	1	1	9	0	0	0	0	301	1
66	Mechanics'	10	7	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	291	0
67	Blue Mountain.....	6	5	0	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	125	0
68	Mariners'	2	5	3	0	1	0	0	0	5	0	124	1
69	Howard	7	5	3	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	182	0
70	Standish	8	6	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	196	1
71	Rising Sun.....	5	5	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	124	2
72	Pioneer	3	2	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	0	164	1
73	Tyrian	12	10	0	1	0	3	0	0	0	0	288	3
74	Bristol	2	2	0	1	1	4	0	0	0	0	151	0
75	Archon	4	2	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	108	2
76	Arundel	2	4	0	2	1	4	0	0	0	0	207	0
77	Tremont	3	4	1	0	1	8	0	0	0	0	192	0
78	Crescent	11	7	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	114	0
79	Rockland	8	8	1	1	0	5	0	0	6	0	292	0
80	Keystone	2	2	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	124	0
81	Atlantic	10	9	1	4	2	9	0	0	7	0	579	0
82	St. Paul's	9	6	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	216	0
83	St. Andrew's	18	14	0	5	3	17	0	0	7	0	921	8
84	Eureka.....	3	3	2	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	108	0
85	Star in the West....	2	2	0	1	0	3	0	0	0	0	119	0
86	Temple	14	13	2	0	1	8	0	0	3	0	333	0
87	Benevolent	4	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	108	0
88	Narraguagus	2	2	0	2	1	5	0	0	0	0	136	0
89	Island	1	1	1	1	0	2	0	0	2	0	77	1
90	Hiram Abiff (<i>ch. rev.</i>) ..												
91	Harwood	5	4	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	198	0
92	Siloam	10	15	0	0	1	4	0	0	2	0	334	0
93	Horeb	9	7	0	3	0	0	0	0	2	0	297	5
94	Paris	5	5	1	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	159	2
95	Corinthian	5	5	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	144	3
96	Monument	18	21	1	0	3	8	0	0	0	0	586	2
97	Bethel	2	2	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	174	2
98	Katahdin.....	4	4	0	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	146	0
99	Vernon Valley.....	7	7	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	140	1
100	Jefferson	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	107	0
101	Nezinscot	7	6	0	0	1	3	0	0	5	0	129	0
102	Marsh River	3	4	0	0	0	3	0	0	1	0	134	0
103	Dresden	3	5	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	89	0
104	Dirigo	6	8	0	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	160	0
105	Ashlar	12	12	5	0	1	13	0	0	2	0	374	0
106	Tuscan.....	3	3	0	0	0	5	0	0	5	0	174	0

Nos.	Lodges.	In.	R.	A.	R.	D.	D.	S.	E.	N. P. D.		Mem.	R.
										S.	D.		
107	Day Spring	0	0	0	1	0	3	0	0	0	0	114	0
108	Relief (<i>ch. rev.</i>)												
109	Mount Kineo	5	4	1	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	195	0
110	Monmouth	7	6	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	218	1
111	Liberty	2	2	1	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	92	0
112	Eastern Frontier	9	11	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	314	1
113	Messalonskee	4	5	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	183	0
114	Polar Star	3	3	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	415	3
115	Buxton	5	5	0	2	0	6	0	0	1	0	195	3
116	Lebanon	2	2	1	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	137	0
117	Greenleaf	4	4	3	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	162	0
118	Drummond	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	75	0
119	Pownal	2	3	1	1	1	5	0	0	0	0	115	0
120	Meduncook (<i>ch. sur.</i>)												
121	Acacia	7	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	131	0
122	Marine	4	6	0	0	0	9	0	0	0	0	231	0
123	Franklin	3	2	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	158	0
124	Olive Branch	2	3	0	0	0	4	0	0	2	0	178	0
125	Meridian	9	4	0	1	0	9	0	0	4	0	245	1
126	Timothy Chase	7	7	0	0	1	6	0	0	0	0	196	0
127	Presumpscot	6	5	2	0	1	6	0	0	0	0	297	3
128	Eggemoggin	2	1	1	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	97	0
129	Quantabacook	5	3	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	122	0
130	Trinity	19	16	0	2	6	2	0	0	0	0	411	3
131	Lookout	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	60	0
132	Mount Tir'em	2	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	52	0
133	Asylum	2	2	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	83	0
134	Trojan (<i>consol'd</i>)												
135	Riverside	3	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	150	0
136	Ionic (<i>ch. sur.</i>)												
137	Kenduskeag	11	4	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	203	0
138	Lewy's Island	4	6	0	0	2	9	0	0	1	0	284	2
139	Archon (<i>consol'd</i>)												
140	Mount Desert	1	1	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	84	0
141	Augusta	14	10	0	0	1	5	0	0	2	0	538	1
142	Ocean	13	16	4	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	251	4
143	Preble	1	2	1	1	2	5	0	0	1	0	369	1
144	Seaside	10	9	1	0	0	5	0	0	7	0	279	2
145	Moses Webster	3	3	0	0	1	4	0	0	0	0	156	0
146	Sebasticook	4	7	1	0	1	5	0	0	0	0	179	0
147	Evening Star	6	7	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	99	1
148	Forest	3	2	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	118	0
149	Doric	1	1	0	0	1	4	0	0	2	0	100	0
150	Rabboni	19	12	1	2	6	8	0	0	0	0	231	1
151	Excelsior	1	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	59	0
152	Crooked River	3	4	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	131	0
153	Delta	3	3	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	88	0
154	Mystic Tie	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	61	0
155	Ancient York	3	2	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	182	0
156	Wilton	6	6	0	0	2	4	0	0	1	0	267	0
157	Cambridge	7	6	0	0	0	1	0	0	3	0	101	0
158	Anchor	5	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	1	0	69	0
159	Esoteric (<i>consol'd</i>)												
160	Parian	1	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	105	2
161	Carrabassett	1	1	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	72	0
162	Arion	2	3	1	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	149	1
163	Pleasant River	10	7	0	1	2	6	0	0	5	0	289	1

Nos.	LOGGERS.	In.	R.	A.	R.	D.	D.	S.	E.	N. P. D.		Mem	R.
										S.	D.		
164	Webster	4	4	0	0	1	4	0	0	0	0	123	0
165	Molunkus	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	187	2
166	Neguemkeag	7	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	116	1
167	Whitney	6	5	0	0	0	3	0	0	1	0	116	0
168	Composite	3	4	0	0	1	4	0	0	6	0	197	1
169	Shepherd's River...	1	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	88	0
170	Caribou	8	6	0	2	1	6	0	0	2	0	320	10
171	Naskeag	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	72	0
172	Pine Tree	4	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	1	0	121	0
173	Pleiades	7	5	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	185	0
174	Lynde	4	5	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	148	0
175	Baskahegan	4	10	0	2	0	4	0	0	9	0	181	1
176	Palestine (<i>consol'd</i>) ..												
177	Rising Star	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	112	0
178	Ancient Brothers'...	20	18	0	2	0	12	0	0	0	0	435	4
179	Yorkshire	6	6	1	0	1	4	0	0	0	0	183	0
180	Hiram	40	40	3	2	4	25	0	1	4	0	1129	7
181	Reuel Washburn (<i>con.</i>) ..												
182	Granite	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	72	0
183	Deering	24	24	1	8	5	20	0	1	14	0	1014	5
184	Naval	42	42	2	3	0	4	0	0	6	0	853	1
185	Bar Harbor	10	9	1	2	2	4	0	0	2	0	242	0
186	Warren Phillips	10	14	1	0	1	6	0	0	1	0	399	1
187	Ira Berry	4	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	99	0
188	Jonesport	11	13	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	179	0
189	Knox	5	3	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	153	0
190	Springvale	7	6	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	288	2
191	Davis	7	6	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	159	0
192	Winter Harbor	7	8	1	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	186	2
193	Washburn	4	4	1	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	217	0
194	Euclid	3	4	0	0	2	4	0	0	0	0	202	1
195	Reliance	5	5	0	0	0	4	0	0	1	0	138	3
196	Bay View	2	4	2	0	0	5	0	0	1	0	164	0
197	Aroostook	7	6	0	0	1	4	0	0	2	0	231	1
198	St. Aspinquid	16	14	0	1	0	5	0	0	0	0	364	2
199	Bingham	12	13	1	0	1	5	0	0	6	0	266	1
200	Columbia	8	9	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	229	1
201	David A. Hooper	4	2	1	0	0	4	0	0	7	0	211	0
202	Mount Bigelow	1	1	1	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	104	0
203	Mount Olivet	4	4	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	87	0
204	Mount Abram	3	1	0	1	1	4	0	0	0	0	134	1
205	Nollesemic	18	11	0	2	0	6	0	0	0	0	345	4
206	Island Falls	4	8	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	262	0
207	Abner Wade	2	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	1	0	123	0
208	Northeast Harbor ..	4	3	0	3	1	2	0	0	0	0	135	0
209	Fort Kent	2	2	0	1	0	3	0	0	2	0	108	0
210	Bagaduce	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	69	0
211	Meduncook	2	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	67	0
212	McKinley	1	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	4	0	108	0
213	Kemankeag	1	4	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	113	0
214	Limestone	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	126	0
215	Orchard	14	22	1	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	262	0
216	Corner Stone	36	45	6	1	0	9	0	0	3	0	819	2
217	Ralph J. Pollard	17	15	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	243	7
		1392	1340	138	113	141	875	0	3	236	0	47290	202

LIBRARY AND MUSEUM.

R. W. Bro. EARLE D. WEBSTER, for the Committee on Library and Museum, presented the following report which was accepted:

MASONIC TEMPLE,
PORTLAND, ME., May 3, 1955.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maine:

The following purchases were made for the Library:

"Coming Star-Shift," by O. Gordon Pickett, \$4.75.

"Greatest Discoveries," by O. Gordon Pickett, \$1.00.

Membership in the Correspondence Circle of Quatuor Coronati Lodge, London, No. 2076, has been continued and paid up to November 1, 1955, at a cost of \$3.10.

Books sold from the Library amounted to \$9.00 which was paid over to the Grand Treasurer.

One issue of the "Occasional Bulletin" was published at a cost of \$50.49.

Thirty-eight volumes were bound at a cost of \$204.00.

Under the provisions of the will of R. W. Brother John L. Tewksbury, we have received the following:

Past Master's Jewel,	Amity Lodge, No. 6
Past High Priest's Jewel	Keystone Chapter, No. 24
Past Master's Jewel,	King Hiram Council, No. 6
Past Grand Master's Jewel,	Grand Council of Maine, R. & S. M.
Past Commander's Jewel,	Camden Commandery, No. 23
Past Grand Commander's Jewel,	Grand Commandery of Maine, Knights Templar

History of Camden Commandery, No. 23, Tewksbury—Printed Paper bound.

The Maine Masonic Token—Volume 1, No. 1 to 10 with supplement.

History Central Lodge, No. 45—1875-1951, Printed paper bound.

Grand Encampment Proceedings—1925-1931-1934-1937-1940-1952.

History Grand Lodge of Maine—Pollard.

Miscellaneous Proceedings of Grand Lodge, Grand Chapter, Grand Council and Grand Commandery of Maine.

By direction of Most Worshipful Grand Master, Paul L. Powers, a classified listing of Books, Periodicals, Proceedings, Histories, Manuals, Codes, etc., contained in the Library was compiled and pamphlets containing thirty-eight pages were mailed to Grand Lodge Officers, Permanent Members and Secretaries of the Constituent lodges.

We have also compiled a list of all books on a card index, giving the title of the book, Author, location, etc., which is arranged alphabetically.

Another card index is arranged under proper headings showing what we have under History, Symbolism, Biography, Religion, Constitutions, Addresses, etc. These card lists have proved invaluable.

The Library contains 7,402 bound volumes. At a conservative appraisal of three dollars per volume the books in the Library would have a value of \$22,206.00.

The Museum pieces are valued at \$5,212.00 and are insured for \$5,000.00 (by a Fine Arts Policy).

Loans of books have shown a very marked increase since the issuance of the mimeographed classified list was prepared.

A Museum gift of a Past Grand High Priest's Jewel of the late Wilson D. Barron from his widow, Mrs. John F. Mathews, was received.

Fraternally submitted,

EARLE D. WEBSTER,	} Committee.
WILLIAM A. LEVENSALOR,	
GEORGE W. HASKELL,	

It was then voted that the bequest of the late R. W. Bro. JOHN L. TEWKSBURY be accepted by Grand Lodge.

MASONIC JURISPRUDENCE.

M. W. Bro. EDWARD W. WHEELER, for the Committee on Jurisprudence, presented the following report which was accepted and the recommendations adopted:

IN GRAND LODGE,
May 3, 1955.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maine:

The Committee on Jurisprudence has given careful attention and study to the portions of the address of the Grand Master relating to dispensations and decisions, and reports thereon as follows:

DISPENSATIONS.

Numerous dispensations have been granted during the year for a large variety of purposes and reasons. With the single exception hereinafter discussed in connection with the reported decisions of the Grand Master, all of these dispensations appear to have been issued for legitimate causes and within his authority and discretion, and they are accordingly approved.

DECISIONS.

The Grand Master has reported an unusually large number of decisions. Before discussing these separate decisions, it may be helpful to note the nature and sources of our Masonic law. Our own Josiah H. Drummond has reminded us that Masonic law in this jurisdiction exists in two forms: "*lex scripta*" and "*lex non scripta*." Our written law is found in the Constitution, Standing Regulations and other legislative acts of the Grand Lodge; our unwritten or common law is found in the landmarks, customs, usages, and practices which have endured through a long period of time and have been consistently observed. Roscoe Pound, an eminent authority on Masonic jurisprudence, has defined the common law of the Order in the following terms: "Masonic common law, in the stricter sense, I take to be the body of tradition and doctrine, developed in eighteenth-century Masonry, which is of such long standing, is so universal, and is so well attested, that, although it lacks the absolute authority of the Landmarks, it stands at the foundation of our Masonic legal system. It is to be used to interpret and supply gaps in Masonic legislation and it is never lightly to be set aside."

Decisions of a Grand Master are made for the purpose of interpreting written laws, where uncertainty exists, and determining their application to particular situations which may from time to time develop; and likewise to declare the rule of the common law which is applicable to the particular problem or situation under review, in the absence of controlling written law, as established by previous decisions which have received the approval of the Grand Lodge, or as indicated by the ancient traditions, customs, usages and practices which form the basis of our common law. Decisions of a Grand Master may be made only to expound or clarify existing law, and not to create innovations. New laws are created by enactments of the Grand Lodge, and not by edicts of the Grand Master. The powers of a Grand Master, while very broad, are not coextensive, in all matters, with those of the Grand Lodge itself. It is in the light of these general principles that the reported decisions of the Grand Master have been examined.

The orders issued that each candidate must be processed and passed under the Pollard Plan; that certain visiting degree teams must be inspected and have their work approved by the Grand Lecturer; and that a statement in the form prepared by the Grand Master must be made by the Worshipful Master in connection with the conferring of the Master Mason degree, relate to matters of procedure which a Grand Master may properly require, but as they are not based upon any existing Masonic law, these orders should be regarded and treated as instructions which may properly be currently observed. They were probably so intended by the Grand Master, although reported by him in the form of decisions.

The only other decision which requires particular comment is the first one reported, in which the ruling was made that consent may be given by the Grand Master for a lodge to move its hall to a point more than half a mile distant.

On this subject, Section 81 of the Constitution provides that no lodge shall "move its hall more than one-half a mile from where it is located, or where it may be located when the lodge is constituted, without the consent of the Grand Lodge." The language of this provision is clear, definite and explicit, and indicates to the members of this Committee that it was the intention of the Grand Lodge to reserve to itself the right to give such consent. If a lodge were to move its hall for a considerable distance it might affect the jurisdiction of other lodges and cause other disturbances. The representatives of all lodges affected would have a voice and a vote in making the decision, if made by the Grand Lodge. Because of this and other reasons, the Grand Lodge might naturally prefer to retain exclusive jurisdiction over the subject matter. We believe it has done so. As the hall has already been moved, we recommend, for the purpose of the record, that a vote be adopted at this Communication giving such consent.

All of the other decisions which have been reported are correct and salutary, reflecting the keen discernment of the Grand Master, and they are cordially approved.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD W. WHEELER,	} Committee on
CLARK D. CHAPMAN,		Jurisdiction.

CONDITION OF THE FRATERNITY.

M. W. Bro. CHARLES E. CROSSLAND, for the Committee on Condition of the Fraternity, presented the following report which was accepted:

MASONIC TEMPLE,
PORTLAND, ME., May 3, 1955.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maine:

From an examination of the District Deputy Grand Master's Inspection reports, it appears that the condition of the Fraternity is strong and healthy on at least three counts—(1) Quality of degree work, (2) Meetings, and (3) Membership. We hardly feel the same may be said about dues payments. It is too early to measure the extent or success of the educational program. Possibly the report forms for use in future years should call for more specific information concerning the educational program carried on by each lodge.

INSPECTIONS.

There were no reports available from three lodges—King Solomon's, No. 61, Molunkus, No. 165, and Bay View, No. 196. One lodge performed no degree work at the time of inspection.

The quality of work in general has been maintained at about the same satisfactory standard in most lodges as for the past three years. Following is a summary of the rating as reported by the District Deputies:

Degree	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Total
M. M.	31	47	5	..	83
F. C.	8	36	7	1	52
E. A.	6	50	12	..	68
	45	133	24	1	203

The reports on quality of floor work were as follows:

Excellent.	6
Good.	171
Fair.	26
Total.	203

The Committee is not certain whether the above ratings indicate that so much emphasis has been put on knowledge of the ritual that the quality of floor work did not quite measure up to the same standard as the degree work.

It may be of passing interest to report that Ancient Brothers' Lodge, No. 178, had 142 present at the inspection meeting, which is the largest reported by any lodge. Other leaders were Hiram Lodge, No. 180, with 116, Tranquil Lodge, No. 29, with 113, Springvale Lodge, No. 190, with 112, and Corner Stone Lodge, No. 215, with 107.

MEETINGS.

Reports show that the 204 lodges for which reports are available held 3,907 meetings or an average of 19.1 each.

Monument Lodge, No. 96, of Houlton, with 48 meetings held during the year, stood first in the State, closely followed by Hiram Lodge, No. 180, of South Portland, 44, and Naval Lodge, No. 18, of Kittery, and Corner Stone Lodge, No. 216, of Portland, with 41 each. In contrast to the foregoing statements, Vassalboro Lodge, No. 54 held only four meetings during the year, Rising Star, No. 177, with eight meetings was next lowest.

Your Committee thought it might be interesting to learn which lodges had the highest average attendance record, based upon the relationship of that figure to the membership of the lodge. Mount Tir'em Lodge, No. 132, of Waterford, with a membership of 53 had an average attendance at its eleven meetings of 21, which is 39.6 per cent of the membership. Excelsior Lodge, No. 151, of Northport, which has been consistently high in this regard, over the years, had 35.6 per cent of its membership present, closely followed by Lookout Lodge, No. 131, of Cutler, with 34.4 per cent. It is clearly evident from a study of the twenty lodges having the highest attendance-to-membership percentage ratio, that during the past year the small lodges were far more successful in having larger attendance than with large lodges.

UNPAID DUES.

One hundred and eighty-four lodges reported \$26,664 dues two years in arrears and one hundred and ninety-eight lodges reported \$37,687 dues one year in arrears, a total of \$64,351. An analysis of the status of the lodges seems to indicate that the secretary with possible assistance of other officers is the real factor which determines the unpaid dues record. There are some small and some large lodges, each with excellent or bad dues payment records.

Rising Virtue, No. 10, with \$3,444 unpaid dues had the unpleasant distinction of standing first in this regard. However, Dresden Lodge, No. 103, with \$7.00 per member unpaid dues had the largest amount measured on a per member basis. Delta, No. 53, and Timothy Chase, No. 126, stood second with \$5.57 each.

Our Committee wishes to pay tribute to sixteen lodges which reported no unpaid dues two years in arrears. There was three lodges which reported no unpaid dues one year in arrears. To Paris Lodge, No. 94, of Paris, goes the honor of having no dues whatsoever in arrears. Mt. Kineo Lodge, No. 109, of Guilford, is a close second with only one member's dues in arrears one year. The names of Hancock Lodge, No. 4, of Castine, and Freedom Lodge, No. 42, of Freedom, also appear in both the two and one year lists, each having only two members who were one year's dues in arrears. These are excellent records and demonstrate very positively what can be accomplished.

MEMBERSHIP.

During the past year there was a net gain of 336 members. This raises the total number of Masons in Maine to 47,290, a new record. The number raised, 1,340, is somewhat smaller than for several years past but certainly would be regarded as healthy growth if thoughtful consideration was given to the merits of applicants. Changing conditions may be reflected by the fact that 76 or 31 per cent of the lodges reported a loss in membership during the year.

From the foregoing information your Committee is pleased to report that in their opinion, Masonry in Maine appears to be prospering, and we may look forward with confidence and faith to the year ahead.

Fraternally submitted,

CHARLES E. CROSSLAND, Chairman,
NORRIS C. ESTABROOK,
JOHN M. LITTLEFIELD,

Committee.

SIMON GREENLEAF MEDAL.

W. Bro. B. GLEN MCGEE proposed the following Standing Regulation which was received and referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution:

" *Resolved*, That subject to the limitations hereinafter stated, the Simon Greenleaf Medal for unusual contribution to Masonry shall be awarded by the Grand Master, in his discretion, to Freemasons who have contributed their time, thought and services to Masonry beyond the usual line of duty, which contributions have rendered them worthy to receive this Medal; provided, however, that not more than two such Medals shall be awarded to Masons during any Masonic year hereafter, and

" *Provided, further*, That no elected Grand Lodge Officer or elected Past Grand Lodge Officer shall be eligible to receive the Medal."

PROPOSED STANDING REGULATION — PER CAPITA TAX.

R. W. Bro. LESTER E. BRAGDON proposed the following Standing Regulation which was received and referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution:

" Lodges shall be excused from paying the per capita tax as provided in Sec. 85, Paragraphs 1 and 2 of the Constitution, and any amendments thereof, upon members whose address or whereabouts cannot be found after a reasonable attempt has been made to find them by the Secretary of the Lodge to the satisfaction of the Grand Secretary."

TRUSTEES OF THE CHARITY FUND.

R. W. Bro. MERRILL R. KITTREDGE presented the following amendment to the Constitution which was received and referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution:

IN GRAND LODGE,
May 3, 1955.

I propose to amend Part Second, Article I, Section 59 of the Constitution of the Grand Lodge of Maine, so that as amended said Section 59 shall read as follows:

SECTION 59. The Annual Meeting of the Trustees of the Masonic Charitable Foundation of the Grand Lodge of Maine shall be held in Portland, or at such other place as the Grand Master shall designate, on the third Tuesday of April of each year, and other meetings shall be held at such other times and places as may be deemed expedient by the Grand Master. A majority of the Board shall be necessary for every act except that of adjournment. If a vacancy or vacancies occur during the year, said vacancy or vacancies may be filled, temporarily, by vote of the Board of Trustees until the next Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge.

LAPEL BUTTON.

R. W. Bro. LEWIS T. BROWN presented the following report on a Fifty Year Lapel Button which was received and referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution:

This is my report as a special committee of one appointed by the M. W. Grand Master to study a proposal for the development of a lapel button for our fifty year Masonic Veterans suitable for street wear. I have studied the material collected by the M. W. Grand Master and have investigated the matter through other sources.

I am convinced that there is widespread sentiment to adopt a lapel button to be presented to our Masonic Veterans in conjunction with the medal now presented to them for lodge wear. The medal is not worn outside the lodge to any extent and our veterans are deserving of proper insignia for street wear. Therefore, I make the following motion:

That Standing Regulation No. 55 be amended by adding the following sentence: "A lapel button shall be presented with each medal to each Master Mason now or hereafter entitled to the medal."

I further move that the M. W. Grand Master be authorized to appoint a committee of three with authority to determine the design of the lapel button and that the Grand Secretary be authorized to purchase necessary quantities of said lapel buttons from time to time.

I further move that this matter be referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution.

(At 5.20 P. M. the Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment until 2.00 P. M., Wednesday, May 4, 1955).

SECOND DAY — AFTERNOON.

MASONIC TEMPLE, PORTLAND, {
Wednesday, May 4, 1955. }

(The Grand Lodge was called from refreshment to labor at two o'clock with the same Grand Officers as at the previous session).

OFFICE EQUIPMENT.

R. W. Bro. EARLE D. WEBSTER presented the following recommendation which was received and referred to the Committee on Finance:

"That the Grand Master be directed to appoint a committee with authority to procure a survey of equipment and arrangement for the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer's office and to purchase equipment which they determine necessary at a cost not to exceed two thousand dollars."

COMMISSIONERS OF TRIALS.

M. W. Bro. ERVIN E. J. LANDER, for the Commissioners of Trials, presented the following report which was accepted:

PORTLAND, MAINE,
May 4, 1955.

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons
of the State of Maine:*

Your Commissioners of Trials herewith submit their annual report as follows:

Since the beginning of the Lodge year we have received three cases upon which hearings have been held, namely:

(1) Grand Lodge of Maine vs. Edgar H. Brown, charging the conviction of a felony in the Superior Court of Androscoggin County. This case was heard at the Masonic Temple, Portland, Maine, on April 2, 1955. The accused brother was found guilty of the offense charged and the Commissioners recommended that he be expelled and denied all the rights and privileges of Masonry.

(2) Grand Lodge of Maine vs. Donald E. Whittemore, charging him of being convicted of a felony in the Superior Court of Cumberland County, Maine. This case was heard at the Masonic Temple, Portland, Maine, on April 2, 1955. The accused brother was found guilty of the offense charged and the Commissioners recommended that he be expelled and denied all the privileges and rights of Masonry.

(3) Deering Lodge, No. 183, A. F. & A. M., vs. Clayton Raymond Porter, charging falsification of his application to Deering Lodge. This case was heard at the Masonic Temple, Portland, Maine, on April 2, 1955. The accused brother was found guilty of the offense charged in the specifications and the Commissioners recommended that he be suspended and denied all the rights and privileges of Masonry for a period of five (5) years.

This completes the report of the Commissioners for the Lodge year, with no cases pending on the docket.

Fraternally submitted,

ERVIN E. J. LANDER, *Chairman,*
Commissioners of Masonic Trials.

DISTRIBUTION OF CHARITY.

M. W. Bro. CHARLES E. CROSSLAND, for the Committee on Distribution of the Charity Fund, presented the following report which was accepted:

PORTLAND, MAINE,
May 4, 1955.

To the M. W. Grand Lodge of Maine:

Through the Committee on Distribution appointed by the Trustees of the Charity Fund, \$23,365.72 was paid to 65 different lodges to help 98 persons or families for the period which ended March 31, 1955.

The Grand Lodge Charity Fund payments mentioned above do not include amounts authorized as emergency payments by the Grand Master, nor the amount paid on the so-called "direct monthly payments" until those cases could be transferred to the appropriate lodges or the cases closed. The grand total of payments made by Grand Lodge for charity work during the past year was \$24,638.22.

In addition to the above, mention should be made of the amount paid by lodges from their own funds. The data as taken from the District Deputy inspection reports indicate that 63 lodges gave \$11,998.04 for charity work among members and their families. Waterville Lodge, No. 33, with \$2,517 and Saco Lodge, No. 9, \$1,088, expended the largest amounts for this purpose. However, special commendations should be given to Bethel Lodge, No. 97, many of whose members contributed twenty-five cents per week to assist a distressed brother, and this, too, without making an application to Grand Lodge.

A total of 108 formal applications came to the Committee on Distribution. Of this number 98 were granted assistance in such amount as the facts presented seemed to warrant, eight were declined, one was not acted upon because the information requested was never received; one, the person for whom application was made died shortly thereafter, before the committee acted.

At the opening of this year, there were eight so-called "direct payment" cases which meant that a check was sent regularly or periodically direct to the beneficiary rather than through a lodge. This practice had been followed for some time. In accordance with the new policy of no direct payments, five of these cases were transferred to the proper lodges and the other three were closed.

In addition to the foregoing cases, there was correspondence concerning several other possible applicants which has not yet, however, resulted in any formal application.

Appended to this report are (1) an itemized list of the cases and the action taken on each, and (2) a summary by lodges of the number of cases and the amount paid to the lodge.

IMPORTANT ACTIONS TAKEN.

At the request of the Committee on Distribution, the Trustees of the Charity Fund devoted much thoughtful consideration to matters of policy and procedure at the three meetings held since the last annual communication of Grand Lodge. A brief statement concerning each follows:

1. As a matter of policy it is now required that all applications shall come from the Lodges. No applications will be considered from individuals except in extreme cases of emergency, when the decision would rest with the Grand Master.

2. A new application form was developed and was put into use beginning April 1, 1955. For some time there has been need for more basic information than the old application form provided. This new form, if completely filled out, will save much needless correspondence.

3. A new application will be required for each case every year. The uncertainty of changing conditions prompted the Trustees to decide that it will be unwise to use data from one year to the next.

4. The year for the Charity Fund applications has been changed to end March 31, so that it will now coincide with the fiscal year of Grand Lodge. A more important reason for this action is that it is difficult, if not unfair, to try to act quickly upon the larger number of applications which have heretofore been submitted at the annual communication of Grand Lodge and on which speedy action is expected.

5. All unusual requests or applications for what appear to be large amounts of assistance will be reviewed by the entire Board of Trustees rather than acted upon solely by the Committee on Distribution.

6. As a matter of policy, it is the hope of the Trustees to grant assistance which will be just a little more than enough for the barest necessities of life. In other words, perhaps by granting a few extra dollars a year, life will seem a little more pleasant and worthwhile than it otherwise might be for those who find themselves in dire straits.

7. Another policy established by indirect action was that Grand Lodge will decline to give assistance to those who are eligible for Old Age Assistance but who for personal reasons decline to make application for such assistance from the State.

It is understood that insofar as they can, lodges will use their own charity funds, certainly in part if not entirely, before applying to Grand Lodge Charity Fund for assistance. Closer attention will be paid to this phase of the work by the Distribution Committee during the coming year.

CONCLUSION.

There is great satisfaction in trying to help those who merit our assistance. Sometimes it is difficult to be quite sure either that assistance is needed or in just what amount. For that reason officers who file applications are earnestly requested to exhaust all sources of reliable information as a means of providing data upon which the Trustees may make a wise decision.

This has been my first service as Chairman of the Distribution Committee. Unquestionably there have been some mistakes in this year's operations. We hope with more experience the machinery will move more smoothly and promptly to the mutual satisfaction of all concerned.

CHARLES E. CROSSLAND, *Chairman,*
Distribution Committee.

DISPENSATIONS AND CHARTERS.

M. W. Bro. CARROLL W. KEENE, for the Committee on Dispensations and Charters, presented the following report which was accepted and the recommendation was adopted:

IN GRAND LODGE,
May 4, 1955.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Maine:

Your Committee on Dispensations and Charters have examined all the Records, Papers and Documents in the case of Brotherhood Lodge, now working under a Dispensation granted by the Most Worshipful Grand Master on November 30, 1954.

We find everything to be in order, but in view of the fact that the Lodge has been working only a short time under Dispensation, and in accordance with past practices of this Grand Lodge in matters of this kind, your Committee believes that the entire matter should lie over for another year.

Your Committee on Dispensations and Charters therefore recommends that the Dispensation should be continued until the next Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge, unless sooner recalled by the Grand Master.

Fraternally submitted,

CARROLL W. KEENE,	} <i>Committee on Dispensations and Charters.</i>
ERVIN E. J. LANDER,	
PHILIP D. TINGLEY,	

GRIEVANCES AND APPEALS.

R. W. Bro. HARRY E. ROWE, for the Committee on Grievances and Appeals, presented the following report:

IN GRAND LODGE,
PORTLAND, ME., May 4, 1955.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maine, Free and Accepted Masons:

Your Committee on Grievances and Appeals hereby makes its annual report.

The undersigned, being all the members of this Committee, were in session May 4, 1955. Three cases came before your Committee, which we will report separately, as follows:

Case No. 1.—Grand Lodge of Maine vs. Donald E. Whittemore.

The complaint in this case dealt with the conviction of the respondent of a felony of highly immoral nature. The record shows that the respondent was found guilty after a plea of guilty in the Superior Court within and for the County of Cumberland, at the January 1955 Term. He was sentenced to imprisonment in the Maine State Prison, at Thomaston, for not less than five and not more than ten years.

From our review of the report of Commissioners of Trials, it appears that all action taken by them was strictly in accordance with the Constitution and other regulations of this Grand Lodge. Your Committee confirms the findings of the Commissioners of Trials and recommends that Brother Donald E. Whittemore be expelled from and denied all the rights and privileges of Masonry from the date of the acceptance of this report by this Grand Lodge.

Case No. 2.—Grand Lodge of Maine vs. Edgar H. Brown.

The complaint in this case dealt with the conviction of the respondent of a felony of highly immoral nature. The record shows that the respondent was found guilty after a plea of guilty in the Superior Court within and for the County of Androscoggin, at the November 1954 Term. He was sentenced to imprisonment in the Maine State Prison, at Thomaston, for not less than three and not more than six years.

From our review of the report of Commissioners of Trials, it appears that all action taken by them was strictly in accordance with the Constitution and other regulations of this Grand Lodge. Your Committee confirms the findings of the Commissioners of Trials and recommends that Brother Edgar H. Brown be expelled from and denied all the rights and privileges of Masonry from the date of the acceptance of this report by this Grand Lodge.

Case No. 3.—Deering Lodge, No. 183, vs. Clayton Raymond Porter.

The complaint in this case dealt with the falsification of the application of Brother Clayton Raymond Porter for membership to Deering Lodge, No. 183, in that he represented that he had not ever before applied for the degrees to any Lodge of Masons. He had previously been rejected on several occasions by Ancient Land-Mark Lodge. A hearing was had by the Commissioners of Trials and from our review of the report of the Commissioners of Trials, it appears that all action taken by them was strictly in accordance with the Constitution and other regulations of this Grand Lodge.

Your Committee confirms the findings of the Commissioners of Trials and recommends that Brother Clayton Raymond Porter be suspended and denied all the rights and privileges of Masonry for a period of five years from the date of the acceptance of this report by this Grand Lodge.

Respectfully submitted,

CLARK D. CHAPMAN, JR.,	} Committee on Grievances and Appeals.
HARRY E. ROWE,	
EDWARD H. BRITTON,	

The recommendations were taken up separately and Donald E. Whittemore and Edgar H. Brown were expelled from and denied all the rights and privileges of Masonry, and Clayton Raymond Porter was suspended from and denied all the rights and privileges of Masonry for a period of five years.

DELINQUENT LODGES.

R. W. Bro. H. NORTON MAXFIELD, for the Committee on Delinquent Lodges, presented the following report which was accepted:

PORTLAND, MAINE,
May 4, 1955.

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

I submit the following report of delinquency on the part of two Lodges in respect to the transmission of Grand Lodge Returns and Dues as prescribed in Section 79 of the Constitution, as amended:

Narraguagus Lodge, No. 88, Returns and Dues were received postmarked February 11, 1955. Penalty for the delay is \$25.00.

Nezinscot Lodge, No. 101, Returns and Dues were received postmarked February 11, 1955. Penalty for the delay is \$13.00.

Notice of the delinquency and a request for payment was sent to the Secretary of Narraguagus Lodge on February 26, 1955, and a similar notice and request to the Secretary of Nezinscot Lodge on March 5, 1955.

Neither penalty has been paid.

Fraternally submitted,

H. NORTON MAXFIELD,
Grand Treasurer,

GEORGE WASHINGTON MASONIC MEMORIAL.

R. W. Bro. MAXFIELD, for the Committee on George Washington Masonic National Memorial

Association, presented the following report which was accepted:

PORTLAND, MAINE,
May 4, 1955.

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

The Forty-fifth Annual Meeting of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association was held in the Auditorium of the Memorial Building at Alexandria, Virginia, on Tuesday, February 22, 1955.

At this meeting there was displayed for the first time the huge mural, 18 feet by 46 feet in size, done by the celebrated Allyn Cox of New York, depicting in full detail, the laying of the corner stone of the United States Capital Building by Wor. Bro. George Washington on September 18, 1793. The mural is in the main foyer of the Memorial Building, and is a wondrous addition to the collection of Masonic memorabilia in the Building of significant interest to the Craft.

Maine was represented by M. W. Paul L. Powers, Grand Master, R. W. Aubrey L. Burbank, Deputy Grand Master, R. W. Philip D. Tingley, Senior Grand Warden, R. W. Convers E. Leach, Grand Secretary, R. W. Raymond M. Rideout, Grand Lecturer, R. W. Alpheus G. Dyer, Grand Sword Bearer, Past Grand Masters David L. Wilson, and Benjamin W. Ela, R. W. Bro. Everett S. Higgins, and Bro. I. Ray Libby.

Maine's contribution was \$1,475.00, bringing our reported contributions to date to \$75,294.58.

M. W. Bro. Clifford D. Jory, Past Grand Master of Iowa, was re-elected President of the Association.

Fraternally submitted,

H. NORTON MAXFIELD,
Chairman.

MASONIC BLOOD BANK.

W. Bro. ELMER S. DOE, for the Committee on Masonic Blood Bank Program, presented the following report:

SCARBOROUGH, MAINE,
April 24, 1955.

Most Worshipful PAUL L. POWERS,
Freeport, Maine.

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

Submitted herewith is the report of the General Chairman, Grand Lodge of Maine Masonic Blood Bank Program, for the period from August 25, 1954, to March 31, 1955.

District No.	Average Percentage of Donors	Requests for Assistance	Number of Pints Donated
1	5%	0	0
2	35	1	4
3	8	4	16
4	17	0	0
5	15	4	53
6	No Report but are participating		
7	15	9	15
8	No Report		
9	No Report		
10	No Report		
11	—	1	2
12	9	0	0
13	No Report		
14	6	4	21
15	No Report		
16	10	1	3
17	12	75	75
18	15	5	16
19	19	9	26
20	21	5	5
21	No Report		
22	No Report		
23	10	9	22
24	No Report		

SUMMARY.

Total number of requests for assistance.....	127
Total amount of blood donated.....	258 pints
Total average percentage of donors for 15 Districts reporting.....	13%
Brethren from Massachusetts assisted (Request only, amount used not known).....	5
Brethren from New Brunswick assisted.....	1
Brethren from Maine assisted in Massachusetts (Requests only, amount used not known).....	20

FINANCIAL REPORT.

R. W. CHESTER D. SHEPHERD, Service Director, Grand Lodge
of Massachusetts.

Expense and Gratuity.....	\$ 28.13
Printing.....	55.61
Travel of District Chairmen.....	71.84
Printed material.....	38.54
Total Expenditures.....	\$194.12

Respectfully submitted,

WOR. ELMER S. DOE, *General Chairman.*

The report was accepted and it was voted that the Masonic Blood Bank Program be continued on the same terms as last year and that it shall be continued until the Grand Lodge shall vote to discontinue it.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION.

M. W. Bro. KEENE, for the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, presented the following report:

MASONIC TEMPLE,
PORTLAND, ME., May 4, 1955.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maine:

Your Committee on Amendments to the Constitution has carefully considered all matters referred to us and make the following report:

1. We hereby approve the recommendation concerning Masonic Veterans' Lapel Button and recommend that a committee be appointed by the Grand Master to prepare said button and that Standing Regulation No. 55 be amended by adding at the end thereof the following sentence: "A Lapel Button shall also be presented with the medal to all Master Masons now or hereafter so entitled."

2. We do not recommend the adoption of the proposed amendment to Standing Regulation No. 54 providing that "No Master Mason raised in any lodge in this State shall sign the by-laws, become a member of the lodge or receive his diploma until he has complied with this Standing Regulation."

3. We recommend that this Grand Lodge adopt a proposed new Standing Regulation as follows: "Lodges shall be excused from paying the per capita tax as provided for in Sec. 85, Paragraphs 1 and 2 of the Constitution, and any amendments thereof, upon members whose address or whereabouts cannot be found after a reasonable attempt has been made to find them by the Secretary of the lodge to the satisfaction of the Grand Secretary."

4. We recommend that the proposed amendment to Standing Regulation No. 2 be adopted as follows: "That once every ten years each Lodge in this Grand Jurisdiction shall prepare its history for the preceding decade, and furnish two copies to the Grand Lodge Committee on History of Masonry in Maine. Each year the Master of each Lodge shall appoint a Lodge Historian whose duty shall be to prepare the history of the Lodge once each year for the preceding year and present the same to the Lodge Secretary to enable the Lodge to more easily comply with this Standing Regulation."

5. We recommend the adoption of the proposed amendment to Article 5, Sec. 85, so that as amended, said Sec. 85 shall read as follows: "Sec. 85. 1. Each lodge shall pay annually towards the support of the Grand Lodge seventy-five cents each for all its members, including honorary and life members and those absent from the state, and two dollars for every candidate initiated. Provided, that annual dues shall not be paid to the Grand Lodge by a lodge for any honorary member who at the time such honorary membership was conferred was an active member of another lodge."

6. On the proposal referred to us regarding a Standing Regulation authorizing lodge sponsorship of DeMolay, we recommend the adoption of that portion allowing sponsorship by the lodge, but we do not recommend that lodges be authorized to use their funds to financially assist DeMolay Chapters.

Fraternally submitted,

CARROLL W. KEENE,	}	<i>Committee.</i>
GEORGE F. GIDDINGS,		
ERNEST C. BUTLER,		

The recommendations were taken up separately.

- No. 1. The amendment was adopted.
- No. 2. The amendment was not adopted.
- No. 3. The amendment was adopted.
- No. 4. The amendment was adopted.
- No. 5. The amendment was adopted.
- No. 6. The recommendation of the Committee was adopted.

EXEMPLIFICATION OF M. M. DEGREE.

R.W. Bro. RAYMOND M. RIDEOUT, Grand Lecturer, was called to the East and he addressed the Communication in the following words:

Brethren, I have just received word that the Degree Team is ready to come before the Grand Lodge. Will you please take your seats.

Brethren, it will come as a surprise to practically no one to find that you are about to witness the Exemplification of the Degree of Master Mason by the Officers of Atlantic Lodge, No. 81.

I do wish to tell you that there is a special reason why you are witnessing the officers of this particular lodge.

In the first place, this is the opening ceremony of their Centennial Celebration, as they were one hundred years old as of yesterday morning when Grand Lodge opened. This Lodge has had a long and honorable record in Freemasonry in the Jurisdiction of Maine, and looking back through their history, we find that they have worked before the Grand Lodge of Maine on two occasions. They were chartered on May 3, 1855. They exemplified the Entered Apprentice degree in 1862, while the Civil War was in progress, and the last time that they worked before the Grand Lodge of Maine was in 1869, or 86 years ago.

Now, we have many lodges in the State of Maine and there are many Degree Teams who are very eminently worthy of working before the Grand Lodge of Maine, and naturally it is a somewhat long time between the Grand Lodge sessions that any one Degree Team would work, but this Lodge has a long and honorable record in Freemasonry.

They have had many distinguished members of this Lodge. One of them is he whose portrait is right over your heads on the north wall. That was Worshipful Bro. Augustus Schlotterbeck, who became a member of Atlantic Lodge in 1865 and probably was the one man who is most responsible for our being in this Masonic Temple today. He was the prime mover, the originator, and man who dreamed up the idea and followed it through to a successful conclusion. Not only did he donate great sums to this magnificent Temple, but he left in his will a sufficient sum of money to clear off all the mortgages at the time of his passing. No man in Maine Freemasonry has done more toward the building of our great, grand Masonic Home than this distinguished member of Atlantic Lodge.

I have been a Mason and belong to a Lodge in Portland—not Atlantic—for over thirty years, and in my day, and I believe it still holds true, the Atlantic Lodge was known as the seafaring man's lodge, and I find, looking back through its history, that it was so back many, many years; and it is just an odd coincidence, Brethren, that the candidate whom they are going to work this afternoon is a seafaring man—his ship is now in the harbor—and the first candidate who will be raised in Atlantic Lodge in the second century of their existence will be a seafaring man.

Now we are going to proceed with the Exemplification. I am about to call the Officers of Atlantic Lodge to take their stations. I want to point out to you that they are working in their home lodge, although, like many other Lodges that ever have appeared before Grand Lodge, being one of eighteen who have done it, they are under more or less pressure when they are working before you Brethren, so I know you will bear with them and I know you will appreciate what they are attempting to do.

So, with those few brief words, as the Officers of Atlantic Lodge will be properly introduced to you by their Master, at this time I will ask the Officers of Atlantic Lodge to come in.

Worshipful Master,
Senior Warden,
Junior Warden,
Senior Deacon,
Junior Deacon,
Treasurer,
Secretary,
Senior Steward,
Junior Steward,
Chaplain,
Marshal,
1st Gate,

JAMES H. DOYLE
LAWRENCE E. COTE
WARREN N. GRAFFAM
Wor. Bro. PAUL E. TURCOTTE
FLOYD R. BEECHER
Wor. Bro. CARL R. SHEAFF
Wor. Bro. GEORGE P. JACKSON
PAUL S. DAVIS
DON A. SINCLAIR
Wor. Bro. HERBERT L. JOY
JOHN E. WATSON
JAMES H. DOYLE, JR.

2nd Gate,
3rd Gate,
Organist,
Soloist,
Tyler,

Wor. Bro. DANIEL B. FELIX
HARRY W. JOSE
HAROLD G. SCALES
ELMER R. MANGUM
JOHN PAUL HOUSTON

The Grand Lecturer complimented the officers upon the excellence of the work which was presented with dignity and decorum.

MEMORIAL TO ADIN LORIN HOPKINS.

W. Bro. ALBERT W. HOFFSES presented the following memorial:

ADIN LORIN HOPKINS.

The citizens of Camden, and the Masonic Fraternity in Maine, were deeply saddened by the passing of Past Junior Grand Warden, Right Worshipful Adin Lorin Hopkins, which occurred in Camden, Maine, on Sunday, December 26, 1954. All of those who knew R. W. Bro. Hopkins realize that a truly great friend and mason has passed from this mortal life. His was a life of unselfish service, that endeared him to the hearts of all his many friends. He was a man of truly outstanding character, genuine, and loyal, with a heart of great understanding and kindness. Although the man in whom those sterling qualities were so prominent, has ceased to live in our midst, the high moral esteem in which he was held by all who came to know him, will have a deep and lasting effect on all our lives. His willingness to help any of the Masonic bodies in whatever capacity he was called upon to do will long be remembered by those who benefitted by his able assistance. And his rendition of the ritual was unexcelled. Although he was not able to long "enjoy the happy reflections, consequent on a well spent life," yet in his life to come he may truly receive, "a glorious immortality."

Bro. Hopkins was born in Jonesboro, Maine, July 25, 1893, of old New England stock. He was educated in the public schools of Camden and was graduated from the high school in 1911, he took a course in Civil Engineering at the International Correspondence School, Scranton, Pa. For a short time he was connected with the American Express, and from 1914 to 1924 was auditor and store manager for the Mohican Co. Since that time he has followed the profession of Civil Engineering. He served his community and state in many civic positions, serving the State Highway Department from 1933 to the time of his death. He was a member of the Board of Selectmen of the town of Camden, a member of the Board of

County Commissioners of Knox County, and Secretary and Treasurer of the Maine County Commissioners Association for several years. He also served as town moderator for several years.

Bro. Hopkins was made a Master Mason in King David Lodge, No. 62, August 10, 1918, and was its Worshipful Master in 1925, serving two years, and again in 1942, serving for two years. He was made a Royal Arch Mason in Keystone Chapter, No. 24, on July 15, 1920, and was its High Priest in 1929, and Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter in 1949. He was greeted a Royal and Select Master in King Hiram Council, No. 6, November 6, 1925, and was its Illustrious Master in 1933. He was knighted in Camden Commandery, No. 23, on April 3, 1928, and was its Eminent Commander in 1934. He received the degrees of the Scottish Rite from the fourth to the eighteenth in the bodies of the Rite at Rockland in 1944, and the thirty-second degree in Maine Consistory at Portland, on May 17, 1945. He was District Deputy of the Grand Lodge in 1936-1937, and Junior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge in 1952. And he was an officer in DeBouillon Conclave, Knights of the Red Cross of Constantine.

He was an active worker and Deacon in the Baptist Church, at Camden.

On July 31, 1916, he was united in marriage to Miss Rita Ernestine Carver. He leaves his widow, and two children, Richard of Arlington, Va., and Carolyn of Camden, Maine. And five grandchildren.

His funeral services were held at the Baptist Church, Camden, Tuesday, December 28, 1954. The magnificent floral tributes and the tremendous attendance at his funeral were symbolic of the high esteem in which he was held by all.

Interment was in Mountain View Cemetery of which he was a Trustee.

M. W. Brother POWERS, Grand Master, called the Grand Lodge from labor to refreshment until 9.00 A. M., Thursday, May 5, 1955.

THIRD DAY — MORNING.

MASONIC TEMPLE, PORTLAND, }
Thursday, May 5, 1955. }

The Grand Lodge was called from refreshment to labor at 9.00 o'clock.

FINANCE.

M. W. Bro. CARROLL W. KEENE, for the Committee on Finance, presented the following report

which was accepted and the recommendations were adopted:

IN GRAND LODGE,
PORTLAND, ME., May 5, 1955.

Your Committee on Finance submit the following budget covering estimated financial transactions of the General Fund for 1955-1956:

RECEIPTS.

Grand Lodge Dues	\$35,490.00
Initiation Fees	2,500.00
Penalties	50.00
Dispensations	60.00
Sales and Services	3,400.00
Rentals	1,900.00
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	\$43,400.00
Total Receipts	\$43,400.00

APPROPRIATIONS.

Personal Services:	
Salaries, Leach	\$ 3,500.00
" Webster	2,400.00
" Maxfield	1,500.00
" Lecturer	500.00
" Pollard	750.00
Extra Services, Clerical and Professional	2,500.00
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	11,150.00
Contractual Services:	
Rent	3,600.00
Telephone	250.00
Printing and Binding	1,200.00
Lodge Services	300.00
Insurance (and Bond)	200.00
Travel, Officers	939.44
Travel, D. D. G. M.	1,000.00
Contingent to Grand Master for actual expenses incurred for year 1954-1955	2,433.42
Session Payroll	6,500.00
Catering and Entertainment	800.00
Printing Annual Proceedings	2,500.00
Dues and memberships	1,300.00
F. I. C. A. Taxes	225.00
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	21,247.86
Commodities:	
Lodge supplies	2,500.00
Office supplies	400.00
Flowers	50.00
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	2,950.00

Capital Outlay:

Lodge Equipment	200.00	
Office equipment	2,000.00	
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Special Service:

Masonic Education	1,000.00	
Blood Bank Program	500.00	
History Program	100.00	
Masonic Service Hospital	3,500.00	
Library, Binding and Bulletins	300.00	
		<hr/> 5,400.00

Total Proposed Appropriations. \$42,947.86

Unappropriated Surplus 452.14

\$43,400.00

Fraternally submitted,

CARROLL W. KEENE,	} <i>Finance</i> <i>Committee.</i>
HORACE M. BUDD,	
DAVID F. DREW,	

It was then voted that the Grand Master appoint a committee to make a survey of the needs of the Grand Secretary's and Grand Treasurer's office with authority to purchase the necessary equipment to the extent of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00).

LIBRARY AND MUSEUM—TEWKSBURY REQUEST.

R. W. Bro. CLARK D. CHAPMAN, for the Special Committee presented the following report which was accepted and the recommendation adopted:

IN GRAND LODGE,
PORTLAND, ME., May 5, 1955.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maine:

Your Committee appointed to investigate and advise concerning the disposition of the Masonic Jewels bequeathed to Grand Lodge by our late Brother John L. Tewksbury, having investigated the matter, reports as follows:

We are advised by close friends of Mrs. Tewksbury that she wishes that certain of the jewels may be delivered to her to the end that she may dispose of them in accordance with sentiments attached to them. We therefore

He was exalted in Keystone Chapter, No. 4, of Camden, Maine, on December 11, 1912, and was the High Priest in 1918. He was appointed to office in the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Maine in 1921, and was Grand Scribe in 1930.

He served as Master of King Hiram Council, No. 6, of Rockland, in 1920, and was Most Illustrious Grand Master of Grand Council in 1947.

He was knighted in Camden Commandery, No. 23, on April 8, 1923, and was elected Eminent Commander in 1922, and Grand Commander in 1944.

He had served as Patron of Seaside Chapter, O. E. S., in 1923. He was a member of Maine Council of High Priests, Maine Chapter, No. 1, Past Officers' Association, and Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Charity Fund of Amity Lodge. He had been President of the Board of Trade, and Secretary and Treasurer of the Camden Business Men's Association. He is a Past President of the Sons of the American Revolution. He served as Chairman of the Committee on History in Grand Lodge for ten years, and for many years was a regular attendant at all Grand Lodge sessions.

Yesterday John walked among us ever extending a welcome hand. Today he answers not our call. Tomorrow our memory of him will fade. But, a great Mason made Masonry better by having been a part of it.

MEMORIAL TO CLARENCE J. PERHAM.

R. W. Bro. ARTHUR W. STOCKBRIDGE presented the following memorial:

CLARENCE J. PERHAM.

R. W. Bro. CLARENCE J. PERHAM who died at his home November 13, 1954, was born in Woodstock, Maine, November 10, 1879, the son of Jotham and Lora Whitman Perham.

He was educated in the public schools. Bro. PERHAM was very much interested in civic affairs and was a member of both the school and health boards for many years.

He was a contractor and builder by trade, doing business both in Portland and Bryant Pond.

His Masonic record is as follows:

R. W. Bro. PERHAM was made a Master Mason in Jefferson Lodge, No. 100, at Bryant Pond, July 15, 1913, and was its Worshipful Master in 1922-1923 and 1924, and was District Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge in 1937-1938; Grand Sword Bearer, 1939 to 1941; Senior Grand Warden, 1943. He was a member of Oxford Royal Arch Chapter and Oxford Council of Royal and Select Masters, and a member of Strathglass Commandery at Rumford, Maine.

In Scottish Rite Masonry, he received the degrees from the 4° to the 32° in the Portland Valley, in 1940.

R. W. Bro. PERHAM gave freely of his time to Masonry in which he was very well versed. He installed the officers in many lodges and was always ready to sit in when help was needed.

In 1899, he was united in marriage to Miss Mary French.

He is survived by his widow, the former Mary French, a daughter, Mrs. Henry Stone of West Paris; a brother, Nelson, of South Woodstock; two grandsons and two nephews.

His funeral services were held at the Baptist Church, Bryant Pond, Tuesday, November 16th, and were largely attended.

R. W. Bro. PERHAM will be greatly missed in Grand Lodge and by his many Masonic friends with whom he had been so closely associated for many years.

Let us not count him as one dead, but just gone on before to that Heavenly Mansion where we may hope some day to meet and dwell with him forever more.

MEMORIAL TO JAMES PRESTON BUNKER.

R. W. Bro. AUBREY L. BURBANK presented the following memorial which had been prepared by M. W. Bro. BENJAMIN L. HADLEY:

JAMES PRESTON BUNKER

JAMES PRESTON BUNKER, Past Junior Grand Warden, died suddenly on May 2, 1955.

He was born in Northeast Harbor, Maine, April 28, 1896, the son of Charles Henry and Evadne (Peckham) Bunker.

He was educated in the schools at Northeast Harbor and attended Bates College for two years. His occupation was that of landscape gardener.

In the community, he was a respected citizen, holding several elective offices in the town government and always working diligently for the best interest of his home town. He was active in Church affairs, and was a Deacon in the Baptist Church. He served overseas with the 54th Artillery, C. A. C., during World War I.

Masonry claimed his earnest attention and to it he gave liberally of his time and his talent. He was made a Master Mason in Northeast Harbor Lodge, No. 208, on November 12, 1920; served as Worshipful Master in 1925-26; was D. D. G. M. of the 21st Masonic District, 1933-34; was elected Junior Grand Warden of the M. W. Grand Lodge in 1936. At the time of his death, he was a member of the Grand Lodge Committee on Unfinished Business.

He was exalted in Mount Kebo Chapter, No. 50, Bar Harbor, November 13, 1925, and was its High Priest in 1930. He was knighted in Blanquefort Commandery, December 27, 1946.

He was a Past Worthy Patron of St. Mary's Chapter, O. E. S., serving in that office long and faithfully.

His other affiliation which he valued highly was with the American Legion, having been Commander of Lester J. Lurvey Post, No. 103, Northeast Harbor in 1938, as well as Finance Officer; 2nd Vice-Commander of Hancock County Council, A. L., in 1939.

On March 6, 1922, he united in marriage with Lola Lillian McClure. There are no children. Besides the widow, he leaves his elderly mother.

Masonry has lost a staunch supporter, the community a valued citizen, his family a devoted son and husband.

PAY ROLL.

R. W. Bro. MERRILL R. KITTREDGE, for the Committee on Pay Roll, presented the following report which was accepted:

IN GRAND LODGE,
May 5, 1955.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maine:

Your Committee on Pay Roll is pleased to report that it has received the report of the Committee on Credentials, that a schedule has been prepared, and is now in the hands of the Grand Treasurer.

ALVOID E. CUSHMAN,	} Committee on Pay Roll.
MERRILL R. KITTREDGE,	
HARRY E. ROWE,	

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

R. W. Bro. MERTON E. LEECH, for the Committee on Unfinished Business, made verbal report that the business of the One Hundred Thirty-sixth Annual Communication had been completed.

MASONIC SERVICE DEPARTMENT.

R. W. Bro. AUSTIN A. ALDEN proposed the following which was laid upon the table until the next Annual Communication.

The Masters' and Wardens' Association of the 17th District has made a preliminary study of the Masonic Service Department of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts. Through our Grand Secretary's office we received information from R. W. Bro. Chester D. Shepherd, Director of the Service Department of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts outlining the services performed.

This preliminary study has convinced this Association that a similar department properly organized and financed would be very beneficial to all Masons in Maine.

It is herefore moved that the Grand Master appoint a committee to study and report to the next annual communication on the advisability of establishing a Masonic Service Department. If found advisable, this committee should include in its report recommendations as to its organization, functions and ways and means of financing it.

INSTALLATION.

The M. W. Grand Master invited M. W. Bro. CLARK D. CHAPMAN to assume the East and install the Grand Officers. On assuming the East, he appointed M. W. Bro. CARROLL W. KEENE as Grand Marshal to present M. W. Bro. PAUL L. POWERS, Grand Master Elect, who was duly installed into office, prayer being offered by Rev. M. GERRY PLUMMER, Grand Chaplain.

M. W. Bro. POWERS made the following appointments:

EARLE D. WEBSTER,	R. W. Cor, Grand Secretary,	Portland
MALCOLM R. HOLTS,	" D. D. G. M., 1st Dist.,	Perham
ROBERT H. JOSSELYN,	" " 2nd "	Lubec
HOWARD R. MALLER,	" " 3rd "	Machias
RODNEY H. BARTLETT,	" " 4th "	Blue Hill
JAMES O. MCKEEN,	" " 5th "	Milo
STANLEY P. DONALDSON,	" " 6th "	Etna
JOHN H. ANNIS,	" " 7th "	West Rockport
L. FAIR ELWELL.	" " 8th "	Brooks
ALBERT B. WATTS,	" " 9th "	Tenants Har.
CHARLES L. GAMAGE,	" " 10th "	South Bristol
WESTON R. ALLEN,	" " 11th "	Litchfield
HOWARD H. WHITTEN,	" " 12th "	Clinton
ALLAN P. ROBINSON,	" " 13th "	Bingham
NATHANIEL A. GILPATRICK,	" " 14th "	Richmond
HAROLD T. RICKER,	" " 15th "	Stratton
PAUL WADSWORTH,	" " 16th "	Denmark
AUSTIN A. ALDEN,	" " 17th "	Gorham
WILLIS H. WEBBER,	" " 18th "	Berwick
LESTER D. BRAGDON,	" " 19th "	Berwick
WILLIAM H. GRUBER,	" " 20th "	Rumford
JOHN J. WEAST,	" " 21st "	Bar Harbor
KILBURN H. MERRILL,	" " 22nd "	Pittsfield

DONALD R. BRIGGS,	R. W. D. D. G. M. 23rd Dist.,	East Auburn
RALPH W. EMERSON,	" " 24th "	Island Falls
RAYMOND M. RIDEOUT,	" Grand Lecturer,	Augusta
P.G.M. Rev. DAVID L.		
WILSON, L.H.D.,	W. " Chaplain,	Bath
Rev. M. GERRY PLUMMER,	" " "	Lisbon
" ALBERT A. GAISFORD,	" " "	Kittery Point
" ERNEST HEYWOOD.	" " "	Calais
Rabbi David BERENT,	" " "	Lewiston
Rev. PERCY G. COTTON,	" " "	Houlton
" ANDREW C. K. RICHARDS	" " "	Saco
WARREN MOSES,	" " "	Portland
Rev. MALCOLM ANGUS		
McDUFFIE,	" " "	Waterville
NORMAN W. LINDQUIST,	" " Marshal,	Yarmouth
B. GLEN MCGEE,	" " Senior Deacon,	Anson
EARLE B. PORTER,	" " Junior Deacon,	Rockland
WALTER E. TOWNSEND,	" " Stewards,	Boothbay Harbor
GEORGE A. ELWELL,	" " "	West Buxton
JOHN WONNEBERGER,	" " "	Lisbon Falls
PARKER R. JACOBY,	" " "	Dixmont
ALPHEUS G. DYER,	" " Sword Bearer,	Freeport
ROLAND W. CORNISH,	" " Standard Bearer,	Bowdoinham
HARRY D. DAVIS,	" " Pursuivants,	Vanceboro
JOHN W. PETERSON,	" " "	Biddeford
FRED LINCOLN HILL,	Bro. " Organist,	Westbrook
LEO K. ANDREWS,	" " "	Augusta
FREDERICK C. DAVIS,	" " "	Millinocket
HENRY DOHERTY,	" " Tyler,	Bangor

He then invited M. W. Bro. CHAPMAN to proceed with the installation.

The Grand Officers elect and appointed, who were present were installed and proclamation was made.

The Grand Master resumed the East and thanked Bros. CHAPMAN, KEENE and PLUMMER.

INSTALLATION OF ABSENT OFFICERS.

The Grand Secretary was instructed to arrange to have the Grand Officers, elect and appointed, not present, installed in their respective lodges.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Grand Master POWERS appointed the following Standing Committees:

On Amendments to the Constitution

ERNEST C. BUTLER, CARROLL W. KEENE, BENJAMIN W. ELA

On Condition of the Fraternity

CHARLES E. CROSSLAND, JOHN M. LITTLEFIELD, NORRIS C. ESTABROOK

On History

GEORGE R. CASWELL, EVERETT S. HIGGINS, FRED J. LOWELL

On Jurisprudence

EDWARD W. WHEELER, CLARK D. CHAPMAN, GRANVILLE C. GRAY

On Library and Museum

EARLE D. WEBSTER, WILLIAM A. LEVENSALOR, GEORGE W. HASKELL

Special Assistants

LEON M. SANBORN, FRANK L. MILAN

On Pay Roll

ALVOID E. CUSHMAN, MERRILL R. KITTREDGE, HARRY E. ROWE

On Returns

CONVERS E. LEACH, FREDERICK G. LOUNDER, CLYDE FRENCH

On Unfinished Business

GEORGE H. MINOTT, JOHN L. POLLEYS, MERTON E. LEECH

On Commissioners of Trials

ERVIN E. J. LANDER, HARRY S. GRINDALL, CLIFFORD H. M. PERRY,
FRED E. HANSCOM, RAY L. LITTLEFIELD

On Credentials

GEORGE P. JACKSON, WILSON C. BLAKE, JOHN VACCA

On Dispensations and Charters

CARROLL W. KEENE, ERVIN E. J. LANDER, PHILIP D. TINGLEY

On Doings of Grand Officers

CLARK D. CHAPMAN, GEORGE F. GIDDINGS, GRANVILLE C. GRAY

On Foreign Correspondence

RALPH J. POLLARD, CHARLES E. CROSSLAND, JOHN M. LITTLEFIELD

On Grievances and Appeals

CLARK D. CHAPMAN, JR., HARRY ROWE, EDWARD H. BRITTON

Special Committee on Masonic Education

RALPH J. POLLARD, ERVIN E. J. LANDER, WILLIAM A. LEVENSALOR
LEWIS T. BROWN

RECORDS.

On motion of R. W. Bro. AUBREY L. BURBANK, it was voted that when the stenographic report of the transactions of this Annual Communication shall have been transcribed by the stenographer, and read and approved by the Grand Master and Grand Secretary, it shall become the official record of this Grand Communication.

CLOSING.

At 10.50 A. M., Eastern Daylight Time, the Grand Lodge was closed, with prayer by Grand Chaplain WARREN MOSES.



Grand Master.

Attest:



Grand Secretary.

The One Hundred and Thirty-seventh Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge will be held at the Masonic Temple, Portland, Tuesday, May 1, 1956, at 9.00 A. M.

**REGULATIONS OF THE CHARITY FUND OF THE
GRAND LODGE OF MAINE.**

ARTICLE I.

The fund is applicable to the following cases:

First, to poor and worthy members of lodges under this jurisdiction, in cases where the funds of their own lodges are not adequate to the exigency of the case.

Secondly, to poor and worthy Masons resident in this state, not members of any subordinate lodge, and being in circumstances to render such membership not a masonic duty.

Thirdly, to poor and worthy Masons being sojourners in this State.

Fourthly, to other cases of distress.

ARTICLE II.

The widows and orphans of deceased Masons are to be relieved as the husband or parent would be upon the principle stated in preceding article.

ARTICLE III.

1. Applications for relief shall be made by the Master of the Lodge in behalf of any member of his Lodge or by any other person who shall be eligible for assistance, consistent with prevailing regulations. All applications shall be sent to the chairman of the Committee on Distribution.

2. All payments for relief shall be made to the Lodge from which the application is received; the Secretary of said Lodge to act as almoner in each case.

3. Applications for relief shall be filed with the chairman of the Committee on Distribution prior to April 1 of each year if possible, or as near said date as conditions will permit. It shall be necessary to file a new application for each case each year.

4. Any application for relief which, in the opinion of the Grand Master, requires emergency action, shall be handled at his discretion, and any payments shall be made from a fund for this purpose placed at the disposal of the Grand Master by vote of the Board of Trustees.

5. The Trustees shall each year at their annual meeting establish such amount as is, in their opinion, necessary for the proper administration and distribution of the charity funds.

HONOR to WHOM Honor is Due

The following names constitute a Roll of Honor in which we memorialize those whose gracious and generous gifts have contributed to the preservation of our Grand Lodge charities:

CHARLES M. FARRAR

DANA B. CUTTER

FREDERICK C. THAYER

GEORGE M. RICH

THOMAS H. BODGE

JOHN W. TOWARD

THE FOLLOWING FORMS ARE SUGGESTED FOR USE IN
MAKING GIFTS TO THE CHARITY FUND.

FORM OF ABSOLUTE GIFT IN WILL.

I give the "Master, Wardens and Members of the Grand Lodge of Maine," incorporated under the laws of said State, and whose office is located in Portland, Maine, the sum of.....Dollars, (\$) to become a part of the "Charity Fund of the Grand Lodge of Maine," to have and to hold the same for the uses and purposes of said corporation.

FORM OF GIFT OF REMAINDER AFTER LIFE USE.

I give, devise and bequeath to.....(a Trustee) the sum of.....Dollars, (\$) (or other property or part of estate), to hold, manage, sell, invest and reinvest, and to pay over the net income arising therefrom to..... Upon his death I give, devise and bequeath the principal of said Trust Fund to the "Master, Wardens and Members of the Grand Lodge of Maine," incorporated under the laws of said State, and whose office is in Portland, Maine, to become a part of the "Charity Fund of the Grand Lodge of Maine," to have and to hold same for the uses and purposes of said corporation.

FORM WHEN NAME OF FUND IS DESIGNATED.

I give and bequeath to the "Master, Wardens and Members of the Grand Lodge of Maine," incorporated under the laws of said State, and whose office is in Portland, Maine, the sum of..... Dollars, (\$) to be known as the..... Fund in memory of..... to become a part of the "Charity Fund of the Grand Lodge of Maine," to have and to hold same for the uses and purposes of said corporation.

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

Trustees of the Charity Fund

MASONIC TEMPLE,
Tuesday, May 2, 1955.

The Trustees of the Masonic Charitable Foundation of the Grand Lodge of Maine met, in accordance with Section 59, Constitution of the Grand Lodge of Maine, at 5.00 P. M., Eastern Daylight Time, Tuesday, May 2, 1955.

Present — PAUL L. POWERS, *Grand Master and President*
AUBREY L. BURBANK, *Deputy Grand Master*
MERRILL R. KITTREDGE, *Junior Grand Warden*
CONVERS E. LEACH, *Grand Secretary*
EDWARD W. WHEELER, *Trustee*
ERNEST C. BUTLER, *Trustee*
CHARLES E. CROSSLAND, *Trustee*
GEORGE F. GIDDINGS, *Trustee*
ERVIN E. J. LANDER, *Trustee*

Present by invitation — H. NORTON MAXFIELD, *Grand Treasurer.*

Voted, To omit the reading of the various records, and that as recorded, distributed, or printed, they be confirmed.

Voted, To approve, ratify and confirm the investments and changes in the investments which have been made in the Invested Funds during the year.

The Treasurer's Report was presented as follows:

CHARITY FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Relief Account, Transfer per Vote.....	\$ 20,000.00
\$5,000 U. S. Savings " G," 2 $\frac{1}{4}$'s, 1954, Matured.,	5,000.00
\$5,000 Province of Saskatchewan, 4 $\frac{1}{2}$'s, 1955,	
Sold @ 104 $\frac{5}{8}$	5,231.25

\$1,000 American Tel. & Tel. Co. $3\frac{1}{2}$ Conv. Deb. 1964, Converted.....	1,000.00
\$1,000 American Tel & Tel. Co. $2\frac{3}{4}$ Conv. Deb. 1961, Converted.....	1,000.00
\$500 Consolidated Gas Electric L. & P. Co., $3\frac{1}{4}$ Convertible Deb. 1967, Redeemed @ 101....	505.00
100 Shares Hollingsworth & Whitney Co., exchanged, Scott Paper Co.....	.....
First Portland National Bank, Fractional Shares Sold.....	88.01
Canal National Bank, Fractional Shares Sold.....	19.51
New England Tel. & Tel. Co., Sale of Rights.....	364.51
Interest.....	21.97
	<hr/> \$ 33,230.25

DISBURSEMENTS.

\$9,000 Aluminum Co. of America, Deb. $3\frac{1}{8}$'s, 1964, @ $103\frac{1}{8}$	\$ 9,281.25
\$5,000 Pacific Gas & Elec. Co., 3's, 1979, @ $101\frac{1}{2}$	5,075.00
100 Shares Gulf Oil Corp. @ $57\frac{5}{8}$	5,762.50
4 Shares, Gulf Oil Corp. Stock Dividend.....	.....
200 Shares, Cincinnati Gas & Elec. Co. @ $24\frac{3}{8}$	4,875.00
100 Shares Southern California Edison Co., @ $45\frac{5}{8}$	4,562.50
62 Shares Bangor Hydro-Elec. Co., @ 32.....	1,984.00
10 Shares, American Tel. & Tel. Co., for $3\frac{1}{2}$ Deb. 1964.....	1,360.00
10 Shares, American Tel. & Tel. Co., for $2\frac{3}{4}$ Deb. 1961.....	1,427.84
Interest, Fees and Charges.....	163.26
200 Shares, General Elec. Co., Stock Dividend...	.....
10 Shares, Canal National Bank, Stock Dividend.....	.....
19 Shares, First Portland National Bank, Stock Dividend.....	.....
6 Shares, Eastman Kodak Co., Stock Dividend.....	.....
140 Shares, Scott Paper Co. for Hollingsworth & Whitney Co.....	.....
	<hr/> \$ 34,491.35
	<hr/> —1,261.10
	<hr/> \$ 33,230.25
Balance, March 31, 1954.....	\$ 2,221.75
Deficit, 1955 Account.....	1,261.10
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Balance, March 31, 1955.....	\$ 960.65

SECURITIES.

MARCH 31, 1955

Face	Bond	Cost	Income
\$ 9,000	Aluminum Co. of American, 3 $\frac{1}{8}$'s, 1964...	\$ 9,281.25	\$ 281.25
5,000	Arkansas Power & Light Co., 3 $\frac{1}{8}$'s 1974...	5,150.00	156.25
5,000	Baltimore & Ohio R. R. Co., 4's, 1975...	4,900.00	200.00
3,000	Boston & Maine R. R. Co., Inc. Mtg., 4 $\frac{1}{2}$'s, 1970.....	2,925.00	135.00
1,200	Boston & Maine R. R. Co., 4's, 1960....	1,200.00	48.00
5,000	British Columbia, Province of, 4 $\frac{1}{2}$'s, 1957	5,425.00	225.00
5,000	Canada, Dominion of, Internal, 3's, 1959.	4,737.50	150.00
5,000	Canada, Dominion of, Internal, 3's, 1959.	4,837.50	150.00
5,000	Central Illinois Public Service Co., 3 $\frac{3}{8}$'s, '1971.....	5,350.00	168.75
10,000	Central Maine Power Co., 2 $\frac{3}{4}$'s, 1976....	10,200.00	275.00
5,000	Central Maine Power Co., 3 $\frac{1}{2}$'s, 1970...	5,425.00	175.00
8,000	Dartmouth Real Estate Co., 3 $\frac{1}{2}$'s, 1962..	8,200.00	280.00
5,000	Green Mountain Power Corp., 3 $\frac{3}{4}$'s, 1963	5,287.50	187.50
5,000	Illinois Central R. R. Co., 4's, 1955.....	4,925.00	200.00
5,000	Maine Central R. R. Co., 5 $\frac{1}{8}$'s, 1978.....	4,981.25	256.25
5,000	New York Steam Corp., 3 $\frac{1}{2}$'s, 1963.....	5,287.50	175.00
5,000	Northeastern Water Co., 5's, 1968.....	5,162.50	250.00
10,000	Pacific Gas & Electric Co., 3's, 1979.....	9,943.75	225.00
5,000	Pittsburg, Cincinnati, Chicago & St. Louis R. R. Co., 5's, 1970.....	5,681.25	250.00
3,000	Portland Terminal R. R. Co., 5's, 1961...	3,000.00	150.00
3,000	Portland Terminal R. R. Co., 4's, 1961...	2,750.00	120.00
5,000	Public Service Electric & Gas Co., 6's, 1998.....	7,525.00	300.00
1,000	Shreveport Bridge & Terminal Co., 5's, 1955.....	1,000.00	50.00
2,000	Toledo Terminal R. R. Co., 4 $\frac{1}{2}$'s, 1957...	2,000.00	90.00
200	Toledo Terminal R. R. Co., 4 $\frac{1}{2}$'s, 1957, (Reg.).....	200.00	9.00
5,000	U. S. Savings Ser. " G," 2 $\frac{1}{2}$'s, July, 1956.	5,000.00	125.00
10,000	U. S. Savings Ser. " G," 2 $\frac{1}{2}$'s, July, 1958.	10,000.00	250.00
1,000	U. S. Savings Ser. " G," 2 $\frac{1}{2}$'s, October, 1955.....	1,000.00	25.00
10,000	U. S. Savings Ser. " G," 2 $\frac{1}{2}$'s, Novem- ber, 1956.....	10,000.00	250.00
5,000	U. S. Treasury, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$'s, 1972-67, Dated June 1, 1945.....	5,000.00	125.00
10,000	U. S. Treasury, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$'s, 1972-67, Dated November 15, 1945.....	10,000.00	250.00
20,000	U. S. Treasury, 3 $\frac{1}{4}$'s 1983-78, Dated May 1, 1953.....	20,000.00	650.00
Bonds.....		\$186,375.00	\$ 6,182.00

STOCKS.

Shares	Stocks	Cost	Income
70 Shares, American Tel & Tel. Co.....		\$ 10,287.84	\$ 472.50
100 Shares, Bangor Hydro-Electric Co., Common		2,927.50	152.10
196 Shares, Canal National Bank of Portland....		2,500.00	198.30
50 Shares, Central Maine Power Co., 3½ Pfd....		4,900.00	175.00
145 Shares, Chase National Bank, New York....		6,037.50	326.25
200 Shares, Cincinnati Gas & Elec. Co., Common.		4,875.00	.....
100 Shares, Cleveland Elec. Illuminating Co., Common.....		5,400.00	260.00
50 Shares, Consolidated Edison Co., 5% Pfd....		5,375.00	250.00
150 Shares, Consolidated Gas Elec. L. & P. Co....		4,537.50	220.50
100 Shares, DuPont de Nemours Co., Common....		10,600.00	575.00
133 Shares, Eastman Kodak Co.....		5,225.00	260.35
125 Shares, First National Bank of Boston, Mass.		6,134.00	318.75
203 Shares, First Portland National Bank, Port- land, Me.....		8,137.00	337.50
300 Shares, General Electric Co., Common.....		4,550.00	460.00
100 Shares, General Mills, 5% Cum. Pfd.....		12,120.00	500.00
100 Shares, Great Northern Paper Co.....		4,150.00	300.00
104 Shares, Gulf Oil Corp., Common.....		5,762.50	152.00
9 Shares, Maine Central R. R. Co., Prior Pfd....		900.00	54.00
118 Shares, Manufacturer's Trust Co.....		6,500.00	359.90
236 Shares, National Bank of Commerce, Port- land, Me.....		8,115.00	460.00
55 Shares, New England Tel. & Tel. Co., Com- mon.....		6,412.50	440.00
50 Shares, Portland Gas Light Co., \$5 Ser. Cum. Pfd.....		4,634.00	250.00
140 Shares, Scott Paper Co., Common.....		3,075.00	126.00
300 Shares, S. D. Warren Co., Common.....		2,793.75	300.00
100 Shares, Sears, Roebuck & Co., Common....		5,675.00	300.00
100 Shares, Southern California Edison Co.....		4,562.50	.....
200 Shares, Standard Oil Co., of New Jersey....		12,075.00	963.48
80 Shares, St. Croix Paper Co., Common.....		4,300.00	404.00
246 Shares, Texas Co., Common.....		6,550.00	922.50
150 Shares, Union Carbide & Carbon Corp, Com- mon.....		4,943.75	375.00
100 Shares, United Fruit Co., Common.....		6,687.50	300.00
134 Shares, West Virginia Water Service Co., Common.....		2,322.63	187.60
Stocks.....		\$183,065.47	\$ 10,440.73
Total Invested.....		\$369,440.47	16,622.73
Uninvested.....		960.65	
Income on securities no longer owned.....			521.87
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			\$370,401.12 \$ 17,144.60

CHARLES M. FARRAR FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Portland Savings Bank, Interest.....	\$	7.93	
		<hr/>	\$ 7.93

DISBURSEMENTS.

\$1,000 Aluminum Co. of America, 3½, Deb. 1964			
@ 103⅛.....	\$	1,031.25	
Interest on above.....		12.50	
		<hr/>	\$ 1,043.75
Deficit.....			—1,035.82
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			\$ 7.93
Balance, March 31, 1954.....	\$	1,753.13	
Deficit, 1955 Account.....		—1,035.82	
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Balance, March 31, 1955.....	\$	717.31	

SECURITIES.

MARCH 31, 1955.

Face	Bond	Cost	Income
\$1,000 Aluminum Co. of America, 3½'s 1964....	\$	1,031.25	\$ 31.25
1,000 Birmingham Terminal Co., 4's, 1957.....		1,060.00	40.00
3,000 Canada, Dominion of, Internal 3's, 1959...		2,805.00	90.00
2,000 Jamestown, Franklin & Clearfield R. R.			
Co. 4's, 1959.....		1,920.00	80.00
3,000 Maine Central R. R. Co., 5½'s, 1978.....		2,988.75	153.75
2,000 New York Telephone Co., 2¾'s 1982.....		2,060.00	55.00
2,000 Northern Pacific Railway Co., 4's, 1997...		1,630.00	80.00
3,000 Portland General Elec. Co., 3½'s 1975....		3,105.00	93.75
1,000 Portland Terminal Co., 4's, 1961.....		910.00	40.00
1,000 Portland Terminal Co., 5's, 1961.....		1,020.00	50.00
2,000 U. S. Savings " G," 2½'s, July, 1956.....		2,000.00	50.00
1,000 U. S. Savings " G," 2½'s, March 1958....		1,000.00	25.00
5,000 Westinghouse Air Brake Co., 3¾'s 1978....		5,093.75	290.60
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Bonds.....	\$	26,623.75	\$ 1,080.35

STOCKS

Shares	Stocks	Cost	Income
100 Shares, Chemical Corn Exchange Bank, New York		\$ 3,050.00	\$ 150.00
20 Shares, Kankakee Water Co., 5½% Pfd..		2,040.00	110.00
100 Shares, Socony-Vacuum Oil Co., Common.		3,300.00	225.00
Stocks		\$ 8,390.00	\$ 485.00
Total Invested		\$ 35,013.75	\$ 1,564.35
Uninvested		717.31	
Income on Securities no longer owned.			0.
		\$ 35,731.06	\$ 1,564.35

FREDERICK C. THAYER FUND.

No Transactions.

Balance, March 31, 1955	\$ 20.00
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SECURITIES.

MARCH 31, 1955

Face	Bond	Cost	Income
\$50.00 U. S. Savings, Ser. F. 2½'s, 1955		\$ 37.00

STOCK

45 Shares, Jamaica Water Supply Co., Common. .	\$ 990.00	\$ 83.25
	\$ 1,027.00	
Uninvested	20.00	
	\$ 1,047.00	\$ 83.25

THOMAS H. BODGE MEMORIAL FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Interest	\$ 8.77	\$ 8.77
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DISBURSEMENTS.

None	\$ 0.	
	\$	0.00
Balance		8.77
Balance	\$	8.77
Balance, March 31, 1954	\$ 349.30	
Balance, 1955 Account	8.77	
Balance, March 31, 1955	\$ 358.07	

SECURITIES.

MARCH 31, 1955.

Face	Bond	Cost	Income
\$5,000	Detroit Edison Co., 3's, 1970.....	\$ 5,437.50	\$ 150.00
5,000	Pacific Gas & Electric Co., 3's, 1974.....	5,450.00	150.00
Bonds.....		\$ 10,887.50	\$ 300.00

STOCK.

Share	Stocks	Cost	Income
100 Shares,	Union Pacific R. R. Co., Common.	\$ 7,135.50	\$ 700.00
45 Shares,	U. S. Steel Corp., 7% Cum. Pfd....	6,586.83	315.00
Stocks.....		\$ 13,722.33	\$ 1,015.00
Total Invested.....		\$ 24,609.83	\$ 1,315.00
Uninvested.....		358.07	
		\$ 24,967.90	\$ 1,315.00

RELIEF ACCOUNT.

RECEIPTS.

Per Capita Tax.....	\$ 23,645.00
Income on Investments, Charity Fund.....	17,144.60
Income on Investments, Farrar Fund.....	1,564.35
Income on Investments, Thayer Fund.....	83.25
Income on Investments, Bodge Fund.....	1,315.00
Reimbursements.....	395.34
Contribution—Arthur J. Waterman.....	16.00
Canadian Exchange.....	16.78
	<hr/> \$ 44,180.32

DISBURSEMENTS.

Beneficiaries.....	\$ 24,638.22
Transfer to Charity Fund, Per Vote.....	20,000.00
Interest, Fees and Charges.....	128.27
Expense of Administration.....	377.14
Check No. 8140 (previously written off).....	15.00
	<hr/> \$ 45,158.63
Deficit.....	—978.31
	<hr/> \$ 44,180.32
Balance, March 31, 1954.....	\$ 45,607.60
Deficit, 1955 Account.....	—978.31
	<hr/> \$ 44,629.29

MAINE MASONIC WAR RELIEF FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Income on Investments.....	\$ 1,176.25
Interest on Bank Deposits.....	181.69
\$5,000 U. S. Treasury 2's, 1954-52, Matured.....	5,000.00
\$5,000 Prov. of New Brunswick 4½'s, 1970, Called @ 102½.....	5,125.00
	<hr/> \$ 11,482.94

DISBURSEMENTS.

\$10,000 General Motors Acceptance Corp., 3⅞'s 1964, @ 104¼.....	\$ 10,425.00
100 Shares, Philadelphia Electric Co., Common @ 36⅛.....	3,612.50
100 Shares, Middle South Utilities, Common @ 31⅜.....	3,137.50
50 Shares, Chemical Corn Exchange Bank @ 53..	2,650.00
Interest, Fees and Charges.....	164.14
	<hr/> \$ 19,990.14
Deficit.....	<hr/> —8,507.20
	<hr/> \$ 11,482.94

Balance, March 31, 1954.....	\$ 12,088.60
Deficit, 1955 Account.....	<hr/> —8,507.20
	<hr/> \$ 3,581.40

SECURITIES.

MARCH 31, 1955.

Face	Bond	Cost	Income
\$10,000 General Motors Acceptance Corp, 3⅞'s, 1961.....		\$ 10,425.00	\$ 387.50
10,000 General Motors Corp., 3½'s 1979.....		10,225.00	325.00
5,000 Nova Scotia, Prov. of, 3¾'s, 1971.....		5,118.75	187.50
Bonds.....		<hr/> \$ 25,768.75	<hr/> \$ 900.00

STOCKS.

100 Shares, Middle South Utilities, Common.	3,137.50	\$	.....
100 Shares, Philadelphia Electric Co., Com- mon.....	3,612.50		90.00
50 Shares, Chemical Corn Exchange Bank..	2,650.00		.....
Stocks.....	<hr/> \$ 9,400.00	\$	<hr/> 90.00
Total Invested.....	\$ 35,168.75	\$	990.00
Uninvested.....	\$ 3,581.40		
Income on Securities no longer owned.....			186.25
	<hr/> \$ 38,750.15	\$	<hr/> 1,176.25

DANA B. CUTTER FUND.

PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT.

RECEIPTS.

\$100 Consolidated Gas. Elec. L. & P. Co. 3¼'s 1967, Redeemed @ 101.....	\$ 101.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 101.00

DISBURSEMENTS.

None.....	\$ 0.00	
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Balance.....		\$ 101.00
Balance, March 31, 1954.....	\$ 71.00	
Balance, 1955 Account.....	101.00	
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Balance, March 31, 1955.....	\$ 172.00	

INTEREST ACCOUNT.

RECEIPTS.

Income on Investments.....	\$ 507.24	
Interest on Bank Deposits.....	46.43	
	<hr/>	\$ 553.67

DISBURSEMENTS.

None.....	\$ 0.00	
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Balance.....		553.67
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		\$ 553.67
Balance, March 31, 1954.....	\$ 1,772.00	
Balance, 1955 Account.....	553.67	
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Balance, March 31, 1955.....	\$ 2,325.67	

SECURITIES

MARCH 31, 1955.

Face	Bond	Cost	Income
\$2,000	Dartmouth Real Estate Co., 3½'s, 1962...	\$ 2,050.00	\$ 70.00
5,000	Nova Scotia, Prov. of, 3¾'s, 1971.....	4,829.00	187.50
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	Bonds.....	\$ 6,879.00	\$ 257.50

STOCKS.

35 Shares, Central Maine Power Co., 3½ Pfd.	\$ 3,097.50	\$ 122.50
30 Shares Consolidated Gas Elec. L. & P. Co., Common	\$ 600.31	\$ 31.50
50 Shares, Jamaica Water Supply Co., Com- mon	1,175.00	92.50
Stocks	\$ 4,872.81	\$ 246.52
Total Invested	\$ 11,751.81	\$ 504.02
Uninvested	172.00	
Income on Securities no longer owned		3.22
	\$ 11,923.81	\$ 507.24

GEORGE R. RICH MEMORIAL FUND.

PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT.

No. Transactions.

INTEREST ACCOUNT.

RECEIPTS.

Income on Investments	\$ 206.00	
Interest on Bank Deposits	32.91	
		\$ 238.91

DISBURSEMENTS.

None	\$ 0.00	
		\$ 0.00
Balance		238.91
		\$ 238.91

Balance, March 31, 1954	\$ 1,312.94
Balance, 1955 Account	238.91
Balance, March 31, 1955	\$ 1,551.85

SECURITIES.

MARCH 31, 1955.

Face	Bond	Cost	Income
\$2,000 Jamestown, Franklin & Clearfield R. R. Co. 4's, 1959		\$ 1,920.00	\$ 80.00
1,000 U. S. Treasury, 2½'s, 1972-67, Dated June 1, 1945		1,048.44	25.00
Bonds		\$ 2,968.44	\$ 105.00

STOCK.

Shares	Stock	Cost	Income
20 Shares, St. Croix Paper Co., Common....		\$ 1,075.00	\$ 101.00
Stocks.....		\$ 1,075.00	\$ 101.00
Total Invested.....		\$ 4,043.44	\$ 206.00
Uninvested.....		0.	
Income on Securities no longer owned.....			0.
		\$ 4,043.44	\$ 206.00

Fraternally submitted,

H. NORTON MAXFIELD,
Grand Treasurer.

Voted, That \$25,000.00 be transferred from the Relief Fund to the Permanent Fund.

Voted, That a Committee of three be appointed by the President, of which EDWARD W. WHEELER be Chairman; CHARLES E. CROSSLAND and CONVERS E. LEACH be members, to advise the Board of Trustees in making investments and changes in investments.

Voted, That all applications for relief be referred to a committee of three to be appointed by the Grand Master and of which he shall be a member *Ex-Officio*, and that said committee be and hereby is authorized to make such payments and allowances on such applications, to the extent of the funds available therefor, as they deem fitting and proper.

The President appointed CHARLES E. CROSSLAND and CONVERS E. LEACH.

Voted, That the expense of carrying on the Charity Fund and handling the distribution, including the salary of the Chairman of the Committee on Distribution, be paid out of the income of the Fund.

Adjourned, to the call of the President.

Convers E. Leach

Secretary.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE
CHARITY FUND OF THE GRAND LODGE
1955

PAUL L. POWERS, Grand Master,	Ex-Officio
AUBREY L. BURBANK, Deputy Grand Master	
ROYAL L. CLEAVES, Senior Grand Warden	
HAROLD W. BLAISDELL, Junior Grand Warden	
CONVERS E. LEACH, Grand Secretary	
ERNEST C. BUTLER,	elected May 5, 1953 for three years
CHARLES E. CROSSLAND,	" " 5, 1953 " " "
GEORGE F. GIDDINGS,	" " 5, 1954 " " "
ERVIN E. J. LANDER,	" " 5, 1954 " " "
EDWARD W. WHEELER,	" " 3, 1955 " " "
DAVID L. WILSON,	" " 3, 1955 " " "

Inspection Reports

OF THE

District Deputy Grand Masters

AND

Reports of Lodge Treasurers

Of the 208 Lodges, 207 have been officially visited and work reported as follows:

	E. A. Degree	F. C. Degree	M. M. Degree
Excellent.....	6	8	32
Good.....	50	36	49
Fair.....	12	7	5
Poor.....	0	1	0

One Lodge reported no work and one failed to be visited officially.

Fees	Dues
\$75.00..... 1	\$ 2.00..... 8
60.00..... 5	2.50..... 6
50.00..... 13	3.00..... 55
45.00..... 1	3.50..... 10
40.00..... 33	4.00..... 41
35.00..... 21	4.50..... 2
30.00..... 134	5.00..... 67
208	6.00..... 6
	6.50..... 2
	7.00..... 1
	7.50..... 2
	8.00..... 6
	10.00..... 2
	208

Lodges whose Treasurers fail to report as required by Standing regulation, 81.

Lodges have reported as paying out for relief, \$20,461.00.

Dues, two years or more in arrears, \$26,300.00.

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1	Portland.....	Portland.....	17	M.M. E	27 30 22 20 23 23 20 20								\$	\$	\$ 128	\$ 60	\$ 6.00	\$ 318	\$ 45	\$	\$
2	Warren.....	East Machias.....	3	M.M. G	16 22 10 10 15 15 11 0								—	385	—	30	3.00	72	321	490	404
3	Lincoln.....	Wiscasset.....	10	M.M. E	15 24 14 14 15 14 9 11								—	—	—	30	5.00	162	84	—	—
4	Hancock.....	Castine.....	4	F.C. G	15 22 14 12 15 14 12 13								—	—	50	40	4.00	8	0	832	1378
5	Kennebec.....	Hallowell.....	11	M.M. G	23 29 21 18 23 22 23 21								—	160	—	30	4.00	316	216	—	—
6	Amity.....	Camden.....	7	M.M. G	23 35 23 22 20 22 22 22								—	—	—	35	4.00	220	244	—	—
7	Eastern.....	Eastport.....	2	M.M. E	12 27 12 11 11 12 12 12								—	—	338	50	5.00	60	40	—	—
8	United.....	Brunswick.....	14	M.M. E	25 18 25 19 24 22 20 24								—	22,265	—	35	5.00	620	45	3,434	3,698
9	Saco.....	Saco.....	18	F.C. E	15 49 15 15 11 14 15 15								—	—	1,088	50	7.50	242	0	—	—
10	Rising Virtue.....	Bangor.....	6	M.M. G	35 44 34 32 30 32 34 28								—	—	150	50	6.00	2,348	1,096	—	—
11	Pythagorean.....	Fryeburg.....	16	F.C. G	12 21 11 12 11 12 12 12								—	—	62	30	5.00	190	30	—	—
12	Cumberland.....	New Gloucester.....	23	M.M. F	16 41 16 14 13 16 14 14								—	—	—	30	3.00	300	246	1,434	1,262
13	Oriental.....	Bridgton.....	16	F.C. G	14 55 13 14 14 14 13 14								—	—	—	30	4.00	24	0	1,355	1,095
14	Solar.....	Bath.....	14	M.M. G	32 33 32 32 31 31 32 30								—	816	210	50	6.50	468	52	6,817	6,016

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15	Orient.....	Thomaston.....	9 E.A.	G	25 22 21 22 21 24 24 8								—	\$ 165	\$ —	\$ 30	\$ 5.00	\$ 136	\$ 0	\$ 981	\$ 905
16	St. George.....	Warren.....	9 E.A.	G	26 20 26 24 22 25 21 16								—	—	—	30	3.00	33	6	1,000	842
17	Ancient Land-Mark.....	Portland.....	17 E.A.	E	26 24 26 21 24 26 24 23								—	—	150	60	—	484	—	—	—
18	Oxford.....	Norway.....	16 F.C.	G	20 31 19 17 19 18 17 18								—	—	163	30	5.00	122	101	—	—
19	Felicity.....	Bucksport.....	21 F.C.	G	24 25 24 23 23 22 24 20								—	—	—	40	6.00	396	282	—	—
20	Maine.....	Farmington.....	15 M.M.	E	16 35 14 16 16 11 16 14								—	3,393	—	30	5.00	170	75	1,760	769
21	Oriental Star.....	Livermore Falls.....	20 M.M.	G	10 27 9 9 10 9 7 10								—	—	354	40	5.00	360	0	—	—
22	York.....	Kennebunk.....	19 M.M.	E	29 47 29 26 28 29 23 23								—	60	—	30	4.00	24	92	2,282	2,446
23	Freeport.....	Freeport.....	14 F.C.	G	19 15 19 15 17 15 17 15								—	—	—	35	5.00	238	50	1,678	1,813
24	Phoenix.....	Belfast.....	8 M.M.	G	16 18 13 15 14 15 15 14								—	—	—	40	5.00	216	184	—	—
25	Temple.....	Winthrop.....	11 F.C.	G	37 16 37 34 17 24 37 23								—	—	—	30	5.00	95	299	603	895
26	Village.....	Bowdoinham.....	14 E.A.	G	15 23 14 14 13 15 14 10								—	291	38	30	5.00	42	42	960	1,208
27	Adoniram.....	Limington.....	18 E.A.	F	10 14 10 9 8 9 9 6								—	148	—	30	2.00	54	76	507	369
28	Northern Star.....	North Anson.....	13 F.C.	G	19 29 17 17 13 19 16 13								—	2,168	—	30	4.50	94	36	810	691

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29	Tranquil.	Auburn.	23	M.M. E	26	37	26	25	26	26	26	25	\$	\$	\$ 58	\$ 50	\$ 3.00	\$ 183	\$ 60	\$ 2,904	\$ 2,505	
30	Blazing Star.	Rumford.	20	M.M. G	22	38	20	21	16	19	18	21	—	—	—	40	4.00	262	95	—	—	
31	Union.	Union.	7	M.M. G	23	12	23	21	10	19	15	18	—	—	—	30	4.00	168	328	517	508	
32	Hermon.	Gardiner.	11	M.M. G	38	30	38	36	35	38	23	38	—	7,439	180	40	5.00	260	270	4,443	4,818	
33	Waterville.	Waterville.	12	M.M. E	33	101	33	30	31	31	31	32	—	24,341	2,030	35	5.00	375	533	4,248	3,205	
34	Somerset.	Skowhegan.	12	M.M. G	19	29	19	16	18	16	19	12	—	3,203	468	35	5.00	155	120	1,674	1,380	
35	Bethlehem.	Augusta.	11	M.M. G	29	33	28	3	27	29	26	26	—	—	—	35	4.00	44	0	—	—	
36	Casco.	Yarmouth.	17	M.M. G	29	31	25	28	26	25	25	25	—	—	—	40	4.00	152	140	—	—	
37	Washington.	Lubec.	2	F.C. G	13	27	12	10	11	10	7	10	—	2,916	277	40	5.00	125	170	1,268	1,002	
38	Harmony.	Gorham.	17	E.A. F	23	28	28	21	15	24	26	24	—	1,307	—	30	5.00	195	73	1,538	1,485	
39	Penobscot.	Dexter.	5	E.A. G	14	33	14	14	14	10	12	11	—	3,553	—	35	5.00	160	45	2,114	1,502	
40	Lygonia.	Ellsworth.	21	M.M. G	27	20	26	26	26	26	24	24	—	—	—	30	5.00	350	730	—	—	
41	Morning Star.	Litchfield.	11	E.A. F	14	—	14	11	12	13	12	13	—	218	100	30	5.00	120	81	411	350	
42	Freedom.	Limerick.	18	M.M. G	22	22	22	22	20	17	17	17	—	—	—	30	3.00	6	0	—	—	

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													\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
43	Alna.....	Damariscotta.....	10 F.C.	G	29 21 28 22 19 13 22 23								—	—	150	30	2.00	20	48	—
44	Piscaquis.....	Milo.....	5 M.M.	E	22 31 21 17 21 21 14 20							—	237	337	40	5.00	130	140	2,462	1,417
45	Central.....	China.....	12 M.M.	G	13 21 10 11 10 12 12 12							—	—	—	30	2.50	93	122	—	—
46	St. Croix.....	Calais.....	2 E.A.	E	22 34 21 16 21 15 13 8							—	—	269	30	4.00	724	380	1,764	1,769
47	Dunlap.....	Biddeford.....	18 M.M.	E	17 42 17 17 17 17 16 16							—	—	—	40	7.00	420	357	—	—
48	Lafayette.....	Readfield.....	11 M.M.	G	18 15 18 15 18 18 15 13							—	758	—	30	4.00	132	108	1,859	2,124
49	Meridian Splendor.....	Newport.....	22 M.M.	E	18 29 18 10 18 18 17 15							—	—	—	30	3.00	120	216	1,302	1,158
50	Aurora.....	Rockland.....	9 M.M.	G	26 23 25 19 20 20 22 22							—	515	803	35	5.00	255	140	2,139	1,395
51	St. John's.....	South Berwick.....	19 E.A.	E	20 28 20 18 17 19 14 16							—	—	—	30	5.00	125	0	2,090	2,201
52	Mosaic.....	Dover-Foxcroft.....	5 M.M.	G	12 11 10 11 11 11 8 11							—	—	—	30	3.00	30	14	—	—
53	Rural.....	Sydney.....	11 F.C.	G	16 12 15 15 14 15 12 13							—	—	50	30	3.00	6	27	199	282
54	Vassalboro.....	North Vassalboro.....	12 E.A.	G	4 11 3 4 4 4 3 4							—	—	—	30	3.00	156	36	—	—
55	Fraternal.....	Alfred.....	19 M.M.	G	17 21 17 9 17 9 15 15							—	—	26	30	5.00	64	41	—	—
56	Mount Moriah.....	Denmark.....	16 F.C.	G	12 21 11 10 11 12 9 11							—	—	—	30	2.00	72	18	181	205

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57	King Hiram.....	Dixfield.....	20	M.M. G	19	11	15	11	5	13	15	12	—	\$ 100	\$ 110	\$ 30	\$ 5.00	\$ 213	\$ 52	\$ 862	\$ 793
58	Unity.....	Thorndike.....	12	E.A. G	12	27	11	11	6	12	1	4	—	141	—	30	3.00	24	6	503	441
60	Star in the East.....	Old Town.....	6	M.M. G	32	36	31	32	32	30	29	27	—	—	50	40	6.00	780	24	4,955	4,807
61	King Solomon's.....	Waldoboro.....	9	M.M. G	17	28	17	16	13	17	15	15	—	—	—	30	3.50	73	42	—	—
62	King David's.....	Lincolnville.....	7	E.A. G	15	23	15	15	15	15	10	14	—	—	—	30	2.00	16	56	449	460
63	Richmond.....	Richmond.....	14	M.M. G	21	21	21	18	20	19	19	19	—	1,337	—	30	3.50	211	49	1,033	812
64	Pacific.....	Exeter.....	22	F.C. F	13	14	13	7	10	12	2	12	—	—	—	35	5.00	54	87	257	335
65	Mystic.....	Hampden.....	6	M.M. F	16	35	15	13	13	13	7	7	—	1,529	50	30	3.00	53	0	1,428	1,216
66	Mechanics'.....	Orono.....	6	M.M. G	18	29	17	17	17	17	17	17	—	—	21	40	4.00	152	28	—	—
67	Blue Mountain.....	Phillips.....	15	E.A. G	16	20	15	16	15	12	15	15	—	—	—	30	4.00	80	66	—	—
68	Mariners'.....	Searsport.....	8	M.M. E	25	25	17	19	15	17	19	16	—	—	—	40	5.00	57	10	823	787
69	Howard.....	Winterport.....	6	E.A. G	24	15	23	2	20	6	21	21	—	95	66	30	4.00	476	283	900	531
70	Standish.....	Standish.....	17	F.C. E	15	41	15	14	14	14	14	14	—	—	—	30	3.00	33	66	—	—
71	Rising Sun.....	Orland.....	21	F.C. F	18	12	17	9	4	10	16	8	—	—	—	30	3.00	57	111	—	—

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72	Pioneer.....	Ashland.....	1	E.A.	G	16	29	15	8	13	16	15	9	—	—	—	\$ 40	\$ 5.00	\$ 215	\$ 97	—	—
73	Tyrian.....	Mechanic Falls.....	23	M.M.	G	19	39	18	15	14	19	14	12	—	—	299	30	3.00	102	2	1,295	1,144
74	Bristol.....	Bristol.....	10	E.A.	G	13	26	13	13	13	13	12	12	—	—	65	30	3.00	52	18	489	357
75	Archon.....	East Dixmont.....	22	M.M.	G	14	21	13	9	6	14	8	14	—	—	—	30	2.50	25	10	—	—
76	Arundel.....	Kennebunkport.....	19	M.M.	E	18	54	18	17	14	18	18	14	—	16,236	532	30	5.00	35	7	1,292	1,410
77	Tremont.....	Southwest Harbor.....	21	E.A.	G	25	25	24	22	11	24	17	21	—	114	73	30	3.00	78	0	604	745
78	Crescent.....	Pembroke.....	2	M.M.	G	18	16	18	17	14	12	13	12	—	3,190	—	30	4.00	32	74	645	367
79	Rockland.....	Rockland.....	9	E.A.	F	31	31	31	26	30	31	25	21	—	—	10	35	5.00	170	155	—	—
80	Keystone.....	Solon.....	13	E.A.	G	17	30	17	14	6	14	11	6	—	—	—	30	3.00	108	12	—	—
81	Atlantic.....	Portland.....	17	M.M.	E	29	42	25	25	20	22	17	17	—	—	253	60	8.00	734	274	6,705	6,487
82	St. Paul's.....	Rockport.....	7	F.C.	E	16	25	14	15	7	16	15	11	—	1,724	—	30	4.00	328	240	1,374	1,229
83	St. Andrew's.....	Bangor.....	6	M.M.	G	33	41	33	33	28	30	26	31	—	—	—	40	4.00	616	168	32,705	49,334
84	Eureka.....	Tenant's Harbor.....	9	M.M.	G	14	18	14	14	14	14	12	12	—	—	—	30	5.00	105	65	—	—
85	Star in the West.....	Unity.....	12	E.A.	F	12	10	11	9	10	10	9	7	—	497	—	30	3.00	132	65	242	393

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86	Temple.....Westbrook.....	17	F.C.	E	25 39 21 19 19 22 23 20								\$	\$ 3,778	\$ 22	\$ 40	\$ 5.00	\$ 425	\$ 275	\$ 2,645	\$ 2,304
87	Benevolent.....Carmel.....	6	M.M.	F	13 25 10 10 9 8 7 9								—	—	—	30	3.00	12	6	316	334
88	Narraguagus.....Cherryfield.....	3	F.C.	F	15 15 12 10 10 12 8 8								—	—	—	30	3.50	112	158	—	—
89	Island.....Islesboro.....	7	E.A.	G	10 10 10 9 6 9 8 1								—	56	60	30	4.00	174	99	414	336
91	Harwood.....Machias.....	3	E.A.	G	18 28 16 16 14 13 14 14								—	—	—	30	3.00	90	108	—	—
92	Siloam.....Fairfield.....	12	M.M.	E	30 26 30 30 28 29 28 23								—	—	—	35	5.00	210	0	—	—
93	Horeb.....Lincoln.....	24	E.A.	G	18 45 17 14 16 17 18 12								—	765	35	40	5.00	252	27	1,708	1,825
94	Paris.....South Paris.....	16	F.C.	G	14 25 14 9 14 13 13 —								—	—	—	30	4.00	0	0	—	—
95	Corinthian.....Hartland.....	22	F.C.	G	14 18 13 14 10 14 2 14								—	733	80	30	3.00	144	51	678	830
96	Monument.....Houlton.....	1	M.M.	E	48 30 46 44 46 36 26 32								—	29,039	100	35	5.00	365	280	3,600	3,593
97	Bethel.....Bethel.....	16	E.A.	G	17 24 15 16 14 17 16 17								—	—	155	40	6.00	12	32	1,074	1,326
98	Katahdin.....Patten.....	24	F.C.	G	14 12 14 12 5 11 8 1								—	—	—	30	5.00	175	85	688	663
99	Vernon Valley.....Mt. Vernon.....	15	E.A.	G	19 16 18 17 16 19 18 16								—	272	25	30	3.00	57	153	518	792
100	Jefferson.....Bryants Pond.....	16	E.A.	G	13 30 13 11 11 11 11 12								—	—	—	40	4.00	91	0	—	—

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101	Nezinscot.	Turner.	23	E.A.	F	9	10	9	9	9	9	8	7	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	
102	Marsh River.	Brooks.	8	E.A.	G	16	17	14	13	15	14	11	13	—	—	—	30	3.00	30	18	—	—
103	Dresden.	Dresden Mills.	10	E.A.	F	15	15	15	14	15	15	1	6	—	—	—	30	2.00	104	519	—	—
104	Dirigo.	Week's Mills.	11	F.C.	G	25	24	25	22	23	24	23	21	—	669	—	30	5.00	135	113	778	633
105	Ashlar.	Lewiston	23	M.M.	E	27	39	26	26	26	27	25	24	—	—	1,620	50	5.00	263	105	—	—
106	Tuscan.	Addison.	3	E.A.	G	15	17	15	9	12	14	10	10	—	—	—	30	5.00	45	0	1,088	1,088
107	Day Spring.	West Newfield.	18	F.C.	G	12	26	11	12	12	12	9	11	—	—	—	30	2.50	75	155	—	—
109	Mount Kineo.	Guilford.	5	E.A.	G	17	16	15	16	11	17	16	16	—	—	100	30	2.00	0	0	1,325	997
110	Monmouth.	Monmouth.	11	E.A.	G	22	24	22	19	14	18	21	20	—	—	—	30	3.00	120	252	—	—
111	Liberty.	Liberty.	8	E.A.	G	14	23	12	11	11	13	10	11	—	—	—	30	3.00	60	72	452	317
112	Eastern Frontier.	Fort Fairfield.	1	M.M.	G	23	25	22	18	20	22	22	21	—	—	—	30	5.00	210	650	—	—
113	Messalonskee.	Oakland.	12	M.M.	E	14	23	14	12	12	13	12	12	—	37	130	30	4.00	84	3	779	852
114	Polar Star.	Bath.	14	E.A.	G	26	37	26	21	22	23	24	20	—	—	—	50	6.50	377	65	—	—
115	Buxton.	West Buxton.	18	M.M.	G	11	44	11	10	10	10	9	9	—	—	464	30	4.00	80	64	2,199	1,226

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116	Lebanon.....	Norridgewock.....	13	E.A.	G	15	28	15	13	15	12	14	10	—	\$ 319	—	\$ 35	\$ 4.00	\$ 36	\$ 23	\$ 505	\$ 451
117	Greenleaf.....	Cornish.....	18	F.C.	P	13	24	11	11	7	9	6	8	—	—	15	30	3.00	72	81	—	—
118	Drummond.....	No. Parsonfield.....	18	F.C.	F	9	12	9	7	5	6	6	0	—	—	—	30	2.50	142	15	—	—
119	Pownal.....	Stockton Springs.....	8	E.A.	G	17	10	15	15	10	14	15	11	—	—	—	30	3.00	12	24	493	321
121	Acacia.....	Durham.....	14	M.M.	E	14	37	12	7	6	14	13	12	—	—	20	30	2.50	77	50	—	—
122	Marine.....	Deer Isle.....	4	E.A.	G	25	21	21	20	15	19	20	19	—	—	40	30	3.00	48	36	—	—
123	Franklin.....	New Sharon.....	15	F.C.	G	18	24	18	18	17	17	12	10	—	152	85	30	3.00	126	61	619	631
124	Olive Branch.....	Charleston.....	6	F.C.	G	19	23	19	17	13	18	14	14	—	1,617	38	30	3.00	195	101	619	863
125	Meridian.....	Pittsfield.....	22	F.C.	G	18	41	18	17	15	15	15	17	—	662	281	35	3.00	70	21	1,340	1,274
126	Timothy Chase.....	Belfast.....	8	E.A.	E	17	25	17	16	15	17	16	13	—	10,194	—	40	5.00	725	368	6,717	7,430
127	Presumpscot.....	North Windham.....	17	E.A.	G	16	33	16	14	16	12	15	14	—	—	—	30	3.00	114	506	—	—
128	Eggemoggin.....	Sedgwick.....	4	E.A.	G	12	16	12	8	7	12	9	2	—	—	—	30	3.00	60	123	327	273
129	Quantabacook.....	Searsmont.....	7	E.A.	G	19	20	18	19	17	17	16	15	—	50	—	30	3.00	83	183	580	374
130	Trinity.....	Presque Isle.....	1	M.M.	E	20	35	17	17	19	20	20	6	—	50	—	45	8.00	544	360	3,741	3,373

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														\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
131	Lookout.....Cutler.....	3	E.A.	G	13	21	12	13	13	13	13	4	—	—	—	30	3.00	48	268	—	—
132	Mount Tir'em.....Waterford.....	16	E.A.	F	11	21	10	8	7	11	10	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
133	Asylum.....Wayne.....	11	F.C.	G	14	13	7	13	6	13	11	12	—	2,501	—	30	3.50	28	87	485	573
135	Riverside.....Jefferson.....	7	F.C.	G	15	22	15	12	14	14	12	13	—	1,094	75	30	4.00	135	21	546	377
137	Kenduskeag.....Kenduskeag.....	6	F.C.	G	16	36	16	15	12	16	15	15	—	—	—	35	3.50	52	131	—	—
138	Lewy's Island.....Princeton.....	2	M.M.	G	29	23	25	18	21	18	22	20	—	3,561	159	30	2.00	132	56	964	659
140	Mount Desert.....Mount Desert.....	21	E.A.	G	13	19	13	13	13	12	13	12	—	—	—	30	3.00	73	79	268	324
141	Augusta.....Augusta.....	11	F.C.	G	29	27	27	28	26	29	25	27	—	—	180	35	4.00	404	84	3,621	3,119
142	Ocean.....Wells Depot.....	9	E.A.	G	22	28	22	22	21	21	22	22	—	—	—	30	5.00	465	495	—	—
143	Preble.....Sanford.....	19	F.C.	E	23	48	23	22	16	21	22	17	—	1,128	25	40	5.00	220	25	2,370	2,371
144	Seaside.....Boothbay Harbor.....	10	F.C.	G	32	19	29	28	21	32	32	23	—	803	1,331	30	4.00	183	354	1,560	1,487
145	Moses Webster.....Vinalhaven.....	9	E.A.	G	15	23	15	15	14	15	13	15	—	—	—	30	5.00	96	16	—	—
146	Sebasticook.....Clinton.....	12	E.A.	G	20	23	20	20	14	20	14	14	—	198	—	30	3.00	171	180	759	571

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147	Evening Star	Buckfield	16	M.M. G	13 17 11	13 12 13 13 13	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
148	Forest	Springfield	24	M.M. F	13 20 12	4 4 13 5 6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	30	3.00	24	—	356	444	
149	Doric	Monson	5	M.M. G	12 21 11	12 12 9 11 12	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	30	4.00	89	40	2,424	2,502	
150	Rabboni	Lewiston	23	M.M. E	17 29 17	16 12 15 15 15	—	—	—	25	50	5.00	80	125	—	—	—	—	—	—		
151	Excelsior	Northport	8	E.A. E	17 21 17	6 15 14 17 12	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	30	3.00	12	51	225	210	
152	Crooked River	Bolster's Mills	16	M.M. G	12 32 12	12 12 10 10 11	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	30	3.50	70	98	—	—	
153	Delta	Lovell	16	E.A. G	14 19 13	7 13 14 8 11	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	30	5.00	90	395	—	—	
154	Mystic Tie	Weld	20	E.A. G	12 8 12	12 10 12 11 10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	35	3.50	21	28	—	—	
155	Ancient York	Lisbon Falls	14	E.A. F	17 29 13	15 16 16 15 15	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	40	10.00	250	10	2,183	2,371	
156	Wilton	Wilton	15	M.M. E	14 24 14	12 13 13 14 12	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	30	5.00	85	15	3,162	3,416	
157	Cambridge	Cambridge	22	M.M. G	11 12 11	10 7 10 3 7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	30	3.00	24	18	—	—	
158	Anchor	South Bristol	10	F.C. G	13 12 13	12 12 13 6 9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	30	3.50	17	49	304	195	
160	Parian	Corinna	22	E.A. G	15 22 11	9 7 8 9 8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	30	4.00	—	—	—	—	
161	Carrabasset	Canaan	13	E.A. F	13 14 1	12 12 12 1 7	—	—	—	—	—	—	369	—	—	30	2.00	8	10	238	250	

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162	Arion.....	Goodwin's Mills.....	18	E.A.	E	16	28	16	14	13	15	13	14	—	\$	85	\$	228	200	\$	\$
163	Pleasant River.....	Brownville.....	5	M.M.	G	18	31	16	4	12	15	16	13	—	—	—	50	497	3,663	4,428	
164	Webster.....	Sabattus.....	23	E.A.	F	19	24	19	18	18	18	9	16	—	787	2,653	35	9	556	447	
165	Molunkus.....	Sherman Mills.....	24	M.M.	G	16	25	14	12	11	13	8	5	—	21	235	30	140	432	437	
166	Meguemkeag.....	Vassalboro.....	12	E.A.	G	13	16	13	11	9	13	8	10	—	146	—	30	151	558	562	
167	Whitney.....	Canton.....	20	F.C.	F	21	17	20	20	16	18	18	20	—	—	—	30	32	747	627	
168	Composite.....	Lagrange.....	5	F.C.	G	16	20	14	14	14	16	13	13	—	—	—	30	239	1,184	1,255	
169	Shepherd's River.....	Brownfield.....	16	F.C.	G	9	24	8	8	9	9	8	9	—	—	69	30	56	161	144	
170	Caribou.....	Caribou.....	1	F.C.	G	19	21	17	8	11	17	16	9	—	—	—	30	125	2,176	2,262	
171	Naskeag.....	Brooklin.....	4	F.C.	F	14	16	13	12	12	13	10	8	—	—	—	30	65	—	—	
172	Pine Tree.....	Mattawamkeag.....	24	E.A.	G	14	18	10	10	12	14	5	3	—	—	—	40	375	382	427	
173	Pleiades.....	Millbridge.....	3	M.M.	E	35	25	28	34	33	29	22	20	—	—	—	30	32	622	675	
174	Lynde.....	Hermon.....	6	M.M.	G	18	20	18	14	17	18	17	15	—	58	—	30	8	877	844	
175	Baskahegan.....	Danforth.....	24	M.M.	G	14	16	14	12	13	14	9	11	—	—	25	30	180	—	—	

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177	Rising Star.....	Penobscot.....	4	—	—	8	7	8	7	6	5	5	5	\$	\$ 483	\$	\$ 30	\$ 3.00	\$ 48	\$ 45	\$ 339	\$ 421
178	Ancient Brothers'	Auburn.....	23	M.M.	G	27	39	27	26	27	27	25	27	—	—	150	50	4.00	1,412	580	—	—
179	Yorkshire.....	North Berwick.....	19	M.M.	G	17	27	17	17	17	17	17	17	—	1,633	545	40	5.00	305	130	1,000	962
180	Hiram.....	South Portland.....	17	M.M.	E	44	61	44	43	42	41	42	44	—	—	—	60	5.00	1,315	520	—	—
182	Granite.....	West Paris.....	16	F.C.	F	9	18	9	5	9	9	9	4	—	11.00	—	30	4.00	36	0	293	188
183	Deering.....	Portland.....	17	M.M.	E	37	64	36	37	34	30	28	28	—	—	793	60	5.00	435	0	3,336	8,220
184	Naval.....	Kittery.....	19	M.M.	E	41	46	41	37	39	34	36	39	—	523	65	75	5.00	670	320	7,848	7,007
185	Bar Harbor.....	Bar Harbor.....	21	F.C.	G	19	25	19	18	16	19	18	17	—	—	—	40	7.50	532	322	—	—
186	Warren Phillips.....	Cumberland Mills.....	17	F.C.	E	25	31	25	22	20	24	20	23	—	1,000	42.00	40	4.00	176	288	2,445	1,976
187	Ira Berry.....	Blue Hill.....	4	F.C.	E	15	13	15	15	15	15	10	7	—	—	—	30	3.00	15	60	536	385
188	Jonesport.....	Jonesport.....	3	E.A.	G	27	17	26	13	26	18	12	8	—	57.00	622	30	3.50	52	29	1,085	769
189	Knox.....	So. Thomaston.....	9	E.A.	G	20	18	20	16	15	19	19	17	—	53.00	10	30	3.00	147	155	398	437
190	Springvale.....	Springvale.....	19	M.M.	E	19	47	19	19	19	19	17	17	—	—	—	40	5.00	240	118	1,724	1,375
191	Davis.....	Strong.....	15	F.C.	G	19	19	19	19	19	18	18	19	—	—	—	30	3.50	14	52	919	736

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192	Winter Harbor.....	Winter Harbor.....	21	M.M. G	33	18	31	30	25	32	23	17	—	—	500	30	5.00	175	350	—	—		
193	Washburn.....	Washburn.....	1	E.A. G	17	24	16	15	15	17	15	15	—	—	—	30	5.00	155	25	1,143	770		
194	Euclid.....	Madison.....	13	E.A. G	19	31	19	19	17	19	17	18	—	—	—	30	5.00	210	100	2,179	1,244		
195	Reliance.....	Stonington.....	4	M.M. G	18	16	18	13	14	15	14	14	—	—	—	30	5.00	50	90	—	—		
196	Bay View.....	East Boothbay.....	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	604	135	35	4.00	—	—	607	867		
197	Aroostook.....	Mars Hill.....	1	M.M. G	19	32	19	15	15	18	18	13	—	—	—	40	8.00	168	265	1,738	1,940		
198	St. Aspinquid.....	York Village.....	19	M.M. E	37	30	35	33	32	34	28	26	—	—	85	40	5.00	270	20	—	—		
199	Bingham.....	Bingham.....	18	F.C. G	18	29	17	14	15	18	15	17	—	1,877	180	35	4.00	272	168	2,344	2,692		
200	Columbia.....	Greenville.....	5	F.C. E	19	42	17	17	16	19	17	14	—	626	100	50	5.00	30	160	1,554	1,040		
201	David A. Hooper.....	West Sullivan.....	21	E.A. F	20	13	18	17	17	20	14	13	—	—	—	30	3.00	258	525	—	—		
202	Mount Bigelow.....	Stratton.....	15	F.C. G	14	14	14	12	11	14	4	10	—	—	—	30	4.00	32	152	—	—		
203	Mount Olivet.....	Washington.....	7	F.C. G	18	13	17	17	13	0	12	14	—	—	—	30	4.00	52	136	—	—		
204	Mount Abram.....	Kingfield.....	15	E.A. G	11	16	11	9	11	10	9	9	—	—	—	30	3.00	225	18	536	546		
205	Nollesemic.....	Millinocket.....	24	M.M. E	25	46	25	24	25	25	24	20	—	1,006	—	50	6.00	—	—	3,009	1,915		

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206	Island Falls.	Island Falls.	24	E.A.	G	17	18	17	16	16	15	14	11	\$	\$ 21	\$ 50	\$ 30	\$ 3.00	\$ 252	\$ 407	\$ 921	\$ 700
207	Abner Wade.	Sangerville.	5	E.A.	G	13	15	13	9	13	11	10	9	—	247	—	30	5.00	115	137	976	943
208	Northeast Harbor.	Northeast Harbor.	21	M.M.	G	17	16	16	14	13	13	14	12	—	—	—	30	3.00	99	51	499	352
209	Fort Kent.	Fort Kent.	1	F.C.	G	10	15	10	10	7	10	10	5	—	—	—	40	8.00	280	248	—	—
210	Bagaduce.	North Brooksville.	4	E.A.	G	26	11	25	2	20	21	25	26	—	—	—	30	3.00	21	3	251	226
211	Meduncook.	Friendship.	6	M.M.	F	15	14	14	13	9	13	14	12	—	—	—	30	4.00	46	52	187	165
212	McKinley.	McKinley.	21	E.A.	G	12	11	12	9	11	12	12	4	—	—	—	30	5.00	62	346	—	—
213	Kemankeag.	Rangeley.	6	F.C.	G	11	30	9	8	10	6	11	8	—	—	—	30	4.00	56	16	—	—
214	Limestone.	Limestone.	1	M.M.	G	16	26	14	12	8	14	8	12	—	—	—	40	8.00	216	152	955	1,235
215	Orchard.	Old Orchard.	18	M.M.	E	20	50	18	18	18	18	19	17	—	—	—	40	4.50	220	81	2,139	1,498
216	Corner Stone.	Portland.	17	M.M.	E	41	61	37	38	37	38	37	38	—	—	279	50	5.00	430	235	—	—
217	Ralph J. Pollard	Orrington.	6	M.M.	G	26	55	25	25	22	25	21	17	—	—	—	30	5.00	55	5.00	—	—

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- Abner Wade, 207, Sangerville. Willard Starbird, M.; Elmer Leland, S. W.; Frank Bickford, J. W.; Earl L. Humphrey, S. Meeting first Thursday; election, January. 5
- Acacia, 121, Durham. Donald Litchfield, M.; Edwin Herling, S. W.; Harold Booker, J. W.; Louis A. Bowie, S. Meeting Tuesday on or before full moon; election, December. 14
- Adoniram, 27, Limington. Dennis G. Graffam, M.; Arthur W. Libby, S. W.; Donald Chapman, J. W.; Harvey L. Maxim, S. Meeting second Tuesday; election, December. 18
- Alna, 43, Damariscotta. Raymond A. Stevens, M.; Joseph E. West, S. W.; Robert Hussey, J. W.; Cleary W. Erskine, S. Meeting first Friday; election, December. 10
- Amity, 6, Camden. Charles D. Foss, M.; Roland C. Marriner, S. W.; Charles C. Steel, J. W.; Ross M. Hoes, S. Meeting Friday on or before full moon; election, October. 7
- Anchor, 158, South Bristol. Herbert M. Thompson, M.; Norman E. Kelsey, S. W.; Ronald L. Rowles, J. W.; Stewart W. Whelpley, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, December. 10
- Ancient Brothers', 178, Auburn. Donald E. Flagg, M.; Ernest L. Packard, Jr., S. W.; Ralph E. McKenney, J. W.; Ernest L. Packard, Sr., S. Meeting Monday, on or after full moon; election, October. 23
- Ancient Land-Mark, 17, Portland. M. Donald Gardner, M.; Stanley F. Sampson, S. W.; Richard D. Bicknell, J. W.; Merrill W. Sweetser, (29 Richardson St.), S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, December. 17
- Ancient York, 155, Lisbon Falls. Albert W. Dunton, M.; John Agathus, S. W.; Walter Wheeler, J. W.; Wendall Wonneberger, S. Meeting Monday on or before full moon; election, December. 14
- Archon, 75, Dixmont. Morton Knowles, M.; Frank H. Hodge, S. W.; Norman L. Stacy, J. W.; Parker R. Jacoby, S. Meeting second Thursday; election, October. 22
- Arion, 162, Goodwin's Mills. Leighton A. Drown, M.; Russell M. Charles, S. W.; Carl K. Freeman, J. W.; Frederick W. Elwell (Biddeford, R. F. D. 3), S. Meeting first Thursday; election November. 18
- Aroostook, 197, Mars Hill. Charles E. Everett, M.; John Edward Quigley, S. W.; Frank W. Brown, Jr., J. W.; Malcolm T. Barry (Blaine), S. Meeting second Monday; election, November. 1

- Arundell, 76, Kennebunkport. Joseph C. Burrows, M.; Maurice W. Gould, S. W.; Ivan T. Wildes, J. W.; John G. Smith, S. Meeting Tuesday on or before full moon; election, December 19. 19
- Ashlar, 105, Lewiston. Clifton R. Buck, M.; Richard J. Hodgkins, S. W.; Richard E. Gilbert, J. W.; William B. Duncan (Lewiston), S. Meeting third Monday; election, January. 23
- Asylum, 133, Wayne. William H. Frost, M.; William B. Smith, S. W.; Raleigh D. Knapp, J. W.; Joseph E. Stetson, S. Meeting Thursday before full moon; election, December. 11
- Atlantic, 81, Portland. James H. Doyle, M.; Lawrence E. Cote, S. W.; Warren N. Graffam, J. W.; George P. Jackson (1156 Washington Ave.), S. Meeting third Wednesday; election, September. 17
- Augusta, 141, Augusta. Stewart McCatherin, M.; Betram K. Witherell, S. W.; Raymond M. Rideout, Jr., J. W.; J. William McCausland, (154 Sewall St.), S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, January. 11
- Aurora, 50, Rockland. Sheldon M. Eaton, M.; Edward M. Lawrence, S. W.; James L. Thomas, J. W.; Winfield L. Chatto, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, January. 9
- Bagaduce, 210, North Brooksville. Ray C. Gray, M.; Lynwood Farr, S. W.; Frederick Dyer, J. W.; Gerald S. Gray, S. Meeting second Monday; election, December. 4
- Bar Harbor, 185, Bar Harbor. Harold L. Collier, M.; Walter G. Flagg, S. W.; Robert S. Frye, J. W.; Chandler E. Graves, S. Meeting third Thursday; election, December. 21
- Baskahegan, 175, Danforth. Seth A. Goad, M.; Walter E. Blanchard, S. W.; Don Golden, J. W.; Lynden E. Pratt, S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, August. 24
- Bay View, 196, East Boothbay. Edgar W. Lewis, M. Frederic C. McKnown, S. W.; Alden H. Lewis, J. W.; Carlton R. Barlow, S. Meeting second Thursday; election, December. 10
- Benevolent, 87, Carmel. Clyde M. Newcomb, M.; Thomas Shaw Ranney, S. W.; Clarence Hamlin, J. W.; W. H. Downs, S. Meeting Wednesday week of full moon; election, October. 6
- Bethel, 97, Bethel. Dana G. Brooks, M.; Charles A. Keoskie, S. W.; Wilbur R. Myers, J. W.; Ernest A. Mundt, S. Meeting second Thursday; election, November. 16
- Bethlehem, 35, Augusta. Arthur W. Ashley, M.; Charles W. Fairbrother, S. W.; Robert A. Strickland, J. W.; Maurice H. Leighton, S. Meeting first Monday; election, January. 11
- Bingham, 199, Bingham. Walter L. Sterling, M.; Stanley S. Atwood, S. W.; Wesley D. Baker, J. W.; Lee C. Smith, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, June. 18
- Blazing Star, 30, Rumford. Richard R. Sarle, M.; John H. Allan, S. W.; James W. Guptill, J. W.; William H. Gruber, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, December. 20

- Blue Mountain, 67, Phillips. Ray L. Welts, M.; Sherwood M. Gould, S. W.; Henry L. Kenney, J. W.; Norman E. Butler, S. Meeting Wednesday week of full moon; election, September. 15
- Bristol, 74, Bristol. Guy E. Martin, M.; Stephen W. Prentice, S. W.; Kenton E. Carter, J. W.; Leon P. Munroe, S. Meeting second Monday; election, December. 10
- Brotherhood, U. D. Daniel I. Kornetsky, M.; Gilbert D. Eaton, S. W.; Benjamin E. Finn, J. W.; Herschel M. Nickerson, S. Meeting second Tuesday; election, 1
- Buxton, 115, West Buxton. Herbert E. Redlon, M.; Leon E. Redlon, S. W.; Eugene Hebert, J. W.; Homer M. Illingworth, S. Meeting Monday evening on or before full moon; election, December. 18
- Cambridge, 157, Cambridge. Raymond Whitney, Jr., M.; Frank Quimby, S. W.; Arthur Chadbourne, J. W.; Victor Chadbourne, S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, December. 22
- Caribou, 170, Caribou. Asher D. Chambers, M.; Edward G. Lundgren, S. W.; Gilbert F. Anderson, J. W.; H. Ross Carr, S. Meeting first Thursday; election, December. 1
- Carrabasset, 161, Canaan. Raymond H. Hunt, M.; Raymond E. Tozier, S. W.; Sewall B. Salisbury, J. W.; Vernon M. Gleason, S. Meeting second Tuesday; election, October. 13
- Casco, 36, Yarmouth. Perry C. Goodrich, M.; Albert W. Siegars, S. W.; Joel D. King, J. W.; Clarence H. Seabury, S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, October. 17
- Central, 45, China. Frank A. Lee, M.; Nelson M. Robinson, S. W.; Ray O. Riggs, J. W.; Jasper L. Haines, S. Meeting Wednesday on or before full moon; election, December. 12
- Columbia, 200, Greenville. Fred W. Roberts, M.; John W. Richards, Jr., S. W.; John Smith, J. W.; William K. Whitney, S. Meeting fourth Tuesday; election, December. 5
- Composite, 168, Lagrange. Donald R. Swett, M.; Russell Smart, S. W.; Marcel Dyer, J. W.; Robert M. Neal, S. Meeting second Thursday; election, October. 5
- Corinthian, 95, Hartland. Fred J. Cooper, M.; Wendall G. Bubar, S. W.; Linwood Perkins, J. W.; Maurice E. Hall, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, December. 22
- Corner Stone, 216, Portland. Percy C. McManus, M.; Lloyd A. Carll, S. W.; Gordon G. Williams, J. W.; Harlan E. Irish, S. Meeting second Friday except July and August; election, June. 17
- Crescent, 78, Pembroke. James A. Brown, M.; Leigh Leighton, S. W.; Minden M. Perkins, J. W.; Verner T. Brown, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, December. 2
- Crooked River, 152, Bolster's Mills. E. Stanton Parks, M.; Loren Brett, S. W.; Orrin Linnell, J. W.; Ashley Ellis, S. Meeting second Thursday; election, November. 16

- Cumberland, 12, New Gloucester. C. Leon McCann, M.; Milford M. Flint, S. W.; Carroll Foster, J. W.; Leo G. Torrey (Auburn, R. F. D. 3), S. Meeting Saturday before full moon; election November. 23
- David A. Hooper, 201, West Sullivan. Charles Harris, M.; Lorenzo Creamer, S. W.; Leroy Nason, J. W.; Seth A. Johnson, S. Meeting first Saturday; election, December. 21
- Davis, 191, Strong. Elbert H. Lambert, M.; Mervin A. Timberlake, S. W.; Clifford H. Durrell, J. W.; Ralph H. Starbird, S. Meeting Friday evening of week in which moon is full; election September. 15
- Day Spring, 107, West Newfield. Waldo F. Carter, M.; Shepley L. Ross, S. W.; Elwyn W. Lowe, J. W.; George F. Wentworth, S. Meeting second Monday; election, December. 18
- Deering, 183, Portland. Frederick B. Jenson, M.; E. S. Winckler, S. W.; Donald B. Vickerson, J. W.; Philip F. Clark (35 Bedell St.), S. Meeting Monday; election, February. 17
- Delta, 153, Lovell. Lewis F. Rowe, M.; Walter Cook, S. W.; Edward G. Bell, J. W.; Samuel H. Ring, S. Meeting second Thursday; election, December. 16
- Dirigo, 104, Weeks Mills. Robert J. Baker, M.; John H. Crommett, S. W.; Harold C. Casey, J. W.; Elwood E. Tracy, S. Meeting Monday on or before full moon; election, October. 11
- Doric, 149, Monson. Charles W. Stevens, M.; Aubrey M. Williams, S. W.; Frank W. Nelson, J. W.; Earle H. Jackson, S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, December. 5
- Dresden, 103, Dresden Mills. Charles J. Gray, M.; James C. McCoy, S. W.; Ray B. Cate, J. W.; Charles E. Foss, S. Meeting second Tuesday; election, October. 10
- Drummond, 118, North Parsonfield. Raymond L. Chute, M.; Charles A. West, S. W.; Philip W. Morrill, J. W.; Fred M. Leavitt (Kezar Falls, R. F. D.), S. Meeting first Thursday; election, September. 18
- Dunlap, 47, Biddeford. Arthur B. Wheeler, M.; Wilmont B. Bailey, S. W.; Elmer E. Bardsley, J. W.; Clarence B. Rumery (Masonic Bldg.), S. Meeting first Monday, except July and August; election, December. 18
- Eastern 7, Eastport. Harry F. Logan, M.; James W. Logan, S. W.; Thomas A. Green, J. W.; William J. Goulding, S. Meeting first Monday; election, December. 2
- Eastern Frontier, 112, Fort Fairfield. Robert P. Willett, M.; Kempton A. Boyd, S. W.; Roy E. Fields, J. W.; Wallace H. Campbell, S. Meeting second Tuesday; election, December. 1
- Eggemoggin, 128, Sedgwick. Alton R. Smith, M.; Cecil F. Torrey, S. W.; Leslie T. Candage, J. W.; Herman W. Chatto (Sangerville), S. Meeting second Monday; election, September. 4

- Euclid, 194, Madison. Elwood L. Perkins, M.; Thomas H. McDonald, S. W.; Sterling McQuarrie, J. W.; Murray L. Hendsbee, S. Meeting first Monday; election January. September meeting second Monday. 13
- Eureka, 84, Tenant's Harbor. Frank E. Dowling, M.; Elwood Brown, S. W.; Harlan H. Bragdon (St. George), S. Meeting first Thursday; election, January. 9
- Evening Star, 147, Buckfield. Wendel M. Allen, M.; Carl Jordan, S. W.; Edward Monaghan, J. W.; James E. Warren, S. Meeting Monday on or before full moon; election, September. 16
- Excelsior, 151, Northport. Herman Kenney, M.; John L. Katner, S. W.; Josef F. Prescott, Jr., J. W.; Leon Richards, S. Meeting first Friday; election, November. 8
- Felicity, 19, Bucksport. Vernon H. Lindsay, M.; Fred W. Danforth, S. W.; Urban H. Coombs, J. W.; Verne J. Wheet (R. F. D. 1), S. Meeting second Monday; election, December. 21
- Forest, 148, Springfield. Gerald D. Morris, M.; Winfred Crosby, S. W.; Herbert McKenney, J. W.; L. A. Barrows (Lee, Me.), S. Meeting Saturday, preceding full moon; election September. 24
- Fort Kent, 209, Fort Kent. John D. Wylie, M.; Fernald K. Henderson, S. W.; John G. Sinclair, J. W.; Donald M. Canders, S. Meeting last Wednesday; election, December. 1
- Franklin, 123, New Sharon. Milton Harris, M.; Ernest Smith, S. W.; Harold Alexander, J. W.; Fred T. Allen, S. Meeting Friday on or before full moon; election, January. 15
- Fraternal, 55, Alfred. Wallace E. Roberts, M.; Bertram B. McDonald, S. W.; Ellsworth H. Chadbourne, J. W.; Dudley T. Forrest, S. Meeting, third Wednesday; election, November. 19
- Freedom, 42, Limerick. Harold W. H. Whitely, M.; Frederick W. Marston, S. W.; Ernest Manson, J. W.; Arthur F. Lougee, S. Meeting fourth Wednesday; election, December. 18
- Freeport, 23, Freeport. Fred F. Dalrymple, M.; Kenneth C. Sloat, S. W.; Shailor R. Hayes, J. W.; Horace C. Libby, S. Meeting first Monday; election, December. 14
- Granite, 182, West Paris. Clarence R. Reid, M.; Eino H. Kangas, S. W.; Rupert M. Ellingwood, J. W.; Clarence M. Coffin, S. Meeting first Monday; election, October. 16
- Greenleaf, 117, Cornish. Marshall O. Spring, M.; Hans G. Gibson, S. W.; Ellery A. Mason, S. Meeting second Wednesday; election, December. 18
- Hancock, 4, Castine. Albert L. Skidds, M.; Clarence M. Williams, S. W.; John Little, J. W.; Philip B. Babcock, S. Meeting first Thursday; election, December. 4

- Harmony, 38, Gorham. Philip F. Hill, M.; Norman S. Hill, S. W.; John B. Alden, J. W.; Durward E. Burnham, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, December. 17
- Harwood, 91, Machias. William Jordan, M.; John H. Reynolds, S. W.; Ernest Campbell, J. W.; Robert I. Watts, S. Meeting first Monday; election, December. 3
- Hermon, 32, Gardiner. Richard P. Lasselle, M.; Arthur S. Greenlaw, S. W.; Percy K. Hanson, J. W.; Russell F. Marston (Randolph), S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, January. 11
- Hiram, 180, South Portland. George F. Hilborn, Jr., M.; Leon E. Burbank, S. W.; William T. Danes, J. W.; Clayton C. Fickett, Jr. (22 Cottage Farms Road), S. Meeting second Tuesday; election, June. 17
- Horeb, 93, Lincoln. Clayton Jenkins, M.; Charles Genne, S. W.; Carroll Fisher, J. W.; Albert Thomas, S. Meeting second Tuesday; election first Monday in October. 24
- Howard, 69, Winterport. Lawrence Coolidge, M.; Richard Moran, S. W.; Raymond Cookson, J. W.; Arthur O. Nelson, S. Meeting fourth Friday; election, September. 6
- Ira Berry, 187, Blue Hill. Warren A. Patridge, M.; Howard M. Custis, Cecil W. Emerson, J. W.; Meeting third Monday; election, December. 4
- Island, 89, Islesboro. Donald A. Durkee, M.; Leroy G. McCorison, S. W.; Bernard L. Pendleton, J. W.; Howard C. Pendleton (Dark Harbor), S. Meeting first Thursday; election, January. 7
- Island Falls, 206, Island Falls. John T. Hulbert, M.; Malcolm B. Palmer S. W.; Roy C. Newman, J. W.; Vinal L. Webb, S. Meeting third Wednesday; election, September. 24
- Jefferson, 100, Bryant Pond. Lee Mills, M.; Leroy Day, S. W.; John W. Tibbets, J. W.; Frank A. Bean, S. Meeting Tuesday on or before full moon; election, September. 16
- Jonesport, 188, Jonesport. Conrad H. Peacock, M.; Harry S. Fish, S. W.; Donald McKinnon, J. W.; John J. Riley, S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, January. 3
- Katahdin, 98, Patten. Earl Giggery, M.; Irton C. Finch, S. W.; Edgar B. Harrington, J. W.; Ralph I. Miles, S. Meeting third Thursday; election, December. 24
- Kemankeag, 213, Rangeley. Eric E. Sandstrom, M.; Merton E. Lawrence, S. W.; John M. Russell, J. W.; A. Manson Russell, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, December. 15
- Kenduskeag, 137, Kenduskeag. Norman A. Hatch, M.; W. E. Canty, S. W.; George R. Mower, J. W.; Philip F. Warren, S. Meeting last Wednesday; election, October. 6

- Kennebec, 5, Hallowell. Gerald E. Allen, M.; Howard W. Varney, S. W.; Ernest Davies, J. W.; Arnold L. Selwood, S. Meeting Wednesday on or before full moon; election, November. 11
- Keystone, 80, Solon. Malon P. Whipple, M.; John A. Dolan, S. W.; Ivan Pearson, J. W.; Eldred C. Heald, S. Meeting third Wednesday; election, October. 13
- King David's, 62, Lincolnville. Donald S. Macrae, M.; Roland G. Robbirs, S. W.; Chester E. Podey, J. W. Robert Rollerson, S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, October. 7
- King Hiram, 57, Dixfield. Albert Merserve, M.; Richard Quint, S. W.; Stanton Horne, J. W.; M. Kenneth Frost, S. Meeting second Tuesday; election, October. 20
- King Solomon's, 61, Waldoboro. Russell D. Hilton, M.; William Both, S. W.; Roger Miller, J. W.; Clinton E. Matthews, S. Meeting Friday on or before full moon; election, October. 9
- Knox, 189, South Thomaston. Western Arey, M.; Walter Drinkwater, S. W.; Norman Drinkwater, J. W.; Randall R. Hopkins, S. Meeting second Monday; election, January. 9
- Lafayette, 49, Readfield. Joseph A. Saunders, M.; Lloyd F. Tilton, S. W.; Robert H. Dyer, J. W.; Lee M. Gordon, S. Meeting first Thursday; election, December. 11
- Lebanon, 116, Norridgewock. Charles E. Hanson, M.; Gordon G. Halliday, S. W.; Russell O. Bradford, J. W.; Carroll R. Bickford (R. F. D. 1, Fairfield), S. Meetings first Friday; election, September. 13
- Lewy's Island, 138, Princeton. Forrest Dennison, M.; Robert Wheaton, S. W.; Ernest Scott, J. W.; Bernard McDowell, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, December, St. John's Day. 2
- Liberty, 111, Liberty. George A. Spencer, M.; Walter Griffin, S. W.; Maurice Scates, J. W.; Edwin B. Whitaker, S. Meeting second Saturday; election, September. 8
- Limestone, 215, Limestone. Ellsworth Morris, M.; Richard Edgecomb, S. W.; Arthur Libby, J. W.; Harry M. Morris, S. Meeting second Tuesday; election, December. 1
- Lincoln, 3, Wiscasset. Earl B. Colby, M.; John M. Lewis, S. W.; George H. Wilson, J. W.; Laurence I. Davis, S. Meeting Thursday, on or before full moon; election, December. 10
- Lookout, 131, Cutler. Percell W. Corbett, M.; Neil Corbett, S. W.; Clarence Harmon, J. W.; Charles M. Ackley, S. Meeting Monday on or before full moon; election, December. 3
- Lygonia, 40, Ellsworth. Lawrence G. Higgins, M.; Alton G. Ford, S. W.; John A. Chambers, J. W.; Harry E. Rowe, S. Meeting first Thursday; election, January. 21

- Lynde, 174, Hermon. Robert K. Burton, M.; Zerah P. McCarty, S. W.; Royce H. Gray, J. W.; Linwood W. Littlefield, S. Meeting Saturday on or before full moon; election, October. 6
- McKinley, 212, McKinley. Louis Doble, M.; Russell Gott, S. W.; Wills Dow, J. W.; Shirley Cummings, S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, December. 21
- Maine, 20, Farmington. Nelson D. Austin, M.; Clifford A. Rounds, S. W.; R. Stewart Whitney, J. W.; Gwilym R. Roberts, S. Meeting Monday week of full moon; election, December. 15
- Marine, 122, Deer Isle. Randall E. Haskell, M.; Maurice H. Eaton, S. W.; Stephen Z. Rice, J. W.; Leon C. Weed, S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, October. 4
- Mariners', 68, Searsport. H. Warren Maddocks, M.; Victor N. Greene, S. W.; Lindley S. Small, J. W.; Milton L. Clements, S. Meetings first Tuesday; election, October. 8
- Marsh River, 102, Brooks. Allen Mollison, M.; Elwood Welch, S. W.; Norman Kenney, J. W.; John Hall, S. Meeting fourth Thursday; election, October. 8
- Mechanics, 66, Orono. Frederick J. McInnis, M.; Charles B. King, S. W.; William S. Skolfield, J. W.; Bernie E. Plummer, Jr., S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, December. 6
- Meduncook, 211, Friendship. Warren T. Delano, M.; Adam O. Rodamer, S. W.; Maynard A. Winchenbach, J. W.; Luther Walton, S. Meeting first Monday, except Stated September first Wednesday; election, January. 6
- Meridian, 125, Pittsfield. Lester L. Stone, M.; Chester C. Lynn, S. W.; Harvey M. Wilson, J. W.; Gilbert A. Spear, S. Meeting fourth Tuesday; election, September. 22
- Meridian Splendor, 49, Newport. Raymond K. Tardy, M.; Howard L. Shapiro, S. W.; Richard E. Maynard, J. W.; Lewman B. Soper, S. Meeting first Thursday; election, December. 22
- Messalonskee, 113, Oakland. Roy E. Dudley, M.; Earl M. Hutchinson, S. W.; Norman W. Booker, J. W.; Harley P. Mairs, S. Meeting on the first Saturday; election, December. 12
- Mohunkus, 165, Sherman Mills. Thomas Splan, M.; Darrell Scavey, S. W.; Harry James, J. W.; Floyd Martin, S. Meeting Tuesday on or before full moon; election, October. 24
- Monmouth, 110, Monmouth. M. F. Robinson, M.; Leland C. Davis, Jr., S. W.; Arthur J. Chick, J. W.; Earle H. Ramsdell, S. Meeting second Monday; election, September. 11
- Monument, 96, Houlton. Carl C. Dill, M.; Leon W. Benn, S. W.; James L. Ross, J. W.; Millard A. Fairley, S. Meeting second Wednesday except June, July and August; election, February. 1

- Morning Star, 41, Litchfield. Clarence W. Roth, M.; Alvin H. Reichel, S. W.; Robert J. Godfrey, J. W.; Weston R. Allen, S. Meeting Tuesday on or before full moon; election, September. 11
- Mosaic, 52, Dover-Foxcroft. J. Burton Meisner, M.; Donald E. Murch, S. W.; Wilfred H. Heskith, J. W.; Robert I. Roberts, S. Meeting third Thursday; election, December. 5
- Moses Webster, 145, Vinalhaven. Malcolm E. Whittington, M.; Richard A. Williams, S. W.; Edwin F. Maddox, J. W.; Charles L. Boman, S. Meeting second Tuesday; election, November. 9
- Mount Abram, 204, Kingfield. Harvey W. Boynton, M.; Earlon P. McClure, S. W.; Clement Hutchins, J. W.; Everett L. Pushard, S. Meeting first Thursday; election, December. 15
- Mount Bigelow, 202, Stratton. E. J. Leavitt, M.; Lee F. Ricker, S. W.; Odell L. Dyer, J. W.; Percival B. Parson, S. Meeting second Saturday; election, September. 15
- Mount Desert, 140, Mount Desert. Chauncey D. Somes, M.; Irving Stover, S. W.; Glendon T. Lurvey, J. W.; Allen C. Fernald, S. Meeting third Monday; election, December. 21
- Mount Kineo, 109, Guildford. Harold S. Page, M.; William C. Taylor, S. W.; Norman E. Bearsley, J. W.; William L. Bates, S. Meeting third Tuesday; election, December. 5
- Mount Moriah, 56, Denmark. Lewis Lamont, Jr., M.; Wilbur F. Hammond, S. W.; Merle R. Moores, J. W.; Paul Wadsworth, S. Meeting third Wednesday; election, December. 16
- Mount Olivet, 203, Washington. Rodney P. Boynton, M.; Talbot W. Johnston, S. W.; Roland Luce J. W.; Fred L. Ludwig, S. Meeting last Thursday each month; election, September. 7
- Mount Tir'em, 132, Waterford. Haynes F. Noyes, M.; James H. Tyler, S. W.; F. Hugh Foster, J. W.; Harold Kimball, S. Meeting Tuesday on or before full moon; election, December. 16
- Mystic, 65, Hampden. Donald E. Libby, M.; Harry L. Sargent, S. W.; Preston L. Day, J. W.; Louis C. Stearns, 3rd, S. Meeting Saturday on or before full moon; election, December. 6
- Mystic Tie, 154, Weld. Edwin R. White, M.; Arlson E. Maxwell, S. W.; Newton P. Masterman, J. W.; Philip E. Maxwell, S. Meeting third Wednesday; election, December. 20
- Narraguagus, 88, Cherryfield. William C. Merritt, M.; Donald McLaughlin, Jr., S. W.; Roy Farren, Jr., J. W.; Arthur D. Lawrence, S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, January. 3
- Naskeag, 171, Brooklin. Wallace W. Rockwell, M.; Rubert R. Burnham, S. W.; Arno Day, J. W.; George M. Murray, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, November. 4

- Naval, 184, Kittery. William H. Eckhart, M.; Reginald F. Berry, S. W.; Norman R. Searles, J. W.; Arthur W. Seaward (Kittery Point), S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, December. 19
- Neguemkeag, 166, Vassalboro. Malcolm C. Brown, M.; Marshall H. Kearney S. W.; Lester K. Albee, J. W.; Paul Brooks Newcomb S. Meeting third Thursday; election, September. 12
- Nezinscott, 101, Turner. Robert S. Hill, M.; L. H. Gilbert, Jr., S. W.; C. E. Prince, J. W.; Haven L. Roberts, S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, January. 23
- Nolleseme, 205, Millinocket. George W. Goddard, M.; Philip K. Libby, S. W.; Charles A. Coffin, J. W.; Clifford H. M. Perry, S. Meeting second Thursday; election, October. 24
- Northeast Harbor, 208, Northeast Harbor. Charles R. Gillette, M.; Edward W. Bucklin, S. W.; Earl L. Carter, J. W.; William S. Holmes, S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, December. 21
- Northern Star, 28, North Anson. Chester F. Paine, M.; Murray O. Livingstone, S. W.; Donald H. Pickett, J. W.; Alfred L. Holbrook, S. Meeting second Tuesday; election, December. 13
- Ocean, 142, Wells Depot. Gordon Galencia, M.; Donald Paine, S. W.; Charles Seaman J. W.; Carl N. Kimball, S. Meeting Wednesday on or before full moon; election, December. 19
- Olive Branch, 124, Charleston. Merle S. Bradford, M.; F. R. Ross, S. W.; N. E. Strout, J. W.; Franklin W. Rich, S. Meeting second Thursday; election, September. 6
- Orchard, 215, Old Orchard. Elmer L. G. Rounds, M.; Stanley M. Harmon, S. W.; Asa M. Douglass, J. W.; Clarence A. Lary, S. Meeting second Monday; election, September. 18
- Orient, 15, Thomaston. Alfred M. Johnson, M.; Everett R. Nobbe, S. W.; Victor K. Hills, J. W.; Aaron A. Clark, S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, January. 9
- Oriental, 13, Bridgton. E. Lyman Otis, M.; Linwood L. Curtis, S. W.; Burton M. Cushman, J. W.; Joseph B. Pike, Jr., S. Meeting fourth Wednesday; election, December. 16
- Oriental Star, 21, Livermore Falls. Joseph B. Bowen, M.; H. Wilton Briggs, Jr., S. W.; Alfred G. Gammon, J. W.; Harold W. Jennings, S. Meeting second Wednesday; election, January. 20
- Oxford, 18, Norway. Ralph E. Lambert, M.; Joseph N. Margolin, S. W.; Richard J. Denison, J. W.; Stanley P. Murch, S. Meeting fourth Monday; election, December. 16
- Pacific, 64, Exeter. Charles Tapley, M.; Wade W. Pratt, S. W.; Fred Ames, J. W.; Elmer H. Stocker, S. Meeting third Wednesday; election, December. 22

- Parian, 160, Corinna. Elwood R. Mullis, M.; William A. Buckland, Jr., S. W.; Philip G. Coburn, J. W.; John H. Philbrick, S. Meeting second Tuesday; election, December. 22
- Paris, 94, South Paris. Kenneth V. Gray, M.; Laurence E. Brown, S. W.; Wilfred Corbett, J. W.; Walter Gray, S. Meeting third Tuesday; election, January. 16
- Penobscot, 39, Dexter. Horace W. Hopkins, M.; Thomas R. Tillson, S. W.; John H. Knowles, J. W.; Chester R. Strout, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, June. 5
- Phoenix, 24, Belfast. Frank Scott, M.; Kenneth Nickerson, S. W.; Maurice W. Darres, J. W.; Mark W. Brown, S. Meeting second Monday; election, October. 8
- Pine Tree, 172, Mattawamkeag. Frederick S. Coombs, M.; Philip L. Shedd, S. W.; Elme A. Tilton, J. W.; Carroll F. Shedd, Jr., S. Meeting second Monday, each month; election, October. 24
- Pioneer, 72, Ashland. Robert H. Coffin, M.; James A. McDonald, S. W.; Lloyd A. Goding, J. W.; Charles D. Sylvester, S. Meeting second Wednesday; election, December. 1
- Fiscataquis, 44, Milo. Liston F. Lewis, M.; Max E. Place, S. W.; Cecil F. Harman, J. W.; Arthur E. Lewis (29 Elm St.), S. Meeting second Friday; election, February. 5
- Pleasant River, 163, Brownville. Rodney W. Ross, M.; Russell H. Ladd, S. W.; Franklin D. Small, J. W.; D. C. Manzer, S. Meeting third Monday; election, November. 5
- Pleiades, 173, Millbridge. Francis L. Pinkham, M.; Donald H. Leighton, S. W.; Richard H. Parker, J. W.; Albert P. Stewart, S. Meeting first Monday; election, January. 3
- Polar Star, 114, Bath. Harland E. Boynton, M.; Kenneth L. Wood, S. W.; Edmund R. Furben, J. W.; George E. Boynton, S. Meeting second Wednesday, except July and August; election, March. 14
- Portland, 1, Portland. Bernard P. Colton, M.; Samuel C. Glines, S. W.; Lawrence Bibber, J. W.; William W. Graves (Box 1843), S. Meeting second Wednesday; election, June. 17
- Pownal, 119, Stockton Springs. Joseph Anderson, M.; Owen Shute, S. W.; Richard Heath, J. W.; Edwin O. Harrison, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, October. 8
- Preble, 143, Sanford. Carleton J. Hogue, M.; Ralph E. Wiggin, S. W.; Stanley V. Charlton, J. W.; Clifford P. Cook, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, December. 19
- Presumpscot, 127, North Windham. Lawrence F. Patridge, M.; Merton R. Johnson, S. W.; Roland V. Hiscock, J. W.; David T. Plummer (Raymond), S. Meeting second Saturday; election, December. 17

- Pythagorean, 11, Fryeburg. Edwin F. Sargent, M.; Bernard E. Ridlon, S. W.; David R. Hastings, J. W.; James Merrill, S. Meeting Monday on or before full moon; election, December. 16
- Quantabacook, 129, Searsmont. Edwin P. Berry, M.; Ray A. Hatch, S. W.; Earl Tenny, J. W.; Horace V. Jackson, S. Meeting first Saturday; election, October. 7
- Rabboni, 150, Lewiston. Samuel Hurwitz, M.; Albert S. Johnson, S. W.; William L. Scott, J. W.; Dwight F. Marble, S. Meeting third Wednesday; election, January. 23
- Ralph J. Pollard, 217, Orrington. Sumner P. Bridges, M.; Herbert R. Sawyer, S. W.; Robert E. Glidden, J. W.; William D. Nickerson (R. F. D. So. Brewer), S. Election, December. 6
- Reliance, 195, Stonington. Maynard Gray, Jr., M.; Howard Hutchinson, S. W.; Alan Gott, J. W.; Alfred Colwell, S. Meeting first Monday; election, January. 4
- Richmond, 63, Richmond. Wm. J. Sullivan, Jr., M.; John W. Thrower, S. W.; Clowes P. Guion, Jr., J. W.; Almon W. Riske, S. Meeting third Monday; election, October. 14
- Rising Star, 117, Penobscot. Ralph Gross, M.; Donald Blodgett, S. W.; Alexander Gray, J. W.; Royden Bowden, S. Meeting second Wednesday; election, December. 4
- Rising Sun, 71, Orland. Herman S. Cunningham, Jr., M.; Robert M. Hutchins, S. W.; George K. White, J. W.; Arthur L. Farnham, S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, December. 21
- Rising Virtue, 10, Bangor. Robert L. Drinkwater, M.; Harley C. Pulk, S. W.; Vinal M. Lamson, J. W.; Alden F. Denaco, S. Meeting last Tuesday; election, December. 6
- Riverside, 135, Jefferson. Malcolm L. Tilton, M.; Donald F. Pierce, S. W.; George H. Hendsbee, J. W.; Wilson Carleton, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, October. 7
- Rockland, 79, Rockland. Willard P. Pease, M.; James Roach, S. W.; Walter G. Dimick, Jr., J. W.; James E. Stevens (Acting), S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, January. 9
- Rural, 53, Sidney. Morrill Burton, M.; Dean Bailey, S. W.; Henry Bacon, J. W.; Joseph E. Blaisdell, S. Meeting second Saturday; election, September. 11
- Saco, 9, Saco. Lawrence E. Rowe, M.; Ralph C. Lamb, S. W.; Lester W. Pray, J. W.; Edgar H. Pellerin (246 Beach St.), S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, January. 18
- St. Andrew's, 83, Bangor. Merrill R. Bradford, M.; Alden C. Mitchell, S. W.; Franklin R. St. Clair, J. W.; Merrill R. Kittredge (38 West St.), S. Meeting last Friday; election, December. 6

- St. Aspinquid, 198, York Village. John R. Colcord, Jr., M.; Samuel R. Blaisdell, Jr., S. W.; Earl C. Hayford, J. W.; G. Howard Dunning, S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, December. 19
- St. Croix, 46, Calais. Philip N. Beckett, M.; Harold S. Wright, S. W.; Robert B. Buck, J. W.; Francis P. Rutherford, S. Meeting first Monday; election, December, St. John's Day. 2
- St. George, 16, Warren. Douglas G. Starrett, M.; George A. Buck, S. W.; Paul H. Dillaway, J. W.; Judson P. Lord, S. Meeting third Monday; election, October. 9
- St. John's, 51, South Berwick. Walter C. Hayden, M.; Herbert A. Swett, S. W.; Wesley F. Adams, J. W.; Philip F. Shorey, S. Meeting first Monday; election, December. 19
- St. Paul's, 82, Rockport. Harvey Simonton, M.; William Bartlett, S. W.; Raymond Simonton, J. W.; Ernest F. Crockett, S. Meeting Monday on or before full moon; election, October. 7
- Seaside, 144, Boothbay Harbor. Clarence M. Crocker, M.; Eugene C. Stover, S. W.; Chester T. Blanchard, J. W.; Walter F. Townsend, S. Meeting first Friday; election, December. 10
- Sebasticook, 146, Clinton. Bennet T. Moore, M.; Paul E. Keene, S. W.; Warren Russell, J. W.; Wesley M. Keene, S. Meeting Thursday on or before full moon; election, October. 12
- Shepherd's River, 169, Brownfield. Arnold C. Walker, M.; Paul C. Seavey, S. W.; Frank McDonald, J. W.; George W. Ward, S. Meeting Wednesday on or after full moon; election, December. 16
- Siloam, 92, Fairfield. Edwin F. Savage, M.; Douglas T. Bitcom, S. W.; Norman E. Jonassen, J. W.; W. Raymond Gower, S. Meeting first Thursday; election, December. 12
- Solar, 14, Bath. Robert N. Mosher, M.; Donald T. Page, S. W.; Ray I. Lawrence, J. W.; Karcher S. Jackson, S. Meeting first Monday; election, January. 14
- Somerset, 34, Skowhegan. Neal T. Skillings, M.; Wallace B. Hafey, S. W.; Kendall G. Hunnewell, J. W. Meeting second Monday; election, January. 12
- Springvale, 190, Springvale. Roger E. Goodwin, M.; Edward E. Austin, S. W.; John H. Folsom, J. W.; Charles R. Fuller, S. Meeting second Tuesday; election, December. 19
- Standish, 70, Standish. Harry E. Slattery, M.; Raymond L. Alley, S. W.; David F. Drew, Jr., J. W.; Elmer H. Alley, S. Meeting second Thursday; election, December. 17
- Star in the East, 60, Old Town. Herman C. Hopkins, M.; Norman G. Knapp, S. W.; E. Hobart Libby, J. W.; Paul E. West, S. Meeting last Monday; election, September. 6

- Star in the West, 85, Unity. Kenneth E. Brown, M.; Maynard Fowler, S. W.; Earl Engalls, J. W.; Lloyd E. Barrows, S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, June. 12
- Temple, 25, Winthrop. Leon Weston, M.; Roland Collins, S. W.; Edwin Grove, Jr., J. W.; Ronald R. Flood, S. Meeting second Monday; election, January. 11
- Temple, 86, Westbrook. Thomas J. Barry, M.; David Miller, Jr., S. W.; James H. Gowen, J. W.; Norman B. Swett (147 Brackett St.), S. Meeting second Wednesday; election, December. 17
- Timothy Chase, 126, Belfast. Derwin B. Dean, M.; Harold T. Jones, S. W.; George N. LaRue, J. W.; M. C. Ellingwood, S. Meeting first Thursday; election, January. 8
- Tranquil, 29, Auburn. Harry W. Woodard, Jr., M.; Harold F. Eveleth, S. W.; Warren E. Andrews, J. W.; Irving M. Custis, S. Meeting Wednesday on or before full moon; election, January. 23
- Tremont, 77, Southwest Harbor. Walter W. Sanner, M.; Arthur E. Moore, S. W.; Warren R. Worcester, J. W.; George L. Higgins, S. Meeting first Thursday; election, December. 21
- Trinity, 130, Presque Isle. Richard E. Evans, M.; Stanley R. Taylor, S. W.; Franklin B. Scribner, J. W.; Daniel E. Hansen, S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, January. 1
- Tuscan, 106, Addison. Charles F. Lawrence, M.; Fred Champion, S. W.; Warren P. Trundy, J. W.; Donald M. White, S. Meeting first Saturday; election, December. 3
- Tyrian, 73, Mechanic Falls. Peter Setfond, M.; Woodrow Gammon, S. W.; Arnold Leavitt, J. W.; Samuel S. Smalley, S. Meeting Thursday on or before full moon; election, October. 23
- Union, 31, Union. Elmer Goff, M.; Robie Robbins, S. W.; Frank Burgess, J. W.; Roscoe B. Fuller, S. Meeting first Thursday; election, December. 7
- United, 8, Brunswick. Byron A. Harrington, M.; Raymond A. Freeman, S. W.; Frank E. Campbell, J. W.; Percy E. Norcross, S. Meeting second Tuesday; election, December. 14
- Unity, 58, Thorndike. John Hall, M.; Adrie W. Giggey, S. W.; Vaughn Hurd, J. W.; Isaiah Jackson, S. Meeting second Thursday, election, September. 12
- Vassalboro, 54, North Vassalboro. William Armstrong, M.; Kenneth C. Masse, S. W.; Allen S. Gray, J. W.; Clyde E. Adams, S. Meeting second Tuesday; election, January. 12
- Vernon Valley, 99, Mount Vernon. Knute M. Kilpone, M.; Robert S. Fray, S. W.; Karl A. Johnson, J. W.; Fred B. Wadleigh, S. Meeting Tuesday on or before full moon; election, December. 15

- Village, 26, Bowdoinham. Earl W. Elwell, M.; Leland E. Benner, S. W.; Merle A. MacDonald, J. W.; Edward L. White, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, October. 14
- Warren, 2, East Machias. Ralph H. White, M.; John Archibald, S. W.; Horace C. Grant, J. W.; Gerald L. Armstrong, S. Meeting second Tuesday; election, December. 3
- Warren Phillips, 186, Cumberland Mills. Frederick F. Weeks, M.; Harold E. Jordan, Jr., S. W.; Herbert W. Crawford, J. W.; Elmer E. Hallowell, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, January. 17
- Washburn, 193, Washburn. Russell W. Smith (Mapleton), M.; Robert A. Johnston, S. W.; Thomas Dow, J. W.; Walter Morrison (Mapleton), S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, December. 1
- Washington, 37, Lubec. Emery L. Hallette, M.; James L. Simonds, S. W.; Robert G. MacBride, J. W.; Everett S. Higgins, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, December. 2
- Waterville, 33, Waterville. Derwood L. Ireland, M.; James A. Boardman, S. W.; Lewis O. Lombard, J. W.; Harry S. Grindall, S. Meeting second Monday; election, December. 12
- Webster, 164, Sabattus. Frank S. Riley, M.; Irving R. Woodward, S. W.; Horace J. Atwood, J. W.; Stuart T. Saunders, S. Meeting third Thursday; election, December. 23
- Whitney, 167, Canton. Perley Clarence Gordon, M.; Charlie C. Atkinson, S. W.; Robert Taylor, J. W.; Earle V. Carlton, S. Meeting first Thursday; election, September. 20
- Wilton, 156, Wilton. Calvin B. Sewall, M.; Robert A. Brown, S. W.; Lawrence R. O'Doral, J. W.; Charlton F. Scott, S. Meeting Wednesday week of full moon; election, January. 15
- Winter Harbor, 192, Winter Harbor. Morton L. Torrey, M.; James S. Torrey, S. W.; I. Clifford Peer, J. W.; Alvin R. Whitten, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, December. 21
- York, 22, Kennebunk. Cecil R. McConnell, M.; Royal E. Spofford, S. W.; Charles R. Dutch, J. W.; Gerald E. McConnell, S. Meeting Monday on or before full moon; election, December. 19
- Yorkshire, 179, North Berwick. Wallace L. Thyng, M.; Richard A. Bradburn, S. W.; Clyde B. Staples, Jr., J. W.; Floyd R. Johnson, S. Meeting last Friday; election, December. 19

List of Lodges by Districts

DISTRICT No. 1.

District Grand Master—MALCOLM R. HOLTS, Perham.

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| 72 Pioneer, Ashland. | 193 Washburn, Washburn. |
| 96 Monument, Houlton. | 197 Aroostook, Mars Hill. |
| 112 Eastern Frontier, Ft. Fairfield. | 209 Fort Kent, Fort Kent. |
| 130 Trinity, Presque Isle. | 214 Limestone, Limestone. |
| 170 Caribou, Caribou. | |

DISTRICT No. 2.

District Deputy Grand Master—ROBERT H. JOSSELYN, Lubec.

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| 7 Eastern, Eastport. | 78 Crescent, Pembroke. |
| 37 Washington, Lubec | 138 Lewy's Island, Princeton. |
| 46 St. Croix, Calais. | |

DISTRICT No. 3.

District Deputy Grand Master—HOWARD R. MALLER, Machias.

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| 2 Warren, East Machias | 131 Lookout, Cutler. |
| 88 Narraguagus, Cherryfield. | 173 Pleiades, Millbridge |
| 91 Harwood, Machias. | 188 Jonesport, Jonesport |
| 106 Tuscan, Addison | |

DISTRICT No. 4.

District Deputy Grand Master—RODNEY H. BARTLETT, Blue Hill.

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| 4 Hancock, Castine. | 177 Rising Star, Penobscot. |
| 122 Marine, Deer Isle. | 187 Ira Berry, Bluehill. |
| 128 Eggemoggin, Sedgwick. | 195 Reliance, Stonington. |
| 171 Naskeag, Brooklin. | 210 Bagaduce, North Brooksville. |

DISTRICT No. 5.

District Deputy Grand Master—JAMES O. McKEEN, Milo.

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| 39 Penobscot, Dexter. | 163 Pleasant River, Brownville. |
| 44 Piscataquis, Milo. | 168 Composite, Lagrange. |
| 52 Mosaic, Dover-Foxcroft. | 200 Columbia, Greenville. |
| 109 Mount Kineo Guilford. | 207 Abner Wade, Sangerville. |
| 149 Doric, Monson. | |

DISTRICT No. 6.

District Deputy Grand Master—STANLEY P. DONALDSON, Etna.

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| 10 Rising Virtue, Bangor. | 87 Benevolent, Carmel. |
| 60 Star in the East, Old Town. | 124 Olive Branch, Charleston. |
| 65 Mystic, Hampden. | 137 Kenduskeag, Kenduskeag. |
| 66 Mechanics', Orono. | 174 Lynde, Hermon |
| 69 Howard, Winterport. | 217 Ralph J. Pollard. Orrington. |
| 83 St Andrew's, Bangor. | |

DISTRICT No. 7.

District Deputy Grand Master—JOHN H. ANNIS, West Rockport.

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| 6 Amity, Camden. | 89 Island, Islesboro. |
| 31 Union, Union, | 129 Quantabacook, Searsmont. |
| 62 King David's, Lincolnville. | 135 Riverside, Jefferson. |
| 82 St. Paul's, Rockport. | 203 Mt Olivet, Washington |

DISTRICT No. 8.

District Deputy Grand Master—L. FAIR ELWELL, Brooks.

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| 24 Phoenix, Belfast. | 102 Marsh River Brooks. |
| 68 Mariners' Searsport. | 119 Pownal, Stockton Springs |
| 151 Excelsior, Northport. | 126 Timothy Chase, Belfast. |
| 111 Liberty, Liberty. | |

DISTRICT No. 9.

District Deputy Grand Master—ALBERT B. WATTS,

117 No. Main St., Rockland.

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| 15. Orient, Thomaston. | 84 Eureka, Tenant's Harbor |
| 16 St. George, Warren. | 145 Moses Webster, Vinalhaven. |
| 50 Aurora, Rockland. | 189 Knox, South Thomaston. |
| 61 King Solomon's, Waldoboro. | 211 Meduncook Friendship. |
| 79 Rockland, Rockland. | |

DISTRICT No. 10.

District Deputy Grand Master—CHARLES L. GAMAGE, So. Bristol

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| 3 Lincoln, Wiscasset. | 144 Seaside, Boothbay Harbor. |
| 43 Alna, Damariscotta. | 158 Anchor, South Bristol. |
| 74 Bristol, Bristol. | 196 Bay View, East Boothbay. |
| 103 Dresden, Dresden Mills. | |

DISTRICT No. 11.

District Deputy Grand Master, WESTON R. ALLEN, Litchfield.

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| 5 Kennebec, Hallowell. | 53 Rural, Sidney. |
| 25 Temple, Winthrop. | 104 Dirigo, Week's Mill's. |
| 32 Hermon, Gardiner. | 110 Monmouth, Monmouth |
| 35 Bethlehem, Augusta. | 133 Asylum, Wayne. |
| 41 Morning Star, Litchfield. | 141 Augusta Augusta. |
| 48 Lafayette Readfield. | |

DISTRICT No. 12.

District Deputy Grand Master—HOWARD H. WHITTEN, Clinton.

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| 33 Waterville, Waterville. | 92 Siloam, Fairfield. |
| 45 Central, China. | 113 Messalonskee, Oakland. |
| 54 Vassalboro, No. Vassalboro. | 146 Seabasticook Clinton. |
| 58 Unity, Thorndike. | 166 Neguemkeag, Vassalboro |
| 85 Star in the West, Unity. | |

DISTRICT No. 13.

District Deputy Grand Master—ALLAN P. ROBINSON, Bingham.

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| 28 Northern Star, North Anson | 161 Carrabassett, Canaan. |
| 34 Somerset, Skowhegan. | 194 Euclid, Madison. |
| 80 Keystone, Solon. | 199 Bingham, Bingham |
| 116 Lebanon, Norridgewock. | |

DISTRICT No. 14.

District Deputy Grand Master—NATHANIEL A. GILPATRIC, Richmond.

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| 8 United, Brunswick. | 63 Richmond, Richmond. |
| 14 Solar, Bath. | 114 Polar Star, Bath. |
| 23 Freeport, Freeport. | 121 Acacia, Durham. |
| 26 Village, Bowdoinham. | 155 Ancient York, Lisbon Falls. |

DISTRICT No. 15.

District Deputy Grand Master—HAROLD T. RICKER, Stratton.

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| 20 Maine, Farmington. | 156 Wilton, Wilton. |
| 67 Blue Mountain, Phillips. | 191 Davis, Strong. |
| 99 Vernon Valley, Mt. Vernon | 202 Mount Bigelow, Flagstaff. |
| 123 Franklin, New Sharon. | 204 Mount Abram, Kingfield. |
| 154 Mystic Tie, Weld. | 213 Kemankeag, Rangeley |

DISTRICT No. 16.

District Deputy Grand Master—PAUL WADSWORTH, Hiram.

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| 11 Pythagorean, Fryeburg. | 100 Jefferson, Bryant Pond. |
| 13 Oriental, Bridgton. | 132 Mt. Tir'em, Waterford. |
| 18 Oxford, Norway, | 152 Crooked River, Bolster's Mills. |
| 56 Mt. Moriah, Denmark. | 153 Delta, Lovell. |
| 94 Paris, South Paris. | 169 Shepherd's River, Brownfield. |
| 97 Bethel, Bethel. | 182 Granite West Paris. |

DISTRICT No. 17.

District Deputy Grand Master—AUSTIN A. ALDEN, Gorham.

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| 1 Portland, Portland. | 127 Presumpscot, North Windham. |
| 17 Ancient Land-Mark, Portland. | 180 Hiram, South Portland. |
| 36 Casco, Yarmouth. | 183 Deering, Portland. |
| 38 Harmony, Gorham. | 186 Warren Phillips, Cumb. Mills. |
| 70 Standish, Standish. | 216 Corner Stone, Portland. |
| 81 Atlantic, Portland. | U.D. Brotherhood, Portland. |
| 86 Temple, Westbrook. | |

DISTRICT No. 18.District Deputy Grand Master—WILLIS H. WEBBER,
R. F. D. 1, Berwick.

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| 9 Saco, Saco. | 115 Buxton, West Buxton. |
| 27 Adoniram, Limington. | 117 Greenleaf, Corvish. |
| 42 Freedom, Limerick. | 118 Drummond, No. Parsonsfield. |
| 47 Dunlap, Biddeford. | 162 Arion, Goodwin's Mills. |
| 107 Day Spring, West Newfield. | 215 Orchard, Old Orchard. |

DISTRICT No. 19.

District Deputy Grand Master—LESTER D. BRAGDON, So. Berwick.

22 York, Kennebunk.	143 Preble, Sanford.
55 Fraternal, Alfred.	184 Naval, Kittery.
51 St. John's South Berwick.	179 Yorkshire, North Berwick.
76 Arundel, Kennebunkport.	198 St. Aspinquid, York Village.
142 Ocean, Wells Depot.	190 Springvale, Springvale.

DISTRICT No. 20.

District Deputy Grand Master—WILLIAM H. GRUBER, Rumford.

21 Oriental Star, Livermore Falls.	147 Evening Star, Buckfield.
30 Blazing Star, Rumford	167 Whitney, Canton.
57 King Hiram, Dixfield.	

DISTRICT No. 21.

District Deputy Grand Master—JOHN J. WEAST, Bar Harbor.

19 Felicity, Bucksport.	185 Bar Harbor, Bar Harbor.
40 Lygonia, Ellsworth.	192 Winter Harbor, Winter Harbor
71 Rising Sun, Orland.	201 David A. Hooper, W. Sullivan
77 Tremont, Southwest Harbor.	208 N. E. Harbor, N. E. Harbor.
140 Mount Desert, Mount Desert.	212 McKinley, McKinley.

DISTRICT No. 22.

District Deputy Grand Master—KILBURN H. MERRILL, Pittsfield.

49 Meridian Splendor, Newport.	125 Meridian, Pittsfield.
64 Pacific, Exeter.	157 Cambridge, Cambridge.
75 Archon, East Dixmont.	160 Parian, Corinna.
95 Corinthian, Hartland.	

DISTRICT No. 23.

District Deputy Grand Master—DONALD R. BRIGGS,
Oak St., East Auburn.

12 Cumberland, New Gloucester.	105 Ashlar, Lewiston.
29 Tranquil, Auburn.	150 Rabboni, Lewiston.
73 Tyrian, Mechanic Falls.	164 Webster, Sabattus.
101 Nezinscot, Turner.	178 Ancient Brothers', Auburn

DISTRICT No. 24.

District Deputy Grand Master—RALPH W. EMERSON, Island Falls.

93 Horeb, Lincoln.	172 Pine Tree, Mattawamkeag.
98 Katahdin, Patten.	175 Baskahegan, Danforth.
148 Forest, Springfield.	205 Nollesemic, Millinocket.
165 Molunkus, Sherman Mills.	206 Island Falls, Island Falls.

Towns in Maine Where Masonic Lodges are Located

Location.	Lodge.	District.
ADDISON,	Tuscan, 103,	3
ALFRED,	Fraternal 55,	19
ASHLAND,	Pioneer, 72,	1
AUBURN,	Ancient Brothers', 178,	23
AUBURN,	Tranquil, 29,	23
AUGUSTA,	Augusta, 141,	11
AUGUSTA,	Bethlehem, 35,	11
BANGOR,	Rising Virtue, 10,	6
BANGOR,	St. Andrew's, 83,	6
BAR HARBOR,	Bar Harbor, 185,	21
BATH,	Polar Star, 114,	14
BATH,	Solar, 14,	14
BELFAST,	Phoenix, 24,	8
BELFAST,	Timothy Chase, 126	8
BETHEL,	Bethel, 97,	16
BIDDEFORD,	Dunlap, 47,	18
BINGHAM	Bingham, 199,	13
BLUE HILL,	Ira Berry, 187,	4
BOLSTER'S MILLS,	Crooked River, 152,	16
BOOTHBAY HARBOR,	Seaside, 144,	10
BOWDOINHAM	Village, 26,	14
BRIDGTON,	Oriental, 13,	16
BRISTOL,	Bristol, 74,	10
BROOKLIN,	Naskeag, 171,	4
BROOKS,	Marsh River, 102,	8
BROWNFIELD,	Shepherd's River, 169,	16
BROWNVILLE,	Pleasant River, 163	5
BRUNSWICK,	United, 8,	14
BRYANT POND,	Jefferson, 100,	16
BUCKFIELD,	Evening Star, 147,	20
BUCKSPORT,	Felicity, 19,	21
CALAIS,	St. Croix, 46,	2
CAMBRIDGE,	Cambridge, 157,	22
CAMDEN,	Amity, 6,	7
CANAAN,	Carrabasset, 161,	13
CANTON,	Whitney, 167	20
CARIBOU,	Caribou, 170,	1
CARMEL,	Benevolent 87,	6

CASTINE,	Hancock, 4,	4
CHARLESTON,	Olive Branch, 124,	6
CHERRYFIELD,	Narraguagus, 88,	3
CHINA,	Central, 45,	12
CLINTON,	Sebasticook, 146,	12
CORINNA,	Parian, 160,	22
CORNISH,	Greenleaf, 117,	18
CUMBERLAND MILLS,	Warren Phillips, 186,	17
CUTLER,	Lookout, 131,	3
DAMARISCOTTA,	Alna, 43,	10
DANFORTH,	Baskahegan, 175,	24
DEER ISLE,	Marine, 122,	4
DENMARK,	Mount Moriah, 56,	16
DEXTER,	Penobscot, 39,	5
DIXFIELD,	King Hiram, 57,	20
DOVER-FOXCROFT,	Mosaic, 52,	5
DRESDEN MILLS,	Dresden, 103,	10
DURHAM,	Acacia, 121,	14
EAST BOOTHBAY,	Bay View, 196,	10
EAST DIXMONT,	Archon, 75,	22
EAST MACHIAS,	Warren, 2,	3
EASTPORT,	Eastern, 7,	2
ELLSWORTH,	Lygonia, 40,	21
EXETER,	Pacific, 64,	22
FAIRFIELD,	Siloam, 92,	12
FARMINGTON,	Maine, 20,	15
FORT FAIRFIELD,	Eastern Frontier, 112,	1
FORT KENT,	Fort Kent, 209,	1
FREEPORT,	Freeport, 23,	14
FRIENDSHIP,	Meduncook, 211,	9
FRYEBURG,	Pythagorean, 11,	16
GARDINER,	Hermon, 32,	11
GOODWIN'S MILLS,	Arion, 162,	18
GORHAM,	Harmony, 38,	17
GREENVILLE,	Columbia, 200,	5
GUILFORD,	Mount Kineo, 109,	5
HALLOWELL,	Kennebec, 5,	11
HAMPDEN,	Mystic, 65,	6
HARTLAND,	Corinthian, 95,	22
HERMON,	Lynde, 174,	6
HOULTON,	Monument, 96,	1
ISLAND FALLS,	Island Falls, 206,	24
ISLESBORO,	Island, 89,	7
JEFFERSON,	Riverside, 135,	7
JONESPORT,	Jonesport, 188,	3
KENDUSKEAG,	Kenduskeag, 137,	6
KENNEBUNK,	York, 22,	19

KENNEBUNKPORT,	Arundel, 76,	19
KINGFIELD,	Mount Abram, 204,	15
KITTERY,	Naval, 184,	19
LAGRANGE,	Composite, 168,	5
LEWISTON,	Ashlar, 105,	23
LEWISTON,	Rabboni, 150,	23
LIBERTY,	Liberty, 111,	8
LIMERICK,	Freedom, 42,	19
LIMESTONE,	Limestone, 214,	1
LIMINGTON,	Adoniram, 27,	18
LINCOLN,	Horeb, 93,	24
LINCOLNVILLE,	King David's, 62,	7
LISBON FALLS,	Ancient York, 155,	14
LITCHFIELD,	Morning Star, 41,	11
LIVERMORE FALLS,	Oriental Star, 21,	20
LOVELL,	Delta, 153,	16
LUBEC,	Washington, 37,	2
MACHIAS,	Harwood, 91,	3
MADISON,	Euclid, 194,	13
MARS HILL,	Aroostook, 197,	1
MATTAWAMKEAG,	Pine Tree, 172,	24
McKINLEY,	McKinley, 212,	21
MECHANIC FALLS,	Tyrian, 73,	23
MILLBRIDGE,	Pleiades, 173,	3
MILLINOCKET,	Nollesemic, 205,	24
MILO,	Piscataquis, 44,	5
MONMOUTH,	Monmouth, 110,	11
MONSON,	Doric, 149,	5
MOUNT DESERT,	Mount Desert, 140,	21
MOUNT VERNON,	Vernon Valley, 99,	15
NEW GLOUCESTER,	Cumberland, 12,	23
NEWPORT,	Meridian Splendor, 49,	22
NEW SHARON,	Franklin, 123,	15
NORRIDGEWOCK,	Lebanon, 116,	13
NORTH ANSON,	Northern Star, 28,	13
NORTH BERWICK,	Yorkshire, 179,	19
NORTH BROOKSVILLE,	Bagaduce, 210,	4
NORTHEAST HARBOR,	Northeast Harbor, 208,	21
NORTH PARSONSFIELD,	Drummond, 118,	18
NORTH VASSALBORO,	Vassalboro, 54,	12
NORTH WINDHAM,	Presumpscot, 127,	17
NORTHPORT,	Excelsior, 151,	8
NORWAY,	Oxford, 18,	16
OAKLAND,	Messalonskee, 113,	12
OLD ORCHARD,	Orchard, 215	18
OLD TOWN,	Star in the East, 60,	6
ORLAND,	Rising Sun, 71,	21

ORONO,	Mechanics', 66,	6
ORRINGTON,	Ralph J. Pollard,	6
PATTEN,	Katahdin, 98,	24
PEMBROKE,	Crescent, 78,	2
PENOBSCOT,	Rising Star, 177,	4
PHILLIPS,	Blue Mountain, 67,	15
PITTSFIELD,	Meridian, 125,	22
PORTLAND,	Ancient Landmark, 17,	17
PORTLAND,	Atlantic, 81,	17
PORTLAND,	Corner Stone, 216,	17
PORTLAND,	Deering, 183,	17
PORTLAND,	Portland, 1,	17
PORTLAND,	Brotherhood, U. D.	17
PRESQUE ISLE,	Trinity, 130,	1
PRINCETON,	Lewy's Island, 138,	2
RANGELEY,	Kemankeag, 213,	15
READFIELD,	Lafayette, 48,	11
RICHMOND,	Richmond, 63,	14
ROCKLAND,	Aurora, 50,	9
ROCKLAND,	Rockland, 79,	9
ROCKPORT,	St. Paul's, 82,	7
RUMFORD,	Blazing Star, 30,	20
SABATTUS,	Webster, 164,	23
SACO,	Saco, 9,	18
SANFORD,	Preble, 143,	19
SANGERVILLE,	Abner Wade, 207,	5
SEARSMONT,	Quantabacook, 129,	7
SEARSPORT,	Mariners', 68,	8
SEDGWICK,	Eggemoggin, 128,	4
SHERMAN MILLS,	Molunkus, 165,	24
SIDNEY,	Rural, 53,	11
SKOWHEGAN,	Somerset, 34,	13
SOLOH,	Keystone, 80,	13
SOUTH BERWICK,	St. John's, 51,	19
SOUTH BRISTOL,	Anchor, 158,	10
SOUTH PARIS,	Paris, 94,	16
SOUTH PORTLAND,	Hiram, 180,	17
SOUTH THOMASTON,	Knox, 189,	9
SOUTHWEST HARBOR,	Tremont, 77,	21
SPRINGFIELD,	Forest, 148,	24
SPRINGVALE,	Springvale, 190,	19
STANDISH,	Standish, 70,	17
STOCKTON SPRINGS,	Pownal, 119,	8
STONINGTON,	Reliance, 195,	4
STRATTON,	Mount Bigelow, 202,	15
STRONG,	Davis, 191,	15
TENANT'S HARBOR,	Eureka, 84,	9

THOMASTON,	Orient, 15,	9
THORNDIKE,	Unity, 58,	12
TURNER,	Nezinscot, 101,	23
UNION,	Union, 31,	7
UNITY,	Star in the West, 85,	12
VASSALBORO,	Neguemkeag, 166,	12
VINALHAVEN,	Moses Webster, 145,	9
WALDOBORO,	King Solomon's, 61,	9
WARREN,	St. George, 16,	9
WASHBURN,	Washburn, 193,	1
WASHINGTON,	Mt. Olivet, 203,	7
WATERFORD,	Mount Tir'em, 132,	16
WATERVILLE,	Waterville, 33,	12
WAYNE,	Asylum, 133,	11
WEEKS MILLS,	Dirigo, 104,	11
WELD,	Mystic Tie, 154,	15
WELLS DEPOT,	Ocean, 142,	19
WESTBROOK,	Temple, 86,	17
WEST BUXTON,	Buxton, 115,	18
WEST NEWFIELD,	Day Spring, 107,	18
WEST PARIS,	Granite, 182,	16
WEST SULLIVAN,	David A. Hooper, 201,	21
WILTON,	Wilton, 156,	15
WINTER HARBOR,	Winter Harbor, 192,	21
WINTERPORT,	Howard, 69,	6
WINTHROP,	Temple, 25,	11
WISCASSET,	Lincoln, 3,	10
YARMOUTH,	Casco, 36,	17
YORK VILLAGE,	St. Aspinquid, 198,	19

Lodges in Maine

With Dates of Precedent and Charters

LODGE	LOCATION	DATE OF PRECEDENCE	DATE OF CHARTER
1 Portland,	Portland,	Mch. 30, 1769	Mch. 30, 1769
2 Warren,	East Machias,	Sept. 10, 1778	Sept. 10, 1778
3 Lincoln,	Wiscasset,	June 1, 1792	June 1, 1792
4 Hancock,	Castine,	June 9, 1794	June 9, 1794
5 Kennebec,	Hallowell,	Mch. 14, 1796	Mch. 14, 1796
6 Amity,	Camden,	Mch. 10, 1801	Mch. 10, 1801
7 Eastern,	Eastport,	June 8, 1801	June 8, 1801
8 United,	Brunswick,	Dec. 14, 1801	Dec. 14, 1801
9 Saco,	Saco,	June 14, 1802	June 16, 1802
10 Rising Virtue,	Bangor,	Sept. 13, 1802	Sept. 16, 1802
11 Pythagorean,	Fryeburg,	June 13, 1803	June 13, 1803
12 Cumberland,	New Gloucester,	June 13, 1803	June 13, 1803
13 Oriental,	Bridgton,	Mch. 12, 1804	Mch. 12, 1804
14 Solar,	Bath,	Sept. 10, 1804	Sept. 10, 1804
15 Orient,	Thomaston,	Sept. 10, 1805	Sept. 10, 1805
16 Saint George,	Warren,	Mch. 10, 1806	Mch. 10, 1806
17 Ancient Landmark,	Portland,	June 10, 1806	June 10, 1806
18 Oxford,	Norway,	Sept. 14, 1807	Sept. 14, 1807
19 Felicity,	Bucksport,	Mch. 14, 1809	Mch. 14, 1809
20 Maine,	Farmington,	June 13, 1809	Jan. 13, 1810
21 Oriental Star,	Livernore,	June 13, 1811	June 13, 1811
22 York,	Kennebunk,	Mch. 9, 1813	Mch. 9, 1813
23 Freeport,	Freeport,	Sept. 13, 1814	Sept. 13, 1814
24 Phoenix,	Belfast,	Sept. 9, 1816	Dec. 30, 1816
25 Temple,	Winthrop,	Sept. 8, 1817	Oct. 6, 1817
26 Village,	Bowdoinham,	June 9, 1817	Sept. 16, 1817
27 Adoniram,	Limington,	Sept. 9, 1818	Sept. 10, 1818
28 Northern Star,	North Anson,	Dec. 9, 1818	Dec. 15, 1818
29 Tranquil,	Auburn,	Dec. 9, 1818	Dec. 9, 1818
30 Blazing Star,	Rumford,	Mch. 10, 1819	Mch. 11, 1819
31 Union,	Union,	Dec. 27, 1819	April 8, 1820
32 Hermon,	Gardiner,	June 23, 1820	June 23, 1820
33 Waterville,	Waterville,	June 27, 1820	June 27, 1820
34 Somersset,	Skowhegan,	Jan. 11, 1821	Jan. 11, 1821
35 Bethlehem,	Augusta,	July 12, 1821	May 3, 1862†
36 Casco,	Yarmouth,	Oct. 11, 1821	Oct. 24, 1826
37 Washington,	Lubec,	Jan. 10, 1822	Jan. 24, 1821
38 Harmony,	Gorham,	Jan. 10, 1822	Jan. 24, 1822
39 Penobscot,	Dexter,	Jan. 10, 1822	Jan. 24, 1822
40 Lygonia,	Ellsworth,	April 11, 1822	April 11, 1822
41 Morning Star,	Litchfield,	July 11, 1822	July 16, 1822
42 Freedom,	Limerick,	Jan. 11, 1823	Jan. 14, 1823
43 Alna,	Damariscotta,	Jan. 11, 1823	Jan. 14, 1823
44 Piscataquis,	Milo,	Oct. 9, 1823	Oct. 28, 1823
45 Central,	China,	April 8, 1824	April 8, 1824
46 Saint Croix,	Calais,	April 8, 1824	April 8, 1824
47 Dunlap,	Biddeford	Jan. 13, 1826	Jan. 30, 1826
48 Lafayette,	Readfield,	Jan. 13, 1826	May 20, 1850†
49 Meridian Splendor,	Newport,	July 13, 1826	July 18, 1826
50 Aurora,	Rockland,	July 18, 1826	May 9, 1872†
51 Saint John's,	South Berwick,	Jan. 12, 1827	Feb. 13, 1827
52 Mosaic,	Dover-Foxcroft,	April 22, 1827	July 16, 1827
53 Rural,	Sidney,	April 12, 1827	July 25, 1827
54 Vassalboro,	No. Vassalboro,	April 12, 1827	May 31, 1827
55 Fraternal,	Alfred,	Jan. 10, 1828	Jan. 10, 1828
56 Mount Moriah,	Denmark,	Jan. 10, 1828	Jan. 23, 1828
57 King Hiram,	Dixfield,	April 10, 1828	May 9, 1872†

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58 Unity,	Thorndike,	April 10, 1828	May 15, 1828
59 Mount Hope,	Hope,	Jan. 25, 1848	May 4, 1848†
60 Star in the East,	Old Town,	Feb. 23, 1848	May 5, 1848
61 King Solomon's,	Waldoboro,	April 4, 1849	Feb. 4, 1855†
62 King David's,	Lincolnville,	June 16, 1849	Jan. 13, 1850
63 Richmond,	Richmond,	Jan. 1, 1850	May 10, 1850
64 Pacific,	Exeter,	Oct. 22, 1850	May 12, 1851
65 Mystic,	Hampden,	Mch. 1, 1851	May 12, 1851
66 Mechanics',	Orono,	Mch. 3, 1851	May 12, 1851
67 Blue Mountain,	Phillips,	July 12, 1850	May 10, 1852
68 Mariners',	Searsport,	Oct. 23, 1851	May 10, 1853
69 Howard,	Winterport,	Nov. 28, 1851	May 6, 1853
70 Standish,	Standish,	June 10, 1852	May 10, 1853
71 Rising Sun,	Orland,	Oct. 18, 1852	May 10, 1853
72 Pioneer,	Ashland,	Oct. 26, 1852	May 5, 1854
73 Tyrian,	Mechanic Falls,	Jan. 21, 1853	May 10, 1853
74 Bristol,	Bristol,	Mch. 1, 1853	May 5, 1854
*75 Archon,	East Dixmont,	May 9, 1853	May 5, 1854†
76 Arundel,	Kennebunkport,	May 5, 1854	June 26, 1854
77 Tremont,	So. West Harbor,	June 12, 1854	May 3, 1856
78 Crescent,	Pembroke,	July 4, 1854	July 10, 1854
79 Rockland,	Rockland,	Oct. 25, 1854	April 4, 1872†
80 Keystone,	Solon,	Dec. 16, 1854	May 4, 1855
81 Atlantic,	Portland,	May 3, 1855	May 3, 1855
82 Saint Paul's,	Rockport,	Oct. 27, 1855	May 2, 1856
83 Saint Andrew's,	Bangor,	Feb. 6, 1856	May 3, 1856
84 Eureka,	Tenants Harbor,	July 27, 1855	May 2, 1856
85 Star in the West,	Unity,	May 4, 1855	May 24, 1856
86 Temple,	Westbrook,	Mch. 1, 1856	May 5, 1856
87 Benevolent,	Carmel,	Mch. 12, 1857	May 7, 1857
88 Narraguagus,	Cherryfield,	Mch. 25, 1857	May 28, 1857
89 Island,	Islesboro,	April 3, 1857	Nov. 5, 1857
90 Hiram Abiff,	West Appleton,	Jan. 27, 1857	May 5, 1858§
91 Harwood,	Machias,	April 8, 1858	Oct. 15, 1858
92 Siloam,	Fairfield,	Mch. 8, 1858	Jan. 1, 1859
93 Horeb,	Lincoln,	June 5, 1858	May 5, 1859
94 Paris,	South Paris,	June 15, 1858	May 5, 1859
95 Corinthian,	Hartland,	Sept. 13, 1858	May 5, 1859
96 Monument,	Houlton,	Nov. 18, 1858	May 5, 1859
97 Bethel,	Bethel,	July 6, 1859	May 5, 1860
98 Katahdin,	Patten,	Aug. 24, 1859	May 3, 1860
99 Vernon Valley,	Mount Vernon,	Oct. 28, 1859	May 3, 1860
100 Jefferson,	Bryant Pond,	Feb. 8, 1860	May 3, 1860
101 Nezinscot,	Turner,	Mch. 1, 1860	May 3, 1860
102 Marsh River,	Brooks,	Dec. 24, 1859	May 9, 1861
103 Dresden,	Dresden Mills,	Feb. 3, 1860	May 9, 1861
104 Dirigo,	Week's Mills,	June 12, 1860	May 9, 1861
105 Ashlar,	Lewiston,	Nov. 5, 1860	May 9, 1861
106 Tuscan,	Addison,	Dec. 27, 1860	May 9, 1861
107 Day Spring,	West Newfield,	Mch. 19, 1861	May 9, 1861
108 Relief,	Belgrade,	Jan. 11, 1861	May 8, 1862§
109 Mount Kineo,	Guilford,	May 10, 1861	May 8, 1862
110 Monmouth,	Monmouth,	May 21, 1861	May 8, 1862
111 Liberty,	Liberty,	Nov. 8, 1861	May 8, 1862
112 Eastern Frontier,	Fort Fairfield,	May 8, 1862	May 7, 1863
113 Messalonskee,	Oakland,	May 15, 1862	May 7, 1863
114 Polar Star,	Bath,	Mch. 7, 1863	May 7, 1863
115 Buxton,	West Buxton,	Mch. 18, 1863	May 7, 1863
116 Lebanon,	Norridgewock,	April 30, 1863	May 7, 1863

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117 Greenleaf,	Cornish,	April 22, 1863	May 4, 1864
118 Drummond,	No. Parsonsfield,	May 7, 1863	May 4, 1864
119 Pownal,	Stockton,	July 4, 1863	May 6, 1875†
120 Meduncook,	Friendship,	Feb. 6, 1864	May 4, 1864†
121 Acacia,	Durham,	May 7, 1863	May 4, 1865
122 Marine,	Deer Isle,	Mch. 18, 1864	May 3, 1865
123 Franklin,	New Sharo,	May 4, 1864	May 3, 1865
124 Olive Branch,	Charlestown,	May 4, 1864	May 3, 1865
125 Meridian,	Pittsfield,	June 7, 1864	May 3, 1865
126 Timothy Chase,	Belfast,	Oct. 26, 1864	May 3, 1865
127 Presumpscot,	North Windham,	Nov. 19, 1864	May 3, 1866
128 Eggemoggin,	Sedgwick,	Mch. 1, 1865	May 3, 1866
129 Quantabacook,	Searsmont,	Mch. 28, 1865	May 3, 1866
130 Trinity,	Presque Isle,	July 17, 1865	May 3, 1866
131 Lookout,	Cutler,	July 18, 1865	May 3, 1866
132 Mount Tir'em,	Waterford,	Oct. 18, 1865	May 3, 1866
133 Asylum,	Wayne,	July 20, 1865	May 9, 1867
134 Trojan,	Troy,	Feb. 19, 1866	May 9, 1867†
135 Riverside,	Jefferson,	Mch. 13, 1866	May 8, 1867
136 Ionic,	Gardiner,	April 24, 1866	May 9, 1867†
137 Kenduskeag,	Kenduskeag,	May 3, 1866	May 8, 1867
138 Lewy's Island,	Princeton,	May 3, 1866	May 8, 1867
139 Archon,	East Dixmont,	Sept. 26, 1866	May 8, 1867†
140 Mount Desert,	Mount Desert,	Feb. 14, 1867	May 8, 1867
141 Augusta,	Augusta,	Mch. 21, 1867	May 8, 1867
142 Ocean,	Wells,	Mch. 22, 1867	May 7, 1868
143 Preble,	Sanford,	May 9, 1867	May 7, 1868
144 Seaside,	Boothbay Har.,	Oct. 7, 1867	May 7, 1868
145 Moses Webster,	Vinalhaven,	Jan. 13, 1868	May 7, 1868
146 Seabaticook,	Clinton,	Feb. 3, 1868	May 7, 1868
147 Evening Star,	Buckfield,	Feb. 22, 1869	May 5, 1869
148 Forest,	Springfield,	April 1, 1869	May 5, 1869
149 Doric,	Monson,	May 7, 1868	May 5, 1869
150 Rabboni,	Lewiston,	Dec. 28, 1868	May 5, 1869
151 Excelsior,	Northport,	Mch. 1, 1869	May 5, 1869
152 Crooked River,	Bolster's Mills,	April 15, 1869	May 5, 1870
153 Delta,	Lovell,	May 5, 1869	May 4, 1870
154 Mystic Tie,	Weld,	June 8, 1869	May 4, 1870
155 Ancient York,	Lisbon Falls,	Jan. 1, 1870	May 4, 1870
156 Wilton,	Wilton,	Jan. 31, 1870	May 4, 1870
157 Cambridge,	Cambridge,	May 5, 1870	May 4, 1871
158 Anchor,	South Bristol,	May 5, 1870	May 4, 1871
159 Esoteric,	Ellsworth,	Sept. 3, 1870	May 4, 1871†
160 Parian,	Corinna,	Sept. 9, 1870	May 9, 1872
161 Carrabassett,	Canaan,	Mch. 2, 1871	May 9, 1872
162 Arion,	Goodwin's Mills,	Mch. 18, 1871	May 9, 1872
163 Pleasant River,	Brownville,	July 28, 1871	May 9, 1872
164 Webster,	Sabattus,	July 28, 1871	May 9, 1872
165 Molunkus,	Sherman Mills,	Aug. 26, 1871	May 9, 1872
166 Neguemkeag,	Vassalboro,	Dec. 22, 1871	May 9, 1872
167 Whitney,	Canton,	Mch. 9, 1872	May 9, 1872
168 Composite,	Lagrange,	May 9, 1872	May 8, 1873
169 Shepherd's River,	Brownfield,	July 1, 1872	May 8, 1873
170 Caribou,	Caribou,	July 27, 1872	May 8, 1873
171 Naskeag,	Brooklin,	Feb. 3, 1873	May 8, 1873
172 Pine Tree,	Mattawamkeag,	Nov. 14, 1873	May 7, 1874
173 Pleiades,	Millbridge,	May 7, 1874	May 7, 1874
174 Lynde,	Hermion,	May 7, 1874	May 7, 1874
175 Baskahegan,	Danforth,	Dec. 3, 1874	May 20, 1875†

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176 Palestine,	Biddeford,	May 5, 1875	May 6, 1875
177 Rising Star,	Penobscot,	June 17, 1875	May 4, 1876
178 Ancient Brothers',	Auburn,	June 21, 1875	May 4, 1876
179 Yorkshire,	North Berwick,	Sept. 18, 1875	May 4, 1876
180 Hiram,	South Portland,	Nov. 1, 1875	May 4, 1876
181 Reuel Washburn,	East Livermore,	May 4, 1876	May 3, 1877†
182 Granite,	West Paris, .	Sept. 16, 1878	May 8, 1879
183 Deering,	Portland,	April 2, 1879	May 8, 1879
184 Naval,	Kittery,	May 8, 1879	May 6, 1880
185 Bar Harbor,	Bar Harbor,	April 19, 1882	May 2, 1882
186 Warren Phillips,	Cumberl'd Mills,	April 18, 1883	May 3, 1883
187 Ira Berry,	Bluehill,	Nov. 12, 1883	May 8, 1884
188 Jonesport,	Jonesport,	May 8, 1884	May 8, 1884
189 Knox,	So. Thomaston,	Sept. 6, 1884	May 7, 1885
190 Springvale,	Springvale,	May 7, 1885	May 6, 1886
191 Davis,	Strong,	May 7, 1885	May 6, 1886
192 Winter Harbor,	Winter Harbor,	Aug 12, 1887	May 3, 1888
193 Washburn,	Washburn,	Dec. 14, 1887	May 3, 1888
194 Euclid,	Madison,	May 4, 1888	May 9, 1880
195 Reliance,	Stonington,	May 9, 1889	May 8, 1899
196 Bay View,	East Boothbay,	Dec. 20, 1889	May 8, 1890
197 Aroostook,	Mars Hill,	Dec. 17, 1890	May 7, 1891
198 Saint Aspinquid,	York,	July 22, 1892	May 4, 1893
199 Bingham,	Bingham,	Dec. 23, 1892	May 4, 1893
200 Columbia,	Greenville,	July 23, 1894	May 7, 1896
201 David A. Hooper,	West Sullivan,	June 3, 1897	May 5, 1898
202 Mount Bigelow,	Flagstaff,	June 19, 1897	May 6, 1898
203 Mount Olivet,	Washington,	Nov. 24, 1897	May 7, 1898
204 Mount Abram,	Kingfield,	May 4, 1900	May 9, 1901
205 Nollesmic,	Millinocket,	Nov. 17, 1900	May 9, 1901
206 Island Falls,	Island Falls,	Oct. 3, 1901	May 8, 1902
207 Abner Wade,	Sangerville,	June 3, 1902	May 7, 1903
208 No. East Harbor,	No. East Harbor,	Sept. 2, 1903	May 6, 1904
209 Fort Kent,	Fort Kent,	Mch. 23, 1904	May 4, 1905
210 Bagaduce,	Brooksville,	Sept. 2, 1905	May 3, 1906
211 Meduncook,	Friendship,	Feb. 15, 1909	May 5, 1910
212 McKinley,	McKinley,	May 6, 1909	May 6, 1910
213 Kemankeag,	Rangeley,	Oct. 6, 1913	May 7, 1914
214 Limestone,	Limestone,	Nov. 10, 1913	May 7, 1914
215 Orchard,	Old Orchard,	May 4, 1916	May 3, 1917
216 Corner Stone,	Portland,	Oct. 27, 1926	May 4, 1927
217 Ralph J. Pollard,	Orrington,	Jan. 28, 1947	May 4, 1948
U.D. Brotherhood,	Portland,	.....	.....

NOTE.— 6 Petitioned for under the name "Federal."

11 Originally "Pequawket" U. D., Charter restored in 1865, after no meetings since 1830

47 Originally "Buxton," removed to Biddeford 1855, name changed.

59 Mt. Hoope, charter surrendered 1879.

*75 Plymouth consolidated with Archon No. 139 which becomes No. 75.

90 Hiram Abiff, charter revoked 1868.

95 Originally "Pond," name changed in 1864.

108 Relief, charter revoked 1894.

115 Removed from Buxton to Hollis 1897. Originally called "Moderation," name changed 1874.

119 Was "Perseverance" U. D.

120 Meduncook, charter surrendered 1884.

134 Trojan, consolidated with Star in the West, No. 85, in 1888.

136 Ionic, charter surrendered 1882.

139 Consolidated with No. 75.

159 Esoteric consolidated with Lygonia, No. 40, Jan. 11, 1908.

160 Was "Fisher" U. D.

176 Palestine, consolidated with Dunlap, No. 47, in 1895.

181 Reuel Washburn, consolidated with Oriental Star, No. 21, in 1892

Lodges enrolled 216; extinct 10; working 206.

† Charter surrendered.

‡ Charter revoked.

¶ Consolidated.

‡ Means charter surrendered and afterward restored

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" CHARLES E. CROSSLAND,	Orono,	"
" CARROLL W. KEENE,	Clinton,	"
" GRANVILLE C. GRAY,	Presque Isle.	"
" RALPH J. POLLARD,	Waldoboro,	"
" ERVIN E. J. LANDER,	Augusta	"
" BENJAMIN W. ELA,	North Anson,	"
R. W. WILLIS A. RICKER,	Castine,	P. S. G. W.
" JOHN J. MARR,	Island Falls,	"
" LEWMAN B. SOPER,	Newport,	"
" HARRY E. ROWE,	Ellsworth.	"
" JAMES ABERNETHY,	West Pembroke	"
" WILLIAM S. HOLMES,	North East Harbor,	"
" ALVOID E. CUSHMAN,	Bangor,	"
" WILLIAM A. SMALL,	Limington,	"
" MANSON D. BROWN,	Patten,	"
" ARTHUR H. LANDER,	Gardiner,	"
" WILLIAM D. BRUCE,	Newport,	"
" WILLIAM A. LEVENSALOR,	Dover-Foxcroft,	"
" HAROLD L. GERRISH,	Augusta,	"
" CLYDE FRENCH,	Lincoln,	"
" ELMER P. SMART,	Bangor,	"
" FRANK L. MILAN,	Deer Isle	"
" JUDSON P. LORD,	Warren,	"
" LEWIS T. BROWN,	Limington,	"
" GEORGE R. CASWELL,	Augusta,	"
" EVERETT S. HIGGINS,	Lubec,	"
" ARTHUR W. SEAWARD,	Kittery,	"
" PHILIP D. TINGLEY,	Houlton,	"
" CONVERS E. LEACH,	Portland,	P. J. G. W.
" CARROLL S. DOUGLASS,	Guilford,	"
" DANIEL G. CHAPLIN,	Cornish,	"
" EUGENE A. WHITTREDGE,	Dover-Foxcroft,	"
" GEORGE W. HASKELL,	Houlton,	"

R. W.	GEORGE H. MINOTT,	South Portland,	P. J. G. W.
"	HARRY S. GRINDALL,	Waterville,	"
"	JOHN L. POLLEYS,	Houlton,	"
"	EDWARD H. BRITTON,	Waterville,	"
"	ELBERT G. MOULTON,	Brooks,	"
"	ARTHUR W. STOCKBRIDGE,	Auburn,	"
"	EARLE D. WEBSTER,	Portland,	"
"	FREDERICK C. LOUNDER,	Ellsworth,	"
"	JAMES A. SANKER,	Belfast,	"
"	WESLEY L. OXTON,	West Rockport,	"
"	MERTON E. LEECH,	Oakland,	"
"	HARRY I. ROLLINS,	Greenville,	"
"	FRED J. LOVELL,	Newport,	"
"	CLIFFORD H. M. PERRY,	Millinocket,	"
"	MERRILL R. KITTREDGE,	Bangor,	"

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DATE	GRAND MASTERS	DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS	SENIOR GRAND WARDENS	JUNIOR GRAND WARDENS	GRAND TREASURERS	GRAND SECRETARIES
1820-21	*William King	*Simon Greenleaf	*William Swan	*Nathaniel Coffin	*Joseph M. Gerrish	*William Lord
1822	*Simon Greenleaf	*William Swan	*Charles Fox	*Josiah W. Mitchell	*Joseph M. Gerrish	*William Lord
1823	*Simon Greenleaf	*William Swan	*Charles Fox	*Samuel Fessenden	*Joseph M. Gerrish	*William Lord
1824	*William Swan	*Charles Fox	*Samuel Fessenden	*George Thacher, Jr.	*Joseph M. Gerrish	*William Lord
1825	*William Swan	*Charles Fox	*Samuel Fessenden	*George Thacher, Jr.	*Joseph M. Gerrish	*William Lord
1826	*Charles Fox	*Samuel Fessenden	*George Thacher, Jr.	*Robert P. Dunlap	*Joseph M. Gerrish	*William Lord
1827	*Charles Fox	*Samuel Fessenden	*George Thacher, Jr.	*Robert P. Dunlap	*Joseph M. Gerrish	*William Lord
1828	*Samuel Fessenden	*Peleg Sprague	*Robert P. Dunlap	*Amos Nourse	*Joseph M. Gerrish	*William Lord
1829	*Samuel Fessenden	*Peleg Sprague	*Robert P. Dunlap	*Amos Nourse	*Joseph M. Gerrish	*William Lord
1830	*Robert P. Dunlap	*Peleg Sprague	*Amos Nourse	*Reuben Nason	*Joseph M. Gerrish	*William Lord
1831	*Robert P. Dunlap	*Nathaniel Coffin	*Amos Nourse	*Reuben Nason	*James B. Cahoon	*William Lord
1832	*Nathaniel Coffin	*Amos Nourse	*John L. Magquier	*David C. Magoun	*James B. Cahoon	*Asaph R. Nichols
1833	*Nathaniel Coffin	*Reuel Washburn	*John L. Magquier	*David C. Magoun	*James B. Cahoon	*Asaph R. Nichols
1834	*Nathaniel Coffin	*Reuel Washburn	*John L. Magquier	*David C. Magoun	*Benjamin Davis	*Asaph R. Nichols
1835	*Reuel Washburn	*David G. Magoun	*Joel Miller	*Abner B. Thompson	*Benjamin Davis	*Asaph R. Nichols
1836	*Reuel Washburn	*David G. Magoun	*Joel Miller	*Abner B. Thompson	*Benjamin Davis	*Philip C. Johnson
1837	*Reuel Washburn	*David G. Magoun	*Joel Miller	*Abner B. Thompson	*Benjamin Davis	*Philip C. Johnson
1838	*Adner B. Thompson	*Asaph R. Nichols	*Thomas W. Smith	*Stephen Webber	*Benjamin Davis	*Philip C. Johnson
1839	*Abner B. Thompson	*Asaph R. Nichols	*Thomas W. Smith	*Stephen Webber	*Benjamin Davis	*Philip C. Johnson
1840	*Abner B. Thompson	*Asaph R. Nichols	*Thomas W. Smith	*Stephen Webber	*Benjamin Davis	*Philip C. Johnson
1841	*Hezekiah Williams	*Asaph R. Nichols	*Thomas W. Smith	*John T. Paine	*Benjamin Davis	*Philip C. Johnson
1842	*Thomas W. Smith	*Asaph R. Nichols	*John T. Paine	*Alexander H. Putney	*Benjamin Davis	*Philip C. Johnson
1843	*Thomas W. Smith	*Asaph R. Nichols	*John T. Paine	*Alexander H. Putney	*Benjamin Davis	*Philip C. Johnson
1844	*Thomas W. Smith	*James L. Child	*John T. Paine	*Alexander H. Putney	*Henry H. Boody	*Philip C. Johnson
1845	*John T. Paine	*Asaph R. Nichols	*Alexander H. Putney	*John C. Humphreys	*Henry H. Boody	*Charles B. Smith
1846	*John T. Paine	*Elisha Harding	*Alexander H. Putney	*John C. Humphreys	*Henry H. Boody	*Charles B. Smith
1847	*Alexander H. Putney	*Samuel L. Valentine	*John C. Humphreys	*Joseph C. Stevens	*Henry H. Boody	*Charles B. Smith
1848	*Alexander H. Putney	*Samuel L. Valentine	*John C. Humphreys	*Stephen Webber	*Henry H. Boody	*Charles B. Smith
1849	*Joseph C. Stevens	*John C. Humphreys	*Freeman Bradford	*Timothy Chase	*Henry H. Boody	*Charles B. Smith
1850	*Joseph C. Stevens	*John C. Humphreys	*Freeman Bradford	*William Somerby	*Henry H. Boody	*Charles B. Smith
1851	*John C. Humphreys	*Freeman Bradford	*Timothy Chase	*William Somerby	*Henry H. Boody	*Charles B. Smith
1852	*John C. Humphreys	*Freeman Bradford	*Timothy Chase	*Thomas B. Johnston	*Moses Dodge	*Charles B. Smith
1853	*Freeman Bradford	*Timothy Chase	*Jabez True	*Thomas B. Johnston	*Moses Dodge	*Charles B. Smith
1854	*Timothy Chase	*Jabez True	*Ezra B. French	*William Kimball	*Moses Dodge	*Charles B. Smith
1855	*John Miller	*Jabez True	*Ezra B. French			

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1856	*Jabez True	*Hiram Chase	*Isaac Downing	*William Allen	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1857	*Robert P. Dunlap	*Hiram Chase	*William Allen	*John Williams	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1858	*Hiram Chase	*Josiah H. Drummond	*Gustavus F. Sargent	*Stephen B. Dockham	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1859	*Hiram Chase	*Josiah H. Drummond	*Gustavus F. Sargent	*Oliver Gerrish	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1860	*Josiah H. Drummond	*William P. Preble	*John J. Bell	*Joseph Covell	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1861	*Josiah H. Drummond	*William P. Preble	*John J. Bell	*Francis J. Day	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1862	*Josiah H. Drummond	*William P. Preble	*David Bugbee	*T. K. Osgood	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1863	*William P. Preble	*John J. Bell	*Edmund Hinckley	*F. Loring Talbot	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1864	*William P. Preble	*Timothy J. Murray	*Francis L. Talbot	*John H. Lynde	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1865	*William P. Preble	*Timothy J. Murray	*Francis L. Talbot	*John H. Lynde	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1866	*Timothy J. Murray	*John H. Lynde	*David Cargill	*Thaddeus R. Simonton	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1867	*Timothy J. Murray	*John H. Lynde	*David Cargill	*Thaddeus R. Simonton	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1868	*Timothy J. Murray	*John H. Lynde	*David Cargill	*Thaddeus R. Simonton	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1869	*John H. Lynde	*David Cargill	*Thaddeus R. Simonton	*John W. Ballou	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1870	*John H. Lynde	*David Cargill	*Thaddeus R. Simonton	*John W. Ballou	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1871	*John H. Lynde	*David Cargill	*Albert Moore	*Henry H. Dickey	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1872	*David Cargill	*Albert Moore	*Edward P. Burnham	*William O. Poor	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1873	*David Cargill	*Albert Moore	*Edward P. Burnham	*William O. Poor	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1874	*David Cargill	*Albert Moore	*Edward P. Burnham	*William O. Poor	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1875	*Albert Moore	*Edward P. Burnham	*William O. Poor	*Charles I. Collamore	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1876	*Albert Moore	*Edward P. Burnham	*Charles I. Collamore	*A. M. Wetherbee	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1877	*Edward P. Burnham	*Charles I. Collamore	*Marquis F. King	*S. J. Chadbourne	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1878	*Edward P. Burnham	*Charles I. Collamore	*Marquis F. King	*S. J. Chadbourne	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1879	*Charles I. Collamore	*Marquis F. King	*Sumner T. Chadbourne	*Edwin Howard Vose	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1880	*Charles I. Collamore	*Marquis F. King	*William R. G. Estes	*Archie L. Talbot	*William O. Fox	*Ira Berry
1881	*Marquis F. King	*William R. G. Estes	*John B. Redman	*Fessenden I. Day	*William O. Fox	*Ira Berry
1882	*Marquis F. King	*William R. G. Estes	*Arlington B. Marston	*Charles W. Haney	*William O. Fox	*Ira Berry
1883	*William R. G. Estes	*Fessenden I. Day	*William H. Smith	*Goodwin R. Wiley	*Frederick Fox	*Ira Berry
1884	*William R. G. Estes	*Fessenden I. Day	*Frank E. Sleeper	*Augustus Bailey	*Frederick Fox	*Ira Berry
1885	*Fessenden I. Day	*Frank E. Sleeper	*Joseph M. Hayes	*Henry R. Taylor	*Frederick Fox	*Ira Berry
1886	*Fessenden I. Day	*Frank E. Sleeper	*Albro E. Chase	*Benjamin Ames	*Frederick Fox	*Ira Berry
1887	*Frank E. Sleeper	*Albro E. Chase	*Horace H. Burbank	*Wilford J. Fisher	*Frederick Fox	*Ira Berry
1888	*Frank E. Sleeper	*Albro E. Chase	*Leander M. Kenniston	*Samuel G. Davis	*Frederick Fox	*Ira Berry
1889	*Albro E. Chase	*Henry R. Taylor	*Manley G. Trask	*Algenon M. Roak	*Frederick Fox	*Ira Berry
1890	*Albro E. Chase	*Henry R. Taylor	*Daniel P. Boynton	*E. B. Mallet, Jr.	*Frederick Fox	*Ira Berry

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1891	*Henry R. Taylor	*Horace H. Burbank	*George R. Shaw	*Samuel L. Miller	*Frederick Fox	*Ira Berry
1892	*Henry R. Taylor	*Horace H. Burbank	*Augustus B. Farnham	*Howard D. Smith	*Frederick Fox	*Stephen Berry
1893	*Horace H. Burbank	*Augustus B. Farnham	*Joseph A. Locke	*William Freeman Lord	*Frederick Fox	*Stephen Berry
1894	*Horace H. Burbank	*Augustus B. Farnham	*Herbert Harris	*Gustavus H. Cargill	*Frederick Fox	*Stephen Berry
1895	*Augustus B. Farnham	*Joseph A. Locke	*Winfield S. Choate	*Moses Tait	*Marquis F. King	*Stephen Berry
1896	*Augustus B. Farnham	*Joseph A. Locke	*Albert M. Penley	*Benjamin L. Hadley	*Marquis F. King	*Stephen Berry
1897	*Joseph A. Locke	*Winfield S. Choate	*Alfred S. Kimball	*Enoch O. Greenleaf	*Marquis F. King	*Stephen Berry
1898	*Joseph A. Locke	*Winfield S. Choate	*Elmer P. Spofford	*Millard M. Caswell	*Marquis F. King	*Stephen Berry
1899	*Winfield S. Choate	*Alfred S. Kimball	*William J. Burnham	*Franklin R. Redlon	*Marquis F. King	*Stephen Berry
1900	*Winfield S. Choate	*Alfred S. Kimball	*James E. Parsons	*John H. McGorrell	*Marquis F. King	*Stephen Berry
1901	*Alfred S. Kimball	*William J. Burnham	*Hugh R. Chaplin	*Adelbert Millett	*Marquis F. King	*Stephen Berry
1902	*Alfred S. Kimball	*William J. Burnham	*Edwin A. Porter	*James C. Ayer	*Marquis F. King	*Stephen Berry
1903	*William J. Burnham	*Hugh R. Chaplin	*Charles W. Crosby	*Charles F. Paine	*Marquis F. King	*Stephen Berry
1904	*Hugh R. Chaplin	*Charles F. Johnson	*W. Scott Shorey	*George W. McClain	*Marquis F. King	*Stephen Berry
1905	*Hugh R. Chaplin	*Charles F. Johnson	*Curtis R. Foster	*Edward G. Weston	*Millard F. Hicks	*Stephen Berry
1906	*Charles F. Johnson	*Edmund B. Mallet	*James M. Larrabee	*Albert M. Ames	*Millard F. Hicks	*Stephen Berry
1907	*Charles F. Johnson	*Edmund B. Mallet	*William N. Howe	*Leon S. Howe	*Millard F. Hicks	*Stephen Berry
1908	*Edmund B. Mallet	*Ashley A. Smith	*John Clair Minot	*George W. Holmes	*Millard F. Hicks	*Stephen Berry
1909	*Edmund B. Mallet	*Ashley A. Smith	*Frank J. Cole	*Winfield S. Hinckley	*Millard F. Hicks	*Stephen Berry
1910	*Ashley A. Smith	*Elmer P. Spofford	*Isaac N. Jones	*Sullivan L. Andrews	*Millard F. Hicks	*Stephen Berry
1911	*Ashley A. Smith	*Elmer P. Spofford	*Frank E. Monroe	Convers E. Leach	*Millard F. Hicks	*Stephen Berry
1912	*Elmer P. Spofford	*Thomas H. Bodge	*Waldo Pettengill	*Ernest P. Parlin	*Millard F. Hicks	*Stephen Berry
1913	*Elmer P. Spofford	*Thomas H. Bodge	*Fred C. Chalmers	*George A. Gilpatrick	*Millard F. Hicks	*Stephen Berry
1914	*Thomas H. Bodge	*Waldo Pettengill	*Isaac A. Clough	*Clifford J. Pattee	*Millard F. Hicks	*Stephen Berry
1915	*Thomas H. Bodge	*Waldo Pettengill	*Fred Raymond	*Frank B. Arnold	*Albro E. Chase	*Stephen Berry
1916	*Waldo Pettengill	*Silas B. Adams	*Ralph W. Moore	*Albert H. Newbert	*Albro E. Chase	*Stephen Berry
1917	*Waldo Pettengill	*Silas B. Adams	*James H. Witherell	*Edwin K. Smith	*Albro E. Chase	*Stephen Berry
1918	*Silas B. Adams	Edward W. Wheeler	Willis A. Ricker	Carroll S. Douglass	*Albro E. Chase	*Charles B. Davis
1919	*Silas B. Adams	Edward W. Wheeler	*William S. Davidson	*Wallace N. Price	*Albro E. Chase	*Charles B. Davis
1920	Edward W. Wheeler	*Albert M. Spear	John J. Marr	*Lee M. Smith	*Albro E. Chase	*Charles B. Davis
1921	Edward W. Wheeler	*Albert M. Spear	*John M. Burleigh	*Allen L. Curtis	*Albro E. Chase	*Charles B. Davis
1922	*Albert M. Spear	*David E. Moulton	Lewman B. Soper	*Charles M. Farrar	*Edmund B. Mallet	*Charles B. Davis
1923	*Albert M. Spear	*David E. Moulton	*Frederic O. Eaton	Daniel G. Chaplin	*Edmund B. Mallet	*Charles B. Davis
1924	*David E. Moulton	David L. Wilson	*Frank P. Denaco	*Erwin G. Ryder	*Herbert N. Maxfield	*Charles B. Davis
1925	*David E. Moulton	David L. Wilson	*Harry E. Rowe	*James A. Richan	*Herbert N. Maxfield	*Charles B. Davis

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1926	David L. Wilson	*Harold E. Cooke	James Abernethy	Eugene A. Whittridge	*Herbert N. Maxfield	*Charles B. Davis
1927	David L. Wilson	*Harold E. Cooke	*E. Murray Graham	*Ernest J. Record	*Herbert N. Maxfield	*Charles B. Davis
1928	*Harold E. Cooke	*Cyrus N. Blanchard	William S. Holmes	*Norris S. Lord	*Herbert N. Maxfield	*Charles B. Davis
1929	*Harold E. Cooke	*Cyrus N. Blanchard	Alvoid E. Cushman	*Eben J. Marston	*Herbert N. Maxfield	*Charles B. Davis
1930	*Cyrus N. Blanchard	Ernest C. Butler	William A. Small	*Henry W. Loring	*Herbert N. Maxfield	*Charles B. Davis
1931	*Cyrus N. Blanchard	Ernest C. Butler	*J. Blaine Morrison	George W. Haskell	*Herbert N. Maxfield	*Charles B. Davis
1932	Ernest C. Butler	Clark D. Chapman	*Augustus E. Campbell	George F. Giddings	*Herbert N. Maxfield	Convers E. Leach
1933	Ernest C. Butler	Clark D. Chapman	*Irving R. Case	George H. Minott	*Herbert N. Maxfield	Convers E. Leach
1934	Clark D. Chapman	Henry R. Gillis	*George N. Stevens	*Henry D. Davis	*Herbert N. Maxfield	Convers E. Leach
1935	Clark D. Chapman	Henry R. Gillis	Manson D. Brown	Harry S. Grindall	*Herbert N. Maxfield	Convers E. Leach
1936	Henry R. Gillis	*Samuel B. Furbish	*John L. Tewksbury	*James P. Bunker	*Herbert N. Maxfield	Convers E. Leach
1937	Henry R. Gillis	George F. Giddings	*Charles E. Tuttle	*Harvey L. Haskell	*Herbert N. Maxfield	Convers E. Leach
1938	George F. Giddings	*Harold H. Murchie	Arthur H. Lander	John L. Polleys	*Herbert N. Maxfield	Convers E. Leach
1939	George F. Giddings	*Harold H. Murchie	William D. Bruce	Edward H. Britton	*Herbert N. Maxfield	Convers E. Leach
1940	*Harold H. Murchie	Benjamin L. Hadley	*Frank W. Fuller	Carroll W. Keene	*Herbert N. Maxfield	Convers E. Leach
1941	*Harold H. Murchie	Benjamin L. Hadley	William A. Levensalor	Elbert G. Moulton	*Herbert N. Maxfield	Convers E. Leach
1942	Benjamin L. Hadley	Ralph J. Pollard	Ervin E. J. Lander	*Amos A. Carter	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Convers E. Leach
1943	Benjamin L. Hadley	Charles E. Crossland	*Clarence J. Perham	Arthur W. Stockbridge	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Convers E. Leach
1944	Charles E. Crossland	Carroll W. Keene	Harold L. Gerrish	Earle D. Webster	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Convers E. Leach
1945	Charles E. Crossland	Carroll W. Keene	Harold L. Gerrish	Earle D. Webster	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Convers E. Leach
1946	Carroll W. Keene	Granville C. Gray	Clyde French	Frederick C. Lounder	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Convers E. Leach
1947	Carroll W. Keene	Granville C. Gray	Elmer P. Smart	Wesley L. Oxtan	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Convers E. Leach
1948	Granville C. Gray	Ervin E. J. Lander	Frank L. Milan	James A. Sanker	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Convers E. Leach
1949	Granville C. Gray	Ervin E. J. Lander	Judson P. Lord	Merton E. Leach	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Convers E. Leach
1950	Ervin E. J. Lander	Benjamin W. Ela	Lewis T. Frown	Harry I. Rollins	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Convers E. Leach
1951	Ervin E. J. Lander	Benjamin W. Ela	George R. Caswell	Fred J. Lowell	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Convers E. Leach
1952	Benjamin W. Ela	Paul L. Powers	Everett L. Higgins	*Adin L. Hopkins	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Convers E. Leach
1953	Benjamin W. Ela	Paul L. Powers	Arthur W. Seaward	Clifford H. M. Perry	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Convers E. Leach
1954	Paul L. Powers	Aubrey L. Burbank	Philip D. Tingley	Merrill R. Kittridge	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Convers E. Leach
1955	Paul L. Powers	Aubrey L. Burbank	Royal L. Cleaves	Harold W. Blaisdell	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Convers E. Leach

* Deceased.

† Demitted from Oxford No. 18, August 24, 1928.

Josiah Hayden Drummond Distinguished Service Medal

Under the provisions of Standing Regulation No. 56 Drummond Medals have been presented to the following:

- Dec. 27, 1939. M. W. JOSEPH EARL PERRY, Mass., by G. M. Giddings.
 " 27, 1939. M. W. MELVIN M. JOHNSON, Mass., by G. M. Giddings.
 " 27, 1939. M. W. FREDERICK W. HAMILTON, Mass., G. M. Giddings.
 May 7, 1940. M. W. ASHLEY A. SMITH, Maine, by G. M. Giddings.
 " 7, 1940. M. W. THOMAS H. BODGE, Maine, by G. M. Giddings.
 " 7, 1940. M. W. EDWARD W. WHEELER, Maine, by G. M. Giddings.
 " 7, 1940. M. W. DAVID E. MOULTON, Maine, by G. M. Giddings.
 " 7, 1940. M. W. DAVID L. WILSON, Maine, by G. M. Giddings.
 " 7, 1940. M. W. CYRUS N. BLANCHARD, Maine, by G. M. Giddings.
 " 7, 1940. M. W. ERNEST C. BUTLER, Maine, by G. M. Giddings.
 " 7, 1940. M. W. CLARK D. CHAPMAN, Maine, by G. M. Giddings.
 " 7, 1940. M. W. HENRY R. GILLIS, Maine, by G. M. Giddings.
 " 7, 1940. R. W. CONVERS E. LEACH, Maine, by G. M. Giddings.
 " 7, 1940. R. W. FRANK J. COLE, Maine, by G. M. Giddings.
 May 9, 1940. M. W. GEORGE F. GIDDINGS, Maine, by G. M. Murchie.
 April 23, 1941. M. W. CHARLES H. JOHNSON, N. Y., by G. M. Murchie.
 May 4, 1942. M. W. ALBERT A. SCHAEFER, Mass., by G. M. Murchie.
 May 7, 1942. R. W. RALPH J. POLLARD, Maine, by G. M. Murchie.
 May 4, 1943. M. W. HAROLD H. MURCHIE, by G. M. Hadley.
 May 4, 1943. M. W. WALTER W. WILLIAMSON, by G. M. Hadley.
 May 3, 1944. M. W. CHARLES E. CROSSLAND, by G. M. Hadley.
 May 1, 1945. M. W. BENJAMIN L. HADLEY, by G. M. Crossland.
 May 8, 1946. M. W. P. CONANT VOTER, Vt., by G. M. Crossland.
 May 9, 1946. M. W. ANSEL A. PACKARD, Conn., by G. M. Crossland,
 for 1945.
 May 6, 1947. M. W. RAY V. DENSLOW, Missouri, by G. M. Keene.
 May 6, 1947. R. W. ERVIN E. J. LANDER, Maine, by G. M. Keene.
 May 5, 1948. M. W. JOHN TEMPLE RICE, Texas, by G. M. Keene.
 May 5, 1948. W. FRANK C. ALLEN, Maine, by G. M. Keene.
 May 4, 1949. EARL E. DUSENBERY, Iowa, by G. M. Gray.
 May 4, 1949. GEORGE W. HASKELL, Maine, by G. M. Gray.
 May 5, 1949. CARROLL W. KEENE, Maine, by G. M. Gray.
 Aug. 25, 1949. DONALD C. MALCOLM, by G. M. Gray.
 May 4, 1950. GRANVILLE C. GRAY, by Ervin E. J. Lander.
 May 1, 1951. KARL J. MOHR, by Ervin E. J. Lander.
 May 3, 1951. H. NORTON MAXFIELD, by Ervin E. J. Lander.
 May 8, 1952. JOHN M. LITTLEFIELD, by Benjamin W. Ela.
 May 8, 1952. THOMAS S. ROY, by Ervin E. J. Lander.
 May 4, 1953. WALLACE E. CALDWELL, by Benjamin W. Ela.
 May 5, 1954. WHITFIELD W. JOHNSON, by Benjamin W. Ela.
 May 5, 1954. BENJAMIN W. ELA, by Paul L. Powers.
 May 4, 1954. HARRY S. GRINDALL, by Benjamin W. Ela.
 May 3, 1955. CARL H. CLAUDY, by Paul L. Powers.



ADIN LORIN HOPKINS
Junior Grand Warden
1952

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OF
R. M. Adin Lorin Hopkins

Junior Grand Warden
1952

BORN IN JONESPORT, MAINE, JULY 25, 1893
DIED IN CAMDEN, MAINE, DECEMBER 26, 1954

"The good deeds left behind him
Will form a chain to bind him
To us who linger here;
And oh! the love of knowing
The good he's sown is growing
And the harvest from his sowing
Increases with each year."



CLARENCE J. PERHAM

Senior Grand Warden

1943

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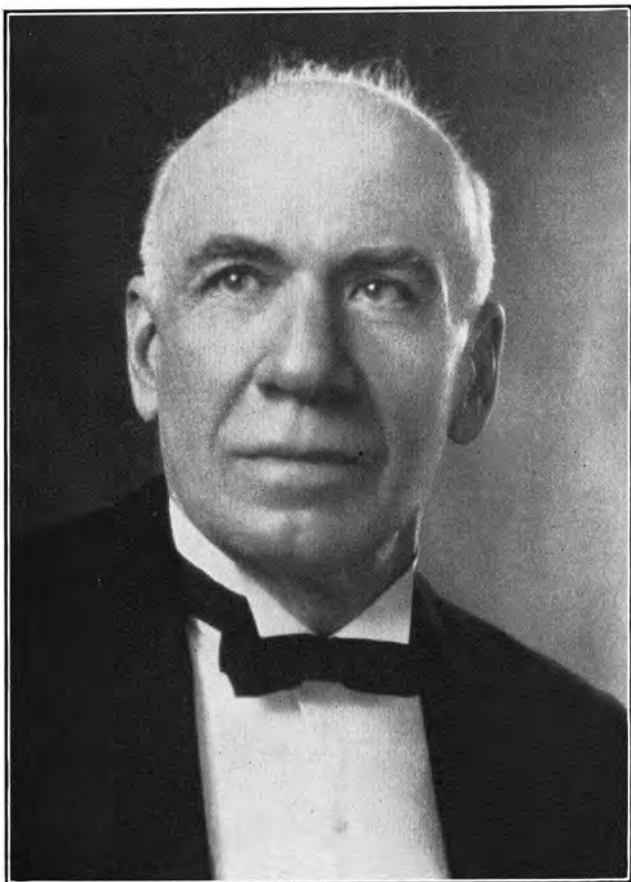
R. M. Bro. Clarence J. Perham

Senior Grand Warden
1943

BORN IN WOODSTOCK, MAINE, NOVEMBER 10, 1879

DIED IN BRYANT POND, MAINE, NOVEMBER 13, 1954

He lived a long and wholesome life;
A host of friends were his;
Now, he is free from care and strife;
At Home in Heaven's bliss.



JOHN LESLIE TEWKSBURY

Senior Grand Warden

1936

INSCRIBED
TO THE MEMORY
OF
R. W. John Leslie Tewksbury
Senior Grand Warden
1936

BORN IN DOVER, MAINE, MARCH 26, 1883

DIED IN CAMDEN, MAINE, AUGUST 30, 1954

"We, too, shall come to that river side
One by one;
We are nearer its waters each eventide
One by one;
We can hear the noise and dash of the stream,
Now and again through our life's deep dream,
Sometimes the floods all its banks o'erflow,
Sometimes in ripples the small waves go,
One by one."

Brethren Died During the Year

From January 1, 1954 to December 31, 1954

Those marked * were returned with Masonic Rites.

1 Portland, Portland. Alton T. Hamilton,* January 4; Arthur H. Woodhouse, February 5; John H. Whitman,* April 5; Jonas Hamilton, April 10; Norman A. Fuller,* April 26; Clarence L. Kent, May 10; Elton V. Twaddell, August 13; Harry L. Curtis, September 18; William T. Black, December 27; Orin C. Varney, December 27.

2 Warren, East Machias. Guy G. Mahoney, August 4; Frank G. Young, November 14.

3 Lincoln, Wiscasset. Benjamin H. Crossman, March 26; Harold E. Averill, September 30; Pearl A. Nelder,* October 13.

5 Kennebec, Hallowell. Harry Sands, January 14; Wallace R. Bram, January 20; Clyde E. Jones, February 16; Ray G. Marston, June 12; Lloyd O. Fowers, June 25; Harry F. Barrett, November 18.

6 Amity, Camden. Albert H. Parsons, February 17; Ralph E. Richards, July 20; James Carswell, July 8; John L. Tewksbury, August 30; Archibald F. Green, November 22; Elmer M. Young, November 28.

7 Eastern, Eastport. Sidney S. Frost, February 8; Clarence L. Goodeil, March 10; Harry D. Burpee, June 28; Charles F. Baltzer, August 6; Ralph T. Colwell, December 3.

8 United, Brunswick. Floyd E. Singer, March 11; Joseph S. Stetson, June 26; William W. Johnson, October 19; Failing H. Merriman, December 5.

9 Saco, Saco. Rishworth Fierpont Jordan, April 5; Walter I. Johnson, April 9; Charles E. Cleaves, May 5; Lawrence Edward Shumway, October 21.

10 Rising Virtue, Bangor. Forrest D. Farker, January 20; Russell M. Taylor, January 20; O. Crosby Bean, February 10; Daniel Humphrey Libby, February 16; Winfield T. Sawyer, July 7; William H. Morrill, July 22; John E. Bradman, July 26; Harry Cunningham Goodwin, September 13; Daniel Webster Stratton, October 16; Frank Whitwell Pearce, November 11.

11 Pythagorean, Fryeburg. Berlin W. Tinker, December 8.

12 Cumberland, New Gloucester. Joseph H. B. Goff, September 6; George E. Hawkes,* February 18; Clarence L. McCann,* April 17; John R. Ward,* March 10.

13 Oriental, Bridgton. John A. Marshall, January 1; Walter P. Dow, February 14; Carl E. Johnson, March 8; Earl B. Watson, March 14; Fred C. Gibbs, April 22; William C. Black, November 8; James A. Bacon, November 9; Frederick R. Blake, November 24.

14 Solar, Bath. Edward McFarland, March 6; Harold F. McCarty, March 27; William S. Newell, March 18; Albion L. Corliss, May 11; Frank S. Oliver, October 13; Arthur B. Stearns, December 14; Alfred M. Hunt, June 19.

16 St. George, Warren. George W. Walker, March 19; Albert A. Anderson, June 7; George E. Brigham, July 30; Kendrick F. Wight, September 10; Alf Narveson, November 23.

17 Arcient Land-Mark, Portland. Harry Hall Abbott, January 23; James Barkley Norcross, January 26; Murray Ryder, January 27; Leonard Dudley Marshall, February 12; Walter Eaton Tobie, March 21; Charles P. Costello, March 26; Arthur Clement Wescott, March 31; Nathan David Asdourian, May 5; Walter D. Scholes, July 14; Ernest John Gray, September 15; Joseph LeForest Quincy, October 19.

18 Oxford, Norway. David O. Smiley, March 17; Alton E. Kavanaugh, June 8; Howard B. Young, November 20; W. Maford Mann, December 14.

19 Felicity, Bucksport. Warren E. Kenredy, February 20; Ralph I. Brown, April 9; Walter R. Chipman, July 23; Cleveland H. Kennedy, August 2; Wilmot L. Greenleaf, October 6; William G. Danforth, November 2.

20 Maine, Farmington. Percy A. Bradford, May 12; Arthur C. Lowell, October 20.

21 Oriental Star, Livermore Falls. Raymond E. Knight, January 13; Stephen A. Griffin, June 18; Elwood Constantine, August 6; Lewie W. Winter, June 28; H. Wilton Briggs, October 16.

22 York, Kennebunk. Frank H. Barrett, January 9; Joseph T. Sayward, January 7; Almon L. Dutch, December 7.

23 Freeport, Freeport. Chester Pascol Grant, May 13; Leland Sumner Soule, June 15; Ernest Linwood Varney, August 27; William Augustus Noyes, November 12; Maurice Raymond Snow, May 16; Herman Kelsey Means, December 31.

24 Phoenix, Belfast. Miles Jellison, January 17; Chester B. Frost, December 28, 1953.

25 Temple, Winthrop. Elliott C. Goodwin, March 29; Arthur P. Allen, September 23; Arthur A. Walton February 20.

26 Village, Bowdoinham. Horace J. Millay, January 13; Rothens A. Douglass, February 6; Fred D. Heath,* June 10; Werdal S. Heinie,* December 6.

27 Adoniram, Limington. Benjamin H. Webster, February 8; A. Roy Rand, August 11, 1953.

28 Northern Star, North Anson. Charles L. Spencer, June 3; Alton J. Albee, July 29; Elmer W. Sawyer, August 16.

29 Tranquil, Auburn. Julian F. Ellis, April 5; George O. Huard, July 12; Richard Adelbert Watson, August 1; Veazie B. Dennison, August 1; George A. Ramsdell, September 26; Henry A. Baird, November 15; Bernerd A. Chase, November 17; Merton W. Robinson, November 20.

30 Blazing Star, Rumford. Eugene M. Vaughn, February 2; Adam S. Rankine, March 12; Ralph M. Woodsum, March 29; Walter O. Raynes, May 18; Guy L. Akers, July 10; Walter F. Purington, July 24; Arthur R. Mansur, July 29; William Mann, September 28; Harry E. Gray, October 14; John W. Waddington, November 3; Goodwill Douglas, November 5; William Brown, November 22; Philip M. Israelson, November 23; Edward L. Pierce, December 1; Walter E. Howard, December 5.

31 Union, Union. George Robbins, August 8.

32 Hermon, Gardiner. Arthur R. Johnson,* March 9; Frank W. Black, March 14; Roland F. Perkins, June 6; Henry M. Wood,* June 15; Ralph B. Erskine,* July 10; Oliver E. Peaslee, July 14; Ralph W. Bickford, September 13; Elliot G. Crossman,* October 3; C. Walter Scott, October 27; Harold E. Brown, November 19; Alfred P. Manson, November 26; Frank A. Wise, December 9.

33 Waterville, Waterville. John C. Towne, January 22; Hugh L. Morrill, January 19; Edward J. Morrison, February 26; Lewis W. Merrow, February 28; Charles L. Wing, March 27; Frank B. Hubbard, April 6; William G. Hall, April 6; James H. Allen, April 8; Eugene H. Kidder, May 2; Edward H. Newell, May 6; Carroll N. Perkins, June 29; John H. Elder, July 25; Alfred W. Brill, August 2; Orman F. Cummings, August 4; Robert E. Ingham, August 4; Fred T. Mason, September 9; Francis F. Bartlett, August 14; George E. Moore, August 26; John B. Childs, October 15; Frank C. Longfellow, October 26; Harry E. Green, December 20.

34 Somerset, Skowhegan. J. Wallace Blunt, January 11; Benjamin F. Curtis,* November 14; Matthew J. Greene, October 6; C. Wesley Grover, November 9; Robert W. Lord, May 17; Edward A. Parker, April 6; Fenton Schoon,* May 28; Sherman N. Shumway, April 30.

35 Bethlehem, Augusta. Jacob Verstein, March 13; Fred W. Eaton, April 22; John S. Wadleigh, July 2; Levi T. Williams, July 2; Melvin E. Sawtelle, July 29; Fred H. Schoppee, October 27; Frank J. Small, November 10; J. Waldo Sampson, December 1; Thomas Cooper, Jr., December 1.

36 Casco, Yarmouth. Vivian I. Teague, May 16; John Carr, May 30; Ronald C. Raynes, July 5; Halvor P. Cameron, October 10; Ernest P. Johnson, November 14; Albert E. Hodsdon, December 22.

37 Washington, Lubec. Oliver R. Fountain, April 24; George A. Boynton, June 3; Simeon H. Coggins, May 11; A. Raymond Calkins, July 30; George A. Mowry, September 30.

38 Harmony, Gorham. Fred W. Clement, February 3; Walter C. Paige, February 18; Eldon L. Skillings, April 4; Everett S. Packard, June 6; Guy L. Wilson, July 25.

39 Penobscot, Dexter. D. Stanton Ross, May 4; Ralph D. Rideout, October 20; Frank M. Howard,* December 21.

40 Lygonia, Ellsworth. Ellery W. Wilbur,* January 16; George H. Thompson, January 17; George Calvin Smith, July 11; Henry F. Bartlett,* July 11; Harold A. Colbeth, August 1; Andrew Allan Meader,* September 20; Perley Edwin Priest, October 4.

41 Morning Star, Litchfield. Otis B. Gray, January 24; Charles E. Walker, October 12.

42 Freedom, Limerick. George A. Carpenter, January 9; Abraham Bettney, January 20.

43 Alna, Damariscotta. Clarence A. Bates, March 11; Robert W. Belknap, September 7.

44 Piscataquis, Milo. Walter E. Marshall, March 22; Harold R. Livermore,* March 25; Edwin M. Hamlin, May 7; Joseph C. Hamlin, June 16; George A. Swazey,* July 4; Winifred J. Byther, September 5; George E. Rowe,* September 7; Omer E. Hamlin, September 21; Lorin T. Howe, October 2; Walter E. Dillon,* November 17.

46 St. Croix, Calais. Dugal Blair Dewar, January 22; William J. Smith, March 23; George W. Allen, July 1; Ernest W. Jacobs, August 12; Walter J. Gilbert, September 6; Earl Rutherford McPherson, October 1.

47 Dunlap, Biddeford. Martin H. Kingsbury, June 7; Hugh S. Caldwell, July 25; George F. Piper, Jr., September 9; Earle L. Tarbox, September 13; R. Hampden Bryant, October 23; Hugh F. Snow, December 11.

48 Lafayette, Readfield. William L. Gordan, January 11; Leon C. Roberts, February 11; Robert A. Brann, June 22.

49 Meridian Splendor, Newport. Claude Millet Poncin, August, 1949; John S. Dow, January 3; Arthur E. Jordan, January 6.

50 Aurora, Rockland. Harold W. Haynes, July 2, 1953; Roy K. Bowman, November 4, 1953; Judson I. Crouse, January 12; Raymond S. Bird, March 22; John Smith Lowe, March 23; Peleg D. Bradford,* July 10; Fred H. Ward,* December 27.

51 St. John's, South Berwick. Augustus J. Emmons, September 14; Charles N. Harvey, June 26; H. Holman Mathews, March 19; Albert S. Maddox, April 3; Joseph F. Willey, November 16.

52 Mosaic, Dover-Foxcroft. Leslie M. Lord, June; George S. Doore, August 14; Charles M. Howard, September 6; William H. McDougal, July 17; Earl W. Miller, June 18; Albert T. Spaulding, October 10; Herbert E. Thayer, October 3.

53 Rural, Sidney. Francis Jacques, August 20; Henry A. Shaw, August 14.

54 Vassalboro, North Vassalboro. Rev. George E. Manson, February 20.

55 Fraternal, Alfred. Frank Roscoe Folsom, February 26; James B. McFadden, June 24; Herbert B. Fernald, November 17.

56 Mt. Moriah, Denmark. George A. Hill, November 18.

57 King Hiram, Dixfield. Thomas P. Holt, May 17; Joseph H. Witham, September 10; Harold B. Parkhurst, December 26.

58 Unity, Thorndike. Fred N. Flye, March 28; Albra E. Flye, March 29; Guy A. Ware, June 3; Thomas Hemphill, September 26; Daniel G. Hartling, November 8; George A. Gilchrist, December 11.

60 Star in the East, Old Town. Bernard E. Burr, February 15; Philip M. Deane, April 11; Hugh Miller, April 23; Jean C. Conant, May 25.

61 King Solomon's, Waldoboro. Percy U. Feyler,* January 13; Arthur F. Spear, September 16; Fred L. Kaler, October 24; Samuel H. Weston, February 23.

62 King David, Lincolnville. Robert Douglas, March 15; R. John Henderson, April 29; Ralph Carl Radcliffe, July 31; Adin Lorin Hopkins, December 26.

63 Richmond, Richmond. Wallance W. Gardner, June 28; Ralph B. Peabody, August 24; Edward Franklin Guptil, November 25.

65 Mystic, Hampden. Herbert Rupert Shaw, April 5; William Osgood Moore, April 29; Earl I. Carver, May 6; Frank Neal Griffin, May 7; Gordon Dobson Briggs, July 1; Roger George Leonard, July 3; Harry H. Mosely, July 3; Ronald E. Dexter, July 27; William James Ryan, December 4.

66 Mechanics, Orono. Herbert Day Lamson, March 13; Fayette S. Spratt, November 23.

67 Blue Mountain, Phillips. Charles McCracken, March 21; Melvin S. Hutchins, May 25; Newel N. Toothaker, October 13.

69 Howard, Winterport. Hugh Rainey, January 28; Orrin Treat, March 12; Harold Clark, June 30; Carlton Murl Cole, December 23.

70 Standish, Standish. Leman H. Hubbard, December 29.

71 Rising Sun, Orland. Harold P. Blodgett, September 12.

72 Pioneer, Ashland. Charles E. Orcutt,* March 8; Sherman D. Lannigan,* April 3; Floyd R. Alward,* April 18; Charles A. Carter,* May 23; Henry S. Brown,* June 14; Prince H. Thomas, Jr.,* October 16; Arthur H. Coffin,* November 1; Hugh H. Hayward,* November 16; James A. Boyce, November 27; John F. McGowan,* December 17.

73 Tyrian, Mechanic Falls. Harry C. Morton, May 13; Albert Tracy, November 3; H. E. Pattee, November 25.

74 Bristol, Bristol. Samuel W. Little, April 21; Albert J. Myers, Date Unknown; Clifton J. Hanna, November 1; Frank Bryant, November 30.

75 Archon, East Dixmont. William L. Braley, Date Unknown; Roland Clements, Date Unknown.

76 Arundel, Kennebunkport. Walter Lewis Goodwin, January 23; Linwood George Leach, March 11; Walter Sibley Clough,* September 8; Henry Wilson Seavey, December 9.

77 Tremont, Southwest Harbor. Elmer M. Tower, February 11; Vurney L. King, February 7; James Sprague, March; Thomas Lawton, April 15; Everton L. Gott, June 11; Austin M. Mitchell, May 26; David T. Knox, October 25; Blake J. Boyington, October 30.

78 Crescent, Pembroke. Alexander P. Robinson, March 22; Vernon Eugene Cushing, September 11.

79 Rockland, Rockland. Herbert J. McClure, January 2; Philip Hilt Newbert, June 20; William L. O'Brien, July 2; Harry Berkley Bradbury, August 31; William Rowe Lufkin, December 13.

80 Keystone, Solon. John O. Piper, March 22; George E. Chase, April 18; Frank M. Boynton, June 9; Leland D. Bosworth, September 13; Lee W. Thompson, November 9.

81 Atlantic, Portland. Ruel A. Blaisdell,* February 11; Winfield Scott Booker,* February 18; Alfred N. Johnson, March 8; Joseph R. Thompson, March 22; Clarence B. Leighter,* May 12; Walter W. Coburn, June 4; Marston W. Woodman, September 3; Ralph A. Edwards, September 10; Fanning J. Burbank, October 3.

82 St. Paul's, Rockport. Frank Campbell, January 16; Edwin B. Hall, April 11; Harry MacDonald, November 2; Winslow Dillingham, December 8; Frederick Holbrook, December 9.

83 St. Andrew's, Bangor. Charles D. Bartlett, February 13; Norman O. Saunders, March 30; Walter A. Jellison, April 18; Rodney R. Lynk, May 15; Ralph R. Knott, April 30; Calvin L. Thomas, May 22; Frank P. Wright, July 21; Philip H. Patrick, August 7; Edward W. Woodbury, August 27; Almond U. Martin, August 4; Howard N. Floyd, September 6; Charles H. Small, September 8; Will S. Hassen, September 17; Charles V. Rand, October 10; George E. Townsend, October 11; Harry E. Torrens, October 19; Axel L. Lossbom, December 4.

84 Eureka, Tenants Harbor. William Riley, June 2; Frank Robinson, July 19; Edward H. Bickmore, November 12.

85 Star in the West, Unity. Alton L. McCormick, September 11; Jack C. Van Deets, October 26; Ashley Mitchell, January 9.

86 Temple, Westbrook. Herbert A. Bradeen, December 17; Roscoe F. Libby, February 4; Philip Dana, January 7; Marrett A. Hawkes, January 8; Winbon L. London, June 6; Anthony F. Iovine, June 6; Philip H. Gordon, August 5; Edward T. Holmes, September 19;

88 Narraguagus, Cherryfield. Alton Benner, May 8; Hiram Corliss, May 29; Carroll Mayhew, June 19; Leon Goggins, December 2; Ernest A. Workman, December 6.

89 Island, Islesboro. Robert P. Coombs, January 13; Frank S. Grindle,* Septembr 8.

91 Harwood, Machias. Frank M. Nickerson, January 2; Harold L. Kilton, April 1.

92 Siloam, Fairfield. Orrin A. Learned, April 8; George D. Farnham,* June 24; George A. Norton, July 14; Walter Tozier, September 7.

94 Paris, South Paris. Archie Cole, January 1; Albert B. Fowler, February 17; E. Walker Abbott, March 26.

95 Corinthian, Hartland. Herbert Lee Sawyer,* February 12; William Ballintine, Jr., May 18; Fred Steelbrook, October 22.

96 Monument, Houlton. Harold E. Calhoun, January 6; James Hamilton, January 18; Lee M. Friedman, January 6; Henry Robert Ingraham,* March 16; Harvey E. Harbison, Jr.,* April 17; Carl Willis Logie,* July 22; Harold Britton,* October 25; Edward N. Ivey,* November 10.

97 Bethel, Bethel. Parker Josiah Conner, January 27; William Leslie Hart, April 10; Victor H. Hodsdon,* November 24; Arthur C. Parker, December 18.

98 Katahdin, Fatten. Charles A. Robbins, April 8; Ezekial M. Siprell, October ; Schyler Stevens, Date Unknown.

99 Vernon Valley, Mt. Vernon. Raymond D. Turner, January 2; William M. Rix, August 10; John F. Schoonmaker, December 11.

100 Jefferson, Bryant Pond. Edwin J. Mann, January 11; C. J. Perham, November 13.

101 Nezinscot, Turner. Howard G. Knight, Date Unknown; Wallace Walker, Auburn, Date Unknown; Frank Severy, California, Date Unknown.

102 Marsh River, Brooks. Elmer G. Roberts, May 18; Harry H. Hutchinson, September 14; Henry Hawkins, November 24.

103 Dresden, Dresden Mills. Mace Hall, June 25; Leslie Adelbert Bailey, August 22; Reynold Francis Bragdon, November 15.

104 Dirigo, Weeks Mills. Orrin Augustus True, April 8; William Hubert Wood, August 25; Albert James Hallowell, December 7.

105 Ashlar, Lewiston. Blinn Russell, January 31; Odber Lewis, February 10; Clarence Penny, April 3; James Girou, April 30; Herbert C. Edwards, April 22; Albert L. Shaw, June 7; Arthur H. Field, July 18; Frank L. Peterson, June 30; H. C. Farwell, July 27; Carlton Hiscock, October 7; Dana S. Purington, July 2; Frederick Walker, October 29; H. Robert Brown, August 25.

106 Tuscan, Addison. Walter V. Nash, January 13; Harrison F. Smith, February 15; George E. Hall, April 18; Clinton H. Colbeth, May 3; Leander K. Look, November 10.

107 Day Spring, West Newfield. Elmer E. Reed, July 24; Frank E. Chase, October 4; Charles C. Walker,* December 12.

109 Mt. Kineo, Guilford. William D. Hussey, December 7, 1951; Willis C. Rose, March 11; Richard B. Elliot, August 7; Forest W. Phillips, September 14; Wallace E. Deane, September 19.

110 Monmouth, Monmouth. Arthur T. Hathaway, June 20; Ernest E. Ham, July 6; Harry L. Moody, June 10; W. Emerson Reynolds, October 3.

111 Liberty, Liberty. Walter J. Bean, July 7; Daniel E. Turner, September 24; Ernest L. Greeley, November 29.

112 Eastern Frontier, Fort Fairfield. Clarence E. Rackliffe,* January 5; Asa J. Adams,* January 21; Daniel Herman Boyd, August 22; Hiram Leon Stevens,* November 25.

113 Messalonskee, Oakland. Leo G. Shesong, November 14.

114 Polar Star, Bath. William A. Furbur, January 6; James Cooper, Sr., December 6, 1953; Herbert R. Wilson, January 17; Loring Jack Brown, March 11; Samuel Porich, September 7; Randall F. Cook, September 11.

115 Buxton, West Buxton. James Ernest Hanson, March 10; George M. Sawyer, March 14; Norris O. Tarbox, May 13; Fred B. Rand, June 3; Chester B. Googins, November 2; Edward H. Smith, December 14.

116 Lebanon, Norridgewock. Harry D. Burgess, June 7; Urban E. Charles, June 18; Charles A. Devoll, December 13.

117 Greenleaf, Cornish. Charles I. Chase, February 28; Almond L. Rackliffe, April 12; Burt C. Webb, April 12; Charles E. Files, May 10; Clifton A. Wood, June 10; Carl J. Stanley, August 12; John R. Bradeen, October 8.

118 Drummond, North Parsonsfield. William A. Garner, August 8.

119 Pownal, Stockton Springs. Edward Byers, February 9; Alanson W. Bowden, July 8; Lester Merrithew, July 8; Alvah Treat, October 15; Myron Clark,* December 26.

122 Marine, Deer Isle. Alfred B. Greenlaw, January 8; Robert O. Conary, February 15; Kimball B. Barbour, February 17; Arthur H. Eaton, March 18; Chester L. Damon, August 20; Charles W. Spofford, September 6; Edward R. Dunham, October 5; William S. Greene, December 17; William R. Marshall, December 18.

123 Franklin, New Sharon. Delmont Bunker, Date Unknown; Frank Howarth, Date Unknown; Ernest Greenleaf, Date Unknown.

124 Olive Branch, Charleston. Leon F. Tiplady, February 25; Thomas J. McKay, June 17; Hathorn J. Libby, December 7; Clarence H. Dyer, December 23.

125 Meridian, Pittsfield. Moses F. Hoskins,* January 18; Joshua C. Hammond,* February 9; Raleigh G. Whittier, February 26; Alfred N. Smith, March 20; Allie Atwell, June 26; Clayton C. Courser,* July 24; Walter T. Haseltine, August 17; Harry Goodrich,* September 12; Halvor E. Prescott, October 16.

126 Timothy Chase, Belfast. Allen Leonard Curtis, February 23; Roscoe Manter Ellingwood, August 4; Fred Owen Gross, January 5; Everard Wilson Roberts, January 12; Arthur Elwood Stantial, December 4; Harrison B. Toothaker, March 2.

127 Presumpscot, North Windham. Whitefield H. McKay, April 4; Lyndon K. Rogers, January 19; Albert D. Plummer,* February 14; Harry B. Philpot,* February 19; Morris L. Keene, September 6; Guy C. Sanders,* December.

128 Eggemoggin, Sedgwick. Louis H. Hane, January 31; Fred R. Ford,* March 15; Irving S. Candage, May 11.

129 Mantabacook, Searsmont. John W. Levenseller, May 15; Robert E. Palmer, November 4.

130 Trinity, Presque Isle. Forrest M. Dudley, October 21; Sylvester Alexandria Crory, July 11.

131 Lookout, Cutler. Russell Bancroft, November 19.

132 Mount Tir'em, Waterford. Bertram W. Sanderson, June 9; Wilfred A. Hersey, June 26.

133 Asylum, Wayne. Dale H. Sies,* October; Benjamin K. Look, August.

137 Kenduskeag, Kenduskeag. George M. Fisher, February 17; Walter M. Hasey, June 12; George L. Wiggin, July 8; Olin L. Bean, September 6; Ernest N. Corson, April 23; Walter L. Boynton, November 29; Willis P. Crawford, November 14.

138 Lewys Island, Princeton. George McDonald, February 13; Winfield Packard, June 9; Calif Smith, July 5; George Walker, September 24; Cyrus Shaw, October 10; Lindsay Horsman, October 13; Asa Preston, October 30; Arthur Bates, November 1; Bion P. Cook, November 3.

140 Mount Desert, Mount Desert. Elton E. Bunker, October 28.

141 Augusta, Augusta. Herbert Amos Campbell,* May 2; Gordon Chapman, October 7; Stanley Ellsworth Griffin,* December 8; Maurice Elmer Leavitt, December 28; Herbert Moody, 1953.

142 Ocean, Wells. Clarence Goff, February 6; Elwyn Tracy, March 1; Joseph P. Littlefield, August 15; George T. Sargent, November 11.

143 Preble, Sanford. Stanley I. Rollins,* June 8; George M. Thompson,* August 10; Luther A. Hurd, August 11; Cuthbert Fowler, December 18; Elwyn G. Gowen, December 27.

144 Seaside, Boothbay Harbor. John Auld,* April 17; Willard H. Luther,* June 17; Chester L. Holton, September 9; Jason C. Thompson, October 27; Wilbur A. Eames, Unknown.

145 Moses Webster, Vinalhaven. Rodney E. Bucklin, September 16; Fred K. Coombs, July 1; Vinal R. Hopkins, February 18; Ira E. Smith, April 27.

146 Seabasticook, Clinton. George I. Shurtleff, March 7; George W. Sherman, January 16; Albert S. Thrasher, January 17; John C. Bradshaw, November 2; Joseph W. Chamberlain,* November 5.

147 Evening Star, Buckfield. Ralph H. Smith,* January 7; Thomas A. DeCosta,* January 15; Aubrey Eugene Stevens,* January 14.

148 Forest, Springfield. Harold L. Haskell, October 11; James A. Mulheran, November 27.

149 Doric, Monson. Stanley S. Stevens, March 3; Arthur T. Leeman, May 22; W. Harry Hughes, August 29; Douglass C. Evans, December 31.

150 Rabboni, Lewiston. John Ware, December 12; Arthur B. Mennealy, January 5; Welcome P. Wolf, August 12; Charles W. Newcomb, July 26; Charles Pulsifer, June 22; Herbert E. Chandler, March 6; Charles E. Hartley, Date Unknown; T. N. Gagne, February 26.

151 Excelsior, Northport. Frederick L. Goodwyn, March 30.

152 Crooked River, Bolster's Mills. David H. Greene, June 18. Daniel S. Chaplin, December 3; Forrest L. Edwards, December 5.

153 Delta, Lovell. Marcellus Durgin, February 16; James O. Hamilton, July 2.

154 Mystic Tie, Weld. Verne Irwin Conant, May 5; Stephen Albert Getchell, October 23.

155 Ancient York, Lisbon Falls. Daniel E. Kelley, January 24.

156 Wilton, Wilton. Cyrus B. Foster, August 21; Harold H. Jackson, October 25; Parker C. Spaulding, November 23; Charles E. Chamberlain, May 6.

- 157 Cambridge, Cambridge. Hiram L. Bane, July 9.
- 158 Anchor, South Bristol. Adoniram B. Andrews, July 28; Sanford K. Seiders, July 29; Ambrose P. Alley, December 8.
- 160 Parian, Corinna. L. Everett Hutchins, December 22; Waldo L. Reeves, October 2.
- 161 Carrabassett, Canaan. Max E. Foster,* January 30; Carroll B. Chase, September 22.
- 162 Arion, Goodwins Mills. Hugh M. McIntire, March 21; John L. Elliott, September 16; Rufus J. Lunt, September 29.
- 163 Pleasant River, Brownville. Amos J. Lay, January 29; Thomas L. Foulkes,* January 20; Daniel W. Maddocks,* March 10; Guy Clifton Hodgson,* July 30; Currey H. Stiles, March 30; Oliver W. Oberg,* December 9.
- 164 Webster, Sabattus. Jay A. Walker, February 14; Fred W. Walker, April 5; Eugene O. Jordan, April 8; Harold H. McKechnie, December 16.
- 165 Molunkus, Sherman Mills. Robert A. Bragg, April 19.
- 167 Whitney, Canton. George L. Glover, April 21; Colby G. Walker, March 26; Bernard L. Adams, February 7.
- 168 Composite, LaGrange. Kenneth Ingalls, March; Harold Blake, May 13; Frank Deane, April; Dana H. Huntington, Date Unknown.
- 169 Shepherds River, Brownfield. Fred W. Richardson, February 20; George Haley, April 1; Philip W. Bradbury, May 29.
- 170 Caribou, Caribou. Gordon Ernest Ervin, January; Allen E. Oak, November 2, 1953; Ralph L. Pitcher, August 16; Edward W. Riley, September 25; Henry B. Ross, January 4; Willey Edgar Sincok, January 12.
- 172 Pine Tree, Mattawamkeag. John Smith, February 27; Austin K. Rush, April 1; Don C. Reynolds, April 11.
- 173 Pleiades, Millbridge. William H. Rich, January 7; George B. Marshall, April 30; William R. Sawyer, August 6; Arthur M. Allen, September 26; Enoch H. Burgess, November 23.
- 174 Lynde, Hermon. Percy H. Grant,* August 9.
- 175 Baskahegan, Danforth. Roland Fowler,* April 1; Arthur J. Key,* September 27; Alton Prey, May 2; Clarence Trafton,* December 14.
- 177 Rising Star, Penobscot. Arthur Guilford, 1953; Frank E. Dunbar, June 21; Herbert Lowell, November 10.
- 178 Ancient Brothers, Auburn. George Henry Snow, February 22; Lloyd Hampton McFadden, March 16; Adelbert French Piper,* April 12; Herbert William Getchell,* April 3; William Frank Merrill, June 1; Frank Wilbur Gerry, June 27; Orville Merton Tracy,* September 11; Harold Stanley Barney, July 4; Hyman Shapior, August 29; Everett Leandor Vining, December 1; Sewell Wilbur Davis,* December 8; Maurice E. Miller, December 29.

179 Yorkshire, North Berwick. Howard M. Fall, November 3, 1953; Guy W. Lowe, August 9; J. Howard Jellison, September 15; Robert E. Staples, September 26.

180 Hiram, South Portland. James K. Polk Rogers,* January 7; Andrew Jordan, January 8; Chester Hezekiah Davis, January 10; Eugene Gurney Evans, January 12; Frederick John Wilson,* January 14; William Joseph White, January 24; William Henry Wilcox, March 7; Isaac N. Stanley, March 9; Richard Melville Hayes,* March 26; Ralph Miller Affleck, March 29; Clinton Ellis Parrott, April 8; Lester H. Prescott,* April 13; William A. Willard, April 19; George W. Loveitt, May 15; Lawrence Leon Hill, June 14; Alfred Ernest Burnham, June 19; Ernest Lester Blake, July 23; George Crockett, August 1; William Gerald Jordan, August 3; Donald Addison Fisher, September 3; Harry Linwood Eustis,* September 14; Frederick Arthur Sanborn,* September 22; Arthur W. Blake, October 1; John Ludwig Johnson, September 28, 1951; Harry Nathaniel MaLette, November 13.

183 Deering, Portland. Earle T. Jones, October 11, 1953; F. Gilbert Congdon, Sr., January 23; Frank A. Huston, February 25; Edgar Charles Robinson, February 27; Kenneth Henry Burns, March 10; Charles Richard Castner, March 14; George H. Meloon, March 20; Adelbert Edgar Hinckley, April 3; Victor B. Pendexter, April 18; Elmer W. Chambers, May 7; Freeman H. Dearborn, May 19; C. Robert E. Sthen, May 24; Peter W. Wescott, October 23; Maurice Albert Bowers, October 23; Walter P. Fickett, October 27; Frank Ellsworth Cutter, November 2; Arthur N. Couri, November 24; Ralph F. Goodhue, November 25; Harry L. Dame, December 16; James Dickinson Moreshead, December 16.

184 Naval, Kittery. Frank J. Battelberghs,* March 1; George A. J. Schmidt, March 5; Charles T. O. Wurm, March 24; Alden C. Phillips, August 12.

185 Bar Harbor, Bar Harbor. William T. Burton,* February 23; John H. Butterfield,* June 8; Arthur E. Chilman,* June 23; Herbert P. Higgins,* September 22.

186 Warren Phillips, Westbrook. Frank A. Swan, June 7; Walter E. Gammon, July 1; Perley W. Wheeler, August 31; Karl Osmond Huntley, October 26; George Warren Harding, December 5; Harry Ansel Sawyer, October 16.

187 Ira Berry, Blue Hill. G. Welland Clay, February 16.

189 Knox, South Thomaston. Charles Hills, November 11; Alden Butler, August 23.

190 Springvale, Springvale. Howard P. Cheney, March 2; Douglas Boden, November 6.

191 Davis, Strong. Raymond A. Starbird, May 3; Fred H. McCleary, October 16.

192 Winter Harbor, Winter Harbor. George C. Leighton, April 14; Herbert O. Rice, September 8.

193 Washburn, Washburn. Charles W. Staples, March 18; Ervin W. Conroy, March 6; Claude T. Lovley, November 14.

194 Euclid, Madison. George A. Hilton, August 1; Edward P. Maxwell, August 15; Malon Boyington, June 22; William Morrison, June 23.

195 Reliance, Stonington. William J. Grieg, January 14; Eugene Thurlow, June 2; David T. Thurlow, June 6; Florian S. Small, August 27.

196 Bay View, East Boothbay. Edwin Thomas Gamage,* March 9; Herbert Elton Larrabee, April 24; Cleveland Edson Giles, June 29; Alfred G. Davis, June 30; Samuel G. Woodward, December 2.

197 Aroostook, Mars Hill. Deane E. Smith,* June 23; Edgar C. Lawrence, October 20; Charles J. Delong,* October 4; William H. Laing,* November 20.

198 St. Aspinquid, York. Leonard Edwin Freeman, July 13; Charles L. Littlefield, August 14; George E. Morrill, August 20; Herbert E. Brooks, October 13; R. B. Hayes Moulton, November 2.

199 Bingham, Bingham. Benjamin B. Miller, January 19; David L. Pettengill, May 8; Alfred D. Heald, March 10; Otho D. Whitney, August 30; Henry Holden, October 21.

200 Columbia, Greenville. Wade Clifton, March 11.

201 David A. Hooper, West Sullivan. Archie G. Fenton, April 25; Edwin W. Doyle, May 17; Everett M. Rankin, May 17; Frank Blaisdell, November 3.

202 Mt. Bigelow, Stratton. Frederick T. Blackwell, July 25; Charles Edward Bantin, August 28; Edward Barclay, February 11.

203 Mount Olivet, Washington. Lewis O. Mann,* November 24.

204 Mt. Abram, Kingfield. Kenneth Masterman, February 11; H. Levi Hall, June 24; Reginald S. Huse, September 16; Fred M. Harris, October 24.

205 Nollesemic, Millinocket. William H. Knowlton,* January 21; Lewis S. Fling, March 11; Eugene U. Phillips,* March 22; Archie L. Foss,* May 3; Cyrus R. Young,* August 1; Merle P. Field,* October 29.

206 Island Falls, Island Falls. Victor E. Reed,* May 31; Robert C. Tidd,* August 28.

207 Abner Wade, Sangerville. Harrison E. Merrow, February 24; Orin L. Hall, February 24; Howard E. Smart,* March 16; Herbert L. Smart, May 26.

208 Northeast Harbor, Northeast Harbor. Thomas A. McIntire, January 2; William Wiggins, November 23.

209 Fort Kent, Fort Kent. Hardy A. Sawyer, Unknown; William H. Kelley, July 11; Howard L. Cousins, November 16.

210 Bagaduce, North Brooksville. Edward K. Smith, August 16.

211 Meduncook, Friendship. Byron E. Thompson, June 17; Reginald Delano, September 3.

212 McKinley, McKinley. Will E. Gott, September 23.

213 Kemankeag, Rangeley. Jessie W. Ross, April 28; Ermon B. Herrick, June 6; Leland E. Savage, December 20.

215 Orchard, Old Orchard. Leslie A. Wyman, August 21; Wilbur F. Emmons,* November 10.

216 Corner Stone, Portland. Charles A. Tracy, January 31; Harry E. Vail, February 17; William F. Haskell, Sr., March 8; Benjamin P. Gimbert, March 24; Elroy Pulsifer, April 1; Charles A. Brazier, April 7; William Bruce Lawrence, June 15; Leroy H. Kane, Sr., June 24; Harry A. Dodge, July 16.

217 Ralph J. Pollard, Orrington. Clarence Thomas Hodgkins, May 28.

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British Columbia, June 17, 1954,	Karl P. Warwick, Vancouver.
California, Oct. 11, 1954,	Henry C. Clausen.
Canada, July 21, 1954,	J. A. Hearn, Toronto.
Colorado, Jan. 26, 1954,	Donald M. Shaw, Paonia.
Connecticut, April 7, 1954,	Thom W. Corby, Waterburn.
Costa Rica, Jan., 1955,	Edwin Holst, Wenzel.
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Denmark, July 21, 1953,	Frode Rydgaard.
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Indiana, May 17, 1955,	Joseph A. Batchelor, Bloomington.
Iowa, June 8, 1954,	Wilbur E. Earhart, Stuart.
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Kentucky, Oct. 19, 1954,	Earle W. Adams, Owensboro.
Louisiana, Feb. 15, 1955,	Louis A. Legett, New Orleans.
Maine, May 4, 1954,	Paul L. Powers, Freeport.
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Maryland, Nov. 16, 1954,	Arthur W. Dowell, Prince Frederic.
Massachusetts, Dec. 14, 1954,	Whitfield W. Johnson, Boston.
Mexico (York G. L.), Apr. 15, 1953,	Mino M. Covo, Mexico City.
Michigan, May 25, 1954,	Howard L. Taylor.
Minnesota, Mar. 17, 1954,	Leroy E. Matson, St. Paul.
Mississippi, Feb. 9, 1954,	Carl L. Oakes, Benoit.
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Nebraska, June 8, 1954,	Charles F. Adams, Aurora.

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| Norway, June 29, 1945, | Jacob Hvinden Haug. |
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RECAPITULATION — 1955

Lodges, enrolled.....	217
“ extinct.....	10
“ working.....	207
“ represented at Communication, 1955.....	193
Number of Representatives.....	297
Lodges to make returns.....	207
Making returns in time.....	205
Raised.....	1,340
Affiliated.....	138
Re-instated.....	113
Total increase.....	— 1,591
Demitted.....	141
Died.....	875
Suspended, U. M. C.....	0
Expelled.....	3
Suspended, N. P. D.....	236
Total loss.....	— 1,255
Net gain.....	336
Membership, January 1, 1954.....	46,954
Membership, January 1, 1955.....	47,290
Grand Lodge Receipts.....	\$ 38,942.16
Grand Lodge Disbursements.....	\$ 35,901.19
Amount of Charity Fund.....	\$451,991.85

GRAND LODGE BANQUET

The Eighteenth Grand Lodge Banquet was held at the Eastland Hotel on Monday, May 2, 1955. Most Worshipful Grand Master POWERS presiding. He presented the following guests:

- R. E. NELSON B. CAMICK, Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Maine.
- M. E. EARLE D. WEBSTER, Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Maine.
- M. Ill. FLOYD E. ANDERSON, Grand Master of the Grand Council of Maine.
- Ill. FRANK C. ALLEN, 33°, Deputy for Maine.
- M. W. A. NEILL OSGOOD, Deputy Grand Master, and R. W. HENRY O. HOLLEY, Senior Grand Warden, of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts.
- R. W. CARL H. CLAUDY, Past Grand Master of the District of Columbia and Ex. Secretary of the Masonic Service Association.
- R. W. LOUIS BACHRACH, Grand Treasurer of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.
- M. W. BERNARD B. ABEDON, Grand Master, and R. W. N. ARTHUR HYLAND, Grand Secretary, of the Grand Lodge of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations.
- M. W. JEPHTHA S. MUNRO, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia.
- M. W. WALTER E. DUNLAP, Grand Master and M. W. HAROLD O. CADY, Past Grand Master and Grand Secretary, of the Grand Lodge of New Hampshire.
- R. W. AUGUST L. ULLRICH, Junior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge of New Jersey.
- R. W. FRANK M. BROWNELL, Senior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge of Vermont.
- R. W. J. HULL MANWARING, Senior Grand Warden, and M. W. EARLE K. HALING, Past Grand Master and Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Connecticut.

He then presented M. W. CARL H. CLAUDY, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Washington, D. C., who delivered an able and instructive address.

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RULES FOR MASONIC DATES.

ANCIENT CRAFT MASONS —

Add 4000 years to the Common Era. Thus: 1955 and 4000 — 5955.

SCOTTISH RITE —

Add 3760 to the Common Era. Thus: 1955 and 3760—5715,
After September add another year.

ROYAL ARCH —

Add 530 years to the Vulgar Era. Thus: 1955 and 530—
2485.

ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS —

Add 1000 to the Common Era. Thus: 1955 and 1000—2955.

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR —

From the Christian Era take 1118. Thus: 1118 from 1955
— 837.

ORDER OF HIGH PRIESTHOOD —

To the Christian Era add 1913, the Year of the Blessing.
Thus: 1955 and 1913 — 3868.

MASONIC CALENDAR.

ANCIENT CRAFT MASONS commence their era with the creation of the world, calling it ANNO LUCIS [A.L.], "in the year of light."

SCOTTISH RITE, same as Ancient Craft, except the Jewish chronology is used, ANNO MUNDI [A.M.], "in the year of the world."

ROYAL ARCH MASONS date from the year the second temple was commenced by Zerubbabel, ANNO INVENTIONIS [A.I.], "in the year of the discovery."

ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS date from the year in which the temple of Solomon was completed, ANNO DEPOSITIONIS [A.Dep.], "in the year of the deposit."

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR commence their era with the organization of their Order, ANNO ORDINIS [A.O.], "in the year of the Order."

ORDER OF HIGH PRIESTHOOD dates from the year of the blessing of Abraham by the High Priest Melchisedec; ANNO BENEFACIO [A.B.], "in the year of the blessing."

APPENDIX





M. W. BRO. RALPH JOHN POLLARD
Honorary Past Grand Master

APPENDIX

Report of Correspondence 1955

*To the Most Worshipful, the Grand Lodge of Maine, Ancient Free and Accepted
Masons:*

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence submits herewith its Annual Report.

FOREWORD.

In our last year's Foreword, we discussed the question of foreign recognitions pretty thoroughly. This year, we would call attention to certain matters of domestic interest.

First of all, we must note the almost universal interest now being shown in the subject of Masonic education. For many years, Masonic leaders have been stressing the need for more adequate educational programs, and certain Grand Lodges, such as Iowa and Massachusetts, have done outstanding pioneer work in this field. Now, however, almost all Grand Lodges are not only awake to the existence of this need, but are actually doing something about it. Old programs are being re-activated and expanded, new programs are being inaugurated, money is being spent, and results are being obtained! Particular emphasis is being placed upon the proper education of the candidate. In our opinion, this activity constitutes the most important and significant development in our present-day Masonic life. It has our enthusiastic and whole-hearted support, and we believe that it will pay rich dividends in the future. We are happy to report that our own Grand Lodge is keeping step with its sister Jurisdictions in this important activity.

We must next note a most unfortunate occurrence, which, however, has an important lesson for us all. One of our sister Grand Lodges has been made party to a \$100,000 law suit brought against a lodge, a Temple association, and certain individual Masons by a candidate who claims to have been injured while receiving his Master Mason degree. The difficulty of presenting any adequate defense against such a charge is obvious. This is a striking example of what may well happen to any lodge, in any Jurisdiction, at any time, unless the greatest care is taken

to prevent it. Needless to say, the danger of such an occurrence is immeasurably increased when levity, horseplay, and excessive roughness are tolerated. Responsible Masonic authorities have always denounced such silly and unmasonic conduct as being incompatible with the solemn and religious nature of our ritualistic work. Now the danger of a possible law suit constitutes an added argument against such practices. The attitude of Grand Lodges is stiffening. There is a growing realization that the one man who is capable of stopping such nonsense at its source is the Worshipful Master; and there is a growing tendency to hold the Worshipful Master strictly responsible for everything that takes place in his lodge. If every Master would do his duty and enforce Grand Lodge policy in his lodge, this problem would soon be solved.

For years, local units of such organizations as the Shrine and the Grotto have frequently brought the good name of the Fraternity into disrepute by indulging in conduct which is contrary alike to Masonic and to civil law. As a result, the relationship existing between these organizations and the sovereign Grand Lodges of this Country has steadily deteriorated, and the continued existence of these organizations has sometimes been placed in jeopardy. For a recent instance of this kind, we refer our readers to our current Texas review. The past year, however, has seen a constructive approach to this problem. Bro. Frank S. Land, the distinguished founder of the Order of DeMolay, became Imperial Potentate of the Shrine. As such, his principal endeavor was to improve the relationship existing between that organization and regular Freemasonry. To assist him, he appointed a committee which included some of the most distinguished Masons in the Country. He urged all subordinate units of his organization to observe due decorum at all times, strictly to comply with all Grand Lodge regulations, and to avoid any conduct which might possibly give offense. He also urged individual Shriners to become active in their respective Blue Lodges, and to demonstrate by their actions their interest in basic Masonry and their loyalty to the principles of the Craft. We commend Bro. Land for his efforts, and only hope that his program will be carried on under his successors.

With this report, we complete our first decade of service as writer of the Maine Correspondence Report. It has been a great privilege and pleasure to serve the Grand Lodge in this capacity, and to review the many important happenings of this busy and prosperous period in Masonic history. For us, it has been a richly rewarding experience which has both deepened and broadened our understanding and appreciation of the Fraternity and its world-wide influence for good. We cannot hope that our readers have derived as much pleasure from reading our reports as we have derived from their preparation, but we do hope that our work has proved to be of some interest and value to the brethren.

For the Committee:

RALPH J. POLLARD, P. G. M.,

Chairman.

SPECIAL REPORTS.**(a) THE IMPORTANCE OF ENGLISH RECOGNITION.**

The United Grand Lodge of England is universally recognized as the Mother Grand Lodge of regular Freemasonry. It is at once the oldest, the largest, and the most influential of Masonic powers, and it certainly enjoys an unquestioned primacy among the Grand Lodges of the world. Together with the Grand Lodges of Ireland and Scotland, it constitutes the very source and fountain-head of all legitimate Freemasonry. It is, in a peculiar manner, the natural conservator of Masonic purity throughout the world, and its opinions as to what does or does not constitute Masonic regularity must, of necessity, be received with the utmost respect by its loyal and legitimate descendants.

In our opinion, recognition by the United Grand Lodge of England constitutes the strongest possible recommendation in favor of any applicant body. Such recognition automatically heals any irregularity in the origin of the body recognized, and confers upon it a Masonic status that cannot be denied. On the other hand, lack of such recognition is, in our opinion, a serious disqualification. The United Grand Lodge of England is not at all illiberal in granting recognition. It recognizes numerous bodies which are not its own legitimate descendants, and it recognizes numerous bodies whose Masonic practices are not identical with its own. When it does refuse to grant recognition, there is always a very good reason for such refusal.

We do not feel obliged to recommend the recognition of every body recognized by the United Grand Lodge of England. Like all the rest of us, it has made mistakes. Its world-wide interests and its system of local treaties and conditional recognitions have resulted in certain commitments which we are not prepared to share. However, we do feel that any body unrecognized by the Mother Grand Lodge constitutes a very poor risk for us. We do not see how any body can be regarded as regular when its regularity is not acknowledged by the very source of all Masonic regularity.

With regret, we note the willingness of certain American Grand Lodges to recognize bodies which are not recognized by the United Grand Lodge of England or by the other Grand Lodges of the British Isles. This willingness we cannot share. We cannot, in conscience, recommend the recognition of any body which does not have the endorsement of that distinguished body from whom our own Masonic regularity is derived. We recognize that the Mother Grand Lodge has unequalled facilities for investigating the claims of applicant bodies, and we do not presume to question her negative decisions. To us, unity and solidarity in the ranks of Anglo-Saxon Freemasonry, which, after all, comprises more than ninety-five per cent of all the Masons in the world, is of infinitely greater importance than the recognition or non-recognition of a few bodies of doubtful regularity and questionable stability.

The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maine does not now recognize any body that is not also recognized by the United Grand Lodge of England, the Grand Lodge of Ireland, and the Grand Lodge of Scotland. Your present Chairman would be most unwilling to be responsible for any change in this state of affairs.

(b) THE LATIN AMERICAN PROBLEM.

We sometimes find it very difficult to understand our Latin American brethren; and, in all probability, they sometimes find it equally difficult to understand us! This difficulty in understanding does not result from a mere difference in language or racial temperament, but rather from a profound difference in Masonic background, tradition and philosophy.

Without exception, the Grand Lodges of the United States derive their origin and their philosophy from the original Grand Lodges of the British Isles. Their tradition has been one of close and friendly co-operation with the various branches of the Protestant Church, and of patriotic and loyal devotion to the Constitution and Government of the United States. Their philosophy is essentially and fundamentally religious, being based squarely upon the teachings of the Holy Bible, and involving a positive and unequivocal belief in Almighty God, a recognition of the value and importance of prayer, a belief in the immortality of the Soul, and a rigid adherence to the moral law.

Without exception, the native Grand Bodies in Latin America derive their origin and their philosophy from European Grand Orients or from Supreme Councils of the Scottish Rite, bodies whose basic concept of Masonry is, to say the least, somewhat different from that held by Anglo-American Grand Lodges. Their tradition has been one of resistance to bitter and relentless ecclesiastical persecution and of violent agitation for social and political reforms. Their philosophy is essentially humanistic and rationalistic. All too often, this rationalistic philosophy has led to irreligious attitudes which are incompatible with the Ancient Landmarks of the Order.

These differences in basic Masonic thinking must never be lost sight of when Latin American problems are being considered. We deeply sympathize with our Latin American brethren in the many peculiar problems which confront them. We fully understand their anti-clerical attitude, and we approve their laudable desire for reform. We are more than willing to make allowances for purely technical irregularities, and to overlook many practices which differ from our own. But we can neither tolerate nor condone the slightest deviation from the immutable Landmarks of the Fraternity. Neither can we countenance any equivocation in regard to the fundamental principles of Masonry. We all know that such deviations have occurred in the past, and we must not blind ourselves to the possibility that such deviations may occur in the future.

Moreover, the revolutionary tendencies so characteristic of Latin American politics have also found their way into Latin American Freemasonry. Hardly a year goes by in which some new rebellion or schism

in the ranks of the Fraternity is not recorded. Leaders and policies change with bewildering rapidity, and bodies which are well worthy of recognition today may be utterly unworthy of such recognition tomorrow. As a result of this instability and confusion, caution must be our watchword.

(c) THE FRENCH QUESTION.

We have received additional communications from the so-called Grand Lodge of France, a body which was briefly discussed in our 1954 report. This body is apparently very anxious to be recognized by the Grand Lodges of the United States, yet, in the same breath, it not only acknowledges but defends its close fraternal relationship with the Grand Orient of France, a body which is universally regarded by regular Masons as being utterly unmasonic and clandestine.

Masonic recognition is something very different from the diplomatic recognition extended by one national government to another. Such diplomatic recognition merely acknowledges the *de facto* existence of the government recognized, without in any way indicating approval on the part of the recognizing power. The United States formerly recognized the governments of Hitler and Mussolini, but it certainly did not approve the principles and practices of those governments. At the present time, the United States recognizes the government of the Soviet Union, but it certainly does not approve the political philosophy of Communism! On the other hand, Masonic recognition carries with it the unqualified endorsement of the body granting such recognition, and sets the seal of its official approval upon the principles and practices of the body recognized. It certifies to the Masonic and profane worlds alike that the Masonry taught and practiced by the body recognized is in every way as regular as its own.

This being so, what can be said of those so-called Masonic bodies which recognize the Grand Orient of France as part of the Masonic Fraternity? For nearly eighty years, the Grand Orient of France has lived in open defiance of the Ancient Landmarks. It has repudiated all belief in God and has removed the Holy Bible from its altars. It is a living scandal to the Craft, and a living justification of the charges brought by the traditional enemies of the Fraternity.

In 1878, the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maine officially denounced the Grand Orient of France as unmasonic and clandestine, and prohibited all fraternal intercourse with that body, with its subordinate lodges, or with the members of its obedience. This is still the law of our Grand Lodge. In 1902, M. W. Josiah H. Drummond held that any body holding Masonic intercourse with the Grand Orient of France was thereby jeopardizing its own Masonic status and forfeiting its claim to recognition by the Grand Lodge of Maine.

Drummond's views are our own. Any body which recognizes the Grand Orient of France must be regarded as approving its principles. Any body approving such principles is unworthy of Masonic recognition.

Of course, this is somewhat academic as far as France is concerned. Maine recognizes the only regular body in that Country, the National Grand Lodge, and can consider the recognition of no rival body.

(d) COSTA RICA.

With regret, we report that a rebellion has taken place in the ranks of the universally recognized and highly respected Grand Lodge of Costa Rica. On the surface, this appears to have been the result of misguided personal ambition, but a careful reading of material issued by the rebel group indicates that the long-standing feud in the Scottish Rite in Central America may have been a contributing factor.

It all began in May of 1954 when the regularly elected Grand Master, Bro. Carlos Manuel Fernandez Prestinary, was taken sick, and turned over his executive functions to the Deputy Grand Master, Bro. Francisco Jimenez Rodriguez, for the period of his incapacity. When, having recovered, the Grand Master sought to resume the functions of his office, the Deputy refused to step down, claiming that the Grand Master had abdicated for the remainder of the Masonic year and not merely for the duration of his illness. With the assistance of his personal followers and with the support of three Costa Rican lodges, he proceeded to set up a schismatic Grand Lodge, using the official designation of the regular Grand Lodge, and claiming to be the lawful continuation of that body. The rebellious group managed to secure recognition by the civil authorities and control of the Grand Lodge Post Office box. Legal action was necessary to clarify the situation.

The rebellious group reversed all outstanding expulsions and suspensions, restoring those affected to their Masonic rights and privileges. It claimed that many of these persons had been tyrannically expelled for political reasons. Both parties issued exhaustive statements to the Masonic world, setting forth their respective claims.

Naturally, this unfortunate occurrence caused serious concern to all Grand Lodges in fraternal relationship with the Grand Lodge of Costa Rica. Investigations were made by two widely different groups—the Commission on Information for Recognition, set up in connection with the Grand Masters' Conference and the Inter-American Masonic Confederation, with headquarters in Santiago, Chile. Both of these groups decided in favor of the regular officers and against the rebellious faction. As the Grand Lodge of Costa Rica has never affiliated with the Inter-American Confederation, the decision of this group in its favor is highly significant, and indicates that the rebels do not have even Scottish Rite support outside their own Country.

At last accounts, it appears that the regular Grand Lodge has regained control of the situation. Late in 1954, a large number of decrees were issued, expelling many of the rebellious brethren and revoking the charters of the three rebellious lodges.

For some years, the Grand Lodge of Maine has enjoyed happy fraternal relations with the Grand Lodge of Costa Rica. We do not approve of Masonic revolutions and we congratulate the Grand Lodge of Costa Rica on having overcome its difficulties. For the record, the Grand Lodge recognized by us is the body of which Bro. Enrique Chaves B. is Grand Secretary.

(e) **VENEZUELA.**

A letter from the Grand Lodge of Venezuela advises us that an irregular Grand Lodge is also operating in that Country, using the same style and title as the established body. Accordingly, the Grand Lodge not only furnishes the Masonic world with a list of its own subordinate lodges but also with a list of the irregular lodges, together with the towns in which they are located. This is just another example of the current epidemic of disunity and schism.

(f) **GREECE.**

During the past year, the Grand Lodge of Greece sent out a circular letter to all regular Grand Lodges, in which it urged all Masons, with the approval of their Grand Lodges, to use their influence to secure the establishment of Greek sovereignty over the Island of Cyprus.

Of course, this request was most improper. The Cyprus question is definitely political, involving a clash of interests between national governments. Any attempt to involve Masonry in such a discussion is most unfortunate, and is contrary to accepted rules of Masonic propriety.

As might have been expected, this letter met with a decidedly unfavorable reception in the British Isles. It was discussed at the annual Conference of British Grand Lodges at London, and we understand that strong representations have been made to the Grand Lodge of Greece. For instance, the Grand Committee of the Grand Lodge of Scotland has recommended that a strongly worded protest be sent to Greece. The recommended wording seems to indicate that the fraternal relationship existing between Scotland and Greece may be in some danger.

We can only express our regret that the Grand Lodge of Greece, which is perfectly regular and for which we have great respect, should have raised this unfortunate and unprofitable question.

(g) **BERLIN-GERMANY**

In our 1954 report, we mentioned that a schism had taken place in the ranks of the United Grand Lodge in Berlin, a loose confederation between the Grand Lodge Zu den Alten Pflichten and the Grand Lodge Royal York of Friendship. We can now report that this schism has been healed, but only after grave scandal had been occasioned and after the affair had

found its way into the civil courts. Apparently, this schism resulted from Masonic immaturity and misguided personal ambition. One lodge, misled by its Worshipful Master, withdrew from the Grand Lodge, divided itself into three lodges, and set up a schismatic Grand Lodge.

The trouble-making Master, named Weinmann, charged that the regularly elected Grand Master had been a Nazi party member and functionary, a charge which was proved to be untrue. He also claimed that his own lodge had been in exile in Palestine during the Hitler regime, a statement which was without basis in fact. He encouraged his supporters by assuring them that they were about to be recognized by the United Grand Lodge of England, when such recognition was, of course, not even considered by that body.

After the truth became known, and after the case had been aired in the civil courts, the offending lodge finally repudiated its Master and returned to its allegiance to the Grand Lodge.

At second hand, we hear that the United Grand Lodge in Berlin has voted to merge with the United Grand Lodge of Germany. If geographical obstacles can be overcome, this should be a move in the right direction. However, there still remain two other Grand Lodges in the Berlin area, both long established and both adhering to the strictly Christian doctrine of the old Rite of Strict Observance.

As regards West Germany, we have nothing definite to report. In February, 1954, the Board of General Purposes of the United Grand Lodge of England held another conference with certain German Masonic leaders. To date, no details have been released. We are still awaiting with interest England's action in regard to German Masonry.

(h) ITALY.

Still another rival applicant for recognition has arisen in Italy. This body, like other Italian groups, consists of a closely related Grand Lodge and Supreme Council. One Girolamo Bellavista is listed as Grand Master, and one Antonio J. Fredirico Farina as Grand Commander. This body claims that the Grand Orient of Italy (recognized by the Northern Supreme Council U. S. A.) is irregular because of action taken by international conferences of Supreme Councils in 1912 and 1922. It also holds that the Moroli group at Piazza del Gesu (recognized by the Southern Supreme Council, U. S. A.) is irregular because of Mr. Moroli's personal irregularity and because its organization was not in accordance with the provisions prescribed by the Havana Conference in 1948. Of course, it claims that it, itself, fulfills all requirements.

All of this merely confirms our belief that the whole Italian problem is primarily a Scottish Rite affair. No applicant presents any evidence of legitimate Craft descent. Of course, irregularity of origin can be technically healed by the action of any admittedly regular Grand Lodge.

Thus, both of the leading Italian rivals have been regularized by the action of American Grand Lodges. But, honestly, this does not help us a great deal. We certainly respect the judgment of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, which has recognized one group; but we also respect the judgment of the Grand Lodge of Tennessee, which has recognized the other!

Until this matter is definitely settled by the action of the United Grand Lodge of England, the Grand Lodge of Ireland, and the Grand Lodge of Scotland, we prefer to avoid any entanglements with Italian Masonry.

(i) **GUATEMALA.**

There has been trouble in Guatemala. Not only has there been a schism, apparently political in background, within the ranks of the Grand Lodge, but that body has also incurred the enmity of the New Government in Guatemala and has been suppressed. Neighboring Jurisdictions have protested to the President of Guatemala and to the United Nations! Until we have more information on this question, we refrain from comment.

ALABAMA, 1953.

The One Hundred Thirty-third Annual Communication.

Lodges, 429. Members, 68,844. Gain, 2,488.

The Annual Communication was held in Montgomery on November 17-18, 1953. Grand Master Joseph S. Southall presided. Distinguished visitors from Louisiana, Georgia, Mississippi, Illinois and Tennessee were in attendance. The officers of the Grand Chapter, O. E. S., were received, and a program was presented by children from the Masonic Home.

Bro. Southall called for the observance of National Bible Week by all lodges. He traveled 51,000 miles on Masonic business, visited 100 lodges, attended Grand Lodge communications in Mississippi, Louisiana, Tennessee, Georgia and Florida, represented his Grand Lodge at the Grand Masters' Conference, and made thirty-eight visits to the Masonic Home. One lodge was constituted, three new lodges were instituted, and cornerstones were laid for one City Hall and seven new Masonic Temples.

During the year, Alabama was visited by R. W. Bro. Francis F. Boust-ridge, Past Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of New Zealand and Grand Representative of Alabama near that Grand Lodge. He presented the Grand Lodge with a gavel made from native New Zealand woods.

At this communication, Alabama received from the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia its marked stone from the White House, together with the accompanying letter from M. W. Bro. Harry S. Truman.

The Grand Lodges of Piauí and Paraíba in Brazil were recognized.

A brief Report on Foreign Correspondence was presented by Bro. A. M. Reeves. This deals entirely with correspondence from outside the United States, and includes no jurisdictional reviews.

Bro. Leonard S. Terry was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Charles H. Stubinger was re-elected.

ALBERTA, 1954.

The Forty-ninth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 157. Members, 17,012. Gain, 460.

M. W. Bro. William H. Jackson presided over the Grand Lodge when it met in Edmonton on June 9-10, 1954. Greetings were extended by the Lieutenant Governor of the Province and by the Mayor of Edmonton. Distinguished guests from Manitoba, British Columbia, Saskatchewan and Minnesota were in attendance. Maine's Representative was not recorded as present.

We quote from the Grand Master's address: "The future of our Fraternity lies in a return to the faith of our fathers, bringing the wisdom of the past to the service of the present, teaching the truth that makes men free, showing in our private lives and public service what Freemasonry means and the kind of citizens it produces."

Bro. Jackson requested lodges not to have DeMolay work as a lodge entertainment until such time as the Grand Lodge shall see fit to recognize the Order of DeMolay. He refused to permit a mass attendance at Divine Service, wearing Masonic clothing, holding that Freemasonry does not need this type of advertising.

The Grand Master participated in the Banff and Washington Conferences, and visited the sister Grand Lodges of Saskatchewan, Montana and Manitoba. His local visitations included attendance at all nineteen district meetings. Four new lodges were constituted and consecrated. One lodge surrendered its charter.

At this communication, a liability insurance program was adopted. Two charters were granted.

The principal speaker at the Grand Lodge banquet was M. W. Bro. Laurence Healey, Past Grand Master in British Columbia.

The Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence and Relations was presented by its Chairman, M. W. Bro. William Ireland. Fraternal recognition was extended to the Grand Lodge of Vienna for Austria. Action in regard to the Grand Lodge of the State of Israel was deferred. With full approval, we quote the following paragraph from the committee report:

"The conditions existing in South America are such that your Committee are of the opinion that until the turmoil and strife are cleared away and the continent becomes free from revolutions and placed upon a more solid foundation, it is not in the best interests of Masonry to extend recognition."

Jurisdictional reviews are from the pens of several different brethren, that of Maine for 1953 being the work of Bro. C. P. Blacklee. We are given an excellent review. Grand Master Ela is twice quoted and his many activities are noted. Quotations are also made from the report of Grand Lecturer Aubrey L. Burbank, and from our own remarks in regard to chain letters. Bro. Blacklee notes that Alberta was not included in our 1953 report. We assure him of our sincere regret that the Alberta Proceedings never reached our desk.

Bro. the Rev. Peter Dawson was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary George Moore retired and was succeeded by Bro. Edward H. Rivers.

ARIZONA, 1954.

The Seventy-second Annual Communication.

Lodges, 46. Members, 9,819. Gain, 419.

The Annual Communication was held in Douglas on April 26-28, 1954. Grand Master Franklyn E. Brown presided, and welcomed distinguished guests from the Grand Lodges of New Mexico, California and del Pacifico.

The Grand Master said: "The Craft in general suffers a starvation for Masonic information and education." He ruled that Secretaries could not

sign dues cards with a rubber stamp, and that a lodge could not sponsor a Boy Scout troop.

Bro. Brown attended the Washington Conferences, visited every lodge in Arizona, and made fraternal visits to the sister Grand Lodges of Nevada, California and New Mexico. Two lodges were constituted and two new lodges were instituted.

A special communication was held at the Grand Canyon. Mounted on mules, the brethren descended into the depths of the canyon, where, at a suitable location, the first and second degrees were conferred. They then climbed back to the high rim, where, in another proper spot, the third degree was conferred.

At this communication, the Grand Lodge received its marked stone from the White House, adopted an anti-communist resolution, and prohibited new Masons from petitioning for the additional degrees until they have passed their examination in the Master Mason degree.

The National Grand Lodge of France, the Grand Lodge of Sao Paulo and the Grand Lodge of Peru were recognized.

The sum of \$7,500 was appropriated for the promotion of DeMolay. A full-time field man is to be employed. Of course, Arizona knows her own business best, but it does seem to us that a Grand Lodge that can afford such an outlay for a non-Masonic purpose should certainly be able to afford the publication of a Correspondence Report.

Bro. Lewis S. Neeb was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Joseph A. E. Ivey was re-elected.

ARKANSAS, 1953.

The One Hundred Twelfth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 384. Members, 56,143. Gain, 1,299.

M. W. Bro. Roy C. Bolling presided over the Annual Communication, held in Little Rock on November 17-18, 1953. Distinguished visitors from Oklahoma and Kansas were in attendance.

The Grand Master reported the appointment of R. W. Bro. Arthur W. Seaward as Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Arkansas near the Grand Lodge of Maine.

Bro. Bolling participated in the Washington Conference, attended all district meetings, and visited some fifty lodges. He dedicated five halls, laid two cornerstones, and conducted Masonic funeral services for Past Grand Master Simpson A. Kemp. Dispensations were issued for two new lodges. Three consolidations took place.

The sum of \$500 was contributed for Holland flood relief.

The Grand Master held that the word "affirm" could not be substituted for the word "swear" in the obligations.

At this communication, the Grand Lodge received its stone from the White House, increased its mileage and per diem, witnessed an exemplification of the DeMolay work, enjoyed a banquet tendered by the local Shrine Temple, and adopted legislation prohibiting the use of lodge halls for Sunday rehearsals, either by the lodge itself or by any other body permitted to use the hall.

The Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence was presented by its Chairman, R. W. Bro. Francis J. Scully. Conditions in several foreign countries are discussed. There are no jurisdictional reviews. On recommendation of this Committee, the National Grand Lodge of France was recognized.

Bro. L. Leland McDaniel was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary W. A. Thomas remains in office.

BRITISH COLUMBIA, 1954.

The Eighty-third Annual Communication.

Lodges, 141. Members, 22,488. Gain, 1,112.

M. W. Bro. William A. Curran presided over the Annual Communication, which was held in Victoria on June 17-18, 1954. Distinguished guests from Alberta and Washington were in attendance. A message of greeting was received from the Rt. Hon. Lord Macdonald, Grand Master Mason of Scotland.

The Grand Master reported the appointment of R. W. Bro. E. S. Higgins as Grand Representative of British Columbia near the Grand Lodge of Maine.

M. W. Bro. Curran urged vigilance on the part of investigating committees, and reminded all Masons of the serious responsibility they assume when they sign someone's application for the degrees.

Shortly after his installation, the Grand Master was obliged to undergo surgery. As a result, his activities were somewhat curtailed. However, he did manage to make numerous visits in his own Province, to install the officers of several lodges, and to visit in the neighboring State of Washington. Six lodges were constituted, four new lodges were instituted, and one cornerstone was laid. British Columbia was represented at the Banff Conference by its Deputy Grand Master and Junior Grand Warden.

The Grand Lodge mourns the death of M. W. Bro. Samuel McClure.

British Columbia carries on an efficient educational program. Supervisors of Education are appointed in each Masonic district, who co-ordinate the educational activities of the lodges. Formal Lodges of Instruction, Education and Research exist in two districts. The Grand Lodge publication "*The Masonic Bulletin*" has a circulation of 25,000 and reaches the entire membership. At this communication, the preparation of a series of instructional booklets, to be read and studied by the candidate previous to and during his reception of the degrees, was authorized. The sum of \$2,200 was appropriated for educational work.

In the field of foreign recognition, British Columbia is one of the most conservative of Jurisdictions. No new recognitions were granted this year.

A resolution of loyalty was adopted, for transmission to Her Majesty the Queen.

The Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence was presented by its Chairman, R. W. Bro. J. Russell Oliver. The Proceedings of sixty-one Jurisdictions are reviewed, with Bro. Oliver himself reporting on our Maine doings in 1953. Grand Master Ela is quoted in regard to chain letters and the deaths of M. W. Harold H. Murchie and R. W. Frank J. Cole are noted. We deeply appreciate Bro. Oliver's reference to our own work. He says to us: "As a member of the Round Table we appreciate your attitude on things Masonic and may you long assist in keeping our feet on the ground." Thank you, Bro. Oliver.

Bro. Karl P. Warwick was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary J. H. N. Morgan was re-elected.

CALIFORNIA, 1954.

The One Hundred Fifth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 636. Members, 219,664. Gain, 6,025.

As our printer's deadline approaches, the California Proceedings have not reached our desk. Rather than omit this highly important Jurisdiction, we present the following abbreviated report, based upon advance information from the Grand Secretary's office.

Grand Master Frank Harwell, Jr., presided over the Annual Communication, which was held in San Francisco in October of 1954. In his able message, Bro. Harwell expressed his belief that the state of the Fraternity left nothing to be desired. He said: "I can state with confidence that the purity of the esoteric work is maintained, and that the dignity and impressiveness with which it is presented is improving in many areas."

Brother Harwell made an official visit to the California lodges in the Hawaiian Islands. The Grand Secretary also spent three weeks in Hawaii, assisting the lodges and studying their local problems. The Grand Master attended the Washington Conferences, and paid fraternal visits in Cuba, Mexico, Guatemala and Oregon. Eleven newly chartered lodges were constituted, twelve new lodges under dispensation were instituted, eleven new Masonic halls were dedicated, and cornerstones for six new Temples and three public school buildings were laid. One new school building was dedicated according to the newly adopted ritual. Fifteen lodges celebrated their centennials. The Grand Master's visitations reached 128 out of 149 districts. Masonic funeral services were conducted for Past Grand Masters Claude H. Morrison and William B. Ogden.

The Grand Master made twenty-one official decisions. He held that a Masonic club could not hold a "turkey shoot" to raise money; that no Mason can ever act as a bartender; that a professional gambler is not eligible to receive the degrees; that a Temple Association could not hold

and sell tickets for a public breakfast; that a lodge could not lease and hold meetings in premises wherein the American Legion sells liquor to its members; and that an organization predicated its membership upon Masonry could not sponsor the sale of tickets for a public circus to be held on a Sunday.

The thirty-fifth annual observance of Public Schools Week was held on April 26-May 1, 1954. For its outstanding service in presenting this program, the Grand Lodge was awarded the George Washington Gold Medal of Freedoms Foundation of Valley Forge, Pennsylvania, a national organization devoted to promoting a better understanding of the American way of life. The medal was presented by Dr. and Bro. Milton Eisenhower, President of Pennsylvania State College and brother of the President of the United States.

The Grand Master found it necessary to suspend one Worshipful Master for failure to make proper accounting of charitable disbursements. He ordered charges preferred against a brother who attempted to capitalize on his Masonic membership in a political campaign.

During the year, an official Grand Lodge publication, known as the "*California Freemason*," was born. This resulted from a suggestion by Bro. Newcomb Condee, Chairman of the Correspondence Committee, that the report of his Committee be published in this manner in order to reach a larger number of readers. Other newsworthy items and articles of general Masonic interest were added, resulting in a most worthwhile little magazine. The initial circulation is only 20,000, but it is hoped that this can be increased. The Grand Master recommended that this publication be continued and that an appropriation of \$8,000 be made to defray its cost.

Bro. Henry C. Clausen was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Lloyd E. Wilson was re-elected.

CANADA, 1954.

The Ninety-ninth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 588. Members, 128,352. Gain, 2,756.

The Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Canada, in the Province of Ontario, was held in the City of Toronto on July 21-22, 1954. The Grand Master, M. W. Bro. Joseph A. Hearn, was on the Throne. The National Anthem and "America" were sung. R. W. Bro. Aubrey L. Burbank, Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Maine, was in attendance, as were other distinguished guests from Alberta, Connecticut, Indiana, Manitoba, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, New Jersey, New York, Nova Scotia, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Quebec, South Carolina and Virginia.

M. W. Bro. Hearn was honored by election as Chairman of the Grand Masters' Conference at Washington. He is the first Canadian to hold this office. He paid fraternal visits to the Grand Lodges of Illinois, Ohio

Maryland, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, Minnesota, South Carolina, New York, Indiana, Michigan, Quebec and Wisconsin. The usual pilgrimage to the grave of Canada's first Grand Master was made. Four lodge centennials were observed. Seven new halls were dedicated, three new lodges were instituted, and six lodges were constituted and consecrated under their charters.

One of these new lodges, William James Dunlop Lodge, No. 675, was constituted and consecrated by the man in whose honor it had been named, M. W. Bro. W. J. Dunlop, Past Grand Master and Grand Treasurer. This is an honor that comes to few living men. As one who has himself constituted a new lodge bearing his own name, the writer of this review fully understands Bro. Dunlop's feelings on this occasion. Our congratulations are extended to Bro. Dunlop, and to the new lodge that is privileged to bear this name.

The Grand Master reported something new in the line of unmasonic nonsense. Two brethren, with a distorted sense of humor, advised a candidate to hide a penny in his sock before receiving the Entered Apprentice degree. What followed can be imagined. The names of the pranksters were discovered, and the Grand Master took a very dim view of their conduct. He ordered that the initiation be repeated in full, at a special communication called for no other purpose; that the D. D. G. M. and the two offenders attend; and that, when the work was finished, the D. D. G. M. read an official reprimand to the guilty pair. This was done, and the Grand Master feels that these brethren now realize that a lodge is no place for practical jokes!

The Ontario educational program functions in the most efficient manner. The D. D. G. M.'s have charge of this program in their respective districts. They are assisted by local supervisors, Past Masters' Associations, and lodge committees. A great number of educational meetings are held, often with crowded lodge rooms. During the past year, the "Syllabus of Instruction," a series of educational publications, was completed. Candidate booklets and a "Manual for Masonic Instructors and Students" are in successful use. R. W. Bro. H. L. Martyn serves as Chairman of the Committee on Masonic Education.

The Grand Lodge Library, over which R. W. Bro. Arthur E. MacGregor presides, continues to render efficient service. The reading room is well patronized. During the year, 592 books were loaned in the metropolitan area, while 731 books were mailed out to other parts of the Province. One borrower is located at Yellowknife, far up under the Arctic Circle.

The Grand Master was much pleased at the large number of Church Services attended by constituent lodges. He urges Masons to be active in Church work, and had high praise for the blood donor service.

Great plans are being made for the celebration of the Grand Lodge Centennial in 1955.

In view of the unsettled conditions existing in countries from which applications have been received, the Committee on Fraternal Relations wisely recommended that action on such applications be deferred.

Last year, the Grand Lodge of Canada adopted our Maine custom of publishing a special edition of the Correspondence Report for distribution at the Grand Lodge session. This move proved popular, and is being continued.

The 1954 Report consists of a Foreword by M. W. Bro. Frank A. Copus, the Committee Chairman, and seventy Jurisdictional reviews, written, as usual, by R. W. Bro. A. E. MacGregor.

Speaking of foreign recognitions granted in certain Jurisdictions, Bro. Copus says that "decisions have been made that in too many cases have resulted only in confusion worse confounded." We certainly agree. He notes the "surprising leniency" recorded under Connecticut and Colorado, but ends up by saying that "there seems to be developing a certain stiffening in the attitudes of the Grand Lodges. May such an attitude continue to grow." We share this wish.

We always look forward with pleasure to reading Bro. MacGregor's reviews. This year, they are particularly full and informative, and we are very glad that they are being made available to a larger circle of readers. Maine for 1953 is given a good review. The death of R. W. Bro. Frank J. Cole is noted. Mention is made of Grand Master Ela's address before the Grand Masters' Conference, with particular notice of his reference to the "Masonic Stone of 1606," now supposed to be imbedded in the foundations of a Toronto building. As always, Bro. MacGregor is particularly kind in speaking of our own work. He says: "One might be forgiven if he said that the choicest pages in these Proceedings are those which record the Report of Correspondence. * * * *". His Foreword to his writings and his observations on the actions of the Craft far and near, in this one issue alone, could qualify him for the senior rank of current commentators." Our humble thanks, Bro. MacGregor.

Grand Master Joseph A. Hearn and Grand Secretary E. G. Dixon were re-elected.

COLORADO, 1954.

The Ninety-third Annual Communication.

Lodges, 157. Members, 44,112. Gain, 964.

The Annual Communication was held in Denver on January 26-27, 1954. Grand Master Hubert Glover presided, and welcomed numerous guests from sister Jurisdictions. An escort of twenty-two Knights Templar presented the Colors. Our Maine Representative, Bro. Earl W. Spencer, was in attendance.

The Grand Master made 112 visitations. He attended the Grand Masters' Conference, presented Colorado's check for the Washington

Memorial, and visited the Grand Lodges of Nebraska, New Mexico, Montana, Idaho, Virginia and California. One lodge was constituted, four new halls were dedicated, and cornerstones were laid for two public school buildings and two Masonic Temples. The sum of \$700 was sent directly to the Grand Master of the Netherlands for flood relief.

The Grand Lecturer, Bro. Giles N. Alkire, again warned against innovations in the ritualistic work, urging the preservation of our ceremonies in all their ancient simplicity and dignity.

M. W. Bro. Carl H. Claudy presented Colorado's stone from the White House. He also had the pleasure of witnessing a production of his famous play, "*A Rose Upon the Altar*," in which a leading part was played by the Grand Master.

Despite a recommendation by the Grand Master and a favorable committee report, the Grand Lodge refused to join the M. S. A. or to contribute to its hospital work.

An attempt to increase the Grand Lodge tax on initiations was defeated.

The Grand Lodge refused to grant a dispensation for a military lodge in Greenland.

At this communication an appropriate apron for Past Grand Masters was adopted.

M. W. Bro. Edwin J. Wittelshofer again presented the Report of the Committee on Correspondence. He discussed the doctrine of the perfect youth, and made a brief report on Masonic conditions throughout the world.

Bro. Donald W. Shaw was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Harry W. Bundy was re-elected.

CONNECTICUT, 1954.

The One Hundred Sixty-sixth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 131. Members, 46,476. Gain, 824.

The Annual Communication was held in New Haven on April 7-8, 1954. M. W. George S. Hull presided. R. W. Arthur W. Seaward, Senior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge of Maine, was in attendance, as were other distinguished visitors from the Grand Lodges of China, Nova Scotia, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, District of Columbia, Virginia, North Carolina and Ohio.

M. W. Bro. Hull was an honored guest at the annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Maine. He also attended the National Conferences and visited in the sister Jurisdictions of New Jersey, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Nova Scotia, Canada in Ontario, Ohio, Delaware, Maryland, District of Columbia, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts and Virginia. He made a great number of appearances in his own State, and presented a fifty-year button to ex-Governor Trumbull of Connecticut. One hall was dedicated, and one cornerstone was laid.

The Grand Master ruled that a lodge could not act as an agent for the collection of funds for a non-Masonic purpose, and that a lodge could not charge admission to degree work presented by a visiting degree team. He also held that a dead man could not be posthumously re-instated.

The Grand Lodge of Connecticut has been made party to a suit for \$100,000, brought against a lodge, a Temple Association, and certain individual Masons by a candidate who claims to have been injured while receiving his Master Mason degree. The funds of the defendants have been attached by court order, and the Grand Lodge has been forced to procure a surety bond to raise these attachments. This is a striking example of what may well happen to any lodge, particularly when there is a lack of dignity and decorum in the ritualistic work. Let our Maine lodges take notice and profit by this example.

An extremely interesting report was presented by the Worshipful Master of Connecticut's lodge at Stuttgart, Germany. The dispensation of this lodge was continued.

An appropriation of \$500 was made for the work of Masonic education.

The Committee on Recognition presented a careful and cautious report. Recognition was denied to the spurious Grand Lodge of the Philippine Republic. The Grand Lodges of Piaui and Chihuahua having failed to answer correspondence addressed thereto, the Committee was discharged from any further consideration of their applications. Action in regard to the Grand Lodges of Parana, Berlin and France was postponed.

The Report on Correspondence was again presented by M. W. Brother Earle K. Haling, who reviews the Proceedings of seventy-one sister Jurisdictions in his usual happy manner. Maine for 1953 is given an excellent review. Grand Master Ela is thrice quoted and the doings of our annual communication are thoroughly covered. Two quotations are made from our own Report.

Bro. Thom W. Corby was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Earle K. Haling was re-elected.

DELAWARE, 1954.

The One Hundred Forty-ninth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 23. Members, 7,656. Gain, 224.

M. W. Francis W. Hukill presided over the Annual Communication, which was held in Wilmington on October 6-7, 1954. Our Maine Representative, Bro. H. C. Bauer, was in attendance, as were distinguished visitors from the following Grand Lodges: Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, Virginia, New Jersey, South Carolina, Maryland, Connecticut, Rhode Island, District of Columbia, New York and Indiana. His Excellency, the Governor of Delaware, Bro. J. Caleb Boggs, honored the communication by his presence.

The Grand Master found it necessary to condemn the chain letter superstition. He made official visits to all Delaware lodges, attended the Washington Conferences, and visited the sister Jurisdictions of Maryland, District of Columbia, Pennsylvania, Virginia and New Jersey. He issued a dispensation for one new lodge. The cornerstone of a Presbyterian Church was laid.

The Grand Master held that a lodge cannot donate its funds except for charity, and that to do so before its own charitable commitments and internal needs are fully met would be highly unmasonic.

At this communication, a public liability insurance program was adopted. Legislation was also enacted providing that no newly made Master Mason shall petition for any additional degree until at least sixty days shall have elapsed after he receives the Master Mason degree and he has passed the examination in that degree.

Fraternal recognition was extended to the Grand Lodge of Peru, but was denied to the so-called Grand Lodges of France and Denmark. Several other requests were postponed.

M. W. Bro. W. Stewart Allmond presented the Report on Foreign Correspondence. Speaking of the British Grand Lodges, he says: "Invariably they hold to that which is tried and proven, and reject that which they feel is an innovation in Masonry. Would that the same could be said about our own lodges. Masonry has existed and prospered through the years by adhering to that which is right and real, and not changing ritual, rules or customs for expediency or to 'keep up with the times,' as some of the proponents for changes express it. Just a little change here, a ritual revised there, a relaxation of this rule or that, may in themselves seem to be of no consequence, but a 'little bit added to what you have got makes just a little bit more' and with enough added, a little bit now, a little bit next year, before too many years we will not recognize our loved Fraternity." We thoroughly agree with you, Bro. Allmond.

Bro. Horace S. Allen, Jr., was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Chester R. Jones was re-elected.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, 1953.

The One Hundred Forty-third Annual Report.

Lodges, 48. Members 25,334. Gain, 69.

The Grand Master, M. W. Roy D. Borden, died in office on June 19, 1953. Masonic funeral services were conducted by the Grand Lodge. The Deputy Grand Master, R. W. Frederic B. Blackburn, became Acting Grand Master for the remainder of the year.

The Grand Lodge held its customary communications on May 13, December 16, and December 28, 1953. Distinguished visitors from Connecticut, Delaware, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Jersey, New York, Rhode Island, Virginia and West Virginia were received. Our Maine Representative, Bro. John H. Eiseman, was on duty.

The usual Grand Visitations were held, the Grand Masters' Conference was welcomed to Washington, and fraternal visits were paid to the sister Jurisdictions of Virginia, Connecticut, New York, Rhode Island, New Hampshire, Vermont, Delaware, Maryland, Pennsylvania and West Virginia.

The cornerstone of St. Luke's Methodist Church was laid by the Grand Lodge. At this ceremony, the famous trowel used by George Washington in laying the cornerstone of the United States Capitol was used.

The Grand Master ruled that Masonic funeral services could not be held after cremation had taken place.

The committee having charge of the distribution of the marked Masonic stones from the White House reported that all but seven of these stones had been presented. The Grand Lodge received its own stone at the St. John's Day meeting.

New forms of Masonic funeral and burial services were adopted.

The Grand Lodge adopted a new set of "Basic Principles for Grand Lodge Recognition." It withdrew recognition from the Grand National Mother Lodge of the Three Globes, recognized the United Grand Lodge of Germany, and resumed relations with the Grand Lodge of Vienna for Austria. It also recognized the National Grand Lodge of France without withdrawing recognition from the so-called Grand Lodge of France. Such action would be impossible under our Maine standards.

Fifty-one volumes of Proceedings are reviewed by Bro. J. Williamson Cook, Chairman of the Committee on Correspondence. Maine for 1953 is well covered. Tribute is paid to the services of R. W. Frank J. Cole, and two quotations are made from the address of Grand Master Benjamin W. Ela.

Bro. Frederic B. Blackburn was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Raymond N. Babcock was re-elected.

ENGLAND, 1954.

The Mother Grand Lodge held its usual Quarterly Communications in 1954. The Annual Investiture was held in London on April 28, with M. W. Bro. the Earl of Scarbrough, K. G., on the Throne. His own re-election as Grand Master was formally proclaimed, after which he announced the re-appointment of the Earl of Derby as Deputy Grand Master, and that of Major General Sir Allan Adair, Baronet, as Assistant Grand Master. The Earl Cadogan became Senior Grand Warden, and Colonel the Earl of Powis was designated as Junior Grand Warden. The Grand Secretary, Sir Sydney White, K. C. V. O., was re-appointed. The Rt. Rev. Lord Bishop of Birmingham and the Ven. Archdeacon of Gloucester were appointed Grand Chaplains. The Lord Mayor of London, Sir Noel Bowater, was created a Past Grand Warden.

At the beginning of the year, the Grand Lodge had 6,599 lodges on its register, 1,561 in London, 4,247 elsewhere in England and Wales, and 791 overseas. During the year, nine lodges became dormant and were erased

from the Grand Lodge roll. Four of these lodges were located in Japan, one in China, three in India, and one in Israel. As only one English lodge remains in Japan, the District Grand Lodge of Japan was dissolved. On the other hand, warrants were granted for fifty-one new lodges, located in England and Wales, Gambia, South Africa, Rhodesia and India.

The Grand Lodge mourns the death of two of its most distinguished members, Brigadier General W. H. V. Darell, C. B., C. M. G., D. S. O., Assistant Grand Master since 1937 and a Past Provincial Grand Master of Warwickshire, and Sir Trevor Matthews, President of the Board of Benevolence.

Several important overseas visitations were made during the year. Major R. L. Loyd, Past Grand Deacon, visited the District Grand Lodges in South America. The Assistant Grand Master, Sir Allan Adair, made an extensive journey to West Africa, South Africa and Rhodesia, traveling south by air and returning by sea. He visited every District Grand Lodge in the area, installed new District Grand Masters in Nigeria and Sierra Leone, consecrated new lodges in the Transvaal and Rhodesia, and laid the foundation stone of the new Masonic Temple in Johannesburg. The Grand Secretary, Sir Sydney White, made an official visit to the District Grand Lodge of Newfoundland, inspecting all English lodges in that Province. His visit co-incided with that made to the Scottish lodges in Newfoundland by the Earl of Elgin and Kincardine, Past Grand Master of Scotland.

The Board of General Purposes again warned all English Masons against the danger of inadvertently associating with unrecognized bodies while traveling overseas. No Masonic contacts should be made without previously checking with the Grand Secretary's office. The Board recommended that this warning be printed at least once a year in all lodge notices.

The Board of Benevolence granted relief to the amount of 53,375 pounds.

The name of the Colonial, Indian and Foreign Committee was changed to External Relations Committee.

Distinguished visitors from Western Australia, New South Wales and Queensland were in attendance at the September Quarterly.

The Grand Lodge was host to the annual Conference of British Grand Lodges, which met in London on October 20, 1954.

The Grand Lodges of England and Scotland have an arrangement for the reciprocal exchange of library and museum items. Under this arrangement, the Scottish Masonic regalia worn by His late Majesty, King George VI, has recently been on display in London.

We have watched with interest to see what action, if any, would be taken by the Mother Grand Lodge in regard to Germany and Israel. To date, no such action has been reported.

The Grand Master, the Rt. Hon. the Earl of Scarbrough, K. G., G. C. S. I., G. C. I. E., G. C. V. O., T. D., and the Grand Secretary, Sir Sydney White, K. C. V. O., remain in office.

FLORIDA, 1954.

The One Hundred Twenty-fifth Annual Communication,
Lodges, 263. Members, 55,977. Gain, 2,406.

The Grand Lodge met in Jacksonville on April 20-22, 1954. Grand Master James L. Mixson presided, and welcomed distinguished guests from Alabama and Virginia. Our Maine Representative, M. W. Bro. George Fish, was present.

The Grand Lodge mourned the death of its Deputy Grand Master, R. W. Bro. L. T. Lockwood. Masonic funeral services were conducted.

The Grand Master participated in the events of Masonic Week in Washington, visited the Grand Lodge of Georgia, and made many visitations in his own State. Six lodges were constituted, dispensations for five new lodges were issued, cornerstones for three new halls were laid, and two new halls were dedicated.

The Lodge System of Masonic Education has been inaugurated in Florida. Booklets for candidate instruction have been prepared by the Committee on Masonic Education, and an examination in these booklets is required of the candidate.

A club attached to a Grotto conducted public beano games in violation of Grand Lodge law. The Grand Master took appropriate action, as a result of which the games were discontinued and the club was dissolved.

This was an extremely busy communication. The Grand Lodge received its stone from the White House; adopted an official enumeration of the Landmarks; approved a new digest of Masonic law; authorized the establishment of Low Twelve Lodges, whose sole function will be the conducting of Masonic funerals; and refused to reduce the esoteric work to writing.

The National Grand Lodge of France was recognized.

Forty-four volumes of Proceedings were reviewed by the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, of which Wor. Bro. Thomas J. Price served as Chairman. Maine for 1953 was among the Jurisdictions reviewed. Grand Master Ela's address before the Grand Masters' Conference is noted. Our own Report is mentioned.

Bro. Thomas E. Taylor was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary George W. Huff was re-elected.

GEORGIA, 1953.

The One Hundred Sixty-seventh Annual Communication.
Lodges, 472. Members, 89,842. Gain, 3,452.

M. W. Bro. Henry L. Brown presided over the Annual Communication, which was held in Macon on October 27-28, 1953. Our Maine Representative, Bro. John A. Dunaway, was in attendance, as were distinguished visitors from Alabama, Connecticut, Florida, Louisiana, South Carolina and Virginia.

The Grand Master attended the Washington Conferences, visited Grand Lodge sessions in Alabama, Mississippi, Tennessee and Louisiana, and made some 200 visitations. Three lodges were constituted, one new lodge was instituted, and two new halls were dedicated. Cornerstones were laid for a Health Center, two Methodist Churches, one Baptist Church, and three Masonic Temples. One charter was surrendered.

The sum of \$1,750 was contributed to Holland flood relief. A special campaign raised the sum of \$22,833 for the hospital visitation work of the M. S. A.

Bro. Brown was well satisfied with the material condition of the Craft, but deplored the laxity of investigating committees in certain instances, the hurried conferring of the degrees, the solicitation of candidates for the appendant Orders before completion of the Blue Lodge work, the lack of ritualistic uniformity, and the prevalence of excessive roughness in the work.

At this communication, the Grand Lodge received its stone from the White House, adopted trial by commission, authorized the appointment of additional Assistant Custodians in each district, and enacted legislation requiring a unanimous ballot for reinstatement after suspension for non-payment of dues.

The Report on Foreign Correspondence was again presented by Wor. Bro. Walter B. Purse, with whom we have had several delightful personal conferences. Speaking of certain applications for recognition, he states: "It is unfortunate that the unsettled conditions existing in the world today make this Grand Jurisdiction conservative and in order to give consideration to these requests, their actions and basic principles must be carefully studied." On his recommendation, the National Grand Lodge of France was recognized.

Bro. Purse gives us another fine Foreword and reviews the Proceedings of fifty-six Jurisdictions. Our Maine doings in 1953 are well covered. Our observance of the Washington bi-centennial, the sesqui-centennial of Rising Virtue Lodge, our charitable expenditures, and our conservatism in regard to foreign recognitions are all noted. Our Grand Lecturer is quoted, and your Foreign Correspondent is credited with "a well written and interesting review."

Bro. Marshall A. Chapman was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Daniel W. Locklin was re-elected.

GEORGIA, 1954.

The One Hundred Sixty-eighth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 473. Members, 92,900. Gain, 3,058.

The Grand Lodge met in Macon on October 26-27, 1954. Grand Master Marshall A. Chapman presided, and welcomed distinguished guests from Alabama, Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, North Carolina and South

Carolina. Our Maine Representative, Bro., John A. Dunaway, was in attendance. The greetings of the City of Macon were extended by the Mayor, a member of the Fraternity.

The Grand Master traveled extensively in his own State, represented Georgia at the National Conferences and visited the sister Grand Lodges of Alabama, Tennessee, South Carolina and Idaho. Dispensations for two new lodges were issued. Two lodges were constituted and two new Temples were dedicated. Cornerstones were laid for two Baptist Churches, a hospital, a Boys' Club, a State Agricultural Laboratory, a State Judicial Building and two Masonic Temples. The charter of one lodge was surrendered.

During the year, a new edition of the Masonic Manual and Code was published.

An historical marker, honoring the memory of General Samuel Elbert, the last Provincial Grand Master of Georgia, was unveiled on the site of the Battle of Brier Creek, at which Bro. Elbert had commanded the American forces in 1779.

The Grand Lodge magazine, "*The Masonic Messenger*," continues to render outstanding service under the able editorship of Past Grand Master Dewey H. Wollstein.

The sum of \$300 was contributed to the restoration of the steeple of the Old North Church in Boston. An appropriation of \$1,200 was made to the work of the Educational and Historical Commission.

Applications for recognition were received from nine foreign bodies. In view of troubled world conditions and the conflicting claims of certain rival bodies, the Committee on Foreign Correspondence wisely recommended that no action be taken at the present time.

In his able Foreword, Foreign Correspondent Walter B. Purse stresses the need for the Masonic education of candidates, saying: "We must inform them of the history, traditions, and symbolism of Masonry, also its fight through the years for truth, decency and integrity. Show them what Masonry has to offer them, teach them what Masonry expects of them and what positions as Masons they will occupy in society."

Maine for 1954 is one of the many Jurisdictions reviewed by Bro. Purse. Grand Master Ela is quoted, and his many activities are noted. He describes our own Report as "an excellent word picture," and also says: "In the conservative policy on fraternal recognition which Maine endorses, he frankly states the conditions as they exist and affect the moral and fundamental principles of Freemasonry; particularly in the distraught world of today, when it seems caution is advisable to avoid later embarrassment." We thank Bro. Purse for an excellent Maine review.

Bro. George P. Whitman, Sr., was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Daniel W. Locklin was re-elected.

IDAHO, 1954.

The Eighty-eighth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 83. Members, 14,076. Gain, 191.

M. W. Bro. Angus Y. Bethune presided over the Annual Communication, which was held in Lewiston on September 21-23, 1954. Visiting dignitaries from Georgia, Utah, Nevada, Montana, British Columbia, Washington and Oregon were in attendance, as was Bro. Lewis L. Smith, Grand Representative of Maine.

The Grand Master attended the Washington Conferences, where he presided over the annual meeting of the M. S. A. He also participated in the Tri-State Conference, made forty-four official visits in his own State, and visited in California, Utah, Washington, Oregon, British Columbia, Montana and New York. He issued a circular letter dealing with so-called Masonic publications, and urged all lodges to support the polio drive and the hospital visitation work of the M. S. A. Two mountain-top meetings were authorized. One cornerstone was laid, and two new Temples were dedicated.

The sum of \$1,931 was contributed to the welfare work of the M. S. A.

In Idaho, the educational program centers around the activities of the Grand Master, the Grand Secretary, the Grand Lecturer and the D. D. G. M's. Educational meetings were held in every district. A new edition of the Monitor and Code was published. Many copies of Claudy's "Pocket Encyclopedia of Masonic Symbols" were sold to individual brethren. The Committee recommends that educational programs be conducted at lodge level, with local committees, programs prepared by local members, invited speakers, and lodge use of the "Short Talk Bulletins" of the M. S. A.

Legislation was adopted providing that the election of any candidate who fails to present himself for initiation within two years after such election shall be null and void.

Fraternal recognition was extended to the new Grand Lodge of the State of Israel.

On receiving the Idaho Proceedings, we turn first to the Report of the Fraternal Correspondent, M. W. Bro. Jay Glover Eldridge. His Forewords are always outstanding. That for 1954, entitled (in Latin) "Lift up Your Hearts," was one of the best, truly an inspirational gem. In another portion of his report, Bro. Eldridge suggests that these reports be used in lodge educational programs—an excellent suggestion. Maine (1954) is one of the Jurisdictions reviewed. Much space is given to Grand Master Ela's address, and quotation is made therefrom. Our cornerstone laying at Orrington is mentioned. No., Bro. Eldridge, the fact that our Orrington lodge is named for a living individual is not unique, although it certainly is unusual. Only last year, an Ontario lodge was named for M. W. Bro. W. J. Dunlop, the distinguished Grand Treasurer in that Jurisdiction. Bro. Eldridge found our Foreword and Special Reports

"highly interesting," and thinks that we "put up a good case for the very conservative position of Maine (apparently the most conservative of all our 49 Grand Lodges in the U. S. A.)." Naturally, however, he prefers the "middle of the road" position of his own Grand Lodge.

Bro. Larry W. Brainard was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Clyde I. Rush was re-elected.

INDIANA, 1954.

The One Hundred Thirty-seventh Year.

Lodges, 544. Members, 178,611. Gain, 3,340.

The M. W. Grand Master, Judge Newell A. Lamb, presided over the Annual Meeting, which was held in Indianapolis on May 18-19, 1954. Civic greetings were extended by the Mayor. Our veteran Grand Representative, M. W. Elmer F. Gay, was present, as were visiting dignitaries from South Carolina, Virginia, New York, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Kentucky, Ohio, Tennessee, Illinois, Michigan, Wisconsin, Iowa, Canada in Ontario and Kansas.

The Grand Master attended the events of Masonic Week in Washington, where Indiana's Grand Secretary was elected Secretary of the Grand Secretaries' Conference. Bro. Lamb made 103 official appearances, including visitations in Wisconsin, Iowa, Canada in Ontario, Ohio, Illinois, Kentucky, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, North Carolina and South Carolina. In South Carolina, he was decorated with the Albert Gallatin Mackey Medal. Two cornerstones were laid, and five new halls were dedicated.

M. W. Bro. Lamb issued an official letter dealing with factious balloting. He reprimanded one lodge failing to give the lectures as part of the degree work, and another for selling advertising space in its lodge bulletin. He held that a Senior Warden who had lost the power of speech as the result of an operation could legally be elected and installed as Worshipful Master.

A youth organization which is permitted to meet in a Masonic Temple planned to raise money by selling chances. The Grand Master ruled that such conduct was contrary both to civil and Masonic law, and that by so doing the organization concerned would forfeit its right to meet in Masonic apartments.

Last year, the Grand Lodge of Indiana inaugurated a new program of candidate instruction, known as the Mentor Plan. This program has many features in common with the plan now operating in Maine. Instructors, called Mentors, are appointed in each lodge, and a series of educational booklets has been published. In its first year of operation, this program has been enthusiastically received, and is now functioning efficiently in three-fourths of the Indiana lodges.

The Grand Master was pleased to note the high regard in which the Grand Lodge magazine "*The Indiana Freemason*" is held in other Jurisdictions.

Again, the Grand Lodge voted \$5,000 to the Washington Memorial and \$10,000 to the hospital work of the M. S. A.

The Grand Lodges of Iceland, Nuevo Leon, Norway and Finland were recognized.

M. W. Dwight L. Smith again reviews the Proceedings of sister Jurisdictions. As usual, he gives us a topical Foreword followed by brief jurisdictional reviews. Maine for 1953 is included.

Bro. Elmer C. Forks was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Dwight L. Smith was re-elected.

IOWA, 1954.

The One Hundred Tenth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 548. Members, 94,550. Gain, 803.

The Grand Lodge met in Sioux City on June 8-10, 1954. M. W. Charles B. Hayes presided, and welcomed distinguished visitors from Indiana, Illinois, Missouri and Minnesota. The Colors were posted by a Commandery escort. A civic welcome was extended by the Mayor, and the Grand Matron brought greetings from the O. E. S.

The Grand Master was outspoken in denouncing both chain letters and anonymous letters. A heavy smoker himself, he stated that he would no sooner think of smoking in lodge than in Church, and that he regarded smoking in lodge as being close to sacrilegious. We agree with him. Smoking in lodge is unknown in Maine, and we well remember what a shock it was to us when we first encountered this practice in another State.

Bro. Hayes ruled that a lodge could not attend a funeral clothed as Masons unless a Masonic funeral service was to be conducted. He also ruled that a Moslem candidate should be obligated on the Koran. The Jurisprudence Committee concurred, but rightly stressed the fact that, in such a case, the Holy Bible *must* remain open on the altar.

The Grand Master attended the Grand Masters' Conference, where he presented an outstanding paper on "Kipling—the Mason." He made some ninety visitations in his own State and visited the Grand Lodge of Missouri. One lodge was constituted under its charter, one new lodge was instituted, and three new halls were dedicated. The cornerstone of the new Masonic Library building was laid with impressive ceremonies. M. W. James F. Risher of South Carolina was the orator on this occasion. Cornerstones were also laid for a Memorial Library and a Masonic Temple.

Iowa has long been a leader in the field of Masonic education. This year, this tradition was well maintained. The Grand Lodge was again represented at the Midwest Conference on Masonic Education. Masonic Institutes were held throughout the State, at which diversified educational programs were presented. The speakers' bureau and the circulating library service were well patronized. Schools for lodge secretaries were held. The Iowa candidate booklets are deservedly popular, both within and without the State. The Grand Lodge of Montana has recently

purchased 2,000 of these booklets for use in that Jurisdiction. In addition to the candidate series, the Iowa Committee on Masonic Education publishes seven other educational booklets. The Iowa Grand Lodge Bulletin is the best publication of its kind reaching our desk. This year, the Grand Lodge appropriated \$9,000 for its educational program, and \$6,000 more for the publication of the Bulletin. Iowa certainly believes in Masonic education, and so do we!

This year, the Committee on Recognition recommended that the peculiar Iowa doctrine of presumptive recognition be abandoned. Recognition was extended to the Grand Lodges of Nuevo Leon and Piaui. A communication was received from the Grand Lodge of Chile, seeking to influence Iowa's action in regard to the rival Italian bodies. Such interference by one Grand Lodge in the affairs of another is, of course, highly improper and goes to show how little our American concepts of Masonic propriety are understood by some of these foreign bodies.

The sum of \$3,500 was voted to the hospital visitation work of the M. S. A.

At this communication, Grand Lodge dues were raised \$1.00 per annum, until such time as the indebtedness on the new Masonic Library building is paid.

The Fraternal Review was again from the able pen of Past Grand Master Ernest R. Moore. Bro. Moore is one of the most outstanding members of the Round Table and it is always a delight to read his reports. This year, he writes a beautiful little Foreword and reviews the Proceedings of seventy Jurisdictions. Maine for 1953 is included. Grand Master Ela's address is summarized, and his speech before the Grand Masters' Conference is described as being "notable in thought and expression." The passing of R. W. Frank J. Cole is noted. We thank M. W. Bro. Moore for his courteous reference to our own work. He credits us with "a thoughtful and beautifully expressed Foreword," and says of our reports: "To a Masonic student who would be widely informed they will prove invaluable."

Bro. Wilbur F. Earhart was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Earl B. Delzell was re-elected.

IRELAND, 1953.

The venerable Grand Lodge of Ireland held its usual communications in 1953. The March meeting was held in Limerick, this being the first time that the Grand Lodge had ever met in that city. The October meeting was, as usual, held in Belfast, and the June and December meetings were held in Dublin. Maine's Representative, R. W. Bro. James E. Radcliffe, was recorded as present.

At the June communication, an address of congratulations to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, on the occasion of her Coronation, was adopted.

The Deputy Grand Master, R. W. Frank A. Lowe, visited Irish lodges in Bermuda and Jamaica. He also headed a delegation which visited Ulster Lodge, No. 2972, E. C., in London. Accompanied by the Senior Grand Warden and the Assistant Grand Secretary, he represented Ireland at the Conference of British Grand Lodges which met in Edinburgh.

The reports of the Provincial Grand Masters are most encouraging. This is particularly true in the Northern Countries, where conditions can only be described as flourishing. In County Antrim alone there are 234 lodges with 20,500 members. In County Down we find 197 lodges with 16,000 members. Excellent reports are also received from the Irish military lodges attached to regiments in Her Majesty's Army.

Six new lodges were chartered during the year—two in County Antrim, two in County Down, one in Zululand, and one in Northern Rhodesia.

During 1953, the Grand Lodge was visited by brethren belonging to Irish lodges located in New Zealand, India, South Africa and Hong Kong.

R. W. Bro. Sir Basil McFarland, Bart., C. B. E., H. M. L., Provincial Grand Master for Londonderry and Donegal, paid high tribute to the memory of R. W. Bro. His Grace the Duke of Abercorn, K. G., K. P., formerly Governor of Northern Ireland and a Provincial Grand Master under the Grand Lodge of Ireland for forty years. His Grace was also a Past Grand Warden of the United Grand Lodge of England.

Another distinguished Irish Freemason who passed away during the year was V. W. Bro. Philip Crossle, one of the authors of the official history of the Grand Lodge of Ireland.

Fraternal recognition was extended to the Grand Lodge of Vienna for Austria. Relations with the Grand Lodge of Greece were resumed.

The sum of 150 pounds was contributed to Greek earthquake relief.

The Grand Master, M. W. Raymond F. Brooke, and the Grand Secretary, R. W. Henry C. Shellard, were re-elected.

KANSAS, 1954.

The Ninety-eighth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 441. Members, 98,386. Gain, 2,511.

The Annual Communication was held in Topeka on February 10-11, 1954. Grand Master Bruce Newton presided, and welcomed fraternal visitors from Missouri and Nebraska. Our Maine Representative was not present.

M. W. Bro. Newton attended the Grand Masters' Conference, visited the Grand Lodges of Colorado, Illinois, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska and Wyoming, and traveled 32,000 miles on the business of the Craft. One new lodge was constituted, and four new halls were dedicated. Cornerstones were laid for one Masonic Temple and two National Guard Armories.

While expressing his own disapproval of such a step, the Grand Master indicated his belief that many prominent Masons in the United States would like to see the Grand Masters' Conference develop into a General Grand Lodge! We are certainly not among them!

During the year, funds for the erection of a new Infirmary at the Masonic Home were raised.

A new educational booklet, the sixth in a series, was prepared by the Committee on Masonic Education. The official cipher has been carefully revised.

The sum of \$2,500 was again contributed to the endowment fund of the Washington Memorial.

The Committee on Foreign Relations discussed numerous applications for recognition, none of which were granted.

M. W. Otto R. Souders, Chairman of the Committee on Correspondence, again presented the report of that Committee, consisting of a brief Foreword and fifty-eight reviews. Maine for 1953 receives fraternal consideration. Grand Master Ela's address before the Grand Masters' Conference is noted, as is our visit by Wor. John D. Cunningham of Kansas. Your Correspondent is credited with a "very good" Foreword and an "excellent" review of Kansas.

Bro. Floyd S. Ecord was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Elmer F. Strain retired, and was elected Grand Secretary Emeritus. He is now commissioned to write the Grand Lodge History. He was succeeded by M. W. Bro. Arthur H. Strickland.

KENTUCKY, 1953.

The One Hundred Fifty-third Annual Communication.

Lodges, 469. Members, 92,601. Gain, 3,804.

M. W. Bro. Robert M. Sirkle presided over the Annual Communication, which was held in Louisville on October 20-22, 1953. The Colors were presented by two Master Sergeants from the Army, a Captain from the Marine Corps, and a Master Sergeant from the Air Force. General Wayne C. Smith, U. S. A., Charter Master of Fort Campbell Lodge, addressed the Grand Lodge. Masonic dignitaries from Indiana, Iowa, Missouri, North Carolina, Ohio, Tennessee, Wyoming, Virginia, Mississippi, Wisconsin and Oklahoma were in attendance.

Dr. Sirkle had an extremely busy year. He made a great number of visits in his own State, attended the Washington Conferences, and visited the Grand Lodges of Indiana, Ohio, Tennessee, Mississippi and Louisiana. One new lodge was instituted, one consolidation was effected, three dedications were held, and cornerstones were laid for the Shriners' Hospital for Crippled Children at Lexington, the new Grand Lodge office building at Louisville, the new hospital at the Old Masons' Home, two Masonic Temples, one Methodist Church, and one public school building.

The Grand Master issued Thanksgiving Day, Christmas and Easter messages to the Craft. He rendered thirty-five opinions, and made fifteen formal recommendations.

At this communication, the Grand Lodge received its stone from the White House; made the District Deputy system permanent; prohibited Sunday meetings except for religious services, funerals and cornerstone layings, and fixed minimum fees at \$30.00 and minimum dues at \$5.00.

It is interesting to note that the Grand Lodge of Kentucky has no standard or uniform work.

Fraternal relations with the Grand Lodge of Costa Rica were resumed. These were severed by Kentucky several years ago, as the result of a Scottish Rite dispute in that country. Fraternal recognition was extended to the National Grand Lodge of France and to the new Grand Lodge of the State of Israel.

An excellent Report on Foreign Correspondence was presented by Past Grand Master Charles A. Keith. In his Foreword, he gives us a thorough survey of Masonic conditions throughout the world, and also discusses such domestic problems as Masonic education and youth activities. The Proceedings of sixty Jurisdictions are reviewed, Maine for 1952 being among them. Grand Master Landier is quoted, and fraternal reference is made to our own Report.

Bro. C. Frye Haley, who is the Grand Representative of Maine near the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Al E. Orton was re-elected.

LOUISIANA, 1954.

The One Hundred Forty-third Annual Communication.

Lodges, 262. Members, 46,506. Gain, 1,500.

The Annual Communication was held in New Orleans on February 8-9, 1954, with M. W. Bro. Alex L. Stephens in the Grand East. Our Maine Representative, Bro. John R. Smith, Jr., was present, as were distinguished visitors from Alabama, Colorado, Illinois, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Tennessee, Florida, Texas, Arkansas and the District of Columbia. A Marine escort presented the Colors.

The Grand Master was much disturbed by the laxity shown by committees of investigation. In one case, a lodge accepted a man who had not lived in Louisiana for more than six years!

Bro. Stephens attended the Washington Conferences, visited the Grand Lodges of Illinois and Georgia, and made 116 visitations in his own State. Four lodges were constituted, four new lodges were instituted, five halls were dedicated, and seven cornerstones were laid.

The Committee on Masonic Education has prepared a set of four booklets for the use of candidates and a handbook for lodge officers.

The Grand Secretary, R. W. Bro. D. Peter Laguens, Jr., was elected President of the Masonic Relief Association of the United States and Canada. The next meeting of this Association will be held in New Orleans.

At this communication, an ambassador from the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia presented Louisiana's stone from the White House. An attempt to increase the Grand Lodge per capita tax was defeated.

The Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence was presented by its Chairman, M. W. Bro. Robert W. Cretney. This report is principally concerned with a discussion of recent developments in Israel, France and Mexico. In keeping with Louisiana traditions, its tone is extremely liberal. It gives certain detailed information in regard to the Mexican mess which confirms our belief that those Mexican Grand Lodges tributary to the National Confederation are lacking in essential elements of Masonic sovereignty. We are informed that the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico was threatened with expulsion from the Confederation if it failed to sever its inter-visitation agreement with the York Grand Lodge. We would like to see any Conference or Confederation attempt to dictate to the Grand Lodge of Maine on a matter of this kind!

Bro. Clarence Beasley was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary D. P. Laguens, Jr., was re-elected.

MANITOBA, 1954.

The Seventy-ninth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 115. Members, 15,176. Gain, 292.

The Grand Master-Elect, Bro. Harry H. Gray, was sick in hospital at the time of the 1953 Communication. He was finally installed at a Special Communication held on August 19, 1953. The Grand Master of North Dakota was present at this ceremony.

Ten months later, M. W. Bro. Gray presided over the Annual Communication, which was held in Winnipeg on June 2-3, 1954. Maine's Representative, R. W. Bro. W. D. Harper, was present. Distinguished guests, hailing from Alberta, Saskatchewan, Canada in Ontario, Minnesota, Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota and Virginia, were piped into the hall under escort of a Guard of Honor composed of members of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police. The Union Jack and the Stars and Stripes were also presented by a Mounted Police detail, commanded by Sergeant-Major John E. Primrose, R. C. M. P.

The state of his health forced the Grand Master to curtail somewhat his planned activities. However, he did manage to participate in the Washington Conferences, to attend all district meetings, to visit the Grand Lodge of Minnesota, and to make several important appearances in his own Province. Two lodges were constituted, two new lodges were instituted, and three new lodge rooms were officially opened.

Manitoba is active in educational work. Area meetings are held, at which educational programs are presented. A booklet, entitled "*The Master's Assistant*," is presented to all lodges. The Grand Lodge magazine reaches all Manitoba Masons. A speakers bureau and a circulating library service are maintained. A committee is now exploring further fields of educational service.

No new recognitions were granted this year.

The Masonic Reviews are again the work of R. W. Bro. Hugh M. Kerr. Maine is not among the Jurisdictions quoted.

Bro. John R. C. Evans, a college president, is the new Grand Master in Manitoba. Grand Secretary Thomas C. Jackson was re-elected.

MARYLAND, 1953.

The One Hundred Sixty-seventh Annual Communication.

Lodges, 126. Members, 43,971. Gain, 632.

M. W. Bro. John D. Hospelhorn presided over the Annual Communication, which was held in Baltimore on November 17-18, 1953. Masonic dignitaries from Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Virginia, New Jersey, Connecticut, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Delaware, Ohio, District of Columbia, Indiana, Michigan and Canada in Ontario were in attendance, as was Bro. Howard E. Stewart, Grand Representative of Maine. His Excellency, Bro. Theodore R. McKeldin, Governor of the Free State of Maryland, addressed the Grand Lodge.

The Grand Master attended the National Conferences. A bronze bust of General Thomas J. Shryock, Grand Master of Maryland for thirty-three years and the first President of the G. W. M. N. M. A., was presented to that Association. Bro. Hospelhorn also visited the sister Jurisdictions of Pennsylvania, Virginia, New Jersey, Canada in Ontario and Ohio. He presided over the usual semi-annual communication and over special communications held to celebrate the 125th anniversary of the laying of the first stone of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad by the Grand Lodge of Maryland, and to conduct Masonic funeral services for R. W. Bro. Wilbur F. Skillman.

The Grand Master was obliged to note certain violations of Masonic law by bodies which predicate their membership on Masonry. Some of these violations involved a disregard for the Sabbath, while others defied the Grand Lodge law against gambling in any form. The Grand Master took a strong stand on both questions, and, on his recommendation, the Grand Lodge adopted new Standing Regulations more thoroughly covering the same.

The sum of \$250 was contributed to Holland flood relief. Contributions of \$500 each were made to the American Red Cross, the Salvation Army, and to two local charities.

The Grand Lodge received its stone from the White House. Several constitutional amendments were adopted, including one which changed the close of the fiscal year. A liability insurance program was adopted. A speakers' bureau was established.

Fraternal recognition was extended to the United Grand Lodge of Germany and the Grand Lodge of Piaui, denied to the Grand Lodge of Sao Paulo, and withdrawn from the Grand Lodge of Trieste, which has ceased to exist as a sovereign Masonic power.

Grand Master John D. Hospelhorn and Grand Secretary Claud Shaffer were re-elected.

There is no Fraternal Review.

MASSACHUSETTS, 1953.

The Two Hundred Twenty-first Stated Communication.

Lodges, 332. Members, 124,164. Gain, 2,741.

M. W. Thomas S. Roy, D. D., presided over the Annual Stated Communication, which was held in Boston on December 28, 1953, and which was followed by the traditional celebration of the Feast of St. John the Evangelist. M. W. Benjamin W. Ela, Grand Master of Masons in Maine, was among the distinguished visitors who were present, others hailing from South Carolina, New Jersey, Maryland, New Hampshire, Connecticut, Vermont, Rhode Island, Delaware, Ohio, Indiana, Canada in Ontario and Nova Scotia. Bro. the Hon. Sumner J. Whittier, Acting Governor of the Commonwealth, was in attendance, as was the R. W. Leverett Saltonstall, United States Senator from Massachusetts.

The usual Quarterly Communications were held in March, June, September and December. In addition, sixteen special communications were held. One of the most interesting of these meetings was that held to commemorate the fiftieth anniversary of M. W. Melvin M. Johnson as Worshipful Master of Monitor Lodge, Waltham. One new lodge was constituted, and one hall was dedicated.

The outstanding event of the year was the visit to South America made by the Grand Master. The primary purpose of this trip was to visit officially the three Massachusetts lodges in Chile, and to assist the oldest of these lodges in celebrating its centennial. En route, M. W. Bro. Roy also visited the Grand Orient of the State of Rio de Janeiro in Brazil, the English lodge in Montevideo, the English District Grand Lodge for the Southern District of South America at Buenos Aires, the Grand Lodge of Argentina, the Grand Lodge of Chile, the Scottish District in Peru, the *de facto* Grand Lodge of Peru (Sotomayor group), the Massachusetts District Grand Lodge in the Canal Zone, the Grand Lodge of Panama, and the Grand Lodge of Costa Rica. While on this trip, Dr. Roy preached in several Protestant Churches.

In addition, the Grand Master attended the Washington Conferences and visited the sister Jurisdictions of Louisiana, Minnesota, North Carolina, South Carolina, New York, Indiana, Georgia, Nova Scotia, Canada in Ontario, New Brunswick, Maryland and Pennsylvania.

Bro. Roy was obliged to remove one Secretary from office for inefficiency, to condemn the laxity shown by certain investigating committees, and to warn against the use of liquor at Masonic parties!

Massachusetts received its stone from the White House at the September Quarterly.

At the time of the Worcester tornado, the sum of \$75,000 was made available for Masonic relief.

Several proposed amendments to the constitution were rejected.

Fraternal recognition was extended to the Grand Lodge of Iceland, the Grand Lodge of Israel, and the Grand Orient of the State of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

The principal speaker at the Feast of St. John the Evangelist was Bro. Harold C. Case, President of Boston University.

Bro. Whitfield W. Johnson was elected and installed as Grand Master of Masons in Massachusetts. Grand Secretary Earl W. Taylor was re-elected.

There is no Correspondence Report.

MEXICO (York Grand Lodge), 1953.

The Ninety-third Annual Communication.

Lodges, 10. Members, 611. Gain, 32.

M. W. Bro. George P. Friedmann presided over the Annual Communication, which was held in Mexico City on April 2, 1953. A distinguished visitor from Colorado was in attendance. M. W. Bro. Jacob Stump, Grand Representative of Maine, was present.

The Grand Master visited all constituent lodges. Masonic funeral services were conducted for M. W. Bro. Fred T. Berger, Past Grand Master and Grand Secretary Emeritus. Publication of the official Grand Lodge magazine, "The York Rite Trestle Board," has been resumed. Grand Lodge finances are in a sound condition and the membership gain was the largest in several years.

The Report of the Committee on Foreign Relations, in topical form, was presented by its Chairman, M. W. Bro. Sidney Ulfelder. Bro. Ulfelder is a strong advocate of a conservative foreign policy. Our Maine stand is noted, with which he expresses his agreement.

The events reported in these Proceedings took place before the difficulties with the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico and the National Confederation developed. We assure the York Grand Lodge of our sympathy.

Bro. Virgil E. Metcalfe was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Cantwell C. Brown was re-elected.

MEXICO (York Grand Lodge), 1954.

The Ninety-fourth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 10. Members, 609. Loss, 2.

The Annual Communication was held in Mexico City on April 15, 1954. Grand Master Virgil E. Metcalfe presided. Our Maine Representative, M. W. Bro. Jacob Stump, was in attendance, as was a guest from the Grand Lodge of Colorado.

Accompanied by M. W. Bros. Walter S. Turnpaugh and Sidney Ulfelder, the Grand Master attended the Grand Masters' Conference in Washington, D. C., while Grand Secretary Cantwell C. Brown participated in the Grand Secretaries' Conference. In a joint communication of Toltec Lodge, No. 1, and Anahuac Lodge, No. 3, M. W. Bro. Metcalfe welcomed the Grand Master and Grand Secretary of California, on a fraternal visit to the York Grand Lodge.

Despite its unfortunate experience with the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico, the York Grand Lodge continues its endeavors to negotiate treaties of union with other Mexican bodies. We will watch developments with much interest.

A new Committee on Policy and Purposes was established. The salary of the Grand Secretary was raised to \$1,500.

An attempt to have the fraternal reviews written by the Grand Representatives of the Jurisdictions concerned ended in failure and has been abandoned.

Bro. William Webber was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Brown was not a candidate for re-election, and was succeeded by Bro. C. E. De Vries.

MICHIGAN, 1954.

The One Hundred Tenth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 531. Members, 169,118. Gain, 2,916.

M. W. Bro. Horace B. Whyte presided over the Annual Communication, which was held in Grand Rapids on May 25-26, 1954. Maine's Representative was absent, but distinguished guests from Canada in Ontario, Wisconsin, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Maryland and Massachusetts were in attendance.

The Grand Master wrote congratulatory birthday letters to some fifteen Michigan brethren who have been Masons for seventy years or more. In addition to his local visitations, the Grand Master paid fraternal visits to the Grand Lodges of Canada in Ontario and Ohio. Four lodges were consecrated and constituted, two cornerstones were laid, and two new Temples were dedicated.

Bro. Whyte rules that the Square and Compasses could not be used for business purposes, and that black cubes could not be substituted for black balls in the ballot box.

At this communication, the Grand Lodge received its marked Masonic stone from the White House. After prolonged discussion, a proposed expansion program at the Masonic Home, to have been financed by a \$2.00 assessment for three years, was defeated. Attempts to raise the Grand Secretary's salary and to increase mileage and per diem also failed to win Grand Lodge approval.

The sum of \$5,000 was again appropriated for the hospital visitation work of the M. S. A.

The Michigan Service and Education Committee was represented at the Midwest Conference at Chicago. This Committee has two major activities—the publication of educational booklets and the supplying of speakers for Masonic functions throughout the State. A new Secretary's Handbook is now being prepared.

The Grand Lodge of Michigan had previously recognized the so-called Grand Lodge of Israel. On recommendation of the Committee on Fraternal Relations, this recognition was transferred to the new Grand Lodge of the State of Israel. The Committee discussed numerous other bodies, but no other recommendations for recognition were made.

Bro. Howard L. Taylor was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Charles T. Sherman was re-elected.

There is no Report on Correspondence.

MINNESOTA, 1954.

The One Hundred First Annual Communication.

Lodges, 290. Members, 66,188. Gain, 1,181.

The Annual Communication was held in St. Paul on March 17-18, 1954, with M. W. Herman T. Olson in the Chair. Maine's Representative was absent, but fraternal visitors from Indiana, Illinois, Wisconsin, Manitoba, Canada in Ontario, Saskatchewan, Iowa, South Dakota, North Dakota and Montana were in attendance. The Colors of the United States and Canada were saluted.

The Grand Master ruled that a lodge could not pay the bills of a DeMolay Chapter, and that a lodge could not participate in a civic parade. He held that blindness was no bar to re-instatement, but that an application from a South Korean student who was not an America citizen and who did not intend to reside here should be refused. He also ruled that a lodge could legally rent a hall which was also rented by the Knights of Columbus, but advised the lodge to make other arrangements.

M. W. Bro. Olson made some fifty visitations in his own State, attended the Grand Masters' Conference at Washington and the Western Canadian Conference at Banff, and also visited in Manitoba, Wisconsin, Ontario, Iowa, North Dakota and Illinois. Cornerstones were laid for a public library and a new Masonic Temple.

A new Grand Lodge publication, "*The Minnesota Mason*," was successfully launched during the year. A new cipher ritual was issued. Minnesota was again represented at the Midwest Conference on Masonic Education.

The Grand Lodge mourns the death of Past Grand Master Herman Held.

At this communication, the Grand Lodge increased its annual per capita tax from \$2.00 to \$2.50, authorized the sponsorship of DeMolay Chapters by lodges, provided for the collection of \$1.00 for the Washington Memorial from each candidate, and granted charters to two new lodges.

Fraternal recognition was extended to the United Grand Lodge of Germany, the National Grand Lodge of France and the Grand Lodge of Piaui.

Bro. LeRoy E. Matson was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary John H. Anderson retired under the Minnesota pension plan, and was succeeded by M. W. Bro. John B. Tomhave.

This year there is no Correspondence Report.

MISSISSIPPI, 1954.

The One Hundred Thirty-sixth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 313. Members, 46,604. Gain, 1,464.

M. W. Bro. Lawrence C. Corban presided over the Annual Grand Communication, which was held in Biloxi on February 9-10, 1954. Distinguished guests from Alabama, Illinois, District of Columbia, Georgia, Tennessee, Louisiana and Ohio were in attendance.

Bro. Corban addressed the Grand Masters' Conference. He also visited the Grand Lodge of Illinois and traveled 30,000 miles in his own State. In his many talks, he urged the brethren to live in such a manner as to bring credit to the Fraternity, to take an active part in church work, and to see that Masonic buildings are kept attractive in appearance. Two new lodges were constituted, two halls were dedicated, and three cornerstones were laid.

Maine joins with Mississippi in mourning the death of M. W. Bro. J. Rice Williams, Grand Master in 1912 and Grand Lecturer since 1915—a period of thirty-eight years. Masonic funeral services were conducted by the Grand Lodge.

Bro. Williams' last message to the Craft was personally delivered at this communication by his widow.

At this communication, the Grand Lodge received its stone from the White House, was addressed by the Grand Matron of the O. E. S., and elected General John R. Hodge, U. S. A. (Ret.), an Honorary Member of the Grand Lodge of Mississippi.

Fraternal recognition was extended to the Grand Lodge of Argentina. Action in regard to Piaui was deferred.

The Committee on Masonic Education and Research reported a very productive year, with the greater part of its assignment being accomplished. An informative statement regarding Masonry was prepared, which is now printed on the back of the Montana Petition for the Degrees. A speaker's roster has been compiled, with available speakers listed from all districts. A set of four candidate booklets, based upon those used in Iowa, has been prepared, and is now available to lodges at twenty cents per set. At this communication, the lodge Instructor, who in Montana has charge of ritualistic coaching, was relieved of responsibility for non-ritualistic education. A special committee in each lodge will now have charge of this work.

A check for \$4,714 was presented to M. W. Bro. Claudy for the M. S. A.

The Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence was presented by its Chairman, Grand Chaplain George S. Sloan. In considering applications for recognition, Bro. Sloan always asks two questions: "Does the applicant really need recognition by Montana?" and "Does Montana really need to establish fraternal relations with this particular applicant?" Because of the confused conditions now existing, he recommended that no action be taken on any pending application.

Jurisdictional reviews are prepared by the Grand Representatives of the Jurisdictions concerned. Accordingly, Maine's review for 1954 is from the pen of Bro. A. F. Milham.

Bro. Earl S. Bardwell was elected Grand Master. M. W. Bro. Byron F. Gaither was elected Grand Secretary.

NEBRASKA, 1954.

The Ninety-seventh Annual Communication.

Lodges, 275. Members, 44,972. Gain, 685.

The Grand Lodge met in Omaha on June 8-9, 1954. M. W. Fay Smith, M. D., was in the Chair. The National and State Colors were presented by a Commandery escort. Distinguished guests from New Jersey, Missouri and Colorado were in attendance.

The Grand Master attended the Washington Conferences. He also addressed the Masonic Relief Association of the United States and Canada, visited the Grand Lodges of Missouri, Illinois and Colorado, and made numerous local appearances. He conducted Masonic funeral services for Past Grand Masters Edwin D. Crites and John R. Tapster. One new hall was dedicated, and cornerstones were laid for two new Temples and for a manual arts building at the Omaha Home for Boys.

M. W. Bro. Smith reprimanded a Master whose conduct had brought unfavorable publicity to his lodge. He denounced chain letters. He ruled that a lodge could not rent the first floor of its property for use as a pool room, and that Masons who are members of a group which owns a business block would be subject to charges if any portion of that block were rented to a liquor store. He also held that the members of an affiliated

organization could not wear the distinctive headdress of that organization within the tyled precincts of a Masonic lodge, as only the Master can be covered.

Nebraska adheres to the perfect youth doctrine, and the Grand Master's decisions in regard to physical qualifications are in keeping with that doctrine. An attempt to liberalize physical qualifications was, on recommendation of the Jurisprudence Committee, ruled out of order, as being an attempt to abrogate a Landmark. In Nebraska, the perfect youth doctrine is regarded as a Landmark.

Four very successful area meetings were held under the auspices of the Committee on Masonic Education. A reprint of the Nebraska candidate booklets was authorized. These booklets are well received in most lodges, but the Committee feels that it still has an educational job to do in certain lodges where full use of the booklets is not being made. The sum of \$1,800 was appropriated for educational work.

The purchase of comprehensive liability insurance was authorized.

The National Grand Lodge of France, the United Grand Lodge of Germany, the Grand Lodge of Argentina and the Grand Lodge of the State of Israel were recognized.

The Report on Foreign Correspondence was again prepared by M. W. William B. Wanner. This report, in topical form, makes interesting reading.

Bro. Charles F. Adams was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Carl R. Greisen was re-elected.

NEVADA, 1954.

The Ninetieth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 27. Members, 5,034. Gain, 173.

M. W. Bro. Carl O. Gelmstedt presided over the Annual Grand Lodge session, which was held in Lovelock on June 10-11, 1954. The Flag of the United States was formally received and saluted. Distinguished visitors from Arizona, California and Idaho were in attendance, as was Bro. Frank Woodliff, Grand Representative of Maine.

With pleasure, the Grand Master announced that Nevada's membership had passed the 5,000 mark for the first time. He called for especial efforts to improve lodge attendance, and urged support for the Order of DeMolay. He visited every constituent lodge, installed the officers of fifteen lodges, and made fraternal visits in California, Idaho and Arizona. He issued a dispensation for one new lodge. Cornerstones were laid for a State office building and for three public school buildings.

Under proclamation of the Grand Master, Public Schools Week was again observed in Nevada.

Masonic funeral services for Past Grand Master Scott E. Jameson were conducted by the Grand Lodge.

For the purposes of Masonic education, the State has been divided into zones, and local leaders for each zone have been appointed. A speakers bureau is being organized, and arrangements are being made to provide tape recordings of outstanding addresses for use when speakers cannot be present in person.

Recognition was denied to two applicants, because they "were not working in harmony with other Grand Lodges already recognized by us and working in the same territory."

M. W. Bro. E. C. Peterson reviews the Proceedings of sixty-one Jurisdictions in his usual efficient and happy manner. Our Maine doings in 1953 receive courteous and fraternal treatment. Grand Master Ela's address before the Grand Masters' Conference is mentioned, and his remarks in regard to chain letters are quoted. The death of R. W. Frank J. Cole is noted. The presence of the R. C. M. P. degree team at Bangor is reported. Bro. Peterson is kind enough to credit your Correspondent with "a thought provoking foreword" and with "a splendid review" of Nevada.

Bro. Hugh M. Wilson was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary E. C. Peterson was re-elected.

NEW BRUNSWICK, 1954.

The Eighty-seventh Annual Communication.

Lodges, 46. Members, 8,855. Gain, 203.

The Annual Communication was held in the City of St. John on May 27, 1954, with the M. W. Ralph T. Pearson on the Throne. A Service of Thanksgiving was conducted by the Grand Chaplain. M. W. Paul L. Powers, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Maine, was in attendance, as were other distinguished visitors from the Jurisdictions of Massachusetts and Nova Scotia. Maine's Representative was absent.

In his annual address, M. W. Bro. Pearson stated that his principal endeavor had been to make each New Brunswick lodge a more friendly place of meeting. He denounced the chain letter folly, discussed current world conditions, and stressed the need for fortitude in facing the manifold problems of the present day.

Accompanied by the Grand Secretary, he participated in the Washington Conferences. He made several official appearances in his own Province, personally installed the officers of five lodges, and paid visits to two affiliated groups in the State of Maine.

A new reprint of the official cipher ritual has been issued. At this communication, certain minor changes in the esoteric work were adopted. Honorary Membership in the Grand Lodge of New Brunswick, with rank of Past Grand Master, was conferred upon M. W. Whitfield W. Johnson, Grand Master of Massachusetts.

Grand Master Ralph T. Pearson was re-elected. Grand Secretary Robert D. Magee remains in office.

There is no Correspondence Report.

NEWFOUNDLAND (E. C.), 1954.

The Eighty-third Annual Communication.

Lodges, 18. Members, 2,139. Gain, 51.

The Annual Communication of the English District Grand Lodge was held in St. John's on April 27, 1954. The District Grand Master, R. W. Bro. George R. Williams, M. B. E., was in the Chair.

During the year, Bro. Williams made many visitations to his own lodges, and also enjoyed fraternal contacts with the brethren of the Scottish Constitution. He installed the officers of ten lodges, and also attended four other installations, the laying of a foundation stone and the dedication of a Scottish Temple. The usual Masonic Church Service was conducted.

The outstanding Masonic event of the year was the Masonic Conference for educational purposes held in St. John's on October 13-15, 1953. Delegations from every lodge in the District were present. Wor. Bro. F. R. Clark presided. An address was delivered by the District Grand Master, and educational papers were presented by the President of the Board of General Purposes, the District Grand Secretary, the District Grand Treasurer, the President of the Board of Benevolence, and other selected brethren. Full discussion followed each paper. A banquet was served by the local ladies. The Conference was a great success, and will be repeated.

The District Grand Master is, of course, permanent. His Deputy, the Hon. John Stewart Currie, felt obliged to retire, after more than fifty years of active service to the Craft. He was succeeded by Wor. Bro. Joseph Crocker. The District Grand Secretary, Wor. Bro. A. G. Miles, remains in office.

NEW HAMPSHIRE, 1954.

The One Hundred Sixty-fifth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 81. Members, 16,632. Gain, 231.

M. W. Walter E. Dunlap presided over the Annual Communication, which was held in Manchester on May 19, 1954. The Grand Master of Masons in Maine, M. W. Paul L. Powers, was among those present. So was R. W. Parke F. Weeks, our Grand Representative near the Grand Lodge of New Hampshire. Other distinguished guests came from the Grand Lodges of Nova Scotia, District of Columbia, Vermont, Rhode Island, Connecticut, Maryland, New Jersey, Virginia and Massachusetts.

M. W. Bro. Dunlap was an honored guest at the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Maine. He also visited the Grand Lodges of Vermont, Delaware, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, Connecticut and New Jersey, represented his Grand Lodge at the Washington Conferences, and made some forty official visitations in his own State. The work of the three degrees was exemplified at the Semi-Annual Communication, at

which one of the Claudy plays was also presented. The usual District Lodges of Instruction were held.

At a special communication, the Grand Lodge accompanied by several of its subordinates and by our own Naval Lodge, No. 184, of Kittery, Maine, attended service at St. John's Episcopal Church in Portsmouth, after which the cornerstone of the new Parish House was laid with Masonic rites. The principal speaker was the Rt. Rev. Bro. Charles Francis Hall, Episcopal Bishop of New Hampshire, who noted the long and intimate connection between this old Church and the Masonic Fraternity. The cornerstone of the present edifice was laid by the Grand Lodge of New Hampshire in 1807, and the Masons of Portsmouth have observed St. John the Baptist's Day by attending the services of this Church for no less than 198 years!

The Grand Master attended a birthday party honoring Bro. Alfred D. Nute, 100 years of age and a Master Mason for seventy-nine years. The Jeremy L. Cross Medal was presented to Bro. Nute.

Two of the Grand Master's dispensations are of especial interest. He allowed one lodge to have a float in a Labor Day parade. Another lodge was permitted to confer the Master Mason degree on the summit of Mt. Washington. The Grand Master had no patience with chain letters, properly ordering them into the waste basket.

Many educational meetings have been held by the lodges. A re-print of the four candidate booklets has been authorized.

M. W. Bro. Carl H. Claudy addressed the Grand Lodge. The fifty-cent assessment for the hospital work of the M. S. A. was continued.

Our Maine Proceedings for 1953 were among those reviewed by M. W. Bro. J. Melvin Dresser. Apparently, this is Bro. Dresser's last Report. We must express our deep regret at his retirement from the Round Table, at which he has for so long filled a most distinguished place. Along with his many other readers throughout the Masonic world, who have learned to know and to love him from his writings, we will miss his excellent Reports greatly. We are deeply moved by Bro. Dresser's final reference to our own work.

Grand Master Walter E. Dunlap was re-elected. New Hampshire's beloved Grand Secretary, M. W. Bro. J. Melvin Dresser, found it necessary to resign. He was elected Grand Secretary Emeritus, and resolutions of appreciation for his work were adopted. M. W. Bro. Harold O. Cady was elected Grand Secretary.

NEW JERSEY, 1954.

The One Hundred Sixty-seventh Annual Communication.

Lodges, 283. Members, 101,486. Gain, 2,216.

The Grand Lodge met in Atlantic City on April 21-22, 1954. Our Maine Representative, M. W. Bro. Franklin E. Pellegrin, was in attendance, as were invited guests from Massachusetts, Virginia, New York,

Maryland, New Hampshire, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Vermont, Delaware, Ohio, District of Columbia, Indiana, Illinois and Canada in Ontario. Grand Master John C. Barbour was in the East.

New Jersey was very prominent at the National Conferences. A magnificent pipe-organ, costing \$50,000 and the gift of New Jersey Masons, was formally presented to the Washington Memorial by the Grand Master. The first public recital on this instrument was given by New Jersey's Grand Organist, Bro. J. Reuben Budd. R. W. Isaac Cherry, Grand Secretary of New Jersey since 1917, was elected President of the Grand Secretaries' Association.

M. W. Bro. Barbour began his administration by attending Church officially. In the course of the year, he visited the Grand Lodges of Canada in Ontario, Delaware, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts and Connecticut. He laid the cornerstone of one new Masonic Temple. A special communication of Grand Lodge was held to celebrate the 175th Anniversary of the Battle of Monmouth and to commemorate the laying of the cornerstone of the Battle Monument by the Grand Lodge in 1878.

The Grand Historian, R. W. Charles S. Elliott, was in London for the Coronation of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. He attended a Quarterly Communication of the United Grand Lodge of England, and also visited numerous lodges in England and Scotland.

The principal speaker at the Feast of St. John the Evangelist was M. W. Benjamin W. Ela, Grand Master of Masons in Maine.

Two Past Grand Masters, Bros. W. Stanley Naughtright and Martin J. Dietz, passed away during the year. Both were interred with Masonic rites.

New Jersey publishes a Grand Lodge magazine, called "*Masonic Information*." This has a circulation of 16,000, and is mailed to all lodge officers and Past Masters, with a few extra copies for other brethren.

The Grand Lodges of Iceland and Piaui were recognized.

The Proceedings of seventy-two Jurisdictions were reviewed by the Committee on Correspondence. Maine for 1953 receives fraternal treatment at the hands of M. W. Bro. Walter S. Gray, Committee Chairman. Grand Master Ela's address is summarized, the passing of M. W. Bro. Harold H. Murchie is noted, and courteous mention is made of our own Report.

Bro. Alfred Rowe was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Isaac Cherry was re-elected.

NEW MEXICO, 1954.

The Seventy-seventh Annual Communication.

Lodges, 59. Members, 12,717. Gain, 535.

The Grand Lodge met in Tucumcari on March 22-23, 1954. M. W. Rhea M. De Oliveira was in the Grand East. A welcome was extended

to fraternal visitors from Colorado, Oklahoma, Texas and New Jersey. Maine's Representative, R. W. George H. Hoopes, was on duty.

The Grand Master was in Washington for the events of Masonic week. He visited every lodge in New Mexico, but made no visitations outside the State. A special communication of Grand Lodge was held, at which Masonic funeral services were conducted for Past Grand Master John W. Turner.

We note that an educational booklet is mailed to each newly raised Master Mason from the Grand Secretary's office. A new supply of these booklets has been authorized.

At this communication, New Mexico's stone from the White House was presented. The five cent per capita contribution to the hospital work of the M. S. A. was continued.

The Grand Lodge of the State of Israel was recognized.

Forty-nine volumes of Proceedings were reviewed by the Committee on Foreign Correspondence. Our Maine review for 1953 is by the Chairman, M. W. John Milne. Grand Master Ela is quoted in regard to chain letters, and quotations are also made from our Correspondence Report.

Bro. C. Roy Smith was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Chandler C. Thomas was re-elected.

NEW SOUTH WALES, 1954.

The Sixty-sixth Annual Report.

Lodges, 823. Members, 129,093. Gain, 3,053.

The Grand Master, His Excellency Lieutenant General Sir John Northcott, presided over the Quarterly Communications held in September and December of 1953 and in March and June of 1954. Two special communications were also held.

Fifteen new lodges were consecrated during the year. A new building at the Frank Whiddon Masonic Homes was dedicated, and a portrait of the late M. W. Bro. Whiddon was unveiled at the same time. One foundation stone was laid, and one new Temple was dedicated. Despite his official duties as Governor of the State, the Grand Master found time for a considerable number of Masonic visitations. Many other such visitations were made by the Pro Grand Master and other senior Grand Officers.

As Governor, the Grand Master welcomed Her Majesty the Queen on her arrival at Sydney, and accompanied her on her tour of New South Wales. On behalf of the Grand Lodge, he presented a loyal address to Her Majesty. An address of fraternal greetings was also presented to Bro. H. R. H. the Duke of Edinburgh. The Grand Master was honored by Her Majesty by being created a Knight Commander of the Royal Victorian Order. The Grand Lodge officially congratulated him on this honor.

The sum of 1,950 pounds was contributed by the brethren of New South Wales to the Westminster Abbey Appeal Fund.

The Grand Inspector of Workings warned investigating committees as to the seriousness of their responsibility. He also called for greater care in maintaining decorum during degree work.

In New South Wales, the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is elected. The Report of this Committee was presented at the June Quarterly by its Chairman, R. W. Bro. Eric A. Peisley. We quote: "Freemasonry is making remarkable progress throughout the English-speaking world, increasing rapidly in numbers and in influence. Its high reputation for benevolence and beneficence has been well maintained, and its leaders are striving earnestly to make it the means whereby all that is best in its members may be so encouraged that the effects of its teachings shall be constantly exemplified in their daily lives."

The Proceedings of forty-five Jurisdictions are carefully reviewed. Maine for 1953 gets a good report. Quotations are made from the address of Grand Master Benjamin W. Ela, the report of Grand Lecturer Aubrey L. Burbank, and from our own Foreword. The passing of R. W. Bro. Frank J. Cole is sympathetically noted.

It has been suggested that these reports be read in lodges on evenings when there is no degree work—an excellent suggestion.

The Grand Master, His Excellency Lieutenant General Sir John Northcott, K. C. M. G., K. C. V. O., C. B., Governor of New South Wales, was re-elected. Grand Secretary James S. Miller remains in office.

NEW YORK, 1954.

The One Hundred Seventy-third Annual Communication.

Lodges, 1,057. Members, 305,010. Gain, 1,985.

The Annual Communication was held in New York City on May 4-6, 1954. M. W. Ward B. Arbury presided, using a gavel presented to him by Golden Throne Lodge, No. 1344, Scottish Constitution, located in the Kingdom of Jordan. The brethren united in singing "O God Our Help in Ages Past." The Colors were presented. Visiting delegations from Massachusetts, Maryland, New Jersey, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Delaware, District of Columbia, Ohio, Illinois, Canada in Ontario and Israel were accorded a fraternal welcome.

The Grand Master presented a brief and modest report, which hardly did justice to his own accomplishments and activities. He delivered an outstanding address before the Grand Masters' Conference. He traveled extensively in his own Jurisdiction, and also visited numerous Masonic bodies on the Continent of Europe and in the Near East. He inspected the nine New York lodges located in Syria and the Lebanon, and was decorated by the United Grand Lodge of Germany, the Grand Lodge of Greece, and the Grand Lodge of the State of Israel. Back home, the new

Infirmary at the Masonic Home was dedicated, the usual communion-dedication breakfasts were held, the humanitarian activities of the Masonic Foundation for Medical Research were continued, and six new lodges were set to work under dispensation.

M. W. Bro. Arbury denounced chain letters, saying that the practice was "a mark of stupidity on the part of participants." He also warned against roughness in degree work, calling attention to the legal action against the Grand Lodge of Connecticut, resulting from alleged injuries received by a candidate in that State.

The Grand Master ruled that the only association which justifies a brother in vouching for a prospective visitor is having sat with him in a regular Craft lodge. He also held that a lottery conducted by the Order of the Golden Chain, a society whose male members must be Masons, was a violation of Masonic law and that the Masons concerned were liable to Masonic discipline.

After twenty-seven years of distinguished service, Grand Lecturer Henry G. Meacham retired, being succeeded by Bro. Howard W. Potts. With full approval, we quote from the new Grand Lecturer's first report: "It should be stressed that the candidate is the focal point of every part of each of the three degrees. This should be kept in mind particularly in the third degree, and care should be taken to avoid roughness. Our purpose is to make an impression on the heart and the mind of the candidate, and not on his physical person. The Master of a lodge is responsible for the work done in his lodge, including that which may be performed by so-called 'degree teams.'"

Under the auspices of the Committee on Masonic Fellowship, such activities as bowling, golf and fishing tournaments within the Craft were encouraged.

The Grand Lodge Medal for Distinguished Achievement was presented to Bro. Thomas J. Watson, Chairman of the Board of the I. B. M. Corporation.

A documentary motion picture, showing the ceremonies incident to the consecration of the new Grand Lodge of the State of Israel, was shown.

During the year, as part of the Grand Lodge publicity program, a Masonic television program was presented.

The Committee on Correspondence and Relations presented an excellent report. No recommendations for recognition were made, but there was a thought provoking discussion of the differences in the Masonic thinking of Anglo-Saxon and Latin American Freemasonry.

R. W. Bro. Harry N. Holmes presented another fine Review, in topical form and covering the Proceedings of sixty-four Jurisdictions. Maine for 1953 receives its share of notice. Quotations are made from the address of Grand Master Benjamin W. Ela and from our own Foreword.

Bro. Raymond C. Ellis was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Edward R. Carman was re-elected.

NEW ZEALAND, 1953.

The Sixty-fourth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 372. Members, 40,954. Gain, 1,160.

M. W. Bro. Adam Smith presided over the Annual Communication, which was held in the Town Hall in Auckland on November 25, 1953. Our Maine Representative was not among those present.

A message of loyal congratulations was forwarded to Her Majesty the Queen on the occasion of her Coronation.

The Grand Lodge mourns the passing of two of its most distinguished members—M. W. Bro. Sir Alexander L. Herdman, Past Grand Master, and M. W. Bro. Henry A. Lamb, Past Pro Grand Master and Grand Secretary for many years.

The Grand Master visited extensively in all Districts. Four new lodges were added to the roll. Three new lodge rooms were dedicated. Many more are under construction.

At this communication, the Board of General Purposes was authorized to purchase a building for Grand Lodge use, if a suitable property could be found.

The Grand Lodge of Vienna for Austria was recognized.

Our Maine Proceedings were among those reviewed in the pages of *The New Zealand Freemason*.

Bro. John D. Campbell, M. B. E., was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary F. G. Northern remains in office.

NORTH CAROLINA, 1954.

The One Hundred Sixty-seventh Annual Communication.

Lodges, 338. Members, 55,880. Gain, 1,756.

The Annual Communication was held in High Point on April 20-21, 1954. Grand Master Edwin T. Howard presided, and welcomed distinguished guests from West Virginia, Indiana, Pennsylvania, Virginia, South Carolina and Massachusetts. Our Maine Representative, Wor. Fred F. Harding, was in his place as Grand Tyler.

The Grand Master traveled some 40,000 miles and filled over 200 Masonic engagements. He attended the Washington Conferences and visited the Grand Lodges of Illinois, Kentucky and Virginia. He issued dispensations for three new lodges. Five new halls were dedicated, and cornerstones were laid for a County Court House and two Masonic Temples. Masonic funeral services were conducted for Past Grand Master Julius C. Hobbs.

Bro. Howard refused to lay a mere slab in place of a proper cornerstone. He held that, for Masonic purposes, the Korean conflict was a *war*. He refused to allow a lodge to hold a stated communication on the summit of Grandfather Mountain. He ordered one brother to discontinue the use

of Masonic emblems on his automobile and another to discontinue mention of his Masonic connection in his political advertising.

The Lodge System of Masonic Education is in use in North Carolina, and reports indicate that the effectiveness of this program is increasing with the passage of time.

Some time ago, a survey showed that the North Carolina lodges were deriving little or no benefit from the Short Talk Bulletins published by the M. S. A. Some lodges were not receiving them, and some had never even heard of the M. S. A. North Carolina's suggestions regarding these bulletins were rejected by the Executive Commission of the M. S. A. Conferences have been had with M. W. Bro. Claudy in an attempt to work out a more efficient system of distributing and utilizing these bulletins.

At this communication, the Grand Lodge officially denounced chain letters; adopted official aprons for D. D. G. M.'s, authorized the publication of handbooks for Masters and Secretaries; and appropriated \$3,000 for the hospital visitation work of the M. S. A.

The Grand Lodge of the State of Israel was recognized.

The Report on Foreign Correspondence was presented by M. W. Bro. Wallace E. Caldwell, and, as might be expected, is a scholarly production. In it, Bro. Caldwell mentions his visit to the Grand Lodge of Maine.

Bro. Robert L. Pugh, a preacher and educator, is the new Grand Master in North Carolina. Grand Secretary Wilbur L. McIver was re-elected.

NORTH DAKOTA, 1954.

The Sixty-fifth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 118. Members, 14,461. Gain, 109.

M. W. Bro. John A. Graham presided over the Annual Communication, which was held at Grand Forks on June 14-16, 1954. The Colors of the United States and Canada were presented by a detail of Army and Air Force officers. A fraternal welcome was extended to distinguished guests from Alberta, Manitoba, Minnesota, Montana, New Mexico and South Dakota. Visits were exchanged with the Grand Chapter, O. E. S.

The Grand Master attended twenty-three district meetings, the Washington and Banff Conferences, the Midwest Conference on Masonic Education at Chicago, the annual International Meeting on Masonic Island in Lake Metigoshe, and Grand Lodge sessions in Montana and Minnesota. Two halls were dedicated, and one new lodge was instituted.

The Grand Secretary attended an interesting meeting held at Mitchell, South Dakota, at which a bronze plaque commemorating the organization of the Grand Lodge of North Dakota in 1889 was unveiled.

The Grand Master wrote personal letters to all newly raised Masons, enclosing an educational booklet in each such letter.

More than \$7,200 was contributed to the hospital visitation work of the M. S. A.

At this communication, the District Deputy Grand Lecturers were made members of the Grand Lodge. The Order of Amaranth was denied permission to establish itself in North Dakota.

Recognition was denied to the clandestine Grand Lodge of the Philippine Republic, the Committee rightly describing this outfit as "a gigantic fraud."

An excellent Report on Fraternal Correspondence was presented by North Dakota's veteran Reviewer, M. W. Bro. Walter H. Murfin. Our Maine Proceedings for 1953 are among those reviewed. The sesqui-centennial of our Rising Virtue Lodge is mentioned, and reference is made to the report of our Committee on Condition of the Fraternity. Two paragraphs from our own Foreword are quoted. Bro. Murfin agrees with us in our dislike for levity and horse-play in the degree work, and rightly says: "It is about time that somebody is doing something about it."

Bro. Ernest D. Nelson was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Harold S. Pond was re-elected.

NOVA SCOTIA, 1954.

The Eighty-ninth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 109. Members, 14,138. Gain, 254.

M. W. Bro. Perry S. Cochrane presided over the Annual Communication, which was held in Sydney on June 13-14, 1954. The Colors of Canada and the United States were presented by a detail from the Royal Canadian Mounted Police. M. W. Paul L. Powers, Grand Master of Masons in Maine, was an honored guest. He was decorated with the Erasmus James Phillips Medallion and was presented with a ceremonial Flag of Nova Scotia. He was accompanied by M. W. Benjamin W. Ela, Past Grand Master. Our Maine Representative, R. W. John Hare, was in attendance as were distinguished visitors from Prince Edward Island, Quebec, New Brunswick, Newfoundland (Scottish Constitution), Connecticut, New Hampshire and Massachusetts. An impressive Church Service and a presentation of the Claudy play "A Rose Upon the Altar" took place prior to the business session.

The Grand Master participated in the Grand Masters' Conference at Washington, attended twelve district meetings, made some sixty other visitations in his own Province, and visited in the sister Jurisdictions of Prince Edward Island, New Brunswick, Massachusetts, Connecticut, South Carolina, Rhode Island and New Hampshire. He also visited Royal Standard Lodge, No. 398, E. C., in Halifax, the Military lodge still under the United Grand Lodge of England. One lodge was constituted, and one new lodge was instituted.

At this communication, one of the marked Masonic stones from the White House was presented to the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia, the first Canadian Jurisdiction to be so honored.

The Board of Masonic Education reported the presentation of Masonic plays by four lodges, the showing of Masonic films in ten lodges, and the publication of five educational booklets.

Fraternal recognition was extended to the new Grand Lodge of the State of Israel and to the United Grand Lodge of Germany. Interesting reports relative to conditions in Sao Paulo, Peru, and France were also presented.

In anticipation of the coming visit by the Rt. Hon. the Earl of Elgin and Kincardine, K. T., Past Grand Master of Scotland, that distinguished Mason was elected an Honorary Past Grand Master in Nova Scotia and was awarded the Erasmus James Philipps Medallion.

The Report on Foreign Correspondence, in topical form and by an unnamed writer, contains no mention of the Grand Lodge of Maine.

Dr. Jephtha S. Munro was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Reginald V. Harris was re-elected.

OHIO, 1953.

The One Hundred Forty-fourth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 650. Members, 269,656. Gain, 4,105.

The Annual Communication was held in Cincinnati on October 16-17, 1953. M. W. Thomas A. Reber was in the Grand East. Our Maine Representative, M. W. David B. Sharp, was in attendance, as were distinguished Masons from Virginia, New York, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Connecticut, Kentucky, Tennessee, Indiana, Michigan and Canada in Ontario.

As always in Ohio, the Grand Master was a busy man. He made 185 local visitations, attended the National Conferences, and visited the Grand Lodges of New York and Canada in Ontario. Six lodges were constituted, eight new lodges were instituted, three new halls were dedicated and cornerstones were laid for two school buildings, three fire stations, one Methodist Church, and four Masonic Temples. One Master was suspended from office. The Washington Bicentennial was widely observed in Ohio. Old Erie Lodge, No. 3, celebrated its sesqui-centennial.

A new "*Officers' Manual*" was published during the year.

The sum of \$5,000 was contributed to Holland flood relief.

A lively discussion in regard to Grand Lodge representation on the Masonic Home Board of Trustees took place. Finally, a former Grand Lodge vote was rescinded, and the present set-up remains unchanged.

Ohio's stone from the White House was presented by M. W. David B. Sharp, acting as ambassador from the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia.

At this communication, the Grand Lodge adopted legislation authorizing the use of lodge halls by the Order of DeMolay; authorized the purchase of liability insurance; and changed the title of the Foreign Correspondent to

Fraternal Correspondent. The National Grand Lodge of France and the Grand Lodge of Chile were recognized.

The Report on Fraternal Correspondence is again the work of M. W. Bro. C. W. Ellenwood, who precedes his seventy-five reviews with a brief topical Foreword. Maine for 1953 is given a good review. The passing of R. W. Frank J. Cole is noted. Our Grand Master and your Correspondent are quoted in regard to chain letters. Mention is made of Grand Master Ela's address before the Grand Masters' Conference, and our Correspondence Report receives fraternal notice.

Bro. John L. Guss was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Harry S. Johnson was re-elected.

OKLAHOMA, 1954.

The Forty-sixth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 387. Members, 82,723. Gain, 2,377.

M. W. Bro. Murray L. Coppock presided over the Annual Communication, which was held in Guthrie on February 9-11, 1954. Distinguished visitors from Arkansas and Texas were in attendance. Our Maine Representative, Bro. Ernest Castle, was on duty.

We quote from the address of the Grand Master: "My brethren, the magnificent Institution which we represent here tonight is one of the great bulwarks of our civilization; of this we must be forever mindful. Let us not be passively content with the reputation we now possess, but let us proclaim with ever increasing fervor and zeal our adherence to those great principles and tenets upon which it is based. Our philosophy, while old, is ever new and has an invigorating message, not only for this age, but for all ages to come."

The Grand Master had high praise for the O. E. S., Rainbow and DeMolay, for the Oklahoma Masonic Home, for the official Grand Lodge magazine, and for the hospital visitation work carried on in Veterans' Hospitals by the Grand Lodge and the O. E. S. He also paid a touching tribute to his wife.

Bro. Coppock traveled 50,000 miles on Masonic business. He attended the Washington meetings, participated in a conference with the Trustees of the Grand Lodge of Iowa, and visited the Grand Lodge of Texas. One new lodge was constituted, and two new halls were dedicated. Cornerstones were laid for two Masonic Temples and four public school buildings.

The Grand Lodge mourns the passing of M. W. Bro. W. Mark Sexson, Past Grand Master and originator of the Order of Rainbow for Girls.

The Worthy Grand Matron of the O. E. S. addressed the Grand Lodge.

A composite degree team from all over the State conferred the DeMolay degrees before the Grand Lodge upon a class of 998 candidates, named the "Murray L. Coppock Class" in honor of the Grand Master.

No recommendations for recognition were made by the Committee on Foreign Relations. Several applications were held over for further study.

Maine (1953) was one of the thirty-six Jurisdictions whose Proceedings were reviewed by the Committee on Correspondence, of which Bro. Raymond E. Bivert is now the Chairman. Grand Master Ela is quoted, and his address before the Grand Masters' Conference is mentioned. Sympathetic reference is made to the passing of R. W. Bro. Frank J. Cole. Brief quotation is made from our own Foreword.

Bro. S. Neal Johnson was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary J. Fred Latham was re-elected.

OREGON, 1954.

The One Hundred Fourth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 183. Members, 42,566. Gain, 1,009.

Our Maine Representative, Bro. Harry W. Swafford, was present at the Annual Communication, which was held in Portland on June 16-18, 1954. Grand Master Thomas E. Lampkin presided, and welcomed distinguished brethren from California, Idaho and Nevada. A detail from the National Sojourners posted the Colors.

In the course of his travels, covering some 25,000 miles, the Grand Master found the Craft to be in excellent condition. In his many speeches, he stressed the three principal points of his program—Masonic education, endowments, and the new Masonic blood bank. He attended the Tri-State and Washington Conferences and visited the Grand Lodges of Washington, Idaho and California. Two out-door meetings were authorized. One lodge was constituted, two new lodges were instituted, and cornerstones were laid for a Methodist Church, a public school building, and a Presbyterian Church. The Grand Master refused to lay the cornerstone of another school building, because of local opposition to a Masonic ceremony. He also refused to lay cornerstones for several buildings which were nearly completed.

Bro. Lampkin ruled that an Entered Apprentice could not take part in the work of that degree, as he was not yet a member of the lodge. He also ruled that the mere mention of a political candidate's Masonic membership in a newspaper article, along with a listing of his other affiliations, did not violate Masonic law.

The Senior Grand Warden visited Oregon's Military lodge at Frankfurt, Germany. He reported that it was doing good and useful work and its dispensation was continued.

Masonic education in Oregon is the responsibility of the Oregon Lodge of Research. Educational meetings are held, speakers are furnished to the lodges on request, and educational papers are published. The most important paper issued during the year past was a study of the Regius Manuscript.

At this communication, a resolution was adopted urging the daily reading of the Holy Bible by all Masons.

The Grand Lodge of Greece and the Grand Lodge of the State of Israel were recognized.

M. W. Bro. Edward B. Beaty again presented the Correspondence Report. This is in topical form, and is replete with pertinent and beautiful quotations.

Bro. Roy W. McNeal was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary H. D. Proudfoot was re-elected.

PENNSYLVANIA, 1953.

Quarterly and Annual Communications.

Lodges, 579. Members, 244,728. Gain, 4,896.

The Annual Grand Communication was held in Philadelphia on December 28, 1953. The R. W. Grand Master, Bro. Albert T. Eyler, presided, and welcomed distinguished guests from South Carolina, Virginia, New York, Maryland, Rhode Island, Delaware, Ohio and West Virginia. The Grand Master of Maryland was accompanied by Bro. Theodore R. McKeldin, Governor of Maryland, who addressed the Grand Lodge.

The usual Quarterly Communications were held during the year, at which the routine business of the Grand Lodge was transacted. The Grand Master attended the Washington Conferences and presented a marble bust of Past Grand Master Louis A. Watres to the Washington Memorial Association, of which Bro. Watres was once President. Bro. Eyler also made fraternal visits to the sister Grand Lodges of Tennessee, Virginia, Connecticut, North Carolina, South Carolina, Maine, Rhode Island, Vermont, Canada in Ontario, Massachusetts, Delaware, West Virginia and Ohio. Fourteen lodges celebrated their centennials. One new lodge was constituted and one new hall was dedicated.

On three occasions, the Grand Master exercised his prerogative and made Masons at sight.

Bro. Eyler ruled that a man having but one good eye was not physically disqualified for Masonry. Each case is, however, subject to investigation by the Grand Master or his Deputy.

Pennsylvania's stone from the White House was presented at the December Quarterly.

A major hospital expansion program at the Masonic Home, to cost approximately \$1,750,000, has been authorized.

Gifts and bequests amounting to \$200,449 were received during the year.

The Deputy Grand Master, Bro. Ralph M. Lehr, attended the Midwest Conference on Masonic Education, which met in Chicago in November. A firm believer in Masonic education, he plans the establishment of a Committee on Masonic Education, the publication of instructional booklets for candidates, the inauguration of a new Masonic periodical to reach

the entire membership, and the further development of the circulating library.

Bro. Ralph M. Lehr was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary George A. Avery was re-elected.

There is no Report on Correspondence.

PHILIPPINES, 1954.

The Thirty-eighth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 108. Members, 9,811. Gain, 731.

M. W. Bro. Mauro Baradi presided over the Annual Communication, which was held in Manila on April 27-29, 1954.

Dr. Harry Eugene Stafford, the first Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands, passed on during the year.

The Grand Master denounced chain letters at some length. He had high praise for the Masonic Hospital for Crippled Children, for the blood donor service, for the Order of the Eastern Star, and for the Order of DeMolay.

M. W. Bro. Baradi had a busy year. In addition to local visitations, he visited the Philippine lodges in Okinawa, Japan and Guam. In Guam, he was entertained by the Governor, M. W. Bro. Ford Q. Elvidge. He attended the Washington Conferences, at which he delivered several addresses. He also made Masonic contacts in Alaska, Washington State, New York City, Texas, California and Hawaii. One lodge was constituted, and three new lodges were instituted. Two of these new lodges are in Japan and one in Korea. Three cornerstones were laid, and four new halls were dedicated.

The Roman Catholic Hierarchy in the Philippines continues its attacks on the Fraternity. A pastoral letter was issued, denouncing Freemasonry in the traditional Popish manner, and reminding all Catholics that Masonic membership results in automatic excommunication. This merely re-states the official position of the Roman Church, a position which has been unchanged since 1738. In answer to repeated radio attacks, the Grand Lodge instituted a series of weekly broadcasts, in both the English and Tagalog languages, in which the public was told the truth about Freemasonry.

At this communication, the Grand Lodge received one of the Masonic stones from the White House, being the only non-American Grand Lodge to be so honored. A District Grand Lodge for Japan was established, and rules for its government were adopted. The name of the Grand Lodge was officially changed from "Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands" to "Grand Lodge of the Philippines," thus conforming to the official name of the Republic.

The Committee on Correspondence presented a topical summary, with quotations. Jurisdictional reviews appeared in the pages of the "*Cabletow*," that of Maine for 1953 appearing in the January, 1954, issue.

Bro. Werner B. Schetelig was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Antonio Gonzalez was re-elected.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND, 1953.

The Seventy-eighth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 16. Members, 1,347. Gain, 15.

The Annual Communication was held in Charlottetown on June 24, 1953. Grand Master Fred I. Bell presided. Maine's Representative, Bro. F. A. Van Iderstine, was in attendance, as were distinguished visitors from the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia.

The Grand Master visited all constituent lodges, and also attended Grand Lodge communications in Ontario and Nova Scotia. Masonic funeral services were conducted for two Past Grand Masters—M. W. Bros. Donald Baker and John M. Nicholson.

There has been much discussion regarding the new ritual adopted by the Grand Lodge a few years ago. At this communication, it was voted to go back to the old work, but any lodge desiring to use the new work may do so by securing a dispensation from the Grand Master.

Recognition was extended to the Grand Lodge of Vienna for Austria. Applications from China, Germany, Italy, Panama and Peru were held over for further study.

Bro. Douglas D. MacLaren was elected Grand Master. After fourteen years of distinguished service, Grand Secretary L. A. MacDougall was not a candidate for re-election. Bro. F. A. Van Iderstine was elected to succeed him.

QUEBEC, 1954.

The Eighty-fourth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 102. Members, 17,632. Loss, 58.

The Annual Communication was held in Montreal on June 3, 1954, with the Grand Master, M. W. Bro. C. L. Roman, on the Throne. M. W. Bro. Paul L. Powers, Grand Master of Masons in Maine, was in attendance, accompanied by his acting Grand Marshal. Later in the session, he addressed the Grand Lodge. Other distinguished guests represented the Grand Lodges of Canada in Ontario and Vermont. Maine's Grand Representative, R. W. Bro. O. E. Stanton, was present.

Bro. Roman delivered a beautifully worded address, in which he reported the details of a busy year. He represented his Grand Lodge at the Grand Masters' Conference in Washington, and paid fraternal visits in Ontario, New York and Michigan. He had the great pleasure of initiating his oldest son into Freemasonry. An impressive Armistice Service was conducted in the Masonic Memorial Hall. The Grand Master attended five Masonic Church Services. One lodge was consecrated under its charter, one new lodge was instituted, and one new hall was dedicated.

The Grand Master spoke strongly in favor of smaller lodges, and had high praise for the Masonic blood bank.

The membership loss noted above results from the change in the close of the fiscal year from June to December.

The Committee on Masonic Education published three printed bulletins during the year, which went to the entire membership. A gratifying increase in the use of the library facilities is noted.

The Grand Lodge of Greece was recognized.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence, of which R. W. Bro. O. E. Stanton is Chairman, presented its annual report. Now in topical form, this covers such matters of current interest as Masonic education, foreign recognition, and legal decisions in other Jurisdictions.

Bro. Donald Lloyd Witter was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary R. W. Louthood was re-elected.

QUEENSLAND, 1953.

The Thirty-second Annual Report.

Lodges, 405. Members, 31,820. Gain, 1,493.

The Grand Lodge of Queensland held one special and four Quarterly Communications during the year ending in June of 1953. The Grand Master, Mr. Justice B. H. Matthews, was holding court at the time of the March Quarterly. He presided over all other communications.

M. W. Bro. Matthews attended Grand Lodge installations in New South Wales, Tasmania and South Australia, and made many visitations throughout his own far-flung Jurisdiction. Three new lodges were consecrated, and five new halls were dedicated. Several Masonic balls were held, at which debutantes were presented to the Grand Master.

Disc records of music for use in the work of the three degrees and the installation ceremony have been prepared and are available to lodges through the Grand Secretary's office.

Representatives of 164 Masonic bodies placed wreaths at the Urn of Remembrance, during the Anzac Day Observance, held on April 25, 1953. The address was delivered by the Deputy Grand Master.

At the June Quarterly, a resolution of loyalty and devotion was adopted, for transmission to Her Majesty the Queen.

The Grand Master, the Hon. Mr. Justice Benjamin H. Matthews, was re-elected. Grand Secretary E. G. Radford remains in office.

There is no Correspondence Report.

QUEENSLAND, 1954.

The Thirty-third Annual Report.

Lodges, 407. Members, 32,769. Gain, 889.

The final year in the administration of M. W. Bro. the Hon. Mr. Justice B. H. Matthews was a period of continued prosperity for the Queensland Craft. Quarterly Communications were held in September and December of 1953 and in March and June of 1954. Senior Grand Lodge officers paid official visits to 161 lodges. Five new lodges were established. A visitor from Hawaii was present at the December Quarterly.

The Deputy Grand Master, R. W. Bro. T. G. H. Jones, made an extended visit to Great Britain. He participated in an educational conference at Cambridge University, was in London for the Coronation of Her Majesty the Queen, attended a garden party at Buckingham Palace, and was a fraternal visitor at Quarterly Communications of the United Grand Lodge of England and the Grand Lodge of Scotland.

Two outstanding Masonic Church services were held in the Anglican Cathedral, one during the Royal visit in Queensland. An address of loyalty was presented to Her Majesty by the Grand Lodge.

A fund for the assistance of lodges in the metropolitan area in the building of new Temples or the renovation of existing properties was established. A similar fund for the assistance of country lodges already exists.

Interesting correspondence with the Grand Lodge of Scotland and the United Grand Lodge of England, dealing with the new Grand Lodge of the State of Israel and with the so-called Grand Lodge of Berlin, was printed in full in the Proceedings.

At the June Quarterly, Professor Thomas Gilbert Henry Jones, D. Sc., was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary E. G. Radford remains in office.

RHODE ISLAND, 1954.

The One Hundred Sixty-third Annual Communication.

Lodges, 44. Members, 18,587. Gain, 309.

The Annual Communication was held in Providence on May 17, 1954. M. W. Bro. Kenneth Craik presided. Our Maine Grand Master, M. W. Paul L. Powers, was an honored guest. Other visiting dignitaries represented the following Jurisdictions: Massachusetts, South Carolina, Virginia, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Connecticut, New Hampshire, Vermont, Delaware, District of Columbia, Missouri and Nova Scotia. Maine's Representative, M. W. Charles W. Littlefield, was on duty.

With approval, we quote from the Grand Master's address: "It is the responsibility of each and every one of us to maintain to the best of our ability the high moral standards upon which our institution was founded. Freemasonry is primarily judged by the manner in which we conduct ourselves, whenever and wherever we congregate, or by our individual activities. Organizations that exist under the mantle of our institution have a great responsibility in upholding the tenets of the Order, by governing their actions in such a manner as to bring nothing but credit and honor to our fraternity. I again bring this to your attention, because it has been necessary for the Grand Master to institute action to curtail certain activities by well-meaning but indiscreet brethren."

M. W. Bro. Craik attended the National Conferences, visited the Grand Lodges of New Hampshire, Nova Scotia, Delaware, Illinois, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, Virginia, Connecticut, South Carolina and

Maine, and made some seventy-five appearances in his own State. Many interesting meetings were held. A team from the Royal Canadian Mounted Police worked the third degree in Providence before a record crowd of 6,500 Masons. A Masonic Charity Ball and Fashion Show was held. The Grand Lodge held a Past Grand Masters' Night, at which a degree was conferred by the Past Grand Masters. At a special communication of Grand Lodge, Masonic Church Sunday was again observed.

Because of the schism in German Masonry, the Grand Lodge ordered its Berlin Lodge to hold no intercourse with unrecognized bodies. A Special Deputy has been appointed to supervise this lodge, which is doing an outstanding job in Berlin.

The Masonic Youth Foundation continues its fine work. Not only is assistance given to DeMolay Chapters, but various athletic tournaments are sponsored, some of which are participated in by boys from all over New England; a Rainbow-DeMolay Canteen is conducted; vocational guidance is offered; and a recreational area is being developed on land belonging to the Fraternity. These Youth activities are supported by an assessment of fifty cents per member.

Another fifty cent assessment supports the welfare work of the M. S. A.

The principal speaker at the Grand Lodge banquet was Bro. Frank Land, founder of the Order of DeMolay.

Fraternal recognition was extended to the Grand Lodges of Israel, Parana, Unida Mexicana, Nuevo Leon and Peru.

Bro. Bernard B. Abedon was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary N. Arthur Hyland was re-elected.

There is no Correspondence Report.

SASKATCHEWAN, 1954.

The Forty-eighth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 204. Members, 17,419. Gain, 218.

M. W. Bro. Robert L. Hanbidge presided over the Annual Communication, which was held in Saskatoon on June 16-17, 1954. A civic welcome was extended by the Mayor. The Colors of Canada and the United States were presented by a detail from the Royal Canadian Mounted Police. The Grand Representative of Maine, M. W. Bro. Hector Mackay, was in attendance. Distinguished visitors from Manitoba, Alberta, Montana and Minnesota honored the communication by their presence.

The Grand Master presided over the Western Canadian Conference at Banff, at which the Grand Secretary delivered the key-note address. The Grand Secretary also represented Saskatchewan at Washington, where he presented a paper before the Grand Secretaries' Conference. Successful district meetings were held in all districts. Two new districts were established. The Grand Master visited the sister Jurisdictions of Illinois, Minnesota, Manitoba and Alberta. The cornerstone of a new Masonic Temple was laid.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence presented a careful and conservative report, in which several of the "trouble spots" in the Masonic world are discussed. On the recommendation of this Committee, fraternal recognition was extended to the new Grand Lodge of the State of Israel. Other applications were either rejected or deferred.

The Chairman of the Committee, M. W. Bro. Douglas Fraser, gives us a well written Foreword and reviews sixty-four volumes of Proceedings. Maine for 1953 receives due notice. Grand Master Ela is quoted, the presence of the R. C. M. P. degree team at Bangor is mentioned, and our conservatism in regard to foreign recognition is noted. Courteous mention is made of our own report.

Bro. Russell E. Partridge was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Robert A. Tate was re-elected.

SCOTLAND, 1954.

The Grand Lodge of Scotland held its Annual Communication in Freemasons' Hall, Edinburgh, on November 30, 1954. At this time, office-bearers for the ensuing year were formally installed. Following this ceremony, the traditional observance of the Festival of St. Andrew was held. Dr. Thomas S. Roy, Past Grand Master of Massachusetts, and Dr. Bruce Brannon, Past Grand Master of Texas, were expected guests at this communication. The usual Quarterly Communications were also held in February, May, August and November, and the Grand Committee held monthly meetings throughout the year.

At the beginning of the year, the Grand Lodge had 947 lodges on its register, 604 of which were located in Scotland, while 343 were located overseas. During the year, two lodges became dormant—one in Palestine and one in Egypt. On the other hand, charters were granted to new lodges in Scotland itself, South Africa, Rhodesia and India. A new District Grand Lodge for Pakistan was authorized.

The Grand Master Mason attended the installation of Lord Harris as head of the English Mark Grand Lodge. The Earl of Balfour, Past Grand Master, visited the new Grand Lodge of the State of Israel, and the Earl of Elgin and Kincardine, Past Grand Master, made an official visit to the Scottish District Grand Lodge in Newfoundland. This visit coincided with that made to the English District Grand Lodge by Sir Sydney White, Grand Secretary of the United Grand Lodge of England. Lord Elgin later visited elsewhere in Canada, and was elected an Honorary Member of the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia. The Grand Master Mason, accompanied by a deputation of Grand Lodge officers, attended the 300th anniversary celebration of Lodge Ancient Brazen, Linlithgow, No. 17. Several other old lodges were assisted in celebrating their bi-centennials.

The former Dutch East Indies having become a sovereign State, the restrictions formerly imposed upon the Scottish lodge in Java, limiting its membership to British and American nationals, have been removed. This lodge is now free to affiliate brethren of Dutch nationality.

Scotland's beloved Grand Treasurer, Bro. Leonard Melrose, was forced to retire during the year. He was succeeded by Bro. Alexander J. McHardy, who was installed into office at the August Quarterly.

At the August Quarterly, the Grand Lodge was honored by the presence of M. W. Bro. Joseph A. Ellis, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Western Australia, and M. W. Bro. William Moseley Brown, Past Grand Master of Virginia. Both of these distinguished brethren brought greetings to the Grand Lodge. Other visitors hailed from British Columbia and Trinidad.

The Grand Lodge was represented at the annual joint Conference of British Grand Lodges by the Grand Master Mason, the Grand Secretary and Bro. J. Martin Baxter. This Conference was held in London on October 20, 1954. Matters of mutual interest were discussed, including the Masonic situation in Germany and the unfortunate circular letter issued by the Grand Lodge of Greece to all regular Grand Lodges, regarding the political situation in Cyprus.

The Grand Committee recommended that the following statement be sent by the Grand Secretary to the Grand Lodge of Greece: "That the Grand Lodge of Scotland deplores the issue by the Grand Lodge of Greece of a circular which violates the boundaries of legitimate Masonic activity, imperils the fraternal relationships existing between the Grand Lodges and endangers all Regular Freemasonry in the eyes of Governments by an intrusion into matters falling within their jurisdiction."

The Grand Master Mason, the Right Honourable Lord Macdonald, M. B. E., T. D., L. L., J. P., M. A., was re-elected. The Grand Secretary, Dr. Alexander F. Buchan, M. B. E., B. Sc., Ph. D., remains in office.

The receipt of our Maine Proceedings is acknowledged. There is no Correspondence Report.

SOUTH CAROLINA, 1954.

The Two Hundred Seventeenth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 292. Members, 49,717. Gain, 2,170.

M. W. Bro. John I. Smith presided over the Grand Lodge, which met in Charleston on April 22-23, 1954. The customary religious service was held, with a fine sermon by the Grand Chaplain. The National and State Colors were presented. Two four-star generals who are members of the Craft, General Charles P. Summerall and General Mark W. Clark, honored the communication by their presence. Visiting dignitaries from Canada in Ontario, Connecticut, Georgia, Indiana, Maryland, Massachusetts, Missouri, New Hampshire, New Jersey, North Carolina, Nova Scotia, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island and Virginia were in attendance.

The appointment of Bro. Fred S. McFadden as Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Maine near the Grand Lodge of South Carolina was announced.

M. W. Bro. Smith conducted a vigorous campaign designed to bring "more light" to the brethren. He made eighty-three addresses. Instructional meetings were held throughout the State. The need for greater care in the selection of candidates and the need for greater uniformity in the ritualistic work were stressed. Particular emphasis was given to the elimination of all levity and horseplay in the conferring of the degrees. With full approval, we quote: "There is one man in each lodge who can stop horseplay—the Worshipful Master who is responsible to the Grand Lodge for everything that takes place in his lodge."

The Grand Master made 102 visitations in his own State, represented South Carolina at the National Conferences, and visited the sister Jurisdictions of Indiana, Canada in Ontario, Delaware, Illinois, Georgia, Maryland, Massachusetts, Virginia and North Carolina. Two lodges were constituted and two new lodges were set to work under dispensation. Seven cornerstones were laid, and seven new halls were dedicated.

Legislation was adopted giving to the officers of lodges under dispensation the same rights in Grand Lodge as are enjoyed by the officers of chartered lodges.

Three Past Grand Masters passed away during the year, M. W. Bros. Robert A. Cooper, Samuel T. Lanham and Charlton Du Rant. The writer is particularly sorry to learn of Bro. Lanham's death. We had the pleasure of knowing him personally and always had the highest regard for his abilities.

Recognition was granted to the Grand Lodge of the State of Israel and to the Grand Lodge of Piaui, but was denied to the so-called Grand Lodge of France and the Grand Lodge of Parana.

The Fraternal Correspondent, R. W. and Rev. H. Dwight McAlister, reviews sixty-nine volumes of Proceedings. Maine for 1953 is given a good review. The passing of R. W. Bro. Frank J. Cole is noted. Our Grand Master's address before the Grand Masters' Conference is commended. The sesqui-centennial of Rising Virtue Lodge is mentioned. Our Maine conservatism in regard to foreign recognition is also noted, with an indirect quotation from our own Foreword.

Bro. J. Ansel Eaddy was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Henry F. Collins was re-elected.

SOUTH DAKOTA, 1954.

The Eightieth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 169. Members, 20,057. Gain, 335.

The Annual Communication was held in Lead on June 8-9, 1954. Grand Master Arthur E. Munck presided, and welcomed distinguished guests from Illinois, Manitoba, Minnesota, North Dakota and Wyoming. Maine's Representative was not present.

The Grand Master's program stressed four things—support for the M. S. A. and the Washington Memorial, Masonic education, and the relation between Masonry and the Church. He represented his Grand Lodge at the Washington Conferences, participated in the Midwest Conference on Masonic Education, and visited the Grand Lodges of North Dakota, Illinois and Minnesota. Eighteen district meetings were held. One new lodge was constituted, two cornerstones were laid, and three Masonic Temples were dedicated.

A bronze plaque, commemorating the organization of the Grand Lodge of North Dakota at Mitchell in 1889, was unveiled at that place by the Grand Master. Ranking officers of both Grand Jurisdictions were in attendance.

More than \$9,000 was contributed to the hospital work of the M. S. A.

South Dakota has a functioning educational program, but the Committee feels that better results could be obtained if a full-time paid Director were employed.

Fraternal recognition was extended to the National Grand Lodge of France, the Grand Lodge of Greece, and the new Grand Lodge of the State of Israel.

The Fraternal Correspondent, the Rev. David Graham, presents another excellent Report, consisting of an able Foreword and fifty-five reviews. Bro. Graham regrets the spirited exchanges formerly taking place between Correspondents. We are inclined to agree with him. Our present-day Reports do make pretty tame reading compared with those of Josiah Drummond and his contemporaries. Under Maine for 1953, Bro. Graham notes the presence of the R. C. M. P. degree team at Bangor, and quotes our own remarks in regard to the chain letter foolishness.

Bro. Sidney C. Voorhees was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Elvin F. Strain was re-elected.

TASMANIA, 1954.

The Sixty-third Annual Communication.

Lodges, 63. Members, 7,757. Gain, 284.

The Annual Communication was held in Launceston on February 27, 1954, with the Grand Master, M. W. Bro. R. P. Furmage, on the Throne. A distinguished visitor from New Zealand was present, as was R. W. Bro. V. P. Ford, Grand Representative of Maine.

The Grand Master made patriotic reference to the Royal visit to Tasmania. A message of fraternal greetings was presented by the Grand Lodge to Bro. H. R. H. the Duke of Edinburgh, K. G., which was most graciously acknowledged. The Pro Grand Master, Bro. F. J. Carter, Undersecretary of State, served as State Director of the Royal Tour. Her Majesty rewarded his services by creating him a Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George.

The Grand Master traveled extensively in his own State, installed the officers of twenty lodges, and visited the Grand Lodge of South Australia. Two new cottages were opened at each of the two Masonic Homes. Two Masonic Balls were held. Grants of 2,288 pounds were made by the Board of Benevolence. The sum of 250 pounds was contributed to Greek earthquake relief.

After much discussion, the half-yearly per capita tax for general purposes was raised to four shillings and sixpence.

The Grand Master, M. W. Bro. R. P. Furnage, and the Grand Secretary, R. W. Bro. H. A. Wilkinson, remain in office.

There is no Report on Correspondence.

TENNESSEE, 1954.

The One Hundred Fortieth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 379. Members, 77,630. Gain, 3,446.

The Grand Lodge met in Nashville on March 24-25, 1954. Grand Master Clyde H. Wilson presided, and welcomed distinguished guests from Alabama, Georgia, Kentucky, Indiana, Louisiana, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, South Carolina and Virginia. Maine's Representative, Grand Lecturer W. B. Linton, was present. The Colors were presented by the drill team of Nashville Commandery, No. 1, K. T. His Excellency, Bro. Frank J. Clement, Governor of Tennessee, honored the communication by his presence.

The Grand Master presided over the Grand Masters' Conference in 1953, and also attended the 1954 Conference. He welcomed the Masonic Relief Association of the United States and Canada to Tennessee, attended all twenty-six district meetings, and visited the sister Grand Lodges of Wisconsin, Illinois, Ohio, Kentucky, Louisiana and Mississippi. One new lodge was consecrated, and three new halls were dedicated.

The annual rock quarry meeting was held, with 1,278 brethren in attendance.

At this communication, the Grand Lodge received its stone from the White House; witnessed exemplifications of Rainbow and DeMolay work; authorized the purchase of liability insurance; granted four charters; and issued dispensations for two new lodges.

Fraternal recognition was extended to the National Grand Lodge of France, the Grand Lodge of the Netherlands, the Grand Lodge of Vienna for Austria, and the Grand Lodge of Bahia.

M. W. Bro. Wallace Phelan Douglas, Chairman of the Committee on Fraternal Correspondence and Grand Representative of the United Grand Lodge of England near the Grand Lodge of Tennessee, was in London for the Coronation of Her Majesty the Queen. He was present at the June Quarterly of the United Grand Lodge, and received a most cordial welcome by the leaders of the English Craft. He also traveled extensively

on the Continent of Europe, visiting the Grand Lodge of the Netherlands, the National Grand Lodge of France, the United Grand Lodge of Germany, and the National Grand Lodge of Italy (Piazza del Gesu). A most interesting account of these fraternal contacts appears in the able Foreword to his 1954 Report.

In this Report, Bro. Douglas reviews the Proceedings of seventy-eight Jurisdictions. Maine for 1953 is given fraternal consideration. Many items in Grand Master Ela's address are noted, our schools of instruction are mentioned, and courteous reference is made to our own Report.

Bro. Raymond Lee Allen was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Thomas E. Doss was re-elected.

TEXAS, 1953.

The One Hundred Eighteenth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 922. Members, 217,237. Gain, 7,401.

M. W. Bro. John McKee presided over the Annual Communication, held in Waco on December 3-4, 1953. The Flag of the United States was presented by an Air Force escort, and that of the State of Texas by a detail from the Texas National Guard. Our new Representative, Bro. Clinton D. Shoemaker, was in attendance, as were distinguished guests from Oklahoma, Louisiana, Nuevo Leon, York Grand Lodge of Mexico, Manitoba, New Mexico and Utah. His Excellency, Bro. Allan Shivers, Governor of Texas, honored the Grand Lodge by his attendance and addressed the brethren. The Hon. Price Daniel, United States Senator from Texas, served as Grand Orator.

A vacancy having occurred in the office of Grand Senior Steward, the Grand Master appointed the Hon. Robert B. Anderson, Secretary of the Navy, to that office. Bro. Anderson was the presiding Master of a Texas lodge.

Throughout the year, Bro. McKee stressed the value of dignity in Masonry, constantly reminding the brethren that the degrees are conferred "for the edification of the candidate, rather than the entertainment of the members."

The Grand Master attended the Grand Masters' Conference in Washington. He felt obliged to express his disapproval of certain activities undertaken by this Conference, as being outside its proper field of action. In particular, he questioned the establishment of the so-called "Commission on Information for Recognition," rightly holding that the whole question of recognition, involving, as it does, an exercise of the highest functions of Masonic sovereignty, is properly a matter for the consideration of sovereign Grand Lodges alone. He recommended that Texas withhold financial support from this Commission, and express its official disapproval of any tendency towards the establishment of anything resembling a General Grand Lodge. The Grand Lodge fully sustained the Grand Master on this question.

M. W. Bro. McKee visited the Grand Lodge of Colorado and traveled extensively in his own great State. Three lodges were constituted, and thirteen new halls were dedicated. Cornerstones were leveled for three public school buildings and seven Masonic Temples. Dispensations were issued for four new lodges, one of these being a military lodge located in Munich, Germany. An extremely successful observance of "Public Schools Week" was held.

The Grand Master was obliged to arrest the charter of one lodge. He also took appropriate disciplinary action against two Shrine Temples, each of which had indulged in conduct tending to bring the good name of Freemasonry into disrepute. Having received repeated complaints regarding the conduct of Shrine Clubs throughout the State, he conducted a thorough investigation of these bodies. Finding that few of them were subject to any adequate control by their parent Temples, and that most of them were guilty of conduct which was contrary both to Masonic and to civil law, he issued his edict forbidding any Mason in Texas to join a Shrine Club or to participate in its activities. This, of course, terminated the existence of all such bodies.

This drastic action had the desired result. The Potentates of eleven Shrine Temples met with the principal officers of the Grand Lodge, pledged their organizations to a full compliance with Grand Lodge law, and promised to keep their secondary groups under strict control. Accordingly, the Grand Master relaxed his edict in part, allowing the reactivation of certain specifically designated Clubs which had adopted prescribed by-laws ensuring proper supervision of all future activities.

We congratulate M. W. Bro. McKee on his courageous and timely action. It was welcomed by better elements within the Shrine itself, and serves to strengthen the hands of responsible Shrine officials in dealing with their members. It gives a needed warning to all Masons that they cannot, merely by belonging to some other organization, escape from the provisions of Masonic law. It also serves notice on all organizations which predicate their membership on Masonry that they cannot with impunity indulge in conduct which injures the good name of the Fraternity. We only hope that the promises now made will be better kept than were some similar promises made in the past.

Grand Master McKee refused to allow the Order of Amaranth, the Ancient Egyptian Order of Sciots, or the Order of Job's Daughters to establish themselves in Texas.

The Texas brethren contributed \$56,805 towards the construction of a new Chapel at the Masonic Home and School.

At this communication, the Grand Lodge received its marked Masonic stone from the White House.

The Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence was presented by its new Chairman, R. W. Bro. Harvey C. Byrd, to whom we extend a most cordial welcome to the fellowship of the Round Table. In his first Report, Bro. Byrd reviews sixty-three volumes of Proceedings in a most

pleasing manner. His reviews are replete with pertinent quotations, and are of generous length. Maine's doings in 1953 receive courteous treatment. Extensive quotation is made from Grand Master Ela's address at the Grand Masters' Conference. Your Correspondent is credited with an "excellent" report, and two paragraphs from his Foreword are quoted.

Bro. W. B. Jack Ball was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Harvey C. Byrd was re-elected.

UTAH, 1954.

The Eighty-second Annual Communication.

Lodges, 27. Members, 6,340. Gain, 130.

The Annual Communication was held in Salt Lake City on January 25-26, 1954. Grand Master Ferdinand Erickson was in the Chair. Maine's Representative, Bro. Bert Atwater, was in attendance, as were distinguished visitors from California, Idaho and New Mexico.

The Grand Master represented his Grand Lodge at the National Conferences. Every constituent lodge was visited. Utah acted as host to the Rocky Mountain Masonic Conference in 1953. Cornerstones were laid for a new Masonic Temple and for a Methodist Church. One new hall was dedicated. Masonic funeral services for Past Grand Master Arthur E. Smith were conducted in the Salt Lake City Masonic Temple.

During the year, the Committee on Masonic Education prepared and distributed numerous educational bulletins, totalling over 700 mimeographed pages.

The address of the Grand Orator dealt with a traditional Utah problem, "Mormonism and Masonry."

No new foreign bodies were recognized at this communication.

The usual topical Report on Correspondence was prepared by Bro. Edward G. Titus. No mention of Maine occurs therein.

Bro. Elliott W. Evans was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary E. Roy Gibson was re-elected.

VERMONT, 1954.

The One Hundred Sixty-first Annual Communication.

Lodges, 103. Members, 18,690. Loss, 39.

With regret, we note that Vermont has suffered a slight loss in membership, the first such loss reported by an American Grand Lodge in many years.

M. W. Bro. D. Burleigh Smalley, Jr., presided over the Annual Communication, which was held in Burlington on June 9-10, 1954. Our Maine Grand Master, M. W. Paul L. Powers, was in attendance, as was M. W. Julius C. Thomas, our New Maine Representative near the Grand Lodge of Vermont. Other distinguished guests hailed from the York Grand

Lodge of Mexico, Quebec, Canada in Ontario, District of Columbia, Rhode Island, New Hampshire, Connecticut, New Jersey and Massachusetts.

The Grand Master participated in the events of Masonic Week in Washington, visited in Quebec and Massachusetts, and attended many interesting meetings in his own Jurisdiction. One cornerstone was laid, the first in many years, and two new Temples were dedicated.

In regard to chain letters, the Grand Master said: "There is no place in a sensible Freemason's thinking for such silly superstitions." He called for gifts and bequests to the Permanent Charity Fund, and for the support of youth activities such as the Order of DeMolay.

The Vermont Committee on Masonic Education has furnished the lodges with a list of Masonic speakers. This Committee is now engaged in preparing a booklet to be presented to candidates prior to their initiation, in an attempt "to combat the injudicious and allegedly humorous comments of their friends and to prepare them to be receptive of the serious lessons which we plan to impart to them." The need of such a booklet is obvious to all thinking Masons.

Recognition was granted to the Grand Lodge of the State of Israel, and to the Grand Lodges of Paraiba and Bahia in Brazil.

At this communication, the Grand Lodge authorized three new awards. The first, known as the John Barney Medal, will be given to Vermont Masons who have rendered outstanding service but who have never held Grand Lodge office. The second, known as the Philip C. Tucker Medal, will be given for distinguished service to Freemasonry, regardless of Masonic rank or Jurisdiction. The third, known as the Grand Lodge Medal of Honor, will be given to Vermonters, whether Freemasons or not, whose outstanding achievements have brought honor to the State and have been of service to humanity. To our knowledge, this is the first time that any Grand Lodge has provided for the decoration of non-Masons.

A splendid Report on Foreign Correspondence, consisting of an excellent Foreword and seventy-one reviews, was presented by M. W. Bro. Aaron H. Grout. Our Maine doings in 1953 are well covered. Grand Master Ela's address receives favorable comment. Tribute is paid to M. W. Harold H. Murchie, Chief Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court of Maine. With appreciation, we quote Bro. Grout's remarks concerning our own work: "A Review of the Proceedings of other Grand Lodges, fully up to that standard of excellence which experience has taught us to look for from Maine, comes from Bro. Ralph J. Pollard, P. G. M. He is forthright in his views and never hesitates to let his readers know where he stands. In the matter of recognition of foreign Grand Lodges, he moves cautiously and seems to have a volume of information not vouchsafed to some of us. In this connection, he says that his Grand Lodge is the most conservative of any in the United States, and, while he is Committee Chairman, he proposes to keep it that way, which is well."

With deep regret, we report that, for financial reasons, the Correspondence Report will be omitted from future Vermont Proceedings. Of course Vermont knows her own business best, but it does seem to us that a Grand Lodge which can afford to publish a complete roster of its entire membership (125 costly pages), to make a munificent annual contribution of \$4,500 to the M. S. A., and to strike medals for non-Masons, should certainly be able to find the few dollars needed to continue the publication of this highly important report. Without this report, Vermont Freemasons must, of necessity, be in ignorance of what goes on in the Masonic world. It is said that only a few Vermont Masons read this report. What of it? Those who do read it are the very ones who need to read it—the Masonic leaders whose decisions will sway the future of the Craft. If this report was read only by the responsible voting members of the Grand Lodge, it would still be well worth the cost. Please, Vermont, won't you reconsider your action and give us back Bro. Grout's good reports? We need him at the Round Table, and we think that you need his reports!

Bro. F. Ray Adams was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Aaron H. Grout was re-elected.

VICTORIA, 1953.

Quarterly Communications.

Lodges, 730. Members, 103,776. Gain, 3,927.

The Grand Lodge of Victoria held its usual Quarterly Communications in March, June, September and December. Distinguished visitors from the English Constitution were received. Our Maine Representative, R. W. Bro. R. P. Dick, was faithful in his attendance.

At the March Quarterly, the Grand Master, General Sir Dallas Brooks, was installed for a third term of office.

In June, a special program in celebration of the Coronation of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II was presented. Much of the actual Coronation music was rendered by the Grand Lodge Choir, and portions of the Coronation service itself were skilfully woven into the special ritual prepared for this occasion. A stirring Coronation message was delivered by the Grand Master, who is also Her Majesty's Governor in the State of Victoria. Facing an illuminated portrait of Her Majesty, which was hung in the East, the brethren united in singing the National Anthem.

During the year, twenty new lodges were added to the roll. Several constitutional amendments were adopted, including one which increased registration and affiliation fees. The sum of 40,000 pounds was loaned to the Masonic Hospital Association, to make possible a much needed enlargement of the hospital facilities.

Fraternal recognition was extended to the Grand Lodge of Vienna for Austria.

The Grand Master visited Britain on State business. While there, he paid a visit to Freemason's Hall in London. He was warmly welcomed back at the December Quarterly.

Again, Maine is not among the Jurisdictions whose Proceedings are reviewed by their respective Grand Representatives.

The Grand Master, His Excellency General Sir Dallas Brooks, K. C. B., K. C. M. G., K. C. V. O., D. S. O., K. St. J., Governor of Victoria, was re-elected. Grand Secretary C. W. Davis remains in office.

VIRGINIA, 1954.

The One Hundred Seventy-sixth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 335. Members, 64,026. Gain, 1,856.

The Annual Communication was held in Richmond on February 9-11, 1954. M. W. Orvin M. Miles presided. The Colors were presented, and a tribute to the Flag was given by Rear Admiral John W. W. Cumming, U. S. Navy (Retired). Distinguished visitors from Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, Connecticut, Maryland, Rhode Island, North Carolina, Delaware, South Carolina, District of Columbia, Ohio, Colorado and West Virginia were in attendance. Maine's Representative was absent.

Virginia mourns the death of its Grand Treasurer, R. W. William S. Pettit. Funeral services were conducted by the Grand Lodge.

The Grand Master made ninety-five visitations. He welcomed the Washington Memorial Association to Virginia, attended the Grand Masters' Conference, and visited the Grand Lodges of North Carolina, Maryland, Canada in Ontario and California. Two lodges were constituted. Cornerstones were laid for one Masonic Temple and for the new Virginia Masonic Home for the Aged.

Under dispensation, Virginia lodges also laid cornerstones for a Masonic Temple, two educational buildings for the Methodist Church, one Christian Church, two Baptist Churches, one public school building, and one Fire House.

A prolonged discussion took place concerning the financing of the new Home for the Aged, the cost of which had greatly exceeded the original estimate and the appropriation originally made. After much debate, some of it rather heated, the plan proposed by the Past Grand Masters was adopted.

At this communication, the Grand Lodge voted to celebrate the bicentennial of the birth of M. W. John Marshall, Chief Justice of the United States. Two sixty year gold medals were presented. Regulations for admission to the new Home for the Aged were adopted.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence presented a wise and conservative report. No new recognitions were granted.

Forty-one volumes of Proceedings are carefully reviewed by Virginia's distinguished Foreign Correspondent, M. W. James N. Hillman. We

quote from his Conclusion: "Masonry, with all its hopes and its fears, with all its destiny in the future years, depends, in the last resort, upon the dependability, the unquestioned moral integrity, and the solid character of its every individual member. Truly, the Masonic chain is no stronger than the weakest link."

Bro. Hillman gives Maine for 1953 a good review. Grand Master Ela is quoted in regard to the incorporation of lodges, and his address before the Grand Masters' Conference receives favorable mention. Extensive quotation is made from our own Foreword, which Bro. Hillman is kind enough to commend. He also says: "Virginia has been pleased and highly honored to have had M. Wor. Bro. Lander among our Distinguished Guests on more than one occasion. He really won the hearts of his Virginia Brethren. We even forgot how to spell 'damnyankee'." In fact, we would have been ashamed to even try to pronounce it. We just substituted 'beloved Brother' instead. Virginia has great respect for Maine's brand of Freemasonry." Thank you, Brother Hillman.

Bro. Hugh Reid was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary James N. Hillman was re-elected. Not only was the Grand Master presented with an automobile in which to do his Masonic traveling, but his wife was also presented with a television set to pass away the time while he was gone!

WASHINGTON, 1954.

The Ninety-seventh Annual Communication.

Lodges, 276. Members, 67,220. Gain, 1,278.

M. W. Bro. Fred Winkels presided over the Annual Communication, which was held in Tacoma on June 15-16, 1954. Distinguished visitors from Idaho, Montana, Oregon, Ohio and California were in attendance.

The Tri-State Conference met in Seattle. The Grand Master also attended the National Conferences and visited in Idaho, Montana, California and Yukon Territory. His domestic appearances included attendance at all district meetings and a visit to the Washington lodges in Alaska. One lodge was constituted, and two new lodges were set to work under dispensation. Four new halls were dedicated. Cornerstones were laid for a High School and a Masonic Temple.

The Grand Master reprimanded the Master and Secretary of a lodge for allowing the minutes of their lodge to be published in a magazine. He also reprimanded a lodge for soliciting funds for the completion of its Temple from other lodges and brethren. He ruled that an American citizen of Japanese blood was eligible for the degrees, but held that a lodge could not make a donation to the work of a civic committee seeking to attract new industries to a town. He also held that a Washington lodge was not required to respect the claims of a foreign Jurisdiction claiming perpetual jurisdiction over rejected material.

A commercial publication, using the word "Masonic" in its designation, injured the reputation of the Fraternity by its advertising practices. As the publishers of this paper refused either to amend their ways or to discontinue the use of the Masonic name and emblems, the Grand Lodge instituted an action against them in the civil courts. An injunction was obtained, prohibiting further use of the Masonic title or insignia by the defendants. This legally establishes Grand Lodge control over the name and emblems of Masonry.

In Washington, the educational program is very largely built around the 'Short Talk Bulletin' published by the M. S. A. During the year, about 15,000 of these bulletins were shipped into Washington, where they were made available to the lodges at low cost. Two successful Grand Lodge booklets have also been reprinted. Wor. Earl B. Thomas, who visited Maine in Grand Master Gray's administration, is now serving as a member of the Washington Committee on Masonic Education.

A new revision of the Washington Code has been published.

No new recognitions were granted at this communication.

With deep regret, we report that Washington's distinguished Correspondent, M. W. Bro. Loomis Baldrey, has passed to the Grand Lodge Above. His last Report, ably written as always, appears in this volume of Proceedings, with a Foreword by the Grand Secretary, noting his death and praising his work for the Craft. And so we bid farewell to still another outstanding member of the Round Table.

Bro. Lester E. Hitt was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary John I. Preissner was re-elected.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA, 1953.

Quarterly and Annual Communications.

Lodges, 281. Members, 20,057. Gain, 710.

The Annual Communication was held in Perth on May 28, 1953. M. W. Bro. J. A. Ellis presided. Maine's Representative, R. W. Bro. the Rev. J. G. Booty, officiated as Grand Chaplain. Distinguished visitors from the Scottish Constitution were in attendance.

The usual Quarterly Communications were held. Senior Grand Lodge officers made 288 official visits to lodges during the year. The Grand Master also visited the District Grand Lodge under the Grand Lodge of Scotland and the Grand Lodge of New South Wales. Ten new lodges were consecrated.

The congratulations of the Grand Lodge were extended to M. W. Bro. the Earl of Scarbrough, Grand Master of England, on his appointment as Lord Chamberlain.

The Grand Inspector of Workings warned Masters to be on the alert for any looseness of conduct at the festive board, and to be merciless in suppressing offenders against good taste.

The Grand Lodge of Vienna for Austria was recognized.

The Review of Symbolic Freemasonry in Other Grand Jurisdictions was again prepared by M. W. Bro. J. A. Klein, who gives us an exceptionally good Foreword and fifty-six well written reviews. Our Maine doings in 1952 receive careful consideration. Grand Master Lander is twice quoted, and our own Correspondence Report is commended.

The Grand Master, M. W. Bro. Joseph Arthur Ellis, was re-elected. His Excellency, Lieutenant General Sir Charles Gairdner, K. C. M. G., C. B., C. B. E., K. St. J., Governor of Western Australia, became Senior Grand Warden. Grand Secretary N. J. Munro remains in office.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA, 1954.

Quarterly and Annual Communications.

Lodges, 290. Members, 20,681. Gain, 633.

In the absence of the Grand Master, who was traveling in Europe, the Annual Communication was presided over by R. W. Bro. A. J. McLaren, Deputy Grand Master. This was held at Perth on May 27, 1954. Distinguished visitors from the Scottish Constitution were present. Our Maine Representative, Grand Chaplain J. G. Booty, was in attendance.

The August, 1953, Quarterly was held at Boulder in the Goldfields District. The other Quarterlies were held in Perth. Visitations with the Scottish lodges were exchanged. Nine new lodges were constituted. A total of 268 official visitations were made by Grand Officers.

At the time of the Royal visit, a letter of fraternal greetings was presented to Bro. H. R. H. the Duke of Edinburgh.

The sum of 500 pounds was contributed to the Queen Elizabeth II Coronation Gift Fund.

A new Manual of Approved Rulings was published. A new edition of the official Ritual has been authorized.

Recognition was withdrawn from the Grand Lodge of Liberia.

M. W. Bro. J. A. Klein, Chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee, presents another excellent Report. His Foreword covers many phases of Masonic activity throughout the world, and he reviews the Proceedings of sixty-four Jurisdictions. Maine for 1953 receives courteous treatment. Grand Master Ela is quoted, our conservative stand on recognition is noted, and our own remarks in regard to chain letters are mentioned.

The Grand Master, M. W. Bro. Joseph A. Ellis, and the Grand Secretary, N. J. Munro, were re-elected.

WEST VIRGINIA, 1953.

The Eighty-ninth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 165. Members, 45,039. Gain, 949.

The Grand Lodge met in Charleston on October 14-15, 1953. M. W. Delbert T. Robinson presided. Distinguished guests from Virginia, Maryland, Montana, District of Columbia, Pennsylvania and New Jersey

were in attendance, as was M. W. Daniel C. Bageant, Grand Representative of Maine.

The Grand Master attended the Grand Masters' Conference and the annual meeting of the G. W. M. N. M. A. During the year, one new lodge was constituted and three new halls were dedicated. Cornerstones were laid for one College building, one High School building, one Public Library, one Methodist Church, one Baptist Church, and two Masonic Temples.

The Grand Master held that a lodge was justified in refusing to grant a dimit to a member who had tendered only a part of the year's dues which he owed when the application for dimit was made.

There are forty-eight guests at the West Virginia Masonic Home.

At this communication, the Grand Lodge adopted a new order of funeral processions and received its stone from the White House. M. W. Edwin Grafton of Montana presented to the Grand Lodge three vessels for corn, wine and oil, made of Montana copper.

Fraternal recognition was extended to the United Grand Lodge of Germany and to the Grand Lodge of Vienna for Austria.

The Review of Grand Jurisdictions is again from the pen of M. W. Henry Ahrens. We quote from his Foreword: "As the order of society is continually changing it is only natural for the same to be true of many of the laws, customs and ceremonies of the Fraternity, but the cardinal principles of Freemasonry are immutable and shall so continue until time shall be no more."

Bro. Ahrens reviews the Proceedings of sixty-six Jurisdictions in his usual happy manner. Maine for 1953 receives courteous consideration. Quotation is made from Grand Master Ela's address before the Grand Masters' Conference. Quotations are also made from our Grand Lecturer's report and from our own Foreword. We thank Bro. Ahrens for his courtesy, and express our regret that West Virginia's Proceedings for 1952 did not reach our desk.

Bro. William J. Johnson was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Julian B. Hollingsworth was re-elected.

WISCONSIN, 1954.

The One Hundred Tenth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 306. Members, 64,691. Gain, 544.

M. W. Bro. Robert H. Gollmar presided over the Annual Communication, which was held in Milwaukee on June 8-9, 1954. The Colors of the United States and Canada were posted, and "America" and "God Save the Queen" were sung. A welcome was extended to distinguished visitors from Canada in Ontario, Tennessee, Michigan, Minnesota, Indiana and Illinois.

The Grand Master attended the Grand Masters' Conference. He serves as a member of the Commission on Information for Recognition. He made the usual visitations in his own State, and visited the sister

Grand Lodges of Pennsylvania, Illinois, Minnesota and Indiana. He issued a dispensation for one new lodge. One cornerstone was laid, and four new Temples were dedicated.

M. W. Bro. Gollmar ruled that a lodge could not contribute to a non-Masonic charity, nor participate, as such, in a civil defense program. He also rules that the Eastern Star could not hold a public entertainment, a rummage sale or a public supper on Masonic premises. In keeping with traditional Wisconsin custom, he held that a man with two fingers missing was ineligible for Masonry.

The Grand Master said: "Masonic education is vital to well-rounded Masonry." Wisconsin has a functioning Committee on Masonic Education, and was represented at the Midwest Conference. Educational programs were presented at quarterly meetings. Two special programs were made available to lodges, and a new issue of the official handbook was published. The Committee strongly recommends that something similar to the Indiana Mentor Plan be adopted for use in Wisconsin.

At this communication, a new revision of the Wisconsin Masonic Code was adopted. Discussion was rather sharp on certain controversial issues. Attempts to liberalize physical requirements and to change existing liquor laws were defeated. The rules for admission to the Masonic Home were changed to permit the admission of chronic cases directly to the hospital.

Construction of a new Grand Lodge building was authorized. To finance the same, an assessment of \$1.00 a year for three years was levied.

The salary of the Grand Secretary was increased to \$8,400, and that of the Grand Lecturer to \$7,000.

The Committee on Foreign Relations continues its exploratory correspondence with numerous foreign bodies.

M. W. Bro. Herbert W. Dixon again presented the Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence. We quote from his excellent Foreword: "Now is the time to consolidate our gains; now is the time to impregnate the minds of our brethren with the desire to retain, at whatever cost, their membership in the lodge." He also says: "Too often lodge officers are not willing to carry their just share of the load but are content to get through any way, so long as they secure the coveted title of Past Master. Do they ever feel shame? Do they ever stop to think that unearned honor is an empty title, indeed? Does it ever cross their minds that they are dishonest? Unfair to their brethren? That they are a cheat and a fraud?" Good stuff, Bro. Dixon!

Bro. Dixon reviews fifty-five volumes of Proceedings. Maine for 1953 receives four pages of kindly comment. Good coverage is given to Grand Master Ela's address, and his apt quotations from the writings of Josiah H. Drummond are quoted in full. The death of R. W. Frank J. Cole and his work in handling Maine Masonic relief are noted. The presence of the R. C. M. P. degree team at Bangor is mentioned. Bro. Dixon notes with

interest that Tremont Lodge, No. 77, of South West Harbor, presented degree work before the Grand Lodge. Bro. Dixon was once a resident of that beautiful community.

Bro. Dixon is kind enough to commend our own work and to describe us as "able and courageous." He quotes from our Foreword. Referring to our stand in regard to certain foreign Jurisdictions, he says: "This, typical of Maine's firm adherence to the Landmarks and usages of Masonry, is Brother Pollard's attitude. Would that more of us possessed that firm and rockbound character." Thank you, Bro. Dixon.

Bro. Carl W. Hofmeister was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Paul W. Grossenbach was re-elected.

WYOMING, 1954.

The Eightieth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 51. Members, 12,321. Gain, 201.

The Grand Lodge met in Casper on August 23, 1954. Grand Master Homer E. Zorn presided. The Mayor, himself a Past Master, extended a civic welcome. Distinguished guests from Utah, Iowa, Montana, District of Columbia, Illinois, Nebraska, South Dakota, Colorado and Idaho were present.

The Grand Master visited all Wyoming lodges, participated in the Washington and Rocky Mountain Conferences, and attended Grand Lodge sessions in Illinois, Kentucky, South Dakota and Montana. One new lodge was constituted and one cornerstone was laid.

During the year a new edition of the Code was published.

Past Grand Master J. Melvin Evans died while traveling in the Kingdom of Jordan. Masonic funeral services were conducted under the auspices of Golden Throne Lodge, Scottish Constitution, and a marker made of stone from King Solomon's quarries was erected over his grave in Jerusalem. Past Grand Masters William Pugh and John L. Sawyer also passed away during the year.

The Grand Master stressed the need for Masonic education. In Wyoming, they have a Director of Masonic Education and an Educational Council. Monthly bulletins are issued, and educational booklets are published.

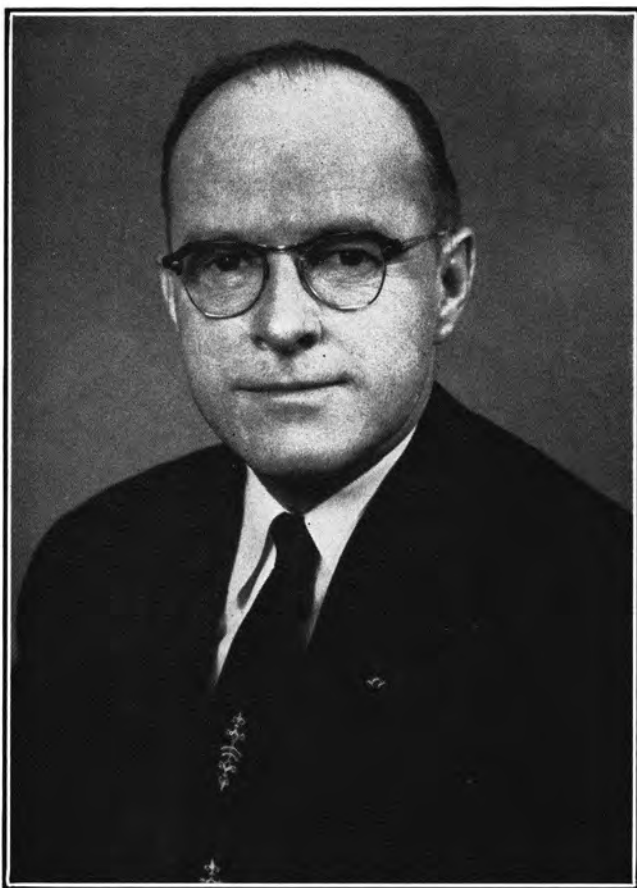
The Grand Lodge of Greece and two Mexican Grand Lodges, Cosmos and Baja California, were recognized.

Bro. O. H. Gerhard Jacobsen was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Irving E. Clark was re-elected.

There is no Correspondence Report.

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Canada.....	1954	North Carolina.....	1954
Colorado.....	1954	North Dakota.....	1954
Connecticut.....	1954	Nova Scotia.....	1954
Delaware.....	1954	Ohio.....	1953
District of Columbia.....	1953	Oklahoma.....	1954
England.....	1954	Oregon.....	1954
Florida.....	1954	Pennsylvania.....	1953
Georgia.....	1953-1954	Philippines.....	1954
Idaho.....	1954	Prince Edward Island.....	1953
Indiana.....	1954	Quebec.....	1954
Iowa.....	1954	Queensland.....	1953-1954
Ireland.....	1953	Rhode Island.....	1954
Kansas.....	1954	Saskatchewan.....	1954
Kentucky.....	1953	Scotland.....	1954
Louisiana.....	1954	South Carolina.....	1954
Manitoba.....	1954	South Dakota.....	1954
Maryland.....	1953	Tasmania.....	1954
Massachusetts.....	1953	Tennessee.....	1954
Mexico (York).....	1953-1954	Texas.....	1953
Michigan.....	1954	Utah.....	1954
Minnesota.....	1954	Vermont.....	1954
Mississippi.....	1954	Victoria.....	1953
Missouri.....	1954	Virginia.....	1954
Montana.....	1954	Washington.....	1954
Nebraska.....	1954	Western Australia.....	1953-1954
Nevada.....	1954	West Virginia.....	1953
New Brunswick.....	1954	Wisconsin.....	1954
Newfoundland (E. C.).....	1954	Wyoming.....	1954



Rev. AUBREY LEMONT BURBANK
Grand Master

Rev. AUBREY LEMONT BURBANK

Most Worshipful Brother BURBANK was born in Palmyra, Maine, July 8, 1913, son of Stephen L. and Ethel (Getchell) Burbank. Educated in the public schools of Hartland, Me., graduating from Hartland Academy in 1930, and from Morey's Decorative Advertising School in Boston in 1931.

For several years he operated a Gasoline Station and was Manager of Pineland Oil Company at Waterville. From 1942 to 1952 he was a Poultry Farmer.

He began his study for the Ministry in 1953, serving churches in Brooks and Jackson until July of 1955, when he was called to the Methodist Churches in Clinton and Benton and the Congregational Church in Vassalboro.

(Previously been Lay Leader of the East Vassalboro Methodist Church for several years). (Continuing study in the Methodist Church, attending Pastor's Summer School at Boston University).

Made a Master Mason in Waterville Lodge, No. 33, on April 29, 1935, and was its Worshipful Master in 1941. His activities in Grand Lodge started with the appointment as District Deputy Grand Master 1944-45, later serving as Grand Steward 1946-47; Grand Junior Deacon 1948; Grand Lecturer 1949-52, and Deputy Grand Master 1954-55.

Exalted in Teconnet Chapter, No. 52, Royal Arch Masons, September 24, 1940, was its High Priest in 1946, and Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter in 1953, and is presently a Grand Chaplain.

Greeted as a Royal and Select Master in Mt. Lebanon Council, No. 13, in 1942, and was its Illustrious Master in 1948. Is presently a Grand Chaplain of the Grand Council.

Knighted in St. Omer Commandery, No. 12, Knights Templar, June 13, 1945, and was its Eminent Commander in 1952-53.

In the Scottish Rite, he received the degrees from the fourth to the eighteenth in the bodies of the Rite in Augusta, and the thirty-second degree in Maine Consistory at Portland on May 23, 1947.

He was Worthy Patron of Martha Washington Chapter, O. E. S. in 1940 and 1944.

He is also a member of DeBouillon Conclave, No. 2, Knights of the Red Cross of Constantine, and Kora Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S.

Unmarried—lives with his father and mother at 80½ Grove Street, Waterville, Maine.

Now serving: Brown Memorial Methodist Church, Clinton.

Benton Methodist Church, Benton.

Adams Memorial Church, Vassalboro.



Grand Lodge of Maine

1956

Special Communication

BROWNVILLE, MAINE, }
September 17, 1955. }

A Special Communication of the M. W. Grand Lodge was held at Brownville for the purpose of dedicating the new Masonic Hall of PLEASANT RIVER LODGE, No. 163.

The Grand Lodge was opened in ample form in an adjoining apartment of their hall.

PRESENT:

PAUL L. POWERS,		M. W. Grand Master
AUBREY L. BURBANK,		R. W. Deputy Grand Master
ROYAL L. CLEAVES,		" Senior Grand Warden
HAROLD W. BLAISDELL,		" Junior Grand Warden
HARRY S. GRINDALL,	as	" Grand Treasurer
CONVERS E. LEACH,		" " Secretary
Rev. MALCOLM A. MACDUFFIE,	W.	" Chaplain
NORMAN W. LINDQUIST,	"	" Marshal
B. GLEN MCGEE,	"	" Senior Deacon
EARLE B. PORTER,	"	" Junior Deacon
WALTER F. TOWNSEND.	"	" Steward
GRANVILLE C. GRAY,	as	" " "
ALPHEUS G. DYER,	"	" " Sword Bearer
WILLIAM A. LEVENSALOR,	as	" " Standard Bearer
HARRY D. DAVIS,	"	" " Pursuivant
MERRILL R. KITTREDGE,	as	" " " "
HENRY DOHERTY,	Bro.	" Tyler
P. F. THOMBS, Architect		

A committee of Pleasant River Lodge waited upon the Grand Lodge and announced that their lodge

was opened in the main hall, and was ready to receive the M. W. Grand Lodge, whereupon the procession was conducted to the hall, Grand Honors extended, and the Grand Lodge Officers assumed their stations.

The ceremony of dedication was conducted in ancient form by the Grand Master with the assistance of the brethren.

The Grand Master addressed the brethren briefly, and the Grand Lodge retired and was closed in due form.

In addition to those above mentioned, there were present:

JAMES O. McKEEN,	R. W. D. D. G. M.	5th District
JOHN H. ANNIS,	" "	7th "
HOWARD H. WHITTEN,	" "	12th "
NATHANIEL A. GILPATRICK,	" "	14th "
GRANVILLE C. GRAY,	M. W. Past Grand Master	
ALVOID E. CUSHMAN,	R. W. " Senior Grand Warden	
HAROLD L. GERRISH,	" " " " "	
GEORGE R. CASWELL,	" " " " "	
LEWMAN B. SOPER,	" " " " "	
HARRY S. GRINDALL,	" " Junior " "	
ARTHUR W. STOCKBRIDGE,	" " " " "	
WESLEY L. OXTON,	" " " " "	
CLIFFORD H. M. PERRY,	" " " " "	

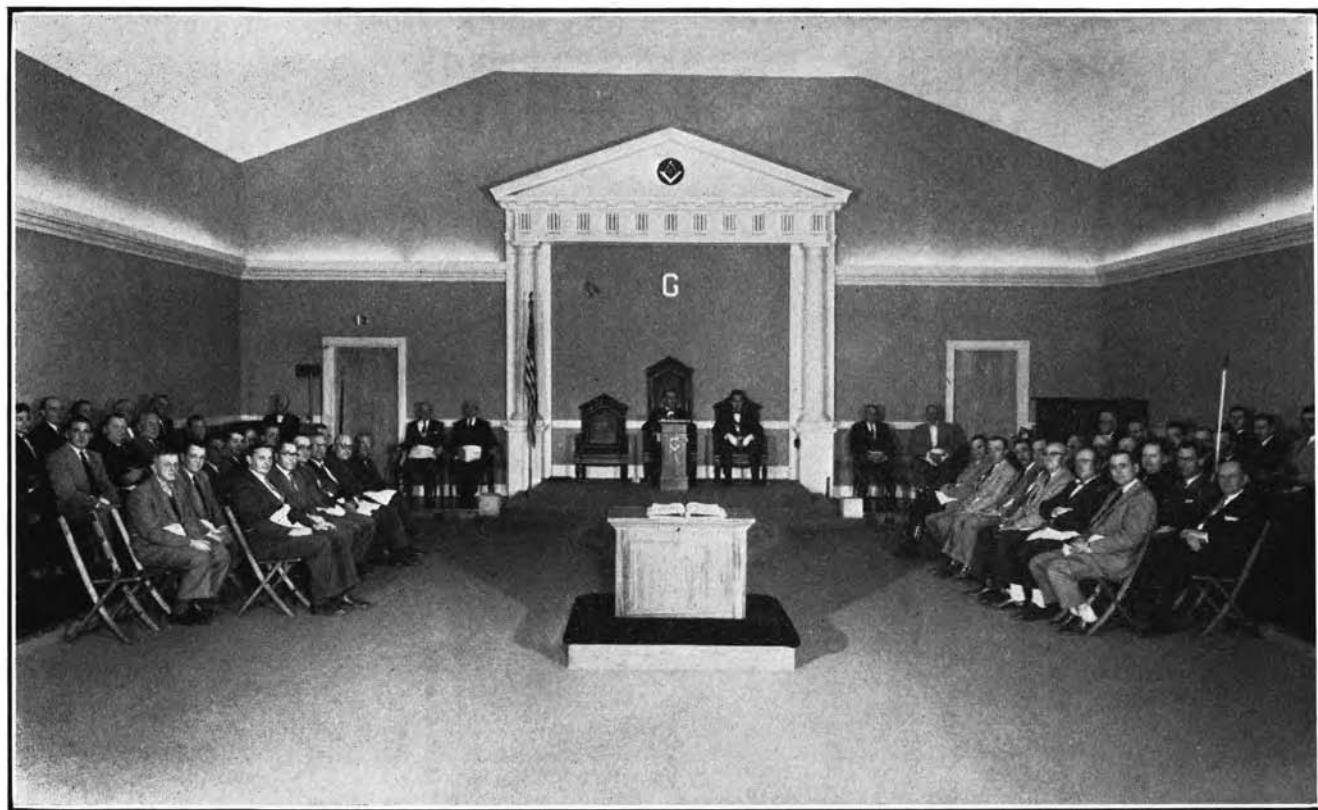
There were 45 lodges represented, 31 of this Jurisdiction and 14 Lodges of other Grand Jurisdictions with 62 members of Pleasant River Lodge.

Attest:



Courtesy E. Leach

Grand Secretary.



Grand Lodge of Maine

1956

Special Communication

PORTLAND, MAINE, }
October 1, 1955. }

A Special Communication of the M. W. Grand Lodge was held at Portland on Saturday, October 1, 1955, for the purpose of dedicating the new Masonic Hall of CORNER STONE LODGE, No. 216.

The Grand Lodge was opened in ample form in an adjoining apartment of their hall at 4.00 o'clock P. M.

PRESENT:

PAUL L. FOWERS,	M. W. Grand Master
EARLE D. WEBSTER,	<i>as</i> R. W. Deputy Grand Master
ROYAL L. CLEAVES,	" Senior Grand Warden
HAROLD W. BLAISDELL,	" Junior Grand Warden
CLARK D. CHAPMAN,	<i>as</i> " Grand Treasurer
CONVERS E. LEACH,	" " Secretary
WARREN MOSES,	W. " Chaplain
NORMAN W. LINDQUIST,	" " Marshal
HENRY R. GILLIS,	<i>as</i> " " Senior Deacon
EARLE B. PORTER,	" " Junior Deacon
JOHN W. PETERSON,	<i>as</i> " " Steward
AUSTIN A. ALDEN,	<i>as</i> " " "
ALPHEUS G. DYER,	" " Sword Bearer
NATHANIEL A. GILPATRICK,	<i>as</i> " " Standard Bearer
M. DONALD GARDNER,	<i>as</i> " " Pursuivant
GEORGE R. CASWELL,	<i>as</i> " " "
WESLEY L. OXTON,	<i>as</i> Bro. " Tyler
RICHARD E. LEWIS,	" " Organist
PERCY McMANNUS,	Architect

A committee of Corner Stone Lodge waited upon the Grand Lodge and announced that their lodge was opened in the main hall, and was ready to receive the M. W. Grand Lodge, whereupon the procession was conducted to the hall, Grand Honors extended, and the Grand Lodge Officers assumed their stations.

The ceremony of dedication was conducted in ancient form by the Grand Master with the assistance of the brethren.

The Grand Master addressed the brethren briefly, and the Grand Lodge retired and was closed in due form.

After a very fine dinner, an entertainment was enjoyed by all present. There were 38 Lodges represented.



Attest:

Conners E. Leach

Grand Secretary.



MASONIC TEMPLE, RISING VIRTUE LODGE NO. 10
ST. ANDREW'S LODGE NO. 83

Grand Lodge of Maine

1956

Special Communication

BANGOR, MAINE, }
October 14, 1955. }

A Special Communication of the M. W. Grand Lodge was held at Bangor, for the purpose of re-dedicating the Masonic Hall of Rising Virtue Lodge No. 10, and St. Andrew's Lodge, No. 83.

The Grand Lodge was opened in full form in an apartment of the Temple.

PRESENT:

PAUL L. POWERS,	M. W. Grand Master
AUBREY L. BURBANK,	R. W. Deputy Grand Master
ROYAL L. CLEAVES,	" Senior Grand Warden
HAROLD W. BLAISDELL,	" Junior Grand Warden
GEORGE W. HASKELL,	as " Grand Treasurer
CONVERS E. LEACH,	" " Secretary
Rev. ERNEST HEYWOOD,	W. " Chaplain
NORMAN W. LINDQUIST,	" " Marshal
B. GLEN MCGEE,	" " Senior Deacon
WESLEY I. OXTON,	as " " Junior Deacon
PARKER R. JACOBY,	" " Steward
GEORGE R. CASWELL,	as " " "
LEWMAN B. SOPER,	as " " Sword Bearer
WILLIAM A. LEVENSALOR,	as " " Standard Bearer
FRED J. LOWELL,	as " " Pursuivant
ARTHUR A. STOCKBRIDGE,	as " " "
HENRY DOHERTY,	Bro. " Tyler
WILFRID TREMBLAY,	" " Organist
ROBERT L. DRINKWATER,	Architect

CLYDE JONES, CHARLES METCALF, ROYCE B. ALLEN and EARLE BAILEY, Quartette.

A committee waited upon the Grand Lodge and announced that the Lodges were ready to receive the Grand Lodge whereupon the procession was conducted to the main hall, the public Grand Honors extended and the Grand Officers assumed their stations.

The ceremony of dedication was conducted in ancient form by the Grand Master with the assistance of the brethren, after which the following program was presented:

History of the Temple reconstruction.

Introduction of Distinguished Guests:

Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter, ORVIS W. BONNEY.

Grand Master of the Grand Council, GEORGE J. LACKEDY.

Grand Commander of Grand Commandery, NELSON B. CAMICK.

Active Member of the Supreme Council, A. A. S. R., DONALD S. HIGGINS.

Each of whom responded with brief remarks.

After remarks by the M. W. Grand Master, the Grand Lodge retired and was closed in ample form.

In addition to those previously mentioned there were present:

ERVIN E. J. LANDER,
ROBERT C. CARTER,
JOHN H. ANNIS,
L. FAIR ELWELL,
ROBERT H. JOSSELYN,

M. W. Past Grand Master
R. W. D. D. G. M.
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PHILIP G. TINGLEY,
ELBERT G. MOULTON,
MERTON E. LEECH,
MERRILL R. KITTREDGE,
CLIFFORD H. M. PERRY,
GEORGE F. PEABODY,

R. W. Past	Senior Grand Warden
"	" Junior Grand Warden
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Attest:



Conners E. Leach

Grand Secretary.



Grand Lodge of Maine

1956

Special Communication

OLD ORCHARD, MAINE, }
December 3, 1955.

A Special Communication of the M. W. Grand Lodge was held at Old Orchard, for the purpose of dedication of the Masonic Hall of ORCHARD LODGE, No. 215.

The Grand Lodge was opened in full form in an apartment of the Temple.

PRESENT:

PAUL L. POWERS,	M. W. Grand Master
AUBREY L. BURBANK,	R. W. Deputy Grand Master
ROYAL L. CLEAVES,	" Senior Grand Warden
HAROLD W. BLAISDELL,	" Junior Grand Warden
BENJAMIN W. ELA,	<i>as</i> " Grand Treasurer
CONVERS E. LEACH,	" " Secretary
WARREN MOSES,	W. " Chaplain
NORMAN W. LINDQUIST,	" " Marshal
HENRY R. GILLIS	<i>as</i> " " Senior Deacon
LEWIS T. BROWN,	<i>as</i> " " Junior Deacon
GEORGE A. ELWELL,	" " Steward
GEORGE R. CASWELL,	" " "
EARLE D. WEBSTER,	<i>as</i> " " Sword Bearer
ROLAND CORNISH,	<i>as</i> " " Standard Bearer
JOHN W. PETERSON,	" " Pursuivant
NATHANIEL A. GILPATRICK,	<i>as</i> " " "
WESLEY L. OXTON,	<i>as</i> Bro. " Tyler
ELMER RAND,	" " Organist
HUBERT STANDEVEN,	Architect

A committee waited upon the Grand Lodge and announced that the Lodge was ready to receive the Grand Lodge whereupon the procession was conducted to the main hall, the public Grand Honors extended, and the Grand Officers assumed their stations.

The ceremony of dedication was conducted in ancient form by the Grand Master with the assistance of the brethren, after which the Grand Master addressed the audience. The Grand Officers retired and the Grand Lodge was closed in ample form.



Attest:

Conners E. Leach

Grand Secretary.



OFFICERS OF THE M. W. GRAND LODGE OF MAINE

Grand Lodge of Maine

1956

One Hundred and Thirty-seventh Annual Communication

MASONIC TEMPLE, PORTLAND,
Tuesday, May 1, 1956.

The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient
Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Maine
met in Annual Communication in Masonic Temple
at nine in the morning (E. D. T.).

GRAND OFFICERS PRESENT:

PAUL L. POWERS,	M. W. Grand Master
AUBREY L. BURBANK,	R. W. Deputy Grand Master
ROYAL L. CLEAVES,	" Senior Grand Warden
HAROLD W. BLAISDELL,	" Junior Grand Warden
H. NORTON MAXFIELD,	" Grand Treasurer
EARLE D. WEBSTER,	" as Grand Secretary
EARLE D. WEBSTER,	" Cor. Grand Secretary
RAYMOND M. RIDEOUT,	" Grand Lecturer
P.G.M. Rev. DAVID L. WILSON, LHD.,	W. " Chaplain
Rev ERNEST HEYWOOD,	" " "
" PERCY COTTON,	" " "
" MALCOLM ANGUS MACDUFFIE,	" " "
" ANDREW C. K. RICHARDS,	" " "
Rabbi DAVID BERENT,	" " "
WARREN MOSES,	" " "
NORMAN W. LINDQUIST,	" " Marshal
B. GLEN MCGEE,	" " Senior Deacon
EARLE B. PORTER,	" " Junior Deacon
GEORGE A. ELWELL,	" " Steward
JOHN R. Wonneberger,	" " "
WALTER F. TOWNSEND,	" " "
PARKER R. JACOBY,	" " "

PENNSYLVANIA. R. W. Bro. GEORGE A. AVERY, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, presented by M. W. Bro. EDWARD W. WHEELER.

M. W. Bro. RALPH LEHR, Immediate Past Grand Master of this Grand Lodge was our guest but, due to illness, could not be presented.

NEW JERSEY. R. W. Bro. AUGUST C. U. ALLRICH, Senior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge of New Jersey, presented by R. W. Bro. AUBREY L. BURBANK.

NEW HAMPSHIRE. M. W. Bro. LESLIE F. MURCH, Grand Master; M. W. Bro. HAROLD O. CADY, Past Grand Master and Grand Secretary; and R. W. Bro. RICHARD W. CRESSEY, Grand Marshal of the Grand Lodge of New Hampshire, presented by R. W. Bro. HAROLD W. BLAISDELL.

CONNECTICUT. M. W. Bro. J. HULL MANWARING, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Connecticut, presented by M. W. Bro. ERVIN E. J. LANDER.

RHODE ISLAND. M. W. Bro. ALTON T. CURTIS, Grand Master and R. W. Bro. N. ARTHUR HYLAND, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, presented by M. W. Bro. CLARK D. CHAPMAN.

VERMONT. M. W. Bro. F. RAY ADAMS, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Vermont, presented by M. W. Bro. CHARLES E. CROSSLAND.

DELAWARE. R. W. Bro. H. CLIFFORD BAUER, Deputy Grand Master and Grand Representative, and M. W. Bro. HORACE S. ALLEN, JR., Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Delaware, presented by M. W. Bro. ERNEST C. BUTLER.

MISSOURI. Ill. Bro. FRANK S. LAND, 33°, Founder of the International Order of DeMolay, presented by R. W. Bro. EDWARD H. BRITTON.

ONTARIO. R. W. Bro. HARRY L. MARTYN, Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada, Province of Ontario, presented by R. W. Bro. LEWIS T. BROWN.

NOVA SCOTIA. M. W. Bro. JEPHTHA S. MUNRO, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia, presented by M. W. Bro. BENJAMIN W. ELA.

NEW BRUNSWICK. M. W. Bro. ARTHUR E. COLEMAN, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of New Brunswick, presented by R. W. Bro. WILLIAM A. LEVENSALOR.

QUEBEC. M. W. Bro. DON L. WITTER, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Quebec, presented by M. W. Bro. CARROLL W. KEENE.

The Guests were received, invited to seats in the East, and accorded Private Grand Honors.

GRAND MASTER: Brethren, at this time it is my pleasure to present some of my personal guests whom I have asked to come to this meeting, and as I call their names, if they are present, will they please rise and remain standing, until I have completed.

KENNETH C. SLOAT, Worshipful Master, Freeport Lodge.

JAMES E. EVERETT, High Priest, Cumberland Chapter.

FRANCIS W. NORTON, Ill. Master, Mount Vernon Council.

JOHN VACCA, Commander, Portland Commandery.

ARTHUR H. PETERSON, Thrice Potent Master, Yates Lodge of Perfection.

DONALD E. WALLACE, Sovereign Prince, Portland Council, P. of J.

LEWIS T. BROWN, Most Wise Master, Dunlap Chapter Rose Croix.

RAYMOND S. McCUBREY, Commander-in-Chief, Maine Consistory.

GEORGE W. LANE, JR., Representative of the Imperial Potentate.

ALBERT T. UTTERSTROM, Potentate, Kora Temple.

GLEASON A. RAND, Potentate, Anah Temple.
ELFORD H. MORISON, Director, Put Stevens Court, R. O. J.
ROBERT S. GASS, Deputy for Maine, Order of DeMolay.
FRANK S. SOUTHARD, Ill. Imperial Sovereign, R. C. of Constantine.
C. KENNETH MORRILL, Worthy Grand Patron, O. E. S.

COLORS PRESENTED.

The Communication stood at attention and saluted the Flag as the Colors—a United States of America Flag and a Canadian Flag—were presented at the rear of the Altar by Sergeant, Brother Robert Stuart of Bavaria Lodge, Munich, Germany, and Airman Second Class, Brother LeRoy Logan of St. Mary's Lodge, No. 240, Concord, Kentucky, both stationed at Loring Air Force Base, Limestone, Maine.

The Pledge of Allegiance was repeated. The Communication sang one verse of "America," and one verse of "God Save the Queen."

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES.

Newly appointed Grand Representatives presented their credentials at the rear of the Altar as follows:

Arkansas — CLARENCE D. HACKNEY
France, National Grand Lodge — AUSTIN A. ALDEN
Iceland — ROYAL L. CLEAVES
Ireland — NORMAN W. LINDQUIST
Kansas — RAYMOND M. RIDEOUT
New Hampshire — PAUL L. POWERS
New Jersey — AUBREY L. BURBANK
New Mexico — WALTER W. MATSON
Oregon — M. GERRY PLUMMER
Prince Edward Island — ALPHEUS G. DYER
Queensland — HAROLD W. BLAISDELL
Utah — B. GLEN MCGEE

They were welcomed by the Grand Master.

The Grand Secretary called the roll of Grand Representatives and the following responded:

Alabama — LEWMAN B. SOPER
Arizona — ARTHUR W. STOCKBRIDGE
Arkansas — CLARENCE D. HACKNEY

British Columbia — EVERETT S. HIGGINS
Colorado — RALPH W. FARRIS
Connecticut — ERVIN E. J. LANDER
District of Columbia — ARTHUR H. LANDER
England — ALVOID E. CUSHMAN
Florida — MERTON E. LEECH
France, National Grand Lodge — AUSTIN A. ALDEN
Georgia — WILLIAM A. LEVENSALOR
Iceland — ROYAL L. CLEAVES
Idaho — FRANK L. MILAN
Indiana — H. NORTON MAXFIELD
Ireland — NORMAN W. LINDQUIST
Kansas — RAYMOND M. RIDEOUT
Louisiana — EARLE D. WEBSTER
Manitoba — GEORGE R. CASWELL
Maryland — HARRY E. ROWE
Massachusetts — DAVID L. WILSON
Mexico (York G. L.) — ERNEST C. BUTLER
Michigan — BENJAMIN W. ELA
Minnesota — FREDERICK C. LOUNDER
Missouri — EDWARD H. BRITTON
Montana — HAROLD L. GERRISH
Nebraska — JAMES A. SANKER
New Hampshire — PAUL L. POWERS
New Jersey — AUBREY L. BURBANK
New Mexico — WALTER W. MATSON
New South Wales — MERRILL R. KITTREDGE
New York — EDWARD W. WHEELER
North Dakota — FRED J. LOWELL
Oklahoma — CLYDE FRENCH
Oregon — M. GERRY PLUMMER
Panama — JOHN J. FAAS
Peru — JOHN M. LITTLEFIELD
Philippine Islands — ELMER P. SMART
Prince Edward Island — ALPHEUS G. DYER
Porto Rico — NORRIS C. ESTABROOK
Quebec — CARROLL W. KEENE
Queensland — HAROLD W. BLAISDELL
Rhode Island — CLARK D. CHAPMAN
South Australia — LEWIS T. BROWN
South Carolina — DANIEL G. CHAPLIN
South Dakota — ELBERT G. MOULTON
Sweden — RALPH J. POLLARD
Tennessee — HARRY S. GRINDALL
Utah — B. GLEN MCGEE
Vermont — CHARLES E. CROSSLAND
Victoria — ALFRED L. HOLBROOK

Virginia — HENRY R. GILLIS
 Washington — JUDSON P. LORD
 Western Australia — WESLEY L. OXTON
 Wisconsin — CLIFFORD H. M. FERRY

The Grand Master requested them to communicate with the Grand Master of the Grand Lodges represented and extend to them the greetings of the Grand Lodge of Maine.

CREDENTIALS.

W. Bro. JACKSON, for the Committee on Credentials, presented the following report and it was voted that the Committee have authority to add and amend during the morning session.

IN GRAND LODGE OF MAINE,
 MASONIC TEMPLE, PORTLAND, May 1, 1956.

Your Committee on Credentials have attended to their duties and report that the Chartered Lodges are represented as follows:

- 1 PORTLAND, by Samuel G. Glines, M.; Laurence E. Bibber, S. W.; Carl A. Garris, J. W.
- 2 ———WARREN, not represented.
- 3 LINCOLN, by Earl B. Colby, Proxy.
- 4 HANCOCK, by Clarence N. Williams, M.
- 5 KENNEBEC, by Harold Varney, M.; Elwood M. Lapham, J. W.; Daniel J. Foley, Proxy.
- 6 AMITY, by Roland C. Marriner, M.; Albert W. Hoffses, Proxy.
- 7 EASTERN, by Miles F. Mintons, J. W.; Clarence C. Dearborn, Proxy.
- 8 UNITED, by Raymond A. Freeman, M.; Frank E. Campbell, S. W.; Aubrey H. Chase, J. W.
- 9 SACO, by Lester W. Pray, S. W.; Thomas H. Hooper, Proxy.
- 10 RISING VIRTUE, by Harley C. Pulk, M.; Vinal M. Lamson, S. W.; Joseph G. OrNSTEIN, Proxy.
- 11 PYTHAGOREAN, by Bernard E. Ridlon, M.; David R. Hastings, S. W.; Charles F. Trumbull, Proxy.
- 12 CUMBERLAND, Milford N. Flint, M.
- 13 ORIENTAL, by Linwood L. Curtis, M.; E. Lyman Otis, Proxy.
- 14 SOLAR, by Donald T. Page, M.; Roswell C. Haskell, J. W.; K. S. Jackson, Proxy.
- 15 ORIENT, by Victor K. Hills, M.; Kenneth D. Feyler, Sr., S. W.; Frank B. Adams, Proxy.
- 16 St. GEORGE, by Dyson T. Jameson, Proxy.

- 17 ANCIENT LAND-MARK, by Stanley F. Sampson, M.; Richard D. Bicknell, S. W.; Edmund E. Lemieux, J. W.; M. Donald Gardner, Proxy.
- 18 ——— OXFORD, not represented.
- 19 FELICITY, by Fred W. Danforth, M.
- 20 MAINE, Clifford A. Rounds, M.
- 21 ORIENTAL STAR, by Franklin J. Austin, Proxy.
- 22 ——— YORK, not represented.
- 23 FREEPORT, by Kenneth C. Sloat, M.; Ralph H. Call, J. W.; Frederick F. Dalrymple, Proxy.
- 24 PHOENIX, by Harold W. Kelley, Proxy.
- 25 TEMPLE, by H. Clair Miller, Proxy.
- 26 VILLAGE, by Merle A. MacDonald, M.; Leland B. Chapman, Proxy.
- 27 ADONIRAM, by Arthur W. Libby, M.; Elroy W. Davis, Proxy.
- 28 NORTHERN STAR, Alfred L. Holbrook, Proxy.
- 29 TRANQUIL, by John R. Preble, Proxy.
- 30 BLAZING STAR, by John H. Allan, M.; James W. Guptill, S. W.
- 31 UNION, by Robie Robbins, M.; Frank Burgess, S. W.
- 32 HERMON, by Percy K. Hanson, M.; Lloyd E. Wiles, S. W.; Stewart D. Leighton, J. W.
- 33 WATERVILLE, by James A. Boardman, M.; Louis O. Lombard, S. W.; Fred W. Sahenk, J. W.
- 34 ——— SOMERSET, not represented.
- 35 BETHLEHEM, by Robert A. Strickland, M.; Audrey L. Goodheart, J. W.; Clyde E. Oakes, Proxy.
- 36 CASCO, by Albert W. Siegars, M.; Joel D. King, S. W.; Olson C. Brown, J. W.; Harold F. Hinds, Proxy.
- 37 WASHINGTON, by James L. Simmonds, M.
- 38 HARMONY, by Norman S. Hill, M.; Miles Brookes, J. W.; Wayne T. Ray, Proxy.
- 39 PENOBSCOT, by Thomas R. Tillson, M.
- 40 LYGONIA, by Lawrence G. Higgins, Proxy.
- 41 MORNING STAR, by Alvin H. Reichel, M.; Benjamin R. Small, Proxy.
- 42 FREEDOM, by Arthur F. Lougee, Proxy.
- 43 ALNA, by Joseph E. West, M.
- 44 PISCATAQUIS, by Arthur F. Lewis, Proxy.
- 45 CENTRAL, by Nelson M. Robinson, M.
- 46 ——— ST. CROIX, not represented.
- 47 DUNLAP, by Wilmot B. Bailey, M.; Elmer E. Bardsley, S. W.; Roy Edwards, J. W.
- 48 LAFAYETTE, by Lloyd F. Tilton, M.; Carl J. Lundgren, S. W.; F. Boardman Fish, Jr., Proxy.
- 49 MERIDIAN SPLENDOR, by Harold J. Fraser, Proxy.
- 50 AURORA, by James L. Thomas, M.; George X. Bernier, S. W.; James E. Stevens, Proxy.
- 51 ST. JOHN'S, by Herbert A. Swett, M.; Wesley F. Adams, S. W.; Carl C. Horne, J. W.

- 52 MOSAIC, by Donald Murch, M.
- 53 RURAL, by Dean Bailey, M.
- 54 VASSALBORO, by Clyde E. Adams, Proxy.
- 55 FRATERNAL, by Bertram MacDonald, M.
- 56 MT. MORIAH, by Louis Lamont, Jr., M.; Merle R. Moore, S. W.;
Paul Wadsworth, Proxy.
- 57 KING HIRAM, by Warren M. Drury, Proxy.
- 58 UNITY, by Isaiah J. Jackson, Proxy.
- 59 MOUNT HOPE—*Charter surrendered in 1879.*
- 60 STAR IN THE EAST, by Norman C. Knapp, M.; Edward H. Libby, S. W.;
Kenneth Salisbury, J. W.
- 61 KING SOLOMON'S, by Otis W. Ellis, Proxy.
- 62 KING DAVID'S, by Elmer Rose, Proxy.
- 63 RICHMOND, by John W. Thrower, M.; Clowes P. Guion, Jr., S. W.;
Thomas W. Borjesson, Proxy.
- 64 PACIFIC, by Willis Garcelon, Jr., Proxy.
- 65 MYSTIC, by E. Everett Hewes, Proxy.
- 66 MECHANICS, by Charles B. King, M.; William S. Skolfield, S. W.;
Harold L. Chute, J. W.
- 67 BLUE MOUNTAIN, by Sherwood M. Gould, M.; H. Leonard Kinney,
S. W.
- 68 MARINERS, by Victor N. Greene, M.
- 69 HOWARD, by Newell S. Perry, Proxy.
- 70 ————STANDISH, not represented.
- 71 RISING SUN, by Robert M. Hutchins, M.; William E. Leach, Proxy.
- 72 PIONEER, by James A. MacDonald, M.
- 73 TYRIAN, by Woodrow A. Gammon, M.; Malcolm C. Briggs, Proxy.
- 74 BRISTOL, by Stephen Prentice, M.; Leon P. Munro, Proxy.
- 75 ARCHON, by Frank Hodge, M.
- 76 ARUNDEL, by Maurice W. Gould, M.
- 77 TREMONT, by Warren Worcester, M.
- 78 ————CRESCENT, not represented.
- 79 ROCKLAND, by Walter G. Dimick, Jr., M.
- 80 KEYSTONE, by Harold M. Starbird, Proxy.
- 81 ATLANTIC, by Lawrence E. Cote, M.; Warren N. Graffam, S. W.;
Charles Gray, J. W.
- 82 ST. PAUL'S, by William A. Bartlett, M.
- 83 ST. ANDREW'S, by Alden C. Mitchell, M.; Franklin St. Clair, S. W.;
Curtis Beatham, J. W.; William H. Godsoe, Proxy.
- 84 EUREKA, by John L. Sawyer, Proxy.
- 85 STAR IN THE WEST, by Lloyd E. Barrows, M.
- 86 TEMPLE, by David Miller, Jr., M.; Henry P. Bailey, Proxy.
- 87 BENEVOLENT, by Thomas S. Ranney, M.
- 88 NARRAGUAGUS, by Clifford H. West, Proxy.
- 89 ISLAND, by George A. DUNBAR, M.
- 90 HIRAM ABIFF—*Charter revoked in 1869.*
- 91 HARWOOD, by Ersley L. Goldsmith, Proxy.

- 92 SILOAM, by John Faas, Proxy.
- 93 HOREB, by Clayton Jenkins, Proxy.
- 94 PARIS, by Elmore C. Edmunds, Proxy.
- 95 CORINTHIAN, by Wendell Bubar, M.
- 96 MONUMENT, by James L. Ross, M.
- 97 BETHEL, by Charles Keoskie, M.; Wilbur Myers, S. W.; Samuel T. Smith, Proxy.
- 98 KATAHDIN, by David R. Woodbury, Proxy.
- 99 VERNON VALLEY, by Robert S. Pray, M.
- 100 JEFFERSON, by Lercy D. Day, M.
- 101 NEZINSCOT, by Stillman Johnson, Proxy.*
- 102 MARSH RIVER, by T. Elwood Welch, M.
- 103 DRESDEN, by R. B. Cate, S. W.
- 104 DIRIGO, by John Crommett, M.; H. C. Casey, S. W.
- 105 ASHLAR, by Ervin A. Littlefield, Proxy.
- 106 ———TUSCAN, not represented.
- 107 DAY SPRING, by Mahlon W. Staples, Proxy.
- 108 RELIEF—*Charter Revoked in 1894.*
- 109 MOUNT KINEO, by Harold O. Page, M.; William C. Taylor, S. W.
- 110 MONMOUTH, by Earle H. Ramsdell, Proxy.
- 111 LIBERTY, by George A. Spencer, M.; Cleve K. Oliver, Proxy.
- 112 EASTERN FRONTIER, by C. Preston Boyd, Proxy.
- 113 MESSALONKEE, by Earle M. Hutchinson, M.; Norman W. Booker, S. W.; Frank D. Soper, J. W.; Chester J. Blake, Proxy.
- 114 POLAR STAR, by Edmund R. Furber, M.
- 115 BUXTON, by Homer M. Illingsworth, Proxy.
- 116 LEBANON, by Paul I. Winslow, Proxy.
- 117 GREENLEAF, by Cecil Gilpatrick, J. W.
- 118 DRUMMOND, by Charles West, M.
- 119 POWNAL, by Richard B. Crosley, M.
- 120 MEDUNCOOK—*Charter Surrendered in 1884.*
- 121 ACACIA, by Edwin L. Herling, M.
- 122 MARINE, by Maurice H. Eaton, M.
- 123 FRANKLIN, by F. Perley Caswell, Proxy.
- 124 OLIVE BRANCH, by John B. Bradford, Proxy.
- 125 MERIDIAN, by Arthur Sally, Proxy.
- 126 TIMOTHY CHASE, by Arthur Farris, Jr., Proxy.
- 127 PRESUMPCOT, by Merton R. Johnson, M.
- 128 EGGEMOGGIN, by Clarence Hale, Proxy.
- 129 QUANTABACOOK, by Clarence E. Gelo, Proxy.
- 130 TRINITY, by Stanley R. Taylor, M.
- 131 LOOKOUT, by Neil C. Corbett, M.
- 132 ———MOUNT TIR'EM, not represented.
- 133 ———ASYLUM, not represented.
- 134 TROJAN—*Consolidated with Star in the West, No. 85, in 1888.*
- 135 RIVERSIDE, by Harold S. Baker, Proxy.
- 136 IONIC—*Charter Surrendered in 1882.*

- 137 KENDUSKEAG, by Walter Cauty, M.; George Mower, S. W.
- 138 LEWY'S ISLAND, by Ralph Dorr, Proxy.
- 139 Archon and Plymouth Consolidated as Archon, No. 75 in 1939.
- 140 ———MOUNT DESERT, not represented.
- 141 AUGUSTA, by Bertram K. Witherell, M.; Raymond M. Rideout, Jr., S. W.; Robert M. Crocker, J. W.
- 142 OCEAN, by Donald Paine, M.; Charles L. Seaman, S. W.; Lloyd E. Grant, J. W.
- 143 PREBLE, by Ralph E. Wiggin, M.
- 144 SEASIDE, by Eugene C. Stover, M.; Chester T. Blanchard, S. W.
- 145 MOSES WEBSTER, by David Duncan, Proxy.
- 146 SEBASTICOOK, by Paul Keene, M.
- 147 EVENING STAR, by Wendell M. Allen, Proxy.
- 148 FOREST, by Angus MacLeod, Proxy.
- 149 DORIC, by Aubrey M. Williams, M.
- 150 RABBONI, by Albert Johnson, M.; Samuel L. Singer, Proxy.
- 151 EXCELSIOR, by Napolian R. Parkinson, J. W.
- 152 CROOKED RIVER, by Loring Brett, M.; Orrell Lannell, S. W.
- 153 DELTA, by Edward G. Bell, M.
- 154 ———MYSTIC TIE, not represented.
- 155 ANCIENT YORK, by John Agathos, M.; Walter Wheeler, S. W.; Ernest Horan, J. W.
- 156 WILTON, by Elford H. Morison, Proxy.
- 157 CAMBRIDGE, by Carroll F. Bailey, Proxy.
- 158 ANCHOR, by Willard H. Doell, Proxy.
- 159 ESOTERIC—Consolidated with Lygonia, No. 40, in 1908.
- 160 PARIAN, by William O. Buckland, Jr., M.; Roy J. Buxton, Proxy.
- 161 CARRABASSET, by Raymond Hunt, M.; Raymond Tozier, S. W.; Ernest Chatfield, Proxy.
- 162 ARION, by Russell N. Charles, M.; Frederick W. Elwell, Proxy.
- 163 PLEASANT RIVER, by Russell M. Ladd, M.; George A. Carle, Proxy.
- 164 WEBSTER, by John T. Thomson, Proxy.
- 165 MOLUNKUS, by D. E. Seavey, M.; Floyd D. Martin, Proxy.
- 166 NEGUEMKEAG, by John P. Kennedy, Proxy.
- 167 WHITNEY, by C. A. Newton, Proxy.
- 168 COMPOSITE, by Russell Smart, M.
- 169 SHEPHERD'S RIVER, by Lyman H. Wells, M.
- 170 CARIBOU, by G. Edward Lundgren, M.
- 171 NASKEAG, by George M. Murray, Proxy.
- 172 PINE TREE, by Frederick S. Coombs, M.
- 173 PLEAIDES, by David J. Kennedy, Proxy.
- 174 LYNDE, by Zerah P. McCarthy, M.
- 175 ———BASKAHEGAN, not represented.
- 176 PALESTINE—Consolidated with Dunlap, No. 47 in 1895.
- 177 ———RISING STAR, not represented.
- 178 ANCIENT BROTHERS' by Herbert A. Given, Proxy.
- 179 YORKSHIRE, by Richard Bradburn, M.

- 180 HIRAM, by Leon E. Burbank, M.; William T. Danes, S. W.; John D. Allen, J. W.; David J. Jones, Proxy.
- 181 RUEL WASHBURN—*Consolidated with Oriental Star, No. 21, in 1892.*
- 182 GRANITE, by Charles A. Gordon, Proxy.
- 183 DEERING, by Elvin S. Winkler, M.; Donald B. Vickerson, S. W.; Robert M. Fletcher, J. W.; Arthur Mottram, Proxy.
- 184 NAVAL, by Reginald F. Berry, M.; Norman Scarles, S. W.; Franklin Wilson, J. W.
- 185 BAR HARBOR, by Walter G. Flagg, M.
- 186 WARREN PHILLIPS, by Reginald J. Rutter, Proxy.
- 187 IRA BERRY, by Howard M. Curtis, Proxy.
- 188 JONESPORT, by Morey Farnsworth, Proxy.
- 189 KNOX, by John F. Newman, J. W.; James M. Williams, Proxy.
- 190 SPRINGVALE, by John Folsom, M.; Lawrence J. Yeung, S. W.; Richard Lamb, J. W.
- 191 DAVIS, by Ray A. Huff, Proxy.
- 192 WINTER HARBOR, by James S. Torrey, M.; Earle B. Tracy, Jr., S. W.; Rudolph A. Johnson, J. W.
- 193 WASHBURN, by Robert E. Johnston, M.
- 194 EUCLID, by Thomas H. MacDonald, M.
- 195 RELIANCE, by Myron Shephard, J. W.
- 196 BAY VIEW, by Chester C. Varney, Jr., Proxy.
- 197 AROOSTOOK, by Malcolm T. Barrey, Proxy.
- 198 ST. ASPINQUID, by Samuel R. Blaisdell, Jr., M.; Earle C. Hayford, S. W.; James W. Barr, J. W.
- 199 ——— BINGHAM, not represented.
- 200 COLUMBIA, by John Richards, M.; John Smith, S. W.
- 201 DAVID A. HOOPER, by Seth A. Johnson, Proxy.
- 202 MOUNT BIGELOW, by Harold T. Ricker, Proxy.
- 203 MOUNT OLIVET, by Fred L. Ludwig, Proxy.
- 204 MOUNT ABRAM, by Earland P. McClure, M.; Murray McMullen, S. W.; R. Perry Mercurio, J. W.; Wesley Winter, Proxy.
- 205 NOLLESEMIC, by Philip K. Libby, M.; Charles A. Coffin, S. W.; George W. Goddard, Proxy.
- 206 ISLAND FALLS, by Malcolm B. Palmer, M.
- 207 ABNER WADE, by Clifford L. Merrow, Proxy.
- 208 ——— NORTHEAST HARBOR, not represented.
- 209 FORT KENT, by Donald M. Candors, Proxy.
- 210 BAGADUCE, by Lynwood Farr, M.
- 211 MEDUNCOOK, by Maynard A. Winchenbach, Proxy.
- 212 MCKINLEY, by Edward B. Reed, Proxy.
- 213 KEMANKEAG, by John N. Russell, M.
- 214 LIMESTONE, by Herman A. Ward, Proxy.
- 215 ORCHARD, by Stanley M. Harmon, M.; Asa M. Douglass, S. W.; Ray L. Littlefield, Proxy.
- 216 CORNER STONE, by Lloyd A. Carr, M.; Gordon Williams, S. W.; Ralph Aaskov, J. W.
- 217 RALPH J. POLLARD, by Herbert R. Sawyer, M.; Robert Glidden, S. W.; Donald Reed, J. W.; John Crook, Proxy.

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HENRY DOHERTY,

Bro. Grand Organist
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Lodges represented, 191; Not represented, 16; Number of Representatives, 306; Grand Officers, 41; Permanent Members, 31; Representatives, 57.

Total Votes, 191 lodges at three, 573; Grand Officers 41; Permanent Members, 38; Total, 652.

Fraternally submitted,

GEORGE P. JACKSON,	} Committee.
JOHN VACCA,	
WILSON C. BLAKE,	

DRUMMOND MEDAL.

Due to the fact that Ill. Bro. FRANK S. LAND found it necessary to catch a train for the Annual Sessions of the Grand Lodge of New York, Grand Master POWERS, caused him to be presented to the East and presented him with a Josiah Hayden Drummond Distinguished Service Medal. Brother LAND responded as follows:

"Most Worshipful Sir: There are a very few moments in my life that I am really surprised, but this time, really, it is just hard to even talk. I certainly will value this award. I had no idea I would ever be in this place or have this great honor conferred upon me. I assure you I will never give you any embarrassment or cause for any feeling of question. I accept it with great humility and I hope I shall wear it with honor to you and to myself as well. Thank you so much."

The Grand Master then read his

ANNUAL ADDRESS

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Maine:

MY BRETHREN OF THE GRAND LODGE:

Behold how swiftly the sands of time have run and how rapidly our Masonic year has come to a close. It seems but yesterday that we met in our last Annual Communication. Since that time, another year has passed into history; another page in the history of our lives has been turned; another year with its golden opportunities and great responsibilities, its joys and its sorrows, its hopes and its disappointments, has passed from us.

Today, by the grace and consent of the Grand Master of the Universe, whose assistance and blessings are so vital to our success, we are assembled around our altar in this one hundred and thirty-seventh Annual Communication for the purpose of reviewing our acts of the year just ended and to draw designs and plans for the year ahead.

It is, indeed, a sincere pleasure to give you a report of my actions and doings as your sixty-seventh Grand Master.

WELCOME.

To have the opportunity to welcome each and every member and guest of this Grand Lodge is a happy privilege, and I assure you that the word "Welcome" comes from the heart. Our deliberations in this Annual Communication will be successful only if every member present realizes that this is his Grand Lodge and his opportunity to take advantage of this time and place to freely express his thoughts and to assist in our deliberations. It is our mutual purpose to serve each other for the ultimate gain and improvement of our Grand Lodge.

We, in Maine, are particularly pleased today to greet and to welcome our many outstanding and distinguished guests from our sister jurisdictions. We seize upon this opportunity in our humble but sincere way, to attempt to return some of the cordial and delightful hospitality we have enjoyed at your

hands and in your jurisdictions over this past Masonic year. The many courtesies and privileges you have extended are deeply appreciated and we want you to feel free to return again and again and visit with us here in the northeast corner of our great nation.

NECROLOGY.

We can all agree, my Brethren, that one of the great pleasures in meeting in Annual Communication is to greet and grasp the hands of those with whom we have been friends for many years and to exchange personal and fraternal greetings; also, we all share the same sadness and sense of loss in remembering those Brethren who have passed from us. As we prayed at our altar with our Reverend Grand Chaplain, our thought and faith was for a brief moment centered upon Him who, in all the generations of time, has been the dwelling place of His children. It is now our filial duty and privilege to reverently bow our heads in memory and veneration of these beloved and honored Brothers of our Grand Lodge who have been called during the lapse of a Masonic year into the unseen and mysterious Eternity where, freed from the concealments of the flesh and all fetters of mortality, they are face to face with these things that, whether here or there, belong to truth and life and love.

In the course of the twelve months just ended, nine hundred and fifty-five of our beloved Brethren and friends have passed to that great Grand Lodge above where the Supreme Architect of the Universe presides.

Many beloved and outstanding Brethren of our sister jurisdictions, men who have distinguished themselves in Masonry, have also passed from this mortal sphere and to them we extend our fraternal sympathy. Our Grand Secretary will present the names of these members in his annual report.

With but one exception, we suffered no loss in our line of Grand Officers, yet four of our permanent members have passed to the Celestial Lodge.

Most Worshipful Brother, Benjamin L. Hadley, our sixty-first Past Grand Master, deceased at his home in Bar Harbor,

Maine, on December 28, 1955, and memorial services were held in the Congregational Church in Bar Harbor on December 31, 1955. Eight of our Past Grand Masters served as honorary pall bearers. Most Worshipful Brother Hadley was one of our most beloved and popular Grand Masters. His great love for his fellow men, his keen and ready wit and humor, his refreshing frankness and his thorough knowledge of Freemasonry distinguished him as one of the outstanding leaders of this Grand Lodge. He was an affectionate and devoted husband and father, a leader in his community, an ardent worker for his church and one of the great pillars of Masonry in his section of our Grand Jurisdiction. In his passing, the Grand Lodge of Maine has suffered a great and irreparable loss which we shall mourn for many years.

Right Worshipful Brother James O. McKeen, District Deputy Grand Master in the Fifth Masonic District, deceased on February 20, 1956, at his home in Milo, Maine. No man was more devoted to his Masonic work than this beloved Brother. He had passed his three score years and ten when he assumed the duties of this responsible office and his love and sincere work for Masonry won for him the admiration and affection of all who knew him. His work as District Deputy Grand Master was a fitting climax to his unblemished long Masonic career. His annual report, completed only two days before his decease, is the finest account of the doings of a District Deputy I have had the opportunity to read and sets forth in splendid language his real love for the Craft. I regarded him as one of my most efficient and loyal District Deputy Grand Masters.

Right Worshipful Brother Arthur W. Seaward, Past Senior Grand Warden, passed on January 5, 1956, at the York Hospital. Brother Seaward was a true and faithful servant of Freemasonry, having served his lodge as Secretary for twenty-five years. He had a distinguished Masonic career and was our Senior Grand Warden in 1953. Brother Seaward was active and successful in the political life of his community. He was a valuable member of this Grand Lodge and we deeply grieve at his passing.

Right Worshipful Brother Carroll Stephen Douglass, Past Junior Grand Warden, deceased at his home in Guilford on November 4, 1955. He was our second oldest living Past Junior Grand Warden in point of service, having served this Grand Lodge in that office in 1918. Brother Douglass distinguished himself in his Masonic work in his section of our Grand Jurisdiction. His passing is a distinct loss to this Grand Lodge.

Right Worshipful Brother William Augury Small, Past Senior Grand Warden, deceased at his home in Needham, Massachusetts, on March 9, 1956. This distinguished Brother served this Grand Lodge as Senior Grand Warden in 1930. He served as Worshipful Master of Adoniram Lodge, No. 27, in 1922, and enjoyed a long and distinguished Masonic career. Masonic funeral services were held March 11, 1956, at Steep Falls, Maine. We deeply regret the loss of this outstanding Brother and extend sympathy to his family.

Fitting memorials will be presented at a later time in this Communication.

May we stand in reverent prayer for these departed Brethren, led by our Grand Chaplain.

CONDITION OF THE FRATERNITY.

Again I am happy to report that the Craft in this Grand Jurisdiction is in a sound, healthy and progressive condition. The annual returns continue to show a net increase in membership. The net gain this year was one hundred and twenty-three (123). Again I am able to report that we have the greatest membership ever reported in this Grand Jurisdiction. a total of forty-seven thousand, four hundred and thirteen (47,413). While we raised approximately the same number to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason as in the previous year, yet we suffered an unusually high number of losses occasioned by death.

The efficient application of the Pollard Plan in all but a very few of our lodges, the use of the Grand Lodge Library and our Speakers' Bureau, are resulting in a better informed, more valuable type of membership.

Our system of ritualistic instruction continues to maintain its high level of excellence under the very effective direction of our Grand Lecturer.

Jurisdictional lines have in all cases been respected and maintained.

The amount of uncollected dues in many of our lodges continues to remain altogether too great, and I again urge the officers of these lodges to take the necessary action to correct this situation.

Our relations with our sister grand jurisdictions continue to remain in a most happy status.

We continue to have some problems involving request for recognition by certain foreign jurisdictions. The chairman of our committee in charge of these matter, Past Grand Master Most Worshipful Brother Ralph J. Pollard, in his usual thorough and efficient manner, has these problems well in hand, and in his annual report presents them to us in a clear and unambiguous form. While there are some so-called liberal thinkers in other parts of this country who do not agree with our conservative approach to the matter of recognition, yet that conservatism has never embarrassed the Grand Lodge of Maine, and up to this point we have never been obliged to change our position on a foreign jurisdiction, once recognized.

MASONIC CHARITABLE FOUNDATION.

The annual meeting of the Trustees of the Foundation was held in accordance with our Constitution on May 2, 1955, and the usual business was transacted. The Trustees voted to adjourn to the call of the President.

In accordance with the vote of ajournment, the next meeting was called and held at the Worster House in Hallowell, on December 7, 1955, at which meeting nine of the eleven Trustees were present.

It is very apparent that the present system of processing applications for relief is very thorough, efficient and satisfactory both from the point of view of the lodge applying for assistance and from the position of this Grand Lodge.

Under the able direction of the chairman of the Committee on Distribution, Most Worshipful Brother Charles E. Crossland, his committee, with the aid of revised application forms and procedure, thoroughly investigates and disposes of each application in a minimum period of time. Brother Crossland presents a thorough report of each case. The actions of his committee are reviewed by the entire board, and to this date, the actions of his committee have been approved and, in many cases, the trustees have given instructions to the committee for their future guidance.

On October 4, 1955, Illustrious Brother Frank C. Allen, of Portland, presented to the Foundation a gift in the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) to become a part of the permanent charity fund and to be known as the Frank C. Allen Fund. This generous contribution by one of the most outstanding Master Masons of this Grand Jurisdiction was gratefully received and accepted, and proper expression of our gratitude was delivered to Brother Allen. This Grand Lodge again acknowledges this gift and expresses its gratitude to this Illustrious Brother.

The Foundation received an appeal from the Masonic Service Association for the relief of stricken Master Masons in Mexico caused by the tremendous hurricanes. The Trustees expressed their opinion that it would be entirely proper for the President to disburse a sum of money from the Disaster Fund, which is under his direction, and accordingly the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500) was forwarded to the Masonic Service Association for the relief of our Brethren in Mexico. Like sums based on a per capita arrangement were contributed by most of the other Grand Jurisdictions of this country.

We continue to receive an ever increasing amount of inquiries concerning the possibility of establishing a Masonic Home in Maine. This matter has been discussed in this Grand Lodge on a great many occasions in the past, and, while such a project is most worthwhile and greatly to be desired, yet it cannot be considered until the Craft as a whole is willing to share the expense of building, maintaining and operating such an institution. The experience in other Grand

Jurisdictions, and there are many maintaining homes and hospitals, which are great credits to Masonry, shows that exclusive of the cost of building and acquiring the plant, the annual cost of maintenance and operation per patient or guest varies between twelve hundred and sixteen hundred dollars (\$1200 and \$1600) per year. The Grand Lodge of Maine will undoubtedly develop and maintain a Masonic Home when the membership as a whole is willing to share the expense of acquisition and maintenance.

A third and final meeting of the Trustees was held at the Worster House in Hallowell on April 20, 1956.

A total of \$19,365.00 was paid to thirty-eight lodges to assist sixty-two persons or families. The grand total, including grants to all recipients, of \$19,665.00 was distributed.

The reports of the Grand Secretary and of the Grand Treasurer will set forth all these items in full detail, and I strongly urge a careful study of these facts and figures.

We volunteered assistance to the Grand Lodges of Connecticut, Rhode Island and Pennsylvania at the time of the floods in the fall of 1955. We were advised by these Grand Lodges of their appreciation for our gesture but that no outside assistance was needed.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES.

During the year the following Brethren have been appointed Grand Representatives of other Grand Jurisdictions near the Grand Lodge of Maine, as follows:

Arkansas	CLARENCE D. HACKNEY	Kittery
France National		
Grand Lodge	AUSTIN A. ALDEN	Gorham
Iceland	ROYAL L. CLEAVES	E. Winthrop
Ireland	NORMAN W. LINDQUIST	Yarmouth
Kansas	RAYMOND M. RIDEOUT	Augusta
New Hampshire	PAUL L. POWERS	Freeport
New Jersey	AUBREY L. BURBANK	Waterville
New Mexico	WALTER W. MATSON	Bolster's Mills
Oregon	M. GERRY PLUMMER	Lisbon
Prince Edward Island	ALPHEUS G. DYER	Freeport
Queensland	HAROLD W. BLAISDELL	Dexter
Utah	B. GLEN MCGEE	Anson

Acting upon the recommendation of other Grand Jurisdictions, I have made the following appointments of Representatives of the Grand Lodge of Maine near other Grand Lodges:

Indiana	ARTHUR A. OSBURN
Victoria	GORDON THOMPSON PRAETZ
Alabama	PAUL E. BRADFORD
Kentucky	C. FRYE HALEY
New York	FREDERICK W. PALMER
South Dakota	DR. NOAH S. ORTMAN

DISTRICT DEPUTIES SCHOOLS OF INSTRUCTION.

These schools of instruction for our District Deputy Grand Masters were held at Portland on August 24, and at Bangor on August 25, 1955. Every District Deputy attended at least one of these schools. We again had the pleasure and received the honor of having several of our Past Grand Masters, Permanent Members and other Grand Lodge Officers in attendance.

The outline of the year's work and of the objectives of your Grand Lodge administration was presented and explained to those present.

The necessity for the candidate giving his Master Mason's lesson in Lodge, as required by the Grand Lodge Constitution, was impressed upon the District Deputies, and they in turn were given positive direction to impress upon the officers of every lodge the absolute necessity of compliance with this provision of our law. The decision approved by this Grand Lodge last year, pointing out that failure on the part of the Master or the Candidate to comply with this regulation constituted a Masonic offense justifying disciplinary action, was brought to the attention of the District Deputies, and they were directed to again bring it to the attention of the Masters of the Lodges.

WORK OF THE GRAND LECTURER.

Right Worshipful Brother Raymond M. Rideout, of Augusta, again served this Grand Lodge as Grand Lecturer and repeated his outstanding conduct of the previous year

in that important department of our functions. He again demonstrated his talents and ability as a leader of men and as a student of the ritual.

The Grand Lecturer conducted schools of ritualistic instruction in each of the twenty-four Masonic Districts.

The examination and approval of work, particularly the matters of dignity and decorum by visiting degree teams, received the careful scrutiny of our Grand Lecturer, and in one case his approval was withdrawn because of the violation of his instructions and of their agreement.

Repeating my practice of the previous year, I attended four of these schools of instruction as an observer, and I again arrived at the conclusion that I had made a good appointment in delegating a most important function to a very able man.

DEDICATIONS.

Five special communications of this Grand Lodge were called during the year for the purpose of dedicating to Freemasonry new Masonic Temples, or re-dedicating rebuilt Masonic Temples. The schedule of these special communications is as follows:

Pleasant River Lodge, No. 163 Brownville
September 17, 1955

Ralph J. Pollard Lodge, No. 217 Orrington
September 24, 1955

Corner Stone Lodge, No. 216 Portland
October 1, 1955

Masonic Temple Bangor
October 14, 1955

Orchard Lodge, No. 215 Old Orchard Beach
December 3, 1955

This is the greatest number of dedications we have had in this Grand Jurisdiction in one year since 1902 and is indicative of an increasing pride and prosperity of our lodges.

The new Masonic Temple at Brownville is a beautiful modern structure, a real asset to the community and a credit

to Masonry. Its interior is beautifully appointed and efficiently arranged. The dedication was attended by several hundred people, truly a gala event in the history of the Town. The fine Brethren of this Lodge are to be commended on their great project.

The new Temple at Orrington is of brick and concrete block construction, certainly an outstanding structure in the community. In its design, it expresses the dignity of and the respect for Masonry. It is difficult to realize that the Brethren of this young lodge have made so much progress in the short span of their existence as a Lodge. Named for one of the outstanding Masonic scholars of our era in this country, this Lodge has done honor to Masonry in the erection of its Temple. More than two hundred (200) people were in attendance.

Corner Stone Lodge is to be commended upon its acquisition and complete renovation of a building on Poland Street, in Portland. The lodge room itself is delightfully arranged in proportion, color scheme and in its entire atmosphere. This is truly the most modern Masonic Hall in this city. The hall was crowded with the Brethren, their ladies and guests.

The ceremony at Bangor was, in effect, a rededication of the Temple to the purposes of Masonry, occasioned by the complete renovation of the interior and exterior of the building. This building was originally dedicated by Most Worshipful Brother Josiah Hayden Drummond and had served Masonry well in the great city of Bangor for many years. The interior of the new Temple is spacious, beautifully designed, and efficiently arranged. At the rededication ceremonies nearly two hundred (200) people were unable to get into the building because of the size of the audience.

The dedication of the new Temple at Old Orchard was, again, an outstanding affair, attended by several hundred people. This building is, in a large part, the gift of an individual Brother, a member of Orchard Lodge. The Temple is spacious, well designed and definitely suited to the purposes of Masonry in this growing and progressive community. The Brethren deserve the praise of all for having developed such an outstanding Temple.

DISTRICT MEETINGS.

Following my practice of the previous year, I have conducted a district meeting in each of the twenty-four Masonic Districts. This has afforded the opportunity to every officer and to every member of every lodge to talk with me and to present for discussion any problems they might have. At the same time, it has enabled me to become better acquainted with the Craft and to develop further information and familiarity with the problems and nature of the work of our Lodges.

I departed from my custom of the previous year in the nature of the meeting conducted in that I developed an address on some Masonic subject in each District Meeting. The open forum of questions and answers on any problem in Masonry was conducted at each meeting, and these periods proved to be of great value and interest to all of us who attended.

The most outstanding District Meeting, I believe, was held at Sherman Mills on September 23, 1955, with Molunkus Lodge, No. 165, as the host. Two hundred and six (206) Brethren and their ladies were present, as this was a combined District Meeting and Ladies' Night and historical observance for the Lodge. The banquet and speaking program was held in the gymnasium of the town, following a special meeting in the lodge room. After the speaking program the Brethren returned to the Lodge property and engaged in a most unusual ceremony.

Under the direction of Brother Floyd Martin, Secretary of the Lodge, a cast iron cylinder encasing a solid brass cylinder had been built, and the Master of the Lodge assisted me in depositing in this brass cylinder current Masonic documents, including the Grand Lodge Proceedings, the By-laws of the Lodge, the Pollard Plan, the Blood Bank Program, and much other current Masonic literature. The brass cylinder was placed within the cast iron cylinder, which was, in turn, sealed and buried in the yard in front of the Temple in a hole six feet deep and six feet due east and west. This hole is at the apex of a triangle, the base of which is the front of the building. In the presence of all the guests, the cylinder was buried and the dirt replaced by a bulldozer.

This ceremony was in observance of the fact that in eighty-three (83) years of existence, I was the first Grand Master ever to have visited the Lodge. It is the plan of the Lodge to open the excavation and remove the tube and the records in the year two thousand thirty-eight (2,038), just eighty-three (83) years from the time the records were deposited.

Two District Meeting were held at sea in the company of several of the Grand Officers. Officers from the other Lodges in the District went with me to Moses Webster Lodge, No. 145, at Vinalhaven, on September 15, 1955, and to Island Lodge, No. 89, on Islesboro, September 28, 1955, where District Meetings were conducted for the first time in the history of these Lodges. They were both outstanding meetings, and traditional seafood banquets were served in both places.

It was my pleasure to present the first Masonic Veteran's lapel button to Worshipful Brother Charles L. Boman, who had been secretary of that fine Lodge for many years. The meeting had a personal appeal to me because Brother Boman's blood brother, Herbert Boman, my High School principal who has retired to his home in Vinalhaven, was also present.

One of the most satisfying District Meetings was held at Lewiston with Rabboni Lodge, No. 150, as host, on December 14, 1955. At this meeting, each Lodge had its Fifty-year Masonic Veterans present, and the new Veterans' Lapel Buttons were presented to these distinguished, fine Brethren.

A record of these District Meetings is attached hereto and entitled "Appendix A."

The District Deputies in most of the Districts have also arranged other District Meetings for the purpose of doing the ritualistic work, performing Masonic plays and listening to outstanding speakers.

LODGE HISTORY PROGRAM.

Particular emphasis has been placed, during my two-year administration, upon compliance by our Lodges with our Grand Lodge Law concerning the furnishing of Lodge Histories. The problem was covered at length in my annual address of last year, and I refer to two pages, 496 and 497, of the Grand Lodge Proceedings of 1955.

Standing Regulation No. 2 was amended by this Grand Lodge last year so that each Lodge is now required to furnish two copies of its history each ten years to the Grand Lodge Committee on the History of Masonry in Maine, and, in addition, the Master of each Lodge shall appoint a Lodge Historian who shall prepare the history of the Lodge once each year for the preceding year, and present the same to the Lodge Secretary. It is believed this regulation will be more readily complied with, and that it will no longer be a burden to the Lodges to furnish their histories to Grand Lodge each decade.

I have ordered each Lodge to furnish a history to the Committee before January, 1956. Many Lodges failed to comply, and I ordered the period extended to April 1, 1956.

All of our Lodges are working upon the project, and the most of them have complied with the regulation. However, there are approximately twenty Lodges that are not in compliance. Offers of assistance to these Lodges have been made by the Committee and by myself. Some of the Lodges have unusual problems, and a few are guilty of simple neglect.

While there are ample precedents for invoking Masonic discipline for failure to comply with the Grand Lodge Law and with my direction, yet I have determined not to take such action. I leave the matter in the hands of this Grand Communication to be disposed of as this Grand Lodge determines.

I am very grateful to the one hundred eighty (180) odd Lodges which have complied with this regulation and to those devoted Brethren who have prepared and submitted these histories. They have, indeed, made a great contribution to Masonry by preserving for posterity the Masonic records covering more than a century of work.

To Right Worshipful Brother George R. Caswell, Chairman of our History Committee, and to Right Worshipful Brother Everett L. Higgins, and Right Worshipful Brother Fred J. Lowell, the other members of his Committee, I give my deepest thanks. Brother Caswell has devoted long hours of work and thought in directing this program.

MASONIC BLOOD BANK.

Pursuant to the vote of this Grand Lodge last May, the Masonic Blood Bank program has been continued on the same terms as the previous year, and that vote provided that the program should continue until the Grand Lodge shall vote to discontinue it.

Under the able direction of Brother Elmer S. Doe, General Chairman, the program has become much more effective this last year, and a great many calls for assistance have been made and have been answered. In practically all districts, a so-called walking or ambulatory blood bank is in existence.

To the great number of Brethren who have contributed their blood, I express the sincere gratitude of this Grand Lodge for they have indeed made a real contribution to Masonic brotherhood and charity.

To the Lodge Chairmen, the district chairmen and the other men who have made the program operate, we are indeed grateful.

Our general chairman, Brother Doe, has conducted regional meetings, and he has now set up area chairmen in the North, the South and the Central sections of the State.

The cooperation we have had from the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts and from our other sister jurisdictions is a real expression of our splendid inter-jurisdictional relationships. We are again particularly indebted to Worshipful Brother Chester D. Shepherd, the Service Director of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, for his great help. We have been fortunate to have had a few opportunities to reciprocate in aiding Brethren from Massachusetts who have been in our hospitals here in the State of Maine.

This program is bound to expand more and more and to become one of our major projects. It deserves the entire support and cooperation of every brother in this State.

The personnel of the Committee for the year ending is shown by Appendix B attached hereto.

MASONIC EDUCATION.

Our program of nonritualistic Masonic instruction has made great progress in the form of the Pollard Plan as approved by

this Grand Lodge last year. Reports from all the District Deputy Grand Masters and from a great many other Brethren conclusively prove that the Pollard Plan is the answer to the problem of nonritualistic instruction in Masonry. Our Lodges are becoming more familiar with the use of the Plan and more convinced of its worth.

Whenever opportunity has presented itself, I have talked with newly raised Brethren concerning their reaction to the Pollard Plan, and the unanimous reply has been that the instruction from the Plan has been of great benefit to them.

When the Pollard Plan was first devised, it was felt it might take four or five years before becoming effective. However, I am happy to report that with but few isolated exceptions the Plan is wholeheartedly received and very efficiently operated in our Lodges. A great many Brethren who have been in membership for many years endorse the Plan as the most progressive step we have taken in this direction within their memory.

Our original printing of six thousand (6,000) sets, or twenty-four thousand (24,000) booklets, was exhausted this year, and a second edition was printed and delivered to the Grand Secretary's office in early March of this year. The instructor's guide booklet has also been reprinted and is in use.

A slight change has been made in booklet number one entitled "The Accepted Candidate." We have included in booklet number four the selected reading list which last year was a separate mimeographed sheet.

On July 1, 1955, we prepared and distributed to the Lodges a special circular emphasizing the importance of the "Elder Brother" feature of the Plan.

One of the principal features of the Pollard Plan is this Elder Brother section, and we are convinced that if the Lodges will use this implement as it is intended, we will be making more Master Masons.

A printed card the size of our cipher ritual was distributed to all Lodges containing the directive concerning dignity and decorum.

The issue of February 22, 1956, of the *Christian Science Monitor* contained an outstanding article on Masonry, entitled "Building Through Good Works, Good Deeds, Good Will, Good Habits." This article was such an outstanding and accurate coverage of the nature of Masonry that I purchased copies for all District Deputies, Grand Lodge Officers, permanent members and one for each Lodge, and had the same distributed.

OCCASIONAL BULLETIN.

Following the suggestion of our Committee on Masonic Education, I had prepared and distributed to all Lodges an Occasional Bulletin, in September of 1955, entitled "A Message from the Grand Master." This Bulletin was, in effect, a statement of the activities of the Grand Lodge and of our administration.

Forty-eight thousand (48,000) copies were prepared, and every Master Mason in Maine membership received a copy.

The worth of this project has been proven by the hundreds of replies I have had by letter, by telephone and in person from the Brethren who have appreciated the receipt of this information. Countless Brethren have told me that it had resulted in their returning to their Lodge meetings, as they had not realized that these projects were in effect.

I have received many pleasing letters from Maine Brethren living in other parts of the country and the world, who have told me it was their first contact with the Grand Lodge of Maine.

I am convinced that an annual message from the Grand Master should be distributed to every member within our Grand Jurisdiction each year.

THE SYMBOL OF GOOD WILL.

The Symbol of Good Will was delivered to the Grand Lodge Communication last May by Most Worshipful Brother Walter E. Dunlap, Grand Master, Grand Lodge of New Hampshire. This Symbol was in the form of a beautifully constructed cabinet enclosing the Masonic Symbols and Designs and was prepared by the Grand Lodge of Canada in

the Province of Ontario, in 1936. It has traveled throughout the Masonic world, including England, Australia, New Zealand and many States in this country.

I carried this Symbol with me and presented it at District Meetings as follows:

Piscataquis Lodge, No. 44, Milo	November 23, 1955
Monument Lodge, No. 96, Houlton	November 24, 1955
Harwood Lodge, No. 91, Machias	November 28, 1955
St. Croix Lodge, No. 46, Calais	November 29, 1955
Morning Star Lodge, No. 41, Litchfield	December 8, 1955
Blazing Star Lodge, No. 30, Rumford	December 9, 1955

The officers of each of the Lodges where the symbol was presented signed the register book accompanying the cabinet.

I delivered the Symbol of Good Will to the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts at Boston, December 14, 1955.

MASONIC DISCIPLINE.

One very disturbing case arose during the year which resulted in suspension of a brother. I conducted a thorough investigation into what developed to be a complicated situation. However, I was able, with the assistance of several Brethren of the Lodge involved, to clear up the problem and to remove the suspension. Because of this fact, I am not reporting any further details concerning the matter.

A second case involved unmasonic remarks by a Brother in a Lodge meeting. He was ordered to be reprimanded by the Master of the Lodge. The reprimand was carried out, the Brother admitted his error, and the situation was clarified. For that reason, I report no further facts in this case.

A visiting degree team from a sister jurisdiction signed the agreement prepared by our Grand Lecturer, agreeing to comply with the letter and spirit of our program of dignity and decorum. However, this team flagrantly violated their agreement by injecting comedy, horseplay and undue roughness into their work. I was present with many of the Grand Lodge Officers and some two hundred and fifty (250) Brethren, and in view of my "gentleman's" agreement with the other Grand

Masters of New England, I reported the matter as accurately and as fairly as possible to the Grand Master of this sister jurisdiction. This degree team was automatically suspended from doing any work either in their own jurisdiction or outside of it until further order of their Grand Master. I have likewise assured the other Grand Masters in New England that if one of our visiting degree teams commits such an offense within their Grand Jurisdiction, like treatment will be administered.

SPEAKER' BUREAU.

The Speakers' Bureau, organized last year, is becoming more and more used by our Lodges, and many outstanding Brethren have contributed much instruction and information to many Brethren. We are indeed grateful for the contribution made by these outstanding Brethren.

I urge a continued and increased use of this implement.

GRAND LODGE INVENTORY.

It is to be regretted that the annual inventory of the Grand Lodge assets was not prepared this year. However, due to illness and many other problems, it became impossible for the Grand Secretary's office force to complete the project. I am assured, however, that the inventory will be taken at the earliest possible opportunity.

This work should be done each year as good business practice.

MASTER AND WARDENS' ASSOCIATIONS.

These Associations have become very effective throughout the Grand Jurisdiction this year, and they are in active operation with but one or two exceptions.

These groups are of great benefit to the District Deputies and to the Lodges. Their deliberations result in better informed officers and in cementing close relationships between the Lodges within the Districts. Many of the Associations have organized degree teams and play casts. I strongly urge their continuance.

MASONIC HONORS.

As an expression of the very splendid fraternal and personal relations existing between our Grand Lodge and our sister Grand Jurisdictions, it has been my good fortune and privilege to receive several awards of Masonic honors during my administration as Grand Master and I list them as follows:

The Erasmus James Phillips Medallion by the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia.

The Christopher Champlin Medal by the Grand Lodge of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations.

The Jeremy L. Cross Medal by the Grand Lodge of New Hampshire.

The Pierpont Edwards Medal in bronze by the Grand Lodge of Connecticut.

An Honorary Past Grand Master's Appointment by the Grand Lodge of New Brunswick.

It is with much pride that I report these awards, which I have accepted as testimony of the high regard for our Grand Jurisdiction held by the Grand Jurisdictions around us. These awards are not, in any sense of the word, any personal tribute to me but I can assure you that I have derived much pleasure and honor in wearing them upon my breast in my travels both within and outside our Grand Jurisdiction.

APPROVALS OF BUILDINGS AND PLANS UNDER

STANDING REGULATION NO. 46.

Pursuant to the language of this Standing Regulation and in accordance with the decision approved by the Grand Lodge last May, the following action has taken place this year:

On August 22, 1955, I approved the building plans, specifications and financial arrangements of a new building to be constructed by Liberty Charitable Building Association for Liberty Lodge, No. 111, at Liberty, Maine. This approval was made with the understanding, after talking with the committee, that enough money was on hand and pledged, and enough material and labor were pledged to allow for the building to be completed with the exception of the interior

and that no assessment, mortgage or increase in dues would be necessary.

On February 18, 1956, I approved the building plans, specifications and financial arrangements for the new Masonic Temple of Preble Lodge, No. 143, at Sanford, on the condition that funds equaling the entire cost of the project shall be in the possession and control of the Sanford Masonic Temple Association, Inc., at the time the contract for construction is signed, or that a legally binding guarantee or endorsement of the cost of construction shall be in the hands of the Association over the signature of a Brother of the lodge who is the chief benefactor of this project, the same to be in such form as the counsel for the Association shall approve and to be in the possession of the Association at the time the contract for construction is signed. Brother William H. Marland, a member of Preble Lodge, has contributed liberally of his funds and has agreed to see to it that ample funds are on hand for the completion of the Temple. This outstanding Brother has certainly made an unusual contribution to Masonry and I know that he has the gratitude and appreciation of this Grand Lodge.

On February 27, 1956, I approved plans and specifications for the purchase and extensive alteration of a building for Lewy's Island Lodge, No. 138, at Princeton. This approval was made, after considerable discussion, on the condition that no money would have to be borrowed and that the anticipated income of the lodge from By-laws as now approved, together with donated services from the members, will take care of the entire financial portion of the project.

EQUIPMENT IN THE GRAND LODGE OFFICE.

Pursuant to the vote of the Grand Lodge last May, I appointed as a committee to survey and equip the Grand Secretary's and the Grand Treasurer's Office and to expend up to Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) this year, Horace M. Budd, as Chairman, assisted by Austin Alden and Norman W. Lindquist. Due to personal reasons and problems, Brother Budd felt it necessary to resign from the committee and the Chairmanship was then assumed by Brother Austin

Alden. This committee has attended to its duties and will make a report to this Grand Lodge. A thorough piece of work has been done in laying out a long range plan and equipment to the extent of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) has been ordered, a portion of which has already been delivered. This includes a mailing machine, a mimeograph machine, a new desk and chair, a service counter, gate and files.

It is my hope that this Grand Lodge will appropriate a further sum of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) this year and for each of the following several years until the equipment in these important offices is brought up to date. The most vital and badly needed equipment has been purchased first but we have only begun to make an impression upon the ultimate end to be desired.

MASONIC VETERANS' LAPEL BUTTONS.

Pursuant to the vote of Grand Lodge last May, I appointed as a special committee to handle this project Right Worshipful Brother Lewis T. Brown, as Chairman, assisted by Most Worshipful Brother Henry R. Gillis and Worshipful Brother Warren Moses.

It developed that we did not have a record in the Grand Secretary's Office of the number of living Masonic Veterans. Consequently, a survey of the state was conducted and it was discovered that we had approximately 1,150 living Masonic Veterans. Accordingly, an order was presented to Brother Linwood S. Cross, jeweler at Portland, for 1,500 of the buttons.

The design of the button was selected by the committee, after considering several possibilities, and the final selection was a lapel button as designed by Brother Linwood S. Cross, who has, indeed, produced a beautiful result.

This has proved to be one of our most popular projects and our distinguished Brethren who have received the button are extremely pleased with it.

BROTHERHOOD LODGE, U. D.

This is our only Lodge operating under the dispensation of this Grand Lodge. I have carefully observed its operations,

and I recommend that a charter be authorized by this Grand Lodge at this Annual Communication.

RESIGNATION.

The District Deputy in the Sixth District submitted his resignation in August and I appointed in his place R. W. Brother Robert C. Carter, of Orono.

MASONIC FUNERAL SERVICE.

Pursuant to the vote of Grand Lodge last May, I appointed as a special committee to handle this project our Reverend Brother M. Gerry Plummer, as Chairman, assisted by Most Worshipful Brother Ralph J. Pollard. The committee has attended to its duties and has prepared the change in our funeral service. A printed card containing the language and having a size the same as that of our Textbook has been prepared and distributed to all lodges. The following is the language which appears on this card:

GRAND LODGE OF MAINE.

A. F. & A. M.

PROVISION FOR MILITARY HONORS AND MASONIC FUNERAL SERVICE.

(The following provision is made for military honors at the grave under the Worshipful Master's direction, when appropriate and requested. These honors shall be given immediately preceding the Chaplain's prayer of committal).

MASTER: Inasmuch as our departed Brother, having rendered to his country his loyal service in the armed forces is entitled to military honors, these honors will now be rendered by a detail from.....

(The Master will here mention the organization or branch of service officiating. Military honors will then be rendered according to service regulations).

(Following the military honors, the Masonic Ritual will be conducted with the Chaplain's prayer of committal and benediction).

By vote of Grand Lodge in May, 1955, the above provision is now in effect. September 30, 1955.

Attest:

CONVERS E. LEACH,
Grand Secretary.

REVISION AND ANNOTATION OF THE CONSTITUTION
AND STANDING REGULATIONS.

By vote of the Grand Lodge, this project was left to the Committee on Amendments, headed by Most Worshipful Brother Ernest C. Butler and to include all the Past Grand Masters. Several meetings have been held by this committee and much work has been done. An interim report will undoubtedly be made at this Communication but it is now realized that this project may take two or three years to complete.

AUTOMATIC SUSPENSION.

Pursuant to vote passed by Grand Lodge last May, I appointed as a committee to study and report on this project, Right Worshipful Brother Convers E. Leach, as Chairman, assisted by Right Worshipful Brothers Harold W. Blaisdell and Clifford H. M. Perry. This committee will undoubtedly make a report at this Communication.

SERVICE BUREAU.

Pursuant to vote of this Grand Lodge passed last May, I appointed as a committee to study and report on the feasibility of a service department, Right Worshipful Brother Aubrey L. Burbank, as Chairman, assisted by Right Worshipful Brothers Royal L. Cleaves and Earle D. Webster. A report will undoubtedly be made at this Communication.

MASONIC EDUCATION SPECIAL COMMITTEE.

Pursuant to vote of the Grand Lodge last May, I appointed as a Special Committee on Masonic Education, Most Worshipful Brother Ralph J. Pollard, as Chairman, assisted by Most Worshipful Brother Ervin E. J. Lander, Right Worshipful Brothers William A. Levensalor and Lewis T. Brown. A report of that committee will be made at this Communication.

ORDER OF DEMOLAY.

This Grand Lodge passed a Standing Regulation last May authorizing constituent lodges to sponsor chapters of DeMolay. Since that time, three new chapters have received their

temporary papers at Strong, Houlton and Old Town, Maine, and, to my knowledge, there is considerable interest in various other sections of the state.

On June 4, 1955, the Deputy Grand Master and I were the guests of Brother Robert S. Gass, Deputy for Maine, Supreme Council of Order of DeMolay, at a meeting in the Boston Garden, Boston, Massachusetts, which featured the Order of DeMolay. It was an impressive spectacle to see the entire floor of the great Boston Garden filled to capacity with DeMolay boys standing shoulder to shoulder. The meeting had the entire support of all the Masonic bodies of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

On June 22, 1955, I was presented with the Honorary Legion of Honor Cordon by the Order of DeMolay at Portland. I accepted this honor in the name of the Grand Lodge of Maine.

On October 15, 1955, Past Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother Bernard B. Abedon of the Grand Lodge of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, was the guest speaker in Brotherhood Lodge, U. D., at Portland. Most Worshipful Brother Abedon has been an impressive leader in the field of Masonic sponsorship of DeMolay in his Grand Lodge and he gave a delightful address at Brotherhood Lodge on the above date. The address was followed by the impressive rendition of the Mother's Degree by the Officers of Forest City Chapter, Order of DeMolay.

On October 29, 1955, at the Masonic Temple in Lewiston, I attended a state wide DeMolay meeting and witnessed the initiation of a class of candidates selected from all parts of the State of Maine. This class was named in my honor and, again, I accepted this honor in behalf and in the name of the Grand Lodge of Maine. Many of our Grand Lodge Officers and Permanent Members were present.

On March 24, 1956, assisted by the other Grand Lodge Officers, I raised to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason in Solar Lodge, No. 14, at Bath, Herbert T. Caverly, II, the first DeMolay boy in my home district, the Fourteenth Masonic District, to become a Master Mason since the

Standing Regulation was passed last May authorizing sponsorship. In spite of a bad blizzard, more than two hundred Master Masons were in attendance and it was, indeed, an outstanding and colorful meeting.

Through the above projects, I have endeavored to carry out the spirit and intent of the vote of this Grand Lodge in lending support and encouragement to the development and progress of one of the most worthwhile youth movements in the history of this country and it is, indeed, a signal honor for us today to have with us the founder of that great American project, Illustrious Brother Frank S. Land.

PROPOSAL TO AMEND PART SECOND, ARTICLE I,
SECTION 59 OF THE CONSTITUTION.

This proposal was received at the last Annual Communication and referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, which will undoubtedly report at this Communication. The net effect of the amendment will be to allow the Trustees to meet in Portland or elsewhere within the State, and would change the annual meeting date to the third Tuesday of April and allow for other meetings to be held at such times and places as deemed expedient for the Grand Master.

It is my hope that this amendment will be adopted at this Communication as it will eliminate a lot of confusion now caused by the fact that the annual meeting date is held at five o'clock on Tuesday, the first day of our Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT OF ARTICLE VI, SECTION 92
OF THE GRAND LODGE CONSTITUTION.

The proposal to amend this section of our Constitution was submitted to and entertained by the Grand Lodge last year and now stands referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution to be acted on at this Communication. The net effect of this amendment, if adopted, will allow lodges to receive candidates in the military or naval service who are stationed and have their domicile within this state one year and within the jurisdiction of the lodge during the

last preceding six months. It is hoped that the Grand Lodge will enact this amendment.

THE SIMON GREENLEAF MEDAL.

Pursuant to the vote of Grand Lodge last May, I appointed as a committee on this project Most Worshipful Brother Charles E. Crossland, as Chairman, assisted by Most Worshipful Brothers George F. Giddings and Carroll W. Keene, all Past Grand Masters. This committee has done a lot of work on this project and I have enjoyed discussing various portions of the project with them. The design has been decided upon and the medal has been struck. I am sure the brethren will approve the committee's work as they have done a grand job. We have had prepared a brochure to be presented with the medal and it is our plan to make the first presentation at this Annual Communication.

Under the language of our Standing Regulation No. 79, the Simon Greenleaf Medal may be awarded by the Grand Master to any Master Mason who has contributed his time, thought and service to Masonry beyond the usual line of duty, which contributions have rendered him worthy to receive the medal, provided, however, that not more than two such medals shall be awarded in any Masonic year and provided, further, that no elected Grand Lodge Officer or elected Past Grand Lodge Officer shall be eligible to receive the medal.

DECISIONS.

QUESTION No. 1. Is a man who is a Past Master of a lodge outside the Grand Jurisdiction of Maine, but not a Past Master of a lodge within our jurisdiction, entitled to receive the Past Master's Degree or a Past Master's diploma?

ANSWER: No. To be entitled to receive either of these honors, a man must be a Past Master of a constituent lodge within the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Maine.

QUESTION No. 2: Should an application of a candidate be read in its entirety at the time when it is originally presented to the lodge and also read again in its entirety a month later when it is balloted upon?

ANSWER: The application should be read in its entirety at the time it is first presented to the lodge. When the application is then presented for

balloting, the reading of the formal language may be eliminated and the words, "an application in the usual form" substituted but each question and the answer thereto should be read at the time of balloting, together with any additional remarks contained within the application form.

QUESTION No. 3. Is it proper to use the funds of a lodge, after vote of the membership at a Stated Communication, to pay expenses incurred in the sponsorship of chapters of DeMolay?

ANSWER: Standing Regulation No. 78 as adopted by this Grand Lodge last May allows lodges to become sponsoring bodies for a chapter of the Order of DeMolay. While a report of the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution did not recommend the use of lodge funds for this purpose, yet the Regulation, as adopted by the Grand Lodge, does not prevent or prohibit the use of lodge funds.

The word "sponsor" as defined by Webster means "a surety; one who binds himself to be responsible for another's obligations in case of default; one who endorses or stands behind a person, movement or the like." In view of the fact that lodges have been authorized to sponsor DeMolay and bearing in mind the above technical definition of the word, it is my opinion that, since the regulation contains no language preventing the use of lodge funds, it is proper for lodge funds to be used for such purpose.

QUESTION No. 4: Are Master Masons raised in a lodge under dispensation or named in the dispensation subject to the per capita tax of the Grand Lodge?

ANSWER: No. Men named in a dispensation to a lodge or raised in a lodge under dispensation remain unaffiliated Master Masons or have their membership in suspension until a charter is granted and are not subject to the per capita tax.

QUESTION No. 5: Can charges which have been preferred against a brother, voted upon in the lodge, forwarded to the Grand Lodge and referred to the Commissioners of Trials, be withdrawn?

ANSWER: If the brother who signed the charges will write a letter or statement over his signature to the Master of the lodge, stating that he wishes to withdraw his charges, and if a meeting of the lodge is properly called and held, at which meeting the lodge votes to withdraw the charges, then it is within the province of the Grand Master to withdraw the case from the Commissioners of Trials, return the same to the lodge and remove any suspension which may have been imposed in the interim. This action can be taken at any time before the Grand Lodge votes upon the case.

QUESTION No. 6: Is the action of a lodge in rejecting the application of a candidate of any force or effect if, in fact, the lodge did not have actual jurisdiction of the applicant?

ANSWER: No. While there are conflicting decisions upon this matter (See Proceedings 1867, page 127, and 1876, page 16, also Proceedings

1889, page 334, and 1890, page 917), yet the latter decisions of this Grand Lodge in effect reverse the earlier decisions and if the lodge had no jurisdiction over the applicant, the rejection by such a lodge is null and void.

QUESTION No. 7: Is a Standing Regulation adopted by the Grand Lodge, which has the effect of amending a Constitutional provision and which is passed without laying over one year, null and void?

ANSWER: The Grand Lodge of Maine is sovereign and supreme in its law-making authority. From its decisions there lies no appeal. There are several cases where the language of a Standing Regulation should undoubtedly be contained within the Constitution and vice versa; however, if the Grand Lodge of Maine, at its Annual Communication, sees fit to take any given action in the form of a Standing Regulation rather than by Constitutional amendment, it is my opinion that that action stands and is of full force and effect until that action is nullified by the Grand Lodge of Maine in Annual Communication and the provisions of such a Standing Regulation remain a part of our Masonic law until changed by the Grand Lodge, itself.

VISITATIONS IN MAINE.

In addition to attending the twenty-four District Meetings above referred to, it has been my pleasure to attend and address many other meetings, including receptions, lodge anniversary programs and other functions, a total of ninety-eight attendances within this State, in the course of which I have traveled many thousands of miles.

A record of all visitations and functions is attached hereto and entitled "Appendix C."

There have been several One Hundred Fiftieth, and One Hundredth Anniversaries celebrated by various Lodges. They have all been outstanding occasions and testimonials to the great work done in Masonry in this State by our forebears.

VISITATIONS OUTSIDE THE STATE.

It has been my pleasure to receive many invitations to visit the Annual Communications in our Sister Grand Jurisdictions. I have been unable to accept many of them, but it has been my pleasure and opportunity to accept and attend these outstanding meetings in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Ontario, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Rhode Island, New Jersey and Pennsylvania.

I was represented at the Grand Lodge of Vermont by our Senior Grand Warden, Right Worshipful Brother Royal L. Cleaves, and at the Grand Lodge of Quebec by our Junior Grand Warden, Right Worshipful Brother Harold W. Blaisdell. Both Brother Cleaves and Brother Blaisdell represented me at the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts as I was attending the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania at that time. We are grateful that these two outstanding members of our Grand Lodge so ably represented us at these sessions.

Right Worshipful Brother Merrill R. Kittredge represented me at the Two Hundred and Nineteenth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Ancient Free Masons of South Carolina, on April 26th and 27th, and, while I very much regretted my own inability to be present, I was very pleased to be so ably represented by this outstanding member of our Grand Lodge.

The One Hundred and Seventy-fifth Annual Communication of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of New York is being held today. We offer our heartiest congratulations to this great organization for having made such a great contribution to Freemasonry over these many years. We sincerely regret that our own Annual Communication falls upon the same dates as theirs. We are particularly pleased, however, that the Grand Lodge of Maine is represented at the Grand Lodge of New York in this outstanding celebration by two of our most able members of this Grand Lodge, Right Worshipful Brothers George W. Haskell and Philip D. Tingley.

I was very happy to accept the invitation to deliver the address at the Annual Grand Lodge Banquet at St. John in the Grand Lodge of New Brunswick.

It was my good fortune to deliver the address at the Annual Grand Lodge Luncheon at Halifax, in the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia.

It was my happy privilege to deliver the address at the annual meeting of the Northeastern District of the National Sojourners in Boston, Massachusetts.

These visits to the other Grand jurisdictions are most helpful and informative to a Grand Master, and they serve to inspire

him to improve the work in his own Grand Jurisdiction. While these visits involved thousands of miles of travel, yet they are well worth the time, energy and expense involved.

OUTSTANDING MASONIC EVENTS ATTENDED.

There have been so many unusually fine meetings which I have attended that I would like to relate, but time and space prevent a full coverage. I would like, however, to mention a few.

The Imperial Potentate of the Shrine, Illustrious Frank S. Land, invited all the Grand Masters of North America to attend the Imperial Session at Chicago, in July. Practically every Grand Master on the North American Continent was present, including myself. We were accorded every honor and courtesy imaginable. We were presented with a new Oldsmobile Convertible car, which was at our disposal together with a chauffeur during our entire stay. We participated in a very colorful parade, and I am indeed grateful to Illustrious Brother Land, who is our principal speaker and guest of honor at this Annual Communication, for all that he did for us. I am very grateful to the Nobles of Kora Temple and of Anah Temple for making it possible for Mrs. Powers and me to attend. This program in Chicago was very effective in reminding Shriners that they were Master Masons first, a major portion of Brother Land's program as Imperial Potentate.

In attending the One Hundredth Anniversary of the organization of the Grand Lodge of Canada in Ontario, which was held in Toronto following the meeting in Chicago, we witnessed a Masonic event never to be forgotten. The celebration opened with an outdoor program of thanksgiving, a religious service attended by twenty-eight thousand (28,000) people. Masonic dignitaries from the entire Masonic world were present. They made a most impressive parade. A Banquet with a head table of one hundred and fifty (150) places and attended by thirty-five hundred (3500) men breaking bread together in one room was a sight never to be forgotten.

One of the happiest Masonic privileges I have had in the last year was to preside in the East at Past Masters' Night

in my Mother Lodge, Freeport, No. 23, which was attended by more than four hundred (400) brethren, including six Past Grand Masters and more than thirty of our permanent members and Grand Lodge Officers. The meeting was held in the High School Gymnasium in Freeport, which was colorfully decorated. The musical program was rendered by the Kora Temple Chanters.

It was my privilege to install the officers of my own Lodge, assisted by our Grand Chaplain, Reverend M. Gerry Plummer, and our Grand Marshal, Norman W. Lindquist.

Most Worshipful Brother Leslie F. Murch, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of New Hampshire, was raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason in Marsh River Lodge, No. 102, at Brooks, Maine, in 1916. Immediately following, he removed from the State of Maine and commenced his teaching duties at Dartmouth College in Hanover, New Hampshire, where he has continued ever since as a professor until his retirement this last year. Most Worshipful Brother Murch expressed to me the desire to visit his Mother Lodge during his term as Grand Master. This thought was conveyed by me to the lodge and the brethren there at Brooks were very enthusiastic about planning a home-coming celebration. Accordingly, on June 25, 1955, the home-coming reception was held in Marsh River Lodge in Brooks and it was truly an outstanding affair. Most Worshipful Brother Murch was surprised upon arriving in Brooks to find practically every one of his Grand Lodge Officers there awaiting his arrival. I was accompanied by practically all of our Grand Lodge Officers. The reception and meeting was impressive evidence of the very splendid relations existing between these two Grand Jurisdictions. The day following St. John's Day, the brethren and their ladies attended divine service and listened to an outstanding sermon on Masonry and Religion by our Deputy Grand Master.

THE WASHINGTON CONFERENCES.

Following the usual practice, Masonic Week was held in Washington, D. C., February 20 to February 23, 1956. I was

accompanied by Right Worshipful Brother Aubrey L. Burbank, our Deputy Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother Convers E. Leach, Grand Secretary; Most Worshipful Brother Benjamin W. Ela, Past Grand Master; Right Worshipful Brother Philip D. Tingley, Past Senior Grand Warden; Right Worshipful Brother Everett W. Higgins, Past Senior Grand Warden; Brother John M. Littlefield, Past General Grand Master of the General Grand Council; Brother Orvis Bonney, Grand High Priest, Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons; Brother Clifford H. West, of Millbridge.

The conference of Grand Masters opened at the Statler Hotel in the South American Room, February 20, and continued through February 21.

It was my pleasure to nominate as Chairman of the Conference, the Grand Master of California.

It was my privilege to serve as a member of the Conference Committee and to assist in arranging the program which was conducted on a different arrangement this year. Five papers were presented on timely Masonic subjects. Following the principal address on each subject, one speaker was allotted five minutes to discuss the negative, and another was allowed five minutes to discuss the affirmative. The discussion was then thrown open to the meeting.

I felt it necessary to decline an invitation to speak on the affirmative side of the question which involved abolishing the rule against solicitation of candidates. This was a difficult decision for me to make, but the thought of abolishing this rule against solicitation is so repugnant to me that I declined this unusual opportunity.

The conference was most educational, and everyone attending left with a greater knowledge of many topics of a Masonic nature.

On Tuesday morning, February 21, all the Grand Masters and those accompanying them to the conference were the guests of Illustrious Brother Frank S. Land for his traditional breakfast in the Presidential Room at the Hotel Statler. The Justices of the Supreme Court, members of the Cabinet and leaders in the Congress and in the Administration were guests

of honor. It was truly an inspiring meeting and a rare opportunity to see so many of the men who make America what it is, assembled at one breakfast table. We are all deeply indebted to Brother Land for his hospitality.

We were the guests at luncheon of the Supreme Council of the Thirty-third Degree Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, Southern Jurisdiction of the United States of America, at the house of the Temple, on Tuesday, February 21. This was an outstanding occasion, and we very much appreciated the hospitality and the brotherhood expressed at this function.

On Tuesday, February 21, we were the guests of our Grand Secretary at the Annual Grand Secretaries' Conference dinner and listened to an inspiring address by Most Worshipful Brother Clifford Jory, President of the Masonic Memorial Association.

On Wednesday, February 22, we attended the annual meeting of the George Washington National Masonic Memorial Association in the Memorial at Alexandria, Virginia. It was my privilege to deliver the response to the address of welcome in behalf of the Grand Masters and their guests.

I was happy to deliver, in behalf of this Grand Lodge, our check in the sum of \$1,200.00 as our contribution to the Building Fund.

On February 23, we attended the Masonic Service Association annual meeting and luncheon. I was happy to again serve on the Finance Committee of the Association.

The work of this Association within our own Grand Jurisdiction is one of our major projects, as we contributed Thirty-five Hundred Dollars (\$3500) to the hospital program last year. I have discovered that many of our Lodges are not familiar with this hospital visitation service we maintain at Togus. Accordingly, I issued a circular on February 1, 1956, to each Lodge, reminding them of the service and how to take advantage of it.

Masonic Week at Washington is one of the most effective educational programs for our Grand Lodge Officers.

DISPENSATIONS.

Again, there has been a slight decline in the number of dispensations issued this year. Request for dispensations for out-of-time work have received the usual scrutiny and in every case have been denied excepting those cases involving military service and real emergency. Following my practice of last year, I have insisted that conditions be attached to the dispensations requiring proper instruction in our Ritual and also The Pollard Plan.

A statement of the dispensations granted is attached hereto and entitled "Appendix D."

REVISIONS OF AND AMENDMENTS TO LODGE BY-LAWS.

As is usual, there have been many requests for approval of general revisions and of particular amendments of the By-laws of our lodges. These proposed changes have been carefully studied. Several requests have been denied because of inconsistency with the Grand Lodge Constitution and other reasons.

A record of approvals is attached hereto and entitled "Appendix E."

RECOMMENDATIONS.

I make no specific recommendations to this Grand Lodge other than those hereinbefore referred to in this address. I have, in a letter to the next Grand Master, outlined several observations which I will leave to him to determine whether or not they have any merit.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND APPRECIATION.

Adequate words fail me to properly express my sincere gratitude and appreciation for the invaluable and whole-hearted assistance I have had from all our Grand Lodge Officers, from our lodges and from all our members with whom I have come in contact.

Our standing committees have done valiant work and I am deeply indebted to them for their contribution.

Our Deputy Grand Master has been closely related to me and the liason between his office and mine has enjoyed a personal touch which has been a pleasant experience for us both.

I should like, particularly, to thank R. W. Brother Harold W. Blaisdell, our Junior Grand Warden, who rendered great assistance in the Fifth Masonic District where our late Brother, James O. McKeen, was prevented by extreme illness from doing all his work.

Our Grand Secretary has been extremely helpful to me and I am conscious of the fact that I have handed a lot of extra work to him. To him, I express my sincere gratitude.

Due to the illness of our Grand Secretary, the work in his office has been conducted for a portion of the year by our Corresponding Grand Secretary, R. W. Brother Earle D. Webster. To him, I am most grateful for the additional work he has assumed and for his efficient assistance

Lastly, I am most grateful to my beloved wife and children for their forbearance and understanding in allowing me to take time from our family affairs to devote to the great cause of Masonry.

CONCLUSION.

My Brethren, this brings to an end my term of office as your Grand Master, and the above record of my doings in that Honorable Office is now in your hands for such treatment, whether approval or disapproval, as you, in your great wisdom, may deem fit and proper.

Please rest assured that any errors I have made have been mistakes of judgment. Any work I have left undone has been caused by a lack of time. Such acts as I have completed have been as a result of my great love for Masonry and have been motivated and directed from my heart.

I am very conscious of the fact that one of the greatest, richest experiences of my life is coming to a close. I fully realize that no greater honor can ever be paid me than to have served you as Grand Master.

If I were asked to tell you the greatest lesson I have learned from serving you in this capacity, I believe it would be the statement that I am more convinced than ever that Masonry is more than an institution; it is, indeed, a way of life; and that its great challenge today is to be of real practical service to the community and place in which it is practiced. Our great Brother, the late George Washington, in 1792, reminded his Brethren that the great challenge to Masonry at that time was the service it could render to all mankind. Again, our second Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother Simon Greenleaf, stressed the fact that one of the great challenges to Masonry in his time was to see to it that proper educational facilities and means were provided for the use of this country. Masonry's challenge today is no less than it was in those times and if it survives and grows, it will be because its leaders and members are conscious of their great trust and duty, and make Freemasonry felt in a practical and effective way through the sponsorship of youth and the solution of its problems, through a practical, realistic expression of charity and brotherly love in the form of relief, our blood bank and Masonic service, and in the other many ways that are entirely within our Ancient Landmarks. It is my sincere belief that we, in Maine Masonry, will be faithful to our trust, will accept the challenge and keep Masonry on the high plane it has always enjoyed in this great state.

It is with complete confidence and assurance that I pass the duties of this great office to my able and devoted successor, who, in all probability, will be our present Deputy Grand Master. His profession as a clergyman, his experience as one of our Past Grand Lecturers, his long and colorful Masonic career, his affection for his fellow men, his great devotion to the Ancient Landmarks, usages and customs, and the high esteem and love with which he is held by all who know him will guarantee him a successful and colorful administration and will assure this Grand Lodge of great opportunities to rise to even greater heights.

As I lay aside the mantle of authority, I look forward with much pleasure and contentment to the opportunity to return to work with my Brethren as a Craftsman in the Temple and

to take advantage of every opportunity to promote the work and welfare of our Grand Lodge.

Again and finally, I thank you from the inmost recesses of my heart for making possible one of the golden opportunities of my life.

APPENDIX A.

District Meeting Schedule for 1955.

DISTRICT	DATE	PLACE	HOST LODGE
1st	Nov. 16, 1955	Houlton	Monument No. 96
2nd	Nov. 29, 1955	Calais	St. Croix, No. 46
3rd	Nov. 28, 1955	Machias	Harwood, No. 91
4th	Dec. 16, 1955	Castine	Hancock, No. 4
5th	Nov. 22, 1955	Milo	Piscataquis, No. 44
6th	Jan. 16, 1956	Old Town	Star in the East, No. 60
7th	Sept. 28, 1955	Islesboro	Island, No. 89
8th	Dec. 15, 1955	Belfast	Timothy Chase, No. 26
9th	Sept. 15, 1955	Vinalhaven	Moses Webster, No. 145
10th	Mar. 29, 1956	Wiscasset	Lincoln, No. 3
11th	Dec. 7, 1955	Litchfield	Morning Star, No. 41
12th	Feb. 16, 1956	Fairfield	Siloam, No. 92
13th	Oct. 7, 1955	Norridgewock	Lebanon, No. 116
14th	Jan. 26, 1956	Richmond	Richmond, No. 63
15th	Nov. 18, 1955	Strong	Davis, No. 191
16th	Jan. 30, 1956	Norway	Oxford, No. 18
17th	Jan. 23, 1956	Portland	Deering, No. 183
18th	Jan. 27, 1956	Biddeford	Dunlap, No. 47
19th	Feb. 3, 1956	Kennebunk	York, No. 22
20th	Dec. 8, 1955	Rumford	Blazing Star, No. 9
21st	Jan. 12, 1956	Ellsworth	Lygonia, No. 40
22nd	Nov. 4, 1955	Exeter	Pacific, No. 64
23rd	Dec. 14, 1955	Lewiston	Rabboni, No. 150
24th	Sept. 23, 1955	Sherman Mills	Molunkus, No. 165

APPENDIX B.

Maine Masonic Grand Lodge Blood Bank Committee.

1955

General Chairman, ELMER S. DOE, Scarboro, Me., R. F. D. No. 1, Box 271A

Northern Area Chairman, WILLIAM SKOFIELD, Orono.

Central Area Chairman, ROYAL L. CLEAVES, East Winthrop.

Southern Area Chairman, LESTER D. BRAGDON, South Berwick.

DISTRICT	CHAIRMAN	ADDRESS
1st	Ernest Smith,	13 Dudley St., Presque Isle
2nd	Everett S. Higgins,	31 Pleasant St., Lubec
3rd	William Jordan,	Machias
4th	Philip Gray, M. D.,	Blue Hill
5th	Fred M. Packard,	Sebec Station
6th	John C. Condon,	R. F. D. 3, South Brewer
7th	Elmer C. Rose,	Lincolnton Beach
8th	Victor Greene,	Searsport
9th	James Roach,	5 Fogg St., Rockland
10th	Leon P. Munro,	Round Pond
11th	Royal Cleaves,	R. F. D. 2, Winthrop
12th	Maxwell D. Ward,	Clinton
13th	Robert Hamilton	Canaan
14th	Frank Barker,	26 Boody St., Brunswick
15th	Richard C. Morton,	Farmington
16th	A. Stewart Varney,	4 Walker St., Bridgton
17th	Maurice H. Barter,	Deer Hill Ave., Care of William Lamb, Westbrook
18th	L. W. Carpenter, M. D.	Limerick
19th	Bernard Livingston,	43 School St., Berwick
20th	Wallace S. Dinsmore,	20 Urquhart St., Rumford
21st	Walter Flagge,	Maple Ave., Bar Harbor
22nd	Howard L. Shapiro,	Newport.
23rd	Fred Banks,	172 Summer St., Auburn
24th	E. E. Goodwin,	Monarda

APPENDIX C.

Visitations May 5, 1955, to May 1, 1956.

May	6, 1955	100th Anniversary, Atlantic Lodge, Portland.
May	7, 1955	Annual Ladies' Night, Preble Lodge, Sanford.
May	19, 1955	16th District Meeting, Oriental Lodge, No. 113 Bridgton.
May	13, 1955	Scottish Rite Meeting, Portland.
May	14, 1955	Hiram Lodge, No. 180, Annual Ladies' Night, Portland.
May 15 & 16, 1955		Grand Lodge of Rhode Island.
May 17 & 18, 1955		Grand Lodge of New Hampshire, Round trip to both Grand Lodges.
May	21, 1955	Ashlar Lodge, No. 105, Lewiston.
May	23, 1955	Grand Chapter, O. E. S., Portland
May 25-27, 1955		Grand Lodge of New Brunswick.
May	28, 1955	Ancient Landmark, No. 17, Portland.
June	1, 1955	Preble, No. 143, Sanford.
June	4, 1955	DeMolay, Boston Garden, Boston.
June	11, 1955	Keystone, No. 180, Solon, 100th Anniversary.

June 13-17, 1955	Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia.
June 18, 1955	Reception of Matron O. E. S., Lewiston.
June 19, 1955	St. John's Day, Freeport.
June 21, 1955	Casco, No. 36, Yarmouth.
June 22, 1955	DeMolay Meeting, Portland.
June 23, 1955	Unity, No. 58, Thorndike.
June 24, 1955	Dirigo, No. 104, Weeks Mills.
June 25 & 26, 1955	Marsh River, No. 102, Brooks.
July 11-20, 1955	Attendance at Imperial Council, at Chicago, with all other Grand Masters of North America, and 100th Anniversary of Grand Lodge of Ontario at Toronto.
July 27, 1955	Grand Lodge of Quebec Luncheon, Ocean Park, Maine.
August 19, 1955	Guest of Kora Temple Past Potentates, Poland, Maine.
August 24, 1955	D. D. G. M. School, Portland.
August 25, 1955	D. D. G. M. School, Bangor.
August 27, 1955	Shrine Ceremonial at Rockland.
August 31, 1955	Kemankeag, No. 213, Rangeley.
September 10, 1955	Orient, No. 15, 150 Anniversary, Thomaston.
September 11, 1955	D. D. Association, Killdeer.
September 15, 1955	Ninth District Meeting, Moses Webster, Vinalhaven.
September 17, 1955.	Dedication Pleasant River, No. 163, Brownville.
September 19, 1955	Ashland, No. 105, Lewiston.
September 23, 1955	24th District Meeting, Sherman Mills.
September 24, 1955	Dedication Ralph J. Pollard, No. 217, Orrington.
September 28, 1955	7th District Meeting, Islesboro, Island, No. 89.
October 1, 1955	Dedication Corner Stone, No. 216, Portland.
October 4-6, 1955	Grand Lodge of Delaware.
October 6, 1955	School of Instruction, United, No. 8, Brunswick.
October 7, 1955	13th District Meeting, Lebanon, No. 116, Norridgewock.
October 8, 1955	Eureka, No. 84, 100th Anniversary, Tenants Harbor.
October 11, 1955	School of Instruction, Thomaston.
October 13, 1955	Kora Temple, Lewiston.
October 14, 1955	Dedication Masonic Temple, Bangor.
October 19, 1955	School of Instruction, Lewiston.
October 20, 1955	School of Instruction, Westbrook.
October 21, 1955	Mt. Olivet Chapter, Rose Croix, Boston.
October 22, 1955	Harold Blaisdell Reception, Dexter.
October 29, 1955	DeMolay Meeting at Lewiston, and Orvis Bonney's reception, Auburn.
November 3, 1955	Ralph J. Pollard night, Orrington.
November 4, 1955	22nd District, Pacific, No. 64, Exeter.

November 5, 1955	Royal Cleaves Reception, Readfield.
November 12, 1955	St. John Lodge, Portsmouth, New Hampshire.
November 12, 1955	Special Meeting Casco, No. 36, Yarmouth. (William Rowe Funeral).
November 13, 1955	Speaker National Sojourners, Boston.
November 18, 1955	15th District, Davis, No. 191, Strong.
November 19, 1955	17th District Meeting, Ancient Landmark, No. 1, Portland.
November 22, 1955	Fifth District Meeting, Piscataquis, No. 44, Milo.
November 23, 1955	First District Meeting, Monument, No. 96, Houlton.
November 28, 1955	Third District Meeting, Harwood, No. 91, Machias.
November 29, 1955	Second District Meeting, St. Croix, No. 46, Calais.
December 3, 1955	Dedication Orchard, No. 216, Old Orchard.
December 6, 1955	Fifty-Year Presentation, Augusta, No. 14, Augusta
December 7, 1955	Trustees' Meeting, Hallowell, and Reception for D. D. G. M. Robert Carter, Orono.
December 8, 1955	Eleventh District Meeting, Morning Star, No. 41, Litchfield.
December 9, 1955	Twentieth District Meeting, Blazing Star, No. 30, Rumford.
December 14, 1955	Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, Boston. 23rd District Meeting, Rabboni, No. 150, Lewiston
December 15, 1955	8th District, Timothy Chase, No. 126, Belfast.
December 16, 1955	14th District, Hancock, No. 4, Castine.
December 19, 1955	Mountain View Chapter, No. 197, O. E. S., Buckfield.
December 26-28 1955	Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.
December 31, 1955	Bar Harbor, No. 185, Special Meeting.
January 2, 1956	Installation, Freeport, No. 23.
January 9, 1956	Installation, Solar, No. 14, Bath.
January 12, 1956	21st District Meeting, Lygonia Lodge, Ellsworth.
January 16, 1956	6th District Meeting, Star in the East, No. 60, Old Town.
January 23, 1956	17th District Meeting, Deering, No. 183, Portland.
January 26, 1956	14th District Meeting, Richmond, No. 63, at Richmond.
January 27, 1956	18th District Meeting, Dunlap, No. 47, at Bidde- ford.
January 30, 1956	16th District Meeting, Oxford, No. 18, at Norway.
February 3, 1956	19th District Meeting, York, No. 22, at Kennebunk
February 14, 1956	Installation, Vassalboro, No. 14, North Vassalboro.
February 16, 1956	12th District Meeting, Siloam, No. 92, Fairfield.
February 25, 1956	Lebanon Council Meeting, Oakland.
February 30, 1956	Committee on Amendments Meeting, in Augusta.
March 5, 1956	Freeport Lodge, at Freeport.
March 7, 1956	Village Lodge, Bowdoinham.

March	24, 1956	Solar, No. 14, Bath, to work the Grand Lodge Officers on DeMolay boys.
March	25, 1956	Equipment Committee Meeting, Grand Secretary's Office, Portland.
March	29, 1956	Tenth District Meeting, Lincoln Lodge, No. 3, Wiscasset.
March	31, 1956	150th Anniversary, St. John Lodge, No. 16, Warren.
April	3-5, 1956	Grand Lodge of Connecticut.
April	12, 1956	Portland Masonic Club, Portland.
April	13, 1956	Mt. Moriah, No. 56, Denmark. Reception to District Deputy Paul Wadsworth.
April	17, 1956	Casco Lodge, No. 36, Yarmouth. Reception to Right Worshipful Alfred Doughty.
April	18, 1956	Harmony Lodge, No. 38, Gorham, Mortgage-Burning Ceremony.
April	19, 1956	Conference with Finance Committee.
April	20, 1956	Trustees Charitable Foundation Meeting, at Hallowell.
April	21, 1956	Blue Lodge Night, Anah Temple, Bangor.
April	23-25 1956	Grand Lodge of New Jersey.
April	28, 1956	Red Cross of Constantine, Saco.
April	29, 1956	Grand Commandery of Maine Banquet.
April	30, 1956	Grand Commandery Session. Grand Lodge Banquet.

APPENDIX D.

Dispensations Granted.

To permit Lodges to confer degrees in less than the required time on candidates in military or connected service, or in cases of extreme necessity:

Temple Lodge, No. 25	May 13, 1955
Amity Lodge, No. 6	May 20, 1955
King Solomon's Lodge, No. 61	May 23, 1955
Phoenix Lodge, No. 24	May 24, 1955
Harwood Lodge, No. 91	June 10, 1955
Franklin Lodge, No. 123	Aug. 12, 1955
Marsh River Lodge, No. 102	Sept. 14, 1955
Freeport Lodge, No. 23	Sept. 27, 1955
Lincoln Lodge, No. 3	Dec. 7, 1955
Pioneer Lodge, No. 72	Dec. 19, 1955
Jonesport Lodge, No. 188	Dec. 21, 1955
Temple Lodge, No. 86	Dec. 24, 1955
Bar Harbor Lodge, No. 185	Jan. 9, 1956
Vernon Valley Lodge, No. 99	Mar. 16, 1956

To permit Lodges in this Grand Jurisdiction to visit Lodges in other Grand Jurisdictions, or to invite Lodges in other Grand Jurisdictions to pay fraternal visits to Lodges in this Grand Jurisdiction (with consent of other Jurisdictions):

Buxton Lodge, No. 115	May 9, 1955
Ancient Brothers Lodge, No. 178	May 9, 1955
Kemankeag Lodge, No. 213	May 9, 1955
Ancient Landmark Lodge, No. 17	May 11, 1955
Blazing Star Lodge, No. 30	May 31, 1955
Ancient Brothers Lodge, No. 178	July 11, 1955
Orient Lodge, No. 18	Aug. 5, 1955
Saco Lodge, No. 9	Sept. 23, 1955
Ancient Landmark Lodge, No. 17	Oct. 6, 1955
Portland Legion of Honor Degree Team	Dec. 12, 1955
Saco Lodge, No. 9	Mar. 15, 1956

To ballot upon petition less than four weeks after presentation:

Bar Harbor Lodge, No. 185	Jan. 9, 1956
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To receive application for initiation at a special communication:

Bar Harbor Lodge, No. 185	Jan. 9, 1956
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To hold meetings outside its own Lodge Hall:

Marsh River Lodge, No. 102	June 8, 1955
Blue Mountain Lodge, No. 67	Sept. 20, 1955
Freeport Lodge, No. 23	Oct. 10, 1955
Blue Mountain Lodge, No. 67	Oct. 27, 1955
Morning Star Lodge, No. 41	Nov. 16, 1955
Adoniram Lodge, No. 27	Jan. 16, 1956

To hold special election to fill vacancy caused by death of officer:

Lafayette Lodge, No. 48	Aug. 12, 1955
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Permission for invasion of jurisdiction by invitation:

Columbia Lodge, No. 200	Mar. 27, 1956
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To transact business at a special communication:

Monument Lodge, No. 96	Aug. 2, 1956
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To move into its own new building from temporary quarters in same Town with approval of District Deputy Grand Master, the jurisdiction of no other Lodge being affected:

Shepherd's River Lodge, No. 169	Sept. 7, 1955
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To hold special communication and work degree in Grand Lodge:

Freeport Lodge, No. 23	Mar. 20, 1956
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Permission for joint installation with another Lodge:

Parian Lodge, No. 160	Jan. 4, 1956
Meridian Splendor Lodge, No. 49	Jan. 4, 1956
Felicity Lodge, No. 19	Jan. 5, 1956

APPENDIX E.

General Revisions of and Amendments to Lodge By-laws.

GENERAL REVISIONS:

APPROVED

Crooked River Lodge, No. 152	May 13, 1955
Ocean Lodge, No. 142	May 13, 1955
King Solomon's Lodge, No. 61	May 13, 1955
Piscataquis Lodge, No. 44	June 6, 1955
Marine Lodge, No. 122	Aug. 22, 1955
Blazing Star Lodge, No. 30	Oct. 17, 1955
Harmony Lodge, No. 38	Feb. 1, 1956

AMENDMENTS:

Forest Lodge, No. 148	May 12, 1955
Bay View Lodge, No. 196	May 14, 1955
Morning Star Lodge, No. 41	May 20, 1955
Portland Lodge, No. 1	May 20, 1955
Ralph J. Pollard Lodge, No. 217	May 20, 1955
Village Lodge, No. 26	May 21, 1955
Pleasant River Lodge, No. 163	May 31, 1955
Temple Lodge, No. 25	June 3, 1955
Carrabasset Lodge, No. 161	July 22, 1955
Solar Lodge, No. 14	July 23, 1955
Maine Lodge, No. 20	July 25, 1955
Monmouth Lodge, No. 110	Aug. 6, 1955
Freeport Lodge, No. 23	Aug. 26, 1955
Nezinscot Lodge, No. 101	Sept. 23, 1955
Mt. Bigelow Lodge, No. 202	Sept. 26, 1955
Mt. Moriah Lodge, No. 56	Sept. 30, 1955
Parian Lodge, No. 160	Oct. 7, 1955
Saco Lodge, No. 9	Oct. 13, 1955
Eggemoggin Lodge, No. 128	Oct. 18, 1955
St. George Lodge, No. 16	Oct. 19, 1955
Polar Star Lodge, No. 114	Nov. 8, 1955
Saint Aspinquid Lodge, No. 198	Nov. 15, 1955
Adoniram Lodge, No. 27	Nov. 21, 1955
Bingham Lodge, No. 199	Nov. 21, 1955
St. Andrew's Lodge, No. 83	Nov. 28, 1955
York Lodge, No. 22	Dec. 3, 1955
Meridian Splendor Lodge, No. 49	Dec. 9, 1955
Dresden Lodge, No. 103	Dec. 12, 1955
Day Spring Lodge, No. 107	Dec. 15, 1955
Bagaduce Lodge, No. 210	Jan. 16, 1956
Amity Lodge, No. 6	Jan. 16, 1956
Ancient Landmark Lodge, No. 17	Jan. 21, 1956
Vassalboro Lodge, No. 54	Jan. 25, 1956

Euclid Lodge, No. 194	Feb. 18, 1956
Lewy's Island Lodge, No. 138	Feb. 27, 1956
Liberty Lodge, No. 111	Mar. 8, 1956
Hancock Lodge, No. 4	Mar. 12, 1956
Mt. Abram Lodge, No. 204	Mar. 29, 1956
Mount Tir'em Lodge, No. 132	Mar. 29, 1956
Acacia Lodge, No. 121	Apr. 7, 1956

(At the conclusion of the reading of that portion of the Grand Master's Address entitled "Necrology," the Communication stood in reverent prayer for their departed brethren, led by Grand Chaplain M. GERRY PLUMMER at the Altar).

On motion of R. W. Bro. AUBREY L. BURBANK

The Grand Master's Address was referred to the Committee on Doings of Grand Officers. It was also voted that the reports of the Deputy Grand Master, Senior Grand Warden, Junior Grand Warden, and District Deputy Grand Masters be referred to the Committee on Doings of Grand Officers without reading.

GRAND TREASURER.

The Grand Treasurer submitted his report as follows:

PORTLAND, MAINE,
May 1, 1956.

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

I herewith submit my Annual Report as Grand Treasurer for the year ending March 31, 1956.

GENERAL FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Grand Lodge Dues.....	\$35,508.25
Initiation Fees.....	2,548.00
Penalties, 1955.....	13.00
Penalties, 1956.....	28.00
Dispensations.....	42.00
Sales and Services.....	3,069.50
Rentals.....	1,979.02
Dues Balances, 1955.....	3.10
	————— \$43,190.87

DISBURSEMENTS.

Convers E. Leach, Grand Secretary, Salary.....	\$ 3,500.00
Earle D. Webster, Assistant, Salary.....	2,400.00
H. Norton Maxfield, Grand Treasurer, Salary.....	1,500.00
Raymond M. Rideout, Grand Lecturer, Services.....	500.00
Ralph J. Pollard, Correspondent, Services.....	750.00
Extra Clerical and Professional Services.....	1,154.75
	<hr/> \$ 9,804.75
Rent.....	\$ 3,600.00
Telephone.....	261.98
Printing and Binding.....	1,311.67
Lodge Services.....	450.09
Insurance and Bonds.....	125.00
Travel, Grand Lodge Officers.....	1,065.00
Travel, D. D. G. M.....	743.06
Contingent Travel and Expense, Grand Master, 1955.....	1,083.42
Contingent Travel and Expense, Grand Master, 1956.....	2,415.46
Session Payroll.....	6,417.40
Catering and Entertainment of Guests.....	1,302.44
Printing Annual Proceedings.....	2,878.75
Dues and Memberships.....	1,275.80
F. I. C. A. Taxes.....	139.00
	<hr/> \$23,069.67
Lodge Supplies.....	\$ 6,984.64
Office Supplies.....	310.52
Flowers.....	106.94
	<hr/> \$ 7,402.10
Lodge Equipment.....	\$ 55.70
Office Equipment.....	653.78
Office Equipment, Invoices, not Delivered.....	1,785.42
	<hr/> \$ 2,494.90
Masonic Education.....	\$ 1,066.91
Blood Bank Program.....	288.25
History Program.....	40.23
Masonic Service Hospital.....	3,500.00
Library, Binding and Bulletin.....	3.25
	<hr/> \$ 4,898.64
	<hr/> \$47,669.46
Deficit	—4,478.59
	<hr/> \$43,190.87

Balance, March 31, 1955.....	\$32,348.45
Deficit, 1955 Account.....	—4,478.59
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Balance, March 31, 1956.....	\$27,869.86
Encumbered Funds.....	1,785.42
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	\$29,655.28

DISASTER FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Interest on Deposit.....	\$ 31.46	
	<hr/>	\$ 31.46

DISBURSEMENTS.

Masonic Service Association a/c Mexican Hurricane Disaster.....	\$ 500.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 500.00
Deficit.....		—468.54
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		\$ 31.46
Balance, March 31, 1955.....	\$ 1,041.89	
Deficit, 1955 Account.....	—468.54	
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Balance, March 31, 1956.....	\$ 573.35	

GEORGE WASHINGTON MASONIC NATIONAL MEMORIAL FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Assessments.....	\$ 1,262.00	
Contributions.....	22.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 1,284.00

DISBURSEMENTS.

George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association.....	\$ 1,200.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 1,200.00
Balance.....		84.00
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		\$ 1,284.00
Balance, March 31, 1955.....	\$ 20.00	
Balance, 1955 Account.....	84.00	
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Balance, March 31, 1956.....	\$ 104.00	

RECAPITULATION OF ASSETS OF THE GRAND LODGE
OF MAINE, A. F. & A. M.

MARCH 31, 1956.

GENERAL FUND:

Balance, First Portland National Bank,	
Checking Account.....	\$ 29,655.28
	<hr/> \$ 29,655.28

DISASTER FUND:

Balance, Maine Savings Bank.....	\$ 573.35
	<hr/> \$ 573.35

CHARITY FUND:

Investments at Cost.....	\$393,937.57
Balance, First Portland National Bank	
Savings Account No. 22609.....	2,193.59
	<hr/> \$396,131.16

CHARLES M. FARRAR FUND:

Investments at Cost.....	\$ 35,453.75
Balance, Portland Savings Bank, Account	
No. 136385.....	287.08
	<hr/> \$ 35,740.83

THOMAS H. BODGE MEMORIAL FUND:

Investments at Cost.....	\$ 24,609.83
Balance, Portland Savings Bank, Account	
No. 136386.....	368.89
	<hr/> \$ 24,978.72

FREDERICK C. THAYER FUND:

Investments at Cost.....	\$ 990.00
Balance, First Portland National Bank,	
Savings Account No. 22609.....	57.00
	<hr/> \$ 1,047.00

FRANK C. ALLEN FUND:

Investments at Cost.....	\$ 990.00
Balance, First Portland National Bank,	
Savings Account No. 22609.....	10.00
	<hr/> \$ 1,000.00

RELIEF FUND:

Balance, Canal National Bank, Checking	
Account.....	\$ 45,272.19
	<hr/> \$ 45,272.19

MAINE MASONIC WAR RELIEF FUND:

Investments at Cost.....	\$ 39,568.75
Balance, First Portland National Bank, Savings Account No. 22609.....	514.53
	<hr/> \$ 40,083.28

DANA B. CUTTER FUND:

Investments at Cost.....	\$ 11,751.81
Balance, Principal Account Portland Sav- ings Bank, Account No. 136384.....	176.95
Balance, Interest Account, Portland Savings Bank, Account No. 136384.....	2,930.18
	<hr/> \$ 14,858.94

GEORGE R. RICH MEMORIAL FUND:

Investments at Cost.....	\$ 4,043.44
Balance, Principal Account, Portland Sav- ings Bank, Account No. 136383.....	22.27
Balance, Interest Account, Portland Savings Bank, Account No. 136383.....	1,808.74
	<hr/> \$ 5,874.45
	<hr/> \$595,215.60

UNCOLLECTED ITEMS:

Grand Lodge Dues, 1956.....	\$ 51.50
Delinquency Penalty, 1956.....	32.00

COMMITTED FUNDS:

George Washington Masonic National Memorial Fund.....	\$ 104.00
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Fraternally submitted,

H. NORTON MAXFIELD,
Grand Treasurer.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

The Auditor's Report was presented as follows:

Report of
LEE D. HODGKINS COMPANY
TO
GRAND LODGE OF MAINE

APRIL 1, 1955 TO MARCH 31, 1956

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Wardens, Officers and Members of
the Grand Lodge of Maine:*

GENTLEMEN:

Submitted herewith is our report covering an audit of the accounts of your Treasurer for the Fiscal Year April 1, 1955, to March 31, 1956, and certification is expressed to the extent of the following text and tabulations:

We found all moneys shown as received to be properly accounted for and either cancelled checks or vouchers to be on file supporting payments made by your Treasurer. Checking Accounts representing the Charity and Relief Funds were reconciled with statements furnished by the depositories and found to exactly agree with the Treasurer's Accounts. All pass books representing savings deposits were examined and found to agree with the amounts shown to be on deposit in such accounts. All securities shown to be the property of the Grand Lodge were found to be in the custody of the Treasurer.

FINANCIAL CONDITION.

Based on Market Value of Securities on March 31, 1956, a comparative statement of the financial condition of the Grand Lodge follows:

	<i>Mar. 31, 1956</i>	<i>Mar. 31, 1955</i>
Cash.....	\$ 83,974.05	\$ 87,726.58
Securities Priced at Market Value.....	700,232.01	598,152.53
Accounts due from Lodges.....	15.75	23.20
TOTAL.....	\$784,221.81	\$685,902.31

The Assets of the Grand Lodge, \$784,221.81, are divided as to the many funds as follows:

General Fund.....	\$ 29,655.28
Charity Fund.....	565,033.45
Relief Fund.....	45,272.19
Rich Fund.....	7,693.41
Thayer Fund.....	1,789.50
George Washington Memorial Fund.....	104.00
Post-War Fund.....	39,527.03
Disaster Fund.....	573.35
Farrar Fund.....	42,052.58
Cutter Fund.....	15,838.38
Bodge Fund.....	35,720.14
Allen Fund.....	962.50
TOTAL.....	\$784,221.81

We found the accounts of your Treasurer to be carefully and accurately kept.

Fraternally submitted,

LEE D. HODGKINS COMPANY,

By LEE D. HODGKINS.

Dated at Portland, Maine,
April 25, 1956.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

GRAND SECRETARY.

The Grand Secretary reported as follows:

MASONIC TEMPLE,
PORTLAND, May 1, 1956.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maine:

I take pleasure in presenting this my twenty-fourth Annual Report as Grand Secretary.

The routine duties of the office have been attended to promptly and the correspondence which has increased tremendously during the year has been given as early attention as circumstances would permit.

Our membership in 1932 was 43,250; we now number 47,413. Throughout this period the individual Lodge and personal records have been added to the indexes; and to all changes in Lodge officers have been kept up-to-date. The importance of keeping abreast with these constant changes cannot be easily appreciated. By noting the many inquiries, which can be answered only by this information, can the value of these records be fully realized.

RETURNS.

On January 31st, the date when all returns are due, found us lacking several returns. We had notified some eighty-nine lodge secretaries a week or more in advance that they would be due on the 31st. In spite of this notice, two lodges held up the work in the office, one of them causing a delay of a month.

REPORTS OF LODGE TREASURERS.

Of the 208 Lodges, eighty-eight treasurers failed to comply with the regulation requiring a copy of their annual report to be forwarded to us within ten days after the annual meeting.

NECROLOGY.

We have been called upon to mourn the loss of four members of the Grand Lodge during the year.

M. W. BENJAMIN L. HADLEY, Past Grand Master.

R. W. ARTHUR W. SEAWARD, Past Senior Grand Warden.

R. W. CARROLL STEPHEN DOUGLASS, Past Junior Grand Warden.

R. W. JAMES O. McKEEN, District Deputy Grand Master.

REQUESTS FOR RECOGNITION.

Requests for recognition have been received from the Grand Lodge of Rio de Janeiro (renewal) and Israel both of which were promptly referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

COURTESY WORK.

We have continued to receive many requests for courtesy work both from this country and abroad. We also have been obliged to ask for similar work in other jurisdictions, all of which calls for a large correspondence.

GRAND SECRETARIES' CONFERENCE.

The week of February 20th found a large number of Grand Masters and Grand Secretaries from all parts of the United States, Canada, France, Germany, Cuba, Philippine Islands and Mexico in Washington, for their annual conference.

This year, only three subjects were discussed. The principal one was on "Trial Procedures" by Lloyd E. Wilson who presented an exhaustive analysis on the subject.

On Tuesday evening was held the annual banquet at which M. W. C. D. Jory, Past Grand Master of Iowa, gave a very fine address on the History of the George Washington National Memorial.

FEES AND DUES.

There are now 186 Lodges that charge less than \$50.00 for the degrees. Should not the minimum be increased from the \$30.00 now required?

There are now 113 Lodges with annual dues of less than \$5.00.

The reports show that dues two years or more in arrears amount to \$29,898.00. Should not we consider seriously the adoption of automatic suspension for non-payment of dues?

FINANCIAL.

I have received from the sale of Text Books, Rituals and other supplies.	\$3,560.32
From which I have paid postage, express and * office sundries.	\$ 520.77
Grand Treasurer.	3,039.55
	<hr/> \$3,560.32

INVITATIONS.

Once more I want to express my thanks for the many kind invitations that I have received to attend many Masonic functions both in this and many other Grand Jurisdictions, but the duties of the office have prevented me from accepting many of them.

To this report is attached Appendix A, being announcement of deaths that have occurred in other Grand Jurisdictions, and the other marked B, the Veterans' Medals that have been presented to brethren who have been in good standing for fifty years or more. Those marked with the * were presented by the Grand Master.

Fraternally submitted,

CONVERS E. LEACH,
Grand Secretary.

The report was referred to the Committee on Doings of Grand Officers.

Appendix A.

Arkansas. WOODLIEF ATHA THOMAS, Grand Master, 1933. Born May 27, 1890; died March 29, 1955.

Colorado. GUY V. STERNBERG, Grand Master, 1916. Born August 25, 1869; died August 28, 1955.

Costa Rica. CARLOS MANUAL FERNANDEZ PRESTINARY. Born July 4, 1896; died March 24, 1955.

Delaware. T. SCOTT PURSE, Grand Master, 1939. Born September 26, 1884; died December 12, 1955.

District of Columbia. ROBERT S. REGAR, Grand Master, 1935. Born January 15, 1882; died October 21, 1955.

Georgia. DAVID LEONIDAS SHANNON, Grand Master, 1945. Born December 7, 1883; died September 23, 1955.

Greece. DR. ANTHONY RANMOS, Grand Secretary. Born 1898; died June 30, 1955.

Illinois. KARL J. MOHR, Grand Master, 1941. Born February 18, 1892; died May 4, 1955.

G. HAVEN STEPHENS, Grand Master, 1931-1932. Born May 25, 1881; died January 29, 1956.

Indiana. CHARLES E. LUCAS, Grand Steward and Tyler, 1934-1955. Born December 24, 1877; died November 14, 1955.

Iowa. FRED H. NOLTE, Grand Master, 1946. Born February 27, 1877; died April 15, 1955.

THOMAS W. WELLINGTON, Grand Master, 1925. Born January 29, 1875; died July 28, 1955.

Kansas. JAY BUCHAN KIRK, Grand Master, 1930. Born July 31, 1875; died July 18, 1955.

Manitoba. NORMAN JOHN BLACK, Grand Master, 1931. Died May 8, 1955.

Michigan. ORIE E. BROWN, Grand Master, 1942. Born September 26, 1875; died June 19, 1955.

Mississippi. GEORGE WALTER HOLLOWAY, Past Grand Master. Born March 16, 1870; died March 18, 1955.

Montana. DR. ROBERT J. HATHAWAY, Grand Master, 1920. Born January 24, 1874; died January 15, 1955.

BRIG. GENERAL LEROY A. FOOT, Grand Master, 1931. Born September 9, 1882; died August 22, 1955.

New Jersey. ISAAC CHERRY, Grand Secretary, 1917-1955. Died October 21, 1955.

New York. RICHARD A. ROWLANDS, Grand Master, 1950. Died March 13, 1955.

Missouri. JOHN A. WITTHAUS, Junior Grand Steward, 1955. Born November 14, 1890; died February 23, 1956.

EDMUND ELMER MORRIS, Past Grand Treasurer. Born January 13, 1872; died March 2, 1956.

North Dakota. JOHN ALLEN GRAHAM, Grand Master, 1953-1954. Born November 21, 1885; died January 27, 1956.

CHARLES D. MILLOY, Grand Master, 1931. Born January 8, 1872; died July 15, 1955.

CHAUNCEY E. CAVELL, D. D. G. M., 1945-1955. Born October 26, 1878; died October 18, 1955.

Nova Scotia. MARTIN LUTHER FRASER, Grand Master, 1929. Born September 28, 1886; died April 6, 1955.

WILLIAM THOMPSON POWERS, Grand Master, 1943. Born July 2, 1888; died October 17, 1955.

Ohio. ED. W. KUNS, Past Grand Master. Born September 13, 1905; died March 4, 1956.

JAMES M. MORGAN, Past Grand Master. Born January 17, 1880; died May 18, 1955.

Oregon. RICHARD FRANK PETERS, Grand Master, 1936. Born August 6, 1883; died September 4, 1955.

Saskatchewan. MARK MUSK, Grand Master, 1937-1938. Born January 22, 1867; died February 27, 1956.

WILLIAM HERBERT MOOR, Grand Master, 1949. Born June 16, 1877; died June 3, 1955.

JOHN KING IRWIN, Grand Master, 1928. Born 1877; died May 7, 1955.

WALTER LIVINGSTONE CLINK, Grand Master, 1946. Born 1894; died April 12, 1955.

JAMES WILFRED ESTEY, Grand Master, 1936-1937. Born December 1, 1889; died January 22, 1956.

South Carolina. CHARLES KILGORE CHREITZBERG, Grand Master, 1924-1926. Born April 21, 1874; died January 22, 1956.

South Dakota. GEORGE O. GOODMAN, Grand Master, 1927. Born October 5, 1879; died March 6, 1956.

WILLIAM F. R. WHORLON, Grand Master, 1921. Born December 12, 1878; died June 22, 1955.

West-Virginia. PORTER LEHMAN MARSH, Grand Master, 1940. Born May 29, 1871; died October 7, 1955.

Wyoming. THOMAS STIRLING, Grand Master, 1945. Born July 23, 1895; died September 15, 1955.

CONRAD JOHNSON, Grand Master, 1940. Born November 2, 1885; died October 2, 1955.

WILLIAM A. RINER, Grand Master, 1922-1923. Born June 26, 1878; died November 20, 1955.

MARION ARTHUR KLINE, Grand Master, 1927-1928. Born July 22, 1868; died February 7, 1956.

APPENDIX B.

Veterans' Medals have been presented to the following brothers who have been in good standing for fifty years or more. Those marked * were presented by the Grand Master.

LODGE	NAME	MASONIC AGE	PRESENTED
Portland Lodge, No. 1	George W. Vose	2- 6-1904	11- 1-1955
Portland Lodge, No. 1	Arthur W. Read	1-12-1905	10- 9-1955
Portland Lodge, No. 1	Neal C. Anderson	11- 2-1905	3-29-1956
Lincoln Lodge, No. 3	John H. Southard	5-18-1905	6- 7-1955
Hancock Lodge, No. 4	William J. Patterson	4-25-1905	5- 5-1955
Amity Lodge, No. 6	Frank P. Alexander	6-22-1905	7-15-1955
Amity Lodge, No. 6	Arthur P. Webster	10- 5-1905	11- 5-1955
Eastern Lodge, No. 7	William C. Beale	11-24-1905	12- 5-1955

LODGE	NAME	MASONIC AGE	PRESENTED
Eastern Lodge, No. 7	William J. Dougherty	8- 8-1904	12- 5-1955
United Lodge, No. 8	Frank H. Whitmore	5-23-1905	7-15-1955
Rising Virtue Lodge, No. 10	John B. Baxter	5-16-1905	4-24-1956
Rising Virtue Lodge, No. 10	Leon A. Nason	11-28-1905	2-19-1956
Rising Virtue Lodge, No. 10	Adelbert W. Sprague	2-13-1906	2-28-1956
Cumberland Lodge, No. 12	Horace C. Marsden	10- 7-1905	11- 5-1955
Cumberland Lodge, No. 12	John Symonds	11-11-1905	11-26-1955
Solar Lodge, No. 14	Roger W. Wight	6-15-1903	12-16-1955
Ancient Land-Mark Lodge, No. 17	Aubrey I. Long	6-16-1905	12- 7-1955
Ancient Land-Mark Lodge, No. 17	Bernard L. Greely	11-22-1905	12- 7-1955
Ancient Land-Mark Lodge, No. 17	Alexis W. Bearce	11-22-1905	12- 8-1955
Ancient Land-Mark Lodge, No. 17	Edwin L. Palmer	3- 3-1906	4- 4-1956
Ancient Land-Mark Lodge, No. 17	Millard J. Lord	3- 7-1906	4-10-1956
Ancient Land-Mark Lodge, No. 17	John H. Gresley	4-24-1906	3-24-1956
Oxford Lodge, No. 18	Charles L. Cragin	7-14-1905	11-15-1955
Felicity Lodge, No. 19	Wm. H. S. Ellingwood	6- 5-1905	11-23-1955
Maine Lodge, No. 20	Arthur D. Ingalls	12-19-1904	6- 6-1955
Oriental Star Lodge, No. 21	Wallace L. Allen	5-29-1901	10- 5-1955
York Lodge, No. 22	Willis A. Lovejoy	6- 5-1905	10-12-1955
York Lodge, No. 22	Arthur M. Stilphen	6-29-1905	10-24-1955
York Lodge, No. 22	Vivian Stansfield	3-21-1906	6- 5-1956
Phoenix Lodge, No. 24	Wilson Ellis	4-26-1905	6- 7-1955
Tranquil Lodge, No. 29	Wallace C. Philoon	4-19-1905	4-24-1955
Tranquil Lodge, No. 29	O. Albert Thorne	6- 7-1905	6-18-1955
Tranquil Lodge, No. 29	William P. Breneman	6- 8-1893	11-15-1955
Blazing Star Lodge, No. 30	Clayton C. Sweatt	2-23-1905	10-26-1955
Blazing Star Lodge, No. 30	Howard C. Jones	5-24-1905	10-21-1955
Blazing Star Lodge, No. 30	Angus C. Neal	9-20-1905	10-26-1955
Blazing Star Lodge, No. 30	Charles S. Learned	3-29-1905	1-29-1956
Hermon Lodge, No. 32	Guy W. Lawrence	4-11-1905	4-26-1955
Hermon Lodge, No. 32	Almon T. Martin	5-30-1905	6-28-1955
Hermon Lodge, No. 32	Hiram B. Malcolm	10-13-1903	10-20-1955
Hermon Lodge, No. 32	Norman H. Trafton	12-22-1905	1-10-1956
Hermon Lodge, No. 32	Frank C. Emery	3- 6-1906	6- 1-1956
Hermon Lodge, No. 32	Walter Percy Hodgkins	4-26-1906	4-24-1956
Waterville Lodge, No. 33	Roy B. Lancaster	12-19-1904	1-24-1955
Waterville Lodge, No. 33	Caleb A. Lewis	6-29-1905	9-12-1955
Waterville Lodge, No. 33	Roy A. Sylvester	12-18-1905	1- 9-1956
Waterville Lodge, No. 33	Andrew F. Armstrong	10-10-1893	12-19-1955
Somerset Lodge, No. 34	John W. Higgins	6-21-1904	11-23-1955

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Somerset Lodge, No. 34	Walter H. Hight	4-17-1905	11-23-1955
Somerset Lodge, No. 34	Darius W. Bunker	6-29-1905	11-24-1955
Bethlehem Lodge, No. 35	Arthur E. Percival	1-31-1898	10-18-1955
Bethlehem Lodge, No. 35	Alfred R. Widdop	10-12-1898	10-18-1955
Bethlehem Lodge, No. 35	Frank T. Holmes	6-27-1904	5-23-1955
Bethlehem Lodge, No. 35	H. Leslie Haskell	5-16-1904	5-23-1955
Casco Lodge, No. 36	*William H. Rowe	6- 6-1905	6-21-1955
Casco Lodge, No. 36	Beecher T. Lane	4-17-1906	4-17-1956
Washington Lodge, No. 37	Harry L. Walton	2- 6-1906	4- 4-1956
Harmony Lodge, No. 38	Ernest W. Files	4-19-1905	5- 6-1955
Harmony Lodge, No. 38	Frank E. Hoyt	6-14-1905	9- 7-1955
Harmony Lodge, No. 38	Stephen E. Patrick	10-11-1905	10- 5-1955
Harmony Lodge, No. 38	Edgar F. Carswell	2- 7-1906	2- 1-1956
Lygonia Lodge, No. 40	George W. DesIsles	1-17-1905	4-21-1955
Morning Star Lodge, No. 41	Elmore C. Bosworth	9-20-1904	12-20-1955
Alna Lodge, No. 43	Albert H. Simonton	3-15-1905	6- 3-1955
Piscataquis Lodge, No. 44	Archibald M. McNair	4-19-1905	10-28-1955
Piscataquis Lodge, No. 44	Arthur F. Lewis	6-12-1905	10-28-1955
Piscataquis Lodge, No. 44	Bert W. Pineo	8-14-1905	10-28-1955
St. Croix Lodge, No. 46	Roy S. Averill	10-28-1904	2-16-1955
St. Croix Lodge, No. 46	Herbert F. Beek	4-25-1904	7-25-1955
Meridian Splendor Lodge No. 49	Samuel S. Slosberg	2- 4-1904	6- 2-1955
Meridian Splendor Lodge No. 49	Ernest A. Frye	5- 5-1904	8-10-1955
Meridian Splendor Lodge, No. 49	Walter B. Clark	3-23-1905	1-25-1956
Meridian Splendor Lodge, No. 49	Lewman B. Soper	12-14-1905	1- 5-1956
Aurora Lodge, No. 50	Walter D. Hall	11- 5-1895	10-19-1955
Aurora Lodge, No. 50	Alan L. Bird	3-22-1905	6- 1-1955
Aurora Lodge, No. 50	Edwin R. Keene	10- 6-1894	12- 1-1955
St. John's Lodge, No. 51	Frank J. Clark	6-12-1905	6-20-1955
Rural Lodge, No. 53	William W. Cowan	1-21-1905	2-12-1955
Fraternal Lodge, No. 55	George L. Roberts	6-26-1901	6-15-1955
Fraternal Lodge, No. 55	Harry E. Chadbourne	5-17-1905	6-15-1955
Mount Moriah Lodge, No. 56	Perley H. McKusick	12- 6-1905	1-18-1956
King Hiram Lodge, No. 57	Arthur N. Stowell	5-23-1905	5-21-1955
King Hiram Lodge, No. 57	John M. Holland	3-30-1906	3-13-1956
Star in the East Lodge, No. 60	Samuel B. Gray	1-12-1905	1-17-1955
Star in the East Lodge, No. 60	Edward K. Hilliard	7-31-1905	10-13-1955
Star in the East Lodge No. 60	William L. Jefferds	12-29-1905	1-31-1956

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King Solomon's Lodge, No. 61	Edson B. Buker	9-22-1905	9- 1-1955
Richmond Lodge, No. 63	*David C. Ames	8-28-1905	1-26-1956
Pacific Lodge, No. 64	Frank L. Gordon	8- 9-1905	11- 9-1955
Pacific Lodge, No. 64	*Horace D. Ridlon	10-11-1905	11- 4-1955
Howard Lodge, No. 69	Talbot R. Hackett	5-27-1905	12-23-1955
Howard Lodge, No. 69	Joshua Treat, Jr.	2- 9-1906	5-25-1956
Standish Lodge, No. 70	Fred E. Cole	6-16-1904	2-17-1955
Standish Lodge, No. 70	Arthur G. Spear	7-21-1904	5-27-1955
Standish Lodge, No. 70	Lemuel Rich	3-16-1905	5-27-1955
Standish Lodge, No. 70	Harold W. Dolloff	4- 5-1906	4-12-1956
Rising Sun Lodge, No. 71	Wilbury O. Hutchins	12-30-1904	4-17-1956
Pioneer Lodge, No. 72	Ezra B. White	3- 8-1905	6- 8-1955
Pioneer Lodge, No. 72	Wm. C. McLaughlin	3- 8-1905	6- 8-1955
Bristol Lodge, No. 74	Harry Weeks	9-11-1905	9-12-1955
Bristol Lodge, No. 74	Ernest H. Hunter	2-12-1906	3-12-1956
Tremont Lodge, No. 77	Simeon J. Marshall	6-16-1904	6- 2-1955
Keystone Lodge, No. 80	Chester A. Grant	1-10-1906	4-18-1956
Atlantic Lodge, No. 81	*Arthur C. Merrill	5-13-1905	5- 5-1955
Atlantic Lodge, No. 81	Giles C. Grant	11-15-1905	12- 6-1955
St. Paul's Lodge, No. 82,	J. Carlton Davis	1- 9-1905	6-13-1955
St. Paul's Lodge, No. 82	Percy R. Keller	5-31-1905	6-14-1955
Temple Lodge, No. 86	Harry L. Lowell	6-16-1904	6-15-1955
Temple Lodge, No. 86	W. S. Woodbury	11-30-1904	6-15-1955
Temple Lodge, No. 86	Charles H. McBride	12- 6-1905	12-14-1955
Temple Lodge, No. 86	Grant Pierce	12- 6-1905	12-15-1955
Benevolent Lodge, No. 87	Clarence E. Friend	10- 5-1901	11- 3-1955
Island Lodge, No. 89	Melvin R. Trim	11- 9-1905	5- 3-1956
Island Lodge, No. 89	Harry A. Babbidge	12-21-1905	5-15-1956
Harwood Lodge, No. 91	William P. Robinson	5-19-1902	5- 7-1956
Siloam Lodge, No. 92	Charles A. Lawry	12-28-1904	3-10-1955
Siloam Lodge, No. 92	Chas. W. McClintock	12-22-1904	3-10-1955
Siloam Lodge, No. 92	Albert H. Clark	12-21-1905	2-23-1956
Siloam Lodge, No. 92	William M. Crawford	12-21-1905	2-23-1956
Horeb Lodge, No. 93	John E. Grindell	6- 7-1904	12- 7-1954
Paris Lodge, No. 94	Charles H. Howard	3-10-1903	7-14-1955
Monument Lodge, No. 96	Murdock B. McKay	5-24-1905	6-26-1955
Monument Lodge, No. 96	Roland E. Clark	7-12-1905	7-12-1955
Monument Lodge, No. 96	*Thomas E. Atchison	11-27-1905	2- 1-1956
Monument Lodge, No. 96	Isaac B. Atchison	11-29-1905	1- 4-1956
Monument Lodge, No. 96	Henry C. Sharp, Jr.	2-14-1906	3- 7-1956
Katahdin Lodge, No. 98	A. Lewis Bates	6-15-1905	6-16-1955
Vernon Valley Lodge, No. 99	Henry L. Gordon	10-10-1905	11- 1-1955
Nezinscot Lodge, No. 101	*Edwin E. Swain	3-26-1904	12-14-1955
Nezinscot Lodge, No. 101	Robert Haskell	11- 2-1889	1- 6-1956
Ashlar Lodge, No. 105	*C. Franklin Packard	6-27-1904	9-19-1955

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Ashlar Lodge, No. 105	*Wallace E. Webber	6-12-1905	9-19-1955
Ashlar Lodge, No. 105	Samuel S. Stoddard	12-20-1901	11-21-1955
Tuscan Lodge, No. 106	Bartlett L. Cleaves	5-21-1904	6- 4-1955
Eastern Frontier Lodge, No. 112	Bedford A. W. Boyd	1-27-1904	6-14-1955
Eastern Frontier Lodge, No. 112	Charles H. Martin	12-27-1905	2- 2-1956
Messalonskee Lodge, No. 113	Arthur A. Gleason	3-16-1905	10-18-1955
Lebanon Lodge, No. 116	George F. Lyons	9-17-1904	8- 5-1955
Acacia Lodge, No. 121	William R. Bowie	6-14-1905	2- 3-1956
Marine Lodge, No. 122	George A. Cole	4-25-1905	5- 8-1955
Marine Lodge, No. 122	Newell R. Eaton	3-14-1899	3- 4-1956
Marine Lodge, No. 122	Grover C. Small	12-16-1905	3- 6-1956
Marine Lodge, No. 122	Oscar B. Weed	12-19-1905	3- 6-1956
Marine Lodge, No. 122	Whitney B. Lowe	1- 9-1906	3- 4-1956
Franklin Lodge, No. 123	Fred M. Swan	1- 5-1906	3-14-1956
Olive Branch Lodge, No. 124	Ernest E. Page	2- 7-1906	2- 9-1956
Timothy Chase Lodge, No. 126	Anson H. Rowe	12-12-1905	5-24-1956
Asylum Lodge, No. 133	Herbert C. Norris	8- 5-1905	9-18-1955
Asylum Lodge, No. 133	Olin S. Pettengill	10-10-1905	6- 7-1956
Lewy's Island Lodge, No. 138	Elbert H. Fenlason	7- 8-1905	10-19-1955
Lewy's Island Lodge, No. 138	Alden T. McDowell	9-27-1905	10-19-1955
Lewy's Island Lodge, No. 138	Harvey L. Bryant	10-25-1905	11- 8-1955
Lewy's Island Lodge, No. 138	Sanborn O. McDowell	11- 4-1905	11- 8-1955
Augusta Lodge, No. 141	Ernest L. McLean	7- 7-1903	12- 7-1955
Augusta Lodge, No. 141	Arthur W. Morton	10- 3-1903	12- 7-1955
Augusta Lodge, No. 141	Wallace Purinton	10-26-1903	12- 7-1955
Augusta Lodge, No. 141	*Clarence E. Stewart	5-23-1905	12- 6-1955
Preble Lodge, No. 143	*Alpheus C. Hanscom	5-17-1905	6- 1-1955
Preble Lodge, No. 143	*Evelyn V. Roberts	5-17-1905	6- 1-1955
Seaside Lodge, No. 144	Burton A. Orne	1- 6-1905	10- 7-1955
Sebasticook Lodge, No. 146	Herbert C. Roundy	3-16-1905	5-12-1955
Sebasticook Lodge, No. 146	Linwood S. Eastman	6-15-1905	9-29-1955
Sebasticook Lodge, No. 146	Merton C. Brown	9- 7-1905	11- 1-1955
Sebasticook Lodge, No. 146	Wesley M. Keene	9- 7-1905	9-29-1955
Doric Lodge, No. 149	Earle H. Jackson	3-12-1906	4- 3-1956
Rabboni Lodge, No. 150	Lester E. Hewey	9- 6-1905	9-29-1955
Rabboni Lodge, No. 150	*George E. Ramsdell	6-16-1903	12-14-1955
Crooked River Lodge, No. 152	Alfred R. Clark	6-15-1905	10-27-1955

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Wilton Lodge, No. 156	Mid W. Brown	12-10-1904	1-19-1955
Wilton Lodge, No. 156	William Carey	2- 7-1906	3-21-1956
Anchor Lodge, No. 158	Miles A. Plummer	2- 7-1903	4-20-1955
Whitney Lodge, No. 167	*Thompson A. Potter	3- 1-1906	3- 7-1956
Composite Lodge, No. 168	Thad. J. Weymouth	1- 6-1905	2- 9-1956
Caribou Lodge, No. 170	Floyd A. Smith	1-19-1905	10- 6-1955
Caribou Lodge, No. 170	Judson C. Briggs	6- 1-1905	9- 1-1955
Hiram Lodge, No. 180	Philip K. Jenkins	11- 1-1904	12- 1-1954
Hiram Lodge, No. 180	Samuel M. Phillips	4-13-1905	6-13-1955
Hiram Lodge, No. 180	Everett L. Innes	6- 7-1905	6-14-1955
Hiram Lodge, No. '80	Louis C. Gordon	6-27-1905	6-14-1955
Hiram Lodge, No. 180	Harlan B. Higgins	4- 3-1906	5-10-1956
Deering Lodge, No. 183	John R. M. Giffard	6- 1-1903	5-17-1954
Deering Lodge, No. 183	Carl N. Haskell	12- 7-1903	5-17-1954
Deering Lodge, No. 183	Charles H. Nelson	4-11-1904	5-17-1954
Deering Lodge, No. 183	George E. Mitchell	1-23-1905	6-13-1955
Deering Lodge, No. 183	Frederic W. Fogg	12-28-1894	5-23-1955
Deering Lodge, No. 183	Maynard C. Little	12-12-1904	6-15-1955
Deering Lodge, No. 183	Walter R. Jacobs	5- 8-1905	6-13-1955
Deering Lodge, No. 183	Clifford S. Libby	5- 8-1905	10-21-1955
Deering Lodge, No. 183	Geo. W. I. Stevens	6-12-1905	6-13-1955
Naval Lodge, No. 184	Fred E. Dinsmore	5-17-1905	10- 4-1955
Springvale Lodge, No. 190	William E. Frost	8-13-1905	10-13-1955
Davis Lodge, No. 191	*Ernest W. Vining	10- 6-1905	11-18-1955
Davis Lodge, No. 191	Lewis F. Partridge	2- 9-1906	3-28-1956
Reliance Lodge, No. 195	George Wallace	4-11-1903	11-17-1955
Reliance Lodge, No. 195	Lyman E. Stinson	6-20-1903	3- 5-1956
Reliance Lodge, No. 195	James N. Hamilton	8-24-1901	3-21-1956
Aroostook Lodge, No. 197	Harrison O. Hussey	6- 3-1905	7-18-1955
Aroostook Lodge, No. 197	Geo. R. Fenderson	3-25-1905	6-17-1955
Bingham Lodge, No. 199	George G. Gilman	2-23-1905	4-18-1955
Bingham Lodge, No. 199	Leon C. Robinson	12- 9-1905	12-31-1955
Columbia Lodge, No. 200	Stillman W. Sawyer	9-26-1905	10-18-1955
Columbia Lodge, No. 200	Charles Emery	10-10-1905	10-15-1955
Columbia Lodge, No. 200	John E. Masterman	4- 3-1906	6-18-1956
David A. Hooper Lodge, No. 201	Herbert P. Jellison	7-29-1905	9-18-1955
Mount Olivet Lodge, No. 203	William V. Nash	1- 7-1903	1-10-1956
Mount Abram Lodge, No. 204	George M. French	3-31-1904	8- 5-1955
Mount Abram Lodge, No. 204	William P. Plummer	8-21-1905	8- 5-1955
Nollesemic Lodge, No. 205	Percy B. Bragdon	5-13-1905	5-11-1955
Nollesemic Lodge, No. 205	William M. Marr	6-15-1905	12-29-1955
Nollesemic Lodge, No. 205	*Harry F. Bragdon	2- 8-1906	3- 7-1956

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Abner Wade Lodge, No. 207	Charles E. Smith	11-13-1905	12-11-1955
Abner Wade Lodge, No. 207	Omar F. Carr	2-12-1906	4- 5-1956
Northeast Harbor Lodge, No. 208	William S. Holmes	10-17-1905	10-25-1955
Fort Kent Lodge, No. 209	Grover C. Bradbury	9-16-1905	9-28-1955
Fort Kent Lodge, No. 209	Edgar T. Flint	12-22-1898	1-19-1956
Kemankeag Lodge, No. 213	Willie D. Quimby	2-23-1901	6-15-1955

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

R. W. Bro. MERTON E. LEECH, for the Committee on Unfinished Business, reported the following as unfinished items:

Masonic Veterans' Lapel Buttons.

Committee on Study of Automatic Suspension, Military Honors and Funeral Services.

Equipment in the Grand Lodge Office.

The Simon Greenleaf Medal.

Amendments to the Constitution:

- (a) Proposal to Amend Article VI, Section 92 (Military Residence);
- (b) Proposal to Amend Article I, Section 59, re: time and place of Trustees' Meetings; and
- (c) General Revision and Annotation of Grand Lodge Constitution.

DOINGS OF GRAND OFFICERS.

M. W. Bro. CLARK D. CHAPMAN, for the Committee on Doings of Grand Officers, presented the following report which was accepted and the recommendations were adopted:

IN GRAND LODGE,
May 1, 1956.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maine:

Your Committee on Doings of Grand Officers has given careful attention to the Address of our Grand Master and to the reports of the other officers. Our Grand Master has had another busy year. He has made many visitations both within and without this Grand Jurisdiction and has carefully attended to the many and detailed duties of his office. We congratulate him upon the honors conferred upon him and through him

upon this Grand Lodge. We express the appreciation of Grand Lodge to him for two years of service.

We recommend that his discussion of the condition of the Fraternity and the reports of the Deputy Grand Master, Grand Wardens, District Deputy Grand Masters and Grand Lecturer be referred to the Committee on the Condition of the Fraternity.

That one hundred eighty and more Lodges have complied with Grand Lodge Regulation by furnishing their histories is cause for great satisfaction. The failure of the remaining few Lodges is regretted but in view of the progress made it does not appear to be presently in order to invoke Masonic discipline. We earnestly urge all delinquent lodges to complete the required work now so that one year hence all may be reported to be in compliance. We recommend that the Grand Master's discussion of the Lodge History Program be referred to the Committee on History.

We congratulate our Grand Master upon the success which he has been able to report for the program of nonritualistic Masonic instruction. We recommend that this portion of his address and the portion entitled "Occasional Bulletins" be referred to the Committee on Education.

We recommend that the portion of the address entitled "Equipment in the Grand Lodge Office," and the matter of continuing an appropriation to the hospital program of the Masonic Service Association be referred to the Committee of Finance.

We join our Grand Master in commending the Order of DeMolay and in describing that Order as "one of the most worthwhile youth movements in the history of this country." Cannot Grand Lodge afford to contribute modestly to this work? We recommend that the matter be referred to the Committee of Finance.

We recommend that the sections of the address entitled "Decisions" and "Dispensations" be referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

The matter of Brotherhood Lodge, U. D., is now in the hands of the Committee on Dispensations and Charters. We recommend that the portion of the address concerning this lodge be referred to that Committee.

Fraternally submitted,

CLARK D. CHAPMAN,	}	<i>Committee on Doings of Grand Officers.</i>
GRANVILLE C. GRAY,		

FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE.

M. W. Bro. RALPH J. POLLARD, for the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, reported that the reviews of other Grand Lodges were in print and in the hands

of the Brethren, and it was voted that it be printed as an appendix to the Proceedings.

He also presented the following Supplementary Report which was accepted and the recommendations were adopted:

IN GRAND LODGE,
May 1, 1956.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maine:

1. An application for fraternal recognition has been received from the Grand Lodge of the Dominican Republic. This body does not derive its origin from a source recognized as regular by the Grand Lodge of Maine. It is not recognized by the United Grand Lodge of England, the Grand Lodge of Ireland or the Grand Lodge of Scotland, and is recognized by only four Grand Lodges in the United States. It maintains fraternal relations with the Grand Orient of France and with many other clandestine and unmasonic bodies. It is the recommendation of this Committee that this application be denied.

2. An application has been received from the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico. This body is now technically regular, but it does not meet our Maine requirements in regard to jurisdiction. It neither exercises exclusive territorial jurisdiction nor shares jurisdiction by mutual agreement with another Masonic power. It is presently at feud with the York Grand Lodge of Mexico, the regular body recognized by the Grand Lodge of Maine, and neither recognizes nor holds Masonic intercourse with that organization. It is not recognized by the British Grand Lodges, but is in fraternal relationship with various clandestine groups. During the past year, it has engaged in highly improper political activity. Accordingly, this Committee must, with regret, recommend that this application be denied.

3. We also recommend that all other pending applications be left in the hands of the Committee, for further observation and consideration.

Fraternally submitted,

RALPH J. POLLARD,	}	<i>Committee.</i>
CHARLES E. CROSSLAND,		
JOHN M. LITTLEFIELD,		

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

M. W. Bro. KEENE, for the Committee on Finance, presented the following report which was accepted and the recommendation adopted:

MASONIC TEMPLE,
PORTLAND, ME., May 1, 1956.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maine:

Your Committee on Finance submit the following report:

We have checked the reports of the Grand Treasurer as to receipts and disbursements of the several Grand Lodge funds and have found the same in accord with the Auditor's report.

We have examined the reports of the Recording Grand Secretary and find the same properly kept.

A member of the Finance Committee accompanied the Auditor in his check of the securities as listed in the reports of the Grand Treasurer and report the same are intact in the bank safety deposit vault.

We recommend that the reports of the Auditor and Grand Treasurer be accepted and spread in full upon the records of this Grand Lodge Communication.

Fraternally submitted,

CARROLL W. KEENE,	} Finance Committee.
HORACE M. BUDD,	
DAVID F. DREW,	

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON MASONIC EDUCATION.

M. W. Bro. RALPH J. POLLARD, for the Special Committee on Masonic Education, presented the following report which was accepted and the recommendation was adopted:

IN GRAND LODGE,
May 1, 1956.*

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maine:

During the past year, this Committee has carefully observed the operation of the educational program instituted in 1954 and continued by vote of the Grand Lodge at its last annual communication. Early in the year, a circular letter, more fully explaining certain features of the program, was issued to the Craft. The importance of the program was stressed by the Most Worshipful Grand Master at all district meetings, and Members of this Committee have spoken on various phases of the plan on numerous occasions.

Reports from District Deputy Grand Masters and other interested officers throughout the State indicate that the program continues to be

favorably received by the Lodges and that it is in successful operation throughout the Jurisdiction. Candidate reaction to the program is very good. While the efficiency of the program naturally varies with the enthusiasm, interest and effectiveness of the local Instructors, the over-all picture is most gratifying, and encourages us to hope for still better results in the future.

By direction of the Grand Master, the four candidate booklets were made available for distribution to all interested brethren. Consequently, the initial edition of 6,000 sets was soon exhausted. After conferring with the Committee, the Grand Master authorized the publication of a second edition of 6,000 copies. This new edition now in the hands of the brethren, embodies certain suggestions received from the field, but is largely a reprint of the first edition. The list of books recommended for candidate reading, formerly on a separate sheet of paper, is now included as a part of Booklet No. 4. A new edition of the "*Guide for Instructors*" has also been published and is now available for distribution.

Educational programs of interest to the entire membership have been presented in numerous lodges. This activity is more common in some districts than in others. Some lodges, with much degree work, feel that they have no time for such programs. However, one very busy lodge, Ralph J. Pollard Lodge, No. 217, of Orrington, presents a program of educational value at each stated meeting, using special communications for the conferring of degrees. This practice might well be followed by other lodges. The Committee urges all lodges to make effective use of the Grand Lodge Speakers' Bureau and Motion Picture service.

A member of this Committee, R. W. Lewis T. Brown, has been designated by the Grand Master to represent Maine at the conference on Library and Education being held this week under the auspices of the Grand Lodge of New York.

Much has been accomplished during the past two years, but much more remains to be done if maximum results from this program are to be attained. District Deputies must continue to stress the importance of the program, to supervise the work of the local Instructors, to check on candidate reactions, and to encourage the holding of educational meetings by their several lodges. Lodge officers must continue to support the program and to see that the candidate derives maximum benefits therefrom. In particular, the "Elder Brother" feature of the program must be more widely and consistently used if maximum results are to be realized. This work must continue to be co-ordinated at the Grand Lodge level. Accordingly, it is the recommendation of this Committee that the Grand Lodge educational program now in use be continued, and that, if it be the will and pleasure of the incoming Grand Master, a special Committee on Masonic Education be appointed to supervise the same.

In closing, this Committee must again express its appreciation for the continued support which this program has received from M. W.

Paul L. Powers, Grand Master of Masons in Maine. Without his energy and enthusiasm, the gratifying results obtained from this program could not have been achieved.

Fraternally submitted.

RALPH J. POLLARD,
ERVIN E. J. LANDER,
WILLIAM A. LEVENSAIOR,
LEWIS T. BROWN,

} *Committee.*

(At 12.00 Noon, the Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment until 2.00 P. M., Tuesday, May 1, 1956).

FIRST DAY — AFTERNOON.

2.00 P. M., TUESDAY, May 1, 1956.

The Grand Lodge was called from refreshment to labor at 2.00 o'clock with the same Grand Officers as at the morning session.

(The Communication thereupon sang "Faith of Our Fathers.")

PRESENTATION OF MASONIC "GONG".

The Chair recognized R. W. Bro. JUDSON P. LORD, who, on behalf of Wor. Bro. EARL B. THOMAS of Seattle, Washington, presented a beautiful Dinner Gong, in the following words:

In 1950, Earl B. Thomas, a former Maine boy, returned to Maine for the first time in twenty-three years, when he appeared in Grand Lodge as a personal representative of the M. W. Grand Master of Washington. A few weeks ago I received a letter from Brother Thomas from which, Most Worshipful, with your permission I would like to read a few lines explaining this emblem in front of the Grand Master' dais.

He says, in part, "When I was there in 1950 there was a banquet given the night before Grand Lodge and I believe there was one thing missing, if my memory serves me right. There was no bell or gong to attract the attention of the assembled guests. The Grand Lodge of Washington has a dinner at 6.30 P. M. on the first day of Grand Lodge. I had attended

this dinner for many years and the toastmaster always rapped on the table or tapped on a glass or plate to attract attention. So, in 1954, I made up a gong and presented it to Grand Lodge to be used at all their banquets. They use it. They carry it all over the state in care of the Grand Secretary. Now I have made up one for your Grand Lodge and hope they will accept it."

He says, "The work is all my own. . . . I hope that the Grand Lodge of Maine might like it well enough to use it at all their banquets. I hope the members of the Grand Lodge will get as much pleasure out of it as I have got in making it. The brass gong came out of one of the first street cars to arrive in Seattle sixty years ago, and when the street cars were junked in 1941 we found four brass gongs in the 700 cars, and I got all. The Grand Lodge of Washington has No. 1 and the Grand Lodge of Maine will have No. 2, one in the West and the other in the extreme East; from the Evergreen State to the Pine Tree State; from my adopted state to the state in which I was born and which I think so much of. Thank you for the trouble it will cause you and give my best regards to everyone who remembers me. . . . In this dinner (Hi-12) gong you will find many Masonic emblems."

The gift was accepted by unanimous acclaim.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO PART FOUR, ARTICLE I, SECTION 134.

Members of Lincoln Lodge, No. 3, presented the following amendment which was referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution:

"No Brother shall be an active member of more than one lodge within the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge, nor shall he fill more than one office in the lodge at the same time."

SIMON GREENLEAF MEDAL.

M. W. Bro. PAUL L. POWERS caused FREDERICK C. DAVIS to be presented to the East and presented him with a Simon Greenleaf Medal, for services to Masonry beyond the usual line of duty, as Grand Organist and services to several constituent lodges, for which sincere thanks was expressed.

GRAND SECRETARY EMERITUS.

The Constitutional hour for Election having arrived the Chair recognized R. W. Brother AUBREY

L. BURBANK, who presented the following resolution which was adopted:

"Whereas, One of the most outstanding and beloved members of this Grand Lodge, being stricken by critical illness, is unable to carry on the duties of the office which he was served so faithfully in this Grand Lodge for the past twenty-four years, and

"Whereas, despite his declining years our brother has given of himself unsparingly to the welfare and growth of this Grand Lodge, and has reflected the light of Freemasonry in all his relationships with his fellow-man,

"Be it therefore, by the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maine in its One Hundred and Thirty-seventh Annual Communication here assembled,

"Resolved, that Right Worshipful Brother Convers E. Leach be hereby created and elected Grand Secretary Emeritus, Ad Vitam, and by this resolution entitled to all the honors and recognition which he so richly deserves.

"I move the adoption of this resolution by acclamation.

Signed,

AUBREY L. BURBANK."

On motion it was voted, that Right Worshipful CONVERS E. LEACH, Grand Secretary Emeritus, Ad Vitam, be paid such honorarium as this Grand Lodge shall determine and that this matter be referred to the Finance Committee for recommendation.

CREDENTIALS.

W. Bro. GEORGE P. JACKSON, for the Committee on Credentials, presented the final report, which was accepted.

There are present and entitled to vote 38 Permanent Members; 41 Grand Lodge Officers; 191 Lodges represented, three votes, 573; making a total of 652 votes.

GEORGE P. JACKSON,	}	<i>Committee.</i>
JOHN VACCA,		
WILSON C. BLAKE,		

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

M. W. Bro. EDWARD W. WHEELER was requested to assume the East and preside over the election of

officers. He appointed the following committees to receive, sort and count votes:

1. MERTON E. LEECH, GEORGE W. HASKELL, EDWARD H. BRITTON.
2. LEWIS T. BROWN, WILLIAM A. LEVENSALOR, JUDSON P. LORD.

They reported the choice of

AUBREY L. BURBANK,	M. W. Grand Master,	Waterville
JOHN M. LITTLEFIELD,	R. W. Deputy Grand Master,	Auburn
B. GLEN MCGEE,	" Senior Grand Warden,	Anson
NORMAN W. LINDQUIST,	" Junior Grand Warden,	Yarmouth
H. NORTON MAXFIELD,	" Grand Treasurer,	Portland
EARLE D. WEBSTER,	" Grand Secretary	Portland

Trustees of the Charity Fund for three years: ERNEST C. BUTLER, and CHARLES E. CROSSLAND.

Committee on Finance: HORACE M. BUDD.

Grand Master POWERS resumed the East and thanked Brother WHEELER and the tellers for their services.

TELEGRAM.

The following telegram was received:

"Your Masonic Service Association sends greetings and best wishes for a successful Annual Communication with personal greetings to all our friends."
CARL H. CLAUDY.

DISTINGUISHED GUESTS.

Throughout the Proceedings, the Grand Master called upon several of the distinguished guests who brought inspiring messages from their respective jurisdictions. Many of the guests were required to depart early in order to visit the Grand Lodge of New York.

GRAND LECTURER.

R. W. Bro. RAYMOND M. RIDEOUT, Grand Lecturer, presented his report as follows:

MASONIC TEMPLE,
PORTLAND, ME., May 1, 1956.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master and the Brethren of the Grand Lodge of Maine:

Once again it is my privilege and honor to submit the annual report of the Grand Lecturer for the year last past.

It has been a most interesting year and I am glad to say, one that reflects progress in the work of assisting those Officers and Brethren who have to do with the ritual and degree work of our Order:

One of our most distinguished Canadian Brothers from the North, Brother W. Harvey McNairn, has written the following in an article in the great Masonic Magazine "THE BUILDER," with reference to the Masonic ritual:

"MASONIC GREATNESS LIES IN MASONIC SERVICE.

"Wherein does Masonic eminence consist? It is not in the accumulation of degrees, interesting as these may be. It is not in the receipt of honors, nor the holding of exalted rank, though to serve the Craft with distinction is a privilege to be coveted by all good men. It is not even the attainment of scholarship, though a knowledge of Masonic philosophy cannot fail to have its effect in up-building character. It is not in any of these that can place a man in the proud position of being a Mason in the fullest and completest sense. It is to exemplify in one's dealings with mankind those virtues of charity, of kindness, of tolerance *which the Ritual so forcefully inculcates by precept and by symbol*. It is to be a Brother, not only to the household of the faithful, but to every man, irrespective of color, or creed or race, whom economic conditions, or ignorance, or unfavorable heredity and environment have reduced to those depths from whence he can be rescued only by the fraternal assistance of those more favorably situated." The *italic* above is mine).

"Which the Ritual so forcefully inculcates by precept and by symbol" is the phrase that leaped out from the pages upon which this great thought was expressed. I bring it to the attention of all good and honorable members of the Craft as another great objective that can and will be attained through the study and use of our Masonic Ritual, which has stood the test of centuries of time, and by the living experience of the many brothers who have gone before us.

Yes, we can and should live our lives, according to the precepts and symbols of our ritual, and we will be the better, as men and as Masons, for having done so.

Truly, Masonic greatness lies in Masonic service.

Under the direction of our Most Worshipful Grand Master twenty-four regular schools of instruction were held in the twenty-four Masonic Districts of Maine. In addition, one special school was held off the coast of Maine, on the island of Vinalhaven in Penobscot Bay, for the benefit of those brethren to whom the journey to the mainland by boat would have necessitated an overnight stay. It was far easier for your Grand Lecturer, accompanied by District Deputy Albert B. Watts of the Ninth District, to hold a special school for the officers, past officers and members of Moses Webster Lodge, No. 145, of Vinalhaven. This school was held on November 3rd, and was attended by twenty-two officers and members of that lodge. A splendid meeting was enjoyed by all, with a question and answer

period following. We trust that we were able to help, in some small degree, to a better understanding of our ritual and degree work.

Another regular school of instruction, that I want to mention particularly, was held as scheduled in the Second Masonic District, with 46 present. The unusual part was that this school of instruction opened at four o'clock in the afternoon in St. Croix Lodge, No. 46, in Calais, suspended work for refreshment at six-thirty, and then re-assembled for the evening session in Sussex Lodge, No. 7, in St. Stephens, New Brunswick, whose lodge hall had been very graciously offered to the brethren of St. Croix Lodge when it became known that a prior commitment had taken their regular hall for the evening. I believe that this is the first regular School of Instruction ever held in this jurisdiction, that opened in the United States and closed in Canada. Another example of the universality of Freemasonry and the generosity of our good Canadian Brethren. Naturally we had to pass through the Customs Office and Gates of both Nations, but members of the Craft in both offices sped us through with a minimum of delay. Quite an unexpected experience.

TABULATION OF SCHOOLS.

Following is the tabulation of the registration of the twenty-four schools:

District	Location	Registration
1.	Mars Hill.	70
2.	Calais.	46
3.	Jonesport.	27
4.	Castine.	33
5.	Dover-Foxcroft.	48
6.	Hermon.	74
7.	Camden.	45
8.	Brooks.	37
9.	Thomaston.	45
10.	Boothbay Harbor.	29
11.	Monmouth.	92
12.	China.	48
13.	Bingham.	37
14.	Brunswick.	71
15.	Wilton.	36
16.	Bolsters Mills.	52
17.	Westbrook.	113
18.	Cornish.	65
19.	North Berwick.	56
20.	Dixfield.	41
21.	Bar Harbor.	25
22.	Pittsfield.	26
23.	Lewiston.	66
24.	Mattawamkeag.	43
Total.		1,235

Last year, with an attendance of 1,137 at the twenty-four regular schools, we had the second highest attendance in Grand Lodge history. This year, with the same number of schools, the figures reflect a gain of 98, or 8.6% plus. Again the figures show the second largest total attendance in Grand Lodge history, and demonstrate a growing interest in the understanding of ritual and degree work throughout the entire jurisdiction.

The largest school was held in Temple Lodge, No. 86, in Westbrook for the 17th district, with 113 officers and members present. The total includes 9 Masters, 12 Senior Wardens, 12 Junior Wardens, 19 Deacons, 30 other officers and 31 brethren and visitors, representing thirteen lodges. The smallest school was held at Bar Harbor with but 25 present, representing 10 lodges. Again, I was delighted with the attendance at the second largest school, held in the 11th District at Monmouth Lodge, No. 110, in Monmouth. The total attendance at this school was 92, and came as a direct result of the efforts of P. S. G. W. George R. Caswell of Augusta, and the newly-formed Past Master's Association of the 11th Masonic District. President Richard Cookson and Secretary George Caswell had 200 postcards mailed out to the Past Masters of this District, urging them to see that the officers of their lodges knew about the school, and to encourage them to attend. This idea really worked and we had a splendid school with 64 officers present. I am showing below the copy of the postcard that was sent out:

TO ALL PAST MASTERS IN THE 11TH MASONIC DISTRICT:

Worshipful Brother:

In recent weeks there has been organized a Past Masters' Association of the 11th Masonic District. The object is to promote Masonry within the District. To that end we will adopt several worthwhile projects.

One of our first and most important projects will be to get out a large attendance at the School of Instruction to be held in Masonic Temple, Monmouth, Maine, on Wednesday, October 12, 1955.

Let us as Past Masters of our Lodges lend our support to this School. Encourage your Lodge Officers to attend. Let us make this the largest and best School ever held in our District. Plan to attend and bring your Lodge Officers with you.

Fraternally yours,

Attest:

GEORGE R. CASWELL, *Secretary*,
Augusta.

RICHARD C. COOKSON, *President*,
Winthrop.

Dues in the Association are one dollar per year. If you wish to join and help out the good cause mail one dollar to the Secretary.

I am very grateful to the Past Masters of the 11th Masonic District for their fine support and to the brethren for their splendid response. I recommend this program to all Past Masters' Associations and Masters and Wardens' Association for their consideration. Their help will be gratefully received.

During the past year, other postcard notices were furnished to the District Deputy Grand Masters of all Masonic districts, in sufficient number to send out one to every officers of every lodge in his district. To the best of my knowledge, every Deputy has co-operated whole-heartedly with this idea (originated by P. S. G. W. George R. Caswell) and the increase in attendance can be traced to a great extent to the use of these potent little reminders, that are received by the officers just before the school is held. I sincerely believe that a continuance of the use of these postcards will continue to assist the attendance of the schools and the effectiveness of the work of your Grand Lecturer, and should result in an up-grading of the work in many lodges. Our goal should be the attendance of every officer of every lodge at least one school of instruction per year, more if possible. No one can attend just one school and know all that there is to know about our ritual and degree work. There are approximately 2,500 officers of our 208 lodges plus many interested past officers and brethren. The trend in attendance at our schools of instruction is in the right direction, but we still have a long way to go, to attain that objective, and the assistance of every member will be necessary to help us reach that goal.

SUMMARY OF REGISTRATION BY DISTRICTS

District	Number of Lodges	Number Registered	Per Cent
1	9	9	100
2	5	5	100
3	7	6	88
4	8	6	77
5	9	9	100
6	11	11	100
7	8	7	88
8	7	6	88
9	9	9	100
10	7	5	77
11	11	11	100
12	9	8	88
13	7	6	88
14	8	8	100
15	10	10	100
16	12	11	92
17	13	13	100
18	10	10	100
19	10	10	100
20	5	5	100
21	10	8	80
22	7	6	88
23	8	8	100
24	8	7	88
Totals	208	194	93 plus

A study of the above chart will show that there were 13 Districts with 100% lodge attendance, while 8 more Districts needed representatives from only one lodge to given them 100%.

United Lodge, No. 8, in Brunswick, had all 12 officers present at their school, three lodges had 11 officers present, namely Marsh River, No. 102, Monmouth, No. 110, and Greenleaf, No. 117. Lynde Lodge, No. 174, and Temple, No. 86, had ten officers present while six lodges had nine officers present: Aroostook Lodge, No. 197, Orient, No. 15, Bethlehem, No. 35, Crooked River, No. 152, Arion, No. 162, and Ashlar, No. 105. Several more lodges had eight officers registered, which certainly reflects a splendid interest in securing more light.

The following lodges failed to send a single representative to any School of Instruction this fall:

Narraguagus, No. 88	Timothy Chase, No. 126	Carrabassett, No. 161
Naskeag, No. 171	Alna, No. 43	Shepherd's River, No. 169
Reliance, No. 195	Dresden, No. 103	Mt. Desert, No. 140
Mt. Olivet, No. 203	Star in the West, No. 85	McKinley, No. 212
Corinthian, No. 95	Molunkus, No. 165	

A total of 14 lodges absent out of 208. This compares favorably with 23 lodges absent last year. I am happy to state that the four lodges listed last year as having an absence record of two years or more from any school, were all registered as being present at schools this year. Each had apparently made a special effort to be present this year. My personal thanks to them for their co-operation.

GENERAL SUMMARY.

Total Registration.....	1,235
Number of lodges represented.....	194
Percentage of total lodges.....	93 plus
Number of lodges not represented.....	14
Per cent of total lodges.....	6
Largest attendance (Temple Lodge, Westbrook).....	113
Smallest attendance, Bar Harbor.....	25
Number of Districts having 100% attendance of Lodges: Dis- tricts Nos. 1, 2, 5, 6, 9, 14, 15, 17, 18, 19, 20.....	
Brethren attending school for first time.....	362
Brethren in possession of new Cypher.....	827
Number of Masters in attendance.....	140
Percentage of total.....	67%
Number of Senior Wardens in attendance.....	118
Percentage of total.....	57%
Number of Junior Wardens in attendance.....	111
Percentage of total.....	53%
Number of Deacons in attendance.....	176
Percentage of total.....	43%
Other officers in attendance.....	311
Visitors from outside our jurisdiction.....	14

Of the above registrants, 856 were officers of their respective lodges, and the average attendance at the schools was 51.

The Masters, Wardens and Deacons registered accounted for over 44% of the total attendance. Those possessing the new cypher were over 67% of the total, while about 29% were attending schools for the first time. I do find that there are quite a few Wardens and Deacons who are attending schools for the first time, and am somewhat concerned as to the reason why they have never before attended any school, while serving in a prior station. Attendance at one school helps, but a great deal depends upon the ability of the teacher and the desire on the part of the learner as to how much can be absorbed at any one session.

There is no question as to the value of the schools to the Craft as long as we find 362 attending for the first time. Last year the number was 360, so about 29% are receiving organized authentic instruction for the first time.

We are desirous of making the schools of instruction more informative, and will welcome any suggestions that may be made by the officers and brethren, for the improvement of our program. One request, however, please make your suggestions in writing, and mail them to me at any time. They will receive my earnest and respectful consideration.

One item that has pleased me greatly is the interest shown by many of the Past District Deputy Grand Masters, as shown by their record of attendance at the schools and their good work in their respective lodges. To me they represent a solid group of good instructors scattered through our entire body, and their able assistance is invaluable to any lodge. During this past fall there were 33 Past District Deputies attending the schools. A splendid record.

Every District Deputy attended at least one of the regular schools and several attended more than one.

It was a personal pleasure to welcome our Most Worshipful Grand Master Paul L. Powers at four of our schools. I am very grateful for his kindness, assistance and understanding during my past two terms as Grand Lecturer. He has had a tremendously busy program of his own, but has never been too busy to help with some one else's problems, and to render all the assistance possible. It has been a privilege to serve with him.

During the fall school program, we were honored by the presence of two of our Past Grand Masters, M. W. Brother Benjamin Ela, and the late M. W. Brother Benjamin L. Hadley. In addition, eight Grand Officers were present, twenty-two Past Grand Officers, and fourteen out of state visitors, including R. W. Brother Eliot C. French, Secretary of Blue Hill Lodge in Canton, Massachusetts, and Past D. D. G. M. of his jurisdiction. He informed us that the Master of his Lodge was Myles Standish, a direct descendant of the original Myles Standish of Plymouth. Canton is about thirty miles from Plymouth.

APPROVALS.

Requests for approvals of charges and lectures seem to be lessening, at least there were very few this year. I am extremely loath to approve anything that even seems to be an innovation, in any way. I do appreciate the interest shown by those brothers who talk with me on this subject, but the beautiful ritual of our Order, well-spoken in an understanding manner, needs no additions nor deletions. It must be kept inviolate for those who will follow after us.

SPECIAL APPROVALS.

The requests for approvals of visiting degree teams has also dwindled, only five being requested and approved this year. One degree team, approved the previous year, has had its privilege revoked, for not complying fully with the Order of the Grand Master, and in violation of their agreement.

DISTRICT DEPUTY SCHOOLS.

As usual, two schools were held for the District Deputy Grand Masters, one in Portland and the other in Bangor, during the month of August. These schools afford the Grand Master an opportunity to instruct the Deputies with the proper information for his program; and, at the same time, to refresh themselves as to the ritual and degree work with the Grand Lecturer. All District Deputies were present but one, who was prevented from attending by illness.

CONCLUSION.

It would be difficult for me to bring this report to a close without expressing my gratitude to all who have helped so much with our Schools of Instruction.

Our M. W. Grand Master has co-operated in every way, all of the District Deputy Grand Masters have helped in every way possible, our Grand Secretary and his office have helped whenever possible and all of our host lodges and their officers have contributed much to a successful year. I shall never forget their kindness and hospitality that they have extended at all times.

Once again, my sincere thanks to our M. W. Grand Master for the honor and privilege of serving him and the Brethren of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maine.

Respectfully submitted,

RAYMOND M. RIDEOUT,
Grand Lecturer.

The report was accepted and referred to the Committee on Doings of Grand Officers.

SIMON GREENLEAF MEDAL.

M. W. Bro. **CROSSLAND**, for the Special Committee on Preparing the Simon Greenleaf Medal, presented the following report which was accepted:

IN GRAND LODGE,
May 1, 1956.

To the Grand Lodge of Maine:

At the 1955 Communication of this Grand Lodge, action was taken authorizing first, the award annually of two medals to be known as the Simon Greenleaf medal, in recognition of services to Masonry beyond the line of duty, and second, the appointment of a committee to prepare the medal.

In accordance with that vote our committee had a medal designed which we believe will be suitable for this purpose. Simplicity of design, attractiveness, and modest cost were prime considerations in our decisions. It is our firm belief that it is the tribute and not the ornateness of design, and therefore excessive cost, which prompted the establishment of this award.

Twenty-five of the medals were ordered and have been delivered to Grand Lodge for use as needed in keeping with the terms of the award as set forth in the vote.

This report terminates the duties of the committee.

Respectfully,

GEORGE F. GIDDINGS,	}	<i>Committee on Simon Greenleaf Medal.</i>
CARROLL W. KEENE,		
CHARLES E. CROSSLAND,		

RETURNS.

R. W. Bro. **EARLE D. WEBSTER**, for the Committee on Returns, presented the following report which was accepted and ordered printed in the proceedings together with the Abstract of Returns from the Lodges:

MASONIC TEMPLE,
PORTLAND, ME., May 1, 1956.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maine:

All Lodges filed returns and membership lists, only one Lodge being delinquent.

The net gain for the year is 123, not considering the 19 members of Brotherhood Lodge, U. D., making the present membership 47,413. One hundred and two Lodges reported a gain, 84 Lodges a loss, and 21 Lodges the same membership as the year before.

There were 1,330 raised; 125 affiliated; 127 reinstated; 166 dimitted; 1 suspended U. M. C.; 2 expelled; 335 suspended N. P. D.; and 955 deaths.

There were 155 rejected.

Hiram Lodge, No. 180, is the largest Lodge with 1,162 members, which also reported the largest gain of 33. The smallest Lodges are Lookout, No. 131, and Mount Tir'em, No. 132, reporting 57 members each.

The average membership is 229. There are 29 Lodges with less than 100 members.

The following table shows comparison for the past five years:

	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956
Initiated.....	1,575	1,600	1,580	1,392	1,274
Raised.....	1,562	1,564	1,577	1,340	1,330
Affiliated.....	156	134	128	138	125
Re-instated.....	152	128	114	113	127
Dimitted.....	171	141	141	141	166
Suspended.....	0	0	0	0	1
Suspended from Membership.....	223	218	256	236	335
Deprived of Membership.....	0	1	0	0	0
Expelled.....	0	2	0	3	2
Died.....	815	819	803	875	955
Number of Members.....	45,690	46,335	46,954	47,290	47,413

Fraternally submitted,

CONVERS E. LEACH,	} Committee.
FREDERICK C. LOUNDER,	
CLYDE FRENCH,	

ABSTRACT OF RETURNS, 1956

Nos.	Lodges	Initiated.	Raised.	Affiliated.	Re-instated.	Dimitted.	Died	Suspended	Expelled	N. P. D.		No. Members	Rejected
										Suspended.	D. of Mem.		
1	Portland	15	13	0	0	3	9	0	0	1	0	393	4
2	Warren	1	1	2	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	152	0
3	Lincoln	12	11	0	1	2	7	0	0	3	0	234	0
4	Hancock	8	8	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	118	0
5	Kennebec	6	5	0	1	1	5	0	0	0	0	212	1
6	Amity	7	7	2	2	1	14	0	0	2	0	343	0
7	Eastern	5	3	0	1	1	4	0	0	2	0	152	0
8	Unjted	14	12	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	462	2
9	Saco	6	7	0	0	1	12	0	0	0	0	362	3
10	Rising-Virtue	14	20	0	2	0	7	0	0	8	0	701	8
11	Pythagorean	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	148	1
12	Cumberland	8	7	0	0	0	8	0	1	1	0	261	2
13	Oriental	15	14	2	0	0	6	0	0	4	0	250	2
14	Solar	6	16	0	3	2	14	0	0	0	0	457	0
15	Orient	1	1	2	0	2	3	0	0	2	0	195	0
16	St. George	0	0	3	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	135	0
17	Ancient Land-Mark.	9	10	0	4	4	24	0	0	1	0	591	1
18	Oxford	4	4	0	0	1	4	0	0	0	0	237	0
19	Felicity	10	9	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	266	0
20	Maine	11	8	1	0	1	6	0	0	0	0	267	1
21	Oriental Star	4	5	1	0	1	4	0	0	0	0	177	1
22	York	11	11	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	288	2
23	Freeport	8	12	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	245	1
24	Phoenix	5	5	2	0	0	3	0	0	1	0	245	3
25	Temple	7	6	1	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	167	0
26	Village	0	0	0	0	3	5	0	0	1	0	113	0
27	Adoniram	7	4	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	90	0
28	Northern Star	4	6	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	132	0
29	Tranquil	19	18	0	1	1	9	0	0	1	0	628	1
30	Blazing Star	10	7	0	0	0	8	0	0	1	0	400	2
31	Union	3	5	0	0	1	2	0	0	6	0	142	0
32	Hermon	28	26	0	1	1	10	0	0	1	0	565	7
33	Waterville	12	12	2	1	4	20	0	0	4	0	789	2
34	Somerset	3	2	1	0	0	7	0	0	1	0	199	0
35	Bethlehem	14	13	0	0	3	7	0	0	0	0	492	2
36	Casco	8	7	0	1	0	6	0	0	3	0	323	2
37	Washington	2	2	0	0	1	4	0	0	0	0	183	0
38	Harmony	4	7	1	0	1	7	0	0	0	0	282	0
39	Penobscot	3	3	0	0	2	4	0	0	1	0	253	0
40	Lygonia	5	6	1	3	2	11	0	0	6	0	453	0
41	Morning Star	3	2	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	111	0
42	Freedom	1	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	105	0
43	Alna	3	3	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	215	0
44	Piscataquis	14	11	1	0	0	8	0	0	1	0	312	0
45	Central	5	4	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	160	0
46	St. Croix	8	12	3	1	1	6	0	0	4	0	336	2
47	Dunlap	11	11	0	2	0	11	0	0	0	0	340	1
48	Lafayette	5	5	3	0	1	3	0	0	2	0	183	1
49	Meridian Splendor..	7	9	0	2	0	7	0	0	0	0	239	1
50	Aurora	7	11	1	2	5	8	0	0	5	0	415	0

Nos.	Lodgers.	In.	R.	A.	R.	D	D.	S.	E	N. P. D.		Mem	R.
										S.	D.		
51	St. John's	5	8	1	1	3	7	0	0	3	0	267	0
52	Mosaic	11	11	1	0	2	3	0	0	0	0	265	0
53	Rural	4	1	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	74	1
54	Vassalboro	1	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	96	0
55	Fraternal	5	5	0	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	153	0
56	Mount Moriah	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	96	0
57	King Hiram	2	4	0	0	1	1	0	0	2	0	169	0
58	Unity	4	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	4	0	122	0
59	Mt. Hope (<i>ch. sur.</i>)												
60	Star in the East	13	19	1	1	0	5	0	0	13	0	470	4
61	King Solomon's	4	7	0	1	0	7	0	0	0	0	237	0
62	King David's	3	3	0	1	0	2	0	0	3	0	91	0
63	Richmond	6	4	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	175	0
64	Pacific	2	2	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	81	0
65	Mystic	10	10	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	307	0
66	Mechanics'	14	15	1	2	0	4	0	0	1	0	304	1
67	Blue Mountain	1	2	0	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	123	0
68	Mariners'	3	3	2	1	2	3	0	0	0	0	125	0
69	Howard	4	4	0	0	0	5	0	0	5	0	176	0
70	Standish	6	7	1	0	1	4	0	0	2	0	197	0
71	Rising Sun	5	5	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	128	0
72	Pioneer	5	7	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	166	0
73	Tyrian	4	8	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	292	2
74	Bristol	2	3	2	0	1	4	0	0	0	0	151	0
75	Archon	13	10	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	120	1
76	Arundel	7	6	1	0	1	2	0	0	1	0	210	0
77	Tremont	4	0	1	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	189	0
78	Crescent	2	5	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	120	0
79	Rockland	17	13	0	3	2	8	0	0	3	0	295	2
80	Keystone	2	1	1	1	1	4	0	0	0	0	122	0
81	Atlantic	13	14	1	2	1	16	0	0	6	0	573	2
82	St. Paul's	3	3	0	0	1	5	0	0	3	0	210	0
83	St. Andrew's	24	22	2	3	4	25	0	0	5	0	914	4
84	Eureka	3	3	2	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	111	0
85	Star in the West	5	6	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	122	0
86	Temple	12	14	1	0	0	8	0	0	2	0	338	0
87	Benevolent	6	5	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	112	0
88	Narraguagus	1	2	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	136	0
89	Island	2	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	78	0
90	Hiram Abiff (<i>ch. rev.</i>)												
91	Harwood	8	9	0	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	203	0
92	Siloam	10	8	1	2	1	4	0	0	2	0	338	2
93	Horeb	7	11	1	0	0	5	0	0	2	0	302	6
94	Paris	6	6	1	0	1	3	0	0	1	0	161	0
95	Corinthian	9	12	0	0	2	3	0	0	0	0	151	0
96	Monument	17	18	1	2	2	13	0	0	1	0	591	0
97	Bethel	5	8	0	0	2	5	0	0	0	0	175	1
98	Katahdin	4	4	0	1	1	3	0	0	0	0	147	0
99	Vernon Valley	2	2	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	143	0
100	Jefferson	0	0	0	1	2	3	0	0	0	0	103	0
101	Nezinscot	4	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	134	0
102	Marsh River	9	9	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	142	0
103	Dresden	2	4	0	0	1	2	0	0	8	0	82	0
104	Dirigo	7	6	1	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	162	0
105	Ashlar	5	6	3	0	0	15	0	0	3	0	365	0
106	Tuscan	3	3	0	0	1	6	0	0	3	0	167	0

Nos.	LODGERS	In.	R.	A.	R.	D.	D.	S.	E.	N. P. D.		Mem.	R.
										S.	D.		
107	Day Spring	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	117	0
108	Relief (<i>ch. rev.</i>)												
109	Mount Kineo	4	5	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	195	0
110	Monmouth	6	8	1	0	2	4	0	0	4	0	217	1
111	Liberty	1	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	91	0
112	Eastern Frontier	13	10	2	0	2	4	0	0	0	0	320	2
113	Messalonskee	1	1	1	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	180	0
114	Polar Star	11	12	1	2	3	10	0	0	2	0	415	0
115	Buxton	5	3	0	0	0	3	0	0	1	0	194	0
116	Lebanon	4	4	0	0	1	4	0	0	1	0	135	0
117	Greenleaf	6	6	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	165	0
118	Drummond	1	1	1	1	0	3	0	0	0	0	75	0
119	Pownal	5	3	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	115	0
120	Meduncook (<i>ch. sur.</i>)												
121	Acacia	5	7	1	0	0	3	0	1	1	0	134	0
122	Marine	1	2	0	0	1	11	0	0	0	0	221	0
123	Franklin	5	5	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	162	0
124	Olive Branch	8	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	178	0
125	Meridian	4	4	0	1	0	8	0	0	0	0	242	2
126	Timothy Chase	2	4	2	1	1	2	0	0	2	0	198	0
127	Presumpscot	6	7	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	299	0
128	Eggemoggin	2	2	0	0	0	4	0	0	1	0	94	0
129	Quantabacook	1	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	122	0
130	Trinity	12	15	0	0	2	3	0	0	14	0	407	0
131	Lookout	1	1	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	57	0
132	Mount Tir'em	6	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	57	0
133	Asylum	0	0	1	0	1	4	0	0	0	0	79	0
134	Trojan (<i>consol'd</i>)												
135	Riverside	7	7	1	0	1	4	0	0	1	0	152	0
136	Ionic (<i>ch. sur.</i>)												
137	Kenduskeag	7	13	0	1	0	3	0	0	6	0	208	0
138	Lewy's Island	5	5	0	1	0	13	0	0	1	0	276	0
139	Archon (<i>consol'd</i>)												
140	Mount Desert	2	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	85	0
141	Augusta	11	9	1	2	2	7	0	0	2	0	539	1
142	Ocean	11	11	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	262	2
143	Preble	6	9	1	0	1	5	0	0	1	0	372	0
144	Seaside	6	6	1	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	282	1
145	Moses Webster	5	5	1	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	159	0
146	Sebasticook	7	7	1	0	2	2	0	0	2	0	181	1
147	Evening Star	7	7	0	1	1	3	0	0	0	0	103	0
148	Forest	2	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	116	0
149	Doric	3	2	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	99	1
150	Rabboni	5	10	0	2	3	3	0	0	3	0	234	0
151	Excelsior	3	3	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	62	0
152	Crooked River	4	4	0	1	2	3	0	0	12	0	119	0
153	Delta	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	88	0
154	Mystic Tie	2	2	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	59	0
155	Ancient York	3	4	0	1	0	5	0	0	0	0	182	0
156	Wilton	4	4	0	0	1	4	0	0	0	0	266	1
157	Cambridge	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	98	0
158	Anchor	0	5	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	73	0
159	Esoteric (<i>consol'd</i>)												
160	Parian	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	106	0
161	Carrabassett	3	3	1	0	1	4	0	0	0	0	71	0
162	Arion	3	2	0	1	0	2	0	0	8	0	142	1
163	Pleasant River	14	16	0	1	3	9	0	0	14	0	280	1

Nos.	LODGES	In.	R.	A.	R.	D.	D.	S.	E.	N. P. D.		Mem.	R.
										S.	D.		
164	Webster	2	2	0	1	0	3	0	0	3	0	120	0
165	Molunkus	2	2	0	0	0	6	0	0	8	0	175	0
166	Neguemkeag	4	7	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	121	1
167	Whitney	2	3	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	117	0
168	Composite	6	4	2	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	197	0
169	Shepherd's River...	0	1	0	0	1	2	0	0	2	0	84	0
170	Caribou	6	8	1	0	2	4	0	0	4	0	319	9
171	Naskeag	0	2	0	0	1	6	0	0	1	0	66	0
172	Pine Tree	1	4	0	0	0	5	0	0	2	0	118	1
173	Pleiades	3	6	1	0	1	6	0	0	0	0	185	3
174	Lynde	4	2	1	0	2	4	0	0	3	0	142	0
175	Baskahegau	8	5	1	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	184	1
176	Palestine (consol'd)	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	109	0
177	Rising Star	8	12	2	5	2	7	0	0	1	0	444	5
178	Ancient Brothers'...	3	3	1	0	2	4	0	0	0	0	181	0
179	Yorkshire	49	49	6	3	3	16	0	0	6	0	1162	4
180	Hiram	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	72	0
181	Reuel Washburn (con.)	26	26	8	14	2	17	1	0	18	0	1024	2
182	Granite	19	17	3	5	3	11	0	0	0	0	864	1
183	Deering	2	1	2	1	0	4	0	0	5	0	237	0
184	Naval	6	6	2	2	0	9	0	0	2	0	398	1
185	Bar Harbor	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	102	0
186	Warren Phillips	4	3	1	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	184	0
187	Ira Berry	1	3	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	153	0
188	Jonesport	7	7	1	0	0	4	0	0	6	0	292	0
189	Knox	1	3	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	156	0
190	Springvale	11	7	0	1	0	4	0	0	0	0	190	0
191	Davis	8	7	1	1	2	6	0	0	4	0	214	0
192	Winter Harbor	4	3	1	0	2	3	0	0	0	0	201	0
193	Washburn	2	0	0	1	0	3	0	0	1	0	135	0
194	Euclid	3	3	1	2	1	5	0	0	3	0	161	0
195	Reliance	7	5	0	2	1	6	0	0	5	0	226	2
196	Bay View	7	9	2	3	0	5	0	0	4	0	369	1
197	Aroostook	13	13	1	1	1	4	0	0	3	0	273	1
198	St. Aspinquid	10	6	0	0	0	4	0	0	1	0	230	1
199	Bingham	5	6	0	0	0	5	0	0	6	0	206	0
200	Columbia	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	3	0	98	0
201	David A. Hooper	3	3	0	0	0	3	0	0	3	0	84	0
202	Mount Bigelow	6	7	0	0	1	5	0	0	0	0	136	0
203	Mount Olivet	9	16	0	0	1	8	0	0	0	0	352	4
204	Nollesemic	1	3	0	0	1	5	0	0	0	0	259	0
205	Island Falls	1	3	0	2	0	5	0	0	1	0	122	0
206	Abner Wade	0	1	0	1	0	6	0	0	2	0	129	0
207	Northeast Harbor	0	0	0	1	2	3	0	0	1	0	103	0
208	Fort Kent	1	2	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	68	0
209	Bagaduce	1	1	0	1	1	2	0	0	1	0	65	0
210	Meduncook	8	9	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	116	0
211	McKinley	2	1	0	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	110	1
212	Kemankeag	4	3	1	0	1	2	0	0	2	0	125	1
213	Limestone	13	9	0	2	2	6	0	0	0	0	265	1
214	Orchard	38	32	1	2	5	10	0	0	10	0	829	1
215	Corner Stone	15	18	1	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	259	11
216	Ralph J. Pollard	29	19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	19	10
217	U.D. Brotherhood	1363	1349	125	127	166	955	1	2	335	0	47432	155

DELINQUENT LODGES.

R. W. Bro. MAXFIELD, for the Committee on Delinquent Lodges, presented the following report which was accepted:

PORTLAND, MAINE,
May 1, 1956.

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

I submit the following report of delinquency on the part of three lodges in respect to the transmission of Grand Lodge Returns and Dues as prescribed in Section 79 of the Constitutions as amended:

Vernon Valley Lodge, No. 99; Returns and Dues were received postmarked February 29, 1956. The penalty for the delay is \$32.00.

Shepherd's River Lodge, No. 169; Returns and Dues were received postmarked February 4, 1956. The penalty for the delay is \$5.00.

Baskahegan Lodge, No. 175; Returns and Dues were received postmarked February 21, 1956. The penalty for the delay is \$23.00.

Notice of the delinquency was sent to the Secretary of Shepherd's River Lodge and Baskahegan Lodge on February 25, 1956, and a similar notice to the Secretary of Vernon Valley Lodge on March 3, 1956.

The penalties against Shepherd's River Lodge and Baskahegan Lodge have been collected. The penalty against Vernon Valley Lodge, is outstanding at the close of the year.

Fraternally submitted.

H. NORTON MAXFIELD,
Grand Treasurer.

LIBRARY AND MUSEUM.

R. W. Brother WEBSTER, for the Committee on Library and Museum, presented the following report which was accepted:

MASONIC TEMPLE,
PORTLAND, ME., May 1, 1956.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maine:

The most important activity concerning the Grand Lodge Library and Museum during the past year has been the great increase in the loaning of books to interested members of the Craft. This general interest was activated by the issuance of the classified list which was prepared and mailed a year ago.

Fifty thousand copies of the "Occasional Bulletin" were printed, a copy being mailed to each member of the constituent Lodges. This

bulletin contained a "Message from the Grand Master, covering pertinent information relative to the many votes, ventures, and activities covered at the One Hundred and Thirty-sixth Annual Communication. Several letters of appreciation were received by both the Grand Master and the Librarian.

There have been no new purchases for the Library and no gifts to the Museum. The binding of new volumes of books was deferred for another year.

Fraternally submitted,

EARLE D. WEBSTER,	} Committee.
WILLIAM A. LEVENSALOR,	
GEORGE W. HASKELL,	

DRUMMOND MEDAL

The Grand Master caused R. W. Bro. GEORGE R. CASWELL to be presented to the East and presented him with a Josiah Hayden Drummond Distinguished Service Medal for which thanks was extended.

CONDITION OF THE FRATERNITY.

M. W. Bro. CROSSLAND, for the Committee on Condition of the Fraternity, presented the following report which was accepted:

IN GRAND LODGE,
May 1, 1956.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maine:

Masonry in this Grand Jurisdiction appears to be in healthy condition as measured by statistics. There are some phases of lodge life which cannot be measured by figures. For example, there is the extent, significance, and success of the educational plan. Then there is the acid test of how much Masonry means to the brethren as reflected by their ideals and standards of action in their dealings with mankind in general and with brethren in particular.

Inspection reports were received on all but three lodges: Central, No. 45, Negumkeag, No. 166, and Yorkshire, No. 179. In a few instances reports were not entirely complete. In the statements which follow, summary data are presented together with comments or analyses.

INSPECTIONS.

Proficiency in degree work not only reveals officers' knowledge of the ritual but also how fully they have assimilated the meaning of the lessons it seeks to teach. The inspection reports indicate that the quality of the

degree and floor work is at about the same level as last year. A summary follows:

Degree	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Total
Master Mason.....	34	38	7	1	80
Fellowcraft.....	5	32	17	..	54
Entered Apprentice.....	9	47	9	1	66
Totals.....	48	117	33	2	200

The quality of floor work is reflected in the following table:

Degree	Good	Fair	Poor	Total
Master Mason.....	74	6	0	80
Fellowcraft.....	44	10	0	54
Entered Apprentice.....	55	11	0	66
Totals.....	173	27	0	200

The foregoing figures indicate there is room for improvement.

MEETINGS.

A grand total of 3,707 meetings were held by the 204 lodges on which reports were submitted, or an average of 18.1 meetings each. Last year 3,907 meetings were reported with an average of 19.1 each.

Hiram Lodge, No. 180, held 54 meetings during the year; Hermon, No. 32, with 44 meetings was next, followed by Naval, No. 184 with 42. Cornerstone, No. 216, with 39, and Monument, No. 96, which was first in this respect last year, followed with 38.

Pacific Lodge, No. 64, and Benevolent Lodge, No. 87, held only eight meetings each, followed by Vassalboro, No. 54, Drummond, No. 118, and Shepherds River, No. 169, with nine each.

Attendance at meetings is an indication of interest and oftentimes of the quality of work and resourcefulness of officers in formulating and executing the year's program. Cornerstone Lodge, No. 216, had the largest average attendance per meeting with sixty-two, while Vassalboro Lodge, No. 54, had the smallest with seven. A much better measure of attendance is the relationship between the average attendance and the membership. On this basis it shows that the smaller lodges are doing a much better job. The data follows:

1. Keystone Lodge, No. 80.....33.3%
2. Excelsior Lodge, No. 151.....32.7
3. King David Lodge, No. 62.....28.5
4. Acacia Lodge, No. 121.....27.4
5. Evening Star Lodge, No. 147.....26.3

Excelsior, No. 151, is the only lodge to gain this distinction for two consecutive years and has made an enviable reputation over a period of years.

A study of the lodges having the lowest attendance-membership ratio points up once again the problem which accompanies large membership. Following are the five lodges having the lowest percentages in average attendance vs. the membership of the lodge:

1. Augusta Lodge, No. 141	3.1%
2. United Lodge, No. 8.	4.2
3. Hiram Lodge, No. 180.	4.5
4. Ancient Land-Mark Lodge, No. 17.	4.6
5. Naval Lodge, No. 184.	4.8

UNPAID DUES.

The inspection reports from the 204 lodges show unpaid dues amounting to \$56,467 as compared with \$64,351 reported last year. This is an encouraging gain. Twelve lodges had no dues two years or more in arrears, while three lodges reported no unpaid dues. These three lodges are:

St. George, No. 16,	Warren	132 members
Siloam, No. 92,	Fairfield	335 members
Mount Kineo, No. 109,	Guilford	193 members

Congratulations are due the officers of these lodges.

Rising Virtue Lodge, No. 10, reported \$3,676 unpaid dues which is the largest amount for any lodge in our jurisdiction. Last year the lodge stood in the same position with \$3,444 unpaid dues. An analysis of unpaid dues on a per member basis shows the following:

1. Star in the East, No. 60.	\$5.68
2. Molunkus, No. 165.	5.68
3. Delta, No. 153.	5.56
4. Lookout, No. 131.	5.31
5. Rising Virtue, No. 10.	5.30

Your committee urges once again that a vigorous effort be made, especially to collect dues which are two or more years in arrears. There is ample evidence that by alert and tactfully aggressive methods that figure can be reduced to and kept near zero.

MEMBERSHIP.

Although a total of 1,330 were raised during the past year, the net gain for that period was 123 as compared with 336 one year ago. This is the smallest figure since 1947-48 when a net gain of 2,207 was recorded. The trend which has been downward for the past eight years certainly need not be interpreted to mean that storm warnings are ahead, but surely should cause us to weigh the situation thoroughly. Our present membership of 47,413 still leaves Maine one of, if not the, leading jurisdiction in the country, having the highest percentage of eligible men, based upon age, who are members of the fraternity. This may or may not be an honor to cherish. Our concern is that this jurisdiction shall be known best for its well informed Masons of high character, who are loyal and generous and

who are quick to help a falling brother and others who may need and merit our assistance and friendship.

Our Fraternity is healthy. Each one of us should do his part to make certain that it remains so.

Fraternity,

CHARLES E. CROSSLAND, Chairman,
JOHN M. LITTLEFIELD,
NORRIS C. ESTABROOK,

Committee.

BROTHERHOOD LODGE, U. D.

A petition for a Charter for Brotherhood Lodge, U. D., was received and referred to the Committee on Dispensations and Charters.

MILITARY HONORS.

BRO. M. GERRY PLUMMER, for the Special Committee on Military Honors, presented the following report which was accepted:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maine:

Your Committee appointed under the vote of One Hundred Thirty-sixth Annual Communication is pleased to submit the following report:

(The following provisions is made for military honors at the grave under the Worshipful Master's direction, when appropriate and requested. These honors shall be given immediately preceding the Chaplain's prayer of committal). The Worshipful Master shall say: Inasmuch as our departed brother, having rendered to his country loyal service in the armed forces, is entitled to military honors, these honors will now be rendered by a detail from.....

(The Master will here mention the organization or branch of service officiating. Military honors will then be rendered according to service regulations).

(Following the military honors, the Masonic ritual will be concluded with the Chaplain's prayer of committal and benediction).

In compliance with the authority of the before mentioned vote, copies of the above explanation and language to be inserted as part of the Masonic Ritual were submitted to the Most Worshipful Grand Master to be transmitted to the Lodges in this Grand Jurisdiction. This transmission was made as of September 30, 1955, from the Grand Secretary's office, thus placing the recommended provisions in effect.

We move the acceptance and adoption of this report.

Wor. M. GERRY PLUMMER,
M. W. RALPH J. POLLARD,
Special Committee.

SIMON GREENLEAF MEDAL

The Grand Master then presented Rev. Bro. M. GERRY PLUMMER with a Simon Greenleaf Medal which was accepted with deep appreciation.

(At 5.10 P. M., the Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment until 2.00 P. M., Wednesday, May 2, 1956).

SECOND DAY — AFTERNOON.

MASONIC TEMPLE, PORTLAND,
Wednesday, May 2, 1956.

(The Grand Lodge was called from refreshment to labor at two o'clock with the same Grand Officers as at the previous session).

DISTINGUISHED GUESTS.

KENTUCKY. M. W. Bro. FRED B. LAYMAN, Grand Master; M. W. Bro. AL E. ORTON, Past Grand Master and Grand Secretary; and M. W. Bro. C. FRYE HALEY, Past Grand Master and Grand Representative, of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, presented by M. W. Bro. CLARK D. CHAPMAN.

Private Grand Honors were extended.

JURISPRUDENCE.

M. W. Bro. WHEELER, for the Committee on Jurisprudence, presented the following report which was accepted and the recommendations adopted:

IN GRAND LODGE,
May 2, 1956.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maine:

The Committee on Jurisprudence, to which was referred so much of the address of the Grand Master as relates to dispensations and decisions, reports thereon as follows:

DISPENSATIONS.

We are pleased to note that the number of dispensations reported is somewhat less than for the previous year and we commend the Grand Master for the restraint he has exercised in granting authorizations to dispense with established and prescribed procedures. The dispensations reported appear to have been issued for legitimate and sufficient causes and within his discretionary powers and authority, and they are accordingly approved.

DECISIONS.

The Grand Master has reported seven decisions which have been numbered in order. The first six of these decisions are considered to be in harmony with the principles of Masonic law as recognized and observed in this jurisdiction, and they are also approved.

The question to which the seventh reported decision relates is stated in the address of the Grand Master in the following words:

" Question: Is a Standing Regulation adopted by the Grand Lodge which has the effect of amending a Constitutional provision and which is passed without laying over one year, null and void? "

The decision of the Grand Master is that the Standing Regulation is of full force and effect and that the provisions of such a Standing Regulation remain a part of our Masonic law until changed by the Grand Lodge.

With this conclusion we cannot agree. The doctrine that the positive provisions of the Constitution may be superseded and overthrown by a simple vote of the Grand Lodge under its general powers of legislation, is one to which we cannot subscribe.

The constitution of the Grand Lodge, adopted at the time of its establishment, and subsequent amendments thereof, provide the foundation upon which it rests, and creates the framework within which its actions are confined. It is the supreme law of the Grand Lodge, with which all of its legislative and official acts must be in harmony. It may be amended, but only in accordance with the procedure and requirements therein specified. The Grand Lodge must observe the restrictions it has imposed upon itself by its organic law.

As a safeguard against hasty and ill-considered changes in our fundamental law, the Constitution provides that any proposed amendments must lie over for one year, after their formal presentation, before they may be adopted. Of what value is this Constitutional restriction, if it may be disregarded and set aside by a simple vote of the members present at any Communication?

There is no provision in our laws for Standing Regulations, but votes have been adopted from time to time by the Grand Lodge, to which this designation has been applied, to provide methods of procedure or to make provisions, not of an organic character, and not of sufficient importance to include in the Constitution, but still not at variance therewith.

Amendments of the Constitution must be made in the manner therein provided, and not by means of Standing Regulations adopted in the course of ordinary legislation.

We must therefore reluctantly record our disapproval of the seventh decision reported by the Grand Master.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD W. WHEELER,
CLARK D. CHAPMAN,
GRANVILLE C. GRAY,

} Committee
on
Jurisprudence.

FIFTY YEAR LAPEL BUTTON.



M. W. Bro. GILLIS, for the Special Committee on Masonic Lapel Button, presented the following report which was accepted:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maine:

Your Committee appointed to prepare and purchase a Masonic Veterans Lapel Button submits the following report:

Fifteen hundred buttons were purchased at a cost of \$2,133.17. These buttons were ready for distribution in September, 1955, and we may add that they are giving great pleasure to those who are entitled to wear them.

Fraternally submitted.

LEWIS T. BROWN,
HENRY R. GILLIS,
WARREN MOSES,

} Committee.

GEORGE WASHINGTON MASONIC MEMORIAL.

R. W. Bro. Maxfield, for the Committee on George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association, presented the following report which was accepted:

PORTLAND, MAINE,
May 1, 1956.

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

The Forty-sixth Annual Convention of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association was held in the Auditorium of the Memorial at Alexandria, Virginia, on Wednesday, February 22, 1956.

Maine was represented by M. W. Paul L. Powers, Grand Master; R. W. Aubrey L. Burbank, Deputy Grand Master; Rt. Wor. Convers E. Leach, Grand Secretary; M. W. Benjamin W. Ela, Past Grand Master; Everett S. Higgins and Philip D. Tingley, Past Senior Grand Wardens; Orvis W. Bonney, Grand High Priest and Clifford H. West, Past Grand King of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Maine; and Philip R. Yerxa.

M. W. Bro. Powers responded for the representatives and guests to the address of welcome which was delivered by M. W. Willis V. Fentress, Grand Master of Virginia.

The highlight of the convention was the dedication of a powerful electronic celesta-chime carillon, the gift of Mrs. Annetta Childs in memory of her late husband, Bro. William Oscar Childs of Tulsa, Oklahoma. The presentation was made by M. W. W. Ralph Howard, Grand Master of Oklahoma, on behalf of Mrs. Childs.

Maine's contribution to the Memorial Association was \$1,200.00, bringing our reported total contributions to date to \$76,504.58.

Fraternally submitted,

H. NORTON MAXFIELD,
Chairman.

OFFICE EQUIPMENT.

R. W. Bro. ALDEN, for the Special Committee for Purchasing and Procuring Equipment for the Grand Secretary's Office, presented the following report which was accepted:

MASONIC TEMPLE,
PORTLAND, MAINE, May 1, 1956.

To the Grand Masonic Lodge of Maine:

Subject: Report on Equipment, Grand Secretary's Office.

From: Committee appointed by Paul L. Powers, Grand Master.

After several meetings and much delay this committee finally met with the Grand Master and voted to purchase the following items:

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| 1. A Multigraph and Scope..... | \$1,100.00 |
| 2. A Postage Meter..... | 325.00 |
| 3. A 13 foot Counter and Gate..... | 200.00 |
| 4. Storage cabinets and file cases under the counter.... | 150.00 |
| 5. A Typists Desk and Chair..... | 200.00 |

Although we were promised delivery of the above items before May 1, 1956, some of them have not been received.

Respectfully submitted,

NORMAN W. LINDQUIST,
AUSTIN A. ALDEN.

COMMISSIONERS OF TRIALS

M. W. Bro. ERVIN E. J. LANDER reported for the Commissioners, that two cases had been referred to the Commission. In the first case, after reference, was withdrawn and recalled from the Commission by the Grand Master. The second case, was not referred in time to give sufficient notice, have a hearing, and make the report at this session of Grand Lodge, therefore, that case will be continued on the docket and disposed of during the coming year.

The verbal report was accepted.

MASONIC SERVICE DEPARTMENT.

R. W. Bro. BURBANK, for the Special Committee to study the feasibility of a Masonic Service Department, presented the following report which was accepted:

PORTLAND, MAINE,
May 1, 1956.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maine:

Your committee appointed to study the feasibility of a Masonic Service Department within this Grand Jurisdiction makes the following report:

The need of such a Department, and the service which could be rendered the Craft thereby is readily recognized by your committee.

A study of the functions handled by such Departments in other jurisdictions has been carefully analyzed and reveals a vast opportunity for service. Such services as could be rendered are almost unlimited, but for the purpose of this report, we list the most obvious:

The Blood-bank program.

Employment service (both employer and employee).

Publications of interest to the Craft.

Hospital visitation service.

Library development and maintenance.

Assistance to lodges in maintaining adequate records.

Assistance to Masters in arranging special meetings of interest to the Craft.

General services—in advisory capacity, on legal, medical or other professional level.

Your committee has received much help from the Masonic Service Department of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, of which R. W. Chester D. Shepherd is Director. Because of its close proximity to our own jurisdiction we have perhaps given more attention to this Department than to others, and as a result of this study it would appear that the Blood Program is presently a major function of this Department. However, no stone is left unturned in rendering services of almost any nature as presented to them, including employment problems, investigations, funeral arrangements, tracing of delinquent and lost members, and peculiar requests too numerous to mention.

In the central office in the Masonic Temple in Boston can be found live files of Masters and Wardens of all Lodges throughout the state, and other pertinent information, together with case histories of all matters handled by the Department.

It is interesting to note also, that up to December 1, 1955, this Massachusetts Department served brethren of Maine last year in twenty-nine cases where blood was needed, providing 116 pints of that life-giving substance.

In order to carry on such a program, this Department employs a full-time Director with secretary and assistants. The Department is composed, together with the Director, of an Advisory Committee of ten, each representing one of ten Zones in the State, and eleven Zone Managers or workers, at a total cost in excess of \$8,000.00 annually.

It would appear to your committee that a successful operation of a Service Department within this Grand Jurisdiction of Maine, incorporating several of our present programs as now handled by the Grand Secretary's office and the Bloodbank Chairman, etc., would necessitate at least one full-time employee, and that the cost of maintaining such service would exceed \$5,000.00 annually, in addition to the initial expense of equipping such a Department.

Being cognizant of the great possibilities within the scope of such a Department, your committee feels, however, that its cost would be prohibitive at this time, and therefore recommends that the matter be laid on the table, and that the Grand Master be empowered, at his discretion, through such committee as he may appoint, to study the matter further.

Fraternally submitted,

AUBREY L. BURBANK,	}	<i>Committee.</i>
EARLE D. WEBSTER,		
ROYAL L. CLEAVES,		

DISTRIBUTION OF CHARITY.

M. W. Bro. CHARLES E. CROSSLAND, for the Committee on Distribution of the Charity Fund, presented the following report which was accepted:

IN GRAND LODGE,
May 1, 1956.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maine:

During the year which ended March 31, 1956, the Trustees of the Charity Fund approved the payment of \$19,115 to forty-four lodges for the assistance of fifty-nine persons and their family dependents. In addition to this amount, the Most Worshipful Grand Master paid \$300 on account of emergency relief, making a grand total of \$19,415.

In addition to the above payments from the Grand Lodge Charity Funds, sixty-seven lodges reported payments for charity purposes amounting to \$19,316 as compared with \$11,998 the preceding year. Waterville Lodge, No. 33, with \$1,792 reported in payments from its lodge funds, again paid out the largest amount for this purpose. Ashland, No. 105, was second with \$1,602, and Deering, No. 183, was next with \$1,337. From the data recorded on inspection reports it is not possible to be certain of the number of persons or families to whom assistance was given.

In addition to the applications which were granted, eight other applications were received and given careful consideration, but no assistance was approved based upon the facts of the case.

It should be reported that although the work of reviewing applications and the granting of assistance is done through a Committee on Distribution, every application has been discussed and approved by the Trustees at one of the three meetings held during the year.

The new application form has been in use for one full year. It is much more satisfactory for use in making recommendations than was the form which was formerly used. However, to make a fair and sound decision it is both important and necessary that the officer filling out the application not only give complete information but also such additional, supplementary data as will be helpful in doing full justice to the application.

Only one policy decision was made during the year. This pertained to the amount of cash, securities, or other similar assets which the beneficiary owns. It is the opinion of the Trustees that a beneficiary should be given assistance even though he may have \$500-\$600 available, but any amounts substantially in excess of that figure would be cause for declining to grant assistance until later when the resources of the individual had come within the amount stipulated. This cannot be a hard and fast rule, but is a policy guide.

Through our assistance to deserving Masons and their families we are carrying out one of the cardinal tenets of our Fraternity. May we be constantly alert to alleviate need and show a personal interest in the beneficiaries and be otherwise helpful in an effort to make their lives more pleasant and as enjoyable as possible.

Appended to this report for the official, but *not printed*, records are (1) a list of persons to whom assistance was granted and in what amount, and

(2) a summary by lodges of the assistance given during the year ended March 31, 1956.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES E. CROSSLAND, Chairman,
Distribution Committee

AUTOMATIC SUSPENSION.

R. W. Bro. Perry, for the Special Committee to study Automatic Suspension, submitted the following report which was accepted and the recommendation adopted:

MASONIC TEMPLE,
PORTLAND, MAINE, May 1, 1956.

To the Grand Lodge of Maine:

Your Committee appointed to study the question of "Automatic Suspension for Non-Payment of Dues," not having any experience with this regulation turned to others who have; the Grand Lodge of Ohio and the Grand Lodge of Texas, which have had such a regulation for over fifteen years and the Grand Lodge of Vermont which adopted it in 1949. To quote Brother Harry Johnson, Grand Secretary of Ohio, "This is a fine regulation and has worked wonderfully well for us." From Texas comes the report that they have yet to hear one complaint leveled against it, but they have heard hundreds of active brethren say that it was the greatest piece of constructive legislation ever accomplished by the Grand Lodge of Texas.

R. W. Brother Aaron H. Grout, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Vermont, writes, "The adoption of such legislation by the Grand Lodge of Vermont, was, in my candid judgment, the biggest step in advance which the Grand Lodge of Vermont has taken in any matter in many years." I meet the secretaries of all the lodges during the District Meetings, and I have yet to find one, who would rescind our present system. They are all enthusiastic about it. As a result of our legislation, our suspensions have been unexpectedly small, but our Secretaries have been able to collect dues from those who seem to be perennially behind."

Missouri, Nebraska, Alberta, South Carolina and many others have adopted this regulation, and they all very enthusiastically endorse it, claim it works and is The Thing.

To give you an idea regarding the regulation we take: Section 57 of the regulation of the Grand Lodge of Ohio:

SUSPENSION FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES.

Art. 354 (332, 334). On or before thirty days before the last stated meeting of the Lodge held before June 23rd of each year, it shall be the duty of the Secretary to notify each Member, in writing who may be in

arrears for dues for the current year, and if such member fails to pay his dues on or before June 23rd of such year, he shall stand automatically suspended for non-payment of dues without action by the Lodge, and such suspension shall be recorded in the minutes of that meeting. If no meeting of the Lodge shall be held on said date, such delinquent member shall nevertheless stand automatically suspended, and entry thereof shall be made in the minutes at the first subsequent stated meeting of the Lodge.

Just what is automatic suspension for non-payment of dues? It is a self-imposed penalty for not keeping the promise when the party first became a member of the lodge. Of course the lodge has the right, by vote, to extend the time for payment or remitting of dues in cases of necessity when the facts are known.

The per capita tax of the Grand Lodge of Maine is only \$1.25, fifty cents of which goes directly into the Charity Fund, leaving but seventy-five cents for the operation of the Grand Lodge, office expense, Blood Bank program, Educational Work, etc. In a large number of our lodges the fixed dues are at such a small figure that after the payment of the \$1.25 to the Grand Lodge, many have less than \$1.00 to carry on the work and activities of their own lodge.

Of the large amount of delinquent dues as reported in the 1955 proceedings of Grand Lodge, totaling \$64,351.00, \$13,458.00 or slightly more than TWENTY PERCENT is owed to ten lodges which is less than five percent of the total number of lodges in this Jurisdiction.

Due to ever increasing costs of operation of Grand Lodge and the subordinate lodges there is a need and necessity of a comprehensive picture of the financial condition, considering the obligations imposed and expected of the Grand Lodge of Maine, bearing in mind the vast financial plan of Charity, its undertaking in Masonic Education, and its service work, to ascertain the true condition of the subordinate lodges.

We have talked with several Secretaries regarding Automatic Suspension and find that there is a lack of information on this subject among the subordinate lodges; we are of the opinion literature should be prepared on the regulation of Automatic Suspension for non-payment of dues, and sent to the subordinate lodges for their study and consideration, and steps taken to ascertain the number of delinquent members for one and two or more years and the amount of dues owed to each lodge. If the regulation of Automatic Suspension were adopted, can we afford to take a loss in membership for several years?

Because of lack of information by the members of this Grand Jurisdiction regarding Automatic Suspension for non-payment of dues, your Committee recommends that this study be continued for another year and referred to a committee for further study and final report to be acted upon at the next Annual Communication in 1957.

Fraternally submitted,

CONVERS E. LEACH,
HAROLD W. BLAISDELL,
CLIFFORD H. M. PERRY,

} Committee.

REVISION OF THE CONSTITUTION.

M. W. Bro. CLARK D. CHAPMAN, for the Special Committee on Revision and Annotation of the Grand Lodge Constitution and Standing Regulations, presented the following report which was accepted and the recommendations were adopted:

At the last Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge it was voted that the Most Worshipful Grand Master be authorized and directed to appoint a Committee composed of the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution together with the Past Grand Masters to revise and annotate the Grand Lodge Constitution and Standing Regulations and report at this Annual Communication.

Now, we have here a proposed revision. Time has not permitted the preparation of annotations. These proposed revisions must lay over until the next Annual Communication at which they may be presented.

Considerable preliminary work was done. The Committee held two meetings at Augusta and most of the Past Grand Masters were in attendance at both meetings. It was apparent as upon previous revisions that certain regulations should be transferred to the Constitution and some trifling alterations made in the text.

It was also determined that regrouping of sections might make a more useful book. Following the meetings of the General Committee a Special Committee was appointed to consider the regrouping. That committee met and reached a decision and, following that, Most Worshipful Brother Lander, who kept the minutes of all of our meetings, prepared this book, a task that required hours and days.

Now, whatever this Communication shall adopt as amendments may be printed in this book. Whatever our next Annual Communication shall adopt as amendments may be printed in the book. Your Committee has purposely kept away from controversial suggestions. We are simply bringing the book up to date and making a few suggestions of changes to make it consistent with itself and more usable.

The first alteration is in the Second Paragraph of Section 23. We simply provide for the giving of notice to members of Standing and Special Committees as well as to Officers and Permanent Members of Grand Lodge. In times past all members of committees were required to be members of Grand Lodge. That now is not so; therefore, this proposal:

We have taken the Second Paragraph, Section 24, entitled "Corresponding Grand Secretary" and reading "He shall act as librarian and curator off the museum," from that section and added it to Section 23 as an additional duty of the Recording Grand Secretary.

Section 24 reads that the Corresponding Grand Secretary shall under the direction of the Grand Master or the Recording Grand Secretary answer any foreign correspondence to the Grand Lodge. This provision has come

down through the ages, probably from the time when communications were written in longhand. For very many years the office was left vacant and during the past twenty-five years has been filled. It appears to your Committee that such an office is utterly obsolete today. The Corresponding Grand Secretary has no discretion other than to write what the Grand Master or the Recording Grand Secretary may direct. We are, therefore, recommending the repeal of this section and the deletion of the words "Corresponding Grand Secretary" from other sections of the Constitution.

We considered the transfer of Standing Regulation 77 to the Constitution. This provides that lodges shall be excused from paying a capita tax on members whose address or whereabouts cannot be found after a reasonable attempt has been made to find them by the secretary of the lodge to the satisfaction of the Grand Secretary. There are presently three proposals in connection with this Standing Regulation: (1) It is suggested to transfer it to Section 85. (2) If automatic suspension for non-payment of dues shall be adopted, the provision will be utterly unnecessary. (3) If Section 117 shall be amended to provide that notice to the last address of the member who is in arrears in dues shall be adequate notice of proceedings to suspend or expel him, the lodge will then have adequate remedy without Standing Regulation 77.

It has been suggested that Section 86 be amended by requiring copies of amendments of by-laws to be forwarded by the lodges in quadruplicate, rather than in triplicate. This is so a copy may be retained by the Grand Master.

An amendment to Section 79 is proposed, not to change the substance of the section, but to clarify its meaning.

I think I have told you all of the changes. There may be changes in language, but we have purposely not changed the substance of the book as we now have it except to bring it up to date.

So your Committee herewith reports a Revision of the Constitution and Standing Regulations, and I move, Most Worshipful Sir, that this Revision together with the proposed amendments to the present Constitution that are therein contained be entertained by Grand Lodge and referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution; that the same lie on the table for action until the next session of the Grand Lodge; that copies of said Revised Constitution be printed in galley form by the Recording Grand Secretary and sent to the several subordinate lodges for consideration, and that the Recording Grand Secretary be instructed to include said revision and amendments in the official record of this Annual Communication, but to omit said revision and amendments from the printed Grand Lodge Proceedings.

MASONIC BLOOD BANK.

W. Bro. ELMER S. DOE, for the Committee on Masonic Blood Program, presented the following report which was accepted:

MASONIC TEMPLE,
May 2, 1956.

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Master and Brethren of the Most Worshipful
Grand Lodge of Maine:*

I herewith submit my report as General Chairman, Grand Lodge of Maine Masonic Blood Bank Program, for the period from April 1, 1955, to April 1, 1956.

District No.	Requests for Assistance	Number of Pints Donated
1	1	1
2	9	12
3	12	17
4	3	14
5	7	18
6	15	46
7	9	15
8	2	6
9	7	7
10	No Report	
11	11	29
12	9	31
13	1	33
14	15	57
15	8	18
16	3	8
17	78	214
18	13	50
19	19	31
20	17	32
21	5	29
22	5	35
23	17	37
24	No Report	

The above report represents 141 of the 207 lodges.

GENERAL SUMMARY,

Total number of requests for assistance.....266
Total amount of blood donated.....749 pints

Brethren from other Grand Jurisdictions assisted in Maine:

Grand Jurisdiction of Massachusetts..... 10
Grand Jurisdiction of Vermont..... 1
Grand Jurisdiction of Rhode Island..... 1
Grand Jurisdiction of New Jersey..... 1
Grand Jurisdiction of New Brunswick..... 1

Brethren from Maine assisted by other Grand Jurisdictions:

Grand Jurisdiction of Massachusetts.....	40
Grand Jurisdiction of Rhode Island.....	1

FINANCIAL REPORT.

General Chairman Expenses.....	\$158.25
District Chairmen Expenses.....	21.08
Printing Expense.....	108.97
Total Expenditures.....	\$288.30

Sectional meetings were conducted by the General Chairman in:

Machias	Canton	Goodwins Mills
Brunswick	Lincoln	Skowhegan
Searsport	Readfield	

Sixteen District Chairmen, or their representatives, 33 Lodge Chairmen, and 8 District Deputy Grand Masters attended these meetings, as well as other interested brethren.

Reciprocal arrangements for the replacement of blood have been made with the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Vermont, New York, Rhode Island and New Brunswick.

Respectfully submitted,

Wor. ELMER S. DOE,
General Chairman.

GRIEVANCES AND APPEALS.

R. W. Bro. ROWE, for the Committee on Grievances and Appeals, presented the following report which was accepted and the recommendation was adopted:

IN GRAND LODGE,
PORTLAND, MAINE, May 2, 1956.

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

Your Committee on Grievances and Appeals hereby makes its annual report.

The undersigned, being all of the members of this Committee, were in session May 1, 1956. The only matter for consideration during the past year was the application of Erskine C. York for re-instatement to membership in St. Paul's Lodge, No. 82.

He was expelled from membership in that lodge on June 5, 1922. His petition for reinstatement is dated May 2, 1955, and received a favorable recommendation of the Committee on Inquiry on May 30, 1955.

After hearing, your Committee recommends that St. Paul's Lodge, No. 82, should have permission to reinstate Erskine C. York to membership in St. Paul's Lodge, No. 82, and that said Lodge has permission to restore Erskine C. York with all rights and privileges of Masonry.

Fraternally submitted,

CLARK D. CHAPMAN, JR.,

HARRY E. ROWE,

EDWARD H. BRITTON,

} Committee on
Grievances
and Appeals.

EXEMPLIFICATION OF THE M. M. DEGREE.

R. W. Bro. RAYMOND M. RIDEOUT, Grand Lecturer, was called to the East and he addressed the Communication in the following words:

Before calling our Brethren of Freeport Lodge, I would like to ask you if you can imagine what things were like in this part of the country, along the seacoast of Maine, 142 years ago. That would be the year 1814, shortly after the closing of the War of 1812. There were few roads in the State of Maine at that time. In fact, there was no State of Maine. It was then known as the District of Maine and was a part of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

There were approximately thirty Lodges, Masonic Lodges, in the State of Maine, or in the District of Maine, that had been chartered by the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts. Five of those lodges were chartered in the 1700's, the first lodge in the State of Maine being Portland, No. 1, which was chartered in 1769.

Following the year 1800, the turn of the century, there were about twenty-five more lodges chartered by the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts. The twenty-third lodge, chartered on September 13, 1814, was Freeport Lodge, No. 23.

About six of the first twenty-three lodges that were chartered were inland, all the rest of them being along the coast. The reason for that was that communication and travel at that time was extremely hazardous. Almost all of the traveling was done on the water and even these six lodges that were chartered by the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, that were inland from the coast, were still on rivers where they had access to the coast.

Freeport Lodge—the very name “Freeport” tells you that it was a seafaring town. Over the years it has changed and now I suppose it would be known as a manufacturing town. Many thousands upon thousands of shoes that are turned out are made in Freeport today. In fact, I feel quite sure that some of the Brethren sitting right here this afternoon are wearing shoes that were made in the Town of Freeport. This Lodge, 142 years old next September 13, will probably be celebrating its sesquicentennial anniversary in the year 1964.

They have had in Freeport their good years and their bad years, the same as all other Masonic Lodges, wherever they might be, but the Lodge has steadily worked whenever there was work to be done. Today they have a membership around 250.

But Freeport Lodge does have in my mind a very unusual distinction. As you will note on the programs which were on the seats when you walked in, there are the names of three Grand Masters of the Grand Lodge of Maine, all three of whom were raised in Freeport Lodge: The thirtieth Grand Master William R. G. Estes; the forty-third Grand Master, Edmund B. Mallett, and the sixty-sixth Grand Master, Paul L. Powers. Now, when we consider that in our 137 years of being as a Grand Lodge we have only had sixty-six Grand Masters and that of those sixty-six three were raised in one small lodge. I think that is something of note, something for which that lodge may be congratulated.

I also want to call to your attention one fact, which you may have already noted, bearing out my contention that Freeport at one time was quite a seafaring town. If you will notice, the second Grand Master was born aboard a craft owned by his family, the ship "Devonshire," in the English Channel. There are few ships sailing today from Freeport, I would imagine, but possibly there are some smaller craft.

But these officers have been selected to exemplify for you today the Degree of Master Mason on one of their own candidates and, as you would be and I would be, if we were called upon to work before this August Body this afternoon, I have no doubt that they are a little nervous, but I also know that with your genial candor you can appreciate that fact and will go along with them and show your appreciation whenever it can be shown.

OFFICERS OF FREEPORT LODGE, NO. 23, A. F. & A. M.

KENNETH C. SLOAT,	Worshipful Master
SHAILER R. HAYES,	Senior Warden
RALPH H. CALL	Junior Warden
WILLIAM A. MAYBURY	Senior Deacon
WALLACE S. GROVES	Junior Deacon
ARTHUR H. LEAVITT, JR.	Senior Steward
ALBERT W. ELLIOTT, JR.	Junior Steward
HORACE C. LIBBY	Secretary
Wor. ALPHEUS G. DYER	Treasurer
Wor. RAYMOND L. BOYDEN	Chaplain
Wor. FREDERICK F. DALRYMPLE	Marshal
LEON A. WESTON	Tyler
Wor. SHERWIN E. BROWN	South Gate
Wor. LAWRENCE M. WORDEN	West Gate
GUY A. ROWE	East Gate
Wor. AUGUSTINE S. FITTS	Senior Fellowcraft
Wor. RALPH P. HALL	Fellowcraft
Wor. FRANK M. SMALL	Fellowcraft
Bro. FRED LINCOLN HILL	Organist

The Grand Lecturer complimented the officers upon the excellence of the work which was presented with dignity and decorum and M. W. Bro. POWERS, Grand Master, called the Grand Lodge from labor to refreshment until 9.00 A. M., Thursday, May 3, 1956.

THIRD DAY — MORNING.

MASONIC TEMPLE, PORTLAND,
Thursday, May 3, 1956.

The Grand Lodge was called from refreshment at 9.00 o'clock.

MEMORIAL TO BENJAMIN LEVI HADLEY.

M. W. Bro. ERVIN E. J. LANDER presented the following memorial:

BENJAMIN LEVI HADLEY

M. W. Brother BENJAMIN L. HADLEY died December 28, 1955, in Bar Harbor, the town in which he had been born, educated, and lived most of his life, and where he became a beloved citizen.

Following service in the United States Army in World War II, M. W. Brother HADLEY returned to Bar Harbor to become associated with Acadia National Park. During his thirty-four years in the National Park Service he progressively advanced until he became Superintendent of the vast area, which position he held at the time of his retirement because of illness in 1953.

Brother HADLEY was raised in Bar Harbor Lodge, No. 185, on May 13, 1915, shortly after his twenty-first birthday. He became Master of the lodge in 1922. In 1937 he was appointed District Deputy Grand Master and served as Grand Master during 1942 and 1943.

His interest in Masonry led him to become a member and officer of other Masonic bodies. He was High Priest of Mount Kebo Chapter in Bar Harbor. He served the Grand Chapter in various capacities, becoming Grand High Priest in 1933. He became a member of the Bangor Council, No. 5, which he served as Illustrious Master in 1938 and Grand Master of the Grand Council in 1944.

In 1916 he became a member of Blanquefort Commandery, No. 13, in Ellsworth, of which he was Commander in 1925. He was Grand Senior Warden of the Grand Commandery of Maine when ill health made it necessary for him to resign from office in that body. He received the 32° in Maine Consistory, Ancient Scottish Rite, on May 22, 1931.

On April 25, 1918, he was united in marriage to Mary L. Chase who, together with two sons, survives him.

In addition to his many Masonic affiliations, M. W. Brother HADLEY was a member and Deacon of the Bar Harbor Congregational Church, the I. O. O. F., and the American Legion.

An ardent Mason, his enthusiasm, good humor, and constructive leadership won for him the respect and esteem of the brethren. He was a fine citizen of his town, state, and country, and a devoted husband and father. Through his achievements he etched his name in Maine Masonry for all time. Although the sands of the hour glass are exhausted for "Ben," as he was so affectionately known, among the brethren, we shall always remember him for his willingness to stretch forth a helping hand to aid another, his modesty in achievements, and his love of life to which he gave full measure.

CHARLES E. CROSSLAND.

MEMORIAL TO JAMES O. MCKEEN.

R. W. HAROLD W. BLAISDELL presented the following memorial:

JAMES O. MCKEEN

It is with profound sorrow and deep regret that I announce the death of Brother JAMES O. MCKEEN, who died in a Milo Hospital on Monday, February 20, 1956.

Brother MCKEEN was born in Crystal, Maine, March 15, 1879, educated in the Public Schools of Patten, Maine, and Groveton, New Hampshire; he became associated with the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad in 1893 in the Construction Crew, and worked one year before he ever saw a train.

Brother MCKEEN was intensely interested in the progress of Railroading and the benefits of the railroad employees, included in the benefits was the National Pension System for railroad employees, and was the B. & A. delegate to Chicago in 1931 to the Railroad Employees National Pension Association.

Bro. MCKEEN completed fifty-three years of commendable service and retired two years ago.

He was a member of the United Baptist Church, a member of the Milo School Planning Committee, and a Trustee of the Milo Public Library. He was an accomplished horseman and a founder and officer of the Wassataquoik Saddle Club. He was a member of the Order of Railroad Trainmen and also the Brotherhood of Railway Conductors.

He was a member of the following Masonic Bodies:

Brother McKEEN was a Mason for fifty-two years, and was a member of Piscataquis Lodge, No. 44, at Milo, a Past Master of Fort Kent Lodge, No. 209, at Fort Kent, a former member of Katahdin Lodge, No. 98, at Patten. A member of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, Valley of Bangor, the Maine Consistory, 32^o A. A. S. R. Valley of Portland. A Charter Member of Anah Temple at Bangor. He was a member and Past High Priest of Rabboni Chapter, No. 62, R. A. M., at Milo, and a member of the Maine Council, Order of High Priesthood. He was a member of Bangor Council, No. 5, R. & S. M., and of the Trowel Club of Bangor. Past Patron of Alderworth Chapter, No. 39, O. E. S. of Milo, and a member of the Past Patrons' Association; a member and a founder of the Milo Masonic Club. Brother McKEEN was appointed District Deputy Grand Master in 1954 and was serving his second term.

In 1908, he was united in marriage to Miss Lovie Hackett of Patten, Maine, who died in 1950. On October, 1952, he was united in marriage to Mrs. Ila Ackerson Young, who survives him, as well as two daughters, Mrs. Eleanor Brosius of Worcester, Mass., and Mrs. Edwina Benn of Newport News, Virginia; and three grand daughters, two brothers, Leo McKeen of Stockton Springs, and Lewis Pomroy, of Michigan; two Sisters, Mrs. Clifford Grant, and Mrs. Paul Landerville, both of Stockton Springs, several nieces and nephews.

His funeral service with Masonic Rites were held at Milo Baptist Church on Wednesday, February 22, 1956. They were attended by over sixty Masonic Brethren and the Alderworth Chapter of the Easter Star.

Brother McKeen, a true and loyal friend to all,
Has now answered the Supreme Grand Master's Call,
And may we who knew him best,
Wish for him that Eternal Rest;
His Earthly duties in this Life are O'er,
As he rests in Peace with God on the Other Shore.

Fraternally submitted,

HAROLD W. BLAISDELL.

Junior Grand Warden.

MEMORIAL TO CARROLL STEPHEN DOUGLASS.

R. W. Bro. CLIFFORD H. M. PERRY presented the following memorial:

CARROLL STEPHEN DOUGLASS

R. W. Brother CARROLL STEPHEN DOUGLASS, died at his home in Guilford, Maine, Friday, November 4, 1955, at the age of seventy-six.

Brother DOUGLASS was born in Guilford, on May 17, 1879, the son of Henry and Ellen Ellis Douglass. He was graduated from Guilford High

School and Comers Commercial School, Boston, in 1897, and also attended the University of Maine.

He was associated with the Piscataquis Woolen Company, becoming a director in 1908, and was elected its Treasurer in 1915. He was also a director of the Guilford Trust Company since 1913, and was interested in the civic affairs in the community, serving many years as Chairman of the local Red Cross drive as well as a sponsor of the annual Salvation Army drive and other community projects.

He was an active member of the First Universalist Church at Guilford.

Brother DOUGLASS was an active and ardent Mason. He was raised a Master Mason in Mount Kineo Lodge, No. 109, A. F. & A. M., Guilford, on April 19, 1902, and served that lodge as an officer for sixteen years, and was elected Worshipful Master in 1912 and 1913. He was elected Junior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge of Maine in 1918.

He was exalted in Piscataquis Chapter, No. 21, R. A. M., Dover-Foxcroft, on March 10, 1903, and served as an officer for four years. He was greeted in Bangor Council, No. 5, R. & S. M., on November 11, 1903, demitting therefrom to become a Charter Member of Central Council, No. 18, at Dover-Foxcroft. He was Knighted in St. John's Commandery, No. 3, Knights Templar, Bangor, on December 21, 1903; and was a member of Tamerlane Conclave, No. 4, Red Cross of Constantine, and Anah Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., both of Bangor. He was a member of Almeda Chapter, No. 149, O. E. S., and a Past Patron thereof, having served in that office for six terms.

On February 12, 1902, he was united in marriage to Anne French, who survives him as does a son, George H. Douglass, Briarcliff, N. Y., a daughter Mrs. Fred P. Hill, South Hadley, Massachusetts, and two grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at the First Universalist Church with the Rev. John Pierce officiating. The Church was well filled with friends and relatives and committal services were conducted by Mount Kineo Lodge, No. 109.

" There is a stream that all must cross,
The river of human years;
Now lying calm in the summer light,
Now splashed with the rain of human tears.

" Out from the hills of God its flows,
And on to the shoreless sea,
Where the noontide sun no shadow throws,
And time is Eternity."

Faternally submitted,

CLIFFORD H. M. PERRY.

MEMORIAL TO WILLIAM AUGURY SMALL.

R. W. Bro. AUBREY L. BURBANK, presented the following memorial, which had been prepared by R. W. Bro. LEWIS T. BROWN:

WILLIAM AUGURY SMALL

It is with profound sorrow that I am called upon to announce the death of our beloved Past Senior Grand Warden WILLIAM AUGURY SMALL, who died at Needham, Massachusetts, Friday, March 9, 1956.

He was born in Limington, Maine, November 9, 1888, the son of Samuel N. and Mary Allen Small.

He was made a Mason in Adoniram Lodge, No. 27, in 1910, and served as Worshipful Master in 1922.

For the 18th Masonic District he served as District Deputy Grand Master for the years 1926 and 1927.

He was exalted in Eagle Chapter, No. 11, 1920, and was its High Priest in 1926.

He was a former member of Westbrook Council and of St. Alban Commandery. He also took the Scottish Rite degrees in the Valley of Portland.

R. W. Brother Small is survived by his widow Mrs. Harriet Temple Small, one daughter, two sons and a brother, Fred M. Small, Gorham.

Adoniram Lodge performed a Masonic funeral for Brother SMALL, and interment was in the Steep Falls Cemetery.

Fraternally submitted,

LEWIS T. BROWN.

MEMORIAL TO ARTHUR WILLIAM SEAWARD.

R. W. Bro. LESTER D. BRAGDON presented the following memorial:

ARTHUR WILLIAM SEAWARD

The death of R. W. ARTHUR WILLIAM SEAWARD at the York Hospital, York, Maine, on January 5, 1956, after a short illness came as a distinct shock to his many friends both in Maine and New Hampshire.

He was well known in Masonic and other fraternal circles; had served the towns of Kittery and Eliot as a member of the Maine Legislature; was active in politics and had announced his intentions of running for the Republican office of State Senator.

Brother SEAWARD was born March 11, 1891, in Kittery, the oldest of three sons of Hervey E. and Margaret Morrison Seaward. He was educated in the public schools of Kittery and attended Traip Academy.

In 1908 he entered the employment of the Portsmouth Navy Yard as an apprentice molder, retiring in 1949 after forty years of service.

On October 14, 1918, he was united in marriage to Myra Stinchfield of Farmington. From this union there came two sons and two daughters.

He was a regular attendant of the First Christian Church at Kittery Point; Scoutmaster of the Boy Scout Troop in Kittery for three years; served three years as District Commissioner for the movement; was a member of Riverside Lodge, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, having been Noble Grand; and also served two separate terms as District Deputy Grand Master of the Odd Fellows.

Brother SEAWARD was raised in Naval Lodge, No. 184, Kittery, on November 25, 1914; was Worshipful Master in 1920; elected Secretary in 1932; and was still secretary at the time of his death, it being his twenty-fourth year in office. He was exalted in Unity Chapter, No. 32, R. A. M., South Berwick, on January 21, 1915, and dimitted to become a charter member of Maine Chapter on February 14, 1947; greeted in Maine Council, No. 7, Saco, on January 27, 1915; knighted in Bradford Commandery, Biddeford, December 15, 1915; and was the Eminent Commander in 1937-1938. He received the degrees of the Scottish Rite in Portland on May 23, 1918, and was a member of Kora Temple Mystic Shrine, Lewiston; a charter member of Bektash Temple, Shrine Patrol of Concord, N. H.; a member of Conclave, No. 1, Red Cross of Constantine, Portland; Portsmouth, N. H. Shrine Club; Kittery Square and Compass Club, Appointed Grand Representative to the Grand Lodge of Arkansas, Grand Representative to the Grand Commandery of Idaho; Grand Sword Bearer of the Grand Commandery of Maine; and was a member of Piscataqua Chapter, No. 190, O. E. S.

In 1953 he was elected Senior Grand Warden of the M. W. Grand Lodge of Maine, becoming the first member of Naval Lodge to hold an office as a Permanent Member of Grand Lodge.

He is survived by his widow Mrs. Myra Stinchfield Seward; two sons, Robert of Dearborn, Michigan, and Wesley of Saco; two daughters, Mrs. Robert Silsby, Kittery, and Mrs. Ruth Stackpole of Biddeford; two brothers, Benjamin E., Kittery, and Edgar, who resides in New York State.

Funeral services were held in the little church at Kittery Point on Sunday, January 8, 1956, and were attended by representatives of all Maine Masonic bodies, together with those of the Grand Lodge of New Hampshire, municipal and state delegations, family and friends. Members of Bradford and St. Amand Commanderies acted as honor guard and pallbearers.

R. W. Brother SEAWARD served the fraternity well and faithfully. The best tribute that could be offered to him would be those lines of Kipling from the poem "IF";

"If you can talk with crowds and keep your virtue
Or walk with Kings—nor lose the common touch."

ARTHUR WILLIAM SEAWARD was such a man. Despite eminence of station, he met every man on the level, and was always ready to help

anyone, from the youngest Entered Apprentice to the Worshipful Master. His life was a shining example of the best that can be found in the members of this great Fraternity.

Fraternally submitted,

LESTER D. BRAGDON.

DISPENSATIONS AND CHARTERS.

M. W. Bro. LANDER, for the Committee on Dispensations and Charters, presented the following report which was accepted and the recommendations adopted:

MASONIC TEMPLE,

PORTLAND, MAINE, May 3, 1956.

To the M. W. Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Maine:

The Committee on Dispensations and Charters has before it a petition for the granting of a charter to Brotherhood Lodge now working under a dispensation granted by the M. W. Grand Master on May 30, 1954, said dispensation having been continued for one year by vote of Grand Lodge at its last Annual Communication, and the committee makes the following report:

Lodges in the Portland Area, holding concurrent jurisdiction over the territory in which Brotherhood Lodge is located, were duly notified that a hearing would be held by this Committee on Wednesday afternoon, May 2nd, at four P. M. in the Trustees' Room in the Masonic Temple, at which time everyone was given an opportunity to appear before the committee to be heard.

Representatives were present from the following lodges, namely: Portland, No. 1, Ancient Land-Mark, No. 17, Atlantic, No. 81, Deering, No. 183, Corner Stone, No. 216, Brotherhood Lodge, as well as R. W. District Deputy Grand Master Austin A. Alden of the 17th Masonic District.

The committee has re-examined all the records, papers and documents pertaining to Brotherhood Lodge, U. D., and have very carefully considered all the evidence presented.

From the information presented to the committee and a careful examination of the records, it appears that the lodge has made good progress during the past year, and its financial condition is satisfactory.

Some concern was expressed at the hearing as to the ultimate effect of the establishment of a new lodge on the membership structure of the existing lodges in the greater Portland area.

Reviewing the statistics of the growth of the lodges in this area, it appears that the trend in Masonic growth is greater in Deering Lodge and Corner Stone Lodge than in the three urban lodges.

With the trend of an expanding population, it is inevitable that the Masonic growth will continue to increase in the outlying sections. We believe that the establishment of a new lodge will prevent the membership in Deering Lodge and Corner Stone Lodge from becoming too large, without unduly affecting the membership of the three urban lodges.

We therefore recommend that a charter be granted to Brotherhood Lodge.

We further recommend that it have concurrent jurisdiction with Portland Lodge, No. 1, Ancient Land-Mark Lodge, No. 17, Atlantic Lodge, No. 81, Deering Lodge, No. 183, and Corner Stone Lodge, No. 216.

Fraternally submitted,

CARROLL W. KEENE,
ERWIN E. J. LANDER,
PHILIP D. TINGLEY,

} *Committee on
Dispensations
and Charters.*

FINANCE

M. W. Bro. Keene, for the Committee on Finance, presented the following report which was accepted and the recommendations adopted:

MASONIC TEMPLE,

PORTLAND, MAINE, May 3, 1956.

Your Committee on Finance submit the following budget covering estimated financial transactions of the General Fund for 1956-1957.

GENERAL FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Grand Lodge Dues.....	\$35,500.00
Initiation Fees.....	2,500.00
Penalties.....	50.00
Dispensations.....	40.00
Sales and Services.....	3,200.00
Rentals.....	1,900.00
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	\$43,190.00
Total Estimated Receipts.....	\$43,190.00

APPROPRIATIONS.

Grand Secretary Emeritus.....	\$ 1,800.00
(Payable \$150.00 mo.)	
Personal Service:	
Salaries, Grand Secretary.....	3,000.00
" " Treasurer.....	1,500.00
" " Lecturer.....	500.00
" " Foreign Correspondent.....	750.00
Extra Services, Clerical and Professional.....	2,500.00
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	\$10,050.00

Contractual Services:

Rent.....	\$ 3,600.00	
Telephone.....	250.00	
Printing and Binding.....	1,400.00	
Lodge Services.....	450.00	
Insurance (and Bond).....	200.00	
Travel, Officers other than Grand Master.....	1,000.00	
Travel, D. D. G. M.....	1,000.00	
Contingent to Grand Master for Actual expenses.....	2,500.00	
Session Payroll.....	6,500.00	
Catering and entertainment.....	1,000.00	
Printing Annual Proceedings.....	2,800.00	
Dues and memberships.....	1,300.00	
F. I. C. A. Taxes.....	200.00	
		22,200.00

Commodities:

Lodge Supplies.....	\$ 2,000.00	
Office Supplies.....	400.00	
Flowers.....	100.00	
		2,500.00

Capital Outlay:

Lodge Equipment.....	\$ 100.00	
Office Equipment.....	2,000.00	
		2,100.00

Special Service:

Masonic Education.....	\$ 1,000.00	
Blood Bank Program.....	500.00	
History Program.....	100.00	
Masonic Service Hospital.....	2,500.00	
Order of DeMolay.....	300.00	
		4,400.00

Total Proposed Appropriations.....\$41,250.00

Unappropriate Surplus.....1,940.00

Fraternally submitted,

CARROLL W. KEENE,
DAVID F. DREW,
HORACE M. BUDD,

} Finance
Committee.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION.

It was then voted that the proposed amendment to Part Four, Article I, Section 134 that "No

Brother shall be an active member of more than one lodge within the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge, nor shall he fill more than one office in the lodge at the same time," be entertained and referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution.

M. W. Bro. ELA, for the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, presented the following report which was accepted and the recommendation was adopted:

MASONIC TEMPLE,
PORTLAND, MAINE, May 3, 1956.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maine:

Your Committee on Amendments to the Constitution has carefully considered the Proposed Amendment to Part Second, Article 1, Section 59, which reads as follows, namely:

"The Annual Meeting of the Trustees of the Masonic Charitable Foundation of the Grand Lodge of Maine shall be held in Portland, or at such other place as the Grand Master shall designate, on the third Tuesday of April of each year, and other meetings shall be held at such other times and places as may be deemed expedient by the Grand Master. A majority of the Board shall be necessary for every act except that of adjournment. If a vacancy or vacancies occur during the year, said vacancy or vacancies may be filled, temporarily, by vote of the Board of Trustees until the next Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge."

Your Committee recommends its adoption.

Fraternally submitted,

ERNEST C. BUTLER,	}	<i>Committee.</i>
CARROLL W. KEENE,		
BENJAMIN W. ELA,		

M. W. Bro. ELA, for the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, presented the following report. The report was accepted and the matter was referred to the Grand Lodge for final decision. On motion of R. W. Bro. AUBREY L. BURBANK, seconded by M. W. Bro. RALPH J. POLLARD, the amendment was adopted by unanimous vote.

MASONIC TEMPLE,
PORTLAND, MAINE, May 3, 1956.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maine:

Your Committee on Amendments to the Constitution has carefully considered the Proposed Amendment to Article VI, Section 92, which reads as follows, namely:

"No lodge, without the permission of the Grand Master, shall receive a petition of a candidate for the degrees until he has resided in this state one year, nor (excepting seafaring men absent only on a voyage to sea) unless he has had his domicile within the jurisdiction of the lodge during the last preceding six months. Lodges shall have the right to receive such petitions from candidates in the military or naval service who are stationed and have their domicile in this state one year and within the jurisdiction of the lodge during the last preceding six months," and reports as follows:

From the many viewpoints and results considered, the Committee sees no general or satisfactory reason for the adoption of this Proposed Amendment, but refers it to Grand Lodge for final decision.

Fraternally submitted,

ERNEST C. BUTLER,	}	<i>Committee.</i>
CARROLL W. KEENE,		
BENJAMIN W. ELA,		

DEMOLAY.

It was voted, that the Grand Master be authorized to expend such moneys as had been appropriated for the use of DeMolay as he deems proper and for the best interests of the Fraternity.

PAY ROLL.

R. W. Brother EARLE D. WEBSTER, for the Committee on Pay Roll, presented the following report which was accepted:

IN GRAND LODGE,
May 3, 1956.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maine:

Your Committee on Pay Roll is pleased to report that it has received the report of the Committee on Credentials, that a schedule has been prepared and is now in the hands of the Pay Roll Committee.

ALVOID E. CUSHMAN,	}	<i>Committee on Pay Roll.</i>
MERRILL R. KITTREDGE,		

HISTORY.

R. W. Bro. GEORGE R. CASWELL, for the Committee on History of Masonry in Maine, reported as follows:

IN GRAND LODGE,
May 3, 1956.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Maine:

Another Masonic year has come to its close. Once again your Committee on History of Masonry in Maine must make its report to you.

The writing of Lodge Histories had been dormant for years. On May 6, 1954, immediately after his Installation the Grand Master, Paul L. Powers, called upon all Lodges to bring their histories up-to-date. The next few months then became a period of indoctrination. Few Lodge Masters knew what it was all about. Most of them were sincere in their attempt to find an Historian, but all did not succeed. The District Deputies worked hard in getting the program started. Occasionally opposition developed against the program, but it usually disappeared when the situation was explained and became better understood.

At no time since a Committee on History has existed was greater progress made than during the past Masonic year. Better results would have been achieved had our program not had a slow start in 1954. Most Lodges have presented a History. Some of them were very good, while others will need revision and additional information submitted at a later date. Only a few Lodges now remain who have not presented a history of some kind.

In view of the slow start made in 1954, the Committee recommends that the delinquent Lodges be given the opportunity to bring their histories to date and to bring themselves in compliance with the Grand Lodge law at the earliest possible opportunity, and in any event not later than January 1, 1957.

We again request that all histories be sent to the Committee on History for review. Otherwise our records will not give proper credit to the Lodges for presenting a history.

The following lodges presented a history during the year.

Portland, 1, Portland
Warren, 2, East Machias
Hancock, 4, Castine
Kennebec, 5, Hallowell
Amity, 6, Camden
Eastern 7, Eastport
United, 8, Brunswick

Messalonskee, 113, Oakland
Polar Star, 114, Bath
Drummond, 118, North Parsonfield
Pownal, 119, Stockton Springs
Franklin, 123, New Sharon
Olive Branch 124, Charleston
Meridian, 125, Pittsfield

- Rising Virtue, 10, Bangor
 Pythagorean, 11, Fryeburg
 Cumberland, 12, New Gloucester
 Oriental, 13, Bridgton
 St. George, 16, Warren
 Ancient Land-Mark, 17, Portland
 Oxford, 18, Norway
 Felicity, 19, Bucksport
 Maine, 20, Farmington
 Temple, 25, Winthrop
 Village, 26, Bowdoinham
 Union, 31, Union
 Hermon, 32, Gardiner
 Waterville, 33, Waterville
 Bethlehem, 35, Augusta
 Washington, 37, Lubec
 Harmony, 38, Gorham
 Penobscot, 39, Dexter
 Morning Star, 41, Litchfield
 Piscataquis, 44, Milo
 St. Croix, 46, Calais
 Dunlap, 47, Biddeford
 Lafayette, 48, Readfield
 St. John's, 51, South Berwick
 Mosaic, 52, Dover-Foxcroft
 Rural, 53, Sidney
 Meunt Moriah, 56, Denmark
 Star in the East, 60, Old Town
 Pacific, 64, Exeter
 Mystic, 65, Hampden
 Mariners, 68, Searsport
 Pioneer, 72, Ashland
 Tyrian, 73, Mechanic Falls
 Archon, 75, Plymouth
 Atlantic, 81, Portland
 St. Paul's, 82, Rockport
 St. Andrew's, 83, Bangor
 Star in the West, 85, Unity
 Benevolent, 87, Carmel
 Narraguagus, 88, Cherryfield
 Harwood, 91, Machias
 Corinthian, 95, Hartland
 Marsh River, 102, Brooks
 Day Spring, 107, West Newfield
 Liberty, 111, Liberty
 Eastern Frontier, 112, Ft. Fairfield
 Timothy Chase, 126, Belfast
 Presumpscot, 127, North Windham
 Quantabacook, 129, Searsmont
 Trinity, 130, Presque Isle
 Lookout, 131, Cutler
 Asylum, 133, Wayne
 Kenduskeag, 137, Kenduskeag
 Lewy's Island, 138, Princeton
 Mt. Desert, 140, Mt. Desert
 Augusta, 141, Augusta
 Ocean, 142, Wells
 Preble, 143, Sanford
 Evening Star, 147, Buckfield
 Doric, 149, Monson
 Delta, 153, Lovell
 Wilton, 156, Wilton
 Cambridge, 157, Cambridge
 Anchor, 158, South Bristol
 Carrabassett, 161, Canaan
 Pleasant River, 163 Brownville
 Webster, 164, Sabattus
 Negeumkeag, 166, Vassalboro
 Caribou, 170, Caribou
 Naskeag, 171, Brooklin
 Pine Tree, 172, Mattawamkeag
 Rising Star, 177, Penobscot
 Yorkshire, 179, North Berwick
 Hiram, 180, South Portland
 Bar Harbor, 185, Bar Harbor
 Warren Phillips, 186, Westbrook
 Ira Berry, 187, Blue Hill
 Jonesport, 188, Jonesport
 Winter Harbor, 192, Winter Harbor
 Washburn, 193, Washburn
 Bay View, 196, East Boothbay
 St. Aspinquid, 198, York Village
 Bingham, 199, Bingham
 David A. Hooper, 201, West Sullivan
 Mount Bigelow, 202, Stratton
 Nollesemic, 205, Millinocket
 McKinley, 212, McKinley
 Orchard, 215, Old Orchard
 Mt. Olivet, 203, Washington
 Island Falls, 206, Island Falls
 Kemankeag, 213, Rangeley
 Ralph J. Pollard, 217, Orrington

The following Lodges did not present a history:

Saco, 9, Saco	Mt. Tir'em, 132, Waterford
Phoenix, 24, Belfast	Seaside, 144, Boothbay Harbor
Adoniram, 27, Limington	Moses Webster, 145, Vinalhaven
Northern Star, 28, North Anson	Seabiscok, 146, Clinton
Freedom, 42, Limerick	Rabboni, 150, Lewiston
Vassalboro, 54, North Vassalboro	Mystic Tie, 154, Weld
Blue Mountain, 67, Phillips	Granite, 182, West Paris
Howard, 69, Winterport	Deering, 183, Portland
Standish, 70, Standish	Knox, 189, South Thomaston
Rockland, 79, Rockland	Davis, 191, Strong
Keystone, 80, Solon	Euclid, 194, Madison
Eureka, 84, Tenants Harbor	Aroostook, 197, Mars Hill
Siloam, 92, Fairfield	Fort Kent, 209, Fort Kent
Vernon Valley, 99, Mount Vernon	Limestone, 214, Limestone
Tuscan, 106, Addison	Corner Stone, 216, Portland

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE R. CASWELL,	} Committee on History.
EVERETT S. HIGGINS,	
FRED J. LOWELL,	

And the Report was accepted and the recommendation adopted.

RESOLUTION RE: MASONIC HOME.

The following resolution regarding a committee to study the feasibility of establishing a Masonic Home, which was signed by the District Deputy Grand Master, and most of the first three officers of lodges in the 17th Masonic District, was presented, accepted and adopted:

It is moved that the Grand Lodge adopt, and pass the following resolution:

Whereas, the basic purpose of the Most Ancient and Honorable Society of Free and Accepted Masons is the care of poor and distressed Brethren, and

Whereas, there are approximately 48,000 members of the Blue Lodge within the State of Maine, and

Whereas, certain of our Brethren, in their declining years, have found it necessary to spend their remaining years in lonely rooms, without the fellowship, etc., that would come of such a home, and

Whereas, a suitable home for poor and distressed Brethren, could be constructed and maintained on a State level, by one or all of the following plans:

1. Assessment of \$1.00 per Member, per year, to all the members of the Blue Lodge in the State of Maine. This would produce a revenue of \$48,000.00 per year to maintain such a home. Annual assessment, against each Blue Lodge, based on total membership as of December 31, of each year.

2. Requirement that all Brethren to be benefited by this home, agree to transfer and assign to the home, all their property, real, personal and mixed, including portions of Old Age Assistance, and other Governmental grants.

3. Educational program suggesting that all Brethren make bequest to the home in their Last Will and Testament.

4. Maintenance and upkeep of home, when practicable, to be performed by Brethren receiving the benefits therefrom to encourage esprit de corps and minimize maintenance and upkeep costs.

5. Benefit functions put on by individual Lodges periodically for the express purpose of maintaining the home.

Now Therefore, be it Resolved, that this Grand Lodge authorize and direct the Grand Master to appoint a committee of five, from the membership of this Grand Lodge, to investigate fully the need for such a home, ways and means of raising the funds therefor, for acquisition, maintenance, and operation, and to make a report of their findings at the next annual communication of this Grand Lodge.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

R. W. Bro. MERTON E. LEECH, for the Committee on Unfinished Business, made verbal report that the business of the One Hundred Thirty-seventh Annual Communication had been completed. The report was accepted.

AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION.

M. W. Bro. HENRY R. GILLIS, presented an amendment to Article VIII, Section 117, of the Constitution so that as amended it would read as follows:

No lodge shall suspend or expel a member from the rights of Masonry for the non-payment of dues. The penalty of such delinquency shall be forfeiture or suspension of membership.

Action by a lodge to forfeit or suspend membership for the non-payment of dues shall not be taken until the offending brother shall be summoned

to show cause at a stated communication of the lodge why his membership shall not be forfeited or suspended. Such summons addressed and mailed to the last known address of the offending brother not less than fourteen days prior to the date of the proposed action by the lodge in his case shall be sufficient notice to permit such action.

A brother whose membership has been suspended, or forfeited for non-payment of dues will be restored by the payment or remission of the amount due at the time of his suspension or forfeiture of membership at any time within three years thereafter but after that time he can be restored only upon his application, after payment or remission of the amount in arrears, which shall take the same course as an application for initiation, and if rejected said applicant shall not again petition until six months after the rejection.

The amendment was entertained and referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution.

INSTALLATION

The M. W. Grand Master invited M. W. Bro. CLARK D. CHAPMAN, to assume the East and install the Grand Officers. On assuming the East, he appointed M. W. Brother PAUL L. POWERS as Grand Marshal to present R. W. Bro. AUBREY L. BURBANK, Grand Master Elect, who was duly installed into office, prayer being offered by Rev. DAVID L. WILSON, Grand Chaplain.

M. W. Bro. BURBANK made the following appointments.

WALLACE H. CAMPBELL,	Rt. Wor. D. D. G. M.,	1st Dist.,	Ft. Fairfield
JOSEPH C. INGALLS,	" "	2nd "	* Lubec
CLIFFORD H. WEST,	" "	3rd "	Milbridge
RODNEY H. BARTLETT,	" "	4th "	Blue Hill
DONALD L. STICKNEY,	" "	5th "	Brownville
ROBERT C. CARTER,	" "	6th "	26 Grove St., Orono
ALBERT W. HOFFSES,	" "	7th "	Camden
L. FAIR ELWELL,	" "	8th "	Brooks
DAVID DUNCAN, SR.,	" "	9th "	Vinalhaven
LEON P. MUNRO,	" "	10th "	Round Pond
WESTON R. ALLEN,	" "	11th "	Litchfield
FRANCIS E. BRANCH,	" "	12th "	R. 1, Augusta
ALLAN P. ROBINSON,	" "	13th "	Bingham

NATHANIEL A. GILPATRICK, Rt. Wor. D. D. G. M.,	14th	"	Richmond
HAROLD T. RICKER,	15th	"	Stratton
PAUL WADSWORTH,	16th	"	Hiram
M. DONALD GARDNER,	17th	"	6. Mackworth St., Portland
WILLIS H. WEBBER,	18th	"	Berwick, R.F.D.1
KENNETH M. RITCHIE,	19th	"	Kennebunk
WILLIAM H. GRUBER,	20th	"	Rumford
LESTER C. GRAY,	21st	"	Bucksport
KILBORN H. MERRILL,	22nd	"	Pittsfield
JOHN M. HALFYARD,	23rd	"	320 Turner St., Auburn
L. JACKMAN SLEEPER,	24th	"	Sherman Mills
RAYMOND M. RIDEOUT,	Grand Lecturer,		Augusta
P.G.M.Rev. DAVID L. WILSON, LHD.,	W.	"	Chaplain, 918 Washington St., Bath
Rev. M. GERRY PLUMMER,	"	"	Lisbon
" ALBERT A. GAISFORD,	"	"	New Sharon
" ERNEST HEYWOOD,	"	"	Calais
Rabbi DAVID BERENT,	"	"	Lewiston
Rev. PERCY COTTON,	"	"	Houlton
WARREN MOSES,	"	"	Portland
Rev. MALCOLM ANGUS MACDUFFIE,	"	"	Waterville
" MILTON MCGORRILL,	"	"	Orono
FRED E. HANSCOM,	"	Marshal,	Rumford
DOUGLAS R. SPAULDING,	"	Senior Deacon,	Skowhegan
ROLAND W. CORNISH,	"	Junior Deacon,	Bowdoinham
DONALD O. WORCESTER,	"	Steward,	Southwest Harbor
HERSCHEL B. JOSLYN,	"	"	Portland
MALCOLM R. HOLTS,	"	"	Perham
ALBERT T. WATTS,	"	"	Tenants Harbor
RICHARD C. COOKSON,	"	Sword Bearer,	Winthrop
ERNEST S. WEBBER,	"	Standard Bearer,	Belfast
ALPHEUS G. DYER,	"	Fursuivant,	Freeport
WALTER F. TOWNSEND,	"	"	Boothbay Harbor
FRED LINCOLN HILL,	Bro.	Organist,	Westbrook
LEO K. ANDREWS,	"	"	Augusta
FREDERICK C. DAVIS,	"	"	Millinocket
WILFRID TREMBLAY,	"	"	Bangor
HENRY DOHERTY,	"	Tyler,	Bangor

He then invited M. W. Bro. CHAPMAN to proceed with the installation.

The Grand Officers elect and appointed, who were present, were installed and proclamation was made.

The Grand Master resumed the East and thanked Bros. CHAPMAN, POWERS and WILSON.

INSTALLATION OF ABSENT OFFICERS.

The Grand Secretary was instructed to arrange to have the Grand Officers, elected and appointed, not present, installed in their respective lodges.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Grand Master Burbank appointed the following Standing Committees:

On Amendments to the Constitution

ERNEST C. BUTLER, CARROLL W. KEENE, BENJAMIN W. ELA

On Condition of the Fraternity

CHARLES E. CROSSLAND, JOHN M. LITTLEFIELD, NORRIS C. ESTABROOK

On History

GEORGE R. CASWELL, EVERETT S. HIGGINS, FRED J. LOWELL

On Jurisprudence

EDWARD W. WHEELER, CLARK D. CHAPMAN, GRANVILLE C. GRAY

On Library and Museum

EARLE D. WEBSTER, WILLIAM A. LEVENSALOR, GEORGE W. HASKELL

Special Assistants

LEON M. SANBORN, FRANK L. MILAN

On Pay Roll

ALVOID E. CUSHMAN, MERRILL R. KITTREDGE, HARRY E. ROWE

On Returns

EARLE D. WEBSTER, FREDERICK C. LOUNDER, CLYDE FRENCH

On Unfinished Business

MERTON E. LEECH, GEORGE H. MINOTT, JOHN L. POLLEYS

Commissioners of Trials

ERVIN E. J. LANDER, HARRY S. GRINDALL, CLIFFORD H. M. PERRY,
FRED E. HANSCOM, RAY L. LITTLEFIELD

On Credentials

GEORGE P. JACKSON, JOHN VACCA

On Dispensations and Charters

CARROLL W. KEENE, ERVIN E. J. LANDER, PHILIP D. TINGLEY

On Doings of Grand Officers

CLARK D. CHAPMAN, GEORGE F. GIDDINGS, GRANVILLE C. GRAY

On Foreign Correspondence

RALPH J. POLLARD, CHARLES E. CROSSLAND, JOHN M. LITTLEFIELD

On Grievances and Appeals

CLARK D. CHAPMAN, JR., HARRY E. ROWE, EDWARD H. BRITTON

Special Committee on Masonic Education

RALPH J. POLLARD, ERVIN E. J. LANDER, WILLIAM A. LEVENSALOR,
LEWIS T. BROWN, PAUL L. POWERS

Special Committee on Masonic Home

GRANVILLE C. GRAY, Chairman; HENRY R. GILLIS, PHILIP D. TINGLEY,
WILLIAM T. DANES, REGINALD F. BERRY

Special Committee on Office Equipment

AUSTIN A. ALDEN, NORMAN W. LINDQUIST, EARLE D. WEBSTER

APRON.

M. W. Brother PAUL L. POWERS, presented M. W. Brother BURBANK with a Past Grand Master's Apron.

JEWEL.

M. W. Bro. EDWARD W. WHEELER presented M. W. Brother POWERS with a Past Grand Master's Jewel, for which thanks was expressed in well chosen words.

DRUMMOND MEDAL.

M. W. Brother BURBANK then presented M. W. Brother POWERS with a Josiah Hayden Drummond Medal in recognition of his untiring efforts for the cause of Masonry the past two years.

RECORDS.

On motion of the Grand Secretary, it was voted that when the stenographic report of the transactions of this Annual Communication shall have been transcribed by the stenographer, read and approved by the Grand Master and the Grand Secretary, it shall become the official record of this Grand Communication.

CLOSING.

At 11.25 A. M., Eastern Daylight Time, the Grand Lodge was closed, with prayer by Grand Chaplain Rev. Brother MALCOLM ANGUS MACDUFFIE.

Frederic L. Burbank

Grand Master.

Attest:



Charles O. Webster

Grand Secretary.

The One Hundred and Thirty-eighth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge will be held at the Masonic Temple, Portland, Tuesday, May 7, 1957, at 9.00 A. M.

**REGULATIONS OF THE CHARITY FUND OF THE
GRAND LODGE OF MAINE.**

ARTICLE I.

The fund is applicable to the following cases:

First, to poor and worthy members of lodges under this jurisdiction, in cases where the funds of their own lodges are not adequate to the exigency of the case.

Secondly, to poor and worthy Masons resident in this state, not members of any subordinate lodge, and being in circumstances to render such membership not a masonic duty.

Thirdly, to poor and worthy Masons being sojourners in this State.

Fourthly, to other cases of distress.

ARTICLE II.

The widows and orphans of deceased Masons are to be relieved as the husband or parent would be upon the principle stated in preceding article.

ARTICLE III.

1. Applications for relief shall be made by the Master of the Lodge in behalf of any member of his Lodge or by any other person who shall be eligible for assistance, consistent with prevailing regulations. All applications shall be sent to the chairman of the Committee on Distribution.

2. All payments for relief shall be made to the Lodge from which the application is received; the Secretary of said Lodge to act as almoner in each case.

3. Applications for relief shall be filed with the chairman of the Committee on Distribution prior to April 1 of each year if possible, or as near said date as conditions will permit. It shall be necessary to file a new application for each case each year.

4. Any application for relief which, in the opinion of the Grand Master, requires emergency action, shall be handled at his discretion, and any payments shall be made from a fund for this purpose placed at the disposal of the Grand Master by vote of the Board of Trustees.

5. The Trustees shall each year at their annual meeting establish such amount as is, in their opinion, necessary for the proper administration and distribution of the charity funds.

HONOR to WHOM Honor is Due.

The following names constitute a Roll of Honor in which we memorialize those whose gracious and generous gifts have contributed to the preservation of our Grand Lodge charities:

CHARLES M. FARRAR	DANA B. CUTTER
FREDERICK C. THAYER	GEORGE M. RICH
THOMAS H. BODGE	JOHN W. TOWARD
FRANK C. ALLEN	

THE FOLLOWING FORMS ARE SUGGESTED FOR USE IN
MAKING GIFTS TO THE CHARITY FUND.

FORM OF ABSOLUTE GIFT IN WILL.

I give the "Master, Wardens and Members of the Grand Lodge of Maine," incorporated under the laws of said State, and whose office is located in Portland, Maine the sum of Dollars, (\$) to become a part of the "Charity Fund of the Grand Lodge of Maine," to have and to hold the same for the uses and purposes of said corporation.

FORM OF GIFT OF REMAINDER AFTER LIFE USE,

I give, devise and bequeath to.....(a Trustee) the sum of.....Dollars, (\$) (or other property or part of estate), to hold, manage, sell, invest and reinvest, and to pay over the net income arising therefrom to..... for and during his life. Upon his death I give, devise and bequeath the principal of said Trust Fund to the "Master, Wardens and Members of the Grand Lodge of Maine," incorporated under the laws of said State, and whose office is in Portland, Maine, to become a part of the "Charity Fund of the Grand Lodge of Maine," to have and to hold same for the uses and purposes of said corporation.

FORM WHEN NAME OF FUND IS DESIGNATED.

I give and bequeath to the "Master, Wardens and Members of the Grand Lodge of Maine," incorporated under the laws of said State, and whose office is in Portland, Maine, the sum of..... Dollars, (\$) to be known as the.....Fund in memory of.....to become a part of the "Charity Fund of the Grand Lodge of Maine," to have and to hold same for the uses and purposes of said corporation.

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

Trustees of the Charity Fund

MASONIC TEMPLE,
Tuesday, May 1, 1956.

The Trustees of the Masonic Charitable Foundation of the Grand Lodge of Maine met, in accordance with Section 59, Constitution of the Grand Lodge of Maine, at 5.00 P. M., Eastern Daylight Time, Tuesday, May 1, 1956.

Present — PAUL L. POWERS, *Grand Master and President*
 AUBREY L. BURBANK, *Deputy Grand Master*
 ROYAL L. CLEAVES, *Senior Grand Warden*
 HAROLD W. BLAISDELL, *Junior Grand Warden*
 EARLE D. WEBSTER, *as Grand Secretary*
 EDWARD W. WHEELER, *Trustee*
 DAVID L. WILSON, *Trustee*
 CHARLES E. CROSSLAND, *Trustee*
 GEORGE F. GIDDINGS, *Trustee*
 ERVIN E. J. LANDER, *Trustee*

Present by invitation — H. NORTON MAXFIELD, Grand Treasurer.

Voted, To omit the reading of the various records, and that as recorded, distributed, or printed, they be confirmed.

Voted, To approve, ratify and confirm the investments and changes in the investments which have been made in the Invested Funds during the year.

The Treasurer's Report was presented as follows:

CHARITY FUND.

RECEIPTS.

\$5,000 Green Mountain Power Co., 3 $\frac{3}{4}$'s, 1963, called @ 101 $\frac{1}{4}$	\$ 5,062.50
\$1,000 Shreveport Bridge & Term. Co., 5's, 1955, matured.....	1,000.00
\$8,000 Dartmouth Real Estate Co., 3 $\frac{1}{2}$'s, 1962, exchanged.....	.....

\$5,000 Illinois Central R. R. Co., 4's, 1955, matured.....	\$ 5,000.00
\$1,000 U. S. Savings "G," 2½, Oct. 1955, matured	1,000.00
Relief Account, Transfer per Vote.....	25,000.00
Eastman Kodak Co., Sale of Rights.....	27.87
145 Shares Chase National Bank (merger).....	
Chase Manhattan Bank, Sale Fractional Share... ..	12.44
Southern California Edison Co., Sale of Rights... ..	73.00
Baltimore Gas & Electric Co., Sale of Rights.....	24.75
St. Croix Paper Co., Sale of Rights.....	89.08
Roger W. Wright, Solar Lodge, No. 14, Gift....	10.00
Canal National Bank, Sale of Rights.....	27.34
First Portland National Bank, Interest.....	40.56
	<hr/> \$ 37,367.54

DISBURSEMENTS.

\$10,000 Illinois Bell Telephone Co., 3's, 1978, @ 101⅛.....	\$ 10,012.50
\$10,000 Consolidated Edison Co., 3⅜'s, 1982, @ 103¾.....	10,375.00
\$8,000 New York Telephone Co., 3⅛'s, 1978, @ 101¼.....	8,100.00
\$8,000 Dartmouth Real Estate Co., 4's, 1970, exchange.....	
\$1,000 American Tel. & Tel. Co., 3⅞'s, 1967.....	1,035.70
\$5,000 Detroit Edison Co., 3¼'s, 1980, @ 99.....	4,950.00
10 Shares Bangor Hydro Elec. Co., 7% Ffd. @ 159.....	1,590.00
100 Shares Cleveland Elec. Illuminating Co. Stock Dividend.....	
181 Shares Chase Manhattan Bank (for Chase National Bank).....	
240 Shares St. Croix Paper Co., Stock Split.....	
4 Shares Gulf Oil Corp., Stock Dividend.....	
1 Share Gulf Oil Corp., Bought Fractional for 1 Share.....	71.40
200 Shares Sears, Roebuck Co., Stock Split.....	
3 Shares Sears, Roebuck Co., Stock Dividend...	
23 Shares National Bank of Commerce, Stock Dividend.....	
118 Shares Manufacturers Trust Co., Stock Split..	
400 Shares Standard Oil Co. of New Jersey, Stock Split.....	
294 Shares Canal National Bank, Stock Split.....	
12 Shares Canal National Bank, Stock Dividend.	
	<hr/> \$ 36,134.60
Balance.....	1,232.94
	<hr/> \$ 37,367.54

BALANCE.

Balance, March 31, 1955.....	\$ 960.65
Balance, 1955 Account.....	1,232.94
Balance, March 31, 1956.....	\$ 2,193.59

SECURITIES.

MARCH 31, 1956

Face	Bond	Cost	Income
\$ 9,000	Aluminum Co. of America, 3 $\frac{1}{8}$'s, 1964....	\$ 9,281.25	\$ 281.25
1,000	American Tel & Tel. Co., 3 $\frac{7}{8}$'s, 1967.....	1,035.70	.....
5,000	Arkansas Power & Light Co., 3 $\frac{1}{8}$'s, 1974....	5,150.00	156.25
5,000	Baltimore & Ohio R. R. Co., 4's, 1975....	4,900.00	200.00
3,000	Boston & Maine R. R. Co., Inc. Mtg., 4 $\frac{1}{2}$'s, 1970.....	2,925.00	135.00
1,200	Boston & Maine R. R. Co., 4's, 1960....	1,200.00	48.00
5,000	British Columbia, Prov. of, 4 $\frac{1}{2}$'s, 1957....	5,425.00	225.00
5,000	Canada, Dominion of, Internal, 3's, 1959....	4,737.50	150.00
5,000	Canada, Dominion of, Internal, 3's, 1959....	4,837.50	150.00
5,000	Central Illinois Public Service Co., 3 $\frac{3}{8}$'s, 1971.....	5,350.00	168.75
10,000	Central Maine Power Co., 2 $\frac{3}{4}$'s, 1976....	10,200.00	275.00
5,000	Central Maine Power Co., 3 $\frac{1}{2}$'s, 1970....	5,425.00	175.00
10,000	Consolidated Edison Co., 3 $\frac{3}{8}$'s, 1982....	10,375.00	337.50
8,000	Dartmouth Real Estate Co., 4's, 1970....	8,200.00	300.00
5,000	Detroit Edison Co., 3 $\frac{1}{4}$'s 1980.....	4,950.00	.....
10,000	Illinois Bell Tel. Co., 3's, 1978.....	10,012.50	300.00
5,000	Maine Central R. R. Co., 5 $\frac{1}{8}$'s, 1978.....	4,981.25	256.25
5,000	New York Steam Corp., 3 $\frac{1}{2}$'s, 1963.....	5,287.50	175.00
8,000	New York Telephone Co., 3 $\frac{1}{8}$'s, 1978....	8,100.00	250.00
5,000	Northeastern Water Co., 5's, 1968.....	5,162.50	250.00
10,000	Pacific Gas & Electric Co., 3's, 1979....	9,943.75	300.00
5,000	Pittsburg, Cincinnati, Chicago & St. Louis R. R. Co., 5's, 1970.....	5,681.25	250.00
3,000	Portland Terminal R. R. Co., 5's, 1961....	3,000.00	150.00
3,000	Portland Terminal R. R. Co., 4's, 1961....	2,750.00	120.00
5,000	Public Service Electric & Gas Co., 6's 1998.....	7,525.00	300.00
2,000	Toledo Terminal R. R. Co., 4 $\frac{1}{2}$'s, 1957....	2,000.00	90.00
200	Toledo Terminal R. R. Co., 4 $\frac{1}{2}$'s, 1957, (Reg.).....	200.00	9.00
5,000	U. S. Savings, " G," 2 $\frac{1}{2}$'s, July, 1956....	5,000.00	125.00
10,000	U. S. Savings, " G," 2 $\frac{1}{2}$'s, July, 1958....	10,000.00	250.00
10,000	U. S. Savings, " G," 2 $\frac{1}{2}$'s November, 1956.....	10,000.00	250.00
5,000	U. S. Treasury, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$'s, 1972-67, Dated June 1, 1945.....	5,000.00	125.00

Face	Bond	Cost	Income
10,000 U. S. Treasury, 2½'s, 1972-67, Dated November 15, 1945.....		\$ 10,000.00	\$ 250.00
20,000 U. S. Treasury, 3¼'s, 1983-78, Dated May 1, 1953.....		20,000.00	650.00
Bonds.....		\$208,635.70	\$ 6,702.00

STOCKS.

Shares	Stocks	Cost	Income
70 Shares, American Tel. & Tel. Co.....		\$ 10,287.84	\$ 630.00
150 Shares, Baltimore Gas & Electric Co.....		4,537.50	232.50
100 Shares, Bangor Hydro-Electric Co., Common		2,927.50	180.00
10 Shares, Bangor Hydro-Electric Co., 7% Pfd..		1,590.00	52.50
502 Shares, Canal National Bank of Portland....		2,500.00	239.15
50 Shares, Central Maine Power Co., 3½% Pfd..		4,900.00	175.00
181 Shares, Chase Manhattan Bank.....		6,012.50	398.20
200 Shares, Cincinnati Gas & Electric Co., Com- mon.....		4,875.00	240.00
200 Shares, Cleveland Elec. Illuminating Co., Common.....		5,400.00	305.00
50 Shares, Consolidated Edison Co., 5% Pfd....		5,375.00	250.00
100 Shares, DuPont de Nemours Co., Common.*		10,600.00	725.00
133 Shares, Eastman Kodak Co.....		5,225.00	309.55
125 Shares, First National Bank of Boston, Mass.		6,134.00	343.75
203 Shares, First Portland National Bank, Port- land, Me.....		8,137.00	406.00
300 Shares, General Electric Co., Common.....		4,550.00	510.00
100 Shares, General Mills, 5% Cum. Pfd.....		12,120.00	500.00
100 Shares, Great Northern Paper Co.....		4,150.00	300.00
109 Shares, Gulf Oil Corp., Common.....		5,833.90	250.13
9 Shares, Maine Central R. R. Co., Prior Pfd...		900.00	54.00
236 Shares, Manufacturers Trust Co.....		6,500.00	377.60
253 Shares, National Bank of Commerce, Port- land, Me.....		8,115.00	460.00
55 Shares, New England Tel. & Tel. Co., Com- mon.....		6,912.50	440.00
50 Shares, Portland Gas Light Co., \$5 Ser. Cum. Pfd.....		4,634.00	250.00
140 Shares, Scott Paper Co., Common.....		3,075.00	252.00
300 Shares, S. D. Warren Co., Common.....		2,793.75	360.00
303 Shares, Sears, Roebuck Co., Common.....		5,675.00	300.00
100 Shares, Southern California Edison Co., Com- mon.....		4,562.50	240.00
600 Shares, Standard Oil Co., of New Jersey....		12,075.00	1,100.00
320 Shares, St. Croix Paper Co., Common.....		4,300.00	420.00
246 Shares, Texas Co., Common.....		6,550.00	1,082.40

Shares	Stocks	Cost	Income
150 Shares, Union Carbide & Carbon Corp., Common.....		\$ 4,943.75	\$ 487.50
100 Shares, United Fruit Co., Common.....		6,687.50	300.00
134 Shares, West Virginia Water Service Co., Common.....		2,322.63	187.60
Stocks.....		\$185,301.87	\$ 12,357.88
Total Invested.....		\$393,937.57	\$ 19,059.88
Uninvested.....		2,193.59	.....
Income on Securities no longer owned.....			430.78
		\$396,131.16	\$ 19,490.66

CHARLES M. FARRAR FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Portland Savings Bank, Interest.....	\$	9.77	
		\$	9.77

DISBURSEMENTS.

10 Shares, Chemical Corn Exchange Bank, Stock Dividend.....			
10 Shares, Chemical Corn Exchange Bank, @ 44. \$	440.00		
		\$	440.00
Deficit.....			—430.23
		\$	9.77
Balance, March 31, 1955.....	\$	717.31	
Deficit, 1955 Account.....		—430.23	
Balance, March 31, 1956.....	\$	287.08	

SECURITIES.

MARCH 31, 1956.

Face	Bond	Cost	Income
\$1,000 Aluminum Co. of America, 3½'s, 1964....		\$ 1,031.25	\$ 31.25
1,000 Birmingham Terminal Co., 4's, 1957.....		1,060.00	40.00
3,000 Canada, Dominion of, Internal, 3's, 1959..		2,805.00	90.00
2,000 Jamestown, Franklin & Clearfield R. R. Co., 4's, 1959.....			
3,000 Maine Central R. R. Co., 5½'s, 1978.....		2,988.75	153.75
2,000 New York Telephone Co., 2¾'s, 1982....		2,060.00	55.00
2,000 Northern Pacific Railway Co., 4's, 1997..		1,630.00	80.00
3,000 Portland General Electric Co., 3½'s, 1975.		3,105.00	93.75
1,000 Portland Terminal R. R. Co., 4's, 1961....		910.00	40.00
1,000 Portland Terminal R. R. Co., 5's, 1961....		1,020.00	50.00
2,000 U. S. Savings "G," 2½'s, July 1956.....		2,000.00	50.00
1,000 U. S. Savings "G," 2½'s, March, 1958...		1,000.00	25.00
5,000 Westinghouse Air Brake Co., 3½'s, 1978...		5,093.75	193.75
Bonds.....		\$ 26,623.75	\$ 982.50

STOCKS.

Shares	Stocks	Cost	Income
120 Shares, Chemical Corn Exchange Bank, New York.....		\$ 3,490.00	\$ 205.00
20 Shares, Kankakee Water Co., 5½% Pfd.....		2,040.00	110.00
100 Shares, Socony-Mobil Oil Co., Common.....		3,300.00	250.00
Stocks.....		\$ 8,830.00	\$ 565.00
Total Invested.....		\$ 35,453.75	\$ 1,547.50
Uninvested.....		287.00	
		\$ 35,740.83	\$ 1,547.50

THOMAS H. BODGE MEMORIAL FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Portland Savings Bank, Interest.....	\$ 10.82	
		\$ 10.82

DISBURSEMENTS.

None.....	\$ 0.00	
		\$ 0.00
Balance.....		10.82
		\$ 10.82
Balance, March 31, 1955.....	\$ 358.07	
Balance, 1955 Account.....	10.82	
Balance, March 31, 1956.....	\$ 368.89	

SECURITIES.

MARCH 31, 1956.

Face	Bond	Cost	Income
\$5,000 Detroit Edison Co., 3's, 1970.....		\$ 5,437.50	\$ 150.00
5,000 Pacific Gas & Electric Co., 3's, 1974.....		5,450.00	150.00
Bonds.....		\$ 10,887.50	\$ 300.00

STOCK.

Share	Stocks	Cost	Income
100 Shares, Union Pacific R. R. Co., Common....		\$ 7,135.50	\$ 800.00
45 Shares, U. S. Steel Corp., 7% Cum. Pfd.,....		6,586.83	315.00
Stocks.....		\$ 13,722.33	\$ 1,115.00
Total Invested.....		\$ 24,609.83	
Uninvested.....		368.89	
		\$ 24,978.72	\$ 1,415.00

FREDERICK C. THAYER FUND.

RECEIPTS.

U. S. Savings " F," Matured.....	\$ 37.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 37.00

DISBURSEMENTS.

None.....	\$ 0.00	
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Balance.....		37.00
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		\$ 37.00

Balance, March 31, 1955.....	\$ 20.00
Balance, 1955 Account.....	37.00
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Balance, March 31, 1956.....	\$ 57.00
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SECURITIES.

MARCH 31, 1956.

Stock	Cost	Income
45 Shares, Jamaica Water Supply Co., Common..	\$ 990.00	\$ 90.00
Uninvested.....	57.00	
Income on Securities no longer owned.....		13.00
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	\$ 1,047.00	\$ 103.00

FRANK C. ALLEN FUND.

On October 4, 1955, the Grand Lodge of Maine received from Most Illustrious Frank Colman Allen, 33°, Deputy for Maine, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, the sum of \$1,000.00 to be added to and become a part of the permanent charity fund of Grand Lodge, and to be known as the Frank C. Allen Fund.

RECEIPTS.

Frank C. Allen, Donor.....	\$ 1,000.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 1,000.00

DISBURSEMENTS.

\$1,000 Detroit Edison Co., 3¼'s 1980, @ 99.....	\$ 990.00	
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Balance.....		10.00
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		\$ 1,000.00

SECURITIES.

MARCH 31, 1956.

Face	Bond	Cost	Income
\$1,000 Detroit Edison Co., 3¼'s, 1980.....		\$ 990.00
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		\$ 990.00

RELIEF ACCOUNT.

RECEIPTS.

Per Capita Tax.....	\$ 23,706.50
Income on Investments, Charity Fund.....	19,490.66
Income on Investments, Farrar Fund.....	1,547.50
Income on Investments, Bodge Fund.....	1,415.00
Income on Investments, Thayer Fund.....	103.00
Income on Investments, Allen Fund.....	0.00
Canadian Exchange.....	2.33
Reimbursements.....	170.00
	<hr/> \$ 46,434.99

DISBURSEMENTS.

Charity Fund, Per Vote.....	\$ 25,000.00
Beneficiaries.....	19,115.00
Beneficiaries, G. M. Emergency Directives.....	300.00
C. E. Crossland, Chairman.....	750.00
F. I. C. A. Taxes.....	15.00
Expense of Administration.....	139.57
Equipment.....	61.81
Interest, Commissions and Charges.....	410.71
	<hr/> \$ 45,792.09
Balance.....	642.90
	<hr/> \$ 46,434.99
Balance, March 31, 1955.....	\$ 44,629.29
Balance, 1955 Account.....	642.90
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Balance, March 31, 1956.....	\$ 45,272.19

MAINE MASONIC WAR RELIEF FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Income on Investments.....	\$ 1,332.50
Chemical Corn Exchange Bank, Sale of Rights ...	0.63
	<hr/> \$ 1,333.13

DISBURSEMENTS.

5 Shares, Chemical Corn Exchange Bank Stock Dividend.....	\$
10 Shares, Chemical Corn Exchange Bank, @ 44 and rights.....	440.00
\$4,000 Detroit Edison Co., 3¼'s 1980 @ 99.....	3,960.00
	<hr/> \$ 4,400.00
Deficit.....	<hr/> —3,066.87
	<hr/> \$ 1,333.13

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Balance, March 31, 1955.....	\$ 3,581.40
Deficit, 1955 Account.....	—3,066.87
Balance, March 31, 1956.....	\$ 514.53

SECURITIES.

MARCH 31, 1956.

Face	Bond	Cost	Income
\$ 4,000	Detroit Edison Co., 3¼'s, 1980.....	\$ 3,960.00	\$
10,000	General Motors Acceptance Corp., 3⅞, 1961.....	10,425.00	387.50
10,000	General Motors Corp., 3¼'s, 1979.....	10,225.00	325.00
5,000	Province of Nova Scotia, 3¾'s, 1971.....	5,118.75	187.50
Bonds.....		\$ 29,728.75	\$ 900.00

STOCKS.

Shares	Stocks	Cost	Income
65 Shares,	Chemical Corn Exchange Bank.....	\$ 3,090.00	\$ 102.50
100 Shares,	Middle South Utilities.....	3,137.50	150.00
100 Shares,	Philadelphia Electric Co.....	3,612.50	180.00
Stocks.....		\$ 9,840.00	\$ 432.50
Total Invested.....		\$ 39,568.75	\$ 1,332.50
Uninvested.....		514.53	.....
		\$ 40,083.28	\$ 1,332.50

DANA B. CUTTER FUND.

PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT.

RECEIPTS.

Baltimore Gas & Electric Co., Sale of Rights.....	\$ 4.95
\$2,000 Dartmouth Real Estate Co., 3½, 1962, Exchanged.....	.....
	\$ 4.95

DISBURSEMENTS.

\$2,000 Dartmouth Real Estate Co., 4's, 1970, Exchanged.....	\$
Balance.....	\$ 0.00
	\$ 4.95
	\$ 4.95

Balance, March 31, 1955.....	\$	172.00
Balance, 1955 Account.....		4.95
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Balance, March 31, 1956.....	\$	176.95

INTEREST ACCOUNT.

RECEIPTS.

Income on Investments.....	\$	531.52	
Interest on Bank Deposits.....		76.55	
		<hr/>	\$ 608.07

DISBURSEMENTS.

Interest on Exchange Dartmouth Real Estate Co. Bonds.....	\$	3.56	
		<hr/>	\$ 3.56
Balance.....			604.51
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			\$ 608.07
Balance, March 31, 1956.....	\$	2,325.67	
Balance, 1955 Account.....		604.51	
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Balance, March 31, 1956.....	\$	2,930.18	

SECURITIES.

MARCH 31, 1956

Face	Bond	Cost	Income
\$2,000 Dartmouth Real Estate Co., 4's, 1970.....		\$ 2,050.00	\$ 75.00
5,000 Nova Scotia, Province of, 3¾'s, 1971.....		4,829.00	187.50
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Bonds.....		\$ 6,879.00	\$ 262.50

STOCKS.

Shares	Stocks	Cost	Income
30 Shares, Baltimore Gas & Electric Co., Common.....		\$ 600.31	\$ 46.50
35 Shares, Central Maine Power Co., 3½%, Pfd..		3,097.50	122.52
50 Shares, Jamaica Water Supply Co., Common..		1,175.00	100.00
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Stocks.....		\$ 4,872.81	\$ 269.02
Total Invested.....		\$ 11,751.81	\$ 531.52
Uninvested.....		176.95	
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		\$ 11,928.76	\$ 531.52

GEORGE R. RICH MEMORIAL FUND.

PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT.

RECEIPTS.

St. Croix Paper Co., Sale of Rights.....	\$ 22.27	
	<hr/>	\$ 22.27

DISBURSEMENTS.

None.....	\$ 0.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 0.00
Balance.....		22.27
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		\$ 22.27

Balance, March 31, 1955.....	\$ 0.00
Balance, 1955 Account.....	22.27
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Balance, March 31, 1956.....	\$ 22.27

INTEREST ACCOUNT.

RECEIPTS.

Income on Investments.....	\$ 210.00	
Interest on Bank Deposit.....	46.89	
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DISBURSEMENTS.

60 Shares, St. Croix Paper Co., Stock Split.....	\$ 0.00	
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Balance.....		256.89
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		\$ 256.89

Balance, March 31, 1955.....	\$ 1,551.85
Balance, 1955 Account.....	256.89
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Balance, March 31, 1956.....	\$ 1,808.74

SECURITIES.

MARCH 31, 1956

Face	Bonds	Cost	Income
\$2,000 Jamestown Franklin & Clearfield R. R. Co., 4's, 1959.....		\$ 1,920.00	\$ 80.00
1,000 U. S. Treasury 2½'s, 1979-67, Dated June 1, 1945.....		1,048.44	25.00
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Bonds.....		\$ 2,968.44	\$ 105.00

STOCK.

Shares	Stock	Cost	Income
80 Shares, St. Croix Paper Co., Common		\$ 1,075.00	\$ 105.00
Stocks		\$ 1,075.00	\$ 105.00
Total Invested		\$ 4,043.44	
Uninvested		22.27	
		\$ 4,065.71	

Fraternally submitted,

H. NORTON MAXFIELD,
Grand Treasurer.

Voted, That \$20,000.00 be transferred from the Relief Fund to the Permanent Fund.

Voted, That a Committee of three be appointed by the President, of which EDWARD W. WHEELER be Chairman; CHARLES E. CROSSLAND and EARLE D. WEBSTER be members, to advise the Board of Trustees in making investments and changes in investments.

Voted, That all applications for relief be referred to a committee of three to be appointed by the Grand Master and of which he shall be a member *Ex-Officio*, and that said committee be and hereby is authorized to make such payments and allowances on such applications, to the extent of the funds available therefor, as they deem fitting and proper.

The President appointed CHARLES E. CROSSLAND, AUBREY L. BURBANK and EARLE D. WEBSTER.

Voted, That the expense of carrying on the Charity Fund and handling the distribution, including the salary of the Chairman of the Committee on Distribution, be paid out of the income of the Fund.

Adjourned, to the call of the President.

Earle D. Webster

as Secretary.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES
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AUDREY L. BURBANK, Grand Master					Ex-Officio
JOHN M. LITTLEFIELD, Deputy Grand Master					
B. GLEN MCGEE, Senior Grand Warden					
NORMAN W. LINDQUIST, Junior Grand Warden					
EARLE D. WEBSTER, Grand Secretary					
GEORGE F. GIDDINGS,	elected	May 4, 1954,	for three years		
ERVIN E. J. LANDER,	" "	4, 1954	" " "		
EDWARD W. WHEELER,	" "	3, 1955	" " "		
DAVID L. WILSON,	" "	3, 1955	" " "		
ERNEST C. BUTLER,	" "	1, 1956	" " "		
CHARLES E. CROSSLAND,	" "	1, 1956	" " "		

Inspection Reports

OF THE

District Deputy Grand Masters

AND

Reports of Lodge Treasurers

Of the 208 Lodges, 205 have been officially visited and work reported as follows:

	E. A. Degree	F. C. Degree	M. M. Degree
Excellent.....	9	5	35
Good.....	45	43	39
Fair.....	10	8	7
Poor.....	0	1	0

Three Lodges reported no work and three failed to be visited officially.

Fees	Dues
\$75.00..... 1	\$ 2.00..... 3
60.00..... 7	2.50..... 6
55.00..... 1	3.00..... 47
50.00..... 13	3.50..... 9
45.00..... 3	4.00..... 45
40.00..... 35	4.50..... 3
35.00..... 18	5.00..... 71
30.00..... 130	5.50..... 1
—	6.00..... 7
208	6.50..... 2
	7.00..... 3
	7.50..... 2
	8.00..... 7
	10.00..... 2
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Lodges whose Treasurers fail to report as required by Standing regulations, 88.

Lodges have reported as paying out for relief, \$20,751.00.

Dues, two years or more in arrears, \$29,898.00.

No.	LODGE.	District.	Work.	Rendition.	Meetings held during year.		Average attendance.	No. attended by Master.	No. attended by S. W.	No. attended by J. W.	No. attended by Sec'y.	No. attended by S. D.	No. attended by J. D.	Amount of Charity Fund.	Amount expended for Charity during the year.	Fees for degrees.	Annual dues.	Un-paid dues.		Income of Lodge.	Cost of running Lodge.
																		One year.	Two years or more.		
1	Portland.....	Portland.....	17	FC	G	33	35	33	31	30	31	28	28	—	—	60	8.00	312	54	—	—
2	Warren.....	East Machias.....	3	E.A.	G	13	26	12	10	12	12	3	10	—	—	30	4.00	112	495	—	—
3	Lincoln.....	Wiscasset.....	10	M.M.	G	17	24	16	16	17	15	13	15	—	—	30	5.00	199	30	—	—
4	Hancock.....	Castine.....	4	M.M.	Ex	16	22	16	16	16	16	16	16	661	53	40	5.00	92	52	1,156	1,042
5	Kennebec.....	Hallowell.....	11	F.C.	G	23	25	21	21	22	21	22	22	75	262	30	4.00	54	150	—	—
6	Amity.....	Camden.....	7	M.M.	G	24	30	23	23	19	15	23	23	—	430	35	4.00	192	232	2,578	2,335
7	Eastern.....	Eastport.....	2	E.A.	G	17	24	16	12	12	10	15	15	—	240	50	5.00	407	115	—	—
8	United.....	Brunswick.....	14	M.M.	G	23	18	23	18	21	22	22	23	22,583	1,111	35	5.00	545	140	3,448	3,018
9	Saco.....	Saco.....	18	M.M.	Ex	16	40	16	15	13	15	14	15	—	—	50	7.50	277	0	—	—
10	Rising Virtue.....	Bangor.....	6	M.M.	G	28	38	27	26	25	26	26	27	—	—	50	6.00	2,148	1,528	—	—
11	Pythagorean.....	Fryeburg.....	16	E.A.	G	13	31	13	13	11	13	13	13	—	103	30	5.00	75	15	781	1,092
12	Cumberland.....	New Gloucester.....	23	M.M.	F	18	32	17	13	14	18	14	6	—	—	30	3.00	320	254	1,515	1,540
13	Oriental.....	Bridgton.....	16	M.M.	G	15	60	15	15	13	14	15	15	—	—	30	4.00	12	9	—	—
14	Solar.....	Bath.....	14	M.M.	Ex	31	32	31	31	31	31	31	31	—	210	50	6.50	214	0	—	—

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No.	LODGE.	District.	Work	Rendition.	Meetings held during year.	Average attendance.	No. attended by Master.	No. attended by S. W.	No. attended by J. W.	No. attended by Sec'y.	No. attended by S. D.	No. attended by J. D.	Amount of Charity Fund.	Amount expended for Charity during the year.	Fees for degrees.	Annual dues.	Un-paid dues.	Income of Lodge.	Cost of running Lodge.		
																	One year.	Two years or more.			
15	Orient.....	Thomaston.....	9	E.A.	G	27	30	27	26	16	25	6	26	\$ 171	\$ —	\$ 30	\$ 5.00	\$ 95	\$ 0	\$ 830	\$ 880
16	St. George.....	Warren.....	9	E.A.	G	16	20	16	9	13	16	10	9	—	—	30	3.00	0	0	—	—
17	Ancient Land-Mark.....	Portland.....	17	F.C.	Ex	19	28	19	19	18	19	19	18	—	800	60	8.00	390	8	—	—
18	Oxford.....	Norway.....	16	E.A.	G	20	33	18	17	20	20	20	19	—	309	30	5.00	90	89	—	—
19	Felicity.....	Bucksport.....	21	M.M.	G	18	20	17	18	17	16	15	12	1,041	3	40	6.00	432	414	1,885	1,552
20	Maine.....	Farmington.....	15	M.M.	Ex	13	49	13	13	13	13	13	13	3,836	25	30	5.00	220	40	1,763	2,216
21	Oriental Star.....	Livermore Falls.....	20	M.M.	G	14	27	12	14	14	12	13	11	316	54	40	5.00	45	55	1,714	1,564
22	York.....	Kennebunk.....	19	M.M.	Ex	17	45	16	16	12	16	13	17	60	—	30	4.50	207	104	2,717	2,367
23	Freeport.....	Freeport.....	14	M.M.	Ex	14	16	7	14	13	6	13	11	—	—	40	5.00	250	178	1,514	1,441
24	Phoenix.....	Belfast.....	8	M.M.	G	16	17	14	15	15	15	16	15	—	—	30	4.00	84	40	—	—
25	Temple.....	Winthrop.....	11	E.A.	G	21	18	19	18	6	19	12	20	—	—	30	4.00	76	192	—	—
26	Village.....	Bowdoinham.....	14	F.C.	G	15	24	14	13	13	15	12	13	—	—	30	5.00	50	10	—	—
27	Adoniram.....	Limington.....	18	E.A.	Ex	11	13	9	9	10	11	7	5	—	—	30	3.00	34	46	—	—
28	Northern Star.....	North Anson.....	13	F.C.	G	15	24	14	11	12	11	9	12	2,222	—	30	4.50	81	35	864	626

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					Average attendance.	No. attended by Master.	No. attended by S. W.	No. attended by J. W.	No. attended by Sec'y.	No. attended by S. D.	No. attended by J. D.	One year.	Two years or more.									
29	Tranquil.....	Auburn.....	23	M.M.	Ex	22	31	21	22	20	20	22	21	\$	\$ 58	\$ 50	3.00	\$ 594	210	—	—	
30	Blazing Star.....	Rumford.....	20	M.M.	G	25	33	23	20	21	22	21	20	—	—	40	4.00	232	68	—	—	
31	Union.....	Union.....	7	M.M.	G	27	12	27	26	16	24	19	23	—	—	30	4.00	156	312	—	—	
32	Hermon.....	Gardiner.....	11	M.M.	Ex	44	27	44	36	25	41	42	30	8,132	240	40	5.00	280	170	5,156	4,734	
33	Waterville.....	Waterville.....	12	M.M.	Ex	31	42	28	30	28	26	28	29	24,311	997	35	5.00	550	200	1,860	1,218	
34	Somerset.....	Skowhegan.....	12	F.C.	G	14	36	9	9	6	9	7	7	3,076	208	35	5.00	40	5	940	1,121	
35	Bethlehem.....	Augusta.....	11	M.M.	G	30	32	29	28	28	30	29	29	—	—	35	4.00	44	0	—	—	
36	Casco.....	Yarmouth.....	17	F.C.	G	25	28	25	17	23	22	18	24	—	—	40	4.00	200	96	—	—	
37	Washington.....	Lubec.....	2	M.M.	Ex	13	26	13	11	12	11	11	11	2,860	343	40	5.00	80	90	1,164	920	
38	Harmony.....	Gorham.....	17	M.M.	Ex	20	36	17	17	18	19	15	18	1,347	180	40	5.00	180	56	1,416	1,277	
39	Penobscot.....	Dexter.....	5	M.M.	Ex	15	26	15	15	14	12	11	13	3,739	105	35	5.00	205	65	1,873	1,312	
40	Lygonia.....	Ellsworth.....	21	E.A.	Ex	28	21	24	23	21	25	21	24	—	—	30	5.00	375	320	—	—	
41	Morning Star.....	Litchfield.....	11	M.M.	F	20	14	20	18	16	19	11	17	245	23	30	3.00	75	132	332	441	
42	Freedom.....	Limerick.....	18	E.A.	Ex	19	21	17	19	16	17	18	17	—	—	30	3.00	6	6	—	—	

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																		One year.	Two years or more.		
43	Alna.....	Damariscotta.....	10	E.A.	G	20	21	20	16	16	15	19	17	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
44	Piscataquis.....	Milo.....	5	M.M.	G	26	25	25	20	21	23	22	23	390	109	40	5.00	175	60	2,341	2,609
45	Central.....	China.....	12	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	30	2.50	—	—	—	—
46	St. Croix.....	Calais.....	2	E.A.	G	20	35	15	19	11	12	14	12	—	90	30	4.00	668	216	2,077	1,918
47	Dunlap.....	Biddeford.....	18	M.M.	Ex	21	31	21	21	21	21	21	17	—	—	40	7.00	385	350	—	—
48	Lafayette.....	Readfield.....	11	F.C.	G	14	24	12	11	11	12	13	12	779	—	30	4.00	120	88	2,273	1,891
49	Meridian Splendor.....	Newport.....	22	M.M.	Ex	28	23	27	27	27	25	25	23	—	100	30	5.00	198	114	1,321	1,061
50	Aurora.....	Rockland.....	9	M.M.	G	20	22	20	18	19	19	17	20	4,914	743	35	5.00	120	195	5,185	3,846
51	St. John's.....	South Berwick.....	19	F.C.	Ex	22	26	21	19	20	22	19	12	—	—	40	6.00	180	0	2,268	2,141
52	Mosaic.....	Dover-Foxcroft.....	5	F.C.	G	20	36	20	20	15	18	19	18	—	—	30	3.00	255	20	—	—
53	Rural.....	Sydney.....	11	E.A.	G	14	13	14	11	11	13	11	11	—	—	30	3.00	48	30	422	275
54	Vassalboro.....	North Vassalboro.....	12	F.C.	F	9	13	7	6	7	8	7	7	—	—	30	4.00	150	95	—	—
55	Fraternal.....	Alfred.....	19	M.M.	G	16	17	16	9	15	10	16	15	—	—	30	5.00	115	538	—	—
56	Mount Moriah.....	Denmark.....	16	E.A.	F	11	18	11	11	10	11	8	11	120	325	30	2.00	32	58	292	458

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57	King Hiram	Dixfield	20	E.A.	G	16	14	14	14	11	9	15	15	—	100	30	5.00	—	121	1,089	906			
58	Unity	Thorndike	12	F.C.	G	13	25	13	11	11	13	4	12	37	241	30	3.00	114	45	530	497			
60	Star in the East	Old Town	6	F.C.	G	29	22	29	29	26	28	21	11	566	—	40	6.00	2,376	348	3,023	3,164			
61	King Solomon's	Waldoboro	9	M.M.	G	22	24	21	20	20	18	18	15	—	—	30	3.50	73	28	—	—			
62	King David's	Lincolntonville	7	E.A.	G	13	26	11	13	9	13	12	11	—	—	30	4.00	152	168	618	442			
63	Richmond	Richmond	14	E.A.	G	15	20	15	14	13	14	14	12	1,404	—	30	3.50	247	67	777	1,006			
64	Pacific	Exeter	22	F.C.	G	8	15	8	6	4	8	7	5	—	—	35	5.00	120	156	290	272			
65	Mystic	Hampden	6	F.C.	G	21	26	21	21	18	21	13	17	1,542	100	30	3.00	63	0	1,800	1,662			
66	Mechanics'	Orono	6	F.C.	G	20	30	19	19	19	20	18	16	—	210	40	4.00	224	16	—	—			
67	Blue Mountain	Phillips	15	E.A.	G	12	29	12	12	12	12	12	12	—	—	30	4.00	90	116	—	—			
68	Mariners'	Searsport	8	M.M.	Ex	19	23	18	15	18	15	19	17	—	—	40	5.00	140	19	845	880			
69	Howard	Winterport	6	M.M.	F	18	15	18	14	18	18	14	8	830	1,675	30	4.00	448	535	420	834			
70	Standish	Standish	17	M.M.	G	14	25	14	14	14	13	14	11	—	—	30	3.00	78	402	—	—			
71	Rising Sun	Orland	21	E.A.	G	16	13	14	5	15	11	8	14	—	25	30	3.00	57	111	—	—			

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72	Pioneer.....	Ashland.....	1	F.C.	G	22	30	22	17	18	22	17	18	\$	\$	\$ 40	\$ 5.00	\$ 120	\$ 180	\$	\$
73	Tyrian.....	Mechanic Falls.....	23	M.M.	G	16	13	14	5	15	11	8	14	—	150	30	3.00	—	114	54	—
74	Bristol.....	Bristol.....	10	E.A.	G	13	35	13	10	13	13	10	11	391	85	30	3.00	144	12	409	412
75	Archon.....	East Dixmont.....	22	E.A.	G	13	18	13	11	11	10	11	9	—	—	30	2.50	45	37	—	—
76	Arundel.....	Kennebunkport.....	19	M.M.	Ex	16	42	16	14	12	15	15	5	863	405	30	5.00	150	235	1,614	1,599
77	Tremont.....	Southwest Harbor.....	21	F.C.	G	13	16	13	8	11	12	12	12	73	43	30	3.00	210	105	633	586
78	Crescent.....	Pembroke.....	2	M.M.	F	19	17	18	13	19	14	11	10	—	—	30	4.00	20	80	—	—
79	Rockland.....	Rockland.....	9	F.C.	G	20	27	19	20	18	19	15	19	—	—	35	5.00	230	195	—	—
80	Keystone.....	Solon.....	13	F.C.	F	12	41	11	1	10	12	12	8	—	—	30	3.00	150	51	—	—
81	Atlantic.....	Portland.....	17	M.M.	Ex	27	39	27	25	24	24	10	19	—	482	60	8.00	790	226	5,768	5,608
82	St. Paul's.....	Rockport.....	7	F.C.	G	25	22	25	20	14	25	23	15	175	200	30	4.00	384	224	1,344	1,173
83	St. Andrew's.....	Bangor.....	6	M.M.	F	36	44	34	30	31	34	34	32	—	—	50	6.00	128	84	6,647	5,082
84	Eureka.....	Tenant's Harbor.....	9	M.M.	G	12	17	10	10	10	9	9	10	—	—	30	5.00	65	55	—	—
85	Star in the West.....	Unity.....	12	E.A.	F	14	15	14	10	5	13	7	7	546	32	30	3.00	132	65	471	269

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86	Temple.....	Westbrook.....	17	M.M.	Ex	24	35	24	22	21	22	21	21	4,159	310	40	5.00	300	280	2,861	3,079
87	Benevolent.....	Carmel.....	6	E.A.	F	8	14	7	8	8	5	6	7	—	—	30	3.00	25	19	592	358
88	Narraguagus.....	Cherryfield.....	3	E.A.	F	15	14	15	12	11	15	8	8	—	—	30	3.50	77	189	—	—
89	Island.....	Islesboro.....	7	F.C.	G	15	11	14	14	10	12	12	14	43	45	30	4.00	153	83	439	441
91	Harwood.....	Machias.....	3	E.A.	G	13	18	11	11	11	9	13	11	—	—	30	4.00	50	150	—	—
92	Siloam.....	Fairfield.....	12	F.C.	Ex	32	30	30	26	25	29	21	27	—	—	35	5.00	0	0	—	—
93	Horeb.....	Lincoln.....	24	E.A.	G	21	30	20	16	18	20	20	19	306	—	40	5.00	120	120	1,922	2,287
94	Paris.....	South Paris.....	16	M.M.	G	12	34	12	10	10	11	11	11	—	—	30	4.00	76	24	—	—
95	Corinthian.....	Hartland.....	22	F.C.	G	16	20	14	13	14	15	13	14	949	53	30	3.00	30	111	1,550	652
96	Monument.....	Houlton.....	1	M.M.	Ex	38	39	36	33	31	30	29	14	29,499	313	35	5.00	365	250	3,334	3,422
97	Bethel.....	Bethel.....	16	M.M.	G	12	33	12	12	12	12	12	12	—	200	40	6.00	0	48	1,200	1,524
98	Katahdin.....	Patten.....	24	E.A.	G	16	9	12	15	6	5	8	2	—	6	30	5.00	85	173	979	875
99	Vernon Valley.....	Mt. Vernon.....	15	F.C.	G	15	24	14	15	14	15	14	14	217	100	30	3.00	23	18	296	468
100	Jefferson.....	Bryants Pond.....	16	E.A.	G	13	20	12	12	9	11	13	11	—	—	40	4.00	12	40	—	—

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101	Nezinscot.....Turner.....	23	M.M.	F	16	11	15	16	16	15	16	13	—	—	30	4.00	84	276	—	—	—
102	Marsh River.....Prooks.....	8	E.A.	G	21	18	21	17	18	19	17	16	—	—	30	3.00	36	300	877	712	—
103	Dresden.....Dresden Mills.....	10	E.A.	F	16	16	16	16	16	16	9	4	—	—	30	4.00	72	165	—	—	—
104	Dirigo.....Week's Mills.....	11	M.M.	G	21	27	21	20	20	21	13	8	563	182	30	5.00	192	49	1,010	748	—
105	Ashlar.....Lewiston.....	23	M.M.	Ex	29	37	27	25	25	26	19	24	—	1,602	50	5.00	145	50	—	—	—
106	Tuscan.....Addison.....	3	E.A.	Ex	15	18	13	9	8	13	10	9	668	200	30	5.00	85	0	1,308	1,294	—
107	Day Spring.....West Newfield.....	18	F.C.	G	10	22	9	10	6	10	10	9	—	—	30	3.00	37	112	—	—	—
109	Mount Kineo.....Guilford.....	5	F.C.	G	13	26	13	13	11	13	13	12	—	—	30	2.00	0	0	3,996	3,710	—
110	Monmouth.....Monmouth.....	11	M.M.	Ex	21	39	20	14	20	19	18	19	—	—	40	5.00	81	93	—	—	—
111	Liberty.....Liberty.....	8	F.C.	G	13	14	12	12	11	13	13	10	—	50	30	5.00	45	78	393	340	—
112	Eastern Frontier.....Fort Fairfield.....	1	M.M.	G	25	25	24	23	18	19	17	15	—	—	30	5.00	240	855	—	—	—
113	Messalonskee.....Oakland.....	12	F.C.	Ex	14	21	14	12	11	13	11	12	156	445	30	4.00	80	7	888	568	—
114	Polar Star.....Bath.....	14	E.A.	G	18	25	17	16	16	18	18	16	—	—	60	7.00	383	26	—	—	—
115	Buxton.....West Buxton.....	18	F.C.	G	16	43	16	15	16	14	12	14	—	157	30	4.00	146	44	1,305	1,422	—

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116	Lebanon.....	Norridgewock.....	13	E.A.	G	22	24	6	22	20	22	8	19									\$ 329	\$ —	\$ 35	\$ 4.00	\$ 45	\$ 24	\$ 2,030			\$ 1,308		
117	Greenleaf.....	Cornish.....	18	F.C.	G	12	25	12	10	7	10	8	5									—	—	30	3.00	99	99	—	—				
118	Drummond.....	No. Parsonfield.....	18	M.M.	G	9	10	7	6	5	4	2	3									420	—	30	2.50	35	60	187			188		
119	Pownal.....	Stockton Springs.....	8	E.A.	G	23	10	21	3	15	17	18	10									—	—	30	3.00	18	42	756			717		
121	Acacia.....	Durham.....	14	F.C.	G	15	36	12	5	14	15	1	11									—	—	30	2.50	65	95	—	—				
122	Marine.....	Deer Isle.....	4	E.A.	G	20	24	15	10	20	17	16	11									—	—	30	5.00	98	16	978			1,315		
123	Franklin.....	New Sharon.....	15	M.M.	Ex	14	23	14	14	12	14	9	12									—	—	30	3.00	261	96	902			846		
124	Olive Branch.....	Charleston.....	6	E.A.	G	15	20	15	7	15	14	14	15									—	—	30	3.00	172	210	—	—				
125	Meridian.....	Pittsfield.....	22	F.C.	G	15	31	13	11	13	13	12	13									604	222	—	—	—	—	1,129			1,088		
126	Timoth Chase.....	Belfast.....	8	F.C.	G	18	22	16	16	15	18	15	13									10,346	—	40	5.00	320	200	1,140			1,015		
127	Presumpscot.....	North Windham.....	17	F.C.	G	13	35	13	13	—	12	11	13									—	—	30	3.00	—	120	547			—		
128	Eggemoggin.....	Sedgwick.....	4	E.A.	G	17	16	17	9	14	17	13	14									300	—	30	4.00	30	63	380			335		
129	Quantabacook.....	Searsmont.....	7	F.C.	G	15	18	15	15	15	15	15	15									75	—	30	3.00	78	102	505			607		
130	Trinity.....	Presque Isle.....	1	M.M.	G	26	38	25	25	25	24	25	26									—	100	45	8.00	376	953	4,484			4,718		

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131	Lookout.....Cutler.....	3	E.A.	G	10	13	10	9	8	8	8	3	8									\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$						
132	Mount Tir'em.....Waterford.....	16	E.A.	G	12	12	12	9	7	10	0	0										—	—	30	3.50	18	27	—	—						
133	Asylum.....Wayne.....	11	E.A.	G	11	11	11	9	4	11	4	7	2,587	—								30	3.50	38	38	289	318								
135	Riverside.....Jefferson.....	7	F.C.	G	14	14	14	14	13	14	13	10	1,032	90								30	4.00	122	16	729	1,239								
137	Kenduskeag.....Kenduskeag.....	6	E.A.	G	19	25	18	17	19	17	15	17	—	—								35	3.50	162	182	1,040	647								
138	Lewy's Island.....Princeton.....	2	F.C.	P	15	33	13	14	12	14	12	14	3,552	153								45	4.00	82	136	—	—								
140	Mount Desert.....Mount Desert.....	21	E.A.	G	11	17	6	11	8	11	11	6	—	—								31	3.00	30	90	465	333								
141	Augusta.....Augusta.....	11	M.M.	Ex	31	17	29	29	26	29	28	30	—	206								36	4.00	0	468	3,508	3,390								
142	Ocean.....Wells Depot.....	9	M.M.	G	24	23	23	22	24	24	24	24	—	—								30	5.00	460	480	—	—								
143	Preble.....Sanford.....	19	M.M.	Ex	20	38	18	17	20	20	20	20	1,157	25								40	5.00	280	45	2,889	2,408								
144	Seaside.....Boothbay Harbor....	10	M.M.	G	32	18	32	31	32	32	32	29	93	1,080								30	4.00	300	463	1,534	1,579								
145	Moses Webster.....Vinalhaven.....	9	F.C.	G	12	26	12	10	12	12	10	10	—	—								30	5.00	112	24	—	—								
146	Sebasticook.....Clinton.....	12	E.A.	G	18	30	18	14	13	15	13	15	—	—								30	5.00	99	135	—	—								

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147	Evening Star.....	Buckfield.....	20	F.C.	F	15	24	15	15	3	15	14	14	—	—	30	5.00	55	50	—	—
148	Forest.....	Springfield.....	24	E.A.	F	13	23	11	12	10	11	7	1	—	—	30	3.00	14	3	—	—
149	Doric.....	Monson.....	5	F.C.	F	12	17	11	12	5	10	11	12	—	—	30	4.00	56	24	2,418	2,177
150	Rabboni.....	Lewiston.....	23	M.M.	G	26	41	26	21	26	25	26	26	—	—	50	5.00	100	155	—	—
151	Excelsior.....	Northport.....	8	M.M.	G	15	20	15	13	12	15	11	13	—	—	30	3.00	36	32	186	153
152	Crooked River.....	Bolster's Mills.....	16	M.M.	G	11	29	11	11	11	11	10	3	—	—	30	3.50	38	56	274	550
153	Delta.....	Lovell.....	16	F.C.	G	14	18	14	10	11	13	14	13	—	105	30	5.00	140	350	—	—
154	Mystic Tie.....	Weld.....	20	M.M.	Ex	12	12	12	12	11	12	11	10	—	—	35	3.50	28	14	—	—
155	Ancient York.....	Lisbon Falls.....	14	F.C.	G	15	36	15	14	11	12	10	9	1,162	336	40	10.00	640	210	2,448	2,123
156	Wilton.....	Wilton.....	15	M.M.	Ex	14	25	14	14	14	14	14	14	5,836	195	30	5.00	90	25	2,873	2,777
157	Cambridge.....	Cambridge.....	22	F.C.	G	18	17	7	15	16	18	15	6	—	—	30	3.00	55	38	—	—
158	Anchor.....	South Bristol.....	10	M.M.	F	14	19	13	10	8	14	8	14	—	15	30	3.00	84	21	268	310
160	Parian.....	Corinna.....	22	No	—	12	21	8	9	9	10	11	11	—	—	30	5.00	240	72	—	—
161	Carrabasset.....	Canaan.....	13	E.A.	F	18	13	18	11	12	18	6	12	1,158	—	30	3.00	2	22	284	233

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162	Arion.....	Goodwin's Mills.....	18	M.M.	Ex	18	29	17	17	14	17	17	18	\$	\$ 385	\$ 55	4.00	\$ 228	\$ 284	\$ 786	\$ 828				
163	Pleasant River.....	Brownville.....	5	E.A.	G	26	30	23	15	22	24	15	11	—	—	50	6.50	403	388	—	—				
164	Webster.....	Sabattus.....	23	F.C.	F	15	26	15	14	13	13	15	5	826	—	35	3.00	78	108	588	465				
165	Molunkus.....	Sherman Mills.....	24	No	—	15	12	15	15	14	15	10	11	385	—	30	5.00	175	872	631	850				
166	Neguemkeag.....	Vassalboro.....	12	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	146	—	—	—	—	—	758	664				
167	Whitney.....	Canton.....	20	F.C.	G	15	22	14	14	9	14	13	15	—	—	30	4.00	64	20	571	476				
168	Composite.....	Lagrange.....	5	E.A.	G	14	20	13	13	13	14	13	13	—	—	30	3.00	126	57	731	814				
169	Shepherd's River.....	Brownfield.....	16	F.C.	F	9	11	9	8	7	8	9	3	—	69	30	3.00	149	163	437	532				
170	Caribou.....	Caribou.....	1	M.M.	G	19	24	19	14	12	16	12	12	—	—	30	5.00	310	305	—	—				
171	Naskeag.....	Brooklin.....	4	No	P	14	14	13	12	10	13	10	8	—	—	30	3.00	60	45	—	—				
172	Pine Tree.....	Mattawamkeag.....	24	F.C.	F	12	15	8	10	9	12	7	9	—	—	40	5.00	155	120	—	—				
173	Pleiades.....	Millbridge.....	3	M.M.	G	35	15	33	20	34	30	27	19	—	—	30	2.50	151	46	—	—				
174	Lynde.....	Hermon.....	6	F.C.	G	18	20	18	16	15	17	17	14	572	—	30	5.00	80	20	1,003	866				
175	Baskahegan.....	Danforth.....	24	No	—	12	21	10	12	4	12	4	6	—	27	30	3.00	348	162	709	1,456				

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177	Rising Star.....	Penobscot.....	4	F.C.	G	10	12	10	10	6	6	1	5	\$ 483	—	\$ 30	\$ 3.00	\$ 81	\$ 69	\$ 338	\$ 264
178	Ancient Brothers'.....	Auburn.....	23	M.M.	Ex	24	37	23	24	18	24	22	21	5,453	—	50	4.00	1,456	556	2,790	3,033
179	Yorkshire.....	North Berwick.....	19	E.A.	Ex	20	29	20	17	18	19	19	19	1,712	50	40	5.00	350	220	1,135	797
180	Hiram.....	South Portland.....	17	M.M.	Ex	54	52	54	51	52	49	51	47	—	168	60	5.00	1,315	520	—	—
182	Granite.....	West Paris.....	16	F.C.	G	11	12	7	9	11	10	10	6	—	—	30	4.00	28	0	—	—
183	Deering.....	Portland.....	17	M.M.	Ex	33	59	31	32	32	29	31	33	146	1,627	60	5.00	325	0	7,535	7,535
184	Naval.....	Kittery.....	19	M.M.	Ex	42	41	41	40	37	37	42	42	539	66	50	5.00	695	610	7,150	6,254
185	Bar Harbor.....	Bar Harbor.....	21	E.A.	G	13	15	13	13	12	13	10	10	—	—	40	7.50	360	240	—	—
186	Warren Phillips.....	Cumberland Mills.....	17	E.A.	Ex	23	32	22	18	21	20	23	19	1,000	10	40	5.00	212	84	2,583	2,204
187	Ira Berry.....	Blue Hill.....	4	E.A.	F	12	20	12	11	11	12	12	7	—	—	30	3.00	36	120	256	290
188	Jonesport.....	Jonesport.....	3	F.C.	G	25	15	25	23	11	25	25	20	71	51	30	3.50	49	29	—	—
189	Knox.....	So. Thomaston.....	9	E.A.	F	19	18	19	19	15	17	17	13	—	—	30	3.00	212	146	567	713
190	Springvale.....	Springvale.....	19	M.M.	Ex	19	37	16	19	17	18	19	18	—	—	40	5.00	260	213	1,834	1,506
191	Davis.....	Strong.....	15	E.A.	G	15	17	15	15	14	14	14	14	—	—	30	3.00	78	26	598	835

No.	LODGE.		District.	Work.	Rendition.	Meetings held during year.								Average attendance.		No. attended by Master.	No. attended by S. W.	No. attended by J. W.	No. attended by Sec'y.	No. attended by S. D.	No. attended by J. D.	Amount of Charity Fund.	Amount expended for Charity during the year.	Fees for degrees.	Annual dues.	Un-paid dues.				Cost of running Lodge.
																										One year.	Two years or more.	Income of Lodge.		
192	Winter Harbor.....	Winter Harbor.....	21	M.M.	Ex	33	18	31	30	25	31	23	17	\$	\$	\$	5.00	175	250											
193	Washburn.....	Washburn.....	1	F.C.	G	16	29	16	13	14	15	14	9	—	—	30	5.00	85	220	1,562	949									
194	Euclid.....	Madison.....	13	E.A.	G	14	34	13	12	9	13	13	13	—	—	30	5.00	90	55	1,762	1,426									
195	Reliance.....	Stonington.....	4	E.A.	G	13	12	10	8	8	7	8	5	—	—	45	5.00	280	250	—	—									
196	Bay View.....	East Boothbay.....	10	M.M.	G	19	24	18	17	17	7	18	17	612	245	35	4.00	15	66	731	995									
197	Aroostook.....	Mars Hill.....	1	E.A.	G	19	32	19	15	15	18	18	13	—	—	40	8.00	368	275	1,972	1,921									
198	St. Aspinquid.....	York Village.....	19	M.M.	Ex	34	33	34	33	29	31	29	22	—	—	40	7.00	350	100	—	—									
199	Bingham.....	Bingham.....	18	M.M.	G	18	26	18	14	14	18	16	17	—	80	35	4.00	248	104	1,905	1,134									
200	Columbia.....	Greenville.....	5	M.M.	G	22	32	22	21	22	17	20	20	—	100	50	5.00	155	90	—	—									
201	David A. Hooper.....	West Sullivan.....	21	M.M.	G	20	14	19	17	14	20	17	7	—	—	30	3.00	—	—	—	—									
202	Mount Bigelow.....	Stratton.....	15	F.C.	F	12	11	10	9	6	12	7	7	—	—	30	4.00	26	148	—	—									
203	Mount Olivet.....	Washington.....	7	M.M.	G	15	16	11	10	10	11	8	9	—	—	30	4.00	64	148	—	—									
204	Mount Abram.....	Kingfield.....	15	M.M.	G	15	17	15	15	14	14	15	13	—	—	30	4.00	123	9	1,022	852									
205	Nollesemic.....	Millinocket.....	24	E.A.	Ex	27	47	27	25	27	27	26	23	1,036	—	50	6.00	85	173	2,972	3,204									

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					Average attendance	No. attended by Master.	No. attended by S. W.	No. attended by J. W.	No. attended by Sec'y.	No. attended by S. D.	No. attended by J. D.					One year.	Two years or more.				
206	Island Falls.....Island Falls.....	24	E.A.	G	11 23	11	10	7	11	5	9	\$ 425	\$ —	\$ 30	\$ 4.00	\$ 204	\$ 382	\$ 1,029	\$ 713		
207	Abner Wade.....Sangerville.....	5	E.A.	Ex	17 25	17	17	10	16	9	15	—	—	30	5.00	105	160	—	—		
208	Northeast Harbor.....Northeast Harbor, ...	21	E.A.	F	15 18	2	14	15	14	14	13	—	—	30	3.00	57	21	—	—		
209	Fort Kent.....Port Kent.....	1	E.A.	G	14 25	14	14	3	14	2	9	105	69	40	8.00	120	92	764	915		
210	Bagaduce.....North Brooksville..	4	E.A.	G	19 12	18	11	9	15	19	17	—	—	30	5.00	66	36	279	249		
211	Meduncook.....Friendship.....	6	M.M.	G	12 13	11	10	11	9	9	6	—	—	30	4.00	48	50	408	331		
212	McKinley.....McKinley.....	21	F.C.	G	12 11	—	—	11	—	—	—	—	—	30	5.00	62	346	—	—		
213	Kemankeag.....Rangeley.....	6	E.A.	Ex	12 30	10	9	11	12	10	11	—	—	30	4.00	72	28	—	—		
214	Limestone.....Limestone.....	1	F.C.	G	18 24	17	16	11	16	5	17	—	—	40	8.00	32	320	1,303	887		
215	Orchard.....Old Orchard.....	18	F.C.	Ex	24 36	24	23	20	19	18	23	—	—	40	4.50	220	81	2,099	2,093		
216	Corner Stone.....Portland.....	17	M.M.	Ex	39 62	38	31	34	37	38	38	—	—	60	5.00	515	345	—	—		
217	Ralph J. Pollard.....Orrington.....	6	E.A.	G	23 55	23	22	23	23	18	20	—	746	30	5.00	65	20	3,691	3,048		
	Brotherhood Lodge.....Portland.....	—	M.M.	G	31 45	30	25	31	30	21	30	—	—	76	10	—	—	4,116	3,219		

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List of Subordinate Lodges WITH THEIR PRINCIPAL OFFICERS

AS RETURNED JANUARY 1, 1956

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- Abner Wade, 207, Sangerville. Elmer Leland, M.; Willard Starbird, S. W.; Malcolm Dow, J. W.; Earl L. Humphrey, S. Meeting first Thursday; election, January. 5
- Acacia, 121, Durham. Edwin Herlin, M.; Harold Booker, S. W.; Ralph Vosmus, J. W.; Louis A. Bowie, S. Meeting Tuesday on or before full moon; election, December. 14
- Adoniram, 27, Limington. Arthur W. Libby, M.; Donald H. Chapman, S. W.; Harlan A. Fowler, J. W.; Hervey L. Maxim, S. Meeting second Tuesday; election, December. 18
- Alna, 43, Damariscotta. Joseph E. West, M.; Robert A. Hussey, S. W.; Walter T. West, J. W.; Cleary W. Erskine, S. Meeting first Friday; election, December. 10
- Amity, 6, Camden. Roland C. Marriner, M.; Charles C. Steel, S. W.; Harry W. Coffin, J. W.; Ross M. Howes, S. Meeting Friday on or before full moon; election October. 7
- Anchor, 158, South Bristol. Herbert M. Thompson, M.; Norman E. Kelsey, S. W.; Ronald L. Rowles, J. W.; Robert A. Sproul, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, December. 10
- Ancient Brothers', 178, Auburn. Lawrence Packard, M.; Ralph E. McKenney, S. W.; Walter Parker, J. W.; Ernest L. Packard, Sr., S. Meeting Monday, on or after full moon; election, October. 23
- Ancient Land-Mark, 17, Portland. Stanley F. Sampson, M.; Richard D. Bicknell, S. W.; Edmund E. Lemieux, J. W.; Merrill W. Sweetser, (29 Richardson St.), S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, December. 17
- Ancient York, 155, Lisbon Falls. John Agathos, M.; Walter Wheeler, S. W.; Ernest D. Horan, J. W.; Wendall Wonneberger, S. Meeting Monday on or before full moon; election, December. 14
- Archon, 75, Dixmont. Frank H. Hodge, M.; Norman L. Stacy, S. W.; Darrell N. Phillips, J. W.; Parker R. Jacoby, S. Meeting second Thursday; election, October. 22
- Arion, 162, Goodwin's Mills. Russell N. Charles, M.; Carl K. Freeman, S. W.; Coyle R. Meserve, J. W.; Frederick W. Elwell (Biddeford, R. F. D. 3), S. Meeting first Thursday; election, November. 18
- Aroostook, 197, Mars Hill. John Edward Quigley, M.; Frank W. Brown, Jr., S. W.; Dana B. McCrum, J. W.; Malcolm T. Barry (Blaine), S. Meeting second Monday; election, November. 1

- Arundel, 76, Kennebunkport. Maurice W. Gould, M.; Joseph C. Burrows, S. W.; Freeland K. Smith, J. W.; John G. Smith, S. Meeting Tuesday on or before full moon; election, December 19. 19
- Ashlar, 105, Lewiston. Richard E. Gilbert, M.; Carl L. Heldman, S. W.; Thomas Hunter, J. W.; William B. Duncan (Lewiston), S. Meeting third Monday; election, January. 23
- Asylum, 133, Wayne. William B. Smith, M.; William H. Frost, S. W.; Paul F. Gould, Jr., J. W.; Joseph E. Stetson, S. Meeting Thursday before full moon; election, December. 11
- Atlantic, 81, Portland. Lawrence E. Cote, M.; Warren N. Graffam, S. W.; Charles F. C. Gray, J. W.; George P. Jackson (1156 Washington, Ave.), S. Meeting third Wednesday; election, September. 17
- Augusta, 141, Augusta. Bertram K. Witherell, M.; Raymond M. Rideout, Jr., S. W.; Robert M. Crocker, J. W.; J. William McCausland, (154 Sewall St.), S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, January. 11
- Aurora, 50, Rockland. James L. Thomas, M.; George X. Bernier, S. W.; Lloyd M. Richardson, J. W.; Leroy A. Chatto, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, January. 9
- Bagaduce, 210, North Brooksville. Lynwood Farr, M.; Frederick Dyer, S. W.; Donald Howard, J. W.; Gerald S. Gray, S. Meeting second Monday; election, December. 4
- Bar Harbor, 185, Bar Harbor. Walter G. Flagg, M.; Robert S. Frye, S. W.; William K. Carswell, J. W.; Chandler E. Graves, S. Meeting third Thursday; election, December. 21
- Baskahegan, 175, Danforth. Walter E. Blanchard, M.; Arnold Dickinson, S. W.; Don Golden, J. W.; Lynden E. Pratt, S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, August. 24
- Bay View, 196, East Boothbay. Edgar W. Lewis, M.; Frederic C. McKown, S. W.; Alden H. Lewis, J. W.; Carlton R. Barlow, S. Meeting second Thursday; election, December. 10
- Benevolent, 87, Carmel. Thomas Shaw Ranney, M.; Clarence Hamlin, S. W.; Parker Ranny, J. W.; Howard A. Hawes, S. Meeting Wednesday week of full moon; election, October. 6
- Bethel, 97, Bethel. Charles A. Keoskie, M.; Wilbur R. Myers, S. W.; Blake Mackay, J. W.; Ernest A. Mundt, S. Meeting second Thursday; election, November. 16
- Bethlehem, 35, Augusta. Robert A. Strickland, M.; Leon E. Smith, S. W.; Aubrey L. Goodheart, J. W.; Maurice H. Leighton, S. Meeting first Monday; election, January. 11
- Bingham, 199, Bingham. Stanley S. Atwood, M.; Wesley D. Baker, S. W.; Douglas H. Gordon, J. W.; Lee C. Smith, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, January. 13
- Blazing Star, 30, Rumford. John H. Allan, M.; James W. Guptill, S. W.; Richard M. Waldenmyer, J. W.; William H. Gruber, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, December. 20

- Blue Mountain, 67, Phillips. Sherwood M. Gould, M.; Henry L. Kenney, S. W.; James G. Ross, J. W.; Norman E. Butler, S. Meeting Wednesday week of full moon; election, September. 15
- Bristol, 74, Bristol. Stephen W. Prentice, M.; Kenton E. Carter, S. W.; Malcolm L. Hunter, J. W.; Leon P. Munro, S. Meeting second Monday; election, December. 10
- Brotherhood, U. D. Daniel I. Kornetsky, M.; Gilbert D. Eaton, S. W.; Benjamin E. Finn, J. W.; Herschel M. Nickerson, S. Meeting second Tuesday; election, January.
- Buxton, 115, West Buxton. Leon E. Redlon, M.; Eugene L. Hebert, S. W.; Arthur H. Gannett, J. W.; Homer M. Illingworth, S. Meeting Monday evening on or before full moon; election, December. 18
- Cambridge, 157, Cambridge. Frank Quimby, M.; Lyndon Rooks, S. W.; Alfred Magoon, J. W.; Victor Chadbourne, S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, December. 22
- Caribou, 170, Caribou. Edward G. Lundgren, M.; Gilbert F. Anderson, S. W.; Ray Harmon, Jr., J. W.; H. Ross Carr, S. Meeting first Thursday; election, December. 1
- Carrabasset, 161, Canaan. Raymond H. Hunt, M.; Raymond E. Tozier, S. W.; Sewall B. Salisbury, J. W.; Vernon M. Gleason, S. Meeting second Tuesday; election, October. 13
- Casco, 36, Yarmouth. Albert W. Siegars, M.; Joel D. King, S. W.; Alson C. Brawn, J. W.; Clarence H. Seabury, S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, October. 17
- Central, 45, China. Nelson M. Robinson, M.; Ray O. Riggs, S. W.; John P. Gould, J. W.; Jasper L. Haines, S. Meeting Wednesday on or before full moon; election, December. 12
- Columbia, 200, Greenville. John W. Richards, Jr., M.; John Smith, S. W.; Earl Thompson, J. W.; William K. Whitney, S. Meeting fourth Tuesday; election, December. 5
- Composite, 168, Lagrange. Russell Smart, M.; Marcel Dyer, S. W.; Melvin Lane, J. W.; Robert M. Neal, S. Meeting second Thursday; election, October. 5
- Corinthian, 95, Hartland. Wendall G. Bubar, M.; Linwood Perkins, S. W.; Robert Scott, J. W.; Keith Emery (St. Albans), S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, December. 22
- Corner Stone, 216, Portland. Lloyd A. Carll, M.; Gordon G. Williams, S. W.; Ralph E. Aaskov, J. W.; Harlan E. Irish, S. Meeting second Friday except July and August; election, June. 17
- Crescent, 78, Pembroke. Leigh Leighton, M.; Minden M. Perkins, S. W.; Charles Jones, J. W.; Verner T. Brown, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, December. 2
- Crooked River, 152, Bolster's Mills. Loren Brett, M.; Orrin Linnell, S. W.; Jasper Haggerty, J. W.; Ashley Ellis, S. Meeting second Thursday; election, November. 16

- Cumberland, 12, New Gloucester. Milford M. Flint, M.; Carroll Foster, S. W.; J. Frederick McCann, J. W.; Leo G. Torrey (Auburn R. F. D. 3), S. Meeting Saturday before full moon; election, November. 23
- David A. Hooper, 201, West Sullivan. Lorenzo Creamer, Jr., M.; Leroy M. Nason, S. W.; Charles R. Phippen, J. W.; Seth A. Johnson, S. Meeting first Saturday; election, December. 21
- Davis, 191, Strong. Mervin A. Timberlake, M.; Clifford H. Durrell, S. W.; Herbert L. Preston, J. W.; Ralph H. Starbird, S. Meeting Friday week of full moon; election September. 15
- Day Spring, 107, West Newfield. Shepley L. Ross, M.; Elwyn W. Lowe, S. W.; Earl H. Reed, J. W.; George F. Wentworth, S. Meeting second Monday; election, December. 18
- Deering, 183, Portland. Elvin S. Winckler, M.; Donald B. Vickerson, S. W.; Robert M. Fletcher, J. W.; Philip F. Clark (35 Bedell St.), S. Meeting second Monday; election, February. 17
- Delta, 153, Lovell. Edward G. Bell, M.; John R. Fox, S. W.; Donald L. Andrews, J. W.; Samuel H. Ring, S. Meeting second Thursday; election, December. 16
- Dirigo, 104, Weeks Mills. John H. Crommett, M.; Harold C. Casey, S. W.; Clarence E. Thurston, J. W.; Elwood E. Tracy, S. Meeting Monday on or before full moon; election, October. 11
- Doric, 149, Monson. Aubrey M. Williams, M.; Frank W. Nelson, S. W.; Adin A. Green, J. W.; Earle H. Jackson, S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, December. 5
- Dresden, 103, Dresden Mills. James C. McCoy, M.; Ray B. Cate, S. W.; L. W. Munsey, J. W.; Charles E. Foss, S. Meeting second Tuesday; election, October. 10
- Drummond, 118, North Parsonsfield. Charles A. West, M.; Philip W. Morrill, S. W.; Edmund J. Hadlock, J. W.; Fred M. Leavitt (Kezar Falls, R. F. D.), S. Meeting first Thursday; election, September. 18
- Dunlap, 47, Biddeford. Wilmont B. Bailey, M.; Elmer E. Bardsley, S. W.; Roy O. Edwards, J. W.; Clarence B. Rumery (Masonic Bldg.), S. Meeting first Monday, except July and August; election, December. 18
- Eastern, 7, Eastport. James W. Logan, M.; Thomas A. Green, S. W.; Miles F. Minctons, J. W.; William J. Goulding, S. Meeting first Monday; election, December. 2
- Eastern Frontier, 112, Fort Fairfield. Kempton A. Boyd, M.; Roy E. Fields, S. W.; Alan R. Hopkinson, J. W.; Harold H. Hopkinson, S. Meeting second Tuesday; election, December. 1
- Eggemoggin, 128, Sedgwick. Alton R. Smith, M.; Leslie T. Candage, S. W.; Conrad Parker, J. W.; Hermann W. Chatto (Brooklin), S. Meeting second Monday; election, September. 4

- Euclid, 194, Madison. Thomas H. McDonald, M.; Norris S. Davidson, S. W.; Chester A. Blizard, J. W.; Murray L. Hendsbee, S. Meeting first Monday; election, January. 13
- Eureka, 84, Tenant's Harbor. Howard I. Monaghan, M.; Elwood Brown, S. W.; Richard Feller, J. W.; Harlan H. Bragdon (St. George), S. Meeting first Thursday; election, January. 9
- Evening Star, 147, Buckfield. Carl E. Jordan, M.; Donald P. Heald, S. W.; Richard M. Adams, J. W.; James E. Warren, S. Meeting Monday on or before full moon; election, September. 16
- Excelsior, 151, Northport. John L. Ketner, M.; Joel F. Prescott, Jr., S. W.; Napoleon Parkinson, J. W.; Leon Richards, S. Meeting first Friday; election, November. 8
- Felicity, 19, Bucksport. Fred W. Danforth, M.; Urban H. Coombs, S. W.; Lawrence L. Bunker, J. W.; Verne J. Wheat (R. F. D. 1), S. Meeting second Monday; election, December. 21
- Forest, 148, Springfield. Winfred Crosby, M.; Herbert McKenney, S. W.; George McLaughlin, J. W.; L. A. Barrows (Lee, Me.), S. Meeting Saturday, preceding full moon; election, September. 24
- Fort Kent, 209, Fort Kent. John D. Wylie, M.; Fernald K. Henderson, S. W.; John G. Sinclair, J. W.; Donald M. Canders, S. Meeting last Wednesday; election, December. 1
- Franklin, 123, New Sharon. Victor Brown, M.; B. Colby Prescott, S. W.; Leland Buzzell, J. W.; Fred T. Allen, S. Meeting Friday on or before full moon; election, January. 15
- Fraternal, 55, Alfred. Bertram B. McDonald, M.; Frederick Pierce, S. W.; Harold Howard, J. W.; Bernard DeHaven, S. Meeting third Wednesday; election, November. 19
- Freedom, 42, Limerick. Ernest Manson, M.; Kenneth E. Fish, S. W.; Donald C. Johnson, J. W.; Arthur F. Lougee, S. Meeting fourth Wednesday; election, December. 18
- Freeport, 23, Freeport. Kenneth C. Sloat, M.; Shailor R. Hayes, S. W.; Ralph H. Call, J. W.; Horace C. Libby, S. Meeting first Monday; election, December. 14
- Granite, 182, West Paris. Irving V. Ellingwood, M.; Rupert M. Ellingwood, S. W.; Bricene A. Haines, J. W.; Clarence M. Coffin, S. Meeting first Monday; election, October. 16
- Greenleaf, 117, Cornish. Hanes G. Gibson, M.; Kenneth L. Wright, S. W.; Cecil R. Gilpatrick, J. W.; Lloyd Locklin, S. Meeting second Wednesday; election, December. 18
- Hancock, 4, Castine. Clarence N. Williams, M.; John Little, S. W.; Russell H. Terry, J. W.; Randell S. Peterson, S. Meeting first Thursday; election, December. 4

- Harmony, 38, Gorham. Norman S. Hill, M.; John B. Alden, S. W.; Miles Brookes, J. W.; Durward E. Burnham, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, December. 17
- Harwood, 91, Machias. John H. Reynolds, M.; Ernest Campbell, S. W.; Millard Whitney, J. W.; William Jordan, S. Meeting first Monday; election, December. 3
- Hermon, 32, Gardiner. Percy K. Hanson, M.; Lloyd E. Wales, S. W.; Stewart D. Leighton, J. W.; Russell F. Marston (Randolph), S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, January. 11
- Hiram, 180, South Portland. Leon E. Burbank, M.; William T. Danes, S. W.; John D. Allen, J. W.; Clayton C. Fickett, Jr., (22 Cottage Farms Road), S. Meeting second Tuesday; election, June. 17
- Horeb, 93, Lincoln. Charles Gemme, M.; Carroll Fisher, S. W.; Ralph Armstrong, J. W.; James A. Vose, S. Meeting second Tuesday; election first Monday in October. 24
- Howard, 69, Winterport. Richard Moran, M.; Raymond Cookson, S. W.; Albert J. Tenant, J. W.; Arthur O. Nelson, S. Meeting fourth Friday; election, September. 6
- Ira Berry, 187, Blue Hill. Harry C. Duffy, M.; Elwood W. Leighton, S. W.; Lawris A. Closson, J. W.; Howard M. Curtis, S. Meeting third Monday; election December. 4
- Island, 89, Islesboro. George A. Durkee, M.; Leroy G. McCorison, S. W.; William F. Littlefield, J. W.; Howard C. Pendleton (Dark Harbor), S. Meeting first Thursday; election, January. 7
- Island Falls, 206, Island Falls. Malcolm B. Palmer, M.; Roy C. Newman, S. W.; Harris A. Forter, J. W.; Vinal L. Webb, S. Meeting third Wednesday; election, September. 24
- Jefferson, 100, Bryant Pond. Leroy Day, M.; John W. Tibbets, S. W.; Charles W. Day, J. W.; E. Lee Mills, S. Meeting Tuesday on or before full moon; election, September. 16
- Jonesport, 188, Jonesport. Harry S. Fish, M.; James Dobbins, S. W.; John J. Riley, J. W.; Conrad H. Peacock, S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, January. 3
- Katahdin, 98, Patten. Earl C. Giggery, M.; Fred Harrington, S. W.; John A. Elliott, J. W.; Ralph I. Miles, S. Meeting third Thursday; election, December. 24
- Kemankeag, 213, Rangeley. John M. Russell, M.; Frederic B. Haradin, S. W.; Oscar W. Riddle, J. W.; A. Mason Russell, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, December. 15
- Kenduskeag, 137, Kenduskeag. W. E. Canty, M.; George R. Mower, S. W.; Joseph M. Megquier, J. W.; Philip F. Warren, S. Meeting last Wednesday; election, October. 6

- Kennebec, 5, Hallowell. Howard W. Varney, M.; Ernest Davies, S. W.; Elwood M. Lapham, J. W.; Arnold L. Selwood, S. Meeting Wednesday on or before full moon; election, November. 11
- Keystone, 80, Solon. Ira R. Adams, M.; Ivan Pearson, S. W.; Roger A. Heald, J. W.; Eldred C. Heald, S. Meeting third Wednesday; election, October. 13
- King David's 62, Lincolnville. Roland G. Robbins, M.; Chester E. Pooley, S. W.; Willard H. Hardy, J. W.; Robert Rollerson, S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, October. 7
- King Hiram, 57, Dixfield. Richard Quint, M.; Stanton Horne, S. W.; Willis McGuire, J. W.; M. Kenneth Frost, S. Meeting second Tuesday; election, October. 20
- King Solomon's, 61, Waldoboro. William Both, M.; Roger E. Miller, S. W.; Charles A. Jackson, J. W.; Clinton E. Matthews, S. Meeting Friday on or before full moon; election, October. 9
- Knox, 189, South Thomaston. Norman Drinkwater, M.; Theodore Allard, S. W.; John F. Newman, J. W.; Randall R. Hopkins, S. Meeting second Monday; election, January. 9
- Lafayette, 48, Readfield. Lloyd F. Tilton, M.; Carl J. Lundgren, S. W.; Albert F. Bishop, J. W.; F. Boardman Fish, Jr., S. Meeting first Thursday; election, December. 11
- Lebanon, 116, Norridgewock. Gordon G. Halliday, M.; Russell O. Bradford, S. W.; Clyde J. Henderson, J. W.; Carroll R. Bickford (R. F. D. 1, Fairfield), S. Meetings first Friday; election, September. 13
- Lewy's Island, 138, Princeton. Ernest Scott, M.; Donald Mercier, S. W.; Clement Elble, J. W.; Bernard McDowell, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, December, St. John's Day. 2
- Liberty, 111, Liberty. George A. Spencer, M.; Walter B. Griffin, S. W.; Howard E. Leighton, J. W.; Edwin B. Whitaker, S. Meeting second Saturday; election, September. 8
- Limestone, 215, Limestone. Richard Edgecomb, M.; Arthur Libby, S. W.; Clarence Brinkman, J. W.; Harry M. Morris, S. Meeting second Tuesday; election, December. 1
- Lincoln, 3, Wiscasset. John M. Lewis, M.; George H. Wilson, S. W.; Franklin J. Skillin, J. W.; Laurence I. Davis, S. Meeting Thursday, on or before full moon; election, December. 10
- Lookout, 131, Cutler. Neil C. Corbett, M.; Clarence Harmon, S. W.; Ira L. Beam, J. W.; Charles M. Ackley, S. Meeting Monday on or before full moon; election, December. 3
- Lygonia, 40, Ellsworth. Alton G. Ford, M.; John A. Chambers, S. W.; E. Alexander Ray, J. W.; Harry E. Rowe, S. Meeting first Thursday; election, January. 21

- Lynde, 174, Hermon. Zerah P. McCarty, M.; Royce H. Gray, S. W.; Lloyd R. Littlefield, J. W.; Linwood W. Littlefield, S. Meeting Saturday on or before full moon; election, October. 6
- McKinley, 212, McKinley. Charles LaMae, M.; Russell Gott, S. W.; Wills Dow, J. W.; Shirley Cummings, S. Meeting first Tuesday, election, December. 21
- Maine, 20, Farmington. Clifford A. Rounds, M.; R. Stewart Whittier, S. W.; James H. Sutcliffe, J. W.; Gwilym R. Roberts, S. Meeting Monday week of full moon; election, December. 15
- Marine, 122, Deer Isle. Maurice H. Eaton, M.; Stephen Z. Rice, S. W.; Percy L. Brown, J. W.; Leon C. Weed, S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, October. 4
- Mariners', 68, Searsport. Victor N. Greene, M.; Lindley S. Small, S. W.; Alton L. Johnson, Jr., J. W.; Milton L. Clements, S. Meetings first Tuesday; election, October. 8
- Marsh River, 102, Brooks. Elwood Welch, M.; Norman Kenney, S. W.; Stanley Paul, J. W.; John Hall, S. Meeting fourth Thursday; election, October. 8
- Mechanics, 66, Orono. Charles B. King, M.; William S. Skolfield, S. W.; Harold L. Chute, J. W.; Bernie E. Plummer, Jr., S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, December. 6
- Meduncook, 211, Friendship. Maynard A. Winchenback, M.; J. Woodrow Venge, S. W.; Randell C. Foster, J. W.; Luther Walton, S. Meeting first Monday, except Stated September first Wednesday; election, January. 6
- Meridian, 125, Pittsfield. Chester C. Lynn, M.; Harvey M. Wilson, S. W.; Sumner A. Jones, J. W.; Gilbert A. Spear, S. Meeting fourth Tuesday; election, September. 22
- Meridian Splendor, 49, Newport. Howard L. Shapiro, M.; Richard E. Maynard, S. W.; Roland N. Petersen, J. W.; Lewman B. Soper, S. Meeting first Thursday; election, December. 22
- Messalonskee, 113, Oakland. Earl M. Hutchinson, M.; Norman W. Booker, S. W.; Frank D. Soper, J. W.; Harley P. Mairs, S. Meeting on the first Saturday; election, December. 12
- Molunkus, 165, Sherman Mills. Darrell Seavey, M.; Harry James, S. W.; Clair O'Rook, J. W.; Floyd Martin, S. Meeting Tuesday. on or before full moon, election, October. 24
- Monmouth, 110, Monmouth. Leland C. Davis, Jr., M.; Arthur J. Chick, S. W.; Thomas E. Robertson, J. W.; Earle H. Ramsdell, S. Meeting second Monday; election, September. 11
- Monument, 96, Houlton. James L. Ross, M.; Lawrence C. Good, S. W.; Norman R. Rogerson, J. W.; Millard A. Fairley, S. Meeting second Wednesday except June, July and August; election, February. 1

- Morning Star, 41, Litchfield. Alvin H. Reichel, M.; Robert J. Godfrey, S. W.; Maurice G. Hilton, J. W.; Weston R. Allen, S. Meeting Tuesday on or before full moon; election, September. 11
- Mosaic, 52, Dover-Foxcroft. Donald E. Murch, M.; Earl H. Betts, S. W.; William H. Cilley, J. W.; Robert I. Roberts, S. Meeting third Thursday; election, December. 5
- Moses Webster, 145, Vinalhaven. Malcolm E. Whittington, M.; Richard A. Williams, S. W.; Edwin F. Maddox, J. W.; Charles L. Boman, S. Meeting second Tuesday; election, November. 9
- Mount Abram, 204, Kingfield. Earlon P. McClure, M.; Murray McMullen, S. W.; R. Perry Mercurio, J. W.; Everett L. Pushard, S. Meeting first Thursday; election, December. 15
- Mount Bigelow, 202, Stratton. Lee F. Ricker, M.; Odell L. Dyer, S. W.; Clyde W. York, J. W.; Percival B. Parsons, S. Meeting second Saturday; election, September. 15
- Mount Desert, 140, Mount Desert. Irving Stover, M.; Glendon T. Lurvey, S. W.; Robert Carter, J. W.; Allen C. Fernald, S. Meeting third Monday; election, December. 21
- Mount Kineo, 109, Guilford. Harold O. Page, M.; William C. Taylor, S. W.; Norman E. Bearsley, J. W.; William L. Bates, S. Meeting third Tuesday; election, December. 5
- Mount Moriah, 56, Denmark. Lewis Lamont, Jr., M.; Merle R. Moores, S. W.; Royce N. Rankin, J. W.; Paul Wadsworth, S. Meeting third Wednesday; election, December. 16
- Mount Olivet, 203, Washington. Talbot W. Johnston, M.; Roland Luce, S. W.; William Z. Saunders, J. W.; Fred L. Ludwig, S. Meeting last Thursday each month; election, September. 7
- Mount Tir'em, 132, Waterford. Haynes F. Noyes, M.; James H. Tyler, S. W.; F. Hugh Foster, J. W.; Harold Kimball, S. Meeting Tuesday on or before full moon; election, December. 16
- Mystic, 65, Hampden. Harry L. Sargent, M.; Preston L. Daff, S. W.; Irvn C. Libby, J. W.; Louis C. Stearns, 3rd, S. Meeting Saturday on or before full moon; election, December. 6
- Mystic Tie, 164, Weld. Arlson E. Maxwell, M.; Harold E. Hutchinson, S. W.; Elijah H. White, J. W.; Philip E. Maxwell, S. Meeting third Wednesday; election, December. 20
- Narraguagus, 88, Cherryfield. Donald McLaughlin, Jr., M.; Roy Farren, Jr., S. W.; Clayton Gay, Jr., J. W.; Arthur D. Lawrence, S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, January. 3
- Naskeag, 171, Brooklin. Robert R. Burnham, M.; Arno Day, S. W.; Charles A. Williams, J. W.; George M. Murray, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, November. 4

- Naval, 184, Kittery. Reginald F. Berry, M.; Norman R. Searles, S. W.; Franklin G. Wilson, J. W.; Clarence D. Hackney, (Kittery), S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, December. 19
- Neguemkeag, 166, Vassalboro. Marshall H. Kearney, M.; Lester K. Albee, S. W.; Donald Brown, J. W.; Paul Brooks Newcomb, S. Meeting third Thursday; election, September. 12
- Nezinscott, 101, Turner. L. H. Gilbert, Jr., M.; C. E. Prince, S. W.; Arch D. Leavitt, J. W.; Rufus Prince, S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, January. 23
- Nollesemic, 205, Millinocket. Philip K. Libby, M.; Charles A. Coffin, S. W.; Harold E. Birt, Sr., J. W.; Clifford H. M. Perry, S. Meeting second Thursday; election, October. 24
- Northeast Harbor, 208, Northeast Harbor. Edward W. Bucklin, M.; Earl L. Carter, S. W.; Howard S. Wood, J. W.; William S. Holmes, S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, December. 21
- Northern Star, 28, North Anson. Murray O. Livingstone, M.; Donald H. Pickett, S. W.; Lynwood P. Hill, J. W.; Alfred L. Holbrook, S. Meeting second Tuesday; election, December. 13
- Ocean, 142, Wells Depot. Donald Paine, M.; Charles Seaman, S. W.; Lloyd Grant, J. W.; Carl N. Kimball, S. Meeting Wednesday on or before full moon; election, December. 19
- Olive Branch, 124, Charleston. Harold G. Williams, M.; N. E. Strout, S. W.; Franklin W. Rich, J. W.; Merle S. Bradford, S. Meeting second Thursday; election, September. 6
- Orchard, 215, Old Orchard. Stanley M. Harmon, M.; Asa M. Douglass, S. W.; Ernest F. Soule, J. W.; Clarence A. Lary, S. Meeting second Monday; election, September. 18
- Orient, 15, Thomaston. Victor K. Hills, M.; Kenneth D. Feyler, Sr., S. W.; Roy H. Emerson, J. W.; Aaron A. Clark, S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, January. 9
- Oriental, 13, Bridgton. Linwood L. Curtis, M.; Burton M. Cushman, S. W.; George M. Oberg, J. W.; Alton E. Bean, S. Meeting fourth Wednesday; election, December. 16
- Oriental Star, 21, Livermore Falls. Alfred G. Gammon, M.; Franklin J. Austin, S. W.; Leslie E. Boothby, J. W.; Francis R. Merkle, S. Meeting second Wednesday; election, January. 20
- Oxford, 18, Norway. Joseph N. Margolin, M.; Richard J. Denison, S. W.; Arnold I. Moulton, J. W.; Stanley P. Murch, S. Meeting fourth Monday; election, December. 16
- Pacific, 64, Exeter. Charles Tapley, M.; Fred Ames, S. W.; F. Parker Ainsworth, J. W.; Elmer H. Stocker, S. Meeting third Wednesday; election, December. 22

- Parian, 160, Corinna. William A. Buckland, Jr., M.; Philip G. Coburn, S. W.; Robert E. Pearson, J. W.; John H. Philbrick, S. Meeting second Tuesday; election, December. 22
- Paris, 94, South Paris. Wilfred Corbett, M.; Arnold Stone, S. W.; Roland Swan, J. W.; Walter Gray, S. Meeting third Tuesday; election, January. 16
- Penobscot, 39, Dexter. Thomas R. Tillson, M.; John H. Knowles, S. W.; Linwood H. Haseltine, J. W.; Victor L. McAllister, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, June. 5
- Phoenix, 24, Belfast. Kenneth Nickerson, M.; Maurice W. Darres, S. W.; Charles Brown, J. W.; Carl R. Blake, S. Meeting second Monday; election, October. 8
- Pine Tree, 172, Mattawamkeag. Frederick S. Coombs, M.; Philip L. Shedd, S. W.; Van B. Whitney, J. W.; Frank W. Burke, S. Meeting second Monday, each month; election, October. 24
- Pioneer, 72, Ashland. James A. McDonald, M.; Lloyd A. Goding, S. W.; Ralph R. Rafford, J. W.; Charles D. Sylvester, S. Meeting second Wednesday; election, December. 1
- Piscataquis, 44, Milo. George E. Hamlin, M.; Cecil F. Harmon, S. W.; Alfred G. Weymouth, Jr., J. W.; Arthur E. Lewis (29 Elm St.), S. Meeting second Friday; election, February. 5
- Pleasant River, 163, Brownville. Russell H. Ladd, M.; Franklin D. Small, S. W.; Pearley G. Cail, J. W.; D. C. Manzer, S. Meeting third Monday; election, November. 5
- Pleiades, 173, Millbridge. Joseph C. Strout, M.; Howard B. Snell, S. W.; Francis J. Pinkham, J. W.; Albert P. Stewart, S. Meeting first Monday; election, January. 3
- Polar Star, 114, Bath. Edmund R. Furber, M.; Jack McCall, S. W.; Richard Towle, J. W.; George E. Boynton, S. Meeting second Wednesday, except July and August; election, March. 14
- Portland, 1, Portland. Samuel G. Glines, M.; Lawrence Bibber, S. W.; Carl A. Garris, J. W.; William W. Graves (Box 1843), S. Meeting second Wednesday; election, June. 17
- Pownal, 119, Stockton Springs. Richard B. Crosby, M.; Richard Heath, S. W.; Shepard Edwards, Jr., J. W.; Edwin O. Harrison, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, October. 8
- Preble, 143, Sanford. Ralph E. Wiggin, M.; Stanley V. Charlton, S. W.; Thomas S. Beale, J. W.; Clifford P. Cook, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, December. 19
- Presumpscot, 127, North Windham. Merton R. Johnson, M.; Roland V. Hiscock, S. W.; Walter L. Peavey, J. W.; David T. Plummer (Raymond), S. Meeting second Saturday; election, December. 17

- Pythagorean, 11, Fryeburg. Bernard E. Ridlon, M.; David R. Hastings, S. W.; C. Richard Pike, J. W.; Jack D. Mansur, S. Meeting Monday on or before full moon; election, December. 16
- Quantabacook, 129, Searsmont. Ray A. Hatch, M.; Earl Tenny, S. W.; Floyd Thompson, J. W.; Horace V. Jackson, S. Meeting first Saturday; election, October. 7
- Rabboni, 150, Lewiston. Albert S. Johnson, M.; William L. Scott, S. W.; Philip M. Isaacson, J. W.; Dwight F. Marble, S. Meeting third Wednesday; election, January. 23
- Ralph J. Pollard, 217, Orrington. Herbert R. Sawyer, M.; Robert E. Glidden, S. W.; Donald S. Reed, J. W.; William D. Nickerson, (R. F. D. So. Brewer), S. Meeting first Thursday; Election, December. 6
- Reliance, 195, Stonington. Howard Hutchinson, M.; Alfred H. Colwell, S. W.; Myron G. Shepard, J. W.; Jay F. Prime, S. Meeting first Monday; election, January. 4
- Richmond, 63, Richmond. John W. Thrower, M.; Clowes P. Guion, Jr., S. W.; Bernard G. Smith, J. W.; Almon W. Riske, S. Meeting third Monday; election, October. 14
- Rising Star, 117, Penobscot. Donald Blodgett, M.; Robert Leach, S. W.; Alexander Gray, J. W.; Royden Bowden, S. Meeting second Wednesday; election, December. 4
- Rising Sun, 71, Orland. Robert M. Hutchins, M.; George K. White, S. W.; Russell T. Doyle, J. W.; Arthur L. Farnham, S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, December. 21
- Rising Virtue, 10, Bangor. Harley C. Pulk, M.; Vinal M. Lamson, S. W.; Edward L. Connor, J. W.; Alden F. Denaco, S. Meeting last Tuesday; election, December. 6
- Riverside, 135, Jefferson. Donald F. Pierce, M.; George H. Hendsbee, S. W.; Frank H. Flagg, J. W.; Harold S. Baker, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, October. 7
- Rockland, 79, Rockland. Walter G. Dimick, Jr., M.; Willis B. Kinney, S. W.; Eino E. Hill, J. W.; Charles M. Foote, S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, January. 9
- Rural, 53, Sidney. Dean M. Bailey, M.; Henry F. Bacon, S. W.; George Potter, J. W.; Joseph E. Blaisdell, S. Meeting second Saturday; election, September. 11
- Saco, 9, Saco. Ralph C. Lamb, M.; Lester W. Pray, S. W.; William G. Young, J. W.; Edgar H. Pellerin (246 Beach St.), S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, January. 18
- St. Andrew's, 83, Bangor. Alden C. Mitchell, M.; Franklin R. St. Clair, S. W.; Curtis D. Beatham, J. W.; Merrill R. Kittredge (38 West St.), S. Meeting last Friday; election, December. 6

- St. Aspinquid, 198, York Village. Samuel R. Blaisdell, Jr., M.; Earl C. Hayford, S. W.; James W. Barr, J. W.; G. Howard Dunning, S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, December. 19
- St. Croix, 46, Calais. Harold S. Wright, M.; Robert B. Buck, S. W.; Norman T. Gleason, J. W.; Francis P. Rutherford, S. Meeting first Monday; election, December, St. John's Day. 2
- St. George, 16, Warren. George A. Buck, M.; Paul H. Dillaway, S. W.; Frank D. Barrett, J. W.; Judson P. Lord, S. Meeting third Monday; election, October. 9
- St. John's, 51, South Berwick. Herbert A. Swett, M.; Wesley F. Adams, S. W.; Carl C. Horne, J. W.; Phillip F. Shorey, S. Meeting third Monday; election, December. 19
- St. Paul's 82, Rockport. William Bartlett, M.; Raymond Simonton, S. W.; Clarence Pendleton, J. W.; Ernest F. Crockett, S. Meeting Monday on or before full moon; election, October. 7
- Seaside, 144, Boothbay Harbor. Eugene C. Stover, M.; Chester T. Blanchard, S. W.; Leon E. Duprey, J. W.; Walter F. Townsend, S. Meeting first Friday; election, December. 10
- Sebasticock, 146, Clinton. Paul E. Keene, M.; Warren Russell, S. W.; Charles Green, Jr., J. W.; Wesley M. Keene, S. Meeting Thursday on or before full moon; election, October. 12
- Shepherd's River, 169, Brownfield. Lyman H. Wells, M.; Frank McDonald, S. W.; Christian A. Pandora, J. W.; George W. Ward, S. Meeting Wednesday on or after full moon; election, December. 16
- Siloam, 92, Fairfield. Douglas T. Bitcom, M.; Norman E. Jonassen, S. W.; Preston W. Stewart, J. W.; W. Raymond Gower, S. Meeting first Thursday; election, December. 12
- Solar, 14, Bath. Donald T. Page, M.; Ray I. Lawrence, S. W.; Roswell C. Haskell, J. W.; Karcher S. Jackson, S. Meeting first Monday; election, January, May and September, 2nd Monday. 14
- Somerset, 34, Skowhegan. Kendall G. Hunnewell, M.; Robert M. Groyer, S. W.; Norman E. Hunt, J. W.; Walter H. Moore, S. Meeting second Monday; election, January. 12
- Springvale, 190, Springvale. John H. Folsom, M.; Laurent J. Young, S. W.; Richard G. Lamb, J. W.; Charles R. Fuller, S. Meeting second Tuesday; election, December. 19
- Standish, 70, Standish. Raymond L. Alley, M.; David F. Drew, Jr., S. W.; Franklin N. Horsman, J. W.; Elmer H. Alley, S. Meeting second Thursday; election, December. 17
- Star in the East, 60, Old Town. Norman G. Knapp, M.; E. Hobart Libby, S. W.; Kenneth Salisbury, J. W.; Paul E. West, S. Meeting last Monday; election, September. 6

- Star in the West, 85, Unity. Lloyd E. Barrows, M.; Maynard Fowler, S. W.; Frank H. Quimby, J. W.; Lloyd W. Tozier, S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, June. 12
- Temple, 25, Winthrop. Halton W. Foster, M.; Lloyd H. Beach, S. W.; Arnold Bean, J. W.; Horace C. Chessman, S. Meeting second Monday; election, January. 11
- Temple, 86, Westbrook. David Miller, Jr., M.; James H. Gowen, S. W.; Louis B. Davis, J. W.; Norman B. Swett (147 Brackett St.), S. Meeting second Wednesday; election, December. 17
- Timothy Chase, 126, Belfast. Harold J. Jones, M.; George N. LaRue, S. W.; Richard Brown, J. W.; M. C. Ellingwood, S. Meeting first Thursday; election, January. 8
- Tranquil, 29, Auburn. Harold F. Eveleth, M.; Warren E. Andrews, S. W.; Henry N. Tukey, Jr., J. W.; Irving M. Curtis, S. Meeting Wednesday on or before full moon; election, January. 23
- Tremont, 77, Southwest Harbor. Warren R. Worcester, M.; Volney S. Bradford, S. W.; Donald O. Worcester, J. W.; George L. Higgins, S. Meeting first Thursday; election, December. 21
- Trinity, 130, Presque Isle. Stanley R. Taylor, M.; Franklin B. Scribner, S. W.; G. Arthur Perry, J. W.; Daniel E. Hansen, S. Meeting first Tuesday; election, January. 1
- Tuscan, 106, Addison. Fred Champion, M.; Warren P. Trundy, S. W.; Edwin F. Leighton, J. W.; Donald M. White, S. Meeting first Saturday; election, December. 3
- Tyrian, 73, Mechanic Falls. Woodrow Gammon, M.; Arnold Leavitt, S. W.; Russell Jordan, J. W.; Samuel S. Smalley, S. Meeting Thursday on or before full moon; election, October. 23
- Union, 31, Union. Robie Robbins, M.; Frank Burgess, S. W.; Alfred E. Luce, J. W.; Roscoe B. Fuller, S. Meeting first Thursday, election, December. 7
- United, 8, Brunswick. Raymond A. Freeman, M.; Frank E. Campbell, S. W.; Aubrey H. Chase, J. W.; Percy E. Norcross, S. Meeting second Tuesday; election, December. 14
- Unity, 58, Thorndike. Adrie W. Giggey, M.; Vaughn Hurd, S. W.; Claude E. Bessey, Jr., J. W.; Isaiah Jackson, (Freedom) S. Meeting second Thursday, election, September. 12
- Vassalboro, 54, North Vassalboro. Kenneth C. Masse, M.; Allen S. Gray, S. W.; Orvil C. Page, J. W.; Clyde E. Adams, S. Meeting second Tuesday; election, January. 12
- Vernon Valley, 99, Mount Vernon. Robert S. Pray, M.; Karl A. Johnson, S. W.; Paul F. Merservey, J. W.; Norman Cushman, S. Meeting Tuesday on or before full moon; election, December. 15

- Village, 26, Bowdoinham. Merle A. MacDonald, M.; Gerald E. Adams, S. W.; Philip L. Carr, J. W.; Edward L. White, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, October. 14
- Warren, 2, East Machias. John M. Archibald, M.; Edwin R. Grover, Jr., S. W.; Newton Ingalls, J. W.; Edwin J. Cates, S. Meeting second Tuesday; election, December. 3
- Warren Phillips, 186, Cumberland Mills. Harold E. Jordan, Jr., M.; Herbert W. Crawford, S. W.; Alton E. Hazlett, J. W.; Elmer E. Hallowell, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, January. 17
- Washburn, 193, Washburn. Robert A. Johnston, M.; Thomas F. Dow, S. W.; Lewis E. Cole, J. W.; Walter Morrison (Mapleton), S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, December. 1
- Washington, 37, Lubec. James L. Simonds, M.; Robert G. MacBride, S. W.; Carlton Corey, J. W.; Everett S. Higgins, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, December. 2
- Waterville, 33, Waterville. James A. Boardman, M.; Louis O. Lombard, S. W.; Fred W. Schenk, Jr., J. W.; Harry S. Grindall, S. Meeting second Monday; election, December. 12
- Webster, 164, Sabattus. Horace J. Atwood, M.; Frank L. Hinckley, S. W.; Theodore F. Atwood, J. W.; Raymond J. Savage, S. Meeting third Thursday; election, December. 23
- Whitney, 167, Canton. Perley Clarence Gordon, M.; Robert Taylor, S. W.; Ernest Milkey, J. W.; Earle V. Carlton, S. Meeting first Thursday; election, September. 20
- Wilton, 156, Wilton. Calvin B. Sewall, M.; Charles C. Swett, S. W.; Lester B. Coull, J. W.; Charlton F. Scott, S. Meeting Wednesday week of full moon; election, January. 15
- Winter Harbor, 192, Winter Harbor. James S. Torrey, M.; Earle B. Tracy, Jr., S. W.; Rudolph A. Johnson, J. W.; Alvin R. Whitten, S. Meeting first Wednesday; election, December. 21
- York, 22, Kennebunk. Royal E. Spofford, M.; Charles R. Dutch, S. W.; G. William Jennison, J. W.; Gerald E. McConnell, S. Meeting first Monday; election, December. 19
- Yorkshire, 179, North Berwick. Richard A. Bradburn, M.; Clyde B. Staples, Jr., S. W.; Walter M. Shaw, J. W.; Floyd R. Johnson, S. Meeting last Friday; election, December. 19

List of Lodges by Districts

DISTRICT No. 1.

District Grand Master—WALLACE H. CAMPBELL, Fort Fairfield.

72 Pioneer, Ashland.	193 Washburn, Washburn.
96 Monument, Houlton.	197 Aroostook, Mars Hill.
112 Eastern Frontier, Ft. Fairfield.	209 Fort Kent, Fort Kent.
130 Trinity, Presque Isle	214 Limestone, Limestone.
170 Caribou, Caribou.	

DISTRICT No. 2.

District Deputy Grand Master—JOSEPH C. INGALLS, Lubec.

7 Eastern, Eastport.	78 Crescent, Pembroke.
37 Washington, Lubec	138 Lewy's Island, Princeton.
46 St. Croix, Calais.	

DISTRICT No. 3.

District Deputy Grand Master, CLIFFORD H. WEST, Milbridge.

2 Warren, East Machias.	131 Lookout, Cutler.
88 Narraguagus, Cherryfield.	173 Pleiades, Millbridge
91 Harwood, Machias.	188 Jonesport, Jonesport
106 Tuscan, Addison	

DISTRICT No. 4.

District Deputy Grand Master—RODNEY H. BARTLETT, Blue Hill.

4 Hancock, Castine.	177 Rising Star, Penobscot.
122 Marine, Deer Isle.	187 Ira Berry, Bluehill.
128 Eggemoggin, Sedgwick.	195 Reliance, Stonington.
171 Naskeag, Brooklin.	210 Bagaduce, North Brooksville.

DISTRICT No. 5.

District Deputy Grand Master—DONALD L. STICKNEY, Brownville.

39 Penobscot, Dexter.	163 Pleasant River, Brownville
44 Piscataquis, Milo.	168 Composite, Lagrange.
52 Mosaic, Dover-Foxcroft.	200 Columbia, Greenville.
109 Mount Kineo Guilford.	207 Abner Wade, Sangerville.
149 Doric, Monson.	

DISTRICT No. 6.

District Deputy Grand Master—ROBERT C. CARTER, Orono.

10 Rising Virtue, Bangor.	87 Benevolent, Carmel.
60 Star in the East, Old Town.	124 Olive Branch, Charleston.
65 Mystic, Hampden.	137 Kenduskeag, Kenduskeag.
66 Mechanics', Orono	174 Lynde, Hermon
69 Howard, Winterport.	217 Ralph J. Pollard, Orrington.
83 St. Andrew's, Bangor.	

DISTRICT No. 7.

District Deputy Grand Master—ALBERT W. HOFFSES, Camden.

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| 6 Amity, Camden. | 89 Island, Islesboro. |
| 31 Union, Union, | 129 Quantabacook, Searsmont. |
| 62 King David's, Lincolnville. | 135 Riverside, Jefferson. |
| 82 St. Paul's, Rockport. | 203 Mt. Olivet, Washington |

DISTRICT No. 8.

District Deputy Grand Master—L. FAIR ELWELL, Brooks.

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| 24 Phoenix, Belfast. | 102 Marsh River, Brooks. |
| 68 Mariners' Searsport. | 119 Pownal, Stockton Springs |
| 151 Excelsior, Northport. | 126 Timothy Chase, Belfast |
| 111 Liberty, Liberty. | |

DISTRICT No. 9.

District Deputy Grand Master—DAVID DUNCAN, SR., Vinalhaven.

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| 15 Orient, Thomaston. | 84 Eureka, Tenant's Harbor. |
| 16 St. George, Warren. | 145 Moses Webster, Vinalhaven. |
| 50 Aurora, Rockland. | 189 Knox, South Thomaston. |
| 61 King Solomon's, Waldoboro. | 211 Meduncook, Friendship. |
| 79 Rockland, Rockland. | |

DISTRICT No. 10.

District Deputy Grand Master—LEON P. MUNRO, Round Pond.

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| 3 Lincoln, Wiscasset. | 144 Seaside, Boothbay Harbor. |
| 43 Alna, Damariscotta. | 158 Anchor, South Bristol. |
| 74 Bristol, Bristol. | 196 Bay View, East Boothbay |
| 103 Dresden, Dresden Mills. | |

DISTRICT No. 11.

District Deputy Grand Master, WESTON R. ALLEN, Litchfield.

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| 5 Kennebec, Hallowell. | 53 Rural, Sidney. |
| 25 Temple, Winthrop. | 104 Dirigo Week's Mills |
| 32 Hermon, Gardiner. | 110 Monmouth, Monmouth |
| 35 Bethlehem, Augusta | 133 Asylum, Wayne. |
| 41 Morning Star, Litchfield. | 141 Augusta, Augusta. |
| 48 Lafayette Readfield. | |

DISTRICT No. 12.

District Deputy Grand Master—FRANCIS E. BRANCH, Vassalboro,
R. F. D. No. 1, Augusta.

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| 33 Waterville, Waterville. | 92 Siloam, Fairfield. |
| 45 Central, China. | 113 Messalonskee, Oakland. |
| 54 Vassalboro, No. Vassalboro. | 146 Seabasticook Clinton. |
| 58 Unity, Thorndike. | 166 Neguemkeag, Vassalboro |
| 85 Star in the West, Unity. | |

DISTRICT No. 13.

District Deputy Grand Master—ALLAN P. ROBINSON, Bingham.

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| 28 Northern Star, North Anson. | 161 Carrabassett, Canaan. |
| 34 Somerset, Skowhegan. | 194 Euclid, Madison. |
| 80 Keystone, Solon. | 199 Bingham, Bingham. |
| 116 Lebanon, Norridgewock. | |

DISTRICT No. 14.

District Deputy Grand Master—NATHANIEL A. GILPATRICK, Richmond.

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| 8 United, Brunswick. | 63 Richmond, Richmond. |
| 14 Solar, Bath. | 114 Polar Star, Bath. |
| 23 Freeport, Freeport. | 121 Acacia, Durham. |
| 26 Village, Bowdoinham. | 155 Ancient York, Lisbon Falls. |

DISTRICT No. 15.

District Deputy Grand Master—HAROLD T. RICKER, Stratton.

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| 20 Maine, Farmington. | 156 Wilton, Wilton. |
| 67 Blue Mountain, Phillips. | 191 Davis, Strong. |
| 99 Vernon Valley, Mt. Vernon. | 202 Mount Bigelow, Flagstaff. |
| 123 Franklin, New Sharon. | 204 Mount Abram, Kingfield. |
| 154 Mystic Tie, Weld. | 213 Kemankeag, Rangeley. |

DISTRICT No. 16.

District Deputy Grand Master—PAUL WADSWORTH, Hiram.

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| 11 Pythagorean, Fryeburg. | 100 Jefferson, Bryant Pond. |
| 13 Oriental, Bridgton. | 132 Mt. Tir'em, Waterford. |
| 18 Oxford, Norway. | 152 Crooked River, Bolster's Mills. |
| 56 Mt. Moriah, Denmark. | 153 Delta, Lovell. |
| 94 Paris, South Paris. | 169 Shepherd's River, Brownfield. |
| 97 Bethel, Bethel. | 182 Granite, West Paris. |

DISTRICT No. 17.

District Deputy Grand Master—M. DONALD GARDNER, Portland,
6 Mackworth Street.

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| 1 Portland, Portland. | 127 Presumpscot, North Windham. |
| 17 Ancient Land-Mark, Portland. | 180 Hiram, South Portland. |
| 36 Casco, Yarmouth. | 183 Deering, Portland. |
| 38 Harmony, Gorham. | 186 Warren Phillips, Cumb. Mills. |
| 70 Standish, Standish. | 216 Corner Stone, Portland. |
| 81 Atlantic, Portland. | U.D. Brotherhood, Portland. |
| 86 Temple, Westbrook. | |

DISTRICT No. 18.

District Deputy Grand Master—WILLIS H. WEBBER,
R. F. D. 1, Berwick.

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| 9 Saco, Saco. | 115 Buxton, West Buxton. |
| 27 Adoniram, Limington. | 117 Greenleaf, Corrish. |
| 42 Freedom, Limerick. | 118 Drummond, No. Parsonsfield. |
| 47 Dunlap, Biddeford. | 162 Arion, Goodwin's Mills. |
| 107 Day Spring, West Newfield. | 215 Orchard, Old Orchard. |

DISTRICT No. 19.

District Deputy Grand Master—KENNETH M. RITCHIE, Kennebunk.

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| 22 York, Kennebunk. | 143 Preble, Sanford. |
| 55 Fraternal, Alfred. | 184 Naval, Kittery. |
| 51 St. John's South Berwick. | 179 Yorkshire, North Berwick. |
| 76 Arundel, Kennebunkport. | 198 St. Aspinquid, York Village. |
| 142 Ocean, Wells Depot. | 190 Springvale, Springvale. |

DISTRICT No. 20.

District Deputy Grand Master—WILLIAM H. GRUBER, Rumford.

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| 21 Oriental Star, Livermore Falls. | 147 Evening Star, Buckfield. |
| 30 Blazing Star, Rumford. | 167 Whitney, Canton. |
| 57 King Hiram, Dixfield. | |

DISTRICT No. 21.

District Deputy Grand Master—LESTER C. GRAY, Bucksport.

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| 19 Felicity, Bucksport. | 185 Bar Harbor, Bar Harbor. |
| 40 Lygonia, Ellsworth. | 192 Winter Harbor, Winter Harbor. |
| 71 Rising Sun, Orland. | 201 David A. Hooper, W. Sullivan. |
| 77 Tremont, Southwest Harbor. | 208 N. E. Harbor, N. E. Harbor. |
| 140 Mount Desert, Mount Desert. | 212 McKinley, McKinley. |

DISTRICT No. 22.

District Deputy Grand Master—KILBORN H. MERRILL, Pittsfield.

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| 49 Meridian Splendor, Newport. | 125 Meridian, Pittsfield. |
| 64 Pacific, Exeter. | 157 Cambridge, Cambridge. |
| 75 Archon, East Dixmont. | 160 Parian, Corinna. |
| 95 Corinthian, Hartland. | |

DISTRICT No. 23.

District Deputy Grand Master—JOHN M. HALFYARD, Auburn,
320 Turner Street.

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| 12 Cumberland, New Gloucester. | 105 Ashlar, Lewiston. |
| 29 Tranquil, Auburn. | 150 Rabboni, Lewiston. |
| 73 Tyrian, Mechanic Falls. | 164 Webster, Sabattus. |
| 101 Nezinscot, Turner. | 178 Ancient Brothers', Auburn. |

DISTRICT No. 24.

District Deputy Grand Master—L. JACKMAN SLEEPER, Sherman Mills.

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| 93 Horeb, Lincoln. | 172 Pine Tree, Mattawamkeag. |
| 98 Katahdin, Patten. | 175 Baskahegan, Danforth. |
| 148 Forest, Springfield. | 205 Nollesemic, Millinocket. |
| 165 Molunkus, Sherman Mills. | 206 Island Falls, Island Falls. |

Towns in Maine Where Masonic Lodges are Located

Location.	Lodge.	District.
ADDISON,	Tuscan, 106.	3
ALFRED,	Fraternal 55,	19
ASHLAND,	Pioneer, 72,	1
AUBURN,	Ancient Brothers', 178.	23
AUBURN,	Tranquil, 29,	23
AUGUSTA,	Augusta, 141,	11
AUGUSTA,	Bethlehem, 35,	11
BANGOR,	Rising Virtue, 10,	6
BANGOR,	St. Andrew's, 83,	6
BAR HARBOR,	Bar Harbor, 185,	21
BATH,	Polar Star, 114.	14
BATH,	Solar, 14,	14
BELFAST,	Phoenix, 24,	8
BELFAST,	Timothy Chase, 126	8
BETHEL,	Bethel, 97,	16
BIDDEFORD,	Dunlap, 47,	18
BINGHAM	Bingham, 199,	13
BLUE HILL,	Ira Berry, 187	4
BOLSTER'S MILLS,	Crooked River, 152	16
BOOTHBAY HARBOR,	Seaside, 144,	10
BOWDOINHAM,	Village, 26,	14
BRIDGTON,	Oriental, 13,	16
BRISTOL,	Bristol, 74,	10
BROOKLIN,	Naskeag 171,	4
BROOKS,	Marsh River, 102,	8
BROWNFIELD,	Shepherd's River, 169,	16
BROWNVILLE,	Pleasant River, 163	5
BRUNSWICK,	United, 8,	14
BRYANT POND,	Jefferson, 100,	16
BUCKFIELD,	Evening Star, 147,	20
BUCKSPORT,	Felicity, 19,	21
CALAIS,	St. Croix, 46,	2
CAMBRIDGE,	Cambridge, 157,	22
CAMDEN,	Amity, 6,	7
CANAAN,	Carrabasset, 161,	13
CANTON,	Whitney, 167	20
CARIBOU,	Caribou, 170,	1
CARMEL,	Benevolent 87,	6

CASTINE,	Hancock, 4,	4
CHARLESTON,	Olive Branch, 124,	6
CHERRYFIELD,	Narraguagus, 88,	3
CHINA,	Central, 45,	12
CLINTON,	Sebasticook, 146,	12
CORINNA,	Parian, 160,	22
CORNISH,	Greenleaf, 117,	18
CUMBERLAND MILLS,	Warren Phillips, 186,	17
CUTLER,	Lookout, 131,	3
DAMARISCOTTA,	Alna, 43,	10
DANFORTH,	Baskahegan, 175,	4
DEER ISLE,	Marine, 122,	4
DENMARK,	Mount Moriah, 56,	16
DEXTER,	Penobscot, 39,	5
DIXFIELD,	King Hiram, 57,	20
DOVER-FOXCROFT,	Mosaic, 52,	5
DRESDEN MILLS,	Dresden, 103,	10
DURHAM,	Acacia, 121,	14
EAST BOOTHBAY,	Bay View, 196,	10
EAST DIXMONT,	Archon, 75,	22
EAST MACHIAS,	Warren, 2,	2
EASTPORT,	Eastern 7,	2
ELLSWORTH,	Lygonia, 40,	21
EXETER,	Pacific, 64,	22
FAIRFIELD,	Siloam, 92,	12
FARMINGTON,	Maine, 20,	15
FORT FAIRFIELD,	Eastern Frontier, 112,	1
FORT KENT,	Fort Kent, 209,	1
FREEPORT,	Freeport, 23,	14
FRIENDSHIP,	Meduncook, 211,	9
FRYEBURG,	Pythagorean, 11,	16
GARDINER,	Hermon, 32,	11
GOODWIN'S MILLS,	Arion, 162,	18
GORHAM,	Harmony, 38,	17
GREENVILLE,	Columbia, 200,	5
GUILFORD,	Mount Kineo, 109,	5
HALLOWELL,	Kennebec, 5,	11
HAMPDEN,	Mystic, 65,	6
HARTLAND,	Corinthian, 95,	22
HERMON,	Lynde, 174,	6
HOULTON,	Monument, 96,	1
ISLAND FALLS,	Island Falls, 206,	24
ISLESBORO,	Island, 89,	7
JEFFERSON,	Riverside, 135,	7
JONESPORT,	Jonesport, 188,	3
KENDUSKEAG,	Kenduskeag, 137,	6
KENNEBUNK,	York, 22,	19

KENNEBUNKPORT,	Arundel, 76,	19
KINGFIELD,	Mount Abram, 204,	15
KITTERY,	Naval, 184,	19
LAGRANGE,	Composite, 168,	5
LEWISTON,	Ashlar, 105,	23
LEWISTON,	Rabboni, 150,	23
LIBERTY,	Liberty, 111,	8
LIMERICK,	Freedom, 42,	19
LIMESTONE,	Limestone, 214,	1
LIMINGTON,	Adoniram, 27,	18
LINCOLN,	Horeb, 93,	24
LINCOLNVILLE,	King David's, 62,	7
LISBON FALLS,	Ancient York, 155,	14
LITCHFIELD,	Morning Star, 41,	11
LIVERMORE FALLS,	Oriental Star, 21,	20
LOVELL,	Delta, 153,	16
LUBEC,	Washington, 37,	2
MACHIAS,	Harwood, 91,	3
MADISON,	Euclid, 194,	13
MARS HILL,	Aroostook, 197,	1
MATTAWAMKEAG,	Pine Tree, 172,	24
McKINLEY,	McKinley, 212,	21
MECHANIC FALLS,	Tyrian, 73,	23
MILBRIDGE,	Pleiades, 173,	3
MILLINOCKET,	Nollesemic, 205,	24
MILO,	Piscataquis, 44,	5
MONMOUTH,	Monmouth, 110,	11
MONSON,	Doric, 149,	5
MOUNT DESERT,	Mount Desert, 140,	21
MOUNT VERNON,	Vernon Valley, 99,	15
NEW GLOUCESTER,	Cumberland, 12,	23
NEWPORT,	Meridian Splendor, 49,	22
NEW SHARON,	Franklin, 123,	15
NORRIDGEWOCK,	Lebanon, 116,	13
NORTH ANSON,	Northern Star, 28,	13
NORTH BERWICK,	Yorkshire, 179,	19
NORTH BROOKSVILLE,	Bagaduce, 210,	4
NORTHEAST HARBOR,	Northeast Harbor, 208,	21
NORTH PARSONSFIELD,	Drummond, 118,	18
NORTH VASSALBORO,	Vassalboro, 54,	12
NORTH WINDHAM,	Presumpscot, 127,	17
NORTHPORT,	Excelsior, 151,	8
NORWAY,	Oxford, 18,	16
OAKLAND,	Messalonskee, 113,	12
OLD ORCHARD,	Orchard, 215,	18
OLD TOWN,	Star in the East, 60,	6
ORLAND,	Rising Sun, 71,	21

ORONO,	Mechanics', 66,	6
ORRINGTON,	Ralph J. Pollard,	6
PATTEN,	Katahdin, 98,	24
PEMBROKE,	Crescent, 78,	2
PENOBSCOT,	Rising Star, 177,	4
PHILLIPS,	Blue Mountain, 67,	15
PITTSFIELD,	Meridian, 125,	22
PORTLAND,	Ancient Landmark, 17,	17
PORTLAND,	Atlantic, 81,	17
PORTLAND,	Corner Stone, 216,	17
PORTLAND,	Deering, 183,	17
PORTLAND,	Portland, 1,	17
PORTLAND,	Brotherhood, U. D.	17
PRESQUE ISLE,	Trinity, 130,	1
PRINCETON,	Lewy's Island, 138,	2
RANGELEY,	Kemankeag, 213,	15
READFIELD,	Lafayette, 48,	11
RICHMOND,	Richmond, 63,	14
ROCKLAND,	Aurora, 50,	9
ROCKLAND,	Rockland, 79,	9
ROCKPORT,	St. Paul's, 82,	7
RUMFORD,	Blazing Star, 30,	20
SABATTUS,	Webster, 164,	23
SACO,	Saco, 9,	18
SANFORD,	Preble, 143,	19
SANGERVILLE,	Abner Wade, 207,	5
SEARSMONT,	Quantabacook, 129,	7
SEARSPORT,	Mariners', 68,	8
SEDGWICK,	Eggemoggin, 128,	4
SHERMAN MILLS,	Molunkus, 165,	24
SIDNEY,	Rural, 53,	11
SKOWHEGAN,	Somerset, 34,	13
SOLON,	Keystone, 80,	13
SOUTH BERWICK,	St. John's, 51,	19
SOUTH BRISTOL,	Anchor, 158,	10
SOUTH PARIS,	Paris, 94,	16
SOUTH PORTLAND,	Hiram, 180,	17
SOUTH THOMASTON,	Knox, 189,	9
SOUTHWEST HARBOR,	Tremont, 77,	21
SPRINGFIELD,	Forest, 148,	24
SPRINGVALE,	Springvale, 190,	19
STANDISH,	Standish, 70,	17
STOCKTON SPRINGS,	Pownal, 119,	8
STONINGTON,	Reliance, 195,	4
STRATTON,	Mount Bigelow, 202,	15
STRONG,	Davis, 191,	15
TENANT'S HARBOR,	Eureka 84,	9

THOMASTON.	Orient, 15.	9
THORNDIKE,	Unity 58.	12
TURNER,	Nezinscot, 101.	23
UNION,	Union, 31.	7
UNITY,	Star in the West, 85.	12
VASSALBORO,	Neguemkeag, 166.	12
VINALHAVEN,	Moses Webster, 145.	9
WALDOBORO,	King Solomon's, 61.	9
WARREN,	St George, 16.	9
WASHBURN,	Washburn, 193.	1
WASHINGTON,	Mt. Olivet, 203.	7
WATERFORD.	Mount Tir'em, 132.	16
WATERVILLE,	Waterville, 33.	12
WAYNE,	Asylum, 133.	11
WEEKS MILLS,	Dirigo, 104.	11
WELD,	Mystic Tie, 154.	15
WELLS DEPOT,	Ocean, 142.	19
WESTBROOK,	Temple, 86.	17
WEST BUXTON,	Buxton, 115.	18
WEST NEWFIELD,	Day Spring 107.	18
WEST PARIS,	Granite, 182.	16
WEST SULLIVAN,	David A. Hooper, 201	21
WILTON,	Wilton, 156.	15
WINTER HARBOR,	Winter Harbor, 192.	21
WINTERPORT,	Howard, 69.	6
WINTHROP,	Temple, 25.	11
WISCASSET,	Lincoln, 3.	10
YARMOUTH,	Casco, 36.	17
YORK VILLAGE.	St. Aspinquid, 198.	19

Lodges in Maine

With Dates of Precedent and Charters

LODGE	LOCATION	DATE OF PRECEDENCE	DATE OF CHARTER
1 Portland,	Portland,	Mch. 30, 1769	Mch. 30, 1769
2 Warren,	East Machias,	Sept. 10, 1778	Sept. 10, 1778
3 Lincoln,	Wiscasset,	June 1, 1792	June 1, 1792
4 Hancock,	Castine,	June 9, 1794	June 9, 1794
5 Kennebec,	Hallowell,	Mch. 14, 1796	Mch. 14, 1796
6 Amity,	Camden,	Mch. 10, 1801	Mch. 10, 1801
7 Eastern,	Eastport,	June 8, 1801	June 8, 1801
8 United,	Brunswick,	Dec. 14, 1801	Dec. 14, 1801
9 Saco,	Saco,	June 14, 1802	June 16, 1802
10 Rising Virtue,	Bangor,	Sept. 13, 1802	Sept. 16, 1802
11 Pythagorean,	Fryeburg,	June 13, 1803	June 13, 1803
12 Cumberland,	New Gloucester,	June 13, 1803	June 13, 1803
13 Oriental,	Bridgton,	Mch. 12, 1804	Mch. 12, 1804
14 Solar,	Bath,	Sept. 10, 1804	Sept. 10, 1804
15 Orient,	Thomaston,	Sept. 10, 1805	Sept. 10, 1805
16 Saint George,	Warren,	Mch. 10, 1806	Mch. 10, 1806
17 Ancient Landmark,	Portland,	June 10, 1806	June 10, 1806
18 Oxford,	Norway,	Sept. 14, 1807	Sept. 14, 1807
19 Felicity,	Bucksport,	Mch. 14, 1809	Mch. 14, 1809
20 Maine,	Farmington,	June 13, 1809	Jan. 13, 1810
21 Oriental Star,	Livermore,	June 13, 1811	June 13, 1811
22 York,	Kennebunk,	Mch. 9, 1813	Mch. 9, 1813
23 Freeport,	Freeport,	Sept. 13, 1814	Sept. 13, 1814
24 Phoenix,	Belfast,	Sept. 9, 1816	Dec. 30, 1816
25 Temple,	Winthrop,	Sept. 8, 1817	Oct. 6, 1817
26 Village,	Bowdoinham,	June 9, 1817	Sept. 16, 1817
27 Adoniram,	Limington,	Sept. 9, 1818	Sept. 10, 1818
28 Northern Star,	North Anson,	Dec. 9, 1818	Dec. 15, 1818
29 Tranquil,	Auburn,	Dec. 9, 1818	Dec. 9, 1818
30 Blazing Star,	Rumford,	Mch. 10, 1819	Mch. 11, 1819
31 Union,	Union,	Dec. 27, 1819	April 8, 1820
32 Hermon,	Gardiner,	June 23, 1820	June 23, 1820
33 Waterville,	Waterville,	June 27, 1820	June 27, 1820
34 Somerset,	Skowhegan,	Jan. 11, 1821	Jan. 11, 1821
35 Bethlehem,	Augusta,	July 12, 1821	May 3, 1862†
36 Casco,	Yarmouth,	Oct. 11, 1821	Oct. 24, 1826
37 Washington,	Lubec,	Jan. 10, 1822	Jan. 24, 1821
38 Harmony,	Gorham,	Jan. 10, 1822	Jan. 24, 1822
39 Penobscot,	Dexter,	Jan. 10, 1822	Jan. 24, 1822
40 Lygonia	Ellsworth,	April 11, 1822	April 11, 1822
41 Morning Star,	Litchfield,	July 11, 1822	July 16, 1822
42 Freedom,	Limerick,	Jan. 11, 1823	Jan. 14, 1823
43 Alna,	Damariscotta,	Jan. 11, 1823	Jan. 14, 1823
44 Piscataquis,	Milo,	Oct. 9, 1823	Oct. 28, 1823
45 Central,	China,	April 8, 1824	April 8, 1824
46 Saint Croix,	Calais,	April 8, 1824	April 8, 1824
47 Dunlap,	Biddeford	Jan. 13, 1826	Jan. 30, 1826
48 Lafayette,	Readfield,	Jan. 13, 1826	May 20, 1850†
49 Meridian Splendor,	Newport,	July 13, 1826	July 18, 1826
50 Aurora,	Rockland,	July 18, 1826	May 9, 1872†
51 Saint John's,	South Berwick,	Jan. 12, 1827	Feb. 13, 1827
52 Mosaic,	Dover-Foxcroft,	April 22, 1827	July 16, 1827
53 Rural,	Sidney,	April 12, 1827	July 25, 1827
54 Vassalboro,	No. Vassalboro,	April 12, 1827	May 31, 1827
55 Fraternal,	Alfred,	Jan. 10, 1828	Jan. 10, 1828
56 Mount Moriah,	Denmark,	Jan. 10, 1828	Jan. 23, 1828
57 King Hiram,	Dixfield,	April 10, 1828	May 9, 1872†

LODGE	LOCATION	DATE OF PRECEDENCE	DATE OF CHARTER
58 Unity,	Thorndike,	April 10, 1828	May 15, 1828
59 Mount Hope,	Hope,	Jan. 25, 1848	May 4, 1848†
60 Star in the East,	Old Town,	Feb. 23, 1848	May 5, 1848
61 King Solomon's,	Waldoboro,	April 4, 1849	Feb. 4, 1855†
62 King David's,	Lincolnton,	June 16, 1849	Jan. 13, 1850
63 Richmond,	Richmond,	Jan. 1, 1850	May 10, 1850
64 Pacific,	Exeter,	Oct. 22, 1850	May 12, 1851
65 Mystic,	Hampden,	Mch. 1, 1851	May 12, 1851
66 Mechanics',	Orono,	Mch. 3, 1851	May 12, 1851
67 Blue Mountain,	Phillips,	July 12, 1850	May 10, 1852
68 Mariners',	Searsport,	Oct. 23, 1851	May 10, 1853
69 Howard,	Winterport,	Nov. 28, 1851	May 6, 1853
70 Standish,	Standish,	June 10, 1852	May 10, 1853
71 Rising Sun,	Orland,	Oct. 18, 1852	May 10, 1853
72 Pioneer,	Ashland,	Oct. 26, 1852	May 5, 1854
73 Tyrian,	Mechanic Falls,	Jan. 21, 1853	May 10, 1853
74 Bristol,	Bristol,	Mch. 1, 1853	May 5, 1854
*75 Archon,	East Dixmont,	May 9, 1853	May 5, 1854¶
76 Arundel,	Kennebunkport,	May 5, 1854	June 26, 1854
77 Tremont,	So. West Harbor,	June 12, 1854	May 3, 1856
78 Crescent,	Pembroke,	July 4, 1854	July 10, 1854
79 Rockland,	Rockland,	Oct. 25, 1854	April 4, 1872†
80 Keystone,	Solon,	Dec. 16, 1854	May 4, 1855
81 Atlantic,	Portland,	May 3, 1855	May 3, 1855
82 Saint Paul's,	Rockport,	Oct. 27, 1855	May 2, 1856
83 Saint Andrew's,	Bangor,	Feb. 6, 1856	May 3, 1856
84 Eureka,	Tenants Harbor,	July 27, 1855	May 2, 1856
85 Star in the West,	Unity,	May 4, 1855	May 24, 1856
86 Temple,	Westbrook,	Mch. 1, 1856	May 5, 1856
87 Benevolent,	Carmel,	Mch. 12, 1857	May 7, 1857
88 Narraguagus,	Cherryfield,	Mch. 25, 1857	May 28, 1857
89 Island,	Islesboro,	April 3, 1857	Nov. 5, 1857
90 Hiram Abiff,	West Appleton,	Jan. 27, 1857	May 5, 1858§
91 Harwood,	Machias,	April 8, 1858	Oct. 15, 1858
92 Siloam,	Fairfield,	Mch. 8, 1858	Jan. 1, 1859
93 Horeb,	Lincoln,	June 5, 1858	May 5, 1859
94 Paris,	South Paris,	June 15, 1858	May 5, 1859
95 Corinthian,	Hartland,	Sept. 13, 1858	May 5, 1859
96 Monument,	Houlton,	Nov. 18, 1858	May 5, 1859
97 Bethel,	Bethel,	July 6, 1859	May 5, 1860
98 Katahdin,	Patten,	Aug. 24, 1859	May 3, 1860
99 Vernon Valley,	Mount Vernon,	Oct. 28, 1859	May 3, 1860
100 Jefferson,	Bryant Pond,	Feb. 8, 1860	May 3, 1860
101 Nezinscot,	Turner,	Mch. 1, 1860	May 3, 1860
102 Marsh River,	Brooks,	Dec. 24, 1859	May 9, 1861
103 Dresden,	Dresden Mills,	Feb. 3, 1860	May 9, 1861
104 Dirigo,	Week's Mills,	June 12, 1860	May 9, 1861
105 Ashlar,	Lewiston,	Nov. 5, 1860	May 9, 1861
106 Tuscan,	Addison,	Dec. 27, 1860	May 9, 1861
107 Day Spring,	West Newfield,	Mch. 19, 1861	May 9, 1861
108 Relief,	Belgrade,	Jan. 11, 1861	May 8, 1862§
109 Mount Kineo,	Guilford,	May 10, 1861	May 8, 1862
110 Monmouth,	Monmouth,	May 21, 1861	May 8, 1862
111 Liberty,	Liberty,	Nov. 8, 1861	May 8, 1862
112 Eastern Frontier,	Fort Fairfield,	May 8, 1862	May 7, 1863
113 Messalonskee,	Oakland,	May 15, 1862	May 7, 1863
114 Polar Star,	Bath,	Mch. 7, 1863	May 7, 1863
115 Buxton,	West Buxton,	Mch. 18, 1863	May 7, 1863
116 Lebanon,	Norridgewock,	April 30, 1863	May 7, 1863

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117 Greenleaf,	Cornish,	April 22, 1863	May 4, 1864
118 Drummond,	No. Parsonsfield,	May 7, 1863	May 4, 1864
119 Pownal,	Stockton,	July 4, 1863	May 6, 1875†
120 Meduncook,	Friendship,	Feb. 6, 1864	May 4, 1864†
121 Acacia,	Durham,	May 7, 1863	May 4, 1865
122 Marine,	Deer Isle,	Mch. 18, 1864	May 3, 1865
123 Franklin,	New Sharon,	May 4, 1864	May 3, 1865
124 Olive Branch,	Charleston,	May 4, 1864	May 3, 1865
125 Meridian,	Pittsfield,	June 7, 1864	May 3, 1865
126 Timothy Chase,	Belfast,	Oct. 26, 1864	May 3, 1865
127 Presumpscot,	North Windham,	Nov. 19, 1864	May 3, 1866
128 Eggemoggin,	Sedgwick,	Mch. 1, 1865	May 3, 1866
129 Quantabcook,	Searsmont,	Mch. 28, 1865	May 3, 1866
130 Trinity,	Presque Isle,	July 17, 1865	May 3, 1866
131 Lookout,	Cutler,	July 18, 1865	May 3, 1866
132 Mount Tir'em,	Waterford,	Oct. 18, 1865	May 3, 1866
133 Asylum,	Wayne,	July 20, 1865	May 9, 1867
134 Trojan,	Troy,	Feb. 19, 1866	May 9, 1867†
135 Riverside,	Jefferson,	Mch. 13, 1866	May 8, 1867
136 Ionic,	Gardiner,	April 24, 1866	May 9, 1867†
137 Kenduskeag,	Kenduskeag,	May 3, 1866	May 8, 1867
138 Lewy's Island,	Princeton,	May 3, 1866	May 8, 1867
139 Archon,	East Dixmont,	Sept. 26, 1866	May 8, 1867†
140 Mount Desert,	Mount Desert,	Feb. 14, 1867	May 8, 1867
141 Augusta,	Augusta,	Mch. 21, 1867	May 8, 1867
142 Ocean,	Wells,	Mch. 22, 1867	May 7, 1868
143 Preble,	Sanford,	May 9, 1867	May 7, 1868
144 Seaside,	Boothbay Har.,	Oct. 7, 1867	May 7, 1868
145 Moses Webster,	Vinalhaven,	Jan. 13, 1868	May 7, 1868
146 Sebasticook,	Clinton,	Feb. 3, 1868	May 7, 1868
147 Evening Star,	Buckfield,	Feb. 22, 1869	May 5, 1869
148 Forest,	Springfield,	April 1, 1869	May 5, 1869
149 Doric,	Monson,	May 7, 1868	May 5, 1869
150 Rabboni,	Lewiston,	Dec. 28, 1868	May 5, 1869
151 Excelsior,	Northport,	Mch. 1, 1869	May 5, 1869
152 Crooked River,	Bolster's Mills,	April 15, 1869	May 5, 1870
153 Delta,	Lovell,	May 5, 1869	May 4, 1870
154 Mystic Tie,	Weld,	June 8, 1869	May 4, 1870
155 Ancient York,	Lisbon Falls,	Jan. 1, 1870	May 4, 1870
156 Wilton,	Wilton,	Jan. 31, 1870	May 4, 1870
157 Cambridge,	Cambridge,	May 5, 1870	May 4, 1871
158 Anchor,	South Bristol,	May 5, 1870	May 4, 1871
159 Esoteric,	Ellsworth,	Sept. 3, 1870	May 4, 1871†
160 Parian,	Corinna,	Sept. 9, 1870	May 9, 1872
161 Carrabassett,	Canaan,	Mch. 2, 1871	May 9, 1872
162 Arion,	Goodwin's Mills,	Mch. 18, 1871	May 9, 1872
163 Pleasant River,	Brownville,	July 28, 1871	May 9, 1872
164 Webster,	Sabattus,	July 28, 1871	May 9, 1872
165 Molunkus,	Sherman Mills,	Aug. 26, 1871	May 9, 1872
166 Neguemkeag,	Vassalboro,	Dec. 22, 1871	May 9, 1872
167 Whitney,	Canton,	Mch. 9, 1872	May 9, 1872
168 Composite,	Lagrange,	May 9, 1872	May 8, 1873
169 Shepherd's River,	Brownfield,	July 1, 1872	May 8, 1873
170 Caribou,	Caribou,	July 27, 1872	May 8, 1873
171 Naskeag,	Brooklin,	Feb. 3, 1873	May 8, 1873
172 Pine Tree,	Mattawamkeag,	Nov. 14, 1873	May 7, 1874
173 Pleiades,	Millbridge,	May 7, 1874	May 7, 1874
174 Lynde,	Hermon,	May 7, 1874	May 7, 1874
175 Baskahegan,	Danforth,	Dec. 3, 1874	May 20, 1875†

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176 Palestine,	Biddeford,	May 5, 1875	May 6, 1875
177 Rising Star,	Penobscot,	June 17, 1875	May 4, 1876
178 Ancient Brothers',	Auburn,	June 21, 1875	May 4, 1876
179 Yorkshire,	North Berwick,	Sept. 18, 1875	May 4, 1876
180 Hiram,	South Portland,	Nov. 1, 1875	May 4, 1876
181 Reuel Washburn,	East Livermore,	May 4, 1876	May 3, 1877†
182 Granite,	West Paris,	Sept. 16, 1878	May 8, 1879
183 Deering,	Portland,	April 2, 1879	May 8, 1879
184 Naval,	Kittery,	May 8, 1879	May 6, 1880
185 Bar Harbor,	Bar Harbor,	April 19, 1882	May 2, 1882
186 Warren Phillips,	Cumberl'd Mills,	April 18, 1883	May 3, 1883
187 Ira Berry,	Bluchill,	Nov. 12, 1883	May 8, 1884
188 Jonesport,	Jonesport,	May 8, 1884	May 8, 1884
189 Knox,	So. Thomaston,	Sept. 6, 1884	May 7, 1885
190 Springvale,	Springvale,	May 7, 1885	May 6, 1886
191 Davis,	Strong,	May 7, 1885	May 6, 1886
192 Winter Harbor,	Winter Harbor,	Aug. 12, 1887	May 3, 1888
193 Washburn,	Washburn,	Dec. 14, 1887	May 3, 1888
194 Euclid,	Madison,	May 4, 1888	May 9, 1880
195 Reliance,	Stonington,	May 9, 1889	May 8, 1899
196 Bay View,	East Boothbay,	Dec. 20, 1889	May 8, 1890
197 Aroostook,	Mars Hill,	Dec. 17, 1890	May 7, 1891
198 Saint Aspinquid,	York,	July 22, 1892	May 4, 1893
199 Bingham,	Bingham,	Dec. 23, 1892	May 4, 1893
200 Columbia,	Greenville,	July 23, 1894	May 7, 1896
201 David A. Hooper,	West Sullivan,	June 3, 1897	May 5, 1898
202 Mount Bigelow,	Flagstaff,	June 19, 1897	May 6, 1898
203 Mount Olivet,	Washington,	Nov. 24, 1897	May 7, 1898
204 Mount Abram,	Kingfield,	May 4, 1900	May 9, 1901
205 Nohlesmic,	Millinocket,	Nov. 17, 1900	May 9, 1901
206 Island Falls,	Island Falls,	Oct. 3, 1901	May 8, 1902
207 Abner Wade,	Sangerville,	June 3, 1902	May 7, 1903
208 No. East Harbor,	No. East Harbor,	Sept. 2, 1903	May 6, 1904
209 Fort Kent,	Fort Kent,	Mch. 23, 1904	May 4, 1905
210 Bagaduce,	Brooksville,	Sept. 2, 1905	May 3, 1906
211 Meduncook,	Friendship,	Feb. 15, 1909	May 5, 1910
212 McKinley,	McKinley,	May 6, 1909	May 6, 1910
213 Kemankeag	Rangeley,	Oct. 6, 1913	May 7, 1914
214 Limestone,	Limestone,	Nov. 10, 1913	May 7, 1914
215 Orchard	Old Orchard,	May 4, 1916	May 3, 1917
216 Corner Stone,	Portland,	Oct. 27, 1926	May 4, 1927
217 Ralph J. Pollard,	Orrington,	Jan. 28, 1947	May 4, 1948
U. D. Brotherhood,	Portland,	.....	.....

NOTE.— 6 Petitioned for under the name "Federal."

11 Originally "Pequawket" U. D., Charter restored in 1865, after no meetings since 1830

47 Originally "Buxton," removed to Biddeford 1855, name changed.

59 Mt. Hoope, charter surrendered 1879.

*75 Plymouth consolidated with Archon No. 139 which becomes No. 75.

90 Hiram Abiff, charter revoked 1868.

95 Originally "Pond," name changed in 1864.

108 Relief, charter revoked 1894.

115 Removed from Hollis to Buxton 1867. Originally called "Moderation," name changed 1874.

119 Was "Perseverance" U. D.

120 Meduncook, charter surrendered 1884.

134 Trojan, consolidated with Star in the West, No. 85, in 1888.

136 Ionic, charter surrendered 1882.

139 Consolidated with No. 75.

159 Esoteric consolidated with Lygonia, No. 40, Jan. 11, 1908.

160 Was "Fisher" U. D.

176 Palestine, consolidated with Dunlap, No. 47, in 1895.

181 Reuel Washburn, consolidated with Oriental Star, No. 21, in 1892.

Lodges enrolled 217; extinct 10; working 207.

‡ Charter surrendered. § Charter revoked. ¶ Consolidated.

† Means charter surrendered and afterward restored

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1820-21	*William King	*Simon Greenleaf	*William Swan	*Nathaniel Coffin	*Joseph M. Gerrish	*William Lord
1822	*Simon Greenleaf	*William Swan	*Charles Fox	*Josiah W. Mitchell	*Joseph M. Gerrish	*William Lord
1823	*Simon Greenleaf	*William Swan	*Charles Fox	*Samuel Fessenden	*Joseph M. Gerrish	*William Lord
1824	*William Swan	*Charles Fox	*Samuel Fessenden	*George Thacher, Jr.	*Joseph M. Gerrish	*William Lord
1825	*William Swan	*Charles Fox	*Samuel Fessenden	*George Thacher, Jr.	*Joseph M. Gerrish	*William Lord
1826	*Charles Fox	*Samuel Fessenden	*George Thacher, Jr.	*Robert P. Dunlap	*Joseph M. Gerrish	*William Lord
1827	*Charles Fox	*Samuel Fessenden	*George Thacher, Jr.	*Robert P. Dunlap	*Joseph M. Gerrish	*William Lord
1828	*Samuel Fessenden	*Peleg Sprague	*Robert P. Dunlap	*Amos Nourse	*Joseph M. Gerrish	*William Lord
1829	*Samuel Fessenden	*Peleg Sprague	*Robert P. Dunlap	*Amos Nourse	*Joseph M. Gerrish	*William Lord
1830	*Robert P. Dunlap	*Peleg Sprague	*Amos Nourse	*Reuben Nason	*Joseph M. Gerrish	*William Lord
1831	*Robert P. Dunlap	*Nathaniel Coffin	*Amos Nourse	*Reuben Nason	*James B. Cahoon	*William Lord
1832	*Nathaniel Coffin	*Amos Nourse	*John L. Magquier	*David C. Magoun	*James B. Cahoon	*Asaph R. Nichols
1833	*Nathaniel Coffin	*Reuel Washburn	*John L. Magquier	*David C. Magoun	*James B. Cahoon	*Asaph R. Nichols
1834	*Nathaniel Coffin	*Reuel Washburn	*John L. Magquier	*David C. Magoun	*Benjamin Davis	*Asaph R. Nichols
1835	*Reuel Washburn	*David G. Magoun	*Joel Miller	*Abner B. Thompson	*Benjamin Davis	*Asaph R. Nichols
1836	*Reuel Washburn	*David G. Magoun	*Joel Miller	*Abner B. Thompson	*Benjamin Davis	*Philip C. Johnson
1837	*Reuel Washburn	*David G. Magoun	*Joel Miller	*Abner B. Thompson	*Benjamin Davis	*Philip C. Johnson
1838	*Abner B. Thompson	*Asaph R. Nichols	*Thomas W. Smith	*Stephen Webber	*Benjamin Davis	*Philip C. Johnson
1839	*Abner B. Thompson	*Asaph R. Nichols	*Thomas W. Smith	*Stephen Webber	*Benjamin Davis	*Philip C. Johnson
1840	*Abner B. Thompson	*Asaph R. Nichols	*Thomas W. Smith	*Stephen Webber	*Benjamin Davis	*Philip C. Johnson
1841	*Hezekiah Williams	*Asaph R. Nichols	*Thomas W. Smith	*John T. Paine	*Benjamin Davis	*Philip C. Johnson
1842	*Thomas W. Smith	*Asaph R. Nichols	*John T. Paine	*Alexander H. Putney	*Benjamin Davis	*Philip C. Johnson
1843	*Thomas W. Smith	*Asaph R. Nichols	*John T. Paine	*Alexander H. Putney	*Benjamin Davis	*Philip C. Johnson
1844	*Thomas W. Smith	*James L. Child	*John T. Paine	*Alexander H. Putney	*Henry H. Boody	*Philip C. Johnson
1845	*John T. Paine	*Asaph R. Nichols	*Alexander H. Putney	*John C. Humphreys	*Henry H. Boody	*Charles Fox
1846	*John T. Paine	*Elisha Harding	*Alexander H. Putney	*John C. Humphreys	*Henry H. Boody	*Charles B. Smith
1847	*Alexander H. Putney	*Samuel L. Valentine	*John C. Humphreys	*Frye Hall	*Henry H. Boody	*Charles B. Smith
1848	*Alexander H. Putney	*Samuel L. Valentine	*John C. Humphreys	*Joseph C. Stevens	*Henry H. Boody	*Charles B. Smith
1849	*Joseph C. Stevens	*John C. Humphreys	*Freeman Bradford	*Stephen Webber	*Henry H. Boody	*Charles B. Smith
1850	*Joseph C. Stevens	*John C. Humphreys	*Freeman Bradford	*Timothy Chase	*Henry H. Boody	*Charles B. Smith
1851	*John C. Humphreys	*Freeman Bradford	*Timothy Chase	*William Somerby	*Henry H. Boody	*Charles B. Smith
1852	*John C. Humphreys	*Freeman Bradford	*Timothy Chase	*William Somerby	*Henry H. Boody	*Charles B. Smith
1853	*Freeman Bradford	*Timothy Chase	*Jabez True	*Thomas B. Johnston	*Moses Dodge	*Charles B. Smith
1854	*Timothy Chase	*Jabez True	*Jabez True	*Thomas B. Johnston	*Moses Dodge	*Charles B. Smith
1855	*John Miller	*Jabez True	*Ezra B. French	*William Kimball	*Moses Dodge	*Charles B. Smith

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1856	*Jabez True	*Hiram Chase	*Isaac Downing	*William Allen	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1857	*Robert P. Dunlap	*Hiram Chase	*William Allen	*John Williams	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1858	*Hiram Chase	*Josiah H. Drummond	*Gustavus F. Sargent	*Stephen B. Dockham	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1859	*Hiram Chase	*Josiah H. Drummond	*Gustavus F. Sargent	*Oliver Gerrish	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1860	*Josiah H. Drummond	*William P. Preble	*John J. Bell	*Joseph Covell	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1861	*Josiah H. Drummond	*William P. Preble	*John J. Bell	*Francis J. Day	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1862	*Josiah H. Drummond	*William P. Preble	*David Bugbee	*T. K. Osgood	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1863	*William P. Preble	*John J. Bell	*Edmund Hinckley	*F. Loring Talbot	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1864	*William P. Preble	*Timothy J. Murray	*Francis L. Talbot	*John H. Lynde	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1865	*William P. Preble	*Timothy J. Murray	*Francis L. Talbot	*John H. Lynde	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1866	*Timothy J. Murray	*John H. Lynde	*David Cargill	*Thaddeus R. Simonton	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1867	*Timothy J. Murray	*John H. Lynde	*David Cargill	*Thaddeus R. Simonton	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1868	*Timothy J. Murray	*John H. Lynde	*David Cargill	*Thaddeus R. Simonton	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1869	*John H. Lynde	*David Cargill	*Thaddeus R. Simonton	*John W. Ballou	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1870	*John H. Lynde	*David Cargill	*Thaddeus R. Simonton	*John W. Ballou	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1871	*John H. Lynde	*David Cargill	*Albert Moore	*Henry H. Dickey	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1872	*David Cargill	*Albert Moore	*Edward P. Burnham	*William O. Poor	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1873	*David Cargill	*Albert Moore	*Edward P. Burnham	*William O. Poor	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1874	*David Cargill	*Albert Moore	*Edward P. Burnham	*William O. Poor	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1875	*Albert Moore	*Edward P. Burnham	*William O. Poor	*Charles I. Collamore	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1876	*Albert Moore	*Edward P. Burnham	*Charles I. Collamore	*A. M. Wetherbee	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1877	*Edward P. Burnham	*Charles I. Collamore	*Marquis F. King	*S. J. Chadbourne	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1878	*Edward P. Burnham	*Charles I. Collamore	*Marquis F. King	*S. J. Chadbourne	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1879	*Charles I. Collamore	*Marquis F. King	*Sumner T. Chadbourne	*Edwin Howard Vose	*Moses Dodge	*Ira Berry
1880	*Charles I. Collamore	*Marquis F. King	*William R. G. Estes	*Archie L. Talbot	*William O. Fox	*Ira Berry
1881	*Marquis F. King	*William R. G. Estes	*John B. Redman	*Fessenden I. Day	*William O. Fox	*Ira Berry
1882	*Marquis F. King	*William R. G. Estes	*Arlington B. Marston	*Charles W. Haney	*William O. Fox	*Ira Berry
1883	*William R. G. Estes	*Fessenden I. Day	*William H. Smith	*Goodwin R. Wiley	*Frederick Fox	*Ira Berry
1884	*William R. G. Estes	*Fessenden I. Day	*Frank E. Sleeper	*Augustus Bailey	*Frederick Fox	*Ira Berry
1885	*Fessenden I. Day	*Frank E. Sleeper	*Joseph M. Hayes	*Henry R. Taylor	*Frederick Fox	*Ira Berry
1886	*Fessenden I. Day	*Frank E. Sleeper	*Albro E. Chase	*Benjamin Ames	*Frederick Fox	*Ira Berry
1887	*Frank E. Sleeper	*Albro E. Chase	*Horace H. Burbank	*Wilford J. Fisher	*Frederick Fox	*Ira Berry
1888	*Frank E. Sleeper	*Albro E. Chase	*Leander M. Kenniston	*Samuel G. Davis	*Frederick Fox	*Ira Berry
1889	*Albro E. Chase	*Henry R. Taylor	*Manley G. Trask	*Algernon M. Roak	*Frederick Fox	*Ira Berry
1890	*Albro E. Chase	*Henry R. Taylor	*Daniel P. Boynton	*E. B. Mallet, Jr.	*Frederick Fox	*Ira Berry

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1891	*Henry R. Taylor	*Horace H. Burbank	*George R. Shaw	*Samuel L. Miller	*Frederick Fox	*Ira Berry
1892	*Henry R. Taylor	*Horace H. Burbank	*Augustus B. Farnham	*Howard D. Smith	*Frederick Fox	*Stephen Berry
1893	*Horace H. Burbank	*Augustus B. Farnham	*Joseph A. Locke	*William Freeman Lord	*Frederick Fox	*Stephen Berry
1894	*Horace H. Burbank	*Augustus B. Farnham	*Herbert Harris	*Gustavus H. Cargill	*Frederick Fox	*Stephen Berry
1895	*Augustus B. Farnham	*Joseph A. Locke	*Winfield S. Choate	*Moses Tait	*Marquis F. King	*Stephen Berry
1896	*Augustus B. Farnham	*Joseph A. Locke	*Albert M. Penley	*Benjamin L. Hadley	*Marquis F. King	*Stephen Berry
1897	*Joseph A. Locke	*Winfield S. Choate	*Alfred S. Kimball	*Enoch O. Greenleaf	*Marquis F. King	*Stephen Berry
1898	*Joseph A. Locke	*Winfield S. Choate	*Elmer P. Spofford	*Millard M. Caswell	*Marquis F. King	*Stephen Berry
1899	*Winfield S. Choate	*Alfred S. Kimball	*William J. Burnham	*Franklin R. Redlon	*Marquis F. King	*Stephen Berry
1900	*Winfield S. Choate	*Alfred S. Kimball	*James E. Parsons	*John H. McGorrell	*Marquis F. King	*Stephen Berry
1901	*Alfred S. Kimball	*William J. Burnham	*Hugh R. Chaplin	*Adelbert Millett	*Marquis F. King	*Stephen Berry
1902	*Alfred S. Kimball	*William J. Burnham	*Edwin A. Porter	*James C. Ayer	*Marquis F. King	*Stephen Berry
1903	*William J. Burnham	*Hugh R. Chaplin	*Charles W. Crosby	*Charles F. Paine	*Marquis F. King	*Stephen Berry
1904	*Hugh R. Chaplin	*Charles F. Johnson	*W. Scott Shorey	*George W. McClain	*Marquis F. King	*Stephen Berry
1905	*Hugh R. Chaplin	*Charles F. Johnson	*Curtis R. Foster	*Edward G. Weston	*Millard F. Hicks	*Stephen Berry
1906	*Charles F. Johnson	*Edmund B. Mallet	*James M. Larrabee	*Albert M. Ames	*Millard F. Hicks	*Stephen Berry
1907	*Charles F. Johnson	*Edmund B. Mallet	*William N. Howe	*Leon S. Howe	*Millard F. Hicks	*Stephen Berry
1908	*Edmund B. Mallet	*Ashley A. Smith	*John Clair Minot	*George W. Holmes	*Millard F. Hicks	*Stephen Berry
1909	*Edmund B. Mallet	*Ashley A. Smith	*Frank J. Cole	*Winifred S. Hinckley	*Millard F. Hicks	*Stephen Berry
1910	*Ashley A. Smith	*Elmer P. Spofford	*Isaac N. Jones	*Sullivan L. Andrews	*Millard F. Hicks	*Stephen Berry
1911	*Ashley A. Smith	*Elmer P. Spofford	*Frank E. Monroe	*Convers E. Leach	*Millard F. Hicks	*Stephen Berry
1912	*Elmer P. Spofford	*Thomas H. Bodge	*Waldo Pettengill	*Ernest P. Parlin	*Millard F. Hicks	*Stephen Berry
1913	*Elmer P. Spofford	*Thomas H. Bodge	*Fred C. Chalmers	*George A. Gilpatric	*Millard F. Hicks	*Stephen Berry
1914	*Thomas H. Bodge	*Waldo Pettengill	*Isaac A. Clough	*Clifford J. Pattee	*Millard F. Hicks	*Stephen Berry
1915	*Thomas H. Bodge	*Waldo Pettengill	*Fried Raymond	*Frank B. Arnold	*Albro E. Chase	*Stephen Berry
1916	*Waldo Pettengill	*Silas B. Adams	*Ralph W. Moore	*Albert H. Newbert	*Albro E. Chase	*Stephen Berry
1917	*Waldo Pettengill	*Silas B. Adams	*James H. Witherell	*Edwin K. Smith	*Albro E. Chase	*Stephen Berry
1918	*Silas B. Adams	Edward W. Wheeler	Willis A. Ricker	*Carroll S. Douglass	*Albro E. Chase	*Charles B. Davis
1919	*Silas B. Adams	Edward W. Wheeler	*William S. Davidson	*Wallace N. Price	*Albro E. Chase	*Charles B. Davis
1920	Edward W. Wheeler	*Albert M. Spear	John J. Marr	*Allen L. Curtis	*Albro E. Chase	*Charles B. Davis
1921	Edward W. Wheeler	*Albert M. Spear	*John M. Burleigh	*Charles M. Farrar	*Albro E. Chase	*Charles B. Davis
1922	*Albert M. Spear	*David E. Moulton	Lewman B. Soper	*Daniel G. Chaplin	*Edmund B. Mallet	*Charles B. Davis
1923	*Albert M. Spear	*David E. Moulton	*Frederic O. Eaton	*Erwin G. Ryder	*Herbert N. Maxfield	*Charles B. Davis
1924	*David E. Moulton	David L. Wilson	*Frank P. Denaco	*James A. Richan	*Herbert N. Maxfield	*Charles B. Davis
1925	*David E. Moulton	David L. Wilson	Harry E. Rowe			

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1956.]

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DATE	GRAND MASTERS	DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS	SENIOR GRAND WARDENS	JUNIOR GRAND WARDENS	GRAND TREASURERS	GRAND SECRETARIES
1926	David L. Wilson	*Harold E. Cooke	James Abernethy	Eugene A. Whittridge	*Herbert N. Maxfield	*Charles B. Davis
1927	David L. Wilson	*Harold E. Cooke	*E. Murray Graham	*Ernest J. Record	*Herbert N. Maxfield	*Charles B. Davis
1928	*Harold E. Cooke	*Cyrus N. Blanchard	William S. Holmes	*Norris S. Lord	*Herbert N. Maxfield	*Charles B. Davis
1929	*Harold E. Cooke	*Cyrus N. Blanchard	Alvold E. Cushman	*Eben J. Marston	*Herbert N. Maxfield	*Charles B. Davis
1930	*Cyrus N. Blanchard	Ernest C. Butler	*William A. Small	*Henry W. Loring	*Herbert N. Maxfield	*Charles B. Davis
1931	*Cyrus N. Blanchard	Ernest C. Butler	*J. Blaine Morrison	George W. Haskell	*Herbert N. Maxfield	*Charles B. Davis
1932	Ernest C. Butler	Clark D. Chapman	*Augustus E. Campbell	George F. Giddings	*Herbert N. Maxfield	Convers E. Leach
1933	Ernest C. Butler	Clark D. Chapman	*Irving R. Case	George H. Minott	*Herbert N. Maxfield	Convers E. Leach
1934	Clark D. Chapman	Henry R. Gillis	*George N. Stevens	*Henry D. Davis	*Herbert N. Maxfield	Convers E. Leach
1935	Clark D. Chapman	Henry R. Gillis	Manson D. Brown	Harry S. Grindall	*Herbert N. Maxfield	Convers E. Leach
1936	Henry R. Gillis	*Samuel B. Furbish	*John L. Tewksbury	*James P. Bunker	*Herbert N. Maxfield	Convers E. Leach
1937	Henry R. Gillis	George F. Giddings	*Charles E. Tuttle	*Harvey L. Haskell	*Herbert N. Maxfield	Convers E. Leach
1938	George F. Giddings	*Harold H. Murchie	Arthur H. Lander	John L. Polleys	*Herbert N. Maxfield	Convers E. Leach
1939	George F. Giddings	*Harold H. Murchie	William D. Bruce	Edward H. Britton	*Herbert N. Maxfield	Convers E. Leach
1940	*Harold H. Murchie	*Benjamin L. Hadley	*Frank W. Fuller	Carroll W. Keene	*Herbert N. Maxfield	Convers E. Leach
1941	*Harold H. Murchie	*Benjamin L. Hadley	William A. Levensaler	Elbert G. Moulton	*Herbert N. Maxfield	Convers E. Leach
1942	*Benjamin L. Hadley	Ralph J. Pollard	Ervin E. J. Lander	*Amos A. Carter	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Convers E. Leach
1943	*Benjamin L. Hadley	Charles E. Crossland	*Clarence J. Perham	Arthur W. Stockbridge	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Convers E. Leach
1944	Charles E. Crossland	Carroll W. Keene	Harold L. Gerrish	Earle D. Webster	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Convers E. Leach
1945	Charles E. Crossland	Carroll W. Keene	Harold L. Gerrish	Earle D. Webster	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Convers E. Leach
1946	Carroll W. Keene	Granville C. Gray	Clyde French	Frederick C. Louder	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Convers E. Leach
1947	Carroll W. Keene	Granville C. Gray	Elmer P. Smart	Wesley L. Oxtan	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Convers E. Leach
1948	Granville C. Gray	Ervin E. J. Lander	Frank L. Milan	James A. Sanker	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Convers E. Leach
1949	Granville C. Gray	Ervin E. J. Lander	Judson P. Lord	Merton E. Leach	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Convers E. Leach
1950	Ervin E. J. Lander	Benjamin W. Ela	Lewis T. Brown	Harry I. Rollins	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Convers E. Leach
1951	Ervin E. J. Lander	Benjamin W. Ela	George R. Caswell	Fred J. Lowell	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Convers E. Leach
1952	Benjamin W. Ela	Paul L. Powers	Everett L. Higgins	*Adin L. Hopkins	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Convers E. Leach
1953	Benjamin W. Ela	Paul L. Powers	*Arthur W. Seaward	Clifford H. M. Perry	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Convers E. Leach
1954	Paul L. Powers	Aubrey L. Burbank	Philip D. Tingley	Merrill R. Kitttridge	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Convers E. Leach
1955	Paul L. Powers	Aubrey L. Burbank	Royal L. Cleaves	Harold W. Blaisdell	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Convers E. Leach
1956	Aubrey L. Burbank	John M. Littlefield	B. Glen McGee	Norman L. Lindquist	H. Norton Maxfield, Jr.	Earle D. Webster

* Deceased.

† Demitted from Oxford No. 18, August 24, 1928.

Josiah Hayden Drummond Distinguished Service Medal

Under the provisions of Standing Regulation No. 56 Drummond Medals have been presented to the following:

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| Dec. 27, 1939. | M. W. JOSEPH EARL PERRY, Mass., | by G. M. Giddings. |
| " 27, 1939. | M. W. MELVIN M. JOHNSON, Mass., | by G. M. Giddings. |
| " 27, 1939. | M. W. FREDERICK W. HAMILTON, Mass., | G. M. Giddings. |
| May 7, 1940. | M. W. ASHLEY A. SMITH, Maine, | by G. M. Giddings. |
| " 7, 1949. | M. W. THOMAS H. BODGE, Maine, | by G. M. Giddings. |
| " 7, 1940. | M. W. EDWARD W. WHEELER, Maine, | by G. M. Giddings. |
| " 7, 1940. | M. W. DAVID E. MOULTON, Maine, | by G. M. Giddings. |
| " 7, 1940. | M. W. DAVID L. WILSON, Maine, | by G. M. Giddings. |
| " 7, 1940. | M. W. CYRUS N. BLANCHARD, Maine, | by G. M. Giddings. |
| " 7, 1940. | M. W. ERNEST C. BUTLER, Maine, | by G. M. Giddings. |
| " 7, 1940. | M. W. CLARK D. CHAPMAN, Maine, | by G. M. Giddings. |
| " 7, 1940. | M. W. HENRY R. GILLIS, Maine, | by G. M. Giddings. |
| " 7, 1940. | R. W. CONVERS E. LEACH, Maine, | by G. M. Giddings. |
| " 7, 1940. | R. W. FRANK J. COLE, Maine, | by G. M. Giddings. |
| May 9, 1940. | M. W. GEORGE F. GIDDINGS, Maine, | by G. M. Murchie. |
| April 23, 1941. | M. W. CHARLES H. JOHNSON, N. Y., | by G. M. Murchie. |
| May 4, 1942. | M. W. ALBERT A. SCHAEFER, Mass., | by G. M. Murchie. |
| May 7, 1942. | R. W. RALPH J. POLLARD, Maine, | by G. M. Murchie. |
| May 4, 1943. | M. W. HAROLD H. MURCHIE, | by G. M. Hadley. |
| May 4, 1943. | M. W. WALTER W. WILLIAMSON, | by G. M. Hadley. |
| May 3, 1944. | M. W. CHARLES E. CROSSLAND, | by G. M. Hadley. |
| May 1, 1945. | M. W. BENJAMIN L. HADLEY, | by G. M. Crossland. |
| May 8, 1946. | M. W. P. CONANT VOTER, Vt., | by G. M. Crossland. |
| May 9, 1946. | M. W. ANSEL A. PACKARD, Conn., | by G. M. Crossland,
for 1945. |
| May 6, 1947. | M. W. RAY V. DENSLOW, Missouri, | by G. M. Keene. |
| May 6, 1947. | R. W. ERVIN E. J. LANDER, Maine, | by G. M. Keene. |
| May 5, 1948. | M. W. JOHN TEMPLE RICE, Texas, | by G. M. Keene. |
| May 5, 1948. | W. FRANK C. ALLEN, Maine, | by G. M. Keene. |
| May 4, 1949. | EARL E. DUSENBERY, Iowa, | by G. M. Gray. |
| May 4, 1949. | GEORGE W. HASKELL, Maine, | by G. M. Gray. |

- May 5, 1949 CARROLL W KEENE, Maine, by G. M. Gray.
Aug. 25, 1949. DONALD C. MALCOLM, by G. M. Gray.
May 4, 1950. GRANVILLE C. GRAY, by Ervin E. J. Lander.
May 1, 1951. KARL J. MOHR, by Ervin E. J. Lander.
May 3, 1951. H. NORTON MAXFIELD, by Ervin E. J. Lander.
May 8, 1952. JOHN M. LITTLEFIELD, by Benjamin W. Ela.
May 8, 1952. THOMAS S. ROY, by Ervin E. J. Lander.
May 4, 1953. WALLACE E. CALDWELL, by Benjamin W. Ela.
May 5, 1954. WHITFIELD W. JOHNSON, by Benjamin W. Ela.
May 5, 1954. BENJAMIN W. ELA, by Paul L. Powers.
May 4, 1954. HARRY S. GRINDALL, by Benjamin W. Ela.
May 3, 1955. CARL H. CLAUDY, by Paul L. Powers.
May 1, 1956. FRANK S. LAND, by Paul L. Powers.
May 1, 1956. GEORGE R. CASWELL, by Paul L. Powers.
May 3, 1956. PAUL L. POWERS, by Aubrey L. Burbank.

GRAND LODGE OF MAINE

SIMON GREENLEAF MEDAL



Under the provisions of Standing Regulation No. 79 Simon Greenleaf Medals have been presented to the following:

May 1, 1956. FREDERICK C. DAVIS, by Paul L. Powers.

May 1, 1956. M. GERRY PLUMMER, by Paul L. Powers.

*The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge
Ancient Free and Accepted Masons*

of

The State of Maine

Proudly Presents the

Simon Greenleaf Medal

to

Brother

*For Contribution of His Time, Thought and Services to
Masonry Beyond the Line of Duty*

*Given under our hand and the seal of the Grand Lodge
at Portland this day of A. D. 19*

Grand Master

Grand Secretary



SIMON GREENLEAF
Most Worshipful Grand Master
1822 - 1823

SIMON GREENLEAF

Simon Greenleaf was born in Newburyport, Massachusetts, December 5, 1783, and was educated in that town. He came to New Gloucester, Maine, where he studied law and was admitted to the bar in Portland in 1805. He practiced law in Standish, Gray, and Portland. He was the first reporter of decisions of the Supreme Court in the state, and the nine volumes published by him attest his ability, accuracy, and fidelity. He published a "Treatise on Evidence" which remains a standard work upon that important subject. In 1833 he was appointed law professor at Harvard University and removed to Cambridge. He died in 1855.

Brother Greenleaf was made a Mason in Cumberland Lodge, No. 12, at New Gloucester in 1804. He was elected master in 1808 and served three years, when he moved to Portland. He afterward affiliated with Portland Lodge, No. 1.

He was the second Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Maine.

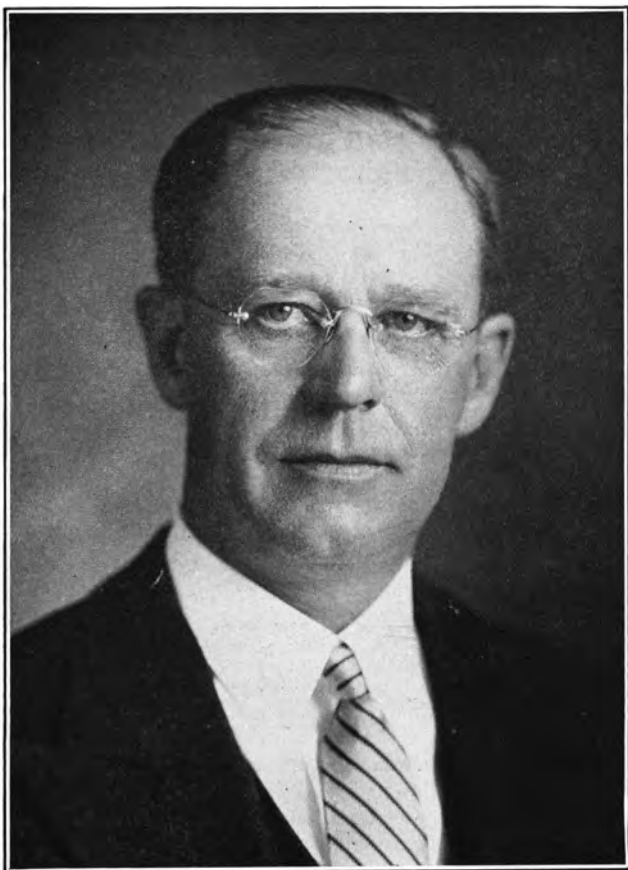
Several of America's great Masonic leaders have referred to him as "The leading spirit in the formation of the Grand Lodge of Maine." He served as Most Worshipful Grand Master in 1822 and 1823. In 1820 Brother Greenleaf wrote a book entitled "A Brief Inquiry into the Origin and Principles of Freemasonry" which was an outstanding contribution to Masonry.

The following is a quotation from an address by Simon Greenleaf while serving as Grand Master and was made while urging the Grand Lodge of Maine to devote its funds to the establishment of scholarships in academies and colleges for the sons of deceased Masons, rather than using such funds for building new Masonic Temples.

"A single individual, thus saved from neglect and perhaps even from ruin, separated as a rough stone, from the mass of ignorance, and fitted to support and adorn the fabric of social life, would reflect more true glory on our institution than monuments of brass or marble.

"It is by works like these that we approach to what I conceive to be the true spirit of Masonry—for it is not to be forgotten or denied that our institution professes to diffuse light and knowledge—that its connection with the arts and sciences is brought into the foreground and to the threshold of its mysteries—that it is indeed 'a holy institution'—that it inculcates a profound reverence and devotion to the Supreme Being, and requires every Mason to square his life and faith by the precepts and instructions of his Holy Word.

"Indeed, Masonry is only valuable as she is the hand-maiden of religion. This life may be regarded as a school in which the character is formed for eternity. It is the period in which a mansion is erected for endless duration. Masonry furnishes its votaries with a large portion of the scaffolding and the working tools—but these also at last will become useless, and be laid aside. Let it then be our great endeavor and prayer that we may become the temples of the living God, and be consecrated, by His spirit, to her service forever."



BENJAMIN LEVI HADLEY

Grand Master

1940 and 1941

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OF

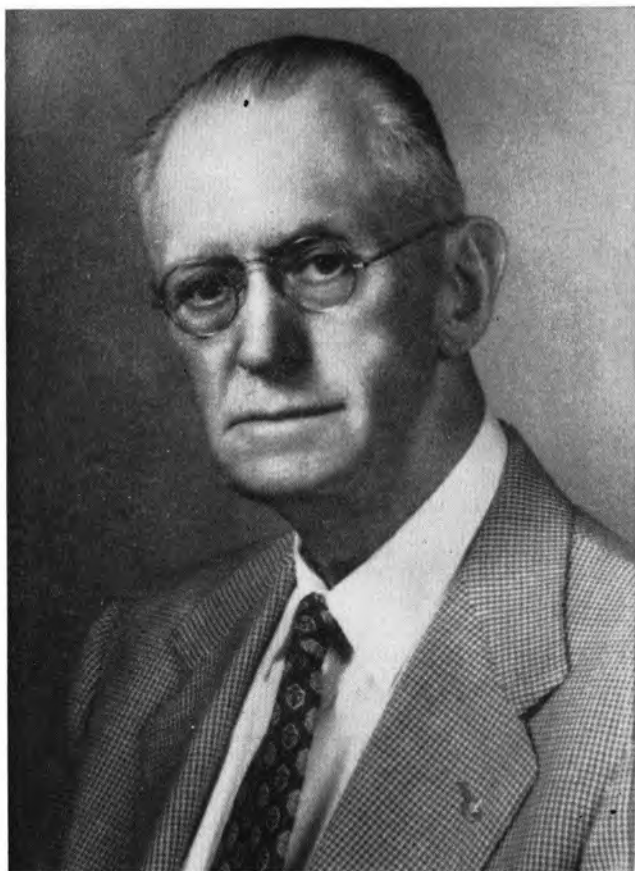
M. W. Benjamin L. Hadley

Grand Master
1940 and 1941

BORN AT BAR HARBOR, MAINE, MARCH 15, 1894

DIED AT BAR HARBOR, MAINE, DECEMBER 28, 1955

" He walked through life and left his impress there;
He still lives on in ways we cannot know.
His love of life and living is not lost,
His spirit carries on in those he loved
And reaches out to touch humanity—
A heritage continuing through the years."



CARROLL STEPHEN DOUGLASS

Junior Grand Warden

1918

INSCRIBED
TO THE MEMORY
OF
R. M. Carroll S. Douglass

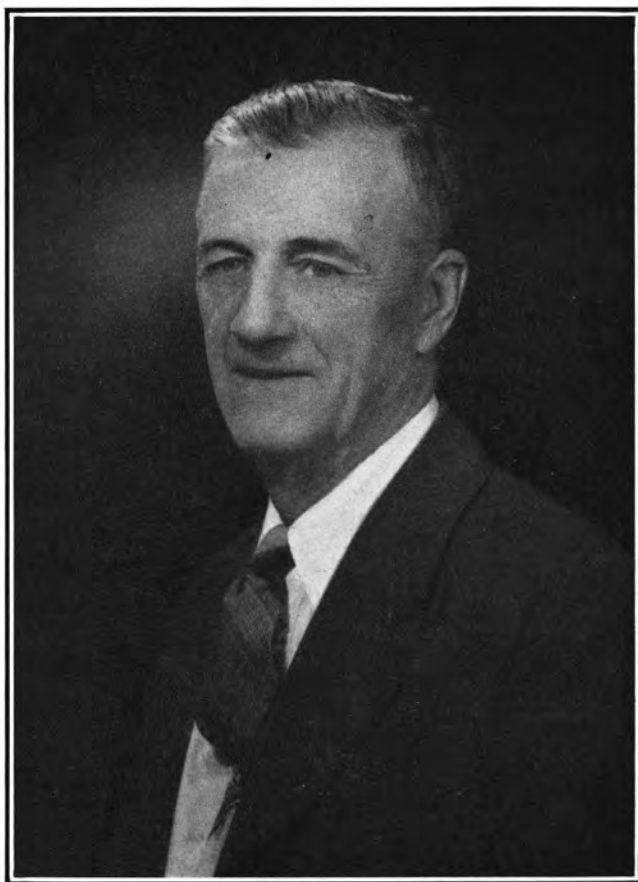
Junior Grand Warden
1918

BORN AT GUILFORD, MAINE, MAY 17, 1879

DIED AT GUILFORD, MAINE, NOVEMBER 4, 1955

"When death draws down the curtains of the night,
And those we love in his deep darkness hide,
We can but wait the coming of the light,
And bless the memories that still abide."

"For love is deathless, and the souls so dear,
Forget us not, and love us through the night;
And, maybe, with our tear-washed vision clear,
We shall behold them radiant with the light."



ARTHUR WILLIAM SEAWARD
Senior Grand Warden
1953

INSCRIBED
TO THE MEMORY
OF
R. M. Arthur William Seaward
Senior Grand Warden
1953

BORN AT KITTERY POINT, MAINE, MARCH 11, 1891

DIED AT YORK, MAINE, JANUARY 5, 1956

Friend after friend departs;
Who has not lost a friend!
There is no union here of hearts,
That finds not here an end.
Were this frail world our only rest,
Living or dying, none were blest.
There is a world above,
Where parting is unknown—
A whole eternity of love
And blessedness alone.
Translated to that happier sphere.

INSCRIBED
TO THE MEMORY
OF
R. M. James O. McKeen

District Deputy Grand Master
1955-1956

BORN AT CRYSTAL, MAINE, MARCH 15, 1879

DIED AT MILO, MAINE, FEBRUARY 20, 1956

"We'll not forget you, we who stay,
To work a little long here;
Your Name, your faith, your love shall be
On memory's page all bright and clear
And when, o'er wearied by the toil
Of life our heavy limbs shall be
We'll come and one by one lie down
Upon dear Mother Earth with thee."

INSCRIBED
TO THE MEMORY
OF

R. M. William Augury Small

Senior Grand Warden
1930

BORN AT LIMINGTON, MAINE, NOVEMBER 9, 1888

DIED AT NEEDHAM, MASS., MARCH 9, 1956

" It seemeth such a little way to us
Across to that strange country—the Beyond,
And yet not strange, for it has grown to be
The home of those of whom we are so fond,
They make it seem familiar and most dear,
As journeying friends bring distant regions near."

Brethren Died During the Year

From January 1, 1955 to December 31, 1955

Those marked * were returned with Masonic Rites.

1 Portland, Portland. Arthur D. Fierce, January 30; Joseph B. Drummond, April 29; Frank E. Grant, unknown; Herbert Worcester, October 21, 1954; Berwyn E. Beale, May 31; Lendall B. Mosher, September 11, 1954; William F. Ferris, July 15; Moulton H. Neal, June 30; Forrest E. Burnham, * November 3.

2 Warren, East Machias. Frederick D. Ingalls, January 14; Wallace A. Hall, June 14; Richard M. Larrabee, 1951.

3 Lincoln, Wiscasset. Austin L. Dow, January 17; Charles E. Tibbetts, March 15; William H. Burton, * August 27; John B. Harrison, July 1; William M. Hunter, July 12; Percy E. Jewett, October 19; John H. Southard, December 24.

5 Kennebec, Hallowell. Guy K. Black, June 17; Philip H. Packard, June 19; Raymond A. Lathe, December 1; Frank C. Hewins, Jr., December 17; Henry P. Clearwater, January 27, 1952.

6 Amity, Camden. Harold B. Robinson, March 22; George O. Littlefield, March 30; Harry L. Hooper, May 9; Clarence E. Mitchell, July 25; George T. Kilching, July 26; Fred H. Beverage, July 27; Charles E. Crockett, August 9; Raymond L. Conley, August 20; Alvah L. Anderson, August 29; Ralph Y. Ingraham, September 3; Warren B. Conant, October 29; Finlay H. Calder, October 31; Alton P. French, November 1; Willard C. Chapin, December 23.

7 Eastern, Eastport. William Farewell Capens, * March 19; Edward Grey, Buxton, * August 26; Lawrence Brooks Varney, * September 20; Charles Rainsford Trynor, * October 21.

8 United, Brunswick. William F. Hinkley, August 1; Lawrence W. Smith, October 29.

9 Saco, Saco. Frank Leon Whitehead, January 2; Benjamin Franklin Oldread, January 31; Clarence Edgar Craig, January 31; Frederick Guy Titcomb, March 6; Arthur H. Jenkins, April 5; Charles H. Pierce, April 6; John Suter Black, April 23; Lawrence Edward Willard, April 25; William Alexander Coffin, June 18; Justus Bachelder Cobb, September 29; Stanley Otis Northrop, November 5; Ernest Roliston Woodbury, December 25.

10 Rising Virtue, Bangor. Charles Everett Hartford, February 5; Henry Merrill Peters, April 10; Ferdinand Watson, May 27; Frederick LeRoy Mason, August 17; Herman W. Nichols, September 11; Arthur Lemont Edgecomb, October 5; Frank P. Hardy, October 28.

11 Pythagorean, Fryeburg. William A. Day, September 15; Harry L. Douglas, December 24.

12 Cumberland, New Gloucester. Mortimer E. Blair,* September 8; Percy A. Briggs,* May 14; Henry W. Card, November 28; Curvier R. Dolloff, July 5; Warren S. Flye,* April 11; Kenneth R. Hellen,* November 24; John M. Morrill, March 30; Sherman Tripp,* April 13.

13 Oriental, Bridgton. Edward F. Bennett, July 17; Clarence E. Young, September 15; William Holt, May 17; Harry G. Oakley, September 24; James B. Smith, November 5; Frank O. St. Pierre, December 20.

14 Solar, Bath. George A. Sprague, April 29; Arthur M. Jones, March 15; Carl C. Anderson, June 25; W. L. Savage, July 20; Harold L. Donnell, August 3; H. Rodney Brooke, August 28; John Parker, November 26; Oscar F. Thornton, November 28; Eric J. D. Anderson, January 3; Harry C. Webber, January 7; Kenneth E. Marston, October 9; Ralph A. Rand, December 1; Raymond L. Ainsworth, December 22; James W. Dunton, December 28.

15 Orient, Thomaston. Robert W. Walsh, January 14; Benjamin F. Copeland,* March 3; LaForest R. Burns,* March 13.

16 St. George, Warren. Lyman B. Randall, March 14; Charles M. Teague, November 5.

17 Ancient Land-Mark, Portland. Donald Martin Foss, December 9; Charles Barnwell Johnson, December 17; Alexander Wm. Brockmann, December 17; Clarence Arthur Brown, January 3; Albert Rogers Farrington, January 31; Charles Francis Merriman, February 14; Graham Augustus Ollsen, February 23; Chester Earl Cooper, February 24; Charles Edward Bloxson, March 4; Bernard Allen Osgood, March 24; John William Deering, May 3; William Hatch Porter, May 9; Ralph Marsh King, June 8; George Willard LeGrow, July 15; Charles Melville Jewett, August 2; Edward Tomlinson, August 16; Robert Dresser Jordan, August 20; Fred Ames Millett, August 23; Philip Knight Merrill, October 3; Constant Southworth, October 16; Wallace Fred Gleason, November 1; Howard Garfield Fenderson, November 5; Ernest Bradford Cole, December 1; Willis LeRoy Cobb, December 3.

18 Oxford, Norway. William H. Walker, February 9; Howard F. Gayton, March 6; Merton A. Herrick, April 22; George L. Curtis, June 15.

19 Felicity, Bucksport. Howard A. Fox, April 9.

20 Maine, Farmington. Earle H. Lyford,* January 29; Arthur W. Wescott, January 28; Keith R. Calef, January 29; Gerard A. Gordon, February 20; W. Raymond Davis, July 1; Merton E. Knapp, November 2.

21 Oriental Star, Livermore Falls. Clement R. Moulton, September 30; William F. Sawtelle, May; George W. Dyke, November 30; Fred A. Leavitt, June.

22 York, Kennebunk. Ira Hiram Wells, August 8; Frank Foster Clark, November 5.

23 Freeport, Freeport. Donald Francis Sylvester, February 1; Harvey Howard, February 1; Ernest Burton Soule, February 16; Charles Thomas Dillingham, March 7; Willard Albert Skinner, March 18; George Lowell Smith, May 14, 1954.

24 Phoenix, Belfast. John H. Cuzner, September 28; Roscoe Clifford Ness, November 17; George W. Scott, December 14.

25 Temple, Winthrop. Irving A. Hills, 1955; Raymond J. Smullen, June 9.

26 Village, Bowdoinham. Ernest L. Hunter,* February 2; George E. Furbush, July 23; Edbridge S. Blodgett,* October 4; Norman E. Curtis,* October 18; Herbert R. Heath,* November 2.

28 Northern Star, North Anson. Forest C. Walker,* January 4; Ora J. Gilman,* March 5.

29 Tranquil, Auburn. Ralph C. Moulton, January 18; Albert E. Verrill, January 31; Archie T. Libby, February 16; Ralph R. Stackpole, April 8; Charles Frederick Briggs, May 2; Fred Winch Chamberlain, May 22; James A. Langen, June 6, Carleton C. Coffin, November 24; Linwood E. Ashton, December 26.

30 Blazing Star, Rumford. Joseph E. Plumstead, January 11; Shirley W. Shaw, May 23; Ernest A. Wakely,* February 7; Charles W. Barber,* March 2; Charle A. Walker, August 8; William H. Grant, September 7; Alden Goodrich,* December 12; Thomas M. Stevens, December 17.

31 Union, Union. Merle M. Messer, November 3; John H. Williams, November 9.

32 Hermon, Gardiner. Elmer H. Cummings, March 3; Leigh V. Proctor, January 7; Joseph W. Lafayette,* February 3; Frank H. Greenan, February 13; Samuel D. Soule, March 20; Lincoln Harlow, June 3; Ralph E. McCurdy, July 23; Perley E. Randell, October 10; William H. Holbrook, October 26; Morris M. Greene, December 5.

33 Waterville, Waterville. Ralph T. Patterson, January 17; A. Scott Wood, March 2; William T. Murray, April 1; Edgar T. Brown, April 2; Arthur R. Tracey, April 8; Gordon F. Gallert,* April 11; John E. Nelson, April 11; Russell F. Jones, April 17; C. Albert Allen, Jr., April 24; Abbott B. Cragin,* May 24; Charles W. Ladd, July 25; Arthur A. Thompson, August 27; Wilder C. Putnam,* October 13; Linn R. Wood, October 14; George H. Parmenter, October 22; C. Ralph Fitch, November 11; Carroll N. Perkins, Jr., November 12; Charles L. Sweet, Sr.* November 21; John A. Davison, December 12; C. Wilbur Johnson,* December 21.

34 Somerset, Skowhegan. Harry Mitchell,* February 18; Willis E. Porter, June 8; Ernest Rayner, January 11; Edwin L. Sampson, September 12; George E. Sampson, February 19; Joseph R. Sawyard, October 17; Richard Weller, February 9.

35 Bethlehem, Augusta. Edgar L. Dowe, February 8, Walter G. Smith, March 26; Nathan Weston, March 28; Arthur C. Davis, June 11; John C. Arnold, September 16; Alfred R. Widdop, October 6; Clarence J. Cobb, November 28.

36 Casco, Yarmouth. William Olson, January 14; Wilfred W. Dunn, August 7; Paul A. True, August 13; Herbert W. Ryder, August 13; Percy O. Dunn, September 17; William Hutchinson Rowe, November 9.

37 Washington, Lubec. Charles E. Bodman,* February 1; Ray Batson,* November 12; Herbert E. Adams,* December 1; Hubert E. Saunders,* December 5.

38 Harmony, Gorham. Harry L. Christensen, January 23; George S. Burnell,* January 23; Charles C. Shaw, January 26; Roland Barrows,* February 10; Daniel Fogg, October 5; William E. Webb, October 9; James Allan, Sr., December 9.

39 Penobscot, Dexter. George H. Hall,* March 7; Charles E. Bane, March 13; William H. Gould, June 11; Fred Richard Abbott,* June 19.

40 Lygonia, Ellsworth. Dr. Charles W. Campbell, December, 1954; Franklin Everett Day, February 21; Carl Hersey Lord,* January 7; Charles W. Smith, March 20; Wendell Means Osgood, April 28; Glen Berton Eastman,* May 8; Edward Francis Robinson, May 22; Isaac Berlin (born Perlinsky,* June 17; John Milliken Norris, July 28; Chester Edward Norris, September 6; Eugene G. Gaspar, December 28.

41 Morning Star, Litchfield. Otto C. Mittlebachert, March 21; Henry W. Taylor, January 12; Wilbur R. Robinson, presumed dead.

42 Freedom, Limerick. John Cutter, May 1; Robert N. Edgerly,* July 16.

43 Alna, Damariscotta. Lawrence C. Hall, May 22; George W. Singer, December 24.

44 Piscataquis, Milo. Fred E. Hutchinson, February 21; Orman W. Chase, April 9; Charles S. Hassell,* April 16; Harry W. Peakes, May 15; George S. Rosie,* July 28; William B. MacDonald, July 29; Charles W. Mills,* August 29; Robert E. Ricker,* December 28.

45 Central, China. Bert A. Starkey, April 8; Lewis A. Gannon, May 12.

46 St. Croix, Calais. Ralph T. Cooseboom, May 11; Thomas Frederick Marshall, July 11; John W. Stuart, November 20; Merrill L. Fox, November 26; Randall R. Hewitt, December 9; James F. McCormick, March 14.

47 Dunlap, Biddeford. Walter C. Tate, March 4; Fitz E. Small, April 18; Milton L. Young, April 23; Walter R. Fall, May 2; James C. Currie, June 6; Herbert F. Johnson, July 18; Guy M. Cole, October 5; Fred L. Johnson, October 12; Harry Booth, October 31; C. Raymond Means, December 7; Harry C. Calderwood, January 11.

48 Lafayette, Readfield. Robert Henry Dyer,* June 19; Fred D. Elliott, September 21; Eli Merriman,* April 28.

49 Meridian Splendor, Newport. Herbert L. Parkman, February 18; John Orman Gilman, June 17; James J. Harribine,* May 16; Frederick Austin Hatch, March 30; Charles Douglas Libbey,* July 20; Fred A. Craig,* July 28; Water R. Turner,* October 25.

50 Aurora, Rockland. William W. Henderson,* February 8; Ralph M. Choate, February 9; Arthur F. Wisner, April 24; Lester B. Plummer, June 29; Peter Nelson, August 2; Milton M. Griffin, November 8; Ralph G. Stone, December 26; Martin S. Graves,* December 30.

51 St. John's, South Berwick. Joe P. Davis, February 19; Charles Horler, April 1; Frank M. Greenlaw, April 5; Willis Jackson, June 15; Eugene Littlefield, July 10; Aaron M. Roberts, August 15; Frank E. Stone, August 22.

52 Mosaic, Dover-Foxcroft. Ira A. Doore, June 18; Ernest J. Smith, March 10; Frederick MacDonald, June 16.

53 Rural, Sidney. Roy S. Bacon, July 9; Aaron Marden, November 30; George M. Ellis, November 27; Howard Trask, September 29; Ira C. Taylor, October 28; Leonard A. Field, February 18, 1952; John C. Philbrick, years ago.

54 Vassalboro, North Vassalboro. George E. Priest, June 16.

55 Fraternal, Alfred. Henry F. Cummings, July 3; Richard D. Elwell,* November 16; Willard I. Mack, December 27.

56 Mt. Moriah, Denmark. Benjamin Poore Babb,* March 7.

57 King Hiram, Dixfield. Charles H. Archibald, September 8.

58 Unity, Thorndike. Emery Buzzell, January 19; Charles E. Bellows, March 9.

60 Star in the East, Old Town. Thomas S. O'Connor, April 28; Maurice F. Bartlett,* May 7; Isaac Foster, June 3; W. Eugene Madden, September 4; James A. Lull, August 2.

61 King Solomon's, Waldoboro. Elliot P. Oliver, January 23; Allan C. Hines, June 5; Garland E. Day, August 12; George E. Burns,* December 7; George F. Studley, December 27; Harold B. Smith, at sea; John W. Duffy, February 9, 1952.

62 King David, Lincolnville. Fred W. Blood, September; Hollis A. Dean, October 4.

63 Richmond, Richmond. Fred C. Voight, April 3; John W. Quarrington, October 16.

- 64 Pacific, Exeter. Vernon W. Skillin,* September 17.
- 65 Mystic, Hampden. Nathan W. Cole, April 9; Russell W. Holbrook, September 28; Warren C. Loud, August 31; Arthur W. Miller, December 15.
- 66 Mechanics, Orono. Fred W. Averill, March 19; Noah Rosenberger Bryan, May 22; Harry Gilbert Mitchell, July 10; Floyd Eugene Hatch, September 9.
- 67 Blue Mountain, Phillips. William Mayo Payson, May; Oscar D. Fogg, April 29; Alfred G. Cronkhite, November 24.
- 68 Mariner's, Searsport. Clinton P. Dakin, March 1; Clifton L. Foster, June 14; Carleton H. Porter, October 17.
- 69 Howard, Winterport. William Dotten, February 22; James Clegg, March 7; Clifford Charles Dickerson, March 9; Joseph Francis Tassone, August 15; Percy Nathan Hall, Jr., October 19.
- 70 Standish, Standish. Ervin Alfred Center, April 23; John Lewis Moulton, October 20; Simon Waldo Moulton, February 14; George H. Wedge, June 6.
- 71 Rising Sun, Orland. Otis A. Ames, September 27.
- 72 Pioneer, Ashland. George Harrison Walker,* January 26; Clifton J. Howe,* February 12; Isaac Smargonsky, April 21; Charles G. McNally,* May 2; George V. Cole, October 15.
- 73 Tyrian, Mechanic Falls. Thomas A. Conroy, December 18; W. C. Dwinal, January 13; George A. Goodwin, August 16; Orin Witham, October 13; Bernard T. Young, February 23, 1954.
- 74 Bristol, Bristol. Arthur N. Poland, July 7; Veysey H. Robinson, November 3; Henry F. Tarr, November 22; Stephen P. Loud, November 24.
- 76 Arundel, Kennebunkport. Frank George Fisher,* June 19; Charles Henry Rand,* September 30.
- 77 Tremont, Southwest Harbor. James R. Dwelley, February 21; Freeman E. Stanley, March 8; Roderick K. Stanley, March 8; Harry J. Jordan, June 17.
- 79 Rockland, Rockland. Francis H. Snow, March 26; William McCauley, Jr. May 7; George Carl Sandner,* March 4; Benjamin W. Robinson, March 17; Irving Lawton Bray, July 31; Lewis Ernest Small, August 4; Almon Bird Cooper, August 7; Austin Childs Huntley, October 5.
- 80 Keystone, Solon. Kendall Cross, January 28; John T. Matson, November 25; Emil C. Andrews, December 29; Leroy William McDonough, January, 1953.
- 81 Atlantic, Portland. Henry D. Douglass, January 6; Howard T. Hale, January 6; Harold C. Furlong, February 3; Charles E. Hawkins, February 15; Harry F. Waltz, March 25; Prescott M. Kimball,* April 14; Thomas Peterson, May 12; Earle C. Spear, June 2; Fred A. Pease, June 3; Charles F. Jarvis, June 19; Wilfred A. Hay,* June 20; Herman W. Bishop,

August 26; Archibald G. Lemoine, May 26; Cornelius E. Cashman, October 21; George W. Hamm, November 3; Raymond G. Robinson, November 16.

82 St. Paul's, Rockport. Charles H. Burgess, January 8; Clyde Linwood Spear, March 22; Charles E. Gregory, April 4; Lawrence Harry Richards, November 29; John M. MacGregor, November 23.

83 Saint Andrew's, Bangor. Louis Rodney Boyd, February 14; George A. Wood, February 23; Walter A. Olsen, March 14; Astor A. Elmasian, February 14; Charles L. Rodick, March 21; Eugene M. Dole, March 22; Frederick L. Street, April 15; Harry J. Silsby, March 18; Guy P. DeMerritt, May 26; Orland Vivian Lyon, June 9; Ernest W. Sylvester, June 10; J. Murray Blakney, June 26; George A. Barbour, July 16; Esbon A. Mills, August 5; Thomas J. Murphy, August 6; William F. Holden, September 4; Walter S. Floyd, September 12; Carl P. Dennett, November 19; Arthur O. Goodridge, December 2; Alexander C. Powell, December 10; Jasper B. Cousens, November 28; Frank W. Wentworth, August 7; George W. Reid, July 7, 1951; Frank C. Elms, April 2; Charles O. Tuck, June 17, 1953.

84 Eureka, Tenants Harbor. John Hyslop, May 29.

85 Star in the West, Unity. Claude W. Mussey, January 26; LeRoy Woods Knight, September 25.

86 Temple Lodge, Westbrook. William T. Miller, December 22, 1954; Merle Little, December 31, 1954; Austin T. Steed, December 24, 1954; H. Clayton Laverty, February 8; Alfred W. Swett, April 28; Earle S. Hall, August 19; Harry L. Lowell, September 18; George A. Podas, November 1.

87 Benevolent, Carmel. Harry Wise, September 31.

88 Narraguagus, Cherryfield. George E. Jacobs, June.

89 Island, Islesboro. Charles K. Philbrick, December 4.

91 Harwood, Machias. Lee W. Longfellow, June; Henry H. Babson, December; Edmund Carroll Freeman, January 20, 1954.

92 Siloam, Fairfield. William J. McLeod, February 23; Harry A. Gordon,* April 16; William A. Archer, June 21; Truman W. Hollis,* December 25.

93 Horeb, Lincoln. Ralph Leavitt, January 9; Carl Lord, January 10; Roland Cushing, November 11; Albert J. Cole, November 17; Frederick W. McCarthy, July.

94 Paris, South Paris. A. Franklyn Goldsmith, February 25; Robert W. Wheeler, October 4; Donald P. Chapman, November 14.

95 Corinthian, Hartland. Clarendon J. Worthen,* May 2; Howard David Jamieson, April 9; Ellis Marsh Thorne, October 31.

96 Monument, Houlton. George Wilson Moody, January 7; Clifton Kenneth Adams,* January 7; Edwin E. McIntosh, January 1; Thomas G. Economos,* April 2; Oscar B. Porter,* April 8; Joseph D. Braman,* April

29; I. G. Robert Stewart,* June 24; Joseph S. Robinson,* July 3; Berlin H. Brown,* July 16; Arthur J. Brown, August 2; Howard A. Stone,* September 22; Harry A. Frink, August 20; Charles W. Estabrook, December 15.

97 Bethel, Bethel. Frank K. Currier, 1955; Willis Walker Brooke, April 4; Claude N. Mills, February 21; H. Merton Farwell, April 28; D. Grover Brooks, December 24.

98 Katahdin, Patten. Elwood M. Bracket, April 22; Elmer L. Miles, May 14; Aaron Smith, 1953.

99 Vernon Valley, Mt. Vernon. Jarvis Larue Tyler, September 26.

100 Jefferson, Bryant Pond. John Clinton Littlefield,* June 19; Horace H. Cushman, June 12; Arthur J. Burkett, August 9, 1954.

102 Marsh River, Brooks. Hale Hall, December 20.

103 Dresden, Dresden Mills. John E. Bodge, January 18; Emil Carlson, July 19.

104 Dirigo, Weeks Mills. Charles H. Black,* January 16; Eugene C. Rowe,* January 17; Leonce Vorease Hisler,* August 10; Cecil T. Farrington,* November 2; George Herbert Smith, November 7.

105 Ashlar, Lewiston. Charles A. Robinson, January 9; Mayland E. Hilton, January 23; Delbert E. Plaisted, February 11; Ernest E. Hodgkins, February 12; Clarence M. Goldrup, April 26; Ralph S. Carver, May 25; Eugene P. Brett, June 16; Peter L. Campbell, August 22; Ralph A. Lockhead, August 26; Percy E. Weymouth, August 28; Max Hoffman, September 8; Stephen E. Polleys, September 27; Herbert F. Grant, October 30; Robert H. Hayes, December 3; Robert B. Fraser, December 23.

106 Tuscan, Addison. Harry Plummer, February 5; Everett P. Scott, March 12; Andrew F. Swapp, January 29; Silas Gibson, April 13; Melvin W. Brown, September 26; Webster H. Joy, October 27.

109 Mount Kineo, Guilford. George E. Sibley, January 7; Albert F. Stevens, January 20; Abner L. Thomas, February 10; Fred R. Huntington, February 17; Carroll S. Douglass, November 4.

110 Monmouth, Monmouth. S. Howard Deane, April 16; Frank H. Gatchell,* June 20; Fernando F. Francis, October 2; Frank A. Morse, February 24, 1952.

111 Liberty, Liberty. Bruce J. Stanton, February 20; Hollis L. Jackson, October 15.

112 Eastern Frontier, Fort Fairfield. Isaac Hartley Clarke, August 8; Bedford A. W. Boyd, December 8; Loomis Fred Good,* December 16; Stanley Arthur Wathen, December 29.

113 Messalonskee, Oakland. William G. Simpson, May 12; Ross R. Baker, May 23; Verne L. Rushton, November 6; Lawrence H. Clark, November 17; George D. Pullen, December 27.

114 Polar Star, Bath. George A. Rogers, January 3; Solomon Greenblatt, December 23, 1954; Albion E. Field, March 28; George W. Merrill,

June 3; Elwood J. Campbell, July 24; Harry A. Beals, September 16; Ralph G. Stetson, September 20; Osgood M. Redlon, October 10; Edward W. Sampson, October 1; Natt F. Howe, November 24.

115 Buxton, West Buxton. Chester C. Smith, July 12; Harry C. Bird, July 13; Louis I. Woodman, September 4.

116 Lebanon, Norridgewock. Jay M. Pierce, February 27; George J. Chandler, April 18; Herbert E. Haynes, May 2; Wallace W. Taylor,* August 26.

117 Greenleaf, Cornish. Harry Sanford Milliken, 1955; Arthur S. Warren, 1955.

118 Drummond, North Parsonfield. John J. Craft, January 12, 1954; Albert L. Fuller, 1954; Leon C. Harris, December, 1955.

119 Pownal, Stockton Springs. Orville Simpson, March 3; Harvey Ambler, April 25; Lewis Barrett, September 15.

121 Acacia, Durham. Daniel P. Dyer, March 12; Edward L. Perkins, October 4; Lawrence T. Brown, December 20.

122 Marine, Deer Isle. Walter Greenlaw, January 12; Kimball C. Eaton, March 4; Levi W. Barter, March 17; George G. Wheeler, April 12; Fred M. Greene, March 10; Fred W. Beck, August 2; Harry C. Annis, September 26; Edward Y. Haskell, September 30; Theodore V. Eaton, October 14; Carlton P. Powers, November 25; Roland G. Small, December 11.

123 Franklin, New Sharon. Guy L. Scott, July 8, 1954.

124 Olive Branch, Charleston. Ralph R. Minott, September 11; Maurice E. Clough, December 14.

125 Meridian, Pittsfield. Herbert V. Palumbo, January 15; Frederick W. Lane, February 20; Fred M. Bean,* April 2; Wilder C. Humphrey, April 6; Manson A. Huff, March 21; John B. Chase, July 31; Thomas F. Connor,* October 14; Donald Emery Jones, December 31.

126 Timothy Chase, Belfast. Joseph M. Nickerson, January 11; Roscoe M. Cunningham, December 12.

127 Prestumpscot, North Windham. Earl A. Jackson, January 14; Perley W. Varney, March 1; Herman Bush, April 5; Frederick H. Aikins, December 1; E. Leland Stone, November, 1955.

128 Eggemoggin, Sedgwick. Harry O. Ford,* February 2; Chandler Bowden,* March 17; Ralph B. Means,* April 10; Parker Hinckley,* July 16.

129 Quantabacook, Searsmont. George A. Sibley, November 8.

130 Trinity, Presque Isle. Harvey F. McGlaulin, January 7; John E. Allen, July 30; Melvin A. Dudley, January 12.

131 Lookout, Cutler. Swansea W. Burns, January 18; Charles L. Gardner, March 4; Coleman G. Cosseboom, April 12; Lucius E. Gardner, August 24.

133 Asylum, Wayne. Harry B. Bradford, October 9; Irving D. Lincoln, September 21; George Manter, December 11; Fred N. Parcher, March 22.

135 Riverside, Jefferson. Archie L. Wellman, July 6; Earl Ross Potter, August 13; Chester A. Hathaway, September 15; Paul Russell Pierce, November 25.

137 Kenduskeag, Kenduskeag. Frank Morrison, September 28; David Pierce, December 14; Perley J. Quigg, December 17.

138 Lewy's Island, Princeton. E. Percy Richards, January 4; Omer Seamans, January 18; Benjamin Chambers, February 7; J. Neil Wheaton, February 12; Stephen Mercier, February 19; Arthur Shain, April 12; Ernest E. Pike, June 18; Harry Mills, July 6; Ferdinand Lawler, September 5; Ervin Bates, September 5; Martin Hunter, December 22; George Thornton, December 28; Lee Horsman, August 3.

140 Mount Desert, Mount Desert. John Madson, December 25.

141 Augusta, Augusta. S. Laurence R. Bowler, July 28; Donald Edward Brooks, November, 1955; William F. Murray, January 10; Guy O. Vickery, May, 1955; Harold L. Pride, December 6, 1954; Charles H. Young, November 15; Charles Henry Porter, November 29.

142 Ocean, Wells. Walter J. Day, October 5.

143 Preble, Sanford. William H. Walker, February 2; Christian H. Hartung, February 10; Albert H. Fickels,* April 19; Harry L. Jackson,* April 21; Earl W. Farnsworth, August 24.

144 Seaside, Boothbay Harbor. Solomon Davis, September 18; Frank H. Skillin,* November 25; William B. Campbell, December 17.

145 Moses Webster, Vinalhaven. Orrin F. Smith, September 4, 1954; Allston P. Roberts, March 20; Berton E. Vinal, September 20.

146 Sebasticook, Clinton. Ira A. Witham, July 8; Arthur Shaw Miles,* July 17.

147 Evening Star, Buckfield. Perle L. Pulsifer,* May 2; Wilson H. Conant,* October 17; William L. Libby, September 18.

148 Forest, Springfield. Eugene Dicker,* June 12.

149 Doric, Monson. Victor Roy Bartlett, January 24; Eugene H. Flint, April 21; William B. Harmon, May 25.

150 Rabboni, Lewiston. Harry Manser, February 20; J. Edward Booth, Jr., October 18; Everett A. Kennedy, March 6.

151 Excelsior, Northport. Ralph Albert McNelly, October 10, 1954.

152 Crooked River, Bolster's Mills. Walter B. Greene, January 23; Leon M. Libby, July 9; Lewis F. Briggs, October 16.

153 Delta, Lovell. Herbert R. Harmon, June 5.

154 Mystic Tie, Weld. Frank A. Day, May 24; Warren E. Ellis, August 12; John T. Kidler, September 3; Angenon S. Carleton, November 15, 1954.

155 Ancient York, Lisbon Falls. Harold W. Hollis, January 12; Robert N. McMillan, May 13; Fred W. Joyce, August 10; George E. Beal, December, 1955; Ralph E. Smith, December, 1955.

156 Wilton, Wilton. Ray P. Longley, January 2; Dana O. Sewall, April 26; Emery E. Allen, March 10, 1946; Guy C. Robbins, October 27.

157 Cambridge, Cambridge. Guy E. Stafford, March 15; Hugh Clifton Davis, July 24.

158 Anchor, South Bristol. Everett P. Kelsey, January 25.

161 Carrabassett, Canaan. Moses H. Furber, January 10; Clair P. Bradstreet, March 20; J. Harold Salsburg, April 14; Amos P. Nelson October 4.

162 Arion, Goodwins Mills. George A. Peterson, August 15; Cecil F. Clark, * November 30.

163 Pleasant River, Brownville. Clinton S. Stickney, * February 21; Waldo W. Worth, March 10; Henry A. Thayer, July 18; Leslie J. Stearns, * August 13; Errol G. Jones, * August 24; Willis S. Lancaster, * October 10; Joseph A. Ross, * October 14; Bela L. Small, * October 17; Ernest M. Hamlin, * November 5.

164 Webster, Sabattus. Byran J. Atwood, November 29; George W. Wood, December 6; Charles C. Holden, December 26.

165 Molunkus, Sherman Mills. Kirk B. Sides, * February 10; Van B. Follette, * June 14; Pearl F. Gallerson, * October 3; Owen E. Dow, * July 4; Wylie A. Ellison, November 11, 1952; Andrew Frank Burnham, January 1.

166 Neguëmkeag, Vassalboro. Orman Larry Thompson, June 16.

167 Whitney, Canton. Fred W. Bryant, June 28; Arthur R. Vandenburg, October 12.

168 Composite, LaGrange. Merle M. Weymouth, July, 1955; Wilbur P. Richardson, June 18; Hazen Clapp, November, 1955; Lee Moulton, November, 1955; Levi Joseph Philbrick, October 15; William E. Thompson, June, 1952.

169 Shepherd's River, Brownfield. Leland E. Wade, February 22; Ralph W. Giles, November 5.

170 Caribou, Caribou. Harry E. Keith, August 20; James Edriel Little, May 25; Cyrus Maxwell, February 8; Eben E. Welts, November 30.

171 Naskeag, Brooklin. Clarence Stanley, February 26; William A. Tainter, January 5, 1956; Wallace P. Kane, March 29, 1954; Granville Phillips, February 6, 1956; Ralph Willey, March 31; Lee H. Powers, March 10.

172 Pine Tree, Mattawamkeag. Elwyn T. Ricker, February 15; Carroll F. Shedd, Sr., July 8; Norman J. Sturgeon, August 22; John G. Ryan, November 2; Henry R. Haynes, November 12.

173 Pleiades, Milbridge. Philip S. Dutton, March 20; Guilford W. Stevens, March 31; Henry E. Frazier, April 18; Walter P. Hewin, June 24; Gleason E. Hinckley, September 17; Harold Mitchell, November 28.

174 Lynde, Hermon. William Herbert Snow,* January 24; Elmer E. Drew,* June 2; Colin A. Clark, July 22; Stuart D. MacDonald,* December 22.

175 Ralph W. Furness, January 21; Paul Clayton Springer, March 6, 1949; Alburney E. Webber, April 4.

177 Rising Star, Penobscot. Reuben Devereux, October 15; Donald Perkins, November 7.

178 Ancient Brothers', Auburn. Victor August Lindquist, Sr., March 31; Archer Jordan, June 12; Arthur Samuel Perkins, July 9; Edward Howard Buchanan, August 19; Harry Benjamin Dunn, September 20; Everett Walter Marston, October 15; Walter Henry Perkins, November 9, 1953.

179 Yorkshire, North Berwick. Ernest L. Bracy, June 22; Irving L. Boston, July 3; Frank Grant, July 8; Justin W. Johnson, July 28.

180 Hiram, South Portland. George A. Boothby, December 24, 1954; John Edward Bradford, February 2; Laurel Thompson Ames, February 25; Albert Dyer Tilton, February 26; George Otis Spear, March 6; Frank Thomas Rowland,* March 31; Herbert Melvin Arey, May 9; John Westley Booker, June 20; Samuel Maverick Phillips,* August 12; Ernest Henry, November 12; Dr. Robert Eugene Hale, November, 1955; Frank Cammett Kilby, December 6; Maurice Elmer Mayo, December 8; Frank Howard Files, December 12; Ralph Kimball Bennett; December 19; Harold Nathan Lord, December 20.

182 Granite, West Paris. Walter E. Penley, December 19.

183 Deering, Portland. Guy W. Davis, August 28; Chester A. Jordan, March 31; Christian P. Lawson, October 2; Walter H. Strout, March 2; Thomas F. Clish, March 4; William G. Holt, March 25; Rodney E. Marshall, March 30; John P. Ayers, April 6; John A. C. MacKeil, May 3; Albert E. Grant, September 23; Perley R. McLellan, September 23; Raymond D. Gamage, September 30; John M. Nielson, October 7; Howard B. Dobson, October 24; William H. Driscoll, October 25; Charles H. Gailey, November 6; Percy M. Glassbook, January 5, 1953.

184 Naval, Kittery. Everett Ernest Pettigrew,* February 7; Stephen Harris Grant, April 17; William Allen Reid,* April 25; John Wells Green, April 26; James Sargent Jones, May 11; Wesley Edward Grogan, June 15; Harris Finlason, August 20; Robert Davis Titcomb, October 10; Harlow Albion Parsons,* October 10; Harold Alfred Rowe, November 11; Warren Nye Phinney,* December 1.

185 Bar Harbor, Bar Harbor. James W. Shea, May 17; Frank H. Grant, July 26; Shirley M. Liscomb, July 30; Benjamin Levi Hadley,* December 28.

186 Warren Phillips, Westbrook. George H. Fellows, April 6; Winfield Rodney Fernald, December 18; Willis Hinchman Holbrook, May 12; Thomas Garson Kirkwood, December 30; Ralph Clifford Lombard, September 30; Winship Bernard Metcalf, August 18; Sanford Davis Purinton, January 26; William B. Stockford, April 24; Charles William Van Tassel, June 30.

189 Knox, So. Thomaston. Joseph P. Norton, June 23; Anselm Aho, March 8.

190 Springvale, Springvale. Curtis Alvin Jellison, January 6; Ralph C. Hamilton, January 25; Bernard G. Tibbetts, February 20; Robert Roosevelt Whitehouse, August 19.

191 Davis, Strong. Ephraim R. Hackett, January 17; Harry E. Lambert, February 12; John W. Gray, March 20; Lionel T. Allen, April 24; John W. Durrell, April 28.

192 Winter Harbor, Winter Harbor. Jesse S. Noonan, 1955; Leon Rondez, July 5; John G. Groome, Jr., October 2; Hiram A. Holt, December 9.

193 Washburn, Washburn. Alden Bagley, January 14; Owen K. Storry, February 16; John Storry, October 11; Milford L. Crouse, 1952; Joseph H. Nichols, February, 1955; Charles M. Pike, April 20, 1952.

194 Euclid, Madison. Edgar G. Burns, May 28; Vernon Williams, June 25; Henry G. Brooks, August 31.

195 Reliance, Stonington. George Gerald Eddy, August 7; George Melvin Duke, October 21; Lewis C. Turner, August, 1952.

196 Bay View, East Boothby. Frank C. Adams, January 31; Charles Edmund Hodgdon, February 18; William A. Hodgdon, July 26; Wallace W. Goudy, August 2; Stephen E. Bryer,* December 27.

197 Aroostook, Mars Hill. George Harrison Grant,* March 15; William B. Brown,* April 25; Mark Harlan Wakefield, April 27; Otho D. Noble,* November 27; William Henry Grass, March 9, 1949; Franklin Bradstreet, September 26, 1952.

198 St. Aspinquid, York. Timothy F. Moulton, April 1; George A. Kendall, April 15; Richard D. Arp, August 28; Arthur E. Bragdon; September 3; Douglass N. Langille, September 24.

199 Bingham, Bingham. Wilson J. Holway, February 17; Anthony Shoppe, May 22; Edwin E. Vittum, July 6; Linwood F. Smith, September 8.

200 Columbia, Greenville. Walter G. Carter, April 9; Louis Welton, April 10; Walter Craig, August 28; Cecil M. Hilton, December 14.

201 David A. Hooper, West Sullivan. Allan M. Butler, March 17; Shirley G. Clemons, May 28; Clarence C. Hopkins, October 7; Donald B. Estabrook, December 20; Emerson C. Smyth, July 31, 1952.

202 Mount Bigelow, Stratton. Floyd Taylor, February 28; Arthur E. Wright, October 28.

203 Mount Olivet, Washington. Kauko Salo, April 15; Perl L. Sukeforth, December 11; Miles E. Creamer, October 16.

204 Mount Abram, Kingfield. Carlton Hutchins, February 2; Clarence Stansbury, May 13; Maurice Potter, May, 1955; Blaine Quint, June 26; Phillip Spencer, August 24.

205 Nolleseme, Millinocket. George McLean, May 6; Ronella F. McLaughlin, May 7; Ralph Lewis, August 19; Carroll William Perry,* September 20; Raymond D. Porter,* October 10; Stanley John Davis,* November 20; Fred A. Donley, November 21; Harold C. Gates, December 25.

206 Island Falls, Island Falls. Herbert E. Robinson, April 28; David W. Markey, August 19; William C. Dean, November 1; William G. Brissley, November 15; Harry E. Trueworthy, December 22.

207 Adner Wade, Sangerville. Alexander F. Wilson, October 24, 1954; Valentine Ripley, February 16; Roland W. Goff, July 26; Thomas L. Mither, June 23; Elisco T. Harrington, September 13.

208 Northeast Harbor, Northeast Harbor. Herbert A. Thomas, February 25; Elmer T. Meader, March 12; James P. Bunker, May 2; John B. Burke, September 7; Allen L. Meader, October 29; S. Edwin Tracy, Jr., November 6.

209 Fort Kent, Fort Kent. Harry E. Hasey, June 17; Edward C. Eaton, August, 1955; Thomas C. Pingree, November 20.

210 Bagaduce, North Brooksville. Roscoe C. Ingalls, July 30.

211 Meduncook, Friendship. Shetman T. Jameson, September 18; Percy O. Wincapaw, January 15.

212 McKinley, McKinley. Harry B. Greenlaw,* January 26; Augustus A. Gott,* April 25.

213 Kemankeag, Rangeley. Axel E. Hernborg, March 20; Ernest E. Demeritt, May 22; Hubert H. Spiller, September 1.

214 Limestone, Limestone. Kenneth R. Gammon, August 5; Alexander W. Troup, no date.

215 Orchard, Old Orchard Beach. William Jones Robinson, January 25; Howard N. Robinson,* February 18; John McKinnon,* May 22; Frederick D. Lamb, June 21; Earl C. Harlow,* July 13; Clinton C. Mewer,* October 10.

216 Corner Stone, Portland. Roger B. Small, February 27; Peter Lawson, March 6; Mahlon S. McLaughlin, July 7; John K. Pero, August 11; Arthur C. Clifton, March 1; Herbert F. Smith, Sr., December 4; Alfred E. Cloutier, May 28; Fred C. Everett, December 4, 1948; Ernest L. Brown, January 1.

217 Ralph J. Pollard, Orrington. Elmer W. Cole, August 6; Heber H. Harris, August 12; Ronald R. Robertson, October 5.

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- Alabama — LEWMAN B. SOPER, Newport.
Alberta — WILLIAM D. BRUCE, Portland.
Arizona — ARTHUR W. STOCKBRIDGE, Auburn.
Arkansas — CLARENCE D. HACKNEY, Kittery.
British Columbia — EVERETT S. HIGGINS, Lubec.
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Alabama, Nov. 22, 1955,	Troy Leander Nunn, Hartselle.
Alberta, June 8, 1955,	S. Carl Heckbert, Vermilion.
Arizona, April 25, 1955,	Carey B. Wilson.
Arkansas, Nov. 16, 1954,	Dr. Francis J. Schully, Hot Springs.
British Columbia, June 23, 1955,	Robert G. Large, Prince Rupert.
California, Oct. 28, 1955,	Edgar V. Stewart, Sr.
Canada, July 18, 1955,	W. L. Wright, Sault Ste. Marie.
Colorado, Jan. 25, 1956,	Millard E. Ryan, Rocky Ford.
Connecticut, April 6, 1955,	John Henry Smith, Phoenixville.
Costa Rica, Jan., 1956,	Alexandia Murray.
Cuba, March 26, 1954,	Carlos M. Pinciro.
Delaware, Oct. 5, 1955,	M. Haswell Pierce, Milford.
Denmark, July 21, 1953,	Frode Rydgaard.
Dist. of Columbia, Dec. 12, 1955,	Samuel W. McIntosh.
England, Sept., 1955,	Earl of Scarborough.
Florida, April 19, 1955,	Roy T. Lord, Jacksonville.
France,	Pierre Cheret.
Georgia, Oct. 25, 1955,	B. Lee Amon, Augusta.
Idaho, Sept. 20, 1955,	Claude M. Gorden, Kimberly.
Illinois, Oct. 7, 1955,	Milton T. Sonntag, Plainfield.
Indiana, May 15, 1956,	Steven L. Miller, Connersville.
Iowa, June 14, 1955,	Ray A. Douglass, Potsville.
Ireland, Dec., 1955,	Raymond F. Brooke, Kildare St. Club, Dublin.
Kansas, Mar. 14, 1956,	Karl J. Baumgartner, Goodlook.
Kentucky, Oct. 18, 1955,	Fred B. Layman, Harned.
Louisiana, Feb. 24, 1956,	D. Allen Long.
Maine, May 3, 1956,	Aubrey L. Burbank, Waterville.
Manitoba, June 6, 1956,	T. Ferguson, Irwin, Neepawa.
Maryland, Nov. 15, 1955,	Arthur W. Dowell, Prince Frederic.
Massachusetts, Dec. 14, 1955,	Whitfield W. Johnson, Boston.
Mexico (York G.L.), April 7, 1955,	Mino M. Covo, Mexico City.
Michigan, May 24, 1955,	Henry R. Ruusi.
Minnesota, Mar. 21, 1956,	Otto L. Damek, Glencoe.
Mississippi, Feb. 14, 1956,	Victor L. Waters, Ellisville.
Missouri, Sept. 27, 1955,	William J. Craig, Springfield.
Montana, Aug., 1955,	Charles G. Johnson, Plains.
Nebraska, June 7, 1955,	Herbert T. White, Omaha.
Nevada, June 10, 1955,	Leimo G. Immonen.

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C. H. Stubinger, Montgomery.	William Ireland.
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Ewart G. Dixon, Hamilton, Ont.	C. Wheeler, Barnes.
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Raymond N. Babcock, Washington.	J. Walter Karsner.
The Grand Secretary, London.	None.
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New Brunswick, May 26, 1955,	Rev. Dr. Arthur E. Coleman.
New Hampshire, May 16, 1956,	Leslie F. Murch, Hanover.
New Jersey, April 20, 1955,	Joseph H. Gick, Camden.
New Mexico, Mar. 19, 1956,	Herbert C. Denny, Gallup.
N. South Wales, June, 1955,	Sir John Northcott.
New York, May 2, 1956,	Nathan Turk, Owego.
New Zealand, Nov. 17, 1954,	Clifford S. Thompson, Box 93, Christ Church.
Newfoundland, April 27, 1955,	George R. Williams.
Norway, June 29, 1945,	Jacob Hvinden Haug.
North Carolina, April 19, 1955,	Charles H. Fugh, Gastoria.
North Dakota, June 20, 1955,	Merle Kidder, Grand Forks.
Nova Scotia, June 15, 1955,	Jephtha S. Munro, M. D., No. Sydney.
Ohio, Oct. 21, 1955,	Frank W. Nicholas, Dayton.
Oklahoma, Feb. 8, 1955,	Ed. T. Sabin, Oklahoma City.
Oregon, June 13, 1956,	Ralph T. Moore, Grants Pass.
Panama, April 8, 1953,	Socrates Rois Merdez.
Pennsylvania, Dec. 27, 1955,	Charles H. Nitsch, Philadelphia.
Peru, July 25, 1955,	Cesar C. Villacorta.
Philippine Islands, April 24, 1956,	Clinton F. Carlson, Manila.
Porto Rico, April 27, 1956,	Hipolito Marciano.
P. E. Island, June 23, 1955,	Rev. E. C. Evans.
Quebec, June 2, 1955,	D. L. Witter, Montreal.
Queensland, June 1, 1955,	Thomas G. H. Jones.
Rhode Island, May 21, 1956,	Bertram Clarke, Providence.
Saskatchewan, June 15, 1955,	J. H. Cuddington, Bienfait.
Scotland, July, 1955,	Lord MacDonald.
South Australia, April 20, 1955,	Geoffrey Reed.
South Carolina, April 28, 1955,	J. Ansel Eaddy, Lake City.
South Dakota, June 12, 1956,	Leonel M. Jensen, Wall.
Sweden, April 1, 1953,	H. M. the King, Gustaf IV Adolf.
Tasmania, Feb. 25, 1956,	F. T. Carter.
Tennessee, Mar. 28, 1956,	Nathan L. Roberts, Chattanooga.
Texas, Dec. 7, 1955,	W. W. Boothe, Paris.
Utah, Jan. 25, 1955,	Roy Waldron Robinson, Kenilworth.
Vermont, June 15, 1955,	F. Ray Adams, Springfield.
Victoria, Dec. 21, 1955,	Dallas Brooks.
Virginia, Feb. 8, 1955,	William J. McMahon, Newport News.
Washington, June 15, 1954,	Lester E. Hitt, Aberdeen.
West Virginia, Oct. 12, 1955,	Claud W. Rinehart, Weston.
West Australia, May 26, 1955,	Charles Gairdner.
Wisconsin, June 9, 1955,	Harry A. Speich, Mineral Point.
Wyoming, Aug. 22, 1955,	Ralph E. McWhinnie, Laramie.

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Manuel Ramirez.	None.
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F. A. Van Iderstine, Charlottetown.	None.
R. W. Louhood, 1559 St. Mark St., Montreal.	O. E. Stanton.
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Alexander S. Buchan, Edinburgh.	None.
F. J. Ellen, Adelaide.	J. R. Robertson.
Henry F. Collins, Columbia.	Henry Collins, Columbia.
Elvin F. Strain, Sioux Falls.	Rev. David Graham, Hudson.
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H. A. Wilkinson, Hobart.	
Thos. Earl Doss, Nashville.	W. P. Douglas, Nashville.
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E. R. Gibson, Salt Lake City.	Edward G. Titus, Salt Lake City.
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Irving A. Clark, Casper.	Irving A. Clark.

RECAPITULATION — 1956

Lodges, enrolled	217
“ extinct	10
“ working	207
“ represented at Communication, 1956	191
Number of Representatives	306
Lodges to make returns	207
Making returns in time	204
Raised	1,330
Affiliated	125
Re-instated	127
Total increase	1,582
Demitted	166
Died	955
Suspended, U. M. C.	1
Expelled	2
Suspended, N. P. D.	335
Total loss	1,459
Net gain	123
Membership, January 1, 1955	47,290
Membership, January 1, 1956	47,413
Grand Lodge Receipts	\$ 43,190.87
Grand Lodge Disbursements	\$ 47,669.46
Amount of Charity Fund	\$479,631.10

GRAND LODGE BANQUET

The Nineteenth Grand Lodge Banquet was held at the Eastland Hotel on Monday, April 30, 1956. Most Worshipful Grand Master POWERS presiding. He presented the following Guests:

- R. E. WINSTON R. JAGGER, Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Maine.
- M. E. ORVIS W. BONNEY, Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Maine.
- M. III. GEORGE J. LACKEDY, Grand Master of the Grand Council of Maine.
- III. FRANK C. ALLEN, 33°, Deputy for Maine.
- R. W. CARL R. MACKENNEY, Senior Grand Warden, and R. W. Bro. EARL W. TAYLOR, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts.
- M. W. L. WADE TEMPLE, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Virginia.
- R. W. RALPH M. LEHR, Past Grand Master, and R. W. GEORGE A. AVERY, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.
- R. W. AUGUST C. ULLRICH, Senior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge of New Jersey.
- M. W. LESLIE F. MURCH, Grand Master; M. W. HAROLD O. CADY, Past Grand Master and Grand Secretary; and RICHARD W. CRESSEY, Grand Marshal, of the Grand Lodge of New Hampshire.
- M. W. J. HULL MANWARING, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Connecticut.
- M. W. ALTON T. CURTIS, Grand Master, and R. W. N. ARTHUR HYLAND, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Rhode Island.
- M. W. F. RAY ADAMS, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Vermont.
- M. W. HORACE S. ALLEN, JR., Past Grand Master, and R. W. H. CLIFFORD BAUER, Deputy Grand Master and Grand Representative of Maine, of the Grand Lodge of Delaware.

R. W. HARRY L. MARTYN, Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

M. W. JEPHTHAH S. MUNRO, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia.

M. W. ARTHUR E. COLEMAN, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of New Brunswick.

M. W. DON L. WITTER, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Quebec.

R. W. Bro. ROBERT H. JOSSELYN was recognized and he read the following poem which he had written for the occasion:

UNO ANIMO

Fast the closing hours descend;
Faster beat the hearts of men
Who walked tho blind, with step precise,
Around the altar, Once! Twice! Thrice! .
We, those men as Masons now
With one accord most humbly bow
In praise of him who yields the rein
As head of Masonry in Maine!

With praise, our deepest gratitude!
For earnest guidance so imbued
With Friendship; Love; Morality;
Has given strength to Masonry!
Respecting all; Neglecting none;
And molded us in purpose, One!

His, no ordinary gift
Of mind and talent framed to lift
The veil of Ignorance and give
Reply to those inquisitive.
So many yet might hoodwinked be,
Were it not for such as he!

His a youthful energy!
Fresh! Untiring! Clean and Free!
No martyr he, yet firm he stood
Enforcing what was just and good!
Tho in natural stature small,
Stands "head and shoulders" 'bove us all!

With memory superbly blessed,
He calls by name the lowliest.
Thus we who met him first in form,
Have found our second meeting warm.
For wise is he; Nor cold; Nor grim;
And wise were we for choosing him!

Among his many merits he
Showed special skill in oratory.
Extempory, or studied word,
Deeply moved were we who heard.
Pensive! Gladdened! Smiled, and Laughed!
By tempered phrase he swayed the Craft!

Not alone where Masons meet,
His Masonry is on the Street;
And at his Work; And in his Home;
And else beneath the Clouded Dome.
Indeed, without the City's Gate
To reach those friends less fortunate.

'Tis ample praise to mention this
Of one so free from prejudice,
And selfishness, and burning hate,
He loathes the word, Discriminate!
And all the unjust thoughts akin,
Regarding Man, his creed or skin!

Infused by Love, and Laboring
Has made the Craft a Living Thing!
A Thirsting, Searching, Surging Hope,
Revitalized! Of greater scope!
With Leadership beneficent,
Has willed a shining precedent!

Yes, Master he, in more than name!
Bent on serving! Less on fame;
And brighter glows our Masonry,
While fading, mediocrity!
Thus, in Hamlet; City; Town;
The heart of Masonry is sound!
Its pulse has felt the Master's hand;
Responding as one Sacred Band!

And now responds in voice as One,
In warm, endearing Unison!
To him, most humble thanks from All;
Our Friend and Master, Brother Paul!

Tho from the Sacred Chair he goes,
Masonic Curtains never close!
For mark you well! Remember long!
His halo's Bright! His wings are Strong!

The Grand Master then presented W. Bro. FRANK S. LAND, 33°, the founder of the Order of DeMolay, who gave an inspiring address which follows:

Most Worshipful Grand Master, Distinguished Guests, Brethren of this Grand Lodge of Maine:

It is a great privilege, and I am very grateful that you invited me here. I have a great affection for Paul Powers in so very many ways, and nothing pleased me more than to say, when he invited me two years ago, that I would be here.

There are many of you in this room, as I look about, that I know well. They have heard me talk, and always pretty much on the same theme. But I have felt that they would be willing to hear me again on this particular phase of Freemasonry, as I see it, because I am trying in my humble way to point out to the Craft some of those things about which might well be asked, "Watchman, what of the night?"

I don't mean to be one who wears a hair shirt, but I am inclined to be a little bit like the Texan, the late Senator Alben Barkley told me about, who was in Washington and wanted to call up a friend over in Maryland. The operator told him he would have to put 35 cents in the phone. "Why, listen," he said, "I could talk to hell and back for 35 cents down in Texas!" And the operator replied: "Yes, but in Texas that would be only a local call."

That is pretty much the way I find myself.

I left home this morning—I was up at 4.00 a. m., Kansas City time. We started out in awfully rainy and stormy weather; we were late starting. We had been having tornadoes, and allied freaks of nature for many weeks, such as you have been having in the East. Once we reached 19,000 feet we picked up a fine tail wind. We came in ahead of time, so to speak—came from Kansas City to New York—from the Middle West—in 3 hours! During that time, we didn't see the earth once, and then, just as we were ready to come onto the field, we could see just a little patch of green—some grass—and the runways, and I wondered how in the world we ever came that close; we had come right up on it, not having seen a single thing in all that time. You men have had the

same experience. It isn't anything new to you. It is all accomplished by that marvel of this age called radar. We had bumps, but we had a safe landing.

Now to me, Freemasonry is a good deal like radar. We who believe in it and practice it are guided to a harbor of security and friendship with those we love, and with whom we desire to associate ourselves.

I don't know how many of you have ever had the opportunity of visiting the Carlsbad Caverns in New Mexico—they are immense things, as you know, and the guide takes you down through the winding corridors, illuminated by lights, and finally you come into this grand cavern with all the shining stalactites. Then he leads you onto a little balcony, and while he tells you something about the caverns, he pulls a switch and of all the darkness on earth, this is the blackest darkness you could possibly get into! It is terrific. It just hangs to you.

Then he lights a match—just one match—and, Brethren, it is astounding how much you can see with that one little match! You see the beauty and the splendor in a way that you never have seen it before. And again, out of the telling of this story, comes to me the thought that every man who wears the Square and Compass, in a measure is a little light in the world, shedding a great influence over everything that surrounds him. And that, in a measure, is Freemasonry.

Then I am reminded of that story that Ralph Sockman told just before I went in as Imperial Potentate, and I have told it to Shriners many times. It is the story of a civil engineer who decided that he had made enough money in the metropolis, and he was going to go out into the country, two or three hundred miles away, and become a gentleman farmer. Well, he questioned every friend he had who knew anything about farming—what do you do about this? And what do you do about that?

He bought every book on agriculture he could find, and after he had accumulated all the wisdom he believed he needed, he decided to make the break. So he sold his homestead where he had been raised as a boy and he moved some three hundred miles away from town.

When he arrived at the farm, no neighbors called on him. He found that they didn't want a gentleman farmer—a book farmer—in that community, and they could have made life awfully miserable for him, but he was one of those happy sort of souls; he just kept on plugging and doing his work. The man on the adjacent farm seemed to detest him more than his other neighbors. One day the neighbor's dog broke from his leash and attacked and killed the engineer's five-year old daughter. Pendemonium struck the neighborhood, and yet the civil engineer held up his head and made no out-cry. It wasn't long before famine came upon the country side. The gentleman farmer opened his granary and his bins and he began to give a portion of grain to all of those neighbors who detested him; but to the man whose dog had killed his little girl, he gave three portions of grain. It wasn't so very long, so very many months after, that the real harvest came; and one of the engineer's city friends came out to visit him, and he heard the story, and he said, "Bill, why in the world did you give these neighbors one portion of grain, and then top it all off by giving three portions to the man whose dog killed your little girl?" And as quick as a flash, the engineer said, "To make God come alive."

"To make God come alive!"

Brethren, that is the mission of the Church—it also is the mission of Freemasonry—to make God come alive in your life and in mine.

And so it is relative to Freemasonry, with that in mind that I would like to talk to you. In fact, it reminds me a little of Jimmy Stallings down in Texas. He was six years old, and he had the first thrill of his life in starting a club. He had just started to school and was learning to write "Billy, Jimmy and Johnny," when his older brother said to him, "I understand you have got a real club." And Jimmy said, "Yes, I have." "Well, who belongs?" The youngster reached into his pants pocket and pulled out a piece of paper. The big brother looked at the list of names on it—"Johnny, Jimmy, Harry, Billy," and then he came to Jesus. The big brother said, "I see you have listed Jesus as a member of the club." Replied Jimmy, "Yes, I made up my mind He was going to

be around anyway, so I might as well make Him a dues-paying member."

That's the thing we have to grasp—Freemasonry is all around us—we must make use of it!

Let's go back to July 4, 1776. There were less than two million males in the Colonies, and there were less than two thousand Freemasons. However, virtually every one of those men were leaders in their own communities; they were the men who surrounded George Washington—the men who did things—who financed and ran the war. One out of every thousand men in the Colonies was a Mason. Out of the fifty-six men who signed the Declaration of Independence, thirty-one were Masons. And you know also that in the Constitutional Convention, thirty-nine of the signers of that historic document were Masons. In 1800 they did not have, as far as we are able to find, even the two thousand Masons they had in 1776. In 1850 there probably weren't more than six or seven thousand acknowledged Masons in the Colonies. Then along came the Spanish-American War, and in 1900, there were more than eight hundred and forty-nine thousand Masons on the North American scene. Almost overnight in 1917, our membership climbed to 1 million 700 thousand. Just think how Masonry climbed in those seventeen years! After World War II, Masonic membership climbed to more than three million five hundred thousand. Year before last on the North American Continent Masonic membership climbed to four million one hundred and thirteen thousand. Just think of the growth that took place in that period of time.

Our greatest gains have been made in the last fifty-six years. Now, let me digress for a moment.

In 1900, the great moving organization in Freemasonry on this Continent were the Templars. They had four hundred and eighty thousand members. At the bottom, so to speak, were the Scottish Rite Bodies. Here in your Northern Jurisdiction there were more than twenty-eight thousand in the Lodges of Perfection, and in the Southern Jurisdiction, there were only eleven thousand Scottish Rite Masons.

And then what began to happen? Up here, something began to put a pall on Templarism, and it began to decline.

Scottish Rite Masonry began to grow so that in the 1920's they met. Templarism kept going down, and Scottish Rite kept rising, until tonight, there are close to one million Scottish Rite Masons on the North American Continent.

We had a meeting sometime ago at Asheville, North Carolina, of the General Grand Chapter and General Grand Council. Every jurisdiction does not belong to that Body, but three years ago, in 1951, there were 172 thousand Cryptic Masons belonging to the General Grand Council. In three years, Cryptic Masonry had lost twenty thousand, and at the meeting in New York last year of the Grand Encampment, Templarism was reported at three hundred eighty thousand, or a loss of one hundred thousand in fifty-five years, and that is something to think about. I do not know how many of you Brethren have traveled throughout our country. I do not know where your visitations have been, but let me say this to you—it is pathetic to walk into any Blue Lodge that I have visited in these past thirty years and see the small attendance—the Master and Wardens conferring degrees, if they have candidates, and only a few of the loyal Past Masters on the job.

This is the pathetic thing—ninety-two per cent of those who take these first three degrees come back once or twice, and never come back again! If you take all the officers—there are seventeen thousand Blue Lodges on the North American Continent—if you take all the officers of every one of our seventeen thousand Blue Lodges, and just for quick multiplication, let us take ten for each Lodge—we would have one hundred seventy thousand officers—take all of the officers of Royal Arch Masonry—all of the Chapters on the Continent—take all of the Councils and their officers—take all of the Commanderies and their officers, take all of the Scottish Rite Bodies—Northern, Southern, Canadian—take all the officers of the one hundred sixty-six Temples of the Shrine, Brethren, and put them all together and you would be hard pressed—and you would have to “butter it” tremendously—to have three hundred thousand men working for and in behalf of Freemasonry on this Continent out of

the four million one hundred thirteen thousand Masons that make up the Craft on this Continent!

Ninety-two per cent don't come back, and we have to struggle with that problem, but think what a tremendous growth we have had in this period. But, Brethren, somewhere in this picture we have lost that "gimmick," I call it—that thing that actuated the men of 1776 and those through the period of the eighteenth century—all of them were leaders, so to speak. I can remember forty-five years ago when I took my First Degree. I can remember I was worried and was excited, wondering if I had passed the test after my petition had been placed before my Lodge. Then the word came that I was to receive the First Degree, and I thought to myself, "Frank Land, this is the greatest day of your life. You have been accepted by men to be among men!"

And here is a peculiar thing—I was saying to Grand Master Powers, while we were eating, "do you know forty-five years ago, the man who was the Master of the Lodge in most every crossroads community was either the banker, the judge, the big lawyer or the big businessman of the community, and he might have had the job for ten, twelve, fifteen years, and no one ever even moved up; and he might not have given the ritual any too well, either, but everybody in the community turned out to Lodge; everybody was there. Why? Because Mr. So-and-So or Judge So-and-So was the leader."

Somewhere in the picture we have lost the "gimmick" of bringing these men—these leaders in our communities—and holding them in our Lodges.

I have an opportunity frequently of sitting down and talking with the great leaders of industry and of all manner of activities, and as I told the Grand Master, as I join a group for lunch or dinner, I begin to think in terms of, "I wonder if this fellow is a Mason, or that one?" And generally, I would say in a crowd of twenty to twenty-five, there will generally be an average of about seven, eight, nine, ten who will of their own accord, come up to me and say, "I belong to a Lodge back in California," or "I belong in Nevada." And invariably I will say, "why in the world haven't you taken an interest in Freemasonry?" And, of course, there comes back

the old stock reply, "I am too busy; I can't memorize; I can't give the time to it."

Well, Brethren, whatever the answer—mind you, I am not fault-finding—I am painting the picture to you as it is—somewhere in this picture we have got to bring back into the Craft its leadership and into its bosom these men who are making America great, and we have a lot of them!

Many of you know that almost every year for the last ten or twelve years I have given a breakfast during the Grand Master's Conference at which we bring in all the leaders of government and seat them at the head table—and when you begin to look for those leaders, the great outstanding leaders—we have a few who say they are Masons, but in the Craft as a whole, they are not occupying the places of leadership, and that is different from 1776.

And so, here we have a problem we all must face if we are going to make Freemasonry come alive, so to speak.

Many of you know that in my year as Imperial Potentate I kept pounding on this thought—and this may be of interest to you—there are seven hundred fifty thousand Shriners on the North American Continent. The charge has been hurled at them many times that they go up from the Blue Lodge—never stop—go into York Rite or Scottish Rite—and zoom up into the Shrine. There are one million Scottish Rite Masons on the North American Continent; there are three hundred eighty thousand Knights Templar;—that is one million three hundred eighty thousand men. There are only seven hundred fifty thousand Shriners, so the argument that men just strive to get into the Blue Lodge to get into the Shrine is probably just a half truth, not a whole truth.

I wish that everywhere I could get the message over—that we could bring into these Lodges these men who stay away—the ninety-two per cent—and let them kneel again at the altar or sit at the side of their Master and Wardens and get a little of the stardust of Freemasonry on their mantles again. This is the thing that is going to make Freemasonry the thing you and I want so badly to have it be.

Now Scottish Rite, as I have pictured it, has had a glorious success. York Rite, Royal Arch Masonry, is the big dog of the whole outfit as far as one group is concerned. They have six hundred twenty thousand, I think, in the Royal Arch Masonry on this Continent, but there the picture ends. Cryptic Masonry has lost twenty thousand in three years; Templarism has lost one hundred thousand in fifty-five years; and Brethren, let me say this to you Templars—if there is any one group of the Protestant faith that is sworn by vows of allegiance to a defense of the Cross, it is we Knights Templar—and if Knight Templarism passes out of the picture in the next fifty, seventy-five, one hundred years, it will be the worst "body blow" to Protestantism that Protestantism has ever had. So as we begin to look at the picture, even in the midst of our growth, there are signs that there can be defeat as well.

You and I, in our lifetime, have seen civilizations crumble and pass out. We have seen tongues vanish—the Indian tongue is one of them that is almost extinct. The great machines, the great wonders of civilization of twenty-five and thirty years ago, are in the lots of the junk dealers, so to speak. A new thing is always coming up, and it isn't impossible to envision at least the thought that Masonry might crumble in places, and God forbid that. That is a challenge we must meet if we are going to be really true and honest Masons at heart. You and I, every one of us, must give back our lives to God and what kind of stewardship are we going to make of it? You are the men who keep Freemasonry alive, so to speak, in Maine, and all these Grand Lodge groups, when you add them all together, you will have to count furiously to find three hundred thousand men working for and in behalf of this Craft, growing as it is, and if ninety-two per cent of our members are failing in getting the vision of Freemasonry, that God is coming alive in their actions and their work, we certainly have failed.

I had a little old lady friend who has now passed away, but was in her ninety's when she said to me one day, "I wonder what I have not done today that I might have done, when I shall stand at the Bar of Judgment."

That is a question for each one of us. Have we done our whole work? Have we fought this battle for Freemasonry as we should?

I don't know how many of you have been down to Washington—and I have told this story many times. If you have, and have gone into that great Library of Congress, and into the main reading room, you must have been enthralled by those great marble figures sculptured by the great sculptors of the past. Each one of them is dedicated to some phase of human activity on Philosophy, and then they asked Dr. Elliott, then president of Harvard, if he would select the inscription that might be chiseled in the marble above each one of them. When he came to the great figure of Religion at the far end of the Library, he did not go to any of the books or prophets or any of the writers of any age, he went to the Book of Books, and this is what you will see carved in the marble above the figure of Religion: "What doth the Lord thy God demand of thee but live justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with thy God."

Brethren, that is the design upon the trestle of Freemasonry as I see it, if you and I want to see God come alive.

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RULES FOR MASONIC DATES

ANCIENT CRAFT MASONS —

Add 4000 years to the Common Era. Thus: 1956 and 4000 — 5956.

SCOTTISH RITE —

Add 3760 to the Common Era. Thus: 1956 and 3760—5716,
After September add another year.

ROYAL ARCH —

Add 530 years to the Vulgar Era. Thus: 1956 and 530—
2486.

ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS —

Add 1000 to the Common Era. Thus: 1956 and 1000—2956.

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR —

From the Christian Era take 1118. Thus: 1118 from 1956
— 838.

ORDER OF HIGH PRIESTHOOD —

To the Christian Era add 1913, the Year of the Blessing.
Thus: 1956 and 1913 — 3869.

MASONIC CALENDAR.

ANCIENT CRAFT MASONS commence their era with the creation of the world, calling it ANNO LUCIS [A.L.], "in the year of light."

SCOTTISH RITE, same as Ancient Craft, except the Jewish chronology is used, ANNO MUNDI [A.M.], "in the year of the world."

ROYAL ARCH MASONS date from the year the second temple was commenced by Zerubbabel, ANNO INVENTIONIS [A.I.], "in the year of the discovery."

ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS date from the year in which the temple of Solomon was completed, ANNO DEPOSITIONIS [A.Dep.], "in the year of the deposit."

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR commence their era with the organization of their Order, ANNO ORDINIS [A.O.], "in the year of the Order."

ORDER OF HIGH PRIESTHOOD dates from the year of the blessing of Abraham by the High Priest Melchisedec; ANNO BENEFACIO [A.B.], "in the year of the blessing."

APPENDIX

Report of Correspondence 1956

*To the Most Worshipful, the Grand Lodge of Maine, Ancient Free and Accepted
Masons:*

The annual report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is herewith submitted for the consideration of Grand Lodge.

FOREWORD.

In addition to the sixty-eight Grand Lodges in the British Commonwealth of Nations and the United States of America, which are universally recognized as regular, there are in the world today more than 140 other bodies which call themselves Masonic and which may, at any time, solicit recognition at our hands. Some of these bodies are perfectly regular, and are well worthy of recognition. Some are irregular only because of some technical disqualification. Some were once regular, but have since, by their own misconduct, forfeited all claim to regularity. Some, while still technically regular, do not live under the tongue of good report. And some, of course, are utterly spurious and have never had anything but a clandestine existence. To investigate these many bodies and to make recommendations when any of them apply to the Grand Lodge of Maine for recognition is the constitutional responsibility of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence.

This problem, always difficult enough, is now complicated by the confused and unsatisfactory conditions existing in many parts of the world. Freemasonry is prohibited by law in all countries where the Communist Party is in power, as well as in those countries where the influence of the Roman Catholic Church is supreme. In many other countries, the Craft also suffers under varying degrees of governmental interference, clerical opposition and popular disfavor. Political instability, resulting from recurrent revolutions, makes for Masonic insecurity, for tolerant governments may at any time be replaced by governments which are actively hostile to the Fraternity. At the same time, the Craft in many countries suffers from internal difficulties. Conflicts between rival factions, discord

and dissension, doctrinal irregularity, bitter jurisdictional disputes, improper political activity, and Communist infiltration into the lodges all disturb the harmony of the Fraternity and destroy its usefulness in those countries where such conditions exist.

Needless to say, these confused conditions make the whole question of foreign fraternal relations extremely difficult. Under the circumstances, caution is only common sense. We must not be misled by the myth of Masonic universality, but must always remember that what passes for Freemasonry in many foreign countries is something quite different from the Freemasonry taught and practiced by the Grand Lodge of Maine. We must be very very careful that we do not set the seal of our official approval upon any concept of Masonry which differs radically from that of our own Grand Lodge, and which may even be at variance with the Ancient Landmarks of the Craft.

The mere fact that certain foreign bodies are not recognized by the Grand Lodge of Maine does not, of itself, indicate any hostility or even disapproval on our part. Such lack of recognition may result from many different causes. It may, for instance, mean only that the unrecognized body has never seen fit to request recognition at our hands. It may mean only that political conditions in the countries concerned are such as to make Masonic recognition meaningless. There is little point in recognizing bodies which have been forced into exile, which have been driven underground, or which lead a precarious existence under either unfriendly or unstable governments. It may mean only that we do not have sufficient reliable information upon which to base an intelligent recommendation. In the case of newly organized bodies, it means only that these bodies are being given an opportunity, as prescribed by our Maine standards of recognition, to demonstrate their stability and fitness for recognition by living under the tongue of good report for an adequate period of years. In all such cases, lack of recognition involves no condemnation, and deferment of action is entirely without prejudice to the body concerned. There are several presently unrecognized bodies with which we hope eventually to enjoy a happy fraternal relationship.

Of course, there are many unrecognized bodies of which we do, most thoroughly, disapprove. The Grand Lodge of Maine has always denounced as un-masonic those bodies which have ceased to require a positive, whole-hearted and unequivocal belief in Almighty God, or to display the Holy Bible upon their Altars. Accordingly, we cannot, with any consistency, extend our unqualified endorsement to bodies which knowingly remain in amity with these apostate groups, or whose own interpretation of these Ancient Landmarks is, in any way, ambiguous, evasive or equivocal. Where the fundamental principles of Freemasonry are concerned, there can be no compromise. Neither can we give our full approval to bodies which engage in improper political activity, which allow themselves to be infiltrated by elements favorable to Communism, or which have shown their inability to conduct their own affairs according to proper Masonic principles.

The Chairman of this Committee makes no claim to infallibility. He is painfully aware of his own limitations, and realizes that mistakes are probably inevitable. However, he is determined that the Grand Lodge of Maine shall suffer no embarrassment as a result of his recommendations. If he must err, he feels it to be much better that he err on the side of caution. By so doing, he can bring no discredit upon the Grand Lodge of Maine or upon the good name of the Fraternity at large.

For the Committee:

RALPH J. POLLARD, P. G. M.,
Chairman.

SPECIAL REPORTS.

(a) AN UNACCEPTABLE SUGGESTION.

During the past year, the Grand Secretary of South Carolina transmitted to all Grand Lodges a proposal which would, if adopted, make a drastic change in the method of preparing the fraternal reviews appearing in these reports. Under this suggestion, the preparation of individual reviews by writers in each Grand Jurisdiction would be discontinued. Instead, each Grand Lodge would prepare a review of its own Proceedings only, and would furnish mimeographed copies of this review to all participating Grand Lodges, which would then be free either to use these self-prepared reviews as received or to edit them to suit local requirements. It is claimed that this would eliminate unnecessary duplication of effort, relieve reviewers of a dreary chore, and effect a considerable saving in time, work and money.

We have no sympathy for this suggestion. In the first place, we like our job, we feel that it is important, we do not regard it as a chore, and we have no desire whatever to be relieved of any work in connection therewith. In the second place, we feel that the authors of this suggestion are completely overlooking the true purpose and value of these reviews.

If the fraternal reviews were mere items of news, there might be some merit in this suggestion. However, the news value of these reports is only secondary. Their true value lies in the selection of material, its evaluation and interpretation, and the comments thereon made by many different reviewers, each writing from the viewpoint and for the benefit of his own Grand Lodge. These reviewers are all experienced and responsible Craftsmen, enjoying the respect and confidence of their own Grand Lodges, and fully qualified to speak therefor on all matters of inter-jurisdictional interest. They can be counted upon to explain and defend the policies of their own Grand Lodges, and to express their honest opinions on happenings in other Jurisdictions. Their fraternal discussion of controversial questions serves to clarify Masonic thinking on these issues. Masonic history teaches us that these reviewers have, in past generations, played a major part in the development of our peculiar system of Masonic Jurisprudence and in the establishment of uniform Masonic practices throughout the Country. They have also been among the most effective guardians

of the ancient usages and customs of the Craft, and have resisted the restless spirit of innovation wherever it has raised its head. There is still work of this kind to be done.

Under the proposed suggestion, we fear that these values would be largely lost. If the self-prepared reviews were printed as received, they would have nothing but news value. There would be no variety of treatment, no selection of material, no evaluation, no interpretation and no comments. There would be no discussion of controversial issues. The fellowship of the Round Table would be ended. Able and competent men would be unwilling to serve as mere disc jockeys, playing records written by someone else.

If, on the other hand, any attempt was made to edit these reviews and to make them the basis of an intelligent and effective report, there would be no saving in either time or work over the present method. Indeed, the task of the reviewer would be much more difficult. Personally, we would much prefer to write a report based upon our own reading of the Proceedings than to attempt to analyze a second-hand summary written by someone else.

The Grand Lodge of Maine played a major part in the establishment of the Correspondence Report as a feature of our American Masonic life. Our great predecessors, Worshipful and Rev. Cyril Pearl, M. W. Josiah H. Drummond, M. W. Albro E. Chase, and M. W. and Rev. Ashley A. Smith, D. D., all made outstanding contributions to the Craft through these reviews. To the extent of our own limited abilities, we are endeavoring to follow in their footsteps. We feel that we can speak for our own Grand Lodge in saying that we are perfectly satisfied with the procedure which has been followed for more than a century and that we see no reason for any change.

(b) VALLE DE MEXICO AND ARGENTINA.

At the very height of the dispute between the then government of Argentina and the Roman Catholic hierarchy, the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico was so unwise as to inject itself into a dispute which was, frankly, none of its business. On May 31, 1955, the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico addressed an official letter to the President of the Argentine Senate and the President of the Argentine Chamber of Deputies, in which he congratulated the Argentine government upon its anti-clerical legislation, attacked the Roman Church, and at least indirectly suggested the adoption of still more severe restrictions, similar to those adopted by anti-clerical governments in Mexico.

We fully understand the sympathy felt by Mexican Masons for the reforms being attempted in Argentina. However, we can only disapprove, most thoroughly, of the action taken in this matter. For the citizens of one country to interfere in the political affairs of another country is quite bad enough, and can only be considered as gratuitous mischief making. For Masons to involve Freemasonry in such a venture is the height of Masonic impropriety, and is an act of utter folly. It only serves

to justify the charges made by the Papacy that Freemasonry is an international conspiracy against the Church and to strengthen the hands of the hierarchy in its attacks upon the Fraternity.

The recent revolution in Argentina makes the folly of this action apparent. The enemies of Freemasonry are now once more in power. The Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico is beyond their reach, but the Freemasonry of Argentina is very much at their mercy. If unpleasantness results, the Masons of Argentina can fairly blame the unwisdom of their Mexican brethren for part of their troubles.

(c) GUATEMALA.

We can now report in more detail upon happenings in Guatemala. When the pro-Communist government of that Republic was overthrown by the successful revolution led by Colonel Castillo Armas, one of the first acts of the new regime was to dissolve the Masonic Grand Lodge in that country. Some prominent members of the Grand Lodge were jailed; others fled into exile.

This action brought forth vigorous protest from neighboring Jurisdictions. A distinguished Mexican Freemason visited Guatemala and conferred with the President, who assured him that his action was not directed against Freemasonry itself, but only against Communist sympathizers who had secured control of the Grand Lodge. He pointed out that his decree had not dissolved the subordinate lodges, which were perfectly free to organize a new Grand Lodge without Communist domination. Acting upon this suggestion, some Guatemalan lodges organized such a Grand Lodge, with an official of the Armas government as its Grand Master. Other lodges, resenting this interference by government in the affairs of the Fraternity, refused to go along with this plan, and re-organized the old Grand Lodge.

This rivalry was discussed at the Havana Conference. Later in 1955, the Grand Master of Cuba and the Grand Master of Costa Rica made a visit to Guatemala, and conferred with the leaders of the rival groups. Our latest advices indicate that a solution of this problem may soon be reached, and harmony restored to Guatemalan Freemasonry.

Fortunately, Maine is not involved in any way with Guatemala, and our interest in this matter is only academic.

(d) COSTA RICA.

The trouble in Costa Rica is not over. The regular Grand Lodge advises us that the situation is well in hand, and that it has regained its recognition by the civil authorities. M. W. Bro. Edwin Holst Wenzell now serves as Grand Master, and Grand Secretary Enrique Chaves B. remains in office.

In gratitude for the stand taken by the Inter-American Confederation in regard to the Costa Rican dispute, the regular Grand Lodge has become a member of that organization. The Grand Master accompanied the President of the Confederation on his mission to Guatemala. However,

the schismatic group is far from dead. A communication received in January, 1956, advises us that Dr. Francisco Jiminez Rodriguez has been re-elected Grand Master, and that Juan Jose Soto A. remains as Grand Secretary. It claims to have seven subordinate lodges, which, in view of the small number of Masons in Costa Rica, would indicate that the schism was of rather serious proportions.

(e) **BRAZIL.**

A rather surprising development has taken place in Brazil. On June 11, 1955, an agreement was signed by the Grand Lodge of Rio de Janeiro and the Grand Orient of Brazil, under which inter-visitation between the two bodies would be permitted for a period of two years. During this time, an attempt will be made to work out an acceptable basis upon which to unify all Symbolic Masonry in Brazil. Other Grand Bodies will be contacted, and every effort will be made to bring about Masonic reconciliation in that troubled country. In view of all the bitter charges and counter charges which have been made by these two bodies in the past, this agreement is highly significant. We will watch developments with much interest.

The schism in Sao Paulo continues. One of the rival groups has officially severed relations with the Grand Lodge of Colorado, because of the countenance given by that Grand Lodge to the other claimant.

(f) **FRANCE.**

During the past year, the irregular Grand Lodge of France approached the French National Grand Lodge with a request for union with that body. Negotiations followed, participated in by leaders of both obediences. The National Grand Lodge proposed a basis of agreement which would leave no room for misunderstanding, and which would ensure the complete regularity of the unified body. This agreement embodied an unequivocal acceptance of the Ancient Landmarks, and a pledge that the unified body would hold Masonic intercourse with no irregular groups. The representatives of the Grand Lodge of France approved of this agreement. However, that body, at its annual meeting on January 14-15, 1956, failed to ratify the agreement. Accordingly, negotiations are broken off, and the Grand Lodge of France remains irregular.

Personally, we are not at all sorry that these negotiations ended in failure. There are grave difficulties inherent in any union between a small body of unquestioned regularity and a larger body of doubtful regularity. Once unification is effected, majority rule prevails, and majority action is all too likely to reflect the irregular background of the majority. Any union between the French National Grand Lodge and the so-called Grand Lodge of France would have posed a serious problem to those Grand Lodges which have recognized the National Grand Lodge but which have refused to recognize the irregular Grand Lodge.

Recognition of the unified body could not have been a mere matter of routine. Fortunately, in our opinion, this problem has not arisen.

ALABAMA, 1954.

The One Hundred Thirty-fourth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 430. Members, 70,799. Gain, 1,955.

M. W. Leonard S. Terry presided over the Annual Communication, which was held in Montgomery on November 16-17, 1954. The Grand Honors were extended to distinguished visitors from South Carolina, Mississippi and Illinois. A message of fraternal greetings was received from M. W. Paul L. Powers, Grand Master of Maine. The usual reception was tendered to the Worthy Grand Matron of the O. E. S. and her staff of officers.

Bro. Terry attended the Washington Conferences, visited the Grand Lodges of Louisiana, Mississippi, Tennessee, Florida, Illinois and Georgia, paid official visits to seventy-eight Alabama lodges, and made many other Masonic appearances. He issued letters calling for the observance of National Bible Week and National Sunday School Week. Two lodges were constituted, one new lodge was instituted, one new Temple was dedicated, and cornerstones for six new Temples were laid. Two lodges were consolidated.

The extensive Masonic Library of the late Past Grand Master Oliver D. Street was presented to the Grand Lodge by his son.

A large-scale building program is being carried out at the Masonic Home. The Grand Chapter, O. E. S., has also remodelled and renovated the hospital at the Home.

At this communication, an attempt to make all Past Masters voting members of the Grand Lodge was defeated. The question of automatic suspension was submitted to the lodges for their action.

Bro. A. M. Reeves presented the Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence. This discusses some of the troubled spots in the Masonic world, and recommends that recognition of the Grand Lodge of Guatemala be discontinued, but that recognition be extended to the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico. There are no jurisdictional reviews.

Bro. John W. Preddy was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Charles H. Stubinger was re-elected.

ALBERTA, 1955.

The Fiftieth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 159. Members, 17,334. Gain, 358.

Grand Lodge sessions were held in Calgary on June 8-9, 1955. The Rev. Peter Dawson, Grand Master, was on the Throne. Maine's Representative was absent, but distinguished visitors from Canada in Ontario, Manitoba, Minnesota, North Dakota and British Columbia honored the communication by their presence.

The Grand Master attended the Western Canadian Conference at Banff, visited the Grand Lodges of Saskatchewan, Canada in Ontario and

Montana, was present at all district meetings, and made numerous appearances in his own Province. Two lodges were constituted, and the cornerstone of one new Temple was laid.

We quote from the Grand Master's address: "Masonry has continued to live and will continually renew its vigor because it is built upon the sure foundation of faith in God, and because it is vitalized and permeated with principles and ideals that are founded on the eternal law." The dominant note in his many addresses during the year was "Masonry, a Moral and Spiritual Power." In discussing the problem of lodge attendance, he pointed to the need for carefully planned and diversified programs, appealing to all types of members.

Bro. Dawson noted the passing of two Past Grand Masters of Alberta—M. W. Bros. John T. Macdonald and George Moore.

It was announced that the Golden Jubilee celebration would be held on October 14, 1955. This will be reported in next year's Proceedings.

Action in regard to recognition for Israel and Germany was again deferred.

The Alberta Correspondence Report was much shorter than usual. Maine was not among the few Jurisdictions reviewed.

Bro. S. Carl Heckbert was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary E. H. Rivers was re-elected.

ARIZONA, 1955.

The Seventy-third Annual Communication.

Lodges, 48. Members, 10, 236. Gain, 417.

M. W. Bro. Lewis S. Neeb presided over the Annual Communication, which was held in Tempe on April 25-26, 1955. Our Maine Representative was absent, but distinguished guests from California, Nevada, New Mexico and Utah were in attendance.

In his annual address, Bro. Neeb says something which we should all remember. We quote: "Men may still be good Masons even though the press of activities over which they frequently have no control preclude their regular attendance at a lodge. The very fact that they pay dues and maintain their membership implies that they have faith in our Fraternity, and in this way give support to our program."

The Grand Master visited every lodge in Arizona, represented his Grand Lodge at the National Conferences, and attended Grand Lodge sessions in Nevada, California, New Mexico and Cuba. Among the constructive activities of the year, we note the constitution of two newly chartered lodges, the institution of two more new lodges, the laying of three cornerstones, and the dedication of one new hall.

M. W. Bro. Neeb ruled that an objection to advancement must be in writing, that a Master need not reside within the territorial jurisdiction of his lodge, and that all examinations for proficiency must be held in open lodge. Apparently, Arizona lodges are disturbed by the possibility

of a Communist visitor, for the Grand Master discussed means by which such an occurrence might be prevented.

At this communication, an essay contest, with appropriate prizes, was authorized as part of the Public Schools Week observance. Last year's record appropriation of \$7,500 for the promotion of DeMolay was reduced to \$500.

Recognition was extended to the Grand Lodges of Argentina and Baja California.

Bro. Carey B. Wilson was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Joseph A. E. Ivey was re-elected.

There is no Correspondence Report.

ARKANSAS, 1954.

The One Hundred Thirteenth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 384. Members, 56,894. Gain, 767.

The annual Communication was held in Little Rock on November 16-17, 1954. Grand Master L. Leland McDaniel was in the East. Our Maine Representative, Dr. G. L. Kimball, was in attendance, as were distinguished guests from Louisiana, Texas, Oklahoma and Tennessee. Bro. Frank S. Land, the founder of DeMolay, was also present and addressed the brethren.

Bro. McDaniel attended all district meetings, but made no official visits to individual lodges. He visited numerous lodges and other Masonic groups unofficially, and represented his Grand Lodge at the Washington Conferences. Two lodges were constituted, and one new lodge was instituted. The charter of one inactive lodge was arrested.

The Grand Master ruled that a cornerstone could not be laid where the walls of the building have already exceeded normal cornerstone height. He also held that there was no objection to the use of Masonic facilities, other than the lodge room, for DeMolay and Rainbow dancing parties.

The sum of \$40,000 was contributed to the Children's Hospital for the construction of a new building. The sum of \$1,000 was donated to the State Tuberculosis Sanitorium for the purchase of drugs.

A hospital visitation program in Service Hospitals was inaugurated. This is similar to the Oklahoma program, and is not affiliated with the M. S. A.

The formulation of a comprehensive program of Masonic education was authorized, and the Grand Secretary was charged with its preparation.

At this communication, automatic suspension for the non-payment of dues was adopted.

R. W. Bro. Francis J. Scully presented the Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence. He deplores the confusion and internal dissension existing in South and Central America, and warns that lessened

respect for our Order is certain to follow. He discusses several foreign Jurisdictions, but presents no fraternal reviews.

Fraternal recognition was granted to the new Grand Lodge of the State of Israel and to the Grand Orient of Italy.

Dr. Francis J. Scully was elected Grand Master. M. W. Bro. W. A. Thomas, Grand Secretary for twenty years, was re-elected. The immediate Past Grand Master, Bro. McDaniel, was appointed Deputy Grand Secretary.

ARKANSAS, 1955.

The One Hundred Fourteenth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 384. Members, 56,416. Loss, 454.

The loss noted above results from the operation of automatic suspension, adopted by the Grand Lodge last year.

Dr. Francis J. Scully, Grand Master, presided over the Annual Communication, which met in Little Rock on November 15-16, 1955. Visitors from Oklahoma and Montana were welcomed. M. W. Bro. Gilbert L. Kinball, Grand Representative of Maine, was on duty.

The Grand Master attended the Washington Conferences, visited the sister Jurisdictions of Oklahoma and Nebraska, attended all district meetings, and made a number of visitations to individual lodges. One lodge was duly constituted, one consolidation was effected, one new hall was dedicated, and cornerstones were laid for two new halls and for a County Hospital. Masonic funeral services were conducted for two Past Grand Masters, Bro. Claude A. Rankin and Bro. Woodlief A. Thomas, the beloved Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Arkansas.

Following the death of Bro. Thomas, Bro. L. Leland McDaniel was appointed Acting Grand Secretary.

M. W. Bro. Scully called for the preparation of lodge histories, particularly when significant anniversaries are being celebrated. He urged that more attention be paid to non-ritualistic lodge activities, so as to foster the spirit of fellowship among the members. He suggested that the ladies be invited to participate in some of these meetings.

Arkansas is working out an educational program of its own. Candidate booklets have been made available, and an experimental Masonic Institute similar to those held in Iowa, has been conducted. The Grand Master looks with favor upon certain features of the Indiana Mentor Plan.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence deals with various foreign countries, but contains no jurisdictional reviews. On the recommendation of this Committee, recognition was extended to the Grand Lodges of Sao Paulo, Rio de Janeiro and Bahia. Action in regard to Valle de Mexico and the Dominican Republic was deferred. Very properly, the Committee refused to recommend the recognition of the apostate Grand Lodge of Uruguay.

Bro. Noble V. Miller was elected Grand Master. Bro. L. Leland McDaniel was elected Grand Secretary.

BRITISH COLUMBIA, 1955.

The Eighty-fourth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 146. Members, 23,445. Gain, 957.

The Annual Communication was held in Prince Rupert on June 23-24, 1955. The Grand Master, M. W. Bro. Karl P. Warwick, was on the Throne. A civic welcome was extended by the Mayor. Distinguished visitors from Alberta, Washington and Saskatchewan brought greetings from their respective Jurisdictions. Our Maine Representative was among the missing.

The Grand Master was not called upon to make any rulings during the year. He presided over the Banff Conference, made the usual fraternal visits in Washington State, conducted sixteen district meetings, and visited in every section of his own Province, from the United States boundary to the Yukon. One visit of particular interest was that paid to the little lodge in the Far North where he first saw Masonic Light some forty years ago. Five lodges were constituted and consecrated. One of these is named Prince Charles Lodge, in honor of the youthful heir apparent to the Throne. Six new lodges were instituted. One new Masonic hall was officially opened.

The sum of \$31,152 was expended in benevolence.

At this communication, the Grand Lodge refused to consider a Masonic Home project. It adopted the report of a special Committee on Ritual, and also adopted official resolutions of loyalty to Her Majesty the Queen. Charters were granted to nine new lodges.

In keeping with the traditional conservatism of this Grand Lodge, numerous applications for recognition are being held over for further study. We commend this caution.

The Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence was presented by its distinguished Chairman, R. W. Bro. J. Russell Oliver. Again, members of this Committee have delivered numerous addresses of an educational nature. We quote the following from the Committee report: "Only by faith in a divine order, only by belief in the power of truth and good, only there can we find a helm for ourselves, our country, and the world, which can steer us with confidence along avenues of hope to better days."

The Proceedings of sixty-seven Jurisdictions are capably reviewed. Under Maine for 1954, Bro. Oliver makes three quotations from the address of Grand Master Ela, and also makes courteous reference to our own Report. Of us, Brother Oliver says: "Your Chairman and yours truly seem to have much in common in Masonic matters which brings a pleasant bias to the reading of the several reports."

We extend our personal congratulations to R. W. Bro. Oliver on his election as Grand Treasurer of his Grand Lodge.

Bro. Robert G. Large was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary J. H. N. Morgan was re-elected.

CALIFORNIA, 1955.

The One Hundred Sixth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 653. Members, 224,887. Gain, 5,223.

Grand Lodge sessions were held in San Francisco on October 24-28, 1955. The Grand Master, Col. Henry C. Clausen, presided, and welcomed distinguished guests from Louisiana, Oregon, Washington, Colorado, Nevada, Idaho, Arizona, Baja California, Philippines and Massachusetts.

As always in California, the Grand Master was an extremely busy man. He traveled more than 60,000 miles on Masonic business. Constructive activities included the constitution of seven newly chartered lodges, the institution of sixteen new lodges, the laying of fifteen cornerstones (many of which were for public school buildings), and the dedication of eleven new Masonic Halls. M. W. Bro. Clausen represented his Grand Lodge at the National Conferences. He traveled to Europe, where he visited the United Grand Lodge of England at its March Communication. At the request of the Grand Master, he addressed the Grand Lodge. He also made interesting Masonic visits in Scotland, Denmark and France. He also made the customary visit to California's lodges in the Hawaiian Islands, and visited the sister Grand Lodge of Nevada. Grand Secretary Wilson officially represented him at the centennial celebration of the Grand Lodge of Canada, at which Past Grand Master Ellsworth Meyer of California was the banquet speaker.

The Grand Master circulated a general ruling against raffles, door prizes, lotteries and Bingo games. Despite the plain provisions of both Masonic and civil law, such activities continue to plague the California Craft.

We note that one of the cornerstone layings mentioned above was bitterly opposed by the local Catholic priest. In reply, the Grand Master pointed out that the ceremony was not sectarian, and that it had been used for public buildings throughout the history of our Country.

M. W. Bro. Clausen made no less than seventy-two decisions. He ruled that lodge funds could not be invested in building and loan shares; that a lodge could not support a bowling league or team; that a man under twenty-one years of age, who had been legally raised as a "Lewis" under the laws of the Grand Lodge of Scotland, was eligible to visit or to affiliate with a California lodge; that a California lodge may confer a courtesy degree on the candidate of an other Jurisdiction who, as an amputee, was physically ineligible under California law; that one of the character references on an application may be a woman; that the ladies auxiliary to the Grotto could not wear a pin which includes Masonic insignia; that a symbolic cornerstone may properly be inserted in the wall of a completed building; that a brother who killed his mother and then committed suicide could not be buried with Masonic rites; that a Sojourner in California could not possess a cipher ritual which he had lawfully received in another Jurisdiction; and that a club attached to a lodge cannot do anything which would be improper for the lodge to do. There was one bad case of this

kind, where such a club sold liquor in direct violation of Grand Lodge law. Very properly, the lodge lost its charter.

California is now willing to exchange Grand Representatives with any recognized Jurisdiction desiring such an exchange.

During the Grand Lodge session, ground was broken for the new Grand Lodge Memorial Temple on the summit of Nob Hill in San Francisco. A band concert preceded the ceremony, which was attended by some 4,000 persons. Addresses were made by the Lieutenant Governor of California and the Mayor of San Francisco, both of whom are members of the Craft. Ground was broken with a golden spade, and a special ritualistic ceremony was used.

A new funeral service was adopted at this communication.

Recognition was withheld from the Grand Lodge of the Dominican Republic.

The Fraternal Reviews prepared by the Correspondence Committee appeared in the pages of the "*California Freemason*," and were not published in the Proceedings. Maine for 1955 was duly reviewed, and Grand Master Paul L. Powers was quoted.

Bro. Edgar V. Stewart, Jr., was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Lloyd E. Wilson was re-elected.

CANADA, 1955.

The One Hundredth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 596. Members, 130,177. Gain, 1,825.

The Centennial Celebration of the Grand Lodge of Canada, in the Province of Ontario, was one of the most colorful and impressive Masonic events ever held on the Continent of North America. The observance began on Sunday, July 17, 1955, when a great Service of Thanksgiving was held in Exhibition Park, Toronto, under the direction of His Grace the Archbishop of Algoma, who was assisted by the Rev. H. G. Cleghorn, Grand Chaplain. Nearly 30,000 members and friends of the Fraternity were in attendance. The sermon was preached by Rev. Bro. W. Harold Young, M. A., D. D. Dr. Charles Peaker, Mus. D., F. R. C. O., presided at the organ and directed a choir of 200 voices.

Regular Grand Lodge sessions were held on July 18-19, 1955. The Grand Master, M. W. Bro. Joseph A. Hearn, was on the Throne. Delegations from all over the Masonic world were present. The Mother Grand Lodge of England was represented by its Assistant Grand Master, R. W. Bro. Major General Sir Allan Adair, Bart., C. B., D. S. O., M. C., and its Grand Secretary, R. W. Bro. Sir Sydney White, K. C. V. O. R. W. Bro. the Rt. Hon. the Earl of Donoughmore, Provincial Grand Master, represented the Grand Lodge of Ireland. The Grand Lodge of Scotland was represented by M. W. Bro. the Rt. Hon. Lord Macdonald, Grand Master Mason, R. W. Bro. the Rt. Hon. the Earl of Eglinton and Winton, Depute Grand Master, and R. W. Bro. Dr. Alexander F. Buchan, Grand

Secretary. M. W. Bro. Paul L. Powers, Grand Master of Masons in Maine, represented our own Grand Lodge. Other distinguished guests hailed from Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Quebec, British Columbia, Manitoba, Prince Edward Island, Alberta, Saskatchewan, South Australia, Western Australia, Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Virginia, New York, New Jersey, North Carolina, Georgia, Maryland, Connecticut, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont, Kentucky, Delaware, Ohio, Louisiana, District of Columbia, Tennessee, Indiana, Mississippi, Missouri, Illinois, Michigan, Wisconsin, Iowa, California, Oregon, Minnesota, Kansas, Nebraska, Washington, South Dakota and North Dakota. The National Anthem and "America" were sung.

On behalf of the lodges in the four Toronto districts, a magnificently embroidered altar cloth and pedestal drapes were presented to the Grand Lodge.

In its Centennial Year, the Grand Master found the Ontario Craft to be in excellent condition. With pride, he noted an all-time high in membership, a sound financial condition, and a keen interest in Masonry, as shown by overflow attendance at educational meetings and an increased use of the Grand Lodge Library. He urged care in the selection of members, advised against joint installations, and was outspoken in his denunciation of innovations, particularly in the third degree, warning that Grand Lodge would tolerate no deviations from the established work.

The Grand Master participated in the All-Canadian and Washington Conferences, and visited the sister Jurisdictions of Missouri, Illinois, Ohio, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, Minnesota, New Jersey, New York and Iowa. Three lodges were constituted, four new lodges were instituted, two cornerstones were laid and twelve new lodge rooms were dedicated. A grant of \$5,000 was made for Ontario hurricane relief. The sum of \$1,000 was given to the Canadian Red Cross, and grants of \$500 each were made to the Institute for the Blind, the Salvation Army and the Boy Scouts.

The Grand Master's banquet was an interesting feature of the Centennial observance. It was probably the largest banquet ever served in Canada. Some 3,000 diners were served in the record time of only fifteen minutes. The guest speaker was Judge Ellsworth Meyer, Past Grand Master of Masons in California.

During the sessions, many of the distinguished guests brought greetings from their respective Jurisdictions. A silver loving cup was presented by the Grand Lodge of Scotland, and a silver potato dish by the Grand Lodge of Ireland. Engrossed scrolls were presented by other Grand Lodges. M. W. Bro. Hearn was decorated by the Grand Masters of Massachusetts and South Carolina.

No action was taken on applications for recognition received from Grand Lodges in Germany, France, Greece, Israel, Istanbul, Argentina, Rio de Janeiro (Brazil) and Tamaulipas (Mexico). We commend our Canadian brethren for their caution.

In this connection, we invite the attention of our readers to the following quotation from the Foreword to the Ontario Report on Fraternal Correspondence, written by M. W. Bro. Frank A. Copus. We quote:

"One finds it impossible to refrain from comment, kindly, one hopes, but candid also, for unquestionably there are happenings recorded in the pages that follow with which Freemasonry in this Jurisdiction cannot agree and in regard to which it would be sheer weakness to keep silence. Of such debatable matters the most outstanding at the present time is the problem of Grand Lodge recognition, a problem not rendered any easier of solution because it impinges upon the doctrine of Grand Lodge sovereignty and because it is further plagued by differing conceptions of what is involved in the actual recognition of certain of the petitioning Grand Lodges. The problem has become really acute of late because there has been a literal boiling up of requests for recognition from Latin America, from one or two Pacific points and from Palestine, Italy, Greece and certain other places. These pages bear witness to the fact that there has developed a sharp difference of opinion in this matter, between those who carry the banner of 'universal Freemasonry,' (an attractive even if somewhat indefinite term) and those who prefer to move more sedately and quite definitely more slowly along paths that have been time tested. The subject is recommended for serious thought."

The sixty-six fraternal reviews are again from the able pen of R. W. Bro. A. E. MacGregor. As usual, Maine receives courteous treatment. Our 1954 doings are well covered. Our dedication at Strong and our cornerstone laying at Orrington are noted. Grand Master Benjamin W. Ela is quoted in regard to the work of the Grand Lecturer and the cornerstone ceremony. Of our own work, Bro. MacGregor says: "P. G. M. Ralph J. Pollard still keeps his sensitive fingers on the pulse of the Masonic world as he writes his reviews. Maine is exceedingly fortunate in having one of his calibre to interpret the present day trends and characteristics of our art." We thank Bro. MacGregor for another excellent Maine review.

His Grace, the Most Reverend William Lockridge Wright, D. D., D. C. L., Archbishop of Algoma and Metropolitan of the Ecclesiastical Province of Ontario, was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary E. G. Dixon was re-elected.

COLORADO, 1955.

The Ninety-fourth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 157. Members, 44,947. Gain, 834.

M. W. Donald W. Shaw presided over the Annual Communication, held in Denver on January 25-26, 1955. The Flag of our Country was presented by a Commandery escort. His Excellency, Bro. Edwin Carl Johnson, Governor of Colorado, honored the communication by his presence and addressed the brethren. Distinguished brethren from Illinois, Missouri,

Nebraska, South Dakota, York Grand Lodge of Mexico, Montana, Idaho, Texas, California, New Mexico, Wyoming and New Jersey were in attendance.

Colorado was host to the third annual meeting of the Rocky Mountain Masonic Conference held on July 9-10, 1954. Colorado's Grand Master also attended the Grand Masters' Conference in Washington, visited the Grand Lodges of Louisiana and New Mexico, and also visited St. John's Lodge, No. 1, in New York City. He made the usual official visits in his own State. One lodge was constituted, one new lodge was established under dispensation, one new Masonic Temple was dedicated, and the cornerstones of two other new Temples were laid.

One lodge was guilty of gross irregularities, its records were chaotic, and its finances were in such a condition as to make an audit impossible. The Grand Master issued a stern letter of reprimand, to be read in open lodge. We fear that this lodge would have lost its charter in Maine.

Both the Grand Master and the Grand Lecturer deplored the introduction of innovations into the ritualistic work, particularly in the second section of the third degree. This problem appears to be universal.

The Grand Master held that candidates who had received the first section of a degree were free to re-enter the lodge room and see the first section conferred upon other candidates. He refused to lay the cornerstone of a nearly completed building or of a new wing to a building whose original cornerstone had been laid with Masonic rites.

The speaker at the Grand Lodge dinner was M. W. Lloyd E. Wilson, Grand Secretary of California, who spoke on "Freedom's Holy Light."

The Jurisprudence Committee disapproved the official appearance of a Grand Master before organizations which are not strictly Masonic.

At this communication, the salary of the Grand Secretary was increased to \$5,800, and the appointment of a Grand Lodge Historian was authorized.

A fine report was submitted by Bro. Edwin Wittelshofer, Chairman of the Committee on Correspondence, in which he discusses at length Masonic conditions in many foreign countries.

Colorado is known as one of the most liberal Jurisdictions in the Country where the question of foreign recognition is considered. This being so, the following quotations from M. W. Bro. Wittelshofer's report are most significant:

"Many of the lodges to the South of us and elsewhere throughout the world have become infested with Communistic cells, in some cases to the extent that whole lodges are losing the spirit and purpose of the Fraternity. With our traditional brotherly welcome to all visitors, it is easy indeed for these to enter our lodges and in time make unwholesome our reputation and blight our progress. Even in the welcoming of a visiting brother, we must in these days use care and circumspection.

"With the great political upheaval in many foreign Jurisdictions and the frequent changes by revolution of forms of government, with the rise

of dictators and cliques in many places who seek to govern not only the political life of the citizens but also their spiritual and moral consciences, we must review with extreme care our Masonic relationship with other Jurisdictions. We must not hesitate to sever our relationship with any Jurisdiction where there is real basis of doubt as to the purity of its Masonic strain."

Bro. Charles A. Mantz was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Harry W. Bundy was re-elected.

CONNECTICUT, 1955.

The One Hundred Sixty-seventh Annual Communication.

Lodges, 132. Members, 47,026. Gain, 550.

M. W. Bro. Thom W. Corby presided over the Annual Communication, which was held in New Haven on April 6-7, 1955. Our Maine Grand Master, M. W. Paul L. Powers, was in attendance. Later in the session, he addressed the brethren and also acted as one of the tellers at the annual election of officers. Other distinguished visitors hailed from Nova Scotia, District of Columbia, Delaware, Vermont, Rhode Island, New Hampshire, Maryland, New Jersey, New York, Virginia, Pennsylvania, South Carolina and Massachusetts.

The Grand Master found the Craft to be in excellent condition. He had high praise for the magazine known as the "*Connecticut Square and Compasses*" and urged support for that publication. He also praised the work of the Committee on Masonic Information, which published a valuable manual during the year. Bro. Corby attended the Washington Conferences, visited the sister Jurisdictions of South Carolina, New York, Rhode Island, New Hampshire, Canada in Ontario, Delaware, Maryland, Pennsylvania, District of Columbia, Massachusetts, Virginia, Louisiana and Cuba, and made a great number of appearances in his own State. Three new halls were dedicated. More than 2,000 were present at Grand Master's Day at the Masonic Home, at which time ground was broken for a new dormitory.

During the year, modern equipment has been installed in the Grand Secretary's office.

An extremely interesting report was presented by the Master of Stuttgart-American Lodge, U. D., of Stuttgart, Germany. This lodge held sixty-three meetings during the year, and conferred 167 degrees. Courtesy work was done for sixty-seven candidates. The Master attended the annual communication of the United Grand Lodge of Germany. The Maine Correspondent records with pleasure that his son, an officer in the 16th U. S. Infantry, had the pleasure of visiting this lodge, and reports that it does excellent work.

At this communication, legislation was adopted increasing the penalty for neglect to be represented at Grand Lodge to \$25.00, and making the Worshipful Master personally responsible that his lodge be so represented.

Fraternal recognition was extended to the new Grand Lodge of the State of Israel, in lieu of the former Grand Lodge of Israel, which had been recognized by Connecticut.

A special ovation was extended to M. W. Bro. Carl H. Claudy of the District of Columbia, it being his fiftieth wedding anniversary.

The Correspondence Report, consisting of a Foreword and seventy-six excellent reviews, was again from the able pen of Past Grand Master Earle K. Haling. Our Maine doings in 1954 receive courteous treatment. Our high percentage of Masons in proportion to total population is noted, and quotation is made from the address of Grand Master Benjamin W. Ela. Courteous reference is made to our own Correspondence Report, with especial mention of our Foreword and Special Reports.

Bro. John Henry Smith was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Earle K. Haling was re-elected.

CUBA, 1955.

In February of 1955, the Grand Lodge of Cuba dedicated its magnificent new Temple in the City of Havana. This edifice, costing more than \$2,000,000, is in the modern sky-scraper style of architecture, and is in every way a credit to the Fraternity. The colorful dedicatory ceremonies, including a mammoth parade, were witnessed by many visitors from the United States, including M. W. Paul L. Powers, Grand Master of Maons in Maine.

A little later, the Grand Lodge of Cuba was host to the third Inter-American Masonic Conference, and the Grand Master of Cuba, M. W. Carlos M. Pineiro, was elected President of the Inter-American Confederation. We sincerely hope that his leadership and the good example of the Grand Lodge of Cuba will bring to this Confederation a respectability and a conformity to the Ancient Landmarks which have hitherto been lacking.

As President, Bro. Pineiro made a visit to Guatemala, in an attempt to effect a reconciliation between rival Masonic groups in that country. He was accompanied on this mission by the Grand Master of Costa Rica.

Earlier in the year, M. W. Bro. Pineiro attended the Grand Masters' Conference in Washington, U. S. A.

DELAWARE, 1955.

The One Hundred Fiftieth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 24. Members, 7,877. Gain, 219.

The Grand Lodge met in Wilmington on October 5-6, 1955. M. W. Horace S. Allen, Jr., was in the East. M. W. Paul L. Powers, Grand Master of Masons in Maine, was introduced by our Grand Representative, Bro. H. Clifford Bauer. Other distinguished guests represented the Grand Lodges of Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, Virginia, Connecticut, South

Carolina, North Carolina, West Virginia, Maryland, New Jersey, New Hampshire, Rhode Island and the District of Columbia.

The Grand Master was not called upon to make any official decisions. He visited all Delaware lodges, made a tour of the Veterans Hospital, participated in the events of Masonic Week in Washington, took part in the annual Masonic Church Day, joined with some 800 brethren in the annual visit to the Masonic Home, and paid courtesy visits to the Grand Lodges of West Virginia, Maryland, Pennsylvania, District of Columbia, Massachusetts, Virginia, Cuba, Connecticut, New Jersey, South Carolina, Rhode Island and Canada in Ontario. Cornerstones were laid for the new Scottish Rite Cathedral in Wilmington and for three public school buildings.

At this communication, a charter was granted for one new lodge. Fraternal recognition was granted to the Grand Lodge of China, but was denied to the Grand Lodges of Trieste and the Dominican Republic. Action on numerous other applications was postponed. A request for recognition by the Swiss Grand Lodge Alpina was authorized.

The Committee on History and Research presented a most interesting biographical sketch, dealing with the life and work of Bro. Victor Marie du Pont, an early Delaware Mason, one of the great industrial family, and the friend of Washington and LaFayette.

Another excellent report on Foreign Correspondence was presented by Past Grand Master W. Stewart Allmond. Several quotations are made from the 1955 address of Grand Master Paul L. Powers of Maine.

Bro. M. Haswell Pierce was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Chester R. Jones was re-elected.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, 1954.

The One Hundred Forty-fourth Annual Report.

Lodges, 48. Members, 25,281. Loss, 53.

M. W. Frederic B. Blackburn presided over the stated communications in May and December, and also over the annual St. John's Day meeting. He greeted distinguished guests from Connecticut, Delaware, Israel, Maryland, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, South Carolina and Virginia.

The Grand Master called attention to the District of Columbia's peculiar problem, one that is causing a great deal of natural concern. The population of Washington, like that of other great cities, is rapidly moving out into suburban areas. Here, however, these suburbs are either in Virginia or Maryland, outside the territorial jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge. Accordingly, the number of potential candidates available to the city lodges is steadily decreasing. This condition is regarded as being responsible for the loss in membership noted above.

With grief, the Grand Master also noted that certain fund-raising campaigns conducted by organizations predicated their membership on Masonry had brought discredit upon the Craft. Gambling, improper

amusements, and high-pressure and unethical solicitation of advertising all entered into the picture. The Grand Master requested legislation to meet this problem.

At the Grand Master's request, M. W. Carl H. Claudy discussed the pending Connecticut law-suit, and earnestly admonished all Masters carefully to supervise the manner in which degree work is conducted.

M. W. Bro. Blackburn made the usual official visitations to all lodges in the District, welcomed the Grand Masters' Conference to Washington, visited the sister Jurisdictions of Virginia, New Jersey, Rhode Island, New Hampshire, New York, Delaware, West Virginia, Maryland and Pennsylvania, and laid the cornerstone of the new Wisconsin Avenue Baptist Church. The usual schools of instruction were held on every Saturday evening, and were well attended.

The Grand Lodge adopted a new Code of Trials, also a new retirement program for Grand Lodge employees.

The new Grand Lodge of the State of Israel was recognized.

Wor. Bro. J. Williamson Cook again presented the Report of the Committee on Correspondence, consisting of an excellent Foreword and forty-nine reviews. We quote him in regard to recognition: "Language differences and infrequent contacts due to geographic distances, make good understanding and cooperation difficult or impossible in some instances. Where mutual Masonic service cannot be practiced, recognition is comparable to inactive lodge members, so frequently condemned."

Maine for 1954 is among the Jurisdictions reviewed. Our cornerstone laying at Orrington is mentioned. The quotation from the writings of M. W. Josiah H. Drummond contained in the address of Grand Master Ela is quoted by Bro. Cook. He also makes an extensive quotation from our own Foreword. Our Maine regulation in regard to lodge histories is noted. The District Committee on History also mentioned this regulation, and suggested that something of the kind be considered by their Grand Lodge.

Bro. Gregor Macpherson was elected Grand Master. We quote from his acceptance address: "Happy is the man who takes to heart the wisdom, strength, and beauty of Masonic faith and lives by it. He will have little, to regret and much to make him glad when the evening shadows fall."

Grand Secretary Raymond N. Babcock was re-elected.

ENGLAND, 1955.

The Annual Investiture took place on April 27, 1955. The re-election of the Grand Master, M. W. Bro. the Rt. Hon. the Earl of Scarbrough, K. G., G. C. S. I., G. C. I. E., G. C. V. O., T. D., was duly proclaimed. All other principal Grand Lodge officers, such as the Deputy Grand Master, Assistant Grand Master, Grand Wardens and Grand Secretary, were re-appointed. Numerous promotions and original appointments to Past Grand Rank were made.

The usual Quarterly Communications were held in March, June, September and December. Visitors from California, Victoria and Western Australia were welcomed.

The Board of Benevolence made routine grants amounting to 41,130 pounds. Especial grants, totalling 3,000 guineas, were made for flood relief in New South Wales, hurricane relief in the British West Indies, and flood relief in India and Pakistan.

Five dormant lodges were erased from the Grand Lodge roll. On the other hand, warrants were granted for fifty-nine new lodges, located in England and Wales, Jamaica, Rhodesia, South Africa, the Persian Gulf, India and Pakistan.

The Board of General Purposes ruled that the occupation or business of a prospective candidate must be definitely described on his application. General descriptions, such as "Company Director" or "Civil Servant," are not sufficient.

At the September Quarterly, the Assistant Grand Master, Major General Sir Allan Adair, Bart., C. B., D. S. O., M. C., D. L., reported upon the visit which he and the Grand Secretary, Sir Sydney White, K. C. V. O., made to Canada and the United States. The prime purpose of this mission was to represent the United Grand Lodge of England at the Centennial Celebration of the Grand Lodge of Canada, in the Province of Ontario, which was held in Toronto on July 17-19, 1955. Visits were also made to the two English lodges in Montreal, and the English visitors were entertained at luncheon by the Grand Lodge of Quebec.

Following the Toronto meeting, the English visitors journeyed to Boston, where they paid an official visit to the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts. They attended a communication of St. John's Lodge, whose original charter was granted by the Grand Lodge of England in 1733, and were guests of honor at a special communication of the Grand Lodge. Before taking ship at New York, they were entertained at luncheon by the Grand Master of that Jurisdiction.

The two English lodges in Montreal and the English lodge in Halifax have been formed into a Group of Lodges, with V. W. Bro. J. C. Hope as Grand Inspector.

During the year, the Grand Lodge was called upon to mourn the passing of many distinguished brethren, including R. W. Bros. Lt. Col. G. D. Amery, M. C., T. D., Provincial Grand Master of Oxfordshire, Col. the Rt. Hon. Sir Leslie Wilson, G. C. S. I., G. C. M. G., G. C. I. E., D. S. O., Past District Grand Master of Bombay, the Rt. Hon. L. S. Amery, C. H., Past Grand Warden, George Emmerson, Past President of the Board of General Purposes, Sir Alexander Fleming, M. B., B. S., D. Sc., F. R. C. P., F. R. C. S., F. R. S., Past Grand Warden, (the discoverer of penicillin), and Sir Leslie Boyce, Bart., K. B. E., Past Grand Warden.

The Grand Master, Lord Scarbrough, and the Grand Secretary, Sir Sydney White, remain in office.

FLORIDA, 1955.

The One Hundred Twenty-sixth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 268. Members, 58,221. Gain, 2,244.

M. W. Thomas E. Taylor presided over the Annual Communication, which was held at Jacksonville on April 19-21, 1955. Visitors from Virginia, Kentucky, New Jersey and Georgia were in attendance. Maine's distinguished Representative, M. W. George Fish, was in his place as Grand Treasurer, and later acted as installing officer.

M. W. Bro. Taylor participated in the Grand Masters' Conference attended the dedication of the new Grand Lodge Temple in Havana, Cuba was present at all twenty-seven district meetings, and made forty-nine other Masonic appearances. He installed the officers of five lodges. Five lodges were constituted, two new lodges were instituted, four cornerstones were laid, and three new halls were dedicated.

Masonic funeral services were conducted for Past Grand Master Theodore T. Todd. The Grand Lodge also authorized the erection of a Masonic monument over his grave.

The Grand Master ruled that Florida lodges must be composed of members of the white race *only*. This ruling was approved by the Jurisprudence Committee and the Grand Lodge, as was, indeed, obligatory, since the Grand Lodge act of incorporation by the State plainly states "consisting exclusively of the white race."

At this communication, the following new regulation was adopted: "A lodge may not receive a petition for the degrees of Freemasonry from any person who has been convicted of a felony and who has not been restored to full civil rights."

As the result of serious irregularities, the charter of one lodge was revoked.

As an economy measure, the practice of printing the names of all deceased brethren in the Proceedings has been discontinued.

Fraternal recognition was extended to the Grand Lodge of Argentina, the Grand Lodge of the State of Israel, the Grand Lodge of Vienna for Austria, the Grand Lodge of Greece, and the National Grand Lodge of Denmark. The National Grand Lodge of Denmark is now recognized by every Grand Lodge in the United States. It was also voted that steps be taken to establish fraternal relations with the Grand Lodge of the Netherlands.

At the same time, recognition was denied to the Grand Lodge Serinissima of Italy, the Grand Lodge of Trieste, the so-called Grand Lodge of France, the Grand Lodge of Berlin, and the Grand Lodge of China.

Recognition previously extended to the Grand Lodge of Guatemala and to the Grand Lodge of Colombia at Barranquilla was withdrawn.

The Fraternal Reviews were prepared by M. W. Bros. Hal W. Adams and Cleveland R. Horne. Fifty-two Jurisdictions are reviewed, our Maine review for 1954 coming from the pen of Bro. Horne. Our high Maine percentage of Masons in relation to the total population is mentioned.

Grand Master Ela's exceptional activity as a visitor is noted, as is his attitude in regard to chain letters and Masonic charity. Of our own work, Bro. Horne writes: "The report of Correspondence Committee by M. W. Bro. Ralph Pollard is sound and reflects the conservatism of the Grand Lodge of Maine and its steady adherence to the fundamental Masonic principles."

Bro. Roy T. Lord was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary George W. Huff was re-elected.

GEORGIA, 1955.

The One Hundred Sixty-ninth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 474. Members, 95,301. Gain, 2,401.

The Annual Communication was held in Macon on October 25-26, 1955. Grand Master George P. Whitman presided, and welcomed distinguished guests from Florida, Indiana, Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, Puerto Rico and South Carolina. At recess, delegations from the Grand Chapter, O. E. S., the Order of Amaranth, the Order of Rainbow, and the Order of DeMolay were received. Bro. John A. Dunaway, Grand Representative of Maine, was on duty.

Resolutions on the passing of Past Grand Master Dave L. Shannon were adopted.

The Grand Master was outspoken in his denunciation of the liquor traffic. He had high praise for the Order of DeMolay and for the work of the Grand Lodge magazine "*The Masonic Messenger*." He stated: The importance of Masonic history, research and education as a part of our Masonic program cannot be over-emphasised." He urged that the brethren be encouraged to use the Grand Lodge Library. He suggested that the Georgia law in regard to physical qualifications be clarified.

Bro. Whitman traveled more than 15,000 miles on Masonic business. He participated in the Washington Conferences, and visited the sister Jurisdictions of Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Cuba and Canada in Ontario. He attended many district and group meetings in his own state. Two lodges were constituted, and a dispensation for one new lodge was issued. Four new Temples were dedicated, and cornerstones were laid for four new Temples, a City Hall, a Methodist Church, and a recreation building at the Masonic Home. One cornerstone was re-laid.

The letter from the Grand Lodge of Vermont in regard to the possible relaxation of the ancient regulation against solicitation was referred by the Grand Master to the Jurisprudence Committee. On recommendation of this Committee, the Grand Lodge officially made of record its opposition "to any innovation in the Landmark against solicitation for membership in the Masonic fraternity." We must agree with the Georgia position on this question.

At this communication, a diamond-studded lapel button, for presentation to all Past Grand Masters, was adopted.

Fraternal recognition was extended to the United Grand Lodge of Germany. Other applications are being held over for further study.

The Report on Foreign Correspondence was again the work of our good friend, Wor. Bro. Walter B. Purse of Savannah. With pleasure, we report that Bro. Purse visited us on two occasions during the summer of 1955. His able Foreword gives much food for thought.

The Proceedings of fifty-four Jurisdictions are efficiently reviewed. Maine for 1955 is given a good report. Our Grand Master's attitude in favor of DeMolay, our schools of instruction, our Speakers Bureau, our circulating library service, our program of candidate instruction, and our contribution to the hospital work of the M. S. A., are all mentioned. Our own Foreword and Special Reports receive particular mention.

Bro. B. Lee Amon was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Daniel W. Locklin was re-elected.

IDAHO, 1955.

The Eighty-ninth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 83. Members, 14,290. Gain, 214.

The Annual Communication was held at Twin Falls on September 20-22, 1955. Grand Master Larry W. Brainard presided, and welcomed fraternal visitors from Montana, Nevada, Utah, Washington and Oregon. Maine's Representative was absent.

The Grand Master participated in the Tri-State and Washington Conferences, attended Grand Lodge sessions in California, Utah, Nevada, Oregon, Washington and Montana, made many official appearances in his own State, including attendance at all district and educational meetings, and attended the annual "Idaho Night" held by a New York City lodge. During the year, the theme of his many addresses to the Craft was "Every Day Masonry." He sent out a circular letter urging all Masons, regardless of their political affiliation, to vote in the coming election. One new lodge was instituted, three cornerstones were laid, one new Temple was dedicated, and Masonic funeral services were conducted for Past Grand Master John T. Wood and Grand Marshal Clifford H. Patton.

M. W. Bro. Brainard ruled that a brother who had received all three degrees by courtesy and who had never attended his own lodge need not be examined before being permitted to sit in his own lodge.

We quote from the Grand Master's address: "To fulfill our Masonic responsibility we must live the fundamentals on which our great Fraternity is founded. To keep our Masonry strong and healthy it must be used in our daily living."

A lodge requested permission to receive the application of a blind man, a practicing attorney who was in sound financial condition, and who had a strong Masonic background. After much discussion, and on recommendation of the Jurisprudence Committee, this request was denied. While it is none of our business, somehow we are sorry.

No new recognitions were granted at this communication.

The fraternal reviews were again from the able pen of M. W. Bro. Jay Glover Eldridge, Chairman of the Committee on Fraternal Relations. Our Maine doings in 1955 are given generous space and courteous treatment. Idaho's Representative, R. W. Bro. Frank L. Milan, is commended for taking his job seriously. Grand Master Paul L. Powers is quoted, and our educational program, our schools of instruction, our high percentage of Masons in proportion to population, the report of our special committee on DeMolay, our increased Grand Lodge dues, and our appropriation for the M. S. A. are all mentioned.

As always, Bro. Eldridge is more than kind in dealing with our own work. He comments on our "remarkable ability and assiduity," quotes from our Foreword and makes mention of our Special Reports. He also makes a sympathetic reference to our physical condition, something of which we never speak. Fortunately for us, Bro. Eldridge has been misinformed as to the nature of our ailment. Our trouble is arthritis, which is quite bad enough!

With genuine regret, we read the announcement that this is Bro. Eldridge's last Report. Ill health compels him to lay down his pen. He will be greatly missed by his fellow members of the Round Table, who have come to look forward with keen anticipation to the beautiful Forewords for which Bro. Eldridge is rightly noted. To his successor, M. W. Bro. Sumner G. Davis, we extend a hearty welcome to the fellowship of the Round Table.

Bro. Claude M. Gorden was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Clyde I. Rush was re-elected.

ILLINOIS, 1954.

The One Hundred Fifteenth Annual Meeting.

Lodges, 975. Members, 251,411. Gain, 718.

Maine's distinguished Representative near the Grand Lodge of Illinois, M. W. Carroll T. Hughes, presided over the Annual Meeting, which was held in Medinah Temple, Chicago, on October 12-13, 1954. A soloist sang the National Anthems of the United States and Canada. Distinguished visitors from Nebraska, Indiana, Ohio, Tennessee, Iowa, Kansas, South Dakota, Colorado, Michigan, Wisconsin, Missouri, Louisiana, North Carolina, Minnesota, District of Columbia, Mississippi, New Jersey, Florida, Alabama, Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Virginia, Washington, Manitoba, Canada in Ontario, Saskatchewan and New South Wales were in attendance.

The Grand Master participated in the events of Masonic Week in Washington, visited the sister Grand Lodges of Alabama, Colorado, Louisiana, Mississippi, New York, Montana and Wyoming, and made the usual visitations in his own State. Five new Temples were dedicated, and the cornerstone of another new Temple was laid. Masonic funeral services were conducted for Grand Treasurer Arthur I. Peters.

M. W. Bro. Hughes had high praise for the Illinois system of ritualistic instruction, for the work of his District Deputies, for the two Masonic Homes, for the Illinois Masonic Hospital, and for the hospital visitation work of the M. S. A.

Illinois had more than its share of disciplinary troubles. The Grand Master was forced to depose two Worshipful Masters from office, and to arrest the charter of a lodge which had failed to make proper use of the ballot box. He also reprimanded the officers and members of a lodge who had neglected the funeral of a departed brother because it conflicted with a golf tournament in which they were interested.

While visiting in Chicago, the Grand Master was presented with a petition signed by fifty-two residents in the vicinity of a large Masonic Temple, stating that it was unsafe for children to be on the streets after dark because of the large number of obnoxious drunks coming out of the Temple. The petitioners were willing to give the Grand Master an opportunity to rectify this condition before appealing to the civil authorities and publicizing the matter through the press. The Grand Master conducted a thorough investigation, which revealed the shocking almost unbelievable fact that the trustees in charge of various Masonic Temples throughout the Chicago area had actually permitted the installation of *bars* and the open sale of intoxicating liquor in the said Temples, in direct violation of Grand Lodge legislation. How such a practice could grow up and become widespread without attracting attention of superior Masonic authority is mighty hard to understand. However, the present Grand Master took prompt and decisive action. He issued positive orders that all bars be immediately removed, with a warning that immediate suspension would follow any failure to comply with these orders. The bars were removed.

It is not our custom to criticize our brethren in sister Jurisdictions in these reviews. In this case, however, we must state frankly that, in our opinion, the Masons of Chicago have brought the good name of Freemasonry into disrepute, have occasioned grave scandal, and have shown little regard either for the principles of Freemasonry or for the laws of their own Grand Lodge. In our opinion, those responsible for this disgraceful scandal should have been expelled.

Last year, the Grand Master reported that a certain organization predicated its membership on Masonry persisted in violating the Grand Lodge laws against gambling. Further complaints being received, M. W. Bro. Hughes called a conference with the officers of the organization concerned, at which he was treated with such discourtesy that he was forced to leave the room, after warning that disciplinary action would follow any further complaints. We can't help wondering what would have happened if the brethren concerned had been dealing with a Grand Master of Pennsylvania, or, for that matter, with a Grand Master of Maine. We rather imagine that their Masonic membership would have been terminated on the spot!

At this communication, the date of the annual meeting was changed to the latter part of the week, so that better hotel accommodations might be available.

A splendid oration was delivered by R. W. Bro. Everett M. Dirksen, United States Senator from Illinois.

Fraternal recognition was extended to the new Grand Lodge of the State of Israel.

The new Chairman of the Illinois Committee on Correspondence, M. W. Bro. Fred I. Mills, introduces himself in a very clever Foreword, and reviews the proceedings of sixty-seven Jurisdictions. Maine for 1954 is given a good report. Quotation is made from the address of Grand Master Benjamin W. Ela, which Bro. Mills found to be outstanding on two accounts: "It is *exceptionally* well prepared, and it is *exceptionally* long." Bro. Mills notes our reference to his distinguished predecessor, Bro. Hal C. McLoud, with appreciation.

Grand Master Carroll T. Hughes was re-elected. His acceptance address was one of the finest things of its kind that we have ever read. Maine can well be proud of her Representative in Illinois. Grand Secretary Richard C. Davenport remains in office.

INDIANA, 1955.

The One Hundred Thirty-eighth Year.

Lodges, 544. Members, 180,876. Gain, 2,265.

The Grand Lodge met in Indianapolis on May 17-18, 1955. Grand Master Elmer C. Forks presided, and welcomed distinguished guests from Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, Virginia, New York, South Carolina, North Carolina, Connecticut, Kentucky, Ohio, District of Columbia, Canada in Ontario, Illinois, Michigan, Missouri, Iowa, Wisconsin, Oregon and Minnesota.

For the first time in many years, Maine was not represented, due to the death of our distinguished Grand Representative, M. W. Bro. Elmer F. Gay. Bro. Gay was a native of Auburn, Maine. He was commissioned as our Representative by M. W. Ashley A. Smith, and served as Grand Master in Indiana in 1912-1913. For thirty-two years, he served as Chairman of the Indiana Committee on Foreign Correspondence, and was also for many years Superintendent of the Indiana Masonic Home. Funeral services for this outstanding Craftsman were conducted by the Grand Lodge.

M. W. Bro. Forks attended the National Conferences, welcomed the Midwest Conference on Masonic Education to Indiana, visited the Grand Lodges of Canada in Ontario and Ohio, attended "Indiana Night" in a New York City lodge, and made many Masonic appearances in his own State. One new lodge was instituted, three new halls were dedicated, and the cornerstone of a new school building was laid.

The Grand Master sent a message of fraternal greetings to the Grand Master of the Philippines and to Prime Minister Hatoyama of Japan on the occasion of the latter's raising. He ruled that a Masonic grave marker could not be placed on the grave of a Fellowcraft; that a Chaplain serving overseas could not hold dual membership so as to go through the Chairs in a foreign lodge; that a new Master Mason could not petition for any of the additional degrees until he has passed his proficiency examination; that a Rainbow Assembly could, under proper supervision, hold a style show in a lodge dining room; that the Eastern Star could properly serve meals for other organizations as a means of making money, provided that such meals shall not be served on Sunday nor to partisan political groups; and that all games of chance are absolutely prohibited.

The Grand Lodge has undertaken the erection of a hospital at the Masonic Home. This will cost approximately \$2,000,000. During the year, many voluntary contributions to this project were made, including one of \$600,000 from the Scottish Rite Bodies, one of \$269,000 from the Grand Chapter, O. E. S., and one of \$112,901 from Murat Temple of the Shrine.

At this communication, the sum of \$5,000 was voted to the Washington Memorial, and \$10,000 to the hospital visitation work of the M. S. A.

The Grand Lodge of the State of Israel and the Grand Lodge of Greece were recognized.

The Reviewer, M. W. Dwight L. Smith, gives us an excellent topical Foreword and his usual brief reviews. Maine for 1954 is included in this report.

Bro. Joseph A. Batchelor, a college professor, was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Dwight L. Smith was re-elected.

IOWA, 1955.

The One Hundred Eleventh Annual Communication.

Lodges, 549. Members, 95,110. Gain, 560.

One of the outstanding events of the past Masonic year was the dedication of the new Grand Lodge Library, Museum, and Administration Building in Cedar Rapids, which took place on June 13, 1955. This is undoubtedly the finest edifice of its kind in the entire world. In addition to providing quarters for the great Grand Lodge Library, it also has forty-four offices and committee rooms, and a memorial hall in honor of those Iowa Masons serving in World War II. The dedicatory address was delivered by Past Grand Master Clifford D. Jory. Following the exercises, an open house inspection of the building took place, with especially trained Rainbow Girls acting as guides. More than 2,000 persons partook of the dedicatory banquet, after which an address, entitled "*Life's Most Searching question*," was delivered by M. W. and Rev. Thomas S. Roy, D. D., Past Grand Master of Masons in Massachusetts. Beautiful pictures of the new building adorn the Grand Lodge Proceedings.

The Annual Communication itself was held on June 14-16, with M. W. Wilbur F. Earhart in the Chair. At public exercises preceding the formal opening, the Colors were presented by a National Guard escort, a civic welcome was extended by the Mayor, and the Worthy Grand Matron brought greetings from the Grand Chapter, O. E. S. She also presented a check for \$1,297, to be used toward furnishing the Grand Librarian's office. Distinguished visitors from Colorado, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Maryland, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Canada in Ontario, Nebraska, Louisiana, Massachusetts, New York, Florida, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Arkansas, Georgia, Tennessee, Missouri and Minnesota were in attendance.

The Grand Master reported "that the spirit of Masonry in general is being upheld throughout the State." He did, however, deplore the fact that so many lodges failed to be represented at the annual communication of Grand Lodge. Last year, 226 lodges were not represented. During the year, a concerted drive was made to rectify this condition.

M. W. Bro. Earhart made some 135 visitations, including attendance at regional schools and Masonic institutes. He visited the sister Jurisdictions of Missouri, Illinois and Minnesota, attended an informal meeting with the Grand Lodge officers of South Dakota, Nebraska and Wisconsin, and represented his Grand Lodge at the Washington Conferences, where Iowa's Past Grand Master Clifford D. Jory was re-elected President of the Washington Memorial Association, and Iowa's Grand Secretary Earl B. Delzell was elected President of the Grand Secretaries' Conference. One new lodge was constituted, and five new Masonic halls were dedicated. Masonic funeral services were conducted for Past Grand Master Fred H. Nolte.

At this communication, the date of the Annual Communication was changed from June to September. On the Grand Master's recommendation, legislation was adopted prohibiting the use of any property under the control of a lodge for the manufacture or sale of any type of intoxicating liquor.

To us, the choicest pages in the Iowa Proceedings are those which contain the Fraternal Review, written by M. W. Bro. Ernest R. Moore. This year, Bro. Moore gives us another of the beautiful Forewords for which he is noted. In this, he discusses the work of a Reviewer, with all its blending of endless labor and rewarding accomplishment. We quote: "But time and time again the Reviewer, as he plods his way through Proceedings after Proceedings, is rewarded by revealing glimpses of the Craft at useful work, and sometimes by sudden inspiring vistas of the grandeur of its mission. But to gain these insights the Reviewer must restore the human voice to the dead letter of the text."

M. W. Bro. Moore also reviews the Proceedings of seventy-one Grand Lodges. He gives Maine for 1954 his usual gracious treatment. Extensive quotations are made from the address of Grand Master Benjamin W. Ela. Bro. Moore is kind enough to commend us for a "fine Foreword,"

and to state that our reviews "are informative and written in literary excellence."

A new portrait of Bro. Moore at his desk precedes his Report.

The Iowa statistics show that there are 15,620 lodges in the United States, with a combined membership of 3,964,657. The yearly increase was 71,946.

Bro. Ray R. Douglass was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Earl B. Delzell was re-elected.

IRELAND, 1954.

The Annual Meeting of the Grand Lodge of Ireland was held in Dublin on St. John the Evangelist's Day, 1954. The Grand Master, M. W. Raymond F. Brooke, was on the Throne. He was re-elected as Grand Master for the coming year.

The Grand Master announced the retirement of Major General Sir George Franks, K. C. B., as Provincial Grand Master of Wicklow and Wexford. He was succeeded as such by R. W. Charles L. McDonogh, M. D.

Grand Lodge meetings were held in March, June, October and December. The March meeting was held in Cork, and the October meeting in Belfast. At Belfast, the Grand Master laid the foundation stone of the new Masonic Temple, being erected by the Provincial Grand Lodge of Antrim at a cost of 173,000 pounds.

An emergency grant of 100 pounds was made to the Lord Mayor's flood relief fund.

The Grand Lodge mourns the death of the R. W. and Rt. Rev. A. E. Hughes, D. D., Bishop of Kilmore, Elphin and Ardagh, Past Grand Chaplain, and of R. W. Bro. W. N. T. Williams, Grand Inspector for Bermuda and Superintendent of Police in that Colony.

Warrants were issued for five new lodges, two of which are located in Northern Ireland, one in South Africa, one in India and one in Singapore. The Grand Inspector at Hong Kong flew 2,000 miles to constitute the new lodge at Singapore.

The Irish lodges in Rhodesia united with those of the English Constitution in a meeting honoring His Excellency the Governor General, the Rt. Hon. Lord Llewellyn, G. B. E., M. C., D. L., Provincial Grand Master of Dorset. They also welcomed the Assistant Grand Master of England, Major General Sir Allan Adair, Bt., C. B., D. S. O., M. C., on the occasion of his visit to Rhodesia.

A degree team from the Irish Grand Lodge of Instruction visited England and demonstrated the conferring of the Master Mason degree according to the Irish working in the London Masonic Temple.

The Grand Lodge adopted a resolution for transmission to the Grand Lodge of Greece in which it expressed its regret and disappointment that

the Grand Lodge of Greece had interfered in a purely political matter by issuing its unfortunate circular letter regarding Cyprus.

The two Masonic Schools, one for girls and one for boys, continue to render outstanding service. Important improvements in the school properties were made during the year. Ninety-five girls and 105 boys are enrolled. The Grand Master noted that Miss Annie Magrane, a teacher at the boys' school for nearly fifty years, had left a bequest of 1,000 pounds to the school.

After fifty-seven years of continuous service to Grand Lodge, Grand Secretary Henry C. Shellard retired from office. Resolutions of regret were adopted by the Board of General Purposes, and the rank of Past Junior Grand Warden was conferred upon him by the Grand Master. He was succeeded as Grand Secretary by Bro. James O. Harte.

There is no Correspondence Report.

KANSAS, 1955.

The Ninety-ninth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 441. Members, 99,806. Gain, 1,420.

M. W. Floyd S. Ecord presided over the Annual Communication, which was held at Wichita on February 9-10, 1955. Distinguished guests from Colorado and Nebraska were in attendance. Our Maine Representative was again absent.

The Grand Master had a busy year. He made 114 visitations, and traveled 35,000 miles on Masonic business. He represented his Grand Lodge at the Conference of Grand Masters in Washington, laid the cornerstone of a new Masonic Temple, dedicated three halls, and installed the officers of four lodges. Masonic funeral services were conducted for M. W. Richard Ely Bird.

The Grand Master urged support for the public school system. We quote from his address: "To keep America great, and in that way we will keep Masonry great, we must exert eternal vigilance to protect our public school system and see that its standards are ever improving. I urge Masons of every community in Kansas to actively support their public schools, and to vigorously fight any effort which might be made to tear down this great American institution."

Work has been commenced on the new infirmary at the Masonic Home.

Satisfactory progress is reported for the educational program, which is under the supervision of a full-time paid director.

A truly outstanding oration was delivered by Bro. Harry W. Colmery, Past National Commander of the American Legion.

The date of the Annual Communication was changed to the second Wednesday in March. Additional information on the Kansas form of petition was required by a legislative change. The per capita tax was raised twenty-five cents, to meet increasing costs of Grand Lodge operation.

A motion picture in color, showing the activities of the Kansas Masonic Home, is being widely used in lodges and Eastern Star Chapters throughout the State.

Special awards were presented to eleven lodge Secretaries, who have served their lodges as such for thirty years or more.

Fraternal recognition was extended to the Grand Lodge of Bahia, but was denied to the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico.

With regret, we note that M. W. Otto R. Sounders, who has written the Kansas Correspondence Report for many years, is laying down his pen. To his successor, M. W. Arthur H. Strickland, we extend a cordial welcome to the Round Table. In his first report, Bro. Strickland reviews sixty-four volumes of Proceedings, that of Maine for 1954 being among them.

Bro. Scott E. Kelsey was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Arthur H. Strickland was re-elected.

KENTUCKY, 1954.

The One Hundred Fifty-fourth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 470. Members, 95,166. Gain, 2,538.

The Annual Communication was held in the Fourth Avenue Presbyterian Church in Louisville on October 19-21, 1954. Grand Master C. Frye Haley, who is also our Maine Representative near the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, presided. The Colors were presented by an Army escort. Distinguished visitors, hailing from Indiana, Illinois, Tennessee, Ohio, Mississippi, Pennsylvania, West Virginia and Virginia, were introduced and seated in the East.

During the year, one new lodge was instituted. Cornerstones were laid for four new Temples. Two new hospital buildings at the Masonic Homes, the new Grand Lodge Office Building, and eight new halls were dedicated. The Grand Master attended the Washington Conferences, visited the Grand Lodges of Tennessee and Indiana, and made a wide variety of Masonic appearances in his own Commonwealth.

For lack of dignity and failure to conduct his lodge with proper decorum, one Worshipful Master was removed from office by M. W. Bro. Haley. The Grand Master rendered thirty-five opinions, mostly on routine matters of jurisdiction and procedure. He held that, under Kentucky law, each lodge is the judge of the physical qualifications of its candidates, and that a Master Mason's widow who remarries thereby forfeits her claim upon the Fraternity. He refused to permit the introduction of new appendant organizations into Kentucky.

The Grand Lodge of Kentucky mourns the death of two Past Grand Masters, M. W. Bros. Hugh Moore and John H. Cowles. Bro. Cowles was an international figure. For many years, he conducted the foreign relations of his Grand Lodge. He was also for many years Sovereign Grand Commander of the Scottish Rite in the Southern Jurisdiction. In recent

years, Bro. Cowles had given some \$85,000 to the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, which now constitutes the Cowles Benevolent Fund. His Masonic funeral, in Washington, D. C., was attended by the Grand Secretary. Bro. Cowles now rests in a crypt under the House of the Temple in Washington, alongside his great predecessor, General Albert Pike.

A very fine report was presented by the Fraternal Correspondent, M. W. Bro. Charles A. Keith. Bro. Keith recommended that the official name of his Committee be changed from "Committee on the Proceedings of Other Grand Lodges" to "Committee on Fraternal Correspondence." He made no recommendations for the recognition of additional foreign bodies. In his able Foreword, he was outspoken in his denunciation of Communism, and frankly admitted that Communism has succeeded in infiltrating Masonic bodies in certain countries. He also noted such problems as clerical opposition, governmental interference, and internal dissension and schism, which plague many foreign Jurisdictions.

The Proceedings of seventy-one Jurisdictions are reviewed. Maine for 1954 is given a good report. Grand Master Ela's address is described as "very readable." Of our own work, he is kind enough to say: "He does a very laudable piece of work in reviewing individually a wide range of jurisdictions and doing them all, according to my estimate, exceedingly well. One of the best, I would say, in the nation." We certainly thank you, Bro. Keith.

Bro. Earle W. Adams was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Al. E. Orton was re-elected.

LOUISIANA, 1955.

The One Hundred Forty-fourth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 264. Members, 47,751. Gain, 1,245.

M. W. Bro. Clarence Beasley presided over the Annual Grand Communication, held in the City of New Orleans on February 14-15, 1955. Distinguished visitors from Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, Georgia, Maryland, Connecticut, Ohio, Mississippi, Texas, Illinois, Colorado and Tennessee were in attendance. The Grand Chancellor of the so-called Grand Lodge of France, which Louisiana recognizes, was also present. This must have been somewhat embarrassing to the visitors from regular Grand Lodges which do not recognize this highly controversial body. Our Maine Representative was not recorded as present.

The Grand Master made over 200 visitations. He attended the National Conferences and visited the sister Jurisdictions of Mississippi, Illinois and Arkansas. He attend "Masonic Night" at the Billy Graham evangelistic campaign in New Orleans. Three lodges were constituted under their charters, one new lodge was instituted under dispensation, cornerstones for six new lodge buildings were laid, and eight new halls were dedicated.

Bro. Beasley ruled that a Louisiana Mason cannot hold more than one elective office in the symbolic lodges of that State. He also held that no outside organization can use a Masonic hall.

During the year, a new edition of the Monitor was published.

A check for \$18,288 was presented to Wor. Bro. John D. Cunningham, Director of Welfare of the M. S. A. This was the result of a campaign of solicitation inaugurated by the Grand Master.

At this communication, a new form of petition was adopted. Legislation was enacted authorizing a public ceremony at dedications, and requiring that all new Temples have a cornerstone and that the same be laid with Masonic rites. An attempt to substitute a single ballot for the three separate ballots now required in Louisiana was defeated.

Louisiana formerly recognized the so-called Grand Lodge of Israel. This body has now ceased to exist, and its subordinate lodges have been healed as constituents of the new Grand Lodge of the State of Israel. Accordingly, recognition was extended to that body.

Bro. Louis A. Legett was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary D. Peter Laguens, Jr., was re-elected.

There are no fraternal reviews.

LOUISIANA, 1956.

The One Hundred Forty-fifth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 268. Members, 48,699. Gain, 948.

The Annual Grand Communication was held in New Orleans on January 23-24, 1956. M. W. Louis A. Legett was the presiding officer. Our Maine Representative, Bro. John R. Smith, Jr., was in attendance, as were fraternal visitors from Alabama, South Carolina, Tennessee, Illinois, Pennsylvania, Mississippi, Texas, Connecticut and Maryland.

The Grand Master noted two new instances of anti-Masonic activity in Louisiana. Lectures on the "Evils of Freemasonry in the World Today" were delivered at Louisiana State University by a hater of the Order and a slanderous attack on the Fraternity was made before the Newman Club in New Orleans. Apparently, our traditional enemies are disturbed over the fact that Masonic membership in Louisiana has increased two and one-half times in the past fifteen years.

The Grand Master also reported on correspondence with the Grand Lodge of Mississippi, resulting from an invasion of Louisiana jurisdiction by a Mississippi lodge. Ill health prevented Bro. Legett from attending the Washington Conferences, but he was able to visit the sister Jurisdictions of Canada in Ontario, Illinois, Alberta, California, Alabama, Texas and Pennsylvania. Two lodges were constituted, four new lodges were instituted, three new halls were dedicated, and cornerstones were laid for six new halls and a Presbyterian Church educational building.

Probably the outstanding event of the year was the dedication of a new Masonic monument over the grave of Lt. Commander John E. Hart, U. S. Navy, whose Masonic funeral under flag of truce by the Masons of St. Francisville was one of the most touching incidents of Masonic

brotherhood taking place during the War between the States. A representative of the New York lodge to which Bro. Hart had once belonged was in attendance and brought greetings from that Grand Jurisdiction.

At this communication, distinctive lapel buttons were presented to all Past Grand Masters. The DeMolay boys presented the ritualistic work of their Order before the Grand Lodge.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence reported upon several of the troubled spots in the Masonic world. Very properly, this Committee refused to recommend the re-establishment of fraternal relations with the so-called Grand Lodge of Uruguay, a body which does not require the presence of the Holy Bible upon the Altar. Action in regard to the Grand Lodge of the Dominican Republic was deferred.

Bro. D. Allen Long was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary D. Peter Laguens, Jr., was re-elected.

MANITOBA, 1955.

The Eightieth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 115. Members, 15,547. Gain, 371.

The Grand Lodge met in Winnipeg on June 1-2, 1955. The Grand Master, M. W. Bro. John R. C. Evans, was on the Throne. The Colors of Canada and the United States and distinguished guests from the Grand Lodges of Canada in Ontario, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota and Virginia were piped into the hall under escort of a detail from the Royal Canadian Mounted Police. Our Maine Representative was absent.

The Grand Master observed that prejudices are still apparently taking the place of judgment in influencing the ballot in certain instances, and that Craft Masonry appears to be used all too frequently as a mere stepping-stone to the so-called higher degrees. He stressed the importance of the office of D. D. G. M. and the need for the recruitment of suitable brethren for that office. He urged that increased efforts be made to improve lodge attendance.

M. W. Bro. Evans participated in the Banff, Toronto and Washington Conferences, attended eleven district and area meetings, inspected the four lodges in the Far North which are under the direct supervision of the Grand Master, participated in four Masonic Church services, and visited the sister Jurisdictions of Alberta, Saskatchewan, Montana, Illinois and Minnesota. Two new lodges were constituted and consecrated.

The Grand Lodge mourns the passing of Past Grand Master Norman J. Black.

At this communication, the Grand Master of Minnesota, on behalf of that Grand Lodge, presented to the Grand Lodge of Manitoba the original petition made to the Grand Lodge of Minnesota for a new lodge in the Red River Settlement in Rupert's Land, this being the first lodge established in what is now Manitoba.

A committee recommendation for the re-allocation of lodges into districts was, after much discussion, defeated.

Action in regard to the recognition of the United Grand Lodge of Germany and the new Grand Lodge of the State of Israel was deferred.

We regret that our Maine Proceedings were not among the thirty-six volumes reviewed by R. W. Bro. Hugh M. Kerr.

Bro. Robert E. Emmett was elected Grand Master, Grand Secretary Thomas C. Jackson was re-elected.

MARYLAND, 1954.

The One Hundred Sixty-eighth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 126. Members, 45,289. Gain, 1,318.

The Annual Communication was held in Baltimore on November 16-17, 1954. Grand Master John D. Hospelhorn presided. His Excellency the Governor, Bro. Theodore R. McKeldin, honored the communication by his presence. Many guests, hailing from Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Virginia, New Jersey, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Delaware, Ohio, District of Columbia, Louisiana, Indiana, Illinois, Canada in Ontario, and West Virginia, were on hand to enjoy the traditional hospitality of the Grand Lodge. Our Maine Representative, Bro. Howard E. Stewart, was on duty.

The Grand Master again denounced the chain letter folly. He urged the utmost care on the part of investigating committees, and stressed the importance of their work. For unmasonic conduct, he was obliged to remove one Worshipful Master from office. This brother was later expelled. Bro. Hospelhorn had another very busy year. He attended the Washington Conferences, presided over the usual semi-annual communication in May, laid the cornerstone of a new college building, participated in the annual "corn husking" at Bonnie Blink (the Maryland Masonic Home), and visited the sister Jurisdictions of Pennsylvania, Virginia, New Jersey and Canada in Ontario. He presented twenty-nine of the newly authorized sixty-year emblems.

The sermon at the annual St. John's Day service was preached by M. W. and Rev. Thomas S. Roy, D. D., Past Grand Master in Massachusetts.

A new digest of Masonic law was adopted. Legislation was enacted requiring a waiting period of six months before a newly raised Mason can petition for any of the additional degrees. Legislation was also adopted providing that an un-affiliated Mason can be buried with Masonic honors only by special dispensation from the Grand Master.

Fraternal recognition was denied to the spurious Grand Lodge of the Philippine Republic and to the so-called Grand Lodge of France. It was extended to the Grand Lodge of Nuevo Leon and to the new Grand Lodge of the State of Israel. Relations with the Grand Lodge of Peru, suspended by Maryland several years ago, were resumed.

Bro. Arthur W. Dowell was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Claud Shaffer was re-elected.

There is no Correspondence Report.

MASSACHUSETTS, 1954.

The Two Hundred Twenty-second Stated Communication.

Lodges, 332. Members, 126,645. Gain, 2,481.

The traditional observance of the Feast of St. John the Evangelist was held on December 27, 1954, following the Annual Stated Communication, at which officers for the ensuing year were installed with the dignified and time-honored ceremonial peculiar to Massachusetts. The Grand Master, M. W. Whitfield W. Johnson, was in the Chair. The Colors were carried by distinguished representatives of the National and State Governments, the National Colors being borne by R. W. Leverett Saltonstall, United States Senator from Massachusetts, while the State Colors were carried by Bro. Sumner G. Whittier, Lieutenant Governor of the Commonwealth. M. W. Paul L. Powers, Grand Master of Masons in Maine, was an honored guest. He was accompanied by his acting Grand Marshal. Other distinguished visitors hailed from South Carolina, Virginia, New York, New Jersey, Maryland, New Hampshire, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Vermont, Delaware, Ohio, Illinois, Canada in Ontario, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Quebec.

At the Grand Feast, the four traditional toasts were honored, and the brethren were addressed by Senator Saltonstall, Lieutenant Governor Whittier, the Grand Master of South Carolina and the Grand Master of Canada in Ontario. The principal speaker was M. W. Bro. A. Douglas Smith, Jr., Past Grand Master in Virginia.

Four Quarterly and seven Special Communications were held during the year. At one special, a reception was tendered to the visiting Grand Master of Peru. At another, the cornerstone of the new Masonic Temple in Gardner was laid. The others were held to assist lodges in celebrating significant anniversaries.

At each Quarterly, the Grand Master spoke on some subject of special interest, such as Masonic law, class lodges, and the historical development of the Massachusetts ritual. He was obliged to add his voice to those of his predecessors in condemning the chain letter foolishness. He ruled that door prizes at a ladies' night and prizes for the user of a lucky subscription blank constituted a violation of the Massachusetts law against gambling in any form. He also held that lodges could properly sponsor DeMolay Chapters and use lodge funds for this purpose.

M. W. Bro. Johnson was an honored guest at the annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Maine, where he was the principal speaker at our Grand Lodge banquet, and was decorated with our Josiah Hayden Drummond Medal for distinguished service to Freemasonry. At the June Quarterly of his own Grand Lodge, he gave a most interesting account of the origin and early history of Maine Masonry. The Grand Secretary of Massachusetts, R. W. Earl W. Taylor, was the principal speaker at the sesqui-centennial celebrations of two Maine lodges, Oriental Lodge, No. 13, of Bridgton, and Solar Lodge, No. 14, of Bath, both of which were originally chartered by the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts.

Bro. Johnson attended the Washington Conferences, and visited the Grand Lodges of Virginia, Connecticut, New Jersey, Rhode Island, New Hampshire, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Canada in Ontario, Illinois, Ohio and Maryland. Among the many events attended in Massachusetts were Masonic affairs honoring His Excellency, Bro. Christian A. Herter, Governor of the Commonwealth, and General Mark W. Clark, U. S. A., retired.

Dispensations for three new lodges were issued.

A reciprocal agreement was negotiated with the Grand Lodge of Maine, providing for the assistance of those in need of blood transfusions. The Massachusetts Director of Service, Bro. Chester D. Shepherd, visited Maine and was present at the Waterville meeting which opened our Maine blood bank campaign.

The total attendance at Massachusetts Lodges of Instruction was 37,279.

Benefits from the Massachusetts War Relief Fund, formerly limited to veterans of the two World Wars, were extended to veterans of the Korean Campaign and other military operations.

Maine's distinguished Representative near the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, M. W. Frank L. Simpson, passed away on September 2, 1954. He served as Grand Master in 1926-1928, and had represented Maine since 1929.

The fraternal recognition formerly granted to the so-called Grand Lodge of Israel was cancelled, and recognition was extended to the new Grand Lodge of the State of Israel.

Grand Master Whitfield W. Johnson and Grand Secretary Earl W. Taylor remain in office.

There is no Correspondence Report.

MEXICO (YORK GRAND LODGE), 1955.

The Ninety-fifth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 11. Members, 629. Gain, 22.

M. W. Bro. William Webber presided over the Annual Communication, which was held in Mexico City on April 7, 1955. Maine's distinguished Representative, M. W. Bro. Jacob Stump, was in attendance. Later in the session, he introduced a delegation of ladies from the Order of the Eastern Star.

This year was a busy and prosperous period. A good membership gain was made, Toltec Lodge, No. 1, being particularly active. For the first time in many years, a new lodge was established under dispensation. This is located in the City of Guadalajara. The Grand Master made sixteen visits to constituent lodges. He also attended the triennial meetings of the General Grand Chapter, R. A. M., and the General Grand Council, R. & S. M., held in the U. S. A. The Deputy Grand Master

represented his Grand Lodge at the Grand Masters' Conference in Washington.

During the year, the following distinguished visitors were officially entertained: Bro. Frank S. Land, founder of DeMolay; M. W. Bro. Tom Q. Ellis, Past Grand Master of Mississippi; M. W. Bro. Theodor Vogel, Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of Germany; M. W. Bro. Lloyd Wilson, Grand Secretary of California; and Wor. Bro. J. Kobler, of the Swiss Grand Lodge Alpina.

The York Grand Lodge continues its efforts to establish normal fraternal relationships with the other Mexican Grand Lodges. This year, full fraternal relations with the Grand Lodge of Nuevo Leon were established, and Representatives have been exchanged. An intervisitation agreement with the Grand Lodge of Tamaulipas is still in full effect, although there is no exchange of Representatives. At this communication, the new Grand Lodge of the State of Israel was recognized. The establishment of fraternal relations with the Grand Lodge Puerto Rico was authorized.

It was unofficially learned that an important resolution had been adopted by the Confederation of Mexican Grand Lodges whereby no action taken at a Confederation meeting shall be binding upon any member Grand Lodge unless this is ratified by the said Grand Lodge at its next communication. If this report is true, it will remove one of the chief objections to the Confederation and will restore a lost element of sovereignty to its constituent Grand Lodges. We will await an official report on this matter with much interest.

In the course of the year, the Committee on Education sent out four educational papers dealing with some basic concepts of Masonry. On the recommendation of this Committee, legislation was adopted providing that no brother can become a Master, Warden or Senior Deacon without first having passed an examination on Masonic knowledge suitable to his station.

Bro. Mino M. Covo was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary C. E. DeVries was re-elected.

There are no Fraternal Reviews.

MICHIGAN, 1955.

The One Hundred Eleventh Annual Communication.

Lodges, 534. Members, 171,598. Gain, 2,480.

The Annual Communication was held in Detroit on May 24-25, 1955. A civic welcome was extended by the Police Commissioner of Detroit. Grand Master Howard L. Taylor presided, and welcomed distinguished guests from Illinois, Wisconsin, Indiana, Maryland, Canada in Ontario and Ohio. The Flags of the United States and Canada were saluted. Maine's Representative was absent.

The Grand Master ruled that when a Mason has his name legally changed, certified copies of the court order must be filed with the Secretary of his

lodge and with the Grand Secretary. He held that a plaque could not be presented by a lodge to an outstanding citizen who was not a Mason. He refused to authorize the holding of a Masonic football benefit, the same being contrary to existing Grand Lodge legislation. He ruled that a DeMolay Chapter could not present a United Nations Flag to a lodge, to be displayed in the lodge room, holding that the American Flag is the only one that should be displayed in a lodge room, except that the Canadian Flag can be displayed when brothers from across the border are present.

In addition to his local visitations, the Grand Master visited the Grand Lodge of Canada in Ontario. The Deputy Grand Master represented Michigan at the Washington Conferences. One lodge was constituted, one new lodge was set to work under dispensation, three new Temples were dedicated, and the cornerstone of one new Temple was laid.

The Grand Lodge mourned the passing of four Past Grand Masters—M. W. Bros. Louis E. Anderson, Hazen P. Cole, William H. Parker, and Arthur M. Hume.

As always in Michigan, much business of local interest was transacted, dealing with the management of the Masonic Home, investments, and financial problems. The salary of the Grand Secretary was raised to \$7,200, and the sum of \$5,000 was appropriated for the hospital visitation work of the M. S. A.

The Committee on Fraternal Relations presented an informative report. No new recommendations for recognition were made.

Bro. Henry R. Ruusi was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Charles T. Sherman was re-elected.

There are no Fraternal Reviews.

MINNESOTA, 1955.

The One Hundred Second Annual Communication.

Lodges, 292. Members, 67,166. Gain, 895.

M. W. Leroy E. Matson presided over the Annual Communication which was held in St. Paul on March 23-24, 1955. A new and impressive opening ceremony was used for the first time. The National Colors and the Union Jack were presented by a Color Guard from the Shrine. Music was furnished by the Scottish Rite Choir of St. Paul. A welcome was extended to visitors from Illinois, Ontario, Wisconsin, Iowa, Nebraska, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta, North Dakota, South Dakota, District of Columbia and Kansas. Maine's Representative was absent.

In his annual address, the Grand Master discussed such problems as lodge attendance, oversize lodges, undue haste in petitioning for additional degrees, and co-operation between different Masonic bodies. He ruled that lodge funds could not be used for community projects, that a wheel-chair veteran is eligible for the degrees, that a lodge may not have its meeting place outside Minnesota, that lotteries of any kind are forbidden, that absence on military service does not of itself terminate residence, that a Junior Warden cannot resign, that no tape recording of the esoteric work

can be made, that a member does not lose his right to sit in lodge merely because he is in arrears in the payment of dues, and that a non-citizen is eligible for membership.

Bro. Matson endorsed a suggestion by the Grand Master of Israel that North American Masons take the lead in calling a World Masonic Congress. With this suggestion, we must emphatically disagree. No good could come from any conference including clandestine bodies. Who would be competent to decide what bodies would or would not be invited to attend such a meeting? Who would be competent to determine what foreign bodies were or were not regular? If irregular bodies were invited, regular bodies would refuse to attend. The Grand Lodge of Maine, for instance, would never consent to participate in a conference with bodies which it has officially declared to be unmasonic and clandestine.

The Grand Master attended the Banff and Washington Conferences, visited in Wisconsin, Manitoba, Alberta, Saskatchewan and Illinois, and made sixty-four visitations in his own State. Four area conferences, six fellowship meetings, and three Masonic picnics were held during the year. Two lodges were constituted, and one new lodge was instituted. The Grand Secretary resigned, and Bro. David E. Palmer was appointed Acting Grand Secretary.

A new award for Distinguished Community Service was presented to Bro. Clyde H. Bailey, an international authority in the field of cereal chemistry.

The Grand Lodge authorized the adoption of a new distinguished service award, consisting of a lapel button and certificate, to be awarded to brethren who have never held elective Grand Lodge office. No more than thirty-five such awards can be made in any year.

The Grand Chaplain, Wor. Bro. William E. Hammond, has written a book entitled "*What Masonry Means*." This volume was highly praised by the Grand Master and was officially recommended by Grand Lodge for presentation by lodges to newly raised Master Masons.

Fraternal recognition was extended to the Grand Lodges of the Netherlands, Baja California, Peru, Greece and State of Israel. Recognition was denied to the spurious Grand Lodge of the Philippine Republic and to the irregular Grand Lodge of Denmark. Action in regard to Valle de Mexico and Berlin was deferred.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence also presented a brief report. We regret that no Jurisdictional reviews were prepared.

Bro. Willard L. Hillyer was elected Grand Master. Bro. David E. Palmer was elected Grand Secretary.

MISSISSIPPI, 1955.

The One Hundred Thirty-seventh Annual Communication,
Lodges, 315. Members, 47,756. Gain, 1,152.

The Annual Grand Communication was held in Jackson on February 8-9, 1955. The Grand Master, M. W. and Rev. Carl L. Oakes, was in the

Oriental Chair. Maine's Representative was absent, but distinguished visitors from Kansas, Alabama, Connecticut, New York, Illinois, Georgia and Tennessee were in attendance. At an appropriate point in the proceedings, a welcome was extended to the Grand Matron of the O. E. S.

We quote the concluding words of the Grand Master's address: "To every Mason there will come opportunities to serve mankind—not for personal glory or gratification, but for the good of the human race. To such a destiny, my brethren, let us all aspire. These laws of Masonry let us all strive to obey. And so may our hearts become true temples of the Living God. And may He encourage our zeal, sustain our hopes, and give us success."

M. W. Bro. Oakes attended the Grand Masters' Conference, visited the sister Jurisdictions of Illinois and Alabama, addressed the Grand Chapter of the O. E. S., appeared on television, presented nine fifty-year buttons, attended twenty-two district meetings, and made official visits to some 200 Mississippi lodges. Two lodge halls were dedicated. Dispensations for two new lodges were issued.

The two Masonic Homes for Children continue to give outstanding service.

The sum of \$4,000 was raised for the Washington Memorial.

The Jurisprudence Committee held that a Mason could be tried for selling intoxicating liquor even though such business had been discontinued before the charges were filed.

Fraternal recognition was granted to the Grand Lodges of Peru and Nuevo Leon. Action in regard to Israel, France, China, Greece and Bahia was deferred.

Mississippi has again changed its Foreign Correspondent. The 1955 Report is from the pen of Bro. Ulric L. Day, who reviewed a large number of Proceedings, but who only gives us a brief summary of his findings. Our Maine membership figures are reported. With approval, we quote the following from Bro. Day's Report: "Universality is a great goal yet it should not be obtained by sacrificing too many of our ancient principles." Maine does not believe in sacrificing any of them!

Bro. Charles E. Sampson was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Sid F. Curtis was re-elected.

MISSOURI, 1955.

The One Hundred Thirty-fourth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 593. Members, 123,013. Gain, 1,082.

M. W. Bro. Orestes Mitchell, Jr., presided over the Annual Communication, which took place in St. Louis on September 27-28, 1955. Our Maine Representative, R. W. Frank P. Briggs, was in his station as Junior Grand Warden. A message of fraternal greeting was received from Bro. Philip M. Donnelly, Governor of Missouri. Fraternal visitors from Colorado, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Nebraska and Kentucky, were in attendance.

The Grand Master reminded the brethren that his father had served as Grand Master thirty years ago, and quoted from his annual address delivered in 1925. Bro. Mitchell was well satisfied with the condition of the Craft. He was pleased at the response to his letter calling for contributions for the new buildings at the Masonic Home. To date, the sum of \$800,000 has been contributed to this project.

Bro. Mitchell participated in the Washington Meetings, attended Grand Lodge communications in Illinois, Colorado, Nebraska and Canada in Ontario, and was assiduous in visiting lodges in his own State. He held a Grand Master's breakfast in a St. Louis hotel, which was attended by more than 750 brethren who had previously attended Church Services. The address at this breakfast was delivered by Bro. J. C. Penney, one of America's leading merchants. During the year, one consolidation was effected. Cornerstones were laid for a college library, a private school chapel, a Christian Church, a new Masonic Temple, and two public school buildings.

The Grand Master ruled that the consolidation of one lodge with another does not carry with it the territorial jurisdiction of said lodge. He also ruled that an appointive officer, once he is installed, cannot be removed from office by the Worshipful Master, and that a lodge by-law authorizing such removal is invalid.

During the year, the Grand Lodge began the publication of an official magazine, known as "*The Free Mason*." This is free to all members.

At this communication, a commission as Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of the State of Israel was presented to M. W. Bro. Harry S. Truman. In view of the contribution which M. W. Bro. Truman made, while President of the United States to the establishment of Israel as a sovereign state, this appointment is most appropriate.

At the suggestion of M. W. Bro. Truman, the brethren stood with bowed heads while the Grand Chaplain prayed for the recovery of President Dwight D. Eisenhower, who was then suffering from his heart attack.

Fraternal recognition was extended to the Grand Lodges of Amazonas and Acre, Bahia, Ceara, Para, Paraiba, Piaui and Pernambuco in Brazil; the Grand Lodges of Barranquilla, Bogota and Cartagena in Colombia; and the Grand Lodge of Ecuador. The Committee stated: "Only by a policy of recognizing all deserving grand lodges may we expect to attain that universality of Freemasonry on which we pride ourselves, and through which we expect to bring peace to a troubled world."

M. W. Bro. Ray V. Denslow again presented the Missouri Correspondence Report. As always, this is a most interesting document, containing much information not ordinarily found in reports of this nature. Much space is devoted to Latin American bodies, for which Bro. Denslow has a particular sympathy and liking. On the question of foreign recognition, Bro. Denslow is a pronounced liberal, who has little patience with those ultra-conservative brethren who insist on dotting the "i's" and crossing the "t's." He feels that these brethren are often animated by prejudice

and spite, and regards them as "small" men, standing in the way of Masonic progress.

May we respectfully suggest to Bro. Denslow that some of these ultra-conservative brethren may be animated only by a sincere love of Freemasonry, a devotion to its fundamental principles, and a desire to save their own Grand Lodges from needless embarrassment? The mere fact that these brethren cannot, in conscience, share Bro. Denslow's confidence in certain foreign bodies is no reason for him to attribute to them any unworthy motives. We have great respect for Bro. Denslow. We do not agree with his liberalism, but we would *never* dream of questioning the purity of *his* motives or of belittling *his* stature.

Bro. William J. Craig was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Harold L. Reader was re-elected.

MONTANA, 1955.

The Ninety-first Annual Communication.

Lodges, 139. Members, 25,843. Gain, 411.

The Annual Communication was held in Missoula on August 16-17, 1955. Grand Master Earl S. Bardwell presided, and welcomed distinguished guests from Nevada, Alberta, Idaho, North Dakota, Colorado, Saskatchewan, Indiana, Utah and Washington.

Montana was host to the fourth annual Rocky Mountain Conference. The Grand Master also attended the Banff and Washington Conferences, visited the sister Grand Lodges of Wyoming, Colorado and North Dakota, and made thirty-seven visitations in his own State. Four special communications of Grand Lodge were held, at which two new Temples were dedicated, and Masonic funeral services for M. W. Bros. Henry O. Morgan and Robert J. Hathaway were conducted.

The Grand Master held that only Montana work could be used on a Montana candidate; that a Junior Warden could not be elected to fill a vacancy in the office of Senior Warden; and that an objection could be made to a petition for affiliation the same as to a petition for initiation.

The Report on Fraternal Relations and Foreign Correspondence was presented by its Chairman, Rev. George S. Sloan. On recommendation of this Committee, recognition was extended to the Grand Lodges of Colombia at Barranquilla, Bogota and Cartagena, and to the Grand Lodge of Venezuela.

The Proceedings of forty-one Jurisdictions were reviewed by their respective Grand Representatives. Our Maine review for 1955 is by Bro. Albert F. Milham. Special mention is made of our blood bank program.

Bro. Charles G. Johnson was elected Grand Master. His father and brother were present at his installation. Grand Secretary Byron F. Gaither was re-elected.

NEBRASKA, 1955.

The Ninety-eighth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 275. Members, 45,295. Gain, 323.

M. W. Bro. Charles F. Adams, presided over the Annual Communication, held in Omaha on June 7-9, 1955. The National and State Colors were presented by an escort of Knights Templar. His Excellency, Bro. Victor E. Anderson, Governor of Nebraska, honored the communication by his presence. Distinguished guests from Kentucky, Missouri, Arkansas, Illinois, Iowa, Minnesota, Kansas and Colorado were in attendance.

The Grand Master had high praise for the work of the Committee on Masonic Education, and noted that the Committee Chairman had been named Chairman of the Mid-West Conference on Masonic Education. He also had high praise for the Nebraska Masonic Home and for the Masonic-Eastern Star Home for Children.

M. W. Bro. Adams made visits to sixty-seven subordinate lodges, represented Nebraska at the Grand Master's Conference, and visited the sister Grand Lodges of Wyoming, Missouri, Illinois, Colorado and Minnesota. Four area meetings for Masonic education were held. One new lodge was instituted, five new halls were dedicated, and cornerstones were laid for one College building, one County Courthouse, one High School building and two Masonic Temples.

During the year, the Grand Master issued bulletins explaining the liability insurance program, noting recent violations of the code regarding circular letters and solicitations, calling attention to the requirement that newly-made Master Masons become proficient in the work, and urging a good attendance at Grand Lodge.

At this communication, a Grand Lodge Centennial Certificate was presented to Nebraska Lodge, No. 1, the oldest lodge in the State, which was originally chartered by the Grand Lodge of Illinois in 1855. As a further recognition of this event, a bronze Jordan Medal was presented to the Grand Master of Illinois.

The sum of \$1,800 was again appropriated for the work of Masonic education.

The Report of the Committee on Fraternal Relations was presented by its Chairman, M. W. William B. Wanner. This was a wise, informative and conservative report. The Grand Lodge of Norway was recognized. Applications from the Grand Lodge of Berlin and the spurious Grand Lodge of the Philippine Republic were, very properly, denied. Numerous other applications are being held over for further study. This Committee honored your Maine Correspondent by embodying an extensive quotation from his 1954 Foreword in its own report. We thank Bro. Wanner for this courtesy.

The Fraternal Review, in topical form, is also from the pen of M. W. Bro. Wanner, and is, as usual, an excellent piece of work. This year, this review was printed in advance and made available to all in attendance

at Grand Lodge. This is our Maine custom, and it works very well for us. We are sure that it will be appreciated by the brethren in Nebraska.

Bro. Herbert T. White was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Carl R. Greisen was re-elected.

NEVADA, 1955.

The Ninety-first Annual Communication.

Lodges, 28. Members, 5,225. Gain, 191.

The Annual Communication was held in Fallon on June 9-10, 1955. M. W. Bro. Hugh M. Wilson presided, and welcomed distinguished guests from California, Idaho, Arizona and Kentucky. Maine's Representative, Bro. Frank Woodliff, was present. A message of fraternal greetings was received from Bro. Charles H. Russell, Governor of Nevada.

The Grand Master announced the appointment of R. W. Philip D. Tingley as Grand Representative of Nevada near the Grand Lodge of Maine. He visited all Nevada lodges, attended the Grand Masters' Conference, and paid fraternal visits to the sister Jurisdictions of Oregon, Idaho, California, Utah and Arizona. Public Schools Week was duly observed. Two new halls were dedicated, and cornerstones were laid for three public school buildings, a Presbyterian Church, and a new Masonic Temple.

At this communication, the Grand Lodge recognized the Grand Lodges of Argentina and the State of Israel.

On recommendation of the Finance Committee, the publication of a Correspondence Report was discontinued. We deplore this action, which, to us, appears short-sighted and ill-advised. We will greatly miss Bro. Peterson's good reviews.

Bro. Leimo G. Immonen was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Edward C. Peterson was re-elected.

NEW BRUNSWICK, 1955.

The Eighty-eighth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 46. Members, 9,006. Gain, 151.

M. W. Bro. Ralph T. Pearson presided over the Annual Communication, which was held in St. John on May 26, 1955. Distinguished visitors from Maine, Massachusetts and Nova Scotia were in attendance. The Grand Representative of Maine was not present.

Our Maine Grand Master, M. W. Paul L. Powers, addressed the brethren, and was created an Honorary Member of the Grand Lodge of New Brunswick, with rank of Past Grand Master. He thus becomes the second Maine Mason to hold this honor, the other being Past Grand Master Granville C. Gray.

The Grand Master noted the death of Past Grand Master Dougald McLean. He urged support for the Order of DeMolay, stressed the advantages of the small lodge, and called upon lodges to adjust their dues in keeping with present day economic conditions.

M. W. Bro. Pearson represented his Grand Lodge at the All-Canadian Conference in Toronto and at the North American Conference in Washington. He paid a fraternal visit to the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, and made some fifty visitations in his own Province. Some of these were outstanding events. He joined with more than 500 Masons from seven lodges in New Brunswick and nine lodges from the State of Maine in attending a Masonic Church Service at Andover. The new lodge room of Sussex Lodge, No. 7, of St. Stephen, was dedicated.

At this communication, a new fifty-year button and certificate were adopted by the Grand Lodge. Minimum fees for all lodges except those in the cities of St. John and Moncton were raised from \$25.00 to \$35.00. In Moncton, the minimum fee is \$50.00, while in St. John it is \$75.00. A resolution calling for the establishment of a Masonic Home was withdrawn.

The Rev. Dr. Arthur E. Coleman, B. A., L. Th., D. Cu. L., was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary R. D. Magee remains in office.

There is no Correspondence Report.

NEWFOUNDLAND (E. C.), 1955.

The Eighty-fourth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 18. Members, 2,178. Gain, 42.

The District Grand Master, R. W. Bro. George R. Williams, M. B. E., presided over the Annual Communication, which was held in St. Johns on April 27, 1955.

The outstanding Masonic event of the year was the official visit to Newfoundland made by R. W. Bro. Sir Sydney White, K. C. V. O., Grand Secretary of the United Grand Lodge of England. Sir Sydney visited all English lodges, attended numerous social functions, dined at Government House, attended services in the Anglican Cathedral, was present at a meeting of the District Board of General Purposes, and was guest of honor at an especial communication of the District Grand Lodge, held on August 9, 1954. His visit coincided with that paid to the Scottish lodges in Newfoundland by the Rt. Hon. the Earl of Elgin and Kincardine, K. T., Past Grand Master of Scotland, and several joint functions were held honoring the two distinguished visitors.

The Newfoundland lodges contributed 316 pounds to Sir Sydney's special charity, the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls.

In addition to accompanying the Grand Secretary on his tour, the District Grand Master made many other visitations and installed the officers of several lodges. He had high praise for the Masonic Blood Bank

and for the work of lodge committees charged with the visitation of the sick.

Newfoundland was represented at the All-Canadian Conference at Toronto.

The District Grand Master remains in office. So does the District Grand Secretary, Wor. Bro. A. G. Miles.

NEW HAMPSHIRE, 1955.

The One Hundred Sixty-sixth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 81. Members, 16,810. Gain, 178.

The Annual Communication took place in Manchester on May 18, 1955. M. W. Walter E. Dunlap was in the Grand East. Our Maine Grand Master, M. W. Paul L. Powers, was in attendance. He was accompanied by M. W. Benjamin W. Ela, Past Grand Master, and Wor. Alpheus G. Dyer, Acting Grand Marshal. Other distinguished visitors hailed from Nova Scotia, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New Jersey, Virginia, Pennsylvania and Massachusetts. Maine's Representative was absent.

The Grand Master issued a Christmas letter to the Craft. We in Maine were happy to welcome him at our annual communication. He also visited the Grand Lodges of Massachusetts, Cuba and Connecticut, and represented New Hampshire at the Washington Conferences. He presided over the usual semi-annual communication, and visited thirty-seven New Hampshire lodges. In the Order of the Temple, he had the pleasure of knighting his own Deputy Grand Master. He addressed the annual session of the Grand Chapter, O. E. S.

The first Table Lodge ever to be held in New Hampshire was conducted by Pacific Lodge, No. 45, on October 11, 1954. We wonder what respectable fluid was substituted for "red power" and "strong powder?"

Fraternal recognition was extended to the United Grand Lodge of Germany, the Grand Lodge of the State of Israel, the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico, the Grand Lodge of Vienna for Austria, and the Grand Lodge of Iceland.

We extend a hearty welcome to the Round Table to New Hampshire's new Foreign Correspondent, M. W. Harold O. Cady. In his first Report, Bro. Cady reviews no less than eighty-five volumes of Proceedings. Maine for 1954 is included. Our dedication at Strong and our cornerstone laying at Orrington are mentioned. The Grand Master's remarks in regard to chain letters, schools of instruction, dispensations, and lodge charters are noted, with brief quotations.

Bro. Leslie F. Murch, a Professor at Dartmouth College, was elected Grand Master. Bro. Murch is a native of Hampden, Maine, and first saw Masonic Light in our Marsh River Lodge, No. 102, at Brooks. Grand Secretary Harold O. Cady was re-elected.

NEW JERSEY, 1955.

The One Hundred Sixty-eighth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 284. Members, 103,489. Gain, 2,003.

M. W. Bro. Alfred Rowe presided over the Annual Communication, which was held in Atlantic City on April 20-21, 1955. M. W. Paul L. Powers, Grand Master of Maine, was in attendance. He was accompanied by his Grand Marshal, R. W. Norman W. Lindquist. Other distinguished guests hailed from Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, Virginia, Maryland, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Vermont, Delaware, District of Columbia, Indiana and Canada in Ontario. Our Maine Representative, M. W. Franklin E. Pellegrin, was on duty.

The Grand Master stressed the importance of the Investigating Committee, and charged Masters to use the utmost care in the selection of such committees. He notified all lodges that the recent legalizing of bingo by the State made no change whatever in the Grand Lodge law against games of chance. He declined the invitation of the Grand Lodge of New York to have New Jersey join in the publication of its official magazine.

M. W. Bro. Rowe attended the Washington Conferences, and visited the Grand Lodges of New York, Canada in Ontario, Delaware, Illinois, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, Virginia and Connecticut. He issued a dispensation for one new lodge. Cornerstones for two new Temples were laid. Masonic funeral ceremonies were performed for R. W. Bro. Frederick H. Lum, Jr.

More than 1,200 brethren gathered in Trenton to honor the veteran Grand Secretary, R. W. Isaac Cherry, on the fiftieth anniversary of his raising. A gold token was presented by the Grand Master, and presentations were made by the Grand Lodge Officers, the Secretaries of constituent lodges, the Conference of Grand Secretaries, and the Scottish Masonic Club of Trenton. A month later, Bro. Cherry and his wife celebrated their Golden Wedding. His tribute to her was beautiful and touching.

We quote from the conclusion of M. W. Bro. Rowe's address: "We are the conservators of the ancient landmarks, ritual, traditions, philosophy and symbolism which are the peculiar characteristics of Freemasonry. As we have received them, so must we transmit them, unimpaired, to those who follow us." To which we say "Amen."

At this communication, much important legislation was enacted. A waiting period of at least one week between election and initiation was adopted. Sponsorship of DeMolay Chapters by lodges, without financial liability, was authorized. At least two black balls were required to sustain an objection to the initiation of a candidate. Legislation was adopted making it possible for permanent residents of New Jersey who have received part of their degrees in a Jurisdiction which will not request courtesy work, to complete their degrees and become members of a New Jersey lodge. Previously, only Master Masons could affiliate.

The Grand Lodge of Neuvo Leon was recognized.

A Committee on Instruction was authorized charged with furnishing additional instruction to new Masons. "Evenings of Instruction" are to be held in each Masonic district, at which educational matter will be presented by members of this Committee.

The Report of the Committee on Fraternal Correspondence was presented by its Chairman, M. W. Walter S. Gray. The Proceedings of seventy Jurisdictions are reviewed. Bro. Gray himself reviews our Maine doings in 1954. He notes Maine's leadership in number of Masons in proportion to total population, and also notes M. W. Bro. Ela's hope that the record is likewise high in quality. Our cornerstone laying is mentioned. Grand Master Ela's record of more than 250 visitations is described as "magnificent." Bro. Gray writes: "From the printed records it appears that Maine likes a conservative road and is applauded for it in many jurisdictions."

Bro. Gray is very kind in dealing with our own report. He mentions that we were once a member of New Jersey's Mantua Lodge, No. 95, and lets us know that he himself is a native New Englander. He congratulates us on having a lodge named in our honor. Thank you, Bro. Gray.

Bro. Joseph H. Gick was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Isaac Cherry remains in office.

NEW MEXICO, 1955.

The Seventy-eighth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 59. Members, 13,128. Gain, 411.

M. W. Bro. C. Roy Smith presided over the Annual Communication, which was held in Albuquerque on March 21-22, 1955. Our Maine Representative was absent, but distinguished guests from Colorado, Arizona, New Jersey, Texas and Kentucky honored the Grand Lodge by their presence.

The Grand Master reported that Masonry in New Mexico was in excellent condition. He made sixty-five official visits in his own State, attended the annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Arizona, and participated in the Washington Conferences. Two cornerstones were laid, and two new halls were dedicated.

The Grand Master's ruling that a Kansas Mason could not be elected an Honorary Member of a New Mexico lodge was disapproved.

An unusual situation arose when a Roman Catholic petitioned for the degrees. When he found that Masonic membership would result in excommunication from his Church, he requested that his petition be returned!

A congratulatory telegram regarding the raising of Prime Minister Hatoyama of Japan was despatched to the Grand Lodge of the Philippines.

At this communication, an official dues card was adopted; legislation requiring proficiency in the third degree before petitioning for any additional degrees was enacted; dual and plural membership was defeated; and

the "Cup of Brotherly Love" was received from Arizona on its world-circling journey.

No new recognitions were granted.

The Proceedings of sixty-one Jurisdictions were capably reviewed by the Committee on Foreign Correspondence. The Committee Chairman, M. W. John Milne, reviews our Maine doings in 1954. Quotations are made from the address of Grand Master Benjamin W. Ela. Quotations are also made from our own Foreword and from our special report dealing with the so-called Grand Lodge of France.

Bro. F. Wayne Laws was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Chandler C. Thomas was re-elected.

NEW SOUTH WALES, 1955.

The Sixty-seventh Annual Report.

Lodges, 832. Members, 130,565. Gain, 1,472.

This report covers the year ending in June of 1955, and includes the proceedings of two special and four quarterly communications.

At a special communication held on July 28, 1954, the re-election of the Grand Master, M. W. Bro. His Excellency Lieutenant General Sir John Northcott, K. C. M. G., K. C. V. O., C. B., Governor of New South Wales, was duly proclaimed. Grand Lodge officers for the year were formally invested. The Grand Master was also presented with his patent of office as Grand Representative of the United Grand Lodge of England near the United Grand Lodge of New South Wales.

In the course of his official travels throughout the State, the Governor was able to make many interesting Masonic contacts. He noted the great distances traveled by many brethren in back-country districts in order to be present at these meetings. Other Grand Lodge officers were also assiduous in the work of visitation. The Grand Lodge was represented at installation ceremonies in Queensland, New Zealand and Western Australia. Nine new lodges were consecrated. The foundation stone for a new residential wing at the Frank Whiddon Masonic Homes was laid. One new Temple was dedicated. Many Masonic Church Services were held. An outstanding educational work was done by the official Grand Lodge speakers.

At the September Quarterly, grants amounting to 1,950 pounds were made to various hospitals throughout the state.

In December, a building fund for the construction of a new Temple in Sydney was established. An additional one guinea fee was levied upon all initiates for the benefit of this fund. A thirteenth century stone from Westminster Abbey was presented to the Grand Lodge, in recognition of its contribution to the fund for the restoration of the Abbey.

In March, the Grand Master called attention to the terrible floods which had just devastated many sections of the State, and to the resulting suffering of the people. He made a personal appeal to all Masons in the Jurisdiction for contributions for the relief of distress. The Grand Lodge

itself contributed 3,000 pounds to this fund. By June, the Grand Master was able to report that contributions had reached 11,500 pounds. Donations were received from the Grand Lodges of England, Tasmania and Western Australia.

At the June Quarterly, the Grand Master reported the death of one of the most outstanding soldiers, statesmen and Masons of our day—M. W. Bro. General the Right Honourable Alexander Arkwright Hore-Ruthven, Earl of Gowrie, V. C., P. C., G. C. M. G., C. B., D. S. O., formerly Governor of South Australia, Governor of New South Wales, and Governor General of the Commonwealth of Australia. Lord Gowrie was one of the outstanding heroes of the first World War. He served as Grand Master of South Australia, and was also Grand Master of New South Wales from 1935 to 1944. A special memorial service was held in St. Andrew's Cathedral, which was attended by the Grand Master.

The Report of the Foreign Correspondence Committee was presented at the June Quarterly by its Chairman, R. W. Bro. Harry J. Ford. He reported on the growing tendency of American Grand Lodges to recognize their obligation to the Mother Grand Lodge of England. We quote from this report: "The question of foreign recognition is receiving serious consideration, and there is an apparent stiffening of the attitude of Grand Lodges in their approach to this perplexing problem. * * * Masonic education is a topic of paramount importance, and is receiving priority in many Grand Jurisdictions."

Maine for 1954 is among the forty-two Jurisdictions whose Proceedings are reviewed. We are given generous space and considerate treatment. Very extensive quotations are made from the address of Grand Master Benjamin W. Ela. The report of our Grand Lecturer is mentioned. Of our own work, the N. S. W. reviewer is kind enough to say: "The Foreword is a most outstanding contribution, and offers much food for thought. The reviewer strongly recommends a careful perusal of this Foreword and the appended special reports dealing with Israel, France, Germany, Mexico and the Philippines on file in the Library." He is also kind enough to say that our jurisdictional reviews are "excellently compiled." We thank him for his courtesy and assure him that we always look forward with pleasure to reading the N. S. W. reviews.

Bro. Thomas Leslie Warren, who had served as Pro Grand Master under General Northcott, was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary James S. Miller remains in office.

NEW YORK, 1955.

The One Hundred Seventy-fourth Annual Communication.
Lodges, 1,073. Members, 306,233. Gain, 1,847.

M. W. Raymond C. Ellis presided over the Annual Communication, which was held in New York City on May 3-5, 1955. The Grand Lodge was opened with solemn prayer, and the Colors were presented. Distinguished visitors from Canada in Ontario, Massachusetts, Virginia, Ohio,

Connecticut, District of Columbia, Delaware, New Jersey, Rhode Island, Illinois, Maryland and Pennsylvania were in attendance.

In his annual address, the Grand Master noted the passing of two Past Grand Masters, M. W. Bros. Frank M. Totton and Richard A. Rowlands. He stressed the importance of public relations, and noted the favorable publicity resulting from the work of the Masonic Foundation for Medical Research. He reported that the Foundation would soon have its own research laboratory operating on the grounds of the Masonic Home at Utica. Funds for this project were raised by a special campaign. The Grand Master commended the philanthropic work carried on by several Masonic districts. He urged support for the Grand Lodge magazine, "*The Empire State Mason*," and pointed out the great improvements recently made in that publication. In a Jurisdiction as large as New York, the Grand Master is always a busy man, but he made no report of his personal activities.

We quote from Bro. Ellis's address: "The wealth of the Masonic Fraternity rests not in the material things which it possesses but in the service which it has rendered to ideals that are basic and fundamental in this World."

The Grand Lecturer noted that lodge attendance was suffering because of competition from television and from other activities. He urged all Masters to plan carefully with a view to making their meetings interesting, to alternate degree work and program meetings, and to open and close on time. With full approval, we quote the following: "Care must continue to be taken in the handling of candidates in the third degree. Roughness is completely out of place and only results in leaving the candidate with a poor impression of Masonry. All of the third degree is a piece of teaching and should be treated with the dignity it deserves. The Master should insure that the work is done in a proper manner, and he is responsible for its conduct."

Both the Grand Master and the Grand Lecturer stressed the importance of the Masonic funeral service. At this communication, a new form of funeral service, prepared by a committee consisting of two clergymen and one layman, was adopted. We note that in New York the Masonic funeral service precedes the religious service, instead of following it as in Maine.

The new Infirmary at the Masonic Home is now in full use. There are now 559 guests at the Home. Nearly a third of the adult guests are over eighty-five years of age.

The Grand Lodge Medal for Distinguished Achievement was awarded to Brigadier General David Sarnoff, Chairman of the Board of the Radio Corporation of America, and a member of the Lodge of Strict Observance, No. 94.

The Committee on Correspondence and Relations made no recommendations for recognition. It refused to consider applications from the Grand Lodge of Istanbul, Turkey, a Scottish Rite subordinate, and from the so-called Grand Lodge of France. On the recommendation of this

Committee, the Grand Master was authorized, at his discretion, to establish a District Grand Lodge, with limited local autonomy, over the nine New York lodges in Syria and the Lebanon.

With deep regret, we report the death of R. W. Harry N. Holmes, the able writer of the New York Correspondence Report. His passing is a great loss to the Round Table. An abbreviated report was presented by the remaining members of the Committee. The work of our Committee on History is noted, and several of the rulings made by Grand Master Paul L. Powers are reported.

According to the New York tabulation, there are now 15,687 lodges in the United States, with a total membership of 3,965,651. The net gain for the year was 67,402.

Grand Master Raymond C. Ellis and Grand Secretary Edward R. Carman were re-elected.

NEW ZEALAND, 1954.

The Sixty-fifth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 377. Members, 41,938. Gain, 984.

The Grand Master, M. W. Bro. John D. Campbell, died in office on October 21, 1954. Accordingly, the immediate Past Grand Master, M. W. Bro. Adam Smith, presided over the Annual Communication, which was held in Christchurch on November 17, 1954. The Rt. Hon the Earl of Balfour, Past Grand Master of Scotland, was in attendance, as were visiting delegations from the Grand Lodges of New South Wales, Victoria, Tasmania, Western Australia and Queensland and from the English District Grand Lodges in New Zealand and Fiji.

During the Royal visit to New Zealand, a message of fraternal greetings was presented to Bro. H. R. H. the Duke of Edinburgh.

The report of the Board of General Purposes shows the Craft to be in excellent condition. Prior to his sudden and untimely death, the Grand Master was extremely active, visiting in every District, constituting new lodges, laying foundation stones, opening new buildings, and attending anniversary celebrations. During the year eight new lodges were constituted. The sum of 664 pounds was contributed for earthquake relief in Greece.

At this communication, the Board of General Purposes was authorized to fix the salary of the Grand Secretary. A half-yearly assessment of one shilling and sixpence was levied, to finance the construction of the new Grand Lodge office building in Wellington.

New Zealand was host to the Eighth Australasian Masonic Conference which was held in Christchurch on November 15-16, 1954. M. W. Bro. Adam Smith presided. Many matters of mutual interest to the Australasian Constitutions were discussed.

In accordance with New Zealand custom, the Proceedings of sister Jurisdictions are reviewed in the pages of "*The New Zealand Craftsman*." Our

Maine review for 1954 appears in the May, 1955, number. Extensive quotation is made from the address of Grand Master Benjamin W. Ela.

Bro. Clifford S. Thompson, M. B. E., was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary F. G. Northern remains in office.

NORTH CAROLINA, 1955.

The One Hundred Sixty-eighth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 340. Members, 57,410. Gain, 1,535.

The North Carolina Proceedings have not reached our desk. This abbreviated review is based upon the report contained in the Grand Lodge "News-Letter" for May.

The Annual Communication was held in Wilmington on April 19-20, 1955, with M. W. Robert Lee Pugh, Grand Master, presiding. Distinguished guests from Massachusetts, Georgia, South Carolina, Virginia, Pennsylvania, Maryland, District of Columbia, Indiana and West Virginia were in attendance.

At this communication, charters were granted to three new lodges.

Dr. Charles Harrison Pugh was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Wilbur L. Melver was re-elected.

NORTH DAKOTA, 1955.

The Sixty-sixth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 118. Members, 14,578. Gain, 117.

The Annual Communication was held at Fargo on June 20-22, 1955. M. W. Bro. Ernest D. Nelson presided, and welcomed distinguished guests from Alberta, Manitoba, Canada in Ontario, Minnesota, South Dakota and Montana. The Colors of the United States and Canada were posted. Later in the session, the Worthy Grand Matron of the O. E. S. was received.

The Grand Master deplored "the excessive use of intoxicating liquors at ceremonials and other functions of the higher bodies." We, too, deplore this practice, but we also deplore the Grand Master's use of the word "higher" in this connection. To us, there is no higher body than the Blue Lodge, and the Mystic Shrine, to which Bro. Nelson undoubtedly refers, is not even an appendant *Masonic* body.

Bro. Nelson suggested that attention be paid to the question of public relations, so that certain popular misconceptions concerning Freemasonry may be corrected. He noted that candidates, after completing their degrees, are too often left to shift for themselves and urged that individual members take it upon themselves to make the new member at home in the lodge and familiar with the customs of the Fraternity. This is along the lines of the "Elder Brother" phase of our Maine educational program. Brother Nelson also urged support for such organizations as DeMolay, Rainbow and the Scouts.

At district meetings throughout the state, the Grand Master discussed methods of improving lodge attendance. He attended the Western Canadian Conference at Banff and the National Conferences at Washington. The cornerstone of a new Temple was laid, and two new halls were dedicated.

An interesting and valuable program has been inaugurated in North Dakota. To increase interest in the study of History, moving pictures of historical value are made available to High Schools throughout the state. This Masonic activity is in charge of the District Deputy Grand Lecturers.

After a divided committee report and prolonged and animated discussion on the floor, an attempt to repeal the North Dakota liquor laws was defeated.

A bronze plaque, honoring the memory of the late Brother Walter L. Stockwell, Grand Secretary and Librarian, was dedicated.

No new recommendations for the recognition of foreign bodies were made.

Forty-six volumes of Proceedings are capably reviewed by North Dakota's veteran Correspondent, M. W. Bro. Walter H. Murfin. This year, some of these reviews were also published in the Grand Lodge Bulletin, thus making them available to a wider circle of readers. Maine for 1954 is among the Jurisdictions reviewed. Quotation is made from the address of Grand Master Benjamin W. Ela, and his activity as a visitor is noted. Our own Report is mentioned.

Bro. Merle Kidder was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Harold S. Pond was re-elected.

NOVA SCOTIA, 1955.

The Ninetieth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 110. Members, 14,356. Gain, 218.

The Annual Communication was held in Halifax on June 15-16, 1955. M. W. Bro. Jephtha S. Munro, M. D., was on the Throne. The Grand Honors were accorded to distinguished guests from Massachusetts, Newfoundland (S. C.), Connecticut, Maine, Canada in Ontario, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island. Our Maine Representative, R. W. Bro. John Hare, was in attendance.

Following Divine Service, luncheon was served. We quote from the Nova Scotia Proceedings: "M. W. Bro. Paul L. Powers, Grand Master of Masons in Maine, was the speaker for the occasion and his address on 'Influence' which set forth the ideals and principles by which Masons should live and act so as to maintain the high standard of Freemasonry was most enthusiastically received and treasured by those privileged to hear an outstanding leader of the Craft in the United States."

In his annual address, M. W. Bro. Munro noted the passing of Past Grand Master Martin Luther Fraser. He also reported on the visit to Nova Scotia made by the Rt. Hon. the Earl of Elgin and Kincardine,

K. T., Past Grand Master of Scotland. In the course of the year, the Grand Master represented his Grand Lodge at the All-Canadian Conference at Toronto, attended the Grand Masters' Conference at Washington, and visited the sister Grand Lodges of Canada in Ontario, Massachusetts, Cuba, Connecticut, Maine, Rhode Island, New Hampshire, New Brunswick and Quebec. He also addressed the Grand Chapter, O. E. S., spoke at twelve district meetings, and visited seventy-nine lodges in his own Province. One new lodge was consecrated, and one new Temple was dedicated.

At this communication, an attempt to move the Grand Secretary's office to the Masonic Home, and to make the Grand Secretary, in addition to his other duties, Superintendent of that Institution was, we are happy to say, defeated. The Constitution was amended to provide that the Grand Secretary be appointed rather than elected on a year to year basis.

An interesting and informative report on Masonic Conditions in several foreign countries was presented by the appropriate committee. No new recommendations for recognition were made.

The Fraternal Reviews, in topical form, are from the pen of Bro. George F. Arnold, to whom we extend a fraternal welcome to the Round Table. Maine, for 1954, is one of the Jurisdictions covered in this report. Two quotations are made from the address of Grand Master Benjamin W. Eja.

The Grand Master, M. W. Jephtha S. Munro, and the Grand Secretary, M. W. Reginald V. Harris, Q. C., were re-elected.

OHIO, 1954.

The One Hundred Forty-fifth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 658. Members, 273,505. Gain, 3,849.

M. W. Bro. John L. Guss presided over the Annual Communication, which was held in Cleveland on October 15-16, 1954. The Colors were presented by a Commandery escort, and the National Anthem was sung. A stirring address—patriotic and Masonic—was delivered by Wor. Bro. John W. Bricker, United States Senator from Ohio. Fraternal visitors from Virginia, Pennsylvania, Maryland, West Virginia, Indiana, Michigan, Canada in Ontario and Massachusetts were in attendance. Maine's distinguished Representative, M. W. David B. Sharp, was on duty.

In his annual address, the Grand Master noted the passing of M. W. Bro. Alpheus A. Stephens. He issued proclamations condemning the chain letter superstition and ordering disciplinary action against resident Ohio Masons whose names appear on such a letter; officially notifying the lodges of the changed wording of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag; and urging Masonic attendance at Church Services. He recommended the employment of a Chaplain at the Ohio Masonic Home, and that the Ohio liquor laws be clarified.

M. W. Bro. Guss attended the Grand Masters' Conference, visited the Grand Lodge of Canada in Ontario, and made the usual visitations in his

own State. Eight new lodges were constituted and consecrated. One lodge was re-consecrated on the occasion of its 100th anniversary. Cornerstones were laid for seven Masonic Temples, four Churches, and one school building. Six Masonic Temples were dedicated.

One lodge was officially censured for irregularities in connection with courtesy work.

The Grand Lodge has authorized the construction of a new Grand Lodge Office Building, which will also have lodge room facilities. In connection with this project, the old Temple of New England Lodge, No. 4, in Worthington, will be restored and converted into a museum.

Action in regard to the recognition of the Grand Lodges of Israel and Syria and the Lebanon was deferred.

M. W. Bro. Carl W. Ellenwood presented another fine Report on Fraternal Correspondence, consisting of a Foreword and seventy-three reviews. We reciprocate his greeting to other Reviewers. Maine for 1954 is well covered. Extensive quotation is made from the address of Grand Master Benjamin W. Ela, and our own Report is mentioned.

Bro. Ed W. Kuns was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Harry S. Johnson, who has served as Grand Secretary for thirty years, was re-elected.

OKLAHOMA, 1955.

The Forty-seventh Annual Communication.

Lodges, 389. Members, 84,537. Gain, 1,648.

The Grand Lodge met in Tulsa on February 8-10, 1955, with M. W. Bro. S. Neal Johnson in the Grand East. His Honor the Mayor extended a civic welcome. Distinguished guests from Texas and New Jersey were present, as was Bro. Ernest Castle, Grand Representative of Maine. At a fitting time, the Grand Matron of the O. E. S. was received, and DeMolay work was again a feature of the session.

We quote from the Grand Master's address: "I knew that Almighty God was the strength and support of all Grand Masters, and I have endeavored to keep faith with Him as I have discharged the duties of my office."

The Grand Master participated in the events of Masonic Week in Washington, and served as Chaplain of the Grand Masters' Conference. He visited in New Mexico, Missouri, Texas and Kansas, addressed the Grand Chapter, O. E. S., and was active in promoting the interests of DeMolay.

At a special communication held on August 17, an extensive Grand Lodge building program was authorized, and ground was later broken for this construction by the Grand Master. Two new lodges were instituted. Nine emergent communications were held. Four new lodge rooms were dedicated, and cornerstones were laid for three Masonic Temples, a County Court House and a County Hospital. Masonic funeral services were conducted for Past Grand Master Charles H. Everett.

At this communication, Grand Lodge dues were increased \$1.00 per annum, until such time as the new building program is paid for. A new committee on Masonic Education was established, and a new codification of law was authorized.

The Grand Lodge of Greece was recognized.

The Committee on Fraternal Correspondence and Relations presented an able Report, in which the Proceedings of forty-four Jurisdictions are reviewed. All members of the Committee share in this work, our Maine review for 1954 coming from the pen of Past Grand Master J. Fred Latham. Our high percentage of members in proportion to population is noted. Our cornerstone laying, the first in fifteen years, is mentioned. Grand Master Ela is quoted in regard to dispensations, and courteous reference is made to our own Report.

Bro. Ed T. Sabin was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary J. Fred Latham was re-elected.

OREGON, 1955.

The One Hundred Fifth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 185. Members, 43,343. Gain, 777.

The Grand Lodge met in Portland on June 15-17, 1955. Grand Master Roy W. McNeal presided, and welcomed distinguished visitors from California, Washington, Idaho and Kentucky. The American and Canadian Colors were posted by a Color Guard from the National Sojourners. Our Maine Representative, Bro. Harry W. Swafford, was on duty.

M. W. Bro. McNeal made official visits in all districts, visited many small rural lodges unofficially, attended the Washington Conferences, and visited the Grand Lodges of California, Washington, Idaho and Cuba. Two lodges were constituted, and two new lodges were instituted. Cornerstones were laid for an Episcopal Church and a new Masonic Temple. A County Courthouse was dedicated, a new ceremony for the dedication of public buildings being used for the first time.

At this communication, charters were granted to two new lodges, and the dispensation of Oregon Military Lodge, U. D., at Frankfurt, Germany, was continued. Attempts to alter the functions and powers of the Jurisprudence Committee and to repeal the Oregon liquor laws were defeated. Responsibility for the educational program was transferred from the Lodge of Research to the Grand Lodge Trustees.

Fraternal recognition was extended to the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico.

The usual fine Report on Correspondence was presented by M. W. Bro. Edward B. Beaty, who uses the topical form of review. We quote his concluding words: "We have a great Fraternity. It was handed down to us from many men who were wise and good. Let us keep it great in every way. *Guard Well The Gates.*"

Bro. Ernest J. Bolliger was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary H. D. Proudfoot was re-elected.

PENNSYLVANIA, 1954.

Quarterly and Annual Communications.

Lodges, 584. Members, 248,899. Gain, 4,195.

The Grand Master, Bro. Ralph M. Lehr, presided over the Annual Grand Communication, which was held in Philadelphia on St. John The Evangelist's Day, 1954. The Flag of our Country was duly presented. Bro. Aubrey L. Burbank, Deputy Grand Master of Maine, was among the distinguished visitors, others hailing from South Carolina, New York, Maryland, Georgia, Delaware, Ohio and Israel.

Much of a constructive nature was accomplished during the year. The city property adjoining the Philadelphia Masonic Temple was purchased for \$825,000, this being the first step in the expansion of Masonic facilities in that City. Major items of new construction and many improvements in existing property are under way at the Masonic Homes. An educational program has been inaugurated, including the publication of an official Grand Lodge magazine, which is mailed to the entire membership. The establishment of a Masonic blood bank has been authorized by the Grand Master. Gifts and bequests amounting to \$597,051 were received during the year.

The usual Quarterly Communications were held. Because of sickness, the Grand Master was not present at the June and September meetings, his place being filled by the Deputy Grand Master. Bro. Lehr attended the Washington Conferences and visited the Grand Lodge of Louisiana. Visitations to other sister Jurisdictions were made by various Grand Lodge officers. Special communications were held, at which five new lodges were constituted. Cornerstones were laid for a new Masonic Temple and Scottish Rite Cathedral in Harrisburg.

Rear Admiral Richard A. Kern, Past Grand Master, paid an impressive and beautiful tribute to the memory of Past Grand Master William H. Brehm, who passed away on November 11, 1954.

Fraternal recognition was extended to the French National Grand Lodge, the Grand Lodge of Argentina, the United Grand Lodge of Germany, and the new Grand Lodge of the State of Israel.

With approval, we quote from the Report of Bro. Andrew J. Schroder, Instructor of Work: "No ritual or ceremony can make, or ever has made, a man a Mason. He is and proves himself a Mason only when and as he exemplifies in his daily life the principles and the teachings of Freemasonry. Therefore it is the duty of the Worshipful Master and his associate officers to see that everyone initiated in his lodge is fully and carefully informed as to what these principles are and what his duty as a Freemason is. * * * It is our duty as Masons, 'by precept and example' to convince the world that on us the favors of Freemasonry have not been undeservedly bestowed."

Grand Master Ralph M. Lehr and Grand Secretary George A. Avery were re-elected.

There is no Correspondence Report.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND, 1954.

The Seventy-ninth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 16. Members, 1,379. Gain, 32.

The Grand Master, M. W. Bro. Douglas D. MacLaren, was sick in hospital at the time of the Annual Communication. Accordingly, the Deputy Grand Master, R. W. Bro. Malcolm MacKenzie, presided over the session, which was held in Charlottetown on June 23, 1954. There were no visitors from other Jurisdictions, but our Maine Representative, R. W. Bro. F. A. Van Iderstine, was in his place as Grand Secretary.

The Grand Master's address was read by the Deputy. In it, Bro. MacLaren reported a pleasant and profitable year, with peace and harmony prevailing amongst the lodges. Because of his health, the Grand Master made no visits outside his own Province. However, several of his local visitations were outstanding affairs. The Grand Master issued orders against chain letters.

The Grand Lodge mourns the passing of M. W. Bro. W. A. Macquarie, who had received his 50-year medal shortly before his death.

The Grand Lecturer reports that considerable confusion exists in the work, as a result of two recent changes in the ritual, and the fact that some lodges use one ritual and some the other.

Fraternal recognition was extended to the new Grand Lodge of the State of Israel.

Bro. Malcolm MacKenzie was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary F. A. Van Iderstine remains in office.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND, 1955.

The Eightieth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 16. Members, 1,417. Gain, 38.

The Annual Communication was held in Charlottetown on June 22, 1955. M. W. Malcolm MacKenzie was on the Throne. Maine's Representative, R. W. F. A. Van Iderstine, was in attendance, as were distinguished visitors from the Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia.

We quote from the Grand Master's address: "Masonry's contribution in these troubled times will be measured by the way each of us lives his life. Our strength lies in the assurance of our faith that a just and beneficent God reigns over all. That basic belief is a unifying force in the family, the church and the nation; it is enduring and eternal."

The Grand Master visited all constituent lodges. At these official visitations, balanced and varied programs were presented. Group discussions were held, addresses were delivered, and Masonic films were shown. The Grand Master also attended several Masonic Church Services, participated in the All-Canadian Conference at Toronto, and visited the sister Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia.

Masonic funeral services were conducted for M. W. Bros. Thomas G. Ives and Reginald H. Rogers.

The Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence was presented by its Chairman, R. W. Bro. C. G. Lord. Conditions in various foreign countries were discussed. No new recognitions were granted.

The Rev. Ernest C. Evans was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary F. A. Van Iderstine was re-elected.

QUEBEC, 1955.

The Eighty-fifth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 103. Members, 17,808. Gain, 176.

M. W. Bro. D. L. Witter presided over the Annual Communication, which was held in Montreal on June 2, 1955.

R. W. Bro. H. W. Blaisdell, Junior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge of Maine, was among the distinguished guests welcomed by the Grand Master, others hailing from Canada in Ontario, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Vermont and New York. With regret, we note that our Maine Representative was not present.

We quote from the Grand Master's address: "Many times has civilization passed through shadows of doubt and despair—and we are cheered by the thought that in every case, when put to the test, Godliness has prevailed." Discussing the question of fraternal relations, M. W. Bro. Witter stated that unsettled world conditions "make it imperative that if we do err, we do so on the side of caution. There can be no half-way measure; our Order must maintain the Ancient Landmarks or perish." With which sentiment, we in Maine most heartily agree.

The Grand Master refused to issue dispensations for two new lodges. He ruled that the apron, when worn, must not be covered, even partially, by other clothing; that a lodge can hold no joint function with a Chapter of the O. E. S.; and that delegations of brethren representing groups other than those recognized by this Grand Lodge should not be received as such by the Master of a lodge.

M. W. Bro. Witter represented his Grand Lodge at the All-Canadian Conference at Toronto. He also attended the Grand Masters' Conference at Washington, visited the Grand Lodges of Canada in Ontario, Vermont and Massachusetts, and made many official appearances in his own Province.

The able and conservative Report of the Committee on Foreign Relations and Correspondence was presented by its new Chairman, R. W. Bro. J. McL. Marshall. On his recommendation, action in regard to the Grand Lodges of Argentina, Rio Grande do Sul, Germany, Guatemala and Israel was deferred. The Committee also presented an excellent topical review of the Proceedings of other Grand Lodges.

The Grand Master, M. W. Bro. D. L. Witter, and the Grand Secretary, R. W. Bro. R. W. Louthood, were re-elected.

RHODE ISLAND, 1955.

The One Hundred Sixty-fourth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 44. Members, 18,832. Gain, 245.

M. W. Bro. Bernard B. Abedon presided over the Annual Communication, which was held in Providence on May 16, 1955. Our Maine Representative, M. W. Charles W. Littlefield, was in attendance. A welcome was extended to distinguished guests from Massachusetts, Virginia, New York, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Maryland, Connecticut, New Hampshire, Delaware, Maine and Nova Scotia.

The Grand Master reported an extremely busy year. Rhode Island's outstanding programs in the fields of youth activities and hospital visitation were continued. Go-to-Church Sunday was again observed, with the largest attendance in the history of the observance. The Grand Master participated in the events of Masonic Week in Washington, visited the Grand Lodges of New Hampshire, Delaware, Illinois, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, Virginia, Cuba, Connecticut, New Jersey, South Carolina and Maine, and made the usual numerous visitations in his own State. He had the great pleasure of raising his own son to the Sublime Degree. The usual semi-annual communication was held.

M. W. Bro. Abedon condemned the conduct of lotteries and bingo games in Masonic Temples. While no subordinate lodge was directly involved, the guilty organizations were, of course, wholly composed of Masons. His pronouncement on this question caused a loud squawk from the offenders, but the objectionable practices were discontinued. Bro. Abedon was forced to suspend one Past Master for misconduct. He also issued orders regulating the type of material to be included in news releases and lodge advertisements.

The Grand Master notified all lodges to inform him when a clergyman was to be raised, so that he or some member of his staff could be present at that occasion.

Rhode Island mourns the passing of two Past Grand Masters, M. W. Bros. Arthur Whitehead and Winfield Scott Solomon. M. W. Bro. Solomon had a most distinguished record. As an officer in the Signal Corps of the U. S. Army in World War I, he was responsible for the organization of Rhode Island's Overseas Lodge at Coblenz, Germany, and served as its first elected Master. In World War II, Col. Solomon was sent overseas by the then Grand Master to organize Rhode Island's Berlin Lodge, No. 46, of which he was the first Worshipful Master.

At this communication, recognition was extended to the Grand Lodges of Iceland and Switzerland.

On the recommendation of the Grand Master, an educational program was adopted. Forums of Masonic Education were established, to which the various lodges will be assigned. These forums will apparently discharge functions similar to those of the Massachusetts Lodges of Instruction.

Rhode Island's highest award, the Christopher Champlin Medal, was presented to M. W. Bro. Paul Llewellyn Powers, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Maine, together with an appropriate citation. Bro. Powers responded in an appropriate manner.

Bro. Alton T. Curtis was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary N. Arthur Hyland was re-elected.

There is no Correspondence Report.

SASKATCHEWAN, 1955.

The Forty-ninth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 204. Members, 17,546. Gain, 127.

The Annual Communication was held in Regina on June 15-16, 1955 with Grand Master R. E. Partridge on the Throne. The Union Jack and the Stars and Stripes were presented by a detail from the R. C. M. P. His Honour, Bro. W. J. Patterson, Lieutenant Governor of Saskatchewan, was in attendance and addressed the brethren. Grand Honors were accorded to distinguished guests from Canada in Ontario, Manitoba, Alberta, Illinois, Minnesota and New York. Our Maine Representative was absent.

M. W. Bro. Partridge presided over the All-Canadian Conference at Toronto, and also participated in the Banff and Washington Conferences. In addition to local visitations and attendance at district meetings, he visited the Grand Lodges of Montana, Minnesota and Manitoba. One new hall was dedicated, one cornerstone was laid, and one new lodge was instituted. This new lodge is located in the Far North, in the center of the new uranium mining area.

The Grand Master took prompt action to stop a lottery. He had high praise for the Grand Lodge magazine "*The Tracing Board*," and expressed his appreciation for the work done by the Committee on Masonic Education and by the Committee on Freemasonry and Youth. Four group youth rallies were held, and numerous lodges also held youth nights.

The Grand Lodge mourns the death of three Past Grand Masters, M. W. Bros. W. L. Clink, Archdeacon J. K. Irwin, and W. H. Moor.

The Grand Lodge banquet was a colorful affair. Bagpipers played the distinguished guests to their seats at the head table. The guest speaker was M. W. Bro. Leroy E. Matson of Minnesota. After a sumptuous repast, the Claudy play "*A Rose Upon the Altar*" was presented.

The Committee on Fraternal Correspondence and Relations presented an exceptionally fine Report, from which we quote: "The struggle for recognition among new and revived Grand Bodies continues unabated in various Jurisdictions where the present unsettled state of world affairs is reflected in competition between Masonic groups, Roman Catholic opposition and Communistic infiltration. In some instances, progress is being made, in others, including several with which we are in amity, conditions are deteriorating. It continues very difficult to obtain reliable and

accurate information on which to base a sure decision as to recognition and there is a decided trend toward adopting a 'wait and see' policy."

No new recognitions were granted, but the Committee did recommend that an application for recognition be made to the Grand Lodge of Norway.

The Fraternal Reviews are again from the pen of M. W. Bro. Douglas Fraser. In his Foreword, he quotes membership statistics and discusses oversize lodges, the recent unfortunate letter written by the Grand Lodge of Greece, and the recent academic discussion in regard to the Landmarks. The Proceedings of sixty-eight Jurisdictions are reviewed, including those of Maine for 1954. Grand Master Ela is quoted and our own Report receives favorable notice.

Bro. James H. Cuddington was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Robert A. Tate was re-elected.

SCOTLAND, 1955.

Only a portion of the Scottish Proceedings have reached our desk. Accordingly, the following review is incomplete. We do know that the usual Quarterly Communications were held. Dr. Bruce Brannon, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Texas, was a visitor at the February Quarterly, and brought the greetings of his Grand Master. During the year, four lodges celebrated their bi-centennials. Charters were granted to new lodges in Scotland, Rhodesia, South Africa and India. An exhaustive study of Grand Lodge finances is being made.

In January, the Grand Master Mason flew to Holland and Belgium. He was accompanied by the Grand Secretary, the Grand Director of Ceremonies, and the Grand Librarian. The Scottish delegation conferred with the officers of the Grand Lodge of the Netherlands, and many matters of mutual interest to the two Jurisdictions were discussed. For the benefit of the visitors, a Dutch lodge presented the work of the third degree in English. In Belgium, the Grand Lodge delegation visited one of the Scottish lodges in that country. Upon his return to Scotland, the Grand Master Mason notified his Grand Lodge of the intention of the Grand Lodge of the Netherlands to sponsor an independent Grand Lodge in Indonesia. As Scotland has lodges in that part of the world, it is naturally interested.

On March 9, 1955, the Grand Treasurer, Bro. A. J. McHardy, passed to the Grand Lodge Above. At last accounts, no successor had been named.

In July, a delegation from the Grand Lodge of Scotland made an official visit to North America. This delegation consisted of the Rt. Hon. Lord Macdonald, Grand Master Mason; the Rt. Hon. the Earl of Eglinton and Winton, Depute Grand Master; and Dr. Alexander F. Buchan, Grand Secretary. The Scottish lodges in Newfoundland were visited, and the delegation attended the Centennial celebration of the Grand Lodge of Canada, in the Province of Ontario, held in Toronto on July 17-19, 1955.

On behalf of the Grand Lodge of Scotland, a silver loving cup, suitably inscribed, was presented to the Grand Lodge of Canada.

From Toronto, the Scottish delegation journeyed to Boston. The Scottish brethren visited the historic Lodge of St. Andrew, whose original charter was granted by the Grand Lodge of Scotland. They were also, along with the English delegation, honor guests at a special communication of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts.

We are very happy to have for review a copy of the Scottish Masonic Year Book for 1955. This volume, edited by Grand Librarian George S. Draffen, is in every way a credit to the Scottish Craft. Its frontispiece is a portrait of the Right Honourable Alexander Godfrey Macdonald, of Macdonald, seventh Lord Macdonald of Sleat, Chief of his Clan, Lord Lieutenant of Inverness-shire, and Grand Master Mason of the Grand Lodge of Scotland. This book contains a complete roster of all 970 Scottish lodges, together with a mass of historical and statistical data, and numerous well-prepared articles of general Masonic interest. Best of all, from our viewpoint, it contains a digest of the Proceedings of sister Grand Lodges entitled "*Ashlars*." In topical form, this is a welcome addition to the Correspondence Reports of the world. A generous quotation is made from our own 1953 Foreword.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA, 1954.

The Seventy-first Annual Communication.

Lodges, 186. Members, 23,495. Gain, 780.

The Grand Master, the Honourable Sir Geoffrey Reed, presided over the Annual Communication, which was held in Freemasons' Hall, Adelaide, on April 21, 1954. The National Anthem was sung, and the Grand Lodge was opened in ample form and with solemn prayer by the Grand Chaplain.

In his annual address, the Grand Master noted the Royal visit to South Australia, during which an address of loyalty, suitably engrossed, was presented to Her Majesty on behalf of the Grand Lodge. Fraternal greetings were also extended to Bro. H. R. H. the Duke of Edinburgh. The Grand Master also noted that Her Majesty had conferred the honor of K. C. V. O. upon the Governor of South Australia, Bro. Sir Robert George.

M. W. Bro. Reed reported the Craft to be in excellent condition. He urged lodges to see to it that their dues are sufficient to insure that the dignity of the Craft is properly upheld. He said: "Freemasonry is not intended to be conducted on the cheap." He also urged all Masons to procure proper evening dress. During the year, he constituted and consecrated four new lodges, and laid the foundation stone of one new Temple.

At this communication, a previously adopted resolution making attendance at the Australasian Masonic Conference compulsory was rescinded. Two new Masonic scholarships were established.

Fraternal relations have been established with the Grand Lodges of Finland, Greece, and Vienna for Austria.

In South Australia, the Grand Representatives review the Proceedings of the Jurisdictions which they represent. Accordingly, our Maine review for 1953 is from the pen of our Maine Representative, Bro. Frank Smith. Grand Master Ela's remarks in regard to chain letters are quoted. Our Washington Bi-centennial is mentioned, and a good write-up of the sesqui-centennial observance of our Rising Virtue Lodge, No. 10, is presented.

The Grand Master, the Hon. Sir Geoffrey Reed, and the Grand Secretary, Bro. F. J. Ellen, remain in office.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA, 1955.

The Seventy-second Annual Communication.

Lodges, 188. Members, 24,204. Gain, 700.

The Annual Communication was held in Adelaide on April 20, 1955. The M. W. the Grand Master, the Hon. Sir Geoffrey Reed, I. L. B., was on the Throne. Our Maine Representative sent an apology for non-attendance.

The Grand Master reported another prosperous year. Two new lodges were consecrated, and two new halls were dedicated. Sir Geoffrey attended the installation of the new Grand Master in Queensland, assisted the Lodge of Truth, No. 8, in celebrating its centennial, and participated in several group meetings of lodges. He urged the brethren to improve themselves in Masonry, and to patronize the excellent Grand Lodge Library.

The Grand Master noted the election of R. W. Bro. J. S. Philips, P. D. G. M., as Lord Mayor of the City of Adelaide. During the absence of the Deputy Grand Master, R. W. Bro. G. S. McDonald, on an important mission for the Commonwealth Government, the Lord Mayor took over the duties of that office.

We quote the conclusion of the Grand Master's address: "In conclusion, Brethren, I affirm the continued loyalty of the brethren of the Craft in this State to the Throne and Person of Her Majesty The Queen, and we pray that she may be long spared to reign over us."

Two new Masonic scholarships were established.

Our Maine doings in 1954 are among those reviewed in the South Australia Correspondence Report, which is prepared by the Grand Representatives of the Jurisdictions concerned. Bro. Frank Smith gives us a very good review. He errs, however, in thinking that the Maine reviews are also prepared by the Grand Representatives. Here all reviews are written by the Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence.

The Grand Master, the Hon. Sir Geoffrey Reed, was re-elected. Grand Secretary F. J. Ellen remains in office.

SOUTH CAROLINA, 1955.

The Two Hundred Eighteenth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 297. Members, 51,851. Gain, 2,134.

The Annual Communication was held in the Pavilion at Myrtle Beach on April 28-29, 1955. M. W. Bro. J. Ansel Eaddy presided. A civic welcome was extended by the Mayor, and the usual religious service was conducted. The State and National Colors were saluted. Maine's Representative, Bro. Fred S. McFadden, was in attendance, as were distinguished guests from Connecticut, Delaware, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Maryland, Massachusetts, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island and Virginia.

With South Carolina becoming more and more industrialized, and with large numbers of people moving into the State, the Grand Master urged increased care in the investigation of applicants for the degrees. He approved the efforts of Bro. Frank S. Land to bring about a better understanding between Craft Masonry and the Shrine, but was obliged to disagree with Bro. Land's suggestion that joint Masonic festivals be held, with an intensive membership drive as a feature thereof. Very rightly, Bro. Eaddy feels that anything in the nature of solicitation is contrary to traditional Masonic practice. He said: "To my mind there have been too many 'fast' classes through the various Masonic bodies in order to take the Shrine." He also stated: "There are no degrees higher than the degrees in Symbolic Masonry. All other degrees are purely of an educational nature and intended to broaden our scope and give us a better understanding of the meanings of Masonry. I would remind you that Craft Masonry is the foundation and the capstone of Freemasonry." Needless to say, we fully approve of these sentiments.

The Grand Master made seventy-eight local visitations, delivered forty addresses, attended the National Conferences, participated in the annual rock quarry meeting at Travelers' Rest, attended the annual meeting of the Grand Chapter, O. E. S., and visited the sister Jurisdictions of Rhode Island, Georgia, Alabama, District of Columbia, Massachusetts, Virginia, Cuba, Connecticut and North Carolina. Three new lodges were set to work under dispensation, ten new Temples were dedicated, and cornerstones at Wofford College and Cedar Springs School were formally replaced. The Wofford ceremony was in connection with the centennial celebration of that institution.

During the year, a successful campaign to raise funds for the hospital visitation work of the M. S. A. was conducted.

At this communication, new Standing Committees on Masonic Education and on Work and Ceremonies were created; a liability insurance program was adopted; a certificate of honorary membership in the Grand Lodge of Indiana was presented to Past Grand Master John I. Smith; and the Albert Gallatin Mackey Medal was presented to two Past Grand Masters and to W. Bro. John D. Cunningham, Director of Welfare of the M. S. A.

No new recognitions were granted.

The Fraternal Correspondent, R. W. and Rev. H. Dwight McAlister, reviews the Proceedings of sixty-nine Jurisdictions. Maine for 1954 is adequately covered. Our leadership in percentage of Masons to total population is noted, the activities of Grand Master Benjamin W. Ela are mentioned, and indirect quotation is made from our own Foreword. Our Special Reports are described as "extremely interesting." We thank Bro. McAlister for an excellent Maine review.

Grand Master J. Ansel Eaddy and Grand Secretary Henry F. Collins were re-elected.

SOUTH DAKOTA, 1955.

The Eighty-first Annual Communication.

Lodges, 169. Members, 20,348. Gain, 288.

M. W. Bro. Sidney C. Voorhees presided over the Annual Communication, which was held in Mitchell on June 14-15, 1955. A civic welcome was extended by the Mayor, and the Colors of the United States and Canada were presented by a Commandery escort. Distinguished guests from Nebraska, Manitoba, North Dakota, Wyoming and Minnesota were in attendance. Maine's Representative was absent.

The Grand Master was obliged to reprimand two lodges for flagrant violations of the Code. In addition to his local appearances, he visited the Grand Lodges of Wyoming, Colorado, Minnesota and Manitoba, participated in the National Conferences, and met with Grand Lodge officers from Nebraska, Iowa and Wisconsin at a conference in Sioux Falls. The cornerstone of one new Temple was laid, and two new Temples were dedicated.

Bro. Voorhees deplored the fact that some lodges are making members but not Masons, whose "desire to advance to other degrees over-shadows any interest they have in the Symbolic Lodge."

During the year, the Masons of South Dakota contributed \$8,953 to the M. S. A.

At this communication, a retirement plan for Grand Lodge employees was adopted. A formal resolution, condemning the use of intoxicating liquors at ceremonies and other gatherings of Shrine Temples in South Dakota, and calling upon the officers of such Temples to terminate these abuses which reflect discredit upon South Dakota Masonry, was also adopted. Copies of this resolution were forwarded to the Potentate and Recorder of each Shrine Temple in South Dakota and to the Imperial Potentate of the Shrine.

In view of present difficulties in Mexico, an application from the Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico was deferred.

The Report on Fraternal Correspondence was again from the able pen of Wor. and Rev. David Graham, who gives us an excellent Foreword and

forty-five reviews. Under Maine for 1954 he notes our cornerstone laying, and quotes briefly from Grand Master Ela's remarks in connection therewith. Speaking of Bro. Ela's many visitations, Bro. Graham "wonders if he found much time for anything else."

Our own Report receives fraternal notice. Bro. Graham voices his fear that our Maine conservatism in regard to recognition may deprive Maine Masons serving overseas of the privilege of Masonic fellowship in the Countries concerned. Unfortunately, this is true. Our own son, an Army Officer, was unable to visit local lodges during his last tour of duty overseas. However, this is the price which we must pay for caution. We feel that it is better for a few individuals to be disappointed than for our Grand Lodge itself to be placed in an embarrassing position.

Bro. George D. Wells was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Elvin F. Strain was re-elected.

TASMANIA, 1955.

The Sixty-fourth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 63. Members, 7,792. Gain, 235.

The Grand Master, M. W. Bro. R. P. Furmage, presided over the Annual Communication, held at Burnie on February 26, 1955. Grand Lodge was opened in ample form, with solemn prayer by the Grand Chaplain and the singing of the National Anthem. A visitor from New South Wales was welcomed. Maine's Representative was absent.

M. W. Bro. Furmage reported the year to have been a period of substantial activity and advancement for the Craft. He was particularly appreciative of the educational work being done by the two Lodges of Research. He represented Tasmania at the Eighth Australasian Masonic Conference, held in New Zealand on November 15-16, 1954. He dedicated the splendid new Temple at Smithton, and opened two new cottages at the Peace Haven Home. A contribution of 250 pounds was made towards the New South Wales flood relief fund, to which Tasmanian Lodges contributed an additional 135 pounds. Benevolent grants for the year amounted to 2,482 pounds. The sum of 206 pounds was donated to the two Masonic Homes.

As a part of the Sesqui-centennial Observance of the State of Tasmania, a Masonic Divine Service was held in the Hobart Town Hall on October 31, 1954. Music was furnished by the Masonic Choir, and the address was delivered by R. W. and Rev. Harold J. Ralph, Past Grand Chaplain.

One new lodge is in process of organization.

At this communication, the regalia of Grand Stewards was changed from crimson and silver to gold and blue trim.

Bro. R. P. Furmage was re-elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary H. A. Wilkinson remains in office.

There is no Correspondence Report.

TENNESSEE, 1955.

The One Hundred Forty-first Annual Communication.

Lodges, 382. Members, 80,623. Gain, 2,993.

The Grand Lodge of Tennessee held its Annual Communication in Nashville on March 23-24, 1955. M. W. Bro. Raymond Lee Allen presided, and welcomed distinguished visitors from Alabama, Connecticut, Georgia, Illinois and Kentucky. The Colors were presented by a Commandery escort. Grand Lecturer W. B. Linton represented the Grand Lodge of Maine.

Because of illness, the Grand Master did not attend the Grand Masters' Conference. He did, however, attend all twenty-six district meetings and visit the Grand Lodges of Wisconsin, Illinois and Pennsylvania. Four new lodges were constituted, one cornerstone was laid, and two new halls were dedicated.

The Grand Master was well pleased with the administration of Masonic charity in Tennessee, and with the work of the Grand Lecturers and their assistants. He commended the efforts of Bro. Frank S. Land to bring about a better relationship between Masonry and the Mystic Shrine. He also had good words for Rainbow and DeMolay.

The Grand Secretary represented Tennessee at the dedication of the new Masonic Temple in Havana, Cuba. During the year, a delegation of distinguished Cuban Masons visited Tennessee and was entertained by the Grand Lodge.

Tennessee, like many other Jurisdictions, has some difficulty in getting candidates to learn the third degree lecture. To encourage proficiency in this lecture, an attractive certificate has been issued, for presentation to new Masons who demonstrate their proficiency therein.

The Welfare Committee deplored the fact that certain Tennessee Masons had, while candidates for public office, indulged in unmasonic conduct by making irresponsible attacks upon the characters of their political opponents, some of whom were also Masons. We fear that this practice is not confined to Tennessee.

The following Grand Lodges were recognized: Greece, Iceland, State of Israel, and Valle de Mexico.

At this communication, two charters were granted and dispensations for two new lodges were issued.

M. W. Bro. Wallace P. Douglas presents another exceptionally fine report on Fraternal Correspondence. Maine for 1954 is among the seventy-seven Jurisdictions whose proceedings are reviewed. Grand Master Ela's address is commended, and quotation is made therefrom.

Bro. Douglas notes that Tennessee was not reviewed in our 1954 report. This resulted from the change in the date of the Tennessee communication. We reviewed Tennessee for 1953 in 1953, but did not review their 1954 Proceedings until 1955. However, we did not miss a year.

Bro. Hardin Henry Conn was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Thomas E. Doss was re-elected.

TEXAS 1954.

The One Hundred Nineteenth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 924. Members, 223,320. Gain, 6,083.

The Annual Communication was held in the Grand Lodge Memorial Temple in Waco on December 1-2, 1954. Grand Master W. B. Jack Ball presided. The Flags which have flown over Texas, those of France, Spain, Mexico, the Republic of Texas, the Confederacy and the United States, were presented. Distinguished guests from Tennessee, Oklahoma and Missouri were in attendance. Maine's Representative, Bro. Clinton D. Shoemaker, was on duty.

The Grand Master's program was dedicated to "Carrying Masonry to Every Master Mason in Texas." He visited in every section of his huge State, and wrote articles for every issue of the Grand Lodge magazine. Five lodges were constituted, two new lodges were instituted, five new lodge buildings were dedicated, and cornerstones were leveled for three Masonic Temples, three public school buildings, and a Jewish Synagogue. One charter was restored. Two lodges consolidated. Nine lodges celebrated their centennials. Fifty-year awards were presented to 167 brethren. The Grand Master refused to issue a dispensation for a new lodge in LaRochelle, France.

Bro. Ball attended the Washington Conferences, and visited the sister Jurisdictions of New Mexico and Arkansas. He noted that certain Past Grand Masters played a prominent part at the Grand Masters' Conference, and expressed his opinion that it would be better to confine that Conference to incumbent Grand Masters and their Deputies! He took a more sympathetic attitude than did his predecessor towards the "Commission on Information for Recognition." He did not think that this Commission constituted a step in the direction of a General Grand Lodge.

The Grand Master was forced to reprimand two lodges. He also reprimanded certain Masons who had attempted to use their Masonic affiliation to advance political campaigns. A campaign against chain letters was conducted through the pages of the Grand Lodge Magazine and by all D. D. G. M.'s.

M. W. Bro. Ball ruled that a subordinate lodge cannot present a fifty-year award of its own; that the Master of a U. D. Lodge need not be a Past Master or a Past Warden; that diabetes does not constitute a physical disqualification; that a lodge cannot join with service clubs in sponsoring a barbeque supper to raise money to purchase equipment for a school playground; that pictures of Past Matrons and Past Patrons of the O. E. S. cannot be hung on the walls of a lodge room; that a brother cannot serve as Secretary and Treasurer at the same time; that a Mason's wife cannot use the lodge dining-room for a musical recital by her pupils; that an O. E. S. Chapter cannot use the lodge dining-room for a public supper; that a Rainbow Assembly cannot hold a public installation in a lodge room on Sunday; and that an insane brother cannot be suspended for non-payment of dues.

The Grand Master recommended that each Master appoint some qualified brother to act as the "advisor" or "big brother" to each newly initiated Mason, discharging functions similar to those of the "instructor" and "elder brother" under our Maine educational program.

At this communication, the Grand Lodge authorized dual membership. It changed the requirement for a fifty-year award from "fifty years of consecutive service" to "a total of fifty years in good standing."

An outstanding address was delivered by Wor. Bro. the Hon. Robert B. Anderson, former Secretary of the Navy and present Deputy Secretary of Defense.

Fraternal recognition was extended to the new Grand Lodge of the State of Israel and to the National Grand Lodge of France. It was denied to the Grand Lodge of Berlin and to the so-called Grand Lodge of France. Action in regard to the Grand Lodge of Peru was deferred.

Texas has again changed its Foreign Correspondent. To the new Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, Past Grand Master M. A. Childers, we extend a cordial and fraternal welcome to the fellowship of the Round Table. His first Report, consisting of a Foreword and sixty-nine reviews, is an excellent piece of work. Maine for 1954 is given generous coverage. Grand Master Ela's quotations from the writings of Josiah H. Drummond are quoted in full. Other quotations are also made from Bro. Ela's address. His recommendation regarding the establishment of a Masonic blood bank is mentioned. Extensive quotation is also made from our own Correspondence Report. We thank Bro. Childers for an excellent Maine review.

Bro. George Moffett was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Harvey C. Byrd was re-elected.

UTAH, 1955.

The Eighty-third Annual Communication.

Lodges, 27. Members, 6,467. Gain, 128.

M. W. Bro. Elliott W. Evans presided over the Annual Communication, which took place on January 24-25, 1955. It met in Salt Lake City. This communication was honored by the presence of fraternal guests from the District of Columbia, Wyoming, Nevada, Idaho and Delaware. Bro. Bert Atwater was on hand to represent the Grand Lodge of Maine.

Grand Master Evans visited all Utah lodges, attended the National Conferences, and visited the sister Jurisdictions of Wyoming and Idaho. He accompanied a Utah lodge on its visit to a lodge in Colorado. The Deputy Grand Master represented Utah at the Rocky Mountain Conference. A dispensation was issued for the establishment of one new lodge, the first in several years. The cornerstone of a Red Cross headquarters building was laid. Masonic funeral services were conducted for Past Grand Masters Ortis C. Skaife, James W. Collins, and Richard L. Conely.

The Grand Master urged support for the hospital visitation work of the M. S. A. and for the endowment fund of the Washington Memorial.

A special communication of Grand Lodge was held to welcome R. W. Bro. Sir Alexander Fleming, the distinguished discoverer of penicillin and a Past Grand Warden of the United Grand Lodge of England, on the occasion of his visit to Salt Lake City. The Grand Lodge also entertained a delegation of distinguished Cuban Masons, headed by Grand Master Carlos M. Pineiro. The Cuban brethren were much impressed by the beauty of the Masonic Temple in Salt Lake City.

Against the advice of the Jurisprudence Committee, legislation was enacted which eliminates Grand Lodge fees for all dispensations except those for new lodges.

The Committee on Masonic Education and Instruction published twelve monthly leaflets and twenty-five occasional bulletins during the year.

Fraternal recognition was extended to the French National Grand Lodge and to the new Grand Lodge of the State of Israel. Relations with the Grand Lodge of Sao Paulo were suspended.

An excellent Report on Correspondence, in topical form, was presented by Bro. Edward G. Titus. Maine is thrice mentioned. Two quotations are made from the address of Grand Master Benjamin W. Ela, and one from our own Correspondence Report.

Bro. Roy W. Robinson was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Emery R. Gibson remains in office.

VERMONT, 1955.

The One Hundred Sixty-second Annual Communication.

Lodges, 103. Members, 18,676. Loss, 14.

The Annual Communication was held at Burlington on June 15-16, 1955, with Grand Master F. Ray Adams in the Chair. R. W. Royal L. Cleaves, Senior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge of Maine, was among the distinguished visitors, others hailing from Quebec, Delaware, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New Hampshire, New Jersey, Virginia and Massachusetts. Our Maine Representative, M. W. Julius C. Thomas, was in attendance.

In his annual address, the Grand Master noted that Vermont had suffered a slight loss in membership for the second consecutive year. As a possible cure for this condition, he suggested that consideration be given to the possibility of something in the nature of a carefully controlled *solicitation* of desirable Masonic material! Realizing the controversial nature of this suggestion, he caused the Grand Secretary to sound out sister Jurisdictions as to their reactions thereto. As might have been expected, these reactions were generally unfavorable, some Jurisdictions even indicating that anything of this nature would endanger existing fraternal relations.

With regret, we must record our own personal disapproval of this suggestion. While the time-honored requirement that all men must come to Masonry of their own free will and accord and without solicitation cannot properly be considered as a Landmark, it is certainly a well-established and universally accepted principle of Masonic common law, any departure from which could only serve to cheapen Freemasonry and to destroy one of the unique and distinctive characteristics of the Institution. We are unalterably opposed to any and all attempts to "modernize" Freemasonry, or to depart from the ancient usages and traditions of the Craft.

The Grand Master attended the usual district meetings, participated in the Washington Conferences, visited the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, and paid an unofficial fraternal visit to our own Waterville Lodge, No. 33. Two new Temples were dedicated. Another new Temple was destroyed by fire before it could be dedicated.

At this communication, the Grand Lodge joined the Masonic Relief Association of the United States and Canada. The first awards of Vermont's newly established decorations were made. The John Barney Medal was presented to two Vermont Masons who have never held elective Grand Lodge office. The Philip C. Tucker Medal was awarded to M. W. Aaron H. Grout, Grand Secretary of Vermont, and to Bro. Carl H. Claudy, Executive Secretary of the M. S. A. The Medal of Honor was awarded to Bro. Warren R. Austin, formerly United States Senator and Ambassador to the United Nations.

The Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico was recognized.

The Grand Master, Bro. F. Ray Adams, and the Grand Secretary, Bro. Aaron H. Grout, were re-elected.

There is no Correspondence Report.

VICTORIA, 1954.

Quarterly Communications.

Lodges, 744. Members, 107,078. Gain, 3,292.

The usual Quarterly Communications were held in 1954. Our Maine Representative, R. W. Bro. R. P. Dick, P. D. G. M., was present on three out of four occasions.

The Grand Master, Sir Dallas Brooks, was absent at the March Quarterly, being in personal attendance upon Her Majesty the Queen, then visiting in Victoria. On behalf of the Grand Lodge, he presented a Loyal Address to Her Majesty and a message of fraternal greetings to His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh. These were graciously acknowledged. As a further mark of her favor, the Queen conferred upon Sir Dallas the additional distinction of Knight Commander of the Royal Victorian Order.

His Excellency presided over the other communications of Grand Lodge, and was assiduous in the discharge of his Masonic duties. This was another very prosperous year for the Victorian Craft. Thirteen new lodges were consecrated, and one new Temple was dedicated by the Grand Master.

We note that in Victoria an educational pamphlet entitled "*Some Comments on Freemasonry for Brethren newly admitted to the Order*," is presented to every newly raised brother. A book, "*Information on Lodge Workings*," is available to all Master Masons of twelve months standing. We also note that a man must be a Master Mason at least a year before he can sign the application of a would-be candidate. Evening dress is required for all, except that Servicemen may appear in uniform. All present and past Grand Officers must wear their Grand Lodge regalia at ordinary lodge meetings.

The Masonic Hospital continues to render outstanding service, serving 1,588 patients in the course of the year. Numerous ladies' auxiliaries are active in working for the Hospital. The Hospital Association is made up of some 600 lodges. During the year, it held nine concerts and four balls to assist the Hospital financially. His Excellency the Governor and Lady Brooks honored one of these balls by their presence. The handsome sum of 5,551 pounds was raised by these functions.

Visitors from the New Zealand, South Australia, Queensland, New South Wales and English Constitutions were present at the March Quarterly. At this communication, a grant of 250 pounds was made to the Westminster Abbey Appeal Fund. A new ceremonial sword was used for the first time at this meeting.

In June, the Grand Lodge paid tribute to the memory of M. W. Bro. His Honor Judge Clifford Henry Book, Q. C., LL. B., Past Grand Master, one of the best loved and most distinguished members of the Craft.

In September, the Board of General Purposes ruled that only the Authorized King James or Revised Versions of the Holy Bible are to be used on the altars of Victorian lodges. If a Jewish candidate objects to being obligated on an Old Testament which forms part of a Christian Bible, he may be obligated on a separate Old Testament. In such case, however, the complete Bible must remain open in its accustomed place.

The Pro Grand Master, Bro. Thomas Baillie, represented the Grand Lodge at the Eighth Australasian Masonic Conference, held in November in Christchurch, New Zealand.

Victoria publishes a Correspondence Report, the reviews being written by the Representatives of the Jurisdictions concerned. Maine was not among the Jurisdictions reviewed in 1954.

At the December Quarterly, M. W. Bro. His Excellency General Sir Reginald Alexander Dallas Brooks, K. C. B., K. C. M. G., K. C. V. O., D. S. O., K. St. J., Governor of Victoria, was elected Grand Master for the fifth time. Grand Secretary C. B. Davis, remains in office.

VIRGINIA, 1955.

The One Hundred Seventy-seventh Annual Communication.

Lodges, 336. Members, 65,199. Gain, 1,185.

M. W. Bro. Hugh Reid presided over the Grand Annual Communication, held in Richmond on February 8-10, 1955. The Flag was presented, and the brethren united in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance thereto. A basket of flowers was received from the Grand Chapter, O. E. S. Maine's Representative was absent, but distinguished guests from Connecticut, Indiana, Delaware, New Jersey, District of Columbia, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Kentucky, Ohio, West Virginia and Massachusetts were in attendance.

This year, Virginia celebrates the two hundredth anniversary of the birth of the great John Marshall, Grand Master of Masons in Virginia in 1793-1795, Member of Congress, Secretary of State and Chief Justice of the United States. A portrait of the great Chief Justice, in oils, was presented to the Grand Lodge by the lodges of the 15th Masonic District, and an address dealing with his life and work was delivered by Wor. Bro. John Stewart Battle, a former Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia. This celebration continues throughout the year, reaching its climax in Marshall's birth month of September.

In his annual address, the Grand Master recommended that Virginia become a full member of the M. S. A., denounced chain letters, and unauthorized circularization, commended the establishment of Masonic blood banks, discussed the reasons for poor lodge attendance, and reported that two Shrine Temples had violated Masonic law by conducting lotteries. On his order, this was discontinued.

The Grand Master welcomed the Washington Memorial Association to Virginia. He also participated in the Grand Masters' Conference. We quote his comments with reference thereto: "I feel that the great value of the Annual Conference could be enhanced if it confined itself to Freemasonry proper and excluded all sectarian and semi-political matters, which are of primary interest to dependent orders and not to Freemasonry proper."

Bro. Reid visited the sister Grand Lodges of New Jersey, Rhode Island, New Hampshire, Delaware, Maryland, Manitoba, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, Ontario, California, District of Columbia and Tennessee, attended the Mid-West Conference on Masonic Education, and took part in the annual joint meeting with Tennessee at Bristol. He refused to allow the so-called Masonic film showing the consecration of the new Grand Lodge of the State of Israel to be shown in Virginia as a commercial venture. One new lodge was established under dispensation. Numerous dispensations were granted to allow out-of-State lodges to meet and work in the Washington Memorial. Masonic funeral services were conducted for R. W. Bro. James Monroe Clift, Grand Secretary Emeritus.

The cornerstone of the new Masonic Temple in Norfolk was laid by the Grand Lodge. Under dispensation, subordinate lodges laid cornerstones for two Baptist Churches, one Methodist Church and two public school buildings.

The problem of financing the new Masonic Home for the Aged continues to worry the Grand Lodge. Fortunately, the financial success of the annual Founders' Day observance made it unnecessary to sell any Grand Lodge securities in order to meet current commitments.

An attempt to deprive Past Grand Masters of their individual votes in Grand Lodge and to give them only one vote collectively was, we are happy to say, defeated.

Fraternal recognition was extended to the Grand Lodge of Argentina and the new Grand Lodge of the State of Israel. Relations with the Grand Lodge of Vienna for Austria, existing before the war, were resumed. Recognition was withdrawn from the Grand Lodge of Sao Paulo, and was denied to the so-called Grand Lodge of France. Action in regard to Valle de Mexico, Nuevo Leon, Panama and Paraiba was deferred.

We quote from the Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence: "It is the opinion of your Committee that the criteria for the fraternal recognition of a foreign jurisdiction should include more than mere regularity. The personnel of the membership; the concepts which the members have of the purposes of the fraternity and of its traditional tenets; and the freedom to act without any outside interference whatsoever, are important factors in determining the society of brethren who are admitted to our fraternal fellowship." Needless to say, we fully agree with the above.

An address was delivered by Wor. Bro. George E. Bushnell of Michigan, Sovereign Grand Commander of the Northern Jurisdiction of the Scottish Rite. Judge Bushnell is a native of Virginia.

M. W. Bro. James N. Hillman again presented the Virginia Correspondence Report, consisting of an excellent Foreword and fifty-eight reviews. Maine for 1954 receives courteous treatment. Quotation is made from the address of Grand Master Benjamin W. Ela, and our own review of Virginia receives kindly mention.

Bro. William J. McMahon was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary James N. Hillman was re-elected.

WEST VIRGINIA, 1954.

The Ninetieth Annual Communication.

Lodges, 165. Members, 45,933. Gain, 890.

M. W. William G. Johnson presided over the Annual Grand Lodge Session, which was held at Clarksburg on October 13-14, 1954. Our Maine Representative, M. W. Daniel C. Bageant, was present. A welcome was extended to distinguished visitors from Delaware, District of Columbia, Maryland, Virginia and Pennsylvania.

The Grand Master urged lodges to increase their social activities, thus developing a stronger fraternal spirit among the members. He deplored the fact that some Masons appear to regard the lodge as a mere stepping-stone to some other organization, and rightly condemned the solicitation sometimes practiced by certain of these affiliated groups. He refused to allow moving pictures to be shown in the lodge room, and held that the White Shrine could not meet in Masonic apartments. He issued a circular letter warning against contributions from lodge funds for non-Masonic charities.

In addition to his local visitations, the Grand Master attended the Grand Masters' Conference and visited the Grand Lodges of Virginia, Pennsylvania and the District of Columbia. In company with his father, he also visited the Ohio lodge over which his grandfather had presided in 1887. Three new halls were dedicated, and cornerstones were laid for one new Temple, a Baptist Church, a Methodist Church educational building, and a Public School building.

At this communication, the Masonic Home assessment was reduced from \$2.00 to \$1.50, the 50 cents saved being added to the assessment for the General Fund. A resolution was adopted making those engaged in the sale of intoxicating liquor ineligible for the degrees, and also making such sale by present members a Masonic offense punishable by expulsion.

Fraternal recognition was granted to the Grand Lodge of Greece and to the new Grand Lodge of the State of Israel.

M. W. Henry Ahrens again presented the Report on Foreign Correspondence. In his Foreword, he, too, deplored the fact that certain affiliated organizations sometimes solicit petitions from candidates before they have been made Master Masons, thus causing them to regard the Blue Lodge as a mere primary department or stepping-stone to something more important.

Maine (1954) was among the seventy-two Jurisdictions whose Proceedings were reviewed. Brief quotation was made from the address of Grand Master Benjamin W. Ela. Our schools of instruction were noted, and our Foreign Correspondent was credited with a "very good" report.

Bro. Thomas Boyd Hoilman was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Julian B. Hollingsworth was re-elected.

WISCONSIN, 1955.

The One Hundred Eleventh Annual Communication.

Lodges, 307. Members, 64,979. Gain, 288.

The Annual Communication was held in Milwaukee on June 14-15, 1955. Grand Master Carl W. Hofmeister presided, and welcomed distinguished guests from Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Ohio and the District of Columbia. A special tribute was paid to M. W. Carl H.

Claudy, Executive Secretary of the M. S. A. The brethren united in pledging Allegiance to the Flag.

The Grand Master stressed the need for new lodges, expressing his belief that at least fifty such lodges could profitably be formed in Wisconsin. He had high praise for the Grand Lodge magazine, "*The Freemason*," which is free to all Wisconsin Masons. M. W. Bro. Hofmeister ruled that a brother who is in arrears but who has not been suspended still enjoys all Masonic privileges; that a brother holding a dimit can visit any lodge or attend a funeral clothed as a Mason; that a foreign ritual could not be used in conferring a degree upon a Wisconsin candidate; that the Grand Master has no power to suspend a by-law of a lodge; that a pharmacist selling liquor only by prescription is eligible for the degrees; and that a Masonic Temple cannot be used for dances, the serving of meals, bazaars, or similar money raising activities to which the general public is invited.

The Grand Master had an active year. He visited many constituent lodges, held four quarterly meetings for educational purposes, attended the Washington Conferences, visited Grand Lodge sessions in Illinois, Indiana, Michigan and Cuba, and also attended Masonic conferences in Indiana and South Dakota. One new lodge was constituted, and one new Temple was dedicated.

During the annual communication, the Grand Lodge laid the cornerstone for the new Grand Lodge Headquarters Building.

A Shrine Temple presented \$5,000 to the Grand Lodge for use in furnishing the new library room in the Headquarters Building.

Considerable important business was transacted at this session. Still another attempt to liberalize physical qualifications was defeated. The sum of eight cents per capita was voted to the hospital visitation work of the M. S. A. On recommendation of a special committee, the Indiana Mentor Plan of Masonic Education was adopted for voluntary use in Wisconsin.

With deep regret, we report the death of Wisconsin's distinguished Foreign Correspondent, M. W. Herbert W. Dixon. Bro. Dixon was, in our opinion, one of the most outstanding Masons of our time. He served as Grand Master in 1927, and, for more than twenty-five years, rendered outstanding service as a Member and Chairman of the Wisconsin Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence. The crowning achievement of his career, however, was his service as writer of the Wisconsin Correspondence Report. In four short years, he won for himself a reputation as one of the ablest and most effective members of the Round Table. Your Maine Chairman had much in common with Bro. Dixon, and we saw eye to eye on most questions of Masonic importance. His passing leaves us with a sense of deep personal bereavement.

This year, there is a "new look" to the Wisconsin Report on Foreign Correspondence. Presented for the first time in topical form, this report is the work of a committee of four, of which M. W. Bro. Robert H. Gollmar is Chairman. The Committee does an excellent job, but we must express

our preference for the old-fashioned jurisdictional reviews. A topical report is, at best, a dry and impersonal thing, lacking the fraternal familiarity of the old-style review.

The publication of an advance edition of the Correspondence Report, for distribution at Grand Lodge, was discontinued. Instead, extracts from the Report were published in various issues of "*The Freemason*."

Bro. Harry A. Speich was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Paul W. Grossenbach was re-elected.

WYOMING, 1955.

The Eighty-first Annual Communication.

Lodges, 51. Members, 12,494. Gain, 173.

M. W. Bro. O. H. Gerhard Jacobsen presided over the Annual Communication, held in Cheyenne on August 22-23, 1955. This communication was honored by the presence of several distinguished public officials, including His Excellency, Bro. Milward L. Simpson, Governor of Wyoming; Wor. Bro. Everette T. Copenhaver, Secretary of State; Wor. Bro. Charles B. Morgan, State Treasurer; and Bro. Val Christensen, Mayor of Cheyenne. A welcome was extended to fraternal visitors from Colorado, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Montana, Nebraska, North Dakota, Oklahoma, South Dakota and Utah.

During the year, the Grand Master traveled to Europe, making interesting Masonic contacts in Scotland, England, Germany, Denmark and the Netherlands. He also attended the Washington Conferences, visited the Grand Lodges of Utah, Colorado, South Dakota and Nebraska, and made fraternal visitations to forty-nine Wyoming lodges. Wyoming was represented at the Rocky Mountain Masonic Conference. The cornerstone of an Episcopal Church was laid, and a new Masonic Temple was dedicated.

The Grand Lodge was saddened by the death of Past Grand Master Elwood Anderson.

Recognition was extended to the Grand Lodge of Peru (Sotomayor group).

At this communication, Grand Lodge dues were increased by twenty-five cents per annum.

The sum of \$5,613 was contributed for the hospital visitation work of the M. S. A.

Bro. Ralph E. McWhinnie, Registrar of the University of Wyoming, was elected Grand Master. Grand Secretary Irving E. Clark was re-elected.

There are no Fraternal Reviews.

PROCEEDINGS REVIEWED

Alabama.....	1954	New Brunswick.....	1955
Alberta.....	1955	Newfoundland (E. C.).....	1955
Arizona.....	1955	New Hampshire.....	1955
Arkansas.....	1954-1955	New Jersey.....	1955
British Columbia.....	1955	New Mexico.....	1955
California.....	1955	New South Wales.....	1955
Canada.....	1955	New York.....	1955
Colorado.....	1955	New Zealand.....	1954
Connecticut.....	1955	North Carolina.....	1955
Cuba.....	1955	North Dakota.....	1955
Delaware.....	1955	Nova Scotia.....	1955
District of Columbia.....	1954	Ohio.....	1954
England.....	1955	Oklahoma.....	1955
Florida.....	1955	Oregon.....	1955
Georgia.....	1955	Pennsylvania.....	1954
Idaho.....	1955	Prince Edward Island.....	1954-1955
Illinois.....	1954	Quebec.....	1955
Indiana.....	1955	Rhode Island.....	1955
Iowa.....	1955	Saskatchewan.....	1955
Ireland.....	1954	Scotland.....	1955
Kansas.....	1955	South Australia.....	1954-1955
Kentucky.....	1954	South Carolina.....	1955
Louisiana.....	1955-1956	South Dakota.....	1955
Manitoba.....	1955	Tasmania.....	1955
Maryland.....	1954	Tennessee.....	1955
Massachusetts.....	1954	Texas.....	1954
Mexico (York).....	1955	Utah.....	1955
Michigan.....	1955	Vermont.....	1955
Minnesota.....	1955	Victoria.....	1954
Mississippi.....	1955	Virginia.....	1955
Missouri.....	1955	West Virginia.....	1954
Montana.....	1955	Wisconsin.....	1955
Nebraska.....	1955	Wyoming.....	1955
Nevada.....	1955		