

A FEW TRUE MEN AND THEIR DREAMS COME TRUE

One hundred years ago, a few stouthearted Brethren of Anaheim Lodge perceived the Light of Freemasonry bright in their city – and they liked what they saw. Being concerned for those in the dark around them, they looked appropriately to the north, for among Masons, the north is considered a place of darkness. They carried their Light to a town named Fullerton and there established Esperanza Lodge, bringing Fullerton from its darkness. The town prospered as their Light grew ever brighter, for as these great men were pillars in their Lodge, so also were they in their community – and when their town was chartered a city, so also did Esperanza Lodge adopt its name: Fullerton Lodge in the City of Fullerton. Their Light was a beacon of hope.

The first year of the Twentieth Century marked incredible accomplishment by these good men; in addition to establishing a strong new Lodge, they built and furnished a new Temple for their use and for the betterment of their community. From this site at Amerige and Spadra (now Harbor) in Fullerton, their Light beamed eastward to a town named Yorba Linda in 1918, that that community might further perpetuate the Light of Masonry.

As the Lodge prospered and grew, it became necessary to secure larger and more suitable quarters, thus precipitating a two-year transitional period (1918/1919) during which the original facility was replaced with an impressive new Temple at Chapman and Harbor (then Spadra) in the City of Fullerton. The new facility kindled a special energy during the twenties, an energy manifesting itself as creative Light within and without the bounds of this city. It created Azure Lodge in 1922, thus broadening the scope of the Craft within the city. And in the spirit of their origin, the Brethren of Fullerton then looked to the north where Citrol and La Habra, the “Twin Lodges” of North Orange County, came into being in 1927. In Body and Soul, those stouthearted men from Anaheim were content with the accomplishments of their labors in North Orange County – for they again liked what they saw.

These writings spotlight the few “good men and true” who brought us to the dance – and a hundred years of Masons dancing to their tune.

Jack E. Dotson, P.M. – October, 2000

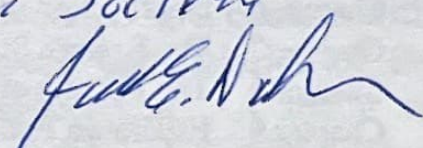
The Cover – The Amerige Bros. Real Estate Office was the first new structure in a brand new town, built at Spadra (Harbor) and Commonwealth in 1887. It was the planning center for the meeting on January 19, 1900 in the home of E. K. Benchley regarding the forming of a new Lodge in Fullerton. The first meeting of the Fullerton Masons Building Association was also held here on May 18, 1900, leading to the construction of the first Fullerton Masonic Temple at Harbor and Amerige during 1900. The restored structure is now situated in Amerige Park on Commonwealth in Fullerton, about two blocks west of its original site.

First One Hundred Years

A History of Lodge No. 339, F. & A. M.

Esperanza ♦ Fullerton ♦ Gateway

*TO KATHY, BEST WISHES FOR
THE BREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY*

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In memory of and for all
Brothers and Fellows who have gone this way before.

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During the One Hundredth Year of our Lodge

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Dedication

These writings are dedicated to all Masons, whithersoever disbursed, but particularly to the thirteen stouthearted Brethren who assembled in Fullerton on January 19, 1900 to kindle the Light of Masonry in North Orange County, California. Portions herein were derived from minutes and proceedings hand-written in the first Record Book of the Lodge and the original journal of The Fullerton Masons Building Association. In perusing these volumes, a striking realization is ever present, that the self-same Brethren predominated in both the organization of their Lodge and the construction of their Temple – and were amazingly proficient on both counts. Their heritage was their small community, co-founded by a Brother within their ranks, both Town and Lodge being beneficiaries of their unique blend of integrity and business acumen. A major city evolved from their small town, and their Masonic evolutions are startling: five Masonic Lodges, five Eastern Star Chapters, four DeMolay Chapters, five Job's Daughters Bethels and four Rainbow Assemblies – a total of twenty-three Masonic bodies stemming from the resolve of thirteen good men of valor and vision. Our unqualified gratitude is extended to their memory, and to them, these writings are especially dedicated.

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Prologue Photographs



George H. Amerige was a planner and co-founder of the town of Fullerton.



George Fullerton became a partner of the Amerige brothers when he routed the Santa Fe Railroad through the town named by them in his honor.



Edward R. Amerige was a co-founder of Esperanza Lodge in Fullerton and of the town of Fullerton.



Recent Photo of renovated Amerige Bros. Real Estate office, situated in Amerige Park since 1920. Constructed at Harbor and Commonwealth in 1887, the tiny frame building is the oldest commercial structure in Fullerton.

George H. Amerige pauses at the center of the newly established town-site in 1887 where fields of wild yellow mustard dominated the landscape. ↴



PROLOGUE

THE AMERIGE BROTHERS – RAILROAD AND TOWN

Growing prosperity and railroad promotions in Southern California precipitated a land-boom in the 1880s. Taking note of this news, George and Edward Amerige sold a thriving grain marketing business in Massachusetts and headed to California. Their first venture was a fruit ranch in Sierra Madre, and while duck hunting near Anaheim early in 1877, they learned that a Mr. George H. Fullerton, affiliated with the Santa Fe Railroad, was in the area to purchase railroad right-of-way land for the California Central Railroad, a Santa Fe subsidiary. The Ameriges accordingly opened a real estate office in Anaheim in order to acquaint themselves with local conditions. They became aware of available land north of Anaheim that seemed a likely site for a town through which the railroad could be routed. So convinced were they of the viability of this plan that they sold their Sierra Madre holdings and made a preliminary arrangement to buy the 430-acre tract for about \$68,000. During negotiations with Mr. Fullerton, they offered to provide a free right-of-way for the railroad – *along with a half interest in their land* – if the Santa Fe would route the railroad through their proposed town site. Gaining assurance from Mr. Fullerton that their offer would be accepted, the Ameriges closed the deal on the land purchase. Their town was born on July 5, 1887 when Edward Amerige drove a stake into a field of wild yellow mustard at what is now the corner of Harbor Blvd. and Commonwealth Ave. The new town was named “Fullerton” after the man who brought in the railroad. And so it was that in but six short months, the theretofore locally unknown Amerige Brothers were hailed as the founders of new town with a very bright future. That was only the beginning – the rest is history!

In 1887, there were no electric trolleys in the United States and with only about 300 miles of paved roads in the entire country, virtually no automobiles. The first transcontinental railroad had been completed only eight years before the Amerige brothers were attracted to the railroad development activities in Southern California. It was the era of the horse-and-buggy, outdoor privies, sunbonnets and spittoons – and very few conveniences. There weren't a lot of dollars around, but a dollar could buy a lot, and deals were sealed with a handshake – or maybe a shotgun. Justice was swift but fair, and trials were short and sweet. Opportunity was around every corner, but took a sharp eye to spot – and the Amerige brothers had very, very sharp eyes.

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Chapter 1

FULLERTON HERITAGE

The soldiers of Gaspar de Portola, en route to establishing the San Gabriel Mission in 1769, were the first European explorers to step foot in the modern-day Fullerton area. They befriended a tribe of peaceful Indians that came to be known as the "Gabrielinos"; a small village of this tribe was once located at what is now Bastanchury Road and Malvern Avenue. In 1830, the area became part of a vast Spanish land grant to Juan Pacifico Ontiveras. Shortly after California became a state, the 1849 Gold Rush brought an influx of homesteaders and businessmen, whereby Ontiveras began selling off his rancho, a large tract being purchased by Abel Stearns from Massachusetts. In the 1860s, Stearns sold a majority of his holdings to Basque shepherd Domingo Bastanchury; St. Jude Medical Center is now situated on a portion of that ranch (appropriately adjacent to Bastanchury Road.)

An 1880s Southern California land-boom¹ brought the Amerige Brothers into the area in early 1887; these two men possessed extraordinary business acumen, vision and integrity. Within six months, Edward² and George² Amerige planned and executed a strategy for routing a new Santa Fe Railroad extension through land they purchased, land on which they immediately founded the town (now the city) of Fullerton. In an area already rich in citrus and oil, the railroad established a coveted transportation link that quickly developed their new town into one of the most important in Orange County. The legacy of the Ameriges will ever remain in the memories of all that become aware of their incredible contributions to the Fullerton community and surrounding areas.

We do not know when and where Edward Amerige was raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason (alas, George did not follow in his brother's footsteps), but we do know he was a member of Anaheim Lodge No. 207 in January 1900. He was among the thirteen Master Masons³ (eleven from Anaheim Lodge) meeting in the home of Brother E. K. Benchley to formulate and execute plans for a new Lodge in Fullerton. A great deal of preliminary planning preceded the initial meeting during which the Amerige Bros. Real Estate office⁴ was utilized as a center of operations. Such planning, for example, enabled the Petition for Dispensation⁵ to be completed on the spot (during the first preliminary meeting) and forwarded to the Grand master on February 17 following certification of the proposed officers. Such leadership led to granting of the Dispensation on March 7, 1900. Eleven petitions for the Degrees and six applications for Affiliation were read during the very first meeting but three days later! Oh, Yes!

¹Prologue/viii ²Prologue Photos/vii ³Appendix/B1 ⁴Cover, Prologue Photos/vii ⁵Appendix/B2

Chapter 2

FIRST PRELIMINARY MEETING

The minutes of "Esperanza Lodge U.D., F. & A.M., First Preliminary Meeting"¹ dated January 19, 1900 constitute the first entry in Record Book No. 1 of the (then) proposed Fullerton Lodge - the front flyleaf of this ornate leather-bound volume is inscribed "Compliments of the Gem Pharmacy to Esperanza Lodge - Many good wishes for success and fraternal results". Even before reading the minutes, one can sense the drive, foresight and optimism behind the thirteen Master Masons assembled during that historical meeting a hundred years ago; they *knew* their dreams would come true.

Note the references to "Esperanza Lodge" and "U.D." (Under Dispensation) despite the Lodge not being then in existence and the petition (for dispensation) being only then prepared - foresight presented as reality!

Brother William M. McFadden² (first Worshipful Master) chaired the meeting, and the minutes were beautifully recorded by Brother E. K. Benchley (in whose home the meeting convened) acting as Secretary. The first order of business was to select a name for the proposed Lodge, and "after sundry propositions and some discussion", the assembly settled on the name "Esperanza" (Spanish for "Hope"). The Chairman then appointed a committee to prepare the Petition for Dispensation², which after a "brief recess during which the duty had been performed" presented a perfected document ready for signing (pre-prepared?). A committee was appointed to "procure a proper room in which to hold the meetings of the proposed Lodge". This committee immediately reported that in company of the District Inspector, the committee had found such a place which had been "engaged for one year at a rental of \$25 per annum". The assembly elected William M. McFadden, George C. Clark and James F. Davis to be named in the petition for Dispensation² as Master, Sr. and Jr. Wardens, respectively. And so the meeting continued, each aspect being letter-perfect and to the point - seemingly, no stone was left unturned. About the only sour note appertained to the selected meeting place (Chadbourne Hall) which was found unsatisfactory for use by the Lodge (U.D.) during the very first meeting. The local red brick schoolhouse³ thus served as the meeting place until the Temple³ on Spadra (Harbor) at Amerige was ready for occupancy late in 1900. This First Preliminary Meeting was a model of efficiency and accomplishment, and led to the granting of the Esperanza Lodge Dispensation by Grand Master Charles L. Patton under date of March 7, 1900, less than two months after this organizational meeting.

¹Appendix/B ²Appendix/B2 ³Photos, Homes of Lodge No. 339/5

Chapter 3

U.D. DOUBLE HEADER

Saturday, March 10, 1900 was a most interesting day in the history of Lodge 339, a day of fruition when two important meetings convened in Fullerton, one on the heels of the other. It was a day when thirteen Brothers of the Craft greatly enhanced the progress of a thirteen-year-old town.

First Meeting¹ – At 7:30 P.M., the Petitioners for the Dispensation assembled (*not* in due form) in response to notification from Bro. William M. McFadden who continued as Chairman; all signers of the petition were present. The Chairman announced that the Dispensation had been granted, which Secretary Edward R. Amerige then read. Dated March 7, 1900, the Dispensation was signed by Charles L. Patton as Grand Master and attested by George Johnson as Grand Secretary. In accordance with the authority vested in the Dispensation, the three principle officers² of Esperanza Lodge, therein named, took their respective stations: James F. Davis in the South, George C. Cook in the West, and William M. McFadden in the East – hence, the “Chairman” was thereafter the “Master”.

The Master then appointed the other officers² of the Lodge who subsequently took their respective places, *and for the first time ever*,

Esperanza Lodge U.D., F. & A.M. was Opened in Due Form.

The Master then appointed a committee to prepare the By Laws of the new Lodge by filling in the several lines of a form printed in accordance with the uniform code of the Jurisdiction. After a brief consultation during which the committee completed the task, the filled-in form was reported to the Lodge and subsequently transmitted to the Grand Secretary for consideration by the Grand Master. Other actions were taken in preparation for future needs, after which the Master informed the Lodge that the first *Stated* Meeting of the new Lodge would open immediately after the close of the meeting then convened. It is interesting to note that in accordance with the newly approved By Laws, the *Stated* Meetings of the Lodge were to be “holden on the Saturday evening on or before the full moon in each month”, thus to illuminate the road home in the era of the horse-and-buggy. Noting that *that* evening matched the specified time-slot, the Master was obligated to open the second meeting since the first was not a *Stated* Meeting, and particularly because other very *important* business was pending – business that *must* be conducted during a *Stated* Meeting.

Second Meeting – At 9:30 P.M., the March 1900 *Stated* Meeting of Esperanza Lodge U.D. opened in due form. The minutes of preceding meetings were read, approved, and recorded in the Record Book.

A committee appointed for such purpose during the meeting just closed then reported that \$111.45 had been expended for books, jewels, clothing, furniture, etc. as directed. The bills were presented and referred to the Auditing Committee for action, yet another example of foresight, of getting the job done before assigned.

The next order of business was the reading of petitions for the Degrees and applications for Affiliation. And we now have a better understanding of why the *good-old-days* are called the *good-old-days*, for indeed, *eleven* petitions and *six* applications were read – *seventeen* potential new members, in excess of the then-total membership! Now, it isn't generally acceptable to spontaneously stand up in Lodge and yell "Whoopee", especially without the permission of the Master, but you can bet that every man in the Lodge then had the urge to do so – *especially* the Master! And considering that a three-member investigating committee is assigned for each petitioner and applicant, the few initial members were no doubt relieved when a full moon next dominated the heavens – except that during the April Stated meeting, an additional seven petitions and five applications were read. Esperanza Lodge U.D. seemed to have been the only game in town at that time, or at least the one with the busiest participants. As they headed home that night (horse-back, horse-and-buggy or "shanks' mare"), the first Master Masons ever to have assembled as a Lodge in Fullerton must have smiled back at the Man in the Moon in thanks for lighting their way. They had been blessed with some of the strongest Masonic Light ever to shine, anxious to reflect that Light upon the world around them – and they *surely* liked what they saw.

¹Appendix/C²Appendix/C2

Chapter 4

FULLERTON MASONS BUILDING ASSOCIATION

General – Soon after the Lodge (U.D.) was opened, the Brethren settled in on the task of constructing a hall in which to meet. The Fullerton Masons Building Association was thus incorporated; the first Stockholders Meeting¹, followed by the first Directors Meeting, were held on May 18, 1900.

First Meeting of Directors. The directors of the Corporation (named in the Articles of Incorporation) were William M. McFadden, George C. Clark, Edward R. Amerige, Edward K. Benchley and James F. Davis, all of whom were among the original thirteen Master Masons who met on January 19th to establish the new Lodge. William M. McFadden was elected to perform as President and Edward R. Amerige as Secretary during *this* meeting, during which officers for the *ensuing* year were elected: Edward R. Amerige, President; William M. McFadden, Vice President; George C. Clark, Secretary; and (interestingly) The Fruit Growers Bank of Fullerton, Treasurer.



The Class of 1899 posed for this photo before their red brick schoolhouse about a year before Esperanza Lodge U.D. began holding meetings there. The venue of the very first meeting proved unacceptable, hence the Lodge met here until the Temple on Harbor at Amerige was completed and ready for occupancy late December 1900.

Homes of Esperanza and Fullerton Lodge No. 339 in Days Gone By

Recent photo of Temple on Harbor at Amerige. Ground breaking was in late June 1900 and the building occupied (fully furnished) by year's end. It was expanded (rear) in 1913, adding two stores along Amerige and extra Lodge area. The building was completely renovated and seismically upgraded following a fire in the early 90s and now is in excellent condition.



Recent photo of Temple on Harbor at Chapman, occupied in 1920. Seismic non-compliance forced the Lodge to vacate at the end of 1992 after which the facility was sold and renovated for its present use as a reception hall and meeting facility. The Lodge then relocated to Anaheim after meeting in Fullerton for some 92 years.

The insight of these Directors was truly awesome. After clearing away routine corporate tasks, they got right down to the essence of their existence - to build a Temple. They first approved motions to purchase a building site (cost not to exceed \$700.00) and to erect a two-story brick building (cost not to exceed \$8,000.00). They then adopted plans and specifications (cost not drawn at a cost of \$75) and approved fees at \$3.00 per day for the architect when his presence was required. And they agreed to purchase a 30-ride railroad ticket (Los Angeles/Fullerton) for the architect's use as required.

The Building Site, located on the northwest corner of Spadra (Harbor) at Amerige, consisted of the first two lots north of Amerige plus the adjacent one-foot strip of the third. The north wall of the building was erected as a "party" wall on the one-foot strip so it could be shared as the south wall of a future building on the third lot. The extra strip of land, acquired at no cost, added an extra foot to the width of the building and further gained the good will of their future neighbor (a free two-story wall with no sacrifice of floor space in the next-door building).

Financing - During a Directors Meeting on May 26, 1900, Edward Amerige reported he had negotiated a \$6,000.00, 5-year, 5% loan with brothers William and Ferdinand Thum of Pasadena - these attractive terms were a godsend for this fledgling organization in their acute time of need. Initial bids in the range of \$7575.00 to \$8,495.00 were received for the building construction, somewhat higher than expected. With assistance from the architect, cost-saving modifications were developed, after which more attractive bids were received and the job was contracted at \$7,400.00.

Construction and Completion - Numerous Directors Meetings were held during the summer and fall of 1900 to address myriad details and to line up renters for the downstairs shops and upstairs Lodge rooms. Mounting expenses precipitated several rounds of innovative financing, but these great Directors held their heads high as each obligation was met despite the problems. The last payment was made to the contractor on December 22 and the "Temple was completed"². A new piano was included in the Lodge room, that the Brethren might have music during the celebration - and except for the indebtedness now facing them, the Brethren of Esperanza Lodge again liked what they saw, for what they then beheld must surely have seemed a miracle. In *less than one year*, from scratch, they had parlayed a conference around a dining-room table into Esperanza Lodge No. 339, F. & A.M. (now chartered) meeting in their very own brand-new Hall in a near-new town - and both Lodge and Town seemed to explode with activity and prosperity. Their new home was soon to become also the home of other Masonic organizations, brotherhoods and numerous community affairs - indeed, their new Temple quickly developed as the nucleus of Fullerton society.

¹Appendix/D ²Center Photo/5

Chapter 5

MEANWHILE, BACK AT THE LODGE . . .

Four of the five Building Association Directors were also officers of the Lodge during 1900: Worshipful Master William McFadden, Senior Warden George Clark, Junior Warden James Davis and Secretary Edward Amerige. One can only imagine their shifting of hats and aprons while managing dual responsibilities during that critical period – Top Hat to Hardhat, Lambskin to Denim (or whatever). But shift and manage they did – admirably!

Another “first” (actually a *triple* “first”) was established on April 21, 1900 when Messrs. John H. Schulte, Willie L. Hale and Matthew M. Good were initiated *Entered Apprentice Masons* in Esperanza Lodge. Thus was the first of an ongoing series of Special Meetings convened for the purpose of conferring the Degrees of Masonry during each of which two or three degrees were generally conferred – and the petitions just kept rolling in!

On May 24, 1900, Brothers W. L. Hale, J. E. Ford and J. H. Schulte became the first *Fellow Craft Masons* to receive their degrees in the new Lodge. And on June 20, 1900, Brother W. L. Hale¹, then Brother E. R. Ford were raised to the *Sublime Degree of Master Mason* by Worshipful Master William M. McFadden, assisted by Senior Warden George C. Clark.

The October 1900 Stated Meeting marked the end of one era and the beginning of a new. Worshipful Master McFadden informed the Lodge as follows: “...this being the last meeting prior to the expiration of dispensation, it will be necessary, if the members desire to have the Lodge perpetuated, to petition the Grand Lodge to grant a charter for that purpose, and further, that in such case, it will be requisite to select three members to be named in that instrument, if granted, as Master and Wardens of the Lodge”. The Lodge thus chose W. M. McFadden as Master, G. C. Clark as Senior Warden and J. F. Davis as Junior Warden. A resolution was proposed to petition Grand Lodge for a Charter² during the next Convention thereof in the manner prescribed in its Constitution – the petition was forthwith approved and adopted by the Lodge. The Master then directed the Secretary to transmit the petition (with requisite documentation) to the Grand Secretary in time for action during the upcoming Grand Lodge meeting; and with that, the final meeting of *Esperanza Lodge U.D.* was adjourned. The culmination of accomplishment by our founders in less than nine months’ time reflects the epitome of performance, an example of what Masonry should really be all about. These good Brethren from Anaheim Lodge and elsewhere had the talent and ability to win a war, but importantly, they further possessed the acuity and diplomacy – perhaps even Divine guidance – to prevent a war in the first place, an example, my Brethren, worthy of all imitation.

¹Willie Hale burns the Mortgage/19

²Appendix/E

Chapter 6

CONSTITUTION OF ESPERANZA LODGE NO. 339

Dateline Nov. 3, A.L. 5900 (A. D. 1900)

Hall of Esperanza Lodge, F. & A. M. No. 339, Fullerton

Most Worshipful James A. Forshay, Grand Master of Masons in California, took the East and addressed the Lodge with this opening statement:

The M.: W.: Grand Lodge of the State of California, having the pleasure to grant a Charter perpetuating the existence of Esperanza Lodge; heretofore acting under Dispensation pursuant to arrangements made; and in accordance with due notice given, the members thereof assembled at the place and on the day above written, at 7 O.C. P.M. for the purpose of assisting at the constituting of the Lodge and the installation of Officers. Their names with those of sundry visiting brothers, will be found inscribed in the Tyler's Register. As recorded by Edward R. Amerige, Secretary

The Brethren were then called to order by the Most Worshipful Grand Master who appointed Brethren to serve as Senior Grand Warden, Junior Grand Warden, Grand Secretary and Grand Marshall, and he then opened a Special Communication of the Grand Lodge of California in the Lodge room.

The object of this Special Communication having been stated, the Grand Master directed the Acting Grand Secretary (James F. Davis) to read the Charter¹, bearing the signature of Grand Master James A. Forshay, attested by Grand Secretary George Johnson and granted by the Grand Lodge.

The ceremony of Constituting and Dedicating the Lodge was then performed by the Grand Master and his Associates in accordance with ancient usage; W. T. Brown was then elected as Treasurer and Edward R. Amerige as Secretary. After the Master presented his appointed officers, the Grand Master duly installed all Officers in their respective stations and places.

After expressing his admiration of the Officers and Brethren of the newly Constituted Lodge, the Grand Master closed the Special Communication of the Grand Lodge, after which the newly installed Officers of Esperanza Lodge No. 339, F. & A. M. took their respective stations and places, and then for the first time ever, they closed the *Chartered* Lodge in due form. An especially bright moon radiated the joys of heaven to our Charter Members as they retired to their places of abode that night. Though happy at heart from their accomplishments and the pleasures of the evening, they knew tomorrow would be another day - and they had a lot of work to do.

¹Appendix F

Chapter 7

THE EASTERN STAR AND NORTH ORANGE COUNTY

Being the largest fraternal organization in the world to which both men and women may belong, the Order of the Eastern Star has worldwide membership in excess of one million. The *actual* origin of the Order is obscure, but the present form dates to 1850. The Order of the Eastern Star currently operates under the jurisdiction of the General Grand Chapter, established in 1876.

Fullerton Chapter No. 191 was instituted in March 1901. Others were later established in Temples throughout our area, resulting in the following North Orange County summary of Chapters:

Name	No.	Instituted	Meeting Place
Fullerton Chapter	191	Mar. 1901	Fullerton
Yorba Linda Chapter	347	Feb. 1917	Yorba Linda
Ami Tai Chapter	405	Mar. 1923	Fullerton
Brea Chapter	506	Mar. 1929	Brea
La Habra Chapter	508	Apr. 1929	La Habra

Through the years, three of these Chapters relocated and/or were consolidated with other Chapters in North Orange County or adjacent areas:

Feb. 1917	Yorba Linda 347 unaffected	⇒ Yorba Linda 347
May 1983	Ami Tai 405 relocated to Anaheim	⇒ Ami Tai 405
Feb. 1979	<i>Brea 506</i> , Fullerton 191 consolidated	⇒ Fullerton 191
Feb. 1990	<i>Fullerton 191</i> , Chispa 151 consolidated	⇒ Chispa 151
Jan. 1991	<i>La Habra 508</i> , Whittier 335 consolidated	⇒ Whittier 335

It can be noted that only Yorba Linda Chapter No. 347 has continually met in North Orange County under its chartered identity. Ami Tai Chapter No. 405, while retaining its chartered identity (no consolidations), relocated to Anaheim (DeMolay Center) in 1983. Brea Chapter No. 506 consolidated with Fullerton Chapter No. 191, which later consolidated with Chispa Chapter 151 when obliged to relocate (temple condemnation). La Habra Chapter No. 508 relocated to Whittier when consolidated with Whittier Chapter No. 335.

For nearly 100 years, the Chapters of North Orange County have continuously promoted composure and spiritual relations among themselves and others in their communities. We find their members in our Assemblies, Bethels and Chapters – the ABC's of Masonry – guiding young America toward spiritual and family values. And although many now meet in different venues (nearby communities), these members remain *our* Sisters and Brothers while toiling in other vineyards ever further across the land. They continually fulfill the visions of Dr. Rob Morris, who in 1850, developed the Eastern Star degrees in their present initiatory form, that women might share

in the Masonic inspirations that prompt men to noble deeds. And in North Orange County, it all started with the 1900 dedication of a brand new Masonic Hall on Harbor (Spadra) at Amerige in Fullerton. The Star shines brightly in our community, adding to the great Masonic Light carried north-erly from Anaheim by our great founders to enlighten a little town named Fullerton, thence conveyed throughout our area and back again.

Chapter 8

THE PASSING OF A LEGEND

The Lodge specially convened on July 23, 1902 to attend the funeral of our dearly beloved Past Master, Worshipful William M. McFadden, founder and first Master of Esperanza Lodge, who had passed away on July 21. A resolution¹ was prepared to extend heartfelt condolences and sympathies to his family and to express mourning of the Lodge at so great a loss. The proper Masonic services were conducted in the Lodge room, after which the Brethren proceeded to the home of their late Brother, then accompanied his remains to Anaheim Cemetery where it was interred with Masonic honors.

¹Appendix/G

Chapter 9

ESPERANZA ENDS IN FRUITION ⇔ FULLERTON

On January 30, 1904, the good Brethren of Esperanza Lodge, championed by the heat of prosperity, voted to change the name of their Lodge to “Fullerton”. And within a few days, the good townspeople of Fullerton, championed by the cause of fire protection, voted to incorporate as the “City of Fullerton”. Perhaps both factions had simultaneously come to appreciate the incredibly important roles of George H. Fullerton¹ in routing the railroad through their community, and of the Amerige brothers who developed and executed the plans that made it all happen, both Lodge and City. And after a hundred years, who could argue?

¹Prologue Photos, Top Center/vii

Chapter 10

EXPANDING NEEDS LEAD TO EXPANSION

The Masonic Hall (Spadra at Amerige) was in constant demand, being regularly utilized by Toastmasters, Foresters of America, Woodsmen of the World, Woman’s Relief Corps, International Order of Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias, Fraternal Aid Assn., Daughters of Rebecca, and several others, all in addition to Masonic usages. Its street-level shops were continuously in

demand, and potential renters for both the upper- and street-level facilities were often turned away. The upper-level, occupied primarily by the Lodge-room and adjuncts (anteroom, preparation room, closets, etc.), allowed but limited space for other activities (dinners, receptions, meetings, etc.), a condition becoming more critical as Lodge membership increased and the town matured. With finances well in hand, planning of a two-story addition at the rear of the building was thus begun late in 1912. This provided additional street-level rentals (Amerige access) and upper-level space for serving the increasing needs of the Lodge – and also to accommodate a businessmen's club offer to lease a portion of the added space for use as a club room. A contract (\$5780.00) for the addition was finalized and construction begun in late February 1913, completed in July.

Chapter 11

EAST TO YORBA LINDA

Yorba Linda Lodge U.D. came into being under date of February 18, 1918 amid the turmoil of "The Great War", now classified "World War I". The tide of battle in Europe had begun to turn as German troops retreated and workers on the German home front became demoralized. War was not to end for another nine months, but the peoples of the world had anxiously begun looking forward to the day when their boys would come marching home. And when they did, the open arms of the Brethren of Yorba Linda Lodge No. 469¹ were there to welcome them into their brand new Lodge, chartered but one month before the signing of the Armistice.

As the good Brethren of *Anaheim* Lodge had provided Masonic Light in the little town of Fullerton eighteen years prior, so did those of *Fullerton* Lodge subsequently guide a group of Masons in the little town of Yorba Linda, illuminating their path toward establishment of their new Lodge. And as in Fullerton, Yorba Linda Masons were subsequently dominant in leading their town to fame and prosperity – *The Land of Gracious Living*.

Yorba Linda Masons have always met in the same building in the "Old Town Main Street" district, although the Lodge did not purchase the property until 1923. For many years, the second-level Lodge room of this building was the only place in town where groups might meet. The Yorba Linda Water District convened there for many years, often with Lodge Brethren sitting on the Board (one once absent-mindedly displayed a "mode of recognition" when addressing the *Chairman* in the East).

When Yorba Linda was incorporated as a city in 1967, three of the five councilmen were members of Yorba Linda Lodge, and the ground floor of the *Masonic Hall* became *City Hall*. When the city vacated the premises in 1985 (18 years later), these quarters, and other sections of the building, were in such poor condition that the Lodge faced a choice of either vacating or

renovating the building. Renovation was wisely chosen, and the building was temporarily vacated (spring and summer months of 1986) for such purpose, during which the Lodge met in Anaheim Lodge (now the Anaheim DeMolay Center). Rebuilt and enlarged to its current configuration, the building is now the pride of Main Street in beautiful “down town” Yorba Linda. On August 23, 1986, the refurbished Hall was dedicated and a Cornerstone Ceremony performed in concert with a Special Communication of the Grand Lodge of California, Most Worshipful Grand Master John W. Driskell officiating.

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Chapter 12

HARBOR AT CHAPMAN IN FULLERTON

The first recorded consideration of a new building in Fullerton was included in the minutes of the April 5, 1919 Directors meeting of the Fullerton Masons Building Association. It was then moved and passed that “it be the sense of the Board that we build a new building”, at which time a committee was appointed to “look up sites for building and report at next meeting”. During the April 23, 1919 meeting, it was carried that an option on a site be secured and that the Secretary be instructed to issue a check for the same. During May of 1919, loans were lined up in preparation for financing a new building. The minutes of July 19, 1919 record several items related to preparations for selling the present building and requests of the Blue Lodge and Fullerton Chapter RAM (then a full-time tenant) to raise cash for use toward a new building. The *final entry* in The Fullerton Masons Building Association ledger (September 2, 1919) refers to a “new organization” without further explanation. However, a loose letter (found in the ledger) from a Los Angeles bank to an Orange County bank refers to “mortgage papers” and indicates, “We note that the Fullerton Masons Building Association expects to go out of existence on January 1 (1920)”. These data indicate that a new organization was then in the works (albeit not mentioned in the ledger) for handling all business related to the new building, and (probably) that the net assets and liabilities of the old Association would be turned over to such. This cut-off of information precludes further tracking of specific progress related to disposing of the old building and building the new. From another source¹, however, it has been learned that “This building was Dedicated with very impressive ceremony, by Grand Master Samuel E. Burke, December 8, 1920.” The dedication took place in concert with a Special Communication of the Grand Lodge in the new Temple, our own Past Master C. Stanley Chapman assisting Most Worshipful Burke as acting Deputy Grand Master. The cost of constructing and furnishing the building was reported to have

been nearly \$150,000, and it was said to have been one of the most imposing buildings of its kind in the West. A recent photograph² of this building is included herein and accounts of conditions during later years are included in subsequent chapters³.

¹AppendixH2²Lower Photo/5³Chapters/23, 24

Chapter 13

DEMOLAY IN NORTH ORANGE COUNTY

A great moment can be launched by a single phone call. Such a call came in January 1919 to Frank S. Land of Ivanhoe Lodge No. 446 in Kansas City, Missouri when he was asked to find a part-time job for a young man whose father had passed away. The young man was Louis Gordon Lower, then seventeen years of age, a young man radiating honesty of character and a natural aptitude for leadership. That evening, Frank told his wife, "If I had a son, I would want him to be just like this lad" – and for all intents and purposes, his wants came true. Louis was provided with a job in Frank's office, and "Dad" Land guided Louis and eight of his best friends in establishing a Club meeting in concert with Ivanhoe Lodge. As Commander of Kadosh in the Scottish Rite, Frank was impressed with the allegory of Jacques DeMolay (Jacques of Molay) presented in the 30th Degree. After hearing about the final Grand Master of the Knights Templar from Frank, the group adopted "DeMolay" as the name of their Club. And thus was the International Order of DeMolay established on March 24, 1919¹ in the Kansas City Scottish Rite Temple – indeed, a great moment launched by a single phone call.

Summary of North Orange County DeMolay Chapters

Name	Charter Year	Meeting Place
Fullerton Chapter	1926 (est.)	Fullerton
Yorba Linda Chapter	1957	Yorba Linda
Brea Chapter	1988	Brea
La Habra Chapter	1988	La Habra

Yorba Linda Chapter has been continually active since opening. Brea Chapter closed in the late 90s, reopened in 1999 as the Gene Autry Chapter; the two other Chapters remain closed. Many North Orange County Senior DeMolay members are active at several levels of the Order.

1957	Yorba Linda unaffected	⇒Yorba Linda
1995	<i>La Habra</i> closed	⇒Closed
1998 (est.)	<i>Brea</i> closed, reopened, renamed in 1999	⇒Gene Autry (Brea)
1990 (est.)	<i>Fullerton</i> closed	⇒Closed

¹March 18, 1919 is frequently used to commemorate the founding of the Order, reflecting the day in 1314 that witnessed the murder of Jacques DeMolay.

Chapter 14

JOBS DAUGHTERS IN NORTH ORANGE COUNTY

During 1918, 1919 and 1920, a few Master Masons and Eastern Star members held many planning meetings at the home or office of Dr. William H. Mick and his lady Ethyl T. Wead Mick in Omaha, Nebraska. Their purpose was to develop and perfect ritualistic work of a new Order in which young ladies of Masonic relationship could band together for character building through moral and spiritual development. Mrs. Mick realized the importance of early training from her Christian mother, and especially appreciating the beautiful lessons found in the Book of Job, she decided to contribute her time and talent to making it possible for young women of Masonic relationship to share the rare privileges that were hers. After years of careful study and with the help of her dedicated husband and capable friends, she founded the International Order of Jobs Daughters in 1920 in honor and memory of her mother, Elizabeth D. Wead. The ritual was taken from the Book of Job with particular reference to the 42nd Chapter, 15th Verse: "*And in all the Land were no women found so fair as the Daughters of Job; and their Father gave them inheritance among their brethren.*"

Summary of North Orange County Bethels and Initial Membership

Name	No.	Chartered	Meeting Place	Size
Fullerton Bethel	13	June 1926	Fullerton	22
Brea Bethel	176	Feb. 1948	Brea	27
Yorba Linda Bethel	278	Jan. 1956	Yorba Linda	33
La Habra Bethel	282	Jan. 1957	La Habra	59
La Habra Bethel	333	Oct. 1961	La Habra	37

Through the years, three of these Bethels relocated and/or were consolidated with other Bethels in North Orange County or adjacent areas:

Jan. 1956	Yorba Linda 278 unaffected	⇒ Yorba Linda 278
Jan. 1961	La Habra 333 unaffected	⇒ La Habra 333
Feb. 1990	<i>La Habra 282, Brea 176 consolidated</i>	⇒ Brea 282
Dec. 1992	Fullerton 13 <i>relocated, changed name</i>	⇒ Anaheim 13
Dec. 1999	<i>Brea Bethel 282 closed</i>	⇒ Closed

Bethel No. 13 is now in its 74th year. The Bethel relocated to the DeMolay Center in Anaheim when the Fullerton Temple was closed late in 1992, hence the name was (necessarily) changed from "Fullerton" to "Anaheim", but bonding between Bethel No. 13 and Lodge 339 is as strong as ever, although the Fullerton "brand" is no more.

Yorba Linda Bethel No. 278 and La Habra Bethel No. 333 have continually met in their respective Lodge Temples under their chartered identities. La Habra Bethel No. 282 consolidated with Brea Bethel No. 176 in 1990, meeting as Bethel 282 in Brea until closed in 1999.

Chapter 15

RAINBOW FOR GIRLS IN NORTH ORANGE COUNTY

The town of Fullerton was founded on July 5, 1877, and only three days later, a village in Missouri became the birthplace of a Masonic dynamo. Rev. W. Mark Sexson began his ministry in the Christian Church at age 14 and was ordained at 17. He became a Mason in 1902 and Grand Master of Oklahoma Masons in 1928, and during the interim 26 years, accomplished just about everything possible in Masonry. As the DeMolay began to mature, he came to realize that girls needed a similar Order. Early in the spring of 1922, he made a stirring appeal for such an Order while addressing an assembly of Eastern Stars in McAlester, Oklahoma, whereupon the Worthy Matron replied that their Chapter would start such an Order if someone would write the ceremony. Rev. Sexson agreed to do so, and the very next day he created the Ritual of the "Order of the Rainbow for Girls". On April 6, 1922, McAlester Chapter 149, O.E.S. exemplified his work (first time ever) on a class of 171 girls in the auditorium of the McAlester Scottish Rite Temple. Rev. Sexson soon formed the structure and laws of the governing Supreme Body of the new Order and wrote the laws for guiding the Subordinate Assemblies. The IORG Supreme Temple, fittingly situated just across from the First Christian Church in McAlester where Rev. Sexson long served as pastor, was dedicated in 1951. Two years later, this truly remarkable and talented Mason passed away.

Summary of North Orange County Rainbow Assemblies

Name	No.	Chartered	Meeting Place
Fullerton Assembly	139	March 1953	Fullerton
Yorba Linda Assembly	259	April 1976	Yorba Linda
Diamond Bar Assembly	267	June 1983	Brea

Through the years, one of these assemblies relocated and was renamed, another obliged to close — the third continues without interruption:

June 1983 Diamond Bar 267 unaffected	⇒Diamond Bar 267
Jan. 1988 <i>Yorba Linda 259</i> closed	⇒Closed
Nov. 1991 Fullerton 139 <i>relocated</i>	⇒Fullerton/Yorba Linda 139

Assembly 139 relocated to Yorba Linda about a year prior to the closing of Fullerton Temple, at which time membership was small in size but huge in spirit — and adult leadership exceptional. The Masonic bodies then meeting in the Yorba Linda Temple welcomed their new addition, and contributed heavily to the transformation of the Assembly to its current predominance at all levels of the Order. Several Job's Daughters members of the Yorba Linda Bethel joined (also) the Rainbow, and the relationship between these two Orders is a refreshing example of sisterly love! Yorba Linda Lodge

and Eastern Star members quickly joined forces with the “old timers” from Fullerton, forming a responsive Adult Advisory Board – which just keeps getting better. The current name of the Assembly – “Fullerton/Yorba Linda” – mirrors the legacy of this Assembly, a fitting atonement for the sorrowful loss of the beloved Yorba Linda Assembly 259 in 1988.

Diamond Bar Assembly No. 267, now in its 24th year in Brea, has continuously been a strong force in that community, its members and advisors having an exact blend of what it takes to make things work. The motif of the Assembly embraces a concern for the wellbeing of not only its own members, but also for those of the Order wherever disbursed. This attribute was appreciated by the people of Yorba Linda prior to the closing of Assembly 259, when Diamond Bar members and advisors often helped bridge their membership gap. Though the war was lost, the battles were valiant, thanks to the dedicated support of Past Worthy Advisors and others of Diamond Bar who stuck it out to the very end – their presence afforded a high degree of comfort at a time when “comfort” was the only game in town!

Chapter 16

AZURE – SECOND LODGE IN FULLERTON

The ending of World War I sparked a remarkable increase in Masonic membership that continued well into the twenties. By 1922, membership in Fullerton Lodge had increased to the point that the Grand Master recommended a second Lodge in the city, whereby fifteen Fullerton members met on April 26 for the purpose of fulfilling his recommendation. Their first step was choosing a name for the new Lodge, however, a meeting of minds was not reached until during a meeting on May 24 when “Azure” was chosen, whereupon preparation of their petition for a Dispensation was completed and forwarded to the Grand Master. During a meeting called for the occasion on July 2, 1922, Grand Master Samuel E. Burke (in the East), directed Inspector E. B. Trago to read the Dispensation, granted under date of July 6, 1922, to twenty-five petitioners and others there assembled. The second Lodge to be instituted (thence constituted) in the city thus became also the second offspring of Fullerton Lodge No. 339. The new Lodge, chartered as Azure Lodge No. 533¹ in October 1922, first met in a small auditorium in Lincoln School that was not ideally suitable. As membership increased, the Lodge relocated to the Fullerton Masonic Hall on Harbor at Chapman, then to the Anaheim DeMolay Center in Anaheim. Consolidating with Anaheim Lodge No. 207 in 1998, Anaheim-Azure Lodge No. 207 continues meeting in the DeMolay Center.

¹Appendix/H3

Chapter 17

CITROL LODGE IN THE CITY OF BREA

On April 3, 1926, a group of five Master Masons met in Brea to consider establishing a Masonic Lodge in their town – and establish they did! Lester Lee Lemmon, chairman of the group, appointed a committee to investigate interest among other Masons in the area. As the group gained members, it became identified as the “Brea Masonic Club”, and as such, assisted Deputy Grand Master Will H. Fischer in performing the Cornerstone Ceremony when the “old” Brea Olinda High School was dedicated on October 2, 1926. (On December 2, 1989, Citrol Lodge assisted Grand Master Sam M. Pavlovich in dedicating the “new” Brea Olinda High School on Wildcat Way.)

Meeting weekly, the Club members began surveying various buildings in search of a suitable place for a Lodge to meet, and on November 8, 1926, voted to lease a portion of the Sewell building on Pomona Avenue (now Brea Blvd.). Leased as of December 1, 1926, the Club suitably remodeled this facility to serve as a meeting place, and later as their Lodge room, until the Temple on Imperial Highway was ready for occupancy nearly 29 years later.

The members of the Brea Masonic Club petitioned the Grand Master for a Dispensation to meet as a Masonic Lodge on February 12, 1927; the petition was signed by twenty-five Master Masons, only five being members of California Lodges. It was decided to name the new Lodge “Citrol” (a combination of “citrus” and “oil”, the two main industries in the community) since they feared the name “Brea” might be confused with “LaBrea”, then the name of a Lodge near Los Angeles. The Dispensation, signed by Grand Master George L. Jones and attested by Grand Secretary John Wicher, was granted under date of February 26, 1927, and on March 4, Brother Henry MacMaster, Inspector of the 97th District, read the Dispensation and instituted Citrol Lodge, U.D. F.& A.M. Assisted by Brother William T. Rodger, Past Master of Fullerton Lodge No. 339, the Inspector then installed the officers, including Lester Lee Lemmon as Worshipful Master, George Wayne Cullen as Senior Warden and Charles Edward Miller as Junior Warden. The first Stated Meeting of Citrol Lodge U.D. was held in the Sewell Building Lodge room on April 1, 1927 during which 31 petitions for the Degrees and 28 applications for Affiliation were read! From this exceptional beginning, the Lodge grew steadily, and by 1931, more than 180 members were on the role. The Lodge was constituted as Citrol Lodge No. 656¹, F.& A.M. by virtue of its Charter under date of October 13, 1927.

The Cornerstone laying Ceremony of the Citrol Masonic Hall took place in 1954 in concert with a Special Communication of the Grand Lodge – the dining-room wing was not completed until after the first Stated Meeting in the new Temple convened on November 1, 1955. The building was free of

debt even prior to occupancy owing to donated cash, material and labor along with successful fund-raising activities.

Citrol Lodge has continually been a pillar of strength in the Brea community, the membership having including School Board officials, a Superintendent of Schools, city government officials, police officers, firemen, physicians and numerous other creditable positions. In addition to their participating in Cornerstone Ceremonies for the two Brea Olinda High Schools, the Lodge has assisted Grand Lodge Cornerstone Ceremonies for the Fanning Elementary School, Country Hills Elementary School and the Brea Civic Center. Citrol Lodge further promoted their local community by awarding annual scholarships to graduating Brea Olinda High School seniors.

Citrol and Fullerton Lodges consolidated as Gateway Lodge No. 339 on December 1, 1996, now meeting at 500 East Imperial Highway in Brea. Worshipful Robert J. Nelson, Sr. was the final Master of Citrol Lodge.

¹Appendix/H5

Chapter 18

LA HABRA LODGE, LEGACY OF ACCOMPLISHMENT

Nobody seems to know the origin or meaning of "La Habra", but in 1925, a remarkable group of La Habra Masons established a meaning all their own — *accomplishment* — the entitlement herein attached to the name of this Chapter 18. This group of 26 Masons first met in Will Abrams' store in La Habra on July 29, 1925, and adopted the name "La Habra Masonic Club". After electing William Abrams as president, they went to work! A building site on La Habra Boulevard at Euclid Street was soon purchased on which the *Club* proceeded to construct a Temple. Members of the Club assisted Grand Master Will H. Fischer in laying the Cornerstone on January 8, 1927. The building was ready for occupancy early that June, immediately after which the Club petitioned the Grand Master for a Dispensation to meet as Masons in their new Temple; the Dispensation was granted on June 24, 1927. La Habra Lodge U.D. was instituted on July 6, 1927 and constituted as La Habra Lodge No. 659¹ on October 18, 1927 — and ten days later, their Temple was dedicated by Grand Master Gustav A. Hutaff during a Grand Lodge Ceremony.

After some fifty years, the Lodge had outgrown its beloved Temple. Its replacement at 1701 West La Habra Blvd. was dedicated by Grand Master Donald G. Ingalls during a Cornerstone Ceremony on September 1, 1979, and the *original* cornerstone was re-laid at the new Temple in tribute to the old. In December 1998, the Lodge consolidated with East Whittier Wayfarer Lodge No. 726 as Cornerstone Lodge No. 659, now meeting in La Habra. Worshipful Frank Heyer was the last Master of La Habra Lodge.

¹Appendix/H6

Chapter 19

THE IMPACT OF THE 1940S ON MASONRY

The 1940s experienced two startling transitions: *depression-to-war* and *war-to-peace*. As a result of the first, economic depression dissolved (high employment) and mental depression abated (higher income, patriotism). The second transition replaced the anxieties of war with relief, contentment and an aura of joy. America had carved freedom from chaos, and brotherhood developed among the peoples of the world. Masonic principles again prevailed in America, and while population increased by an impressive 12.9% (17 million new citizens), Masonry grew unbelievably by 48.3% (1.2 million new Masons), hence, Masonry grew nearly four times faster than did population! The 40s decade was indeed unique, and our Lodges of North Orange County became beneficiaries of some twenty years of unparalleled growth during which Masonic membership in America increased by 167%. The first one hundred years of our Lodge, paralleling the 20th Century, mirrors a collage of drastically changing conditions and attitudes in America, indeed, in the world. Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth afford comfort in times of need and desperation, but often go wanting during periods of unbridled prosperity.

During the 40s, the fortunes of Fullerton Lodge were consistent with those of Masonry throughout the nation. Membership literally boomed, and financial conditions had never been better. About 150 Brethren (including our present-day Brother Preston Pyeate) met with Master James Hawkins for dinner in 1945 – a very special *fund-raising dinner* for the purpose of retiring the mortgage on the building. Contributions that evening exceeded the amount needed, and the Mortgage was cancelled on the spot – and for the first time ever, the Mother Lodge of North Orange County was free of debt! The honor of burning the mortgage was delegated to Brother Willie Hale¹, the very first member raised to the Sublime Degree of Master in the Lodge (June 20, 1900). The room was deathly quiet as he unceremoniously lighted the corner of the document with an old-fashioned kitchen match – but not for long! And when the cheers and flames were spent, Brother Willie wryly advised the assembly: “Never do it again” – and to this day, nobody has.

¹Raising of Willie Hale/7

Chapter 20

THE TRANSITIONAL TIMES OF THE 50S

Membership increases in Masonry during the 40s carried into the 50s to an all-time-high of about 4.1 million members in 1960 – but – the *rate* of growth *dropped* from 48.3 % to 12.5%. This drastic *rate reversal* hardly raised an eyebrow at the time, for after all, we *were* still growing, right?

The advent of the Korean War (but five years after WWII) was unset-

ting for many. Television had begun to revolutionize entertainment, and unbridled technological advances bred dissatisfaction with conventional values. A few began treating traditional behavior with disdain simply because such suited their fancy – and a host of followers joined in as the majority looked the other way. There were so many great things to do and new things to buy – and enough money for both. *But not enough time!* Less time for talking with good friends over a cup of coffee, playing games with the kids in the backyard or otherwise enjoying life in the tradition of yesteryear. Oh, some old “sticks-in-the-mud” didn’t change much, those who recognized *true* value as coming from the heart rather than the pocketbook, but their numbers were fading. Some Lodges began increasing dues, the better to make ends meet, for inflation was starting to taking its toll. The 50s decade was indeed unsettling, as words of caution and wisdom fell upon deaf ears.

Albeit at a slower pace, Masonry in the U.S. *did* continue to prosper, the 50s decade ending with higher membership than ever before. And as California benefited from a tremendous population boom, so also did membership in North Orange County Lodges continue booming well into the 60s and beyond. Some Lodges in other areas had begun experiencing membership reductions and money pinches, but few then recognized the grim signs of impending change-for-the-worse already gnawing at our future.

Chapter 21

FORTY YEARS TO THE PRESENT

The aforementioned *growth-rate* reversal of the 50s is now recognized as a prelude to a drastic forty-year downtrend of Masonic membership in the United States: a drop of 2.13 million members since 1960, now nearly half-a-million *less* than in 1940. This dilemma cannot be blamed onto any single situation or faction – it materialized stealthily and gradually, perhaps in a manner similar to the changing times, of society in general. Changes wrought by material innovation – steam engine, automobile, aircraft, nuclear energy, solid-state electronics and the like – are quite sudden and obvious to all. But the long-term *impact* of such changes on the minds of man is *gradual* and most difficult to evaluate! As the little particles of sand in the hourglass pass away almost imperceptibly, so also does the mind-set of man pass from the sublime to the ridiculous when morals decay in times of plenty. And as the sands of time are exhausted in the short space of an hour, so also may the moral timbre of a people become exhausted in the short space of a generation, this as we look back wondering what in the world happened.

On the world scene, the first U.S. troops arrived in Saigon in 1961, our country’s first direct participation in a struggle that escalated into the Vietnam War – a war ending with the unconditional surrender of the Republic of

(South) Vietnam in 1974. The nature of this war was unique in that guerrilla tactics and trenchant reliance of helicopters predominated. It was essentially a “people’s war”, civilians often being indistinguishable from combatants, and the civilians suffered heavily. It resulted in 5 million Vietnamese casualties and 12 million Indo-Chinese refugees. American casualties totaled 57,685 dead and 153,303 wounded – and a barrage of social conflicts that may never be settled. The aftermath spread throughout the world, straining political and diplomatic relations between major nations. Previous wars have generally been followed by eras of patriotism and good will among the American people – traits torn asunder by the conflict in Vietnam. The lapse of time may eventually heal these wounds, but major global changes wrought in Vietnam will ever remind us of the war that shouldn’t have been.

Despite world troubles, the Lodges in North Orange County continued to prosper throughout the 60s, 70s and into the 80s. Activities in our Lodges and associated groups were generally well-performed and productive. The Fullerton Job’s Daughters choir, often occupying the entire north side of the Lodge room, could well compete with that of the Mormon Tabernacle in Salt Lake City. Fullerton Lodge annually conferred “traveling degrees” in other Lodges, often incurring overnight stays: Catalina, Big Bear, Ridge Crest, Solvang and others. The Brethren of the visited Lodges were honored with excellent presentations, and those of Fullerton were excited to present them – and true friendships were caused to exist among those who might otherwise have remained at a perpetual distance. Our Lodges were beehives of activity for DeMolay and Rainbow gatherings throughout the area, and our Eastern Star Chapters sponsored countless party nights, visitations and receptions. In fine, North Orange County Masonic activities during this era of global unrest, though not earthshaking as in some previous times, were solid and stable – a time of general satisfaction, good will and Brotherly Love.

Chapter 22

THE END OF AN ERA

In the eighties, Masonry in the nation began feeling the pinch of ongoing membership downtrends and mounting financial shortfalls. Of course, some Lodges continued faring well, but lack of manpower and resources began plaguing others. As inflation gobbled up maintenance budgets, many Masonic Halls fell into disrepair. Routine repairs were often left undone and major repairs sometimes led to tragedy. As membership diminished and cash cows collapsed, more and more Lodges found it necessary to relocate or consolidate with other Lodges – or both!

The above dire straits of Masonry were (are) typical throughout the nation, but particularly applied to the plight of Fullerton Lodge No. 339. There came a point when our beloved Temple on Harbor at Chapman required

more and more repairs becoming ever more expensive, and income became less and less – a domino effect personified. Late in the eighties, notice was received that our Temple did not conform to seismic and other city codes. Lacking funds to gain conformance, the building faced condemnation, and there was little choice but to close it down.

The Ninety Third installation of officers of Fullerton Lodge took place on December 5, 1992 when Jack E. Dotson was installed Master, the last ever in a Temple in Fullerton. Brother David Gaelius was raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason on December 8, 1992, the last degree ever to be conferred in a Temple in Fullerton. And on December 12, 1992, the annual Christmas party was hosted for the kids of Fullerton Lodge, the last ever in a Fullerton Temple. The Christmas tree remained in the East until well after the holidays that year, it seemed nobody had the heart to take it down, this final vestige of what had been: laughing children, squeals of joy, the “Ho! Ho! Ho!” of Santa while opening his pack. That tree has long since faded away, but the memories will ever remain in the hearts of all who were ever a part of that glorious Temple – on Harbor at Chapman – in Fullerton.

Chapter 23

BACK TO THE SOURCE AND NORTH AGAIN

And so it was that Christmas-Time 1992 was also Moving-Time, as several truckloads of furniture and paraphernalia were transported to the Anaheim DeMolay Center, and on January 5, 1993, after 93 years and for the first time ever, Fullerton Lodge opened a Stated Meeting in a place other than Fullerton. Although the roots of Fullerton Masonry were transplanted from Anaheim in 1900, this trek was hardly a homecoming. Oh, the facilities were more than adequate (we even had the luxury of an elevator), and our co-occupants more than cooperative, but for the first time ever, the Lodge was obliged to conform to schedules established by others – like it or not. At that time, the entire facility was undergoing major remodeling, a new dining room being created across from the hallway serving as our tiler’s room, etc. And we shared one small closet – located at the other end of the building – with our Job’s Daughters and unclaimed stuff from Lodges gone by. Our Lodge *last* faced such conditions while meeting in the little red schoolhouse in 1900, but nobody could remember such as we first opened Lodge in Anaheim! It all took some getting used to, but we survived and adapted and soon began to get better control of our finances (the Fullerton Temple building being sold, maintenance expenses became a thing of the past). But membership-drain persisted, particularly with regard to officers, some moving from the area while others simply dropped out. Late in our second year away from Fullerton, unattractive options were again developing regarding our future – to relocate or consolidate.

Dialogs with our Brethren of La Habra led to the relocation of Fullerton to the La Habra Temple in December 1994, the rationale being for the two Lodges to support one another regarding Officers (critical members of each Lodge to affiliate with the other when needed). By late 1995, however, both Lodges came to realize that such a plan was not working out, and it became the consensus of the Fullerton Brethren that the Lodge should actively pursue the option of consolidating with another Lodge. The January 1995 Fullerton Trestleboard¹ gave such notice to the members.

Consolidation was the order of the year for Fullerton Lodge during 1995. A Steering Committee was appointed for the purpose of surveying and meeting with Lodges in the area, seeking those on sound footing in our areas of need and vice versa. A meeting of minds between Fullerton Lodge No. 339 and Citrol Lodge No. 656 ultimately led to favorable ballots in excess of 75% by the members of both Lodges², and the Grand Master approved the Consolidation. Jack E. Dotson was the last Master of Fullerton Lodge as he was also the last installed in the Fullerton Temple in 1993.

¹Appendix/K²Appendix/L

Chapter 24

GATEWAY LODGE NO. 339 — FIRST FOUR YEARS

The first Stated Meeting of **Gateway Lodge No. 339** convened on December 1, 1996 in the Brea Masonic Temple, the officers being seated according to appointments in the Consolidation Certificate. Worshipful Richard Mallard was installed Master along with the other officers on January 11, 1997.

The first year brought significant improvement in attendance — especially regarding veteran members returning to the fold — and an increase in affiliations and degree work. Past Masters occupying the several chairs leading to the East, however, signaled an impending shortage of principle officers.

Past Masters David R. Alexander, Jeffrey Hornsby and George R. Boyd were installed Master and Wardens for 1998, during which Brothers Victor Asfour and Raymond Ribal served as Deacons — hope for the future.

Past Masters Jeffrey Hornsby and George R. Boyd were installed in the East and West for 1999, along with Brother Victor Asfour in the South, and Brothers Raymond Ribal and Andrew Skaggs as Deacons.

Past Master George R. Boyd now serves the Lodge as Master, one hundred years after Worshipful William M. McFadden in 1900. These writings soon will humbly rest between these “Centennial Bookend Masters” amid countless others of North Orange County Masonic History. During 2001, the Master’s gavel will be wielded by Brother Victor Asfour, the last Master Mason raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason in Fullerton Lodge, who will thus become the first Master to serve Lodge No. 339 during its Second One Hundred Years! May God Bless and support him along his way.

GATEWAY LODGE NO. 222, FIRST FOUR YEARS

The first year of the Gateway Lodge No. 222, was a year of many trials and tribulations. The lodge was organized on the 1st of January, 1880, and from that time to the present has been a constant struggle for existence. The lodge has been through many changes of location, and has at times been in a very precarious financial position. But through all these trials, the lodge has remained true to its principles and has been able to maintain its position as one of the most respected and successful lodges in the city.

The second year of the lodge was a year of great success. The lodge was able to secure a permanent home, and was able to increase its membership and its financial resources. The lodge was also able to secure the services of a competent and experienced master, who was able to lead the lodge through its various trials and tribulations. The lodge was also able to secure the services of a competent and experienced secretary, who was able to keep the lodge's affairs in order and to maintain its financial resources.

The third year of the lodge was a year of great success. The lodge was able to secure a permanent home, and was able to increase its membership and its financial resources. The lodge was also able to secure the services of a competent and experienced master, who was able to lead the lodge through its various trials and tribulations. The lodge was also able to secure the services of a competent and experienced secretary, who was able to keep the lodge's affairs in order and to maintain its financial resources.

The fourth year of the lodge was a year of great success. The lodge was able to secure a permanent home, and was able to increase its membership and its financial resources. The lodge was also able to secure the services of a competent and experienced master, who was able to lead the lodge through its various trials and tribulations. The lodge was also able to secure the services of a competent and experienced secretary, who was able to keep the lodge's affairs in order and to maintain its financial resources.

Appendix A – Periodic Chronology, Lodge No. 339

- 1769** *First Europeans step foot in modern-day Fullerton area*
- 1830** *Spanish land grant to Juan Pacifico Ontiveras includes Fullerton area*
- 1849** *California Gold Rush brings influx of homesteaders & businessmen*
- 1887** *Railroad extensions leads to land-boom in North Orange County*

May 17 Town of Fullerton founded by George & Edward Amerige, named for George H. Fullerton, land agent who locally routed Santa Fe railroad.

- 1896** *William McKinley elected President, inaugurated March 4, 1897*
- 1900** *U.S. Population 76,212,162 (5,308,483 in 1800). – McKinley re-elected*

- Jan 19** Thirteen Masons meet to discuss formulation of Lodge in Fullerton.
- Feb 17** McFadden (WM), Clark (SW) and Davis (JW) certified in ritual.
- Mar 7** Grand Master Charles Patterson grants Esperanza dispensation.
- Mar 10** First meeting of Lodge: officers appointed & installed, adopted by laws – eleven petitions for degrees, six applications for affiliation received.
- Apr 13** Second meeting of Lodge: seven petitions, five applications.
- Apr 21** John Henry Schulte initiated Entered Apprentice Mason (1st).
- May 18** First Stockholder meeting, Fullerton Masons Building Association: corporation by laws adopted; directors elected. First Director meeting, Fullerton Masons Building Association: officers elected; by laws certified; motion passed to erect building (cost not to exceed \$8,000.00); architect plans approved; loan procurement approved.
- May 22 through May 26** (3) Director meetings: construction bids reviewed, cost reduction changes made, building contractor selected (\$7,400.00).
- Jun 20** 1st Third Degrees conferred on Willie D. Hale & Elmer R. Ford.
- Jun 22** Director meeting, announcements of lot ownership recordation, \$6000.00 loan agreement signing, construction contract signing.
- Jul 31** Special dispensation allowed eight 3rd degrees to be conferred, attended by Grand Master and visiting Masons from 25 Lodges.
- Aug 28** Director meeting: authorized sidewalk bids and insurance needs.
- Sep 29** Director meeting: sidewalk contract let; authorized reception and ball in Temple on October 26; store rent established at \$40.00 per month.
- Oct 11** Date of Charter, Esperanza Lodge No. 339, F.& A. M.
- Nov 3** *Chartered* Lodge No. 339 constituted and officers installed by the Grand Lodge of California, W. M. James A. Foshay officiating.
- Nov 15** Director meeting: authorized purchase of fixtures, hiring janitor.
- Dec 11** Director meeting: authorized final payments to contractors.
- Dec 22** Director meeting: approved \$315 expenditure for piano.

Appendix A – Periodic Chronology, Lodge No. 339

1901 *President McKinley assassinated, Theodore Roosevelt takes oath*

Lodge becomes venue of Toastmasters, Woodsmen of the World, Foresters, Odd Fellows and other organizations, and for numerous community functions. Building Association procures many furnishings (including spittoons) and services. Ground floor store rental is largest revenue source. O.E.S. Chapter instituted in Fullerton.

1902 *U.S. purchases Panama Canal rights – Ford Motor Co. incorporated – Harley-Davidson motorcycle introduced – First flight by Wright Brothers*

Founding Worshipful Master William M. McFadden passes away on Monday, July 21, interred with full Masonic honors at Anaheim Cemetery on July 23.

1903 *Gillette first year sales: 51 razors, 168 blades – Pepsi Cola introduced*

Lodge continues to gain new members – Building Association continues efficient operation of facility. Annual rental revenue \$934.

1904 *Theodore Roosevelt re-elected – Fullerton incorporated as City*

Lodge changes name to "Fullerton" in concert with new city status - Royal Arch Masons Chapter 73 locates in the Temple.

1908 *William Howard Taft elected President*

1910 *U.S. Population 92,228,496 (76,212,162 in 1900)*

1912 & 1913 *Woodrow Wilson elected President in 1912*

Need recognized for extending rear of building, completed with cost-reduction changes (example: tops of windows straight rather than arched).

1916 *Woodrow Wilson re-elected – war expands in Europe, U. S. neutral*

1917 *U. S. declares war on Germany in April, Gen. Pershing heads forces*

New storefronts installed on building – inherited estate proceeds used to reduce mortgage and loans. Lodge continues to grow, rent revenue increases. O.E.S. Chapter No. 347 instituted in Yorba Linda.

1918 *WWI ends on November 11*

Inherited property sold, all debts paid off, \$2000.00 in Liberty Bonds. Grand Master William Rhodes Hervey invited to help celebrate. Yorba Linda Lodge No. 469 chartered in October (first Fullerton offspring).

1919 *July 4: Jack Dempsey wins heavyweight championship in Toledo, Ohio*

Lodge needs more space, Building Association plans new facility, sales proceeds of old used to buy land (Chapman & Harbor). Construction begins. Order of DeMolay founded in Kansas City, Missouri on March 24.

1920 *U.S. Population 106,621,532 – Warren G. Harding elected President, dies in 1923, Calvin Coolidge takes oath – First vestige of German Nazism*

Fullerton Masons Building Association dissolved, new Temple Association takes over. New building dedicated, Cornerstone Ceremony Dec. 8, 1920, Grand Master Samuel Burke and C. Stanley Chapman, PM officiating. International Order of Job's Daughters founded in Omaha, Nebraska.

1922 *Fascist dictatorship (Benito Mussolini) begins in Italy*

Azure Lodge No. 533 chartered in October (second Fullerton offspring)
International Order of Rainbow for Girls founded in McAlester, Oklahoma.

1923 *Yankee Stadium opens*

O.E.S. Ami Tai Chapter No. 405 instituted in Fullerton.

1924 *Calvin Coolidge re-elected President*

1926 *Goddard launches first liquid-fueled rocket, predicts moon landing*

Fullerton Chapter, Order of DeMolay and Job's Daughters Bethel No. 13
Chartered in Fullerton.

1927 *"Lone Eagle" Charles A. Lindbergh first to fly non-stop across Atlantic*

Citrol Lodge No. 656 (in Brea) and La Habra Lodge No. 659 Chartered in October (third and fourth Fullerton offspring).

1928 *Herbert Hoover elected President*

1929 *Ford Motor introduces first station wagon – built on Model A chassis*

O.E.S. Brea Chapter No. 506 and La Habra Chapter 508 instituted.

1930 *U.S. Population 123,262,674 – Nazi Party gains power in Germany*

1932 *Franklin D. Roosevelt elected President – Ford V8 replaces Model A*

1936 *Franklin D. Roosevelt re-elected President*

1940 *U.S. Population 132,164,569 – F. D. R. re-elected President*

1941 *Pearl Harbor, U.S. at war with Japan, Germany declares war on U.S.*

1944 *F. D. R. re-elected President, dies in 1945, Harry S. Truman takes oath*

1945 *A-Bombs dropped on Japan, WWII ends*

1948 *Harry S. Truman re-elected President*

Job's Daughters Bethel No. 176 Chartered in Brea, 27 members.

1950 *U.S. Population 151,325,798*

1952 *Dwight D. Eisenhower elected President*

1956 *Dwight D. Eisenhower re-elected President*

Job's Daughters Bethel No. 278 Chartered in Yorba Linda, 33 members.

1957 *Dwight D. Eisenhower begins second term*

DeMolay Chapter Chartered in Yorba Linda. Job's Daughters Bethel No. 282 Chartered in La Habra, 59 members.

Appendix A – Periodic Chronology, Lodge No. 339

1960 *U.S. Population 179,323,175 – John F. Kennedy elected President, assassinated late 1963 – Lyndon B. Johnson takes oath*

1961 *Los Angeles Angels first game*

Job's Daughters Bethel No. 333 Chartered in La Habra, 37 members.

1964 *Lyndon B. Johnson re-elected President*

1968 *Richard M. Nixon elected President*

1972 *Richard M. Nixon re-elected President, resigns 1974 – Ford takes oath*

1970 *U.S. Population 263,312,031*

1976 *Jimmy Carter elected President*

1980 *U.S. Population 226,542,203 – Ronald Reagan elected President*

1984 *Ronald Reagan re-elected President*

1988 *George Bush elected President*

DeMolay Chapters Chartered in Brea and La Habra.

1990 *U.S. Population 248,709,873*

1992 *William J. Clinton elected President*

1993 *Terrorist's bomb in N. Y. World Trade Center*

Fullerton Lodge No. 339 relocates in December to Anaheim DeMolay Center.

1994 *June 17 – O. J. Simpson charged with murder after freeway chase*

Fullerton Lodge No. 339 relocates in December to La Habra Masonic Temple.

1996 *William J. Clinton re-elected President*

Fullerton Lodge No. 339 and Citrol Lodge No. 656 consolidate as Gateway Lodge No. 339 on Dec. 1, meeting in Brea Masonic Temple.

1998 *No news is Good News*

La Habra Lodge No. 659 and East Whittier Wayfarer Lodge No. 726 consolidate as Cornerstone Lodge No. 659, meeting in La Habra Masonic Temple.

2000 *U.S. Population 276,555,027 (est.) – election to be decided*

Lodge No. 339 celebrates "First One Hundred Years".

First Preliminary Meeting

Esperanza Lodge No. U.D. F. & A. M.

Fullerton, Orange Co. Cal.

January 19, AL 5900

The following named brethren, recognized by each other as Master Masons in good standing, assembled at the residence of Bro. E. K. Benchley in the place and on the day above written at 7-30 O'clock P.M. for the purpose of taking the necessary measures for the establishment of a Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons, vis;

Bro. W. M. McFadden

Bro. Geo. C. Clark

" J. F. Davis

" E. K. Benchley

" A. A. Pendergast

" Jas. T. East

" Chas. E. Lotz

" Chas. E. Haas

" Theophilus Beazley

" Samuel Williamson Morin

" Frank Lee Fowler

" Edward Russell Amerige

" Thomas Landen Garrison

United 5 Mo.

Anaheim 207 Cal.

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On motion of Bro. E. K. Benchley, Bro. Wm. M. McFadden was called to the chair; and on motion of Bro. Geo. C. Clark, Bro. E. K. Benchley was named as Secretary. The Chairman stated the object of the meeting, and suggested that the first step taken should be the selection of a name for the proposed new Lodge; whereupon, after sundry propositions and some discussion, on Motion of Bro. J. F. Davis it was Ordered that the Lodge now sought to be established shall be called,

Esperanza Lodge

The Chairman then proposed as the next requisite measure, a selection of the Master and Wardens to be named in the petition for a Dispensation; whereupon, on motion of Bro. C. E. Lotz it was ordered that the meeting now proceed to ballot, to nominate a Master, a Senior Warden and a Junior Warden for recommendation to the Grand Master.

The Chairman named Bro. G. C. Clark (and) E. K. Benchley as tellers, who having received and canvassed the vote of those present, announced that the following named brethren had been chosen for such nomination, vis:

Bro. W. M. McFadden for Master

" Geo. C. Clark

" Senior Warden

" J. F. Davis

" Junior Warden

The Chairman then stated that the preparation of a petition to the Grand Master would be next in order, whereupon on motion of Bro. G. C. Clark it was Ordered that a committee of three be appointed to prepare a petition, in accordance with the form prescribed by the Constitution of the Grand Lodge of the State of California, to be presented to the Grand Master of Masons, therein praying him to grant a Dispensation to form and open a Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons at the place to be called Esperanza Lodge.

The Chairman named as such committee-

To prepare a petition	{	Bro. G. C. Clark
		" E. K. Benchley
		" J. F. Davis

After a brief recess, during which the duty assigned to the committee had been performed, the meeting was again called to order; and the petition of which the following is a copy, having been presented by the committee and approved, was signed by all those present, as here set forth:

Petition For Dispensation

To form and open Esperanza Lodge, F. and A. M.

To the Most Worshipful Chas. L. Patton

Grand Master of Masons in California

The petition of the undersigned respectfully represents, that they are Master Masons in good standing; that they were last members of the respective Lodges named opposite, their several signatures hereunto as will appear from the demits of each of the petitioners, herewith transmitted; that they reside in or near the town of Fullerton in the County of Orange in the State of California; that among these are a sufficient number of brethren well qualified to open and hold a Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons, and to discharge all its various duties in the three degrees of Ancient Masonry in accordance with established usage, and that, having the prosperity of the Craft at heart, and being desirous to use their best endeavors for the diffusion of its beneficent principles, they pray for a Dispensation empowering them to form, open, and hold a regular Lodge at the town of Fullerton aforesaid to be called Esperanza Lodge.

They have nominated, and respectfully recommend, Bro. Wm. M. McFadden as the first Master, Bro. Geo. C. Clark as the first Senior Warden and Bro. J. F. Davis as the first Junior Warden of the said Lodge, they being each, in all respects, competent to perform all the duties of either of the stations for which they are severally proposed; and if the prayer of the petitioners be granted, they promise in all things strict obedience to the commands of the Grand Master, and undeviating conformity to the Constitution and Regulations of the Grand Lodge.

Dated at Fullerton on the 19th day of January, A. L. 5900

First Preliminary Meeting

<i>William M. McFadden</i>	Anaheim Lodge No. 207	Cal.
<i>George Cook Clark</i>	"	"
<i>James Franklin Davis</i>	"	"
<i>Edward Kellogg Benchley</i>	"	"
<i>Austin Albert Pendergast</i>	"	"
<i>Charles Edmond Haas</i>	"	"
<i>Franklin Lee Fowler</i>	"	"
<i>Charles Edwin Lotz</i>	"	"
<i>James T. East</i>	"	"
<i>Thomas Landen Garrison</i>	"	"
<i>Samuel Williamson Morin</i>	United	5 Mo.
<i>Theophilus Beazley</i>	Woodland	156 Cal.
<i>Edward Russell Amerige</i>	Anaheim	207 "

The Chairman called attention to a requisite mentioned in the petition, and that the demit of each of the petitioners should accompany that document when sent to the Grand Master; whereupon, on motion of Bro. Chas. Lotz; it was Ordered that each brother, who has signed the petition, shall place his demit from the Lodge of which he was last a member in the hands of the Chairman as soon as practicable.

The Chairman then stated that the recommendation of the nearest or most convenient Lodge must be obtained, to be transmitted to (the) Grand Master with the petition; and that before that recommendation could be procured it would be necessary to show that a safe and suitable Lodge-room had been provided; whereupon the motion of Bro. E. K. Benchley, it was Ordered that a committee be appointed to procure a proper room in which to hold the meetings of the proposed Lodge.

The Chairman named as such committee

To Procure a Lodge room	{	Bro. G. C. Clark
	{	" Jas. F. Davis
	{	" E. K. Benchley

The above named committee reported that they had examined the Chadbourne Hall in company of the inspector of the 39th District Bro. Chas. E. Mitchell and it being found to be satisfactory it was engaged for one year at a rental of \$25.00 per annum. Their report was concurred on.

The Chairman suggested that it was necessary for the proposed Master and Wardens to procure proper certificates of qualification from the Master of some Chartered Lodge and also from the Inspector of the Masonic District within which the Lodge will be included; and that the examination for that purpose should be held without delay.

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It having been suggested that funds would be required for the proper establishment of the Lodge, on motion of Bro. F. L. Fowler it was, Ordered that the proposed Master and Wardens be appointed a committee to receive subscriptions from the signers of the petition for such amounts as may be necessary to pay for a Dispensation, to procure the requisite books, Jewels, clothing, furniture etc. for the Lodge and to defray other immediately necessary expenses, said subscriptions to be credited on their account(s) for dues.

Ordered that the Chairman be requested to present the petition and accompanying demits to Anaheim Lodge No. 207 at Anaheim in the County of Orange with the fraternal desire of the petitioners that it recommend to the Grand Master in proper form the issue of a dispensation for the establishment of the proposed new Lodge.

The committee appointed to procure subscriptions for the purpose of defraying the necessary expenses attending the organization of the Lodge reported that the following sums had been subscribed and paid in:

Bro. Wm. M. McFadden	\$12.00
" E. K. Benchley	12.00
" Geo. C. Clark	12.00
" E. R. Amerige	12.00
" J. F. Davis	12.00
" A. Henderson	12.00
" A. A. Pendergast	6.00

Accounting all to the sum of \$78.00 which was held ready for payment to such brothers as might be designated to receive it. On motion of Bro. E. K. Benchley it was Ordered that Bro. W. T. Brown be requested to act as Treasurer temporarily and that the funds be placed in his hands. There being no further business at the time, the meeting adjourned until again convened by the Chairman.

Wm. M. McFadden
Chairman

Edward K. Benchley
Secretary

[Note – This Addendum is a verbatim transcript of hand-written minutes recorded in pages 1 through 6 of Record Book 1 of Esperanza Lodge "U.D." F. & A.M. – the "U.D." designation appears to be a misnomer in that this meeting predated the Dispensation which was not granted until March 7, 1900 (AL 5900), thus reflecting the optimism guiding our founding fathers toward unqualified success. Record Book 1 continued in use after the Charter was granted (October 11, 1900) and constituted (November 3, 1900) through the Stated Meeting of "Fullerton" Lodge on January 14, 1904. It is interesting to note that the Stated Meeting of November 9, 1903 was opened as "Esperanza" Lodge and closed as "Fullerton" Lodge.]

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Appendix C

Hall of Esperanza Lodge F. & A. M.

Fullerton

March 10, AL 5900

7:30 PM

Pursuant to notice given by the Chairman, the petitioners for a dispensation to form and open a Lodge at the place above named, assembled in the Lodge room at 7-30 O'clock P.M. All the signers of the petition being present.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Chairman stated that the duty assigned him at the last assembly had been performed; and that, the Grand Master having been pleased to grant their prayer, they were now called together for the purpose of opening a new Lodge.

By his direction the Secretary then read the following:

Dispensation

The Grand Lodge of California

To all whom it may concern Greeting.

Whereas, a petition has been presented to me by sundry Brethren, to wit, Brothers William M. McFadden, George Cook Clark, James Franklin Davis, Edward Kellogg Benchley, Edward Russell Amerige, Austin Albert Pendergast, Charles Edward Haas, Frank Lee Fowler, Charles Edwin Lotz, James East, Thomas Landen Garrison, Samuel Williamson Morin, and Theophilus Beazley, all residing in or near the town of Fullerton in the County of Orange, in the State of California, praying to be congregated into a regular Lodge to be known and designated as Esperanza Lodge, and promising to proclaim obedience to the ancient usages and land-marks of the Fraternity, and the Constitution and Regulations of the Grand Lodge's, and whereas, the said Petitioners have been duly recommended to us as Master Masons in good standing, in the manner proscribed by the Regulations of our Grand Lodge, by the Master, Warden, and Brethren of Anaheim Lodge No. 207 – Anaheim – Orange County – under our jurisdiction; May Know Ye That I Charles Lewis Patton – Grand Master of Masons in the State of California, reposing full confidence in the recommendation aforesaid, and in the Masonic integrity and ability of the Petitioners, do by virtue of the power in me vested, hereby grant this **Dispensation**, empowering and authorizing our trusty and well beloved Brethren aforesaid, to form and open a Lodge, after the manner of the Ancient, Free, and Accepted Masons and therein to adduct to membership and make Freemasons, according to the ancient Custom and not otherwise.

This Dispensation is to continue in full force until the first day of the month in which the next Annual Communication of our Grand Lodge shall be holden, unless sooner revoked by me; And I do hereby appoint Brother

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William M. McFadden, to be the first Master, Brother George Cook Clark to be the first Senior Warden, and Brother James Franklin Davis, to be the first Junior Warden of the said new Lodge; requiring them to return this Dispensation, with the Book of Records, an attested copy of the By-Laws, and a full report of the doings of their said Lodge to our Grand Lodge aforesaid, at the expiration of the time herein specified, for examination, and for such further action in the premises as shall then be decreed wise and proper.

Given under my hand and the Seal of our Grand Lodge aforesaid at San Francisco, this 7th day of March – A.L. 5900, A.D. 1900.

(signed) Chas. L. Patton

Grand Master

Attest (signed) Geo. Johnson
Grand Secretary

In accordance with the authority therein vested by the instrument, of which the foregoing is a copy, the following Brethren then took their respective stations in the Lodge, vis.

Bro. William M. McFadden as Master

Bro. George Cook Clark as Senior Warden

Bro. James Franklin Davis as Senior Warden

and the Master having made the following appointments, vis:-

Bro. W. T. Brown, Treasurer

Bro. Edward Russell Amerige, Secretary

Bro. William Berkenstock, Senior Deacon

Bro. O. W. Lillie, Junior Deacon

Bro. J. Henry Lotz, Marshall

Bro. William Freeman, Senior Steward

Bro. Charles Lotz, Junior Steward

Bro. Fay Dunham, Tyler

Those officers took their several stations and places, and Esperanza Lodge U.D. was in due and ancient form, in the third degree of Masonry.

The Master instructed the Secretary to enter first upon his Record Book the minutes of the proceedings of the several preliminary meetings held for the purpose of making arrangements for the establishment of the Lodge with the various official documents therein connected.

He then stated that the next requisite measure would be the adoption of By-Laws for the Lodge and that, as the Grand Lodge had prescribed, a uniform code for the Jurisdiction, it would only be necessary to fill in the blanks in the printed form thereof, wherein was intended to designated the name of the Lodge, the time of its stated meetings, the amounts of its fees and dues and the sum authorized to be drawn by the Charity Committee; whereupon on motion of Bro. George C. Clark, it was Ordered a committee of three be appointed to fill the several blanks in the form in the uniform code of

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By-Laws, for the use of the Lodge, and instructed to report without delay.

The Master named as such committee

To prepare By Laws { Bro. George C. Clark
Bro. Edward K. Benchley
Bro. F. D. Fowler

After a brief consultation, the committee reported the uniform, with the several blanks therein filled, as shown in the following By-Laws of Esperanza U.D.

Note: The by laws have not been copied herein.

On motion of Bro. George C. Clark, the report of the committee was concurred in, and it was Ordered That the foregoing are declared to be the By Laws of Esperanza U.D., if approved, and that a copy thereof be transmitted to the Grand Secretary for submission to the consideration of the Grand Master.

The Master stated that it was next necessary to procure the proper books and blanks for the Lodge, as prescribed by the constitution of the Grand Lodge, and the Jewels, working tools, clothing, furniture as required by the usages of the Craft, whereupon the motion of Bro. E. R. Amerige it was Ordered that a committee of three be appointed to procure the foregoing for the Lodge, at the earliest day practicable; together with such other articles as, in their opinion may be required for its use.

The Master named as such Committee:

To procure Jewels, etc. { Bro. Geo. C. Clark
Bro. Wm. M. McFadden
Bro. E. R. Amerige

The Master stated that, from the funds placed in his hands by order of the Brothers at a Preliminary meeting held on the 17th ultimo, he had expended the sum of \$75.00, being the fee for the Dispensation, for which he now handed the Secretary, the Grand Secretary receipt; and that the remaining moneys in his possession would be at once paid over to the Treasurer.

He further informed the Lodge that, as the By Laws just adopted fixed the meetings on Saturday on or preceding the full moon the next Stated meeting would be held tonight Saturday the 10th inst.

There being no further business, the Lodge was closed.

Edward R. Amerige
Secretary

Wm. M. McFadden, W.M.

[Note: The Stated Meeting Lodge was opened at 9:30 PM the same evening (March 10, 1900) for which separate minutes were recorded (not transcribed herein). During the Stated Meeting, eleven Petitions for the Degrees were read as were six Applications for Affiliation.]

Appendix D CONSENT TO HOLD FIRST MEETING

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KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:- That we, the undersigned, being all of the stockholders of the Fullerton Masons Building Association, and actually present in person, by mutual consent and understanding before-
Masonic Hall
hand, at the ~~office of E. R. Amerige~~, at Fullerton, Orange County, California,
Friday
on this ~~18th~~ the 18th day of May, A. D. 1900, at 8 o'clock P. M. , being written one month after the filing of the articles of incorporation of this corporation, and after the adoption of a code of by-laws for the government of said corporation, do now hereby grant and consent that the first meeting of the said stockholders of said Fullerton Masons Building Association, shall be held immediately after the time and place aforesaid, and that all of the acts and proceedings of said meeting shall be as valid as if had at a meeting otherwise legally called and noticed.

Witness our hands and seals this 18th day of May, A. D. 1900

W. M. McFadden (Seal)

Geo. C. Clark (Seal)

Edw. K. Benchley (Seal)

E. R. Amerige (Seal)

Wm. Berkenstock (Seal)

[Note: *Italicized* entries were hand-written, probably during the course of the meeting. It is interesting to note that the words "office of E. R. Amerige" were crossed off (in ink) and "Masonic Hall" inserted above, although such hall was not then in existence. This may have been done in being consistent with the by laws, which specified the Masonic Hall as the place at which business would be conducted. The original document is affixed to the inside of the front cover of the journal of "The Fullerton Mason's Building Ass'n.", on which the five signatures are in the hands of the signers.]

Petition for Charter

To the W. :. G. :. Lodge of California

The undersigned respectfully represent that on the 7th day of March A. L. 5900, a Dispensation was issued by the Grand Master for the formulation of a new Lodge at Fullerton in the County of Orange by the name of Esperanza Lodge, and on the 7th day of March of that year, said Lodge was opened and organized and has since continued successfully to work during the period named in said Dispensation as will appear from its records. By-Laws and returns herewith presented; and it is the anxious desire of the members of said Lodge that its existence be perpetuated. They therefore pray that a Charter be granted to said Lodge by the name of Esperanza Lodge with such number as the usage of the Grand Lodge may assign it; and they recommend that Bro. W. M. McFadden be named therein as Master, Bro. G. C. Clark as Senior Warden and Bro. J. F. Davis as Junior Warden; promising as heretofore, strict obedience to the commands of the Grand Master, and undeviating conformity to the Constitution and Regulation of the Grand Lodge.

Given by instruction from and on behalf of said Lodge, at Fullerton this 6th day of October A. L. 5900.

W. M. McFadden	} Delegates
J. F. Davis	
E. R. Amerige	

CHARTER
To All Whom It May Concern
The Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of
California

Greeting

Whereas, It having been duly represented unto us that sundry Brethren of the Most Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons, residing at or near the town of Fullerton, in the County of Orange, within our Jurisdiction, have heretofore viz: on the 7th day of March, A.L. 5900, received from our Most Worshipful Grand Master a Dispensation to assemble as a Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons for the purposes therein expressed; and Whereas, It having been further represented that the said Brethren are now desirous that their Lodge shall be duly Chartered, Constituted, and numbered upon our Registry, as a regular Lodge, and it appearing, after due Examination that they are well qualified, and in all respects worthy to assume and fulfill the duties consequent upon the indulgence of their object of desire; and Whereas: It being believed that the advancement of Free Masonry will be encouraged, and the wise, moral and beneficent purposes of our Ancient Craft be promoted by the Constitution, and permanent Establishment of their said Lodge;

Now, Therefore Know Ye, that we the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of California, have Authorized, Constituted, and Appointed, and, by this our Warrant and Charter do hereby authorize, constitute and appoint our trusty and well beloved Brethren William M. McFadden, Master, George Cook Clark, Senior Warden, and James Franklin Davis, Junior Warden, together with all such true and lawful Brethren as have already been, or may hereafter be admitted to associate with them, to assemble and work as a regular Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons at the town of Fullerton, aforesaid, by the name and designation of Esperanza Lodge No. 339:

And We Do Hereby Grant and Commit unto the Master and Wardens aforesaid and their successors, and to the Brethren of the said Lodge, full power and authority to receive and initiate Entered Apprentices, pass Fellow Crafts, raise Master Masons, and admit Brethren to membership; to choose a Master and Wardens and other

officers annually; to extract from their initiates and members such fees and dues as may be necessary for the maintenance of their Lodge, for the relief of poor and distressed Brethren and their widows and orphans, and for the regular payment of such annual contributions to the Grand Lodge as shall by it, be directed; and generally, to perform and do all other acts and things, which shall be in full accordance with the ancient usages and customs of the Craft, and in strict obedience to the Constitution, Regulations, and Edicts of this our Grand Lodge aforesaid.

And We Do Hereby Require the said Lodge to attend the Grand Lodge at all its Communications, by its Master and Wardens or by its representatives, duly appointed; to keep a fair and faithful record of all its accounts and proceedings which are proper to be written; and to lay the same before the Grand Lodge whenever it may be directed.

And, Lastly We Do Hereby Enjoin upon the Masters, Wardens, and Brethren of the Lodge aforesaid, that they will observe a strict conformity to all the ordinances of our Grand Lodge, which is the supreme Masonic Power and Authority in the State of California; and that they constantly give due respect and obedience to the Grand Master and their other Superiors in Office, in all things appertaining to our Ancient Craft.

Done in Grand Lodge in accordance with its order at the City of San Francisco, California, on this Eleventh day of October Anno Domini, 1900, Anno Lucis 5900.

In testimony Whereof, We, Grand Master of Masons in the State of California have hereto set our hand and have caused our Grand Secretary to make his attestation hereunto and to affix the Seal of our Grand Lodge.



{ Seal of
Grand
Lodge

(signed) *James A. Forshay*, Grand Master

(attest) *George Johnson*, Grand Secretary

Resolution Honoring Worshipful McFadden

Whereas, Almighty God in His infinite wisdom has removed from our midst by death our Brother and fellow member, Wm. M. McFadden, be it now

Resolved, That Esperanza Lodge, F. and A. M., of Fullerton, desires to place on record its keen sense of irreparable loss it has sustained in the demise of our beloved brother, devoted to the interests of Masonry, an energetic and ardent worker. We, his brothers, feel that the place made vacant by his departure, can not be filled, and we mourn his absence from our circle. We shall ever cherish in our memories his many kind acts and words, and the great interest our deceased brother manifested in our lodge and in the cause of Masonry shall stand on record as evidence of the loss his departure from our midst made, and be it further

Resolved That Esperanza Lodge extends to his bereaved wife and family its heartfelt condolences and sympathies, with the assurance that their loss is ours, shared alike and keenly felt by every member of our lodge.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to Mrs. McFadden and family, and that the same be transcribed upon the record of Esperanza Lodge and published in the newspapers.

E. R. AMERIGE
GEORGE C. CLARK,
J. I. FRANKENBERGER,
Committee

I - Fullerton Lodge #339, F. & A. M.

Having previously discussed the possibility of organizing a Masonic Lodge in the town of Fullerton, California, thirteen members of the Fraternity met in at home of Bro. E. K. Benchley on the evening of January 19, 1900. At this time, the nearest Lodge was located in Anaheim, a distance of three miles, and eleven of the number present at the above meeting were members of Anaheim Lodge No. 207. The purpose of the meeting having been stated, Bro. Wm. M. McFadden was elected to preside, and later became the first Master of the Lodge which was then about to be formed. Bro. Benchley was elected secretary, and it might be well to state, that he apparently was well chosen for the position, as the early records of the Lodge will testify, for the order of business and proceedings of the Lodge were recorded in a very proficient manner.

The general order of business of the first meeting was the preparation of a petition to the Grand Lodge for dispensation, selection of a proper meeting place, a name, etc. "Esperanza" was selected as the name, and a hall, reserved by a committee for that purpose, was rented at a yearly rental of \$25.00, but after holding one meeting in this place, it was decided unsafe for further meetings, and thereafter the Lodge met in the public school house. Criticism on the part of certain members of Anaheim Lodge, relative to the withdrawal of some of their members to form this new Lodge, two Fullerton members, Brothers W. T. Brown and O. W. Lillie, remained with that Lodge long enough to make a motion that the requests of the other eleven brothers for demits be granted, and after these demits were issued, they likewise withdrew and joined their brethren at Esperanza Lodge. The fees for the three Degrees was set at \$30.00 and the dues \$6.00 per year.

Following organization of the Lodge, Thumb Bros. of Tanglefoot Fly Paper fame, who were owners of property in the vicinity of Fullerton, but who were not Masons, offered to build a suitable building for the Lodge, and allow the members to purchase the building stock at their pleasure, and eventually become owners of the property. Bro. E. R. Amerige and his brother (not a Mason), who were the founders of Fullerton, when told of the proposition offered by the Thumb Bros., offered to deed a corner lot on which to build the proposed building. We are unable to ascertain the value of this lot at that time, but Bro. W. T. Brown informs us that he was offered the lot opposite for \$55.00, and these lots now probably have a valuation of about \$15,000.00. The lot was provided and the building, later to be known as the Masonic Temple, was built, and eventually became the property of the Lodge. A couple of incidents, with reference to the building, are related. The Amerige brother who was not a Mason, brought suit against the Lodge to obtain a six inch strip of land upon which was built one wall of the building, which he claimed was not deeded to the Lodge, as the wall was a party wall, but he lost his suit. W. T. Brown is responsible for the story that during the erection of the building, the contractor

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was bitten by a spider and died within a very few hours.

A very unusual meeting occurred July 13, 1901, when by Special Dispensation, eight candidates received the Master Mason Degree. Lodge was opened at 12 o'clock noon and four candidates Raised and the lecture delivered, after which Lodge was closed. Following dinner, Lodge was again opened and the other four candidates raised, the lecture given and Lodge was again closed, and another dinner served at midnight. Grand Master Foshay was present at the meeting, as well as representatives of twenty-five other Craft Lodges of Southern California.

In addition to the building having been erected and financed by non-Masons, a Holy Bible for the Altar, was presented to the Lodge by a Mr. Starbuck, then a druggist of the town, who also, was not a Mason. The Lodge continued to grow and prosper, and in the year 1919, it was found necessary to provide larger or more suitable quarters, so the old Masonic Temple, which had served the Lodge for nearly twenty (20) years, was sold at a very good price, and the property at the corner of South Spadra and Chapman Avenue was purchased and a new Temple erected. The total cost of this property, building and equipment was near \$150,000.00. This building was Dedicated with very impressive ceremony, by Grand Master Samuel E. Burke, December 8, 1920. At that time, it was considered one of the finest, most imposing, and best equipped structures of its kind in the West.

During the first few years in the new Temple, and the last year or two in the old, the Lodge conferred the Degrees of Masonry on the average of about forty new members a year, this activity is accounted for by close of World War. In the year 1922, Fullerton Lodge had grown to such a large membership that the Grand Master recommended the Institution of a new Lodge, and several of the members withdrew to organize a new Lodge, now known as Azure Lodge No. 533.

At the present time the membership of these two Lodges is considerable over six hundred, about four hundred seventy of which are members of Fullerton Lodge. The officers for the year 1931 are:- D. E. Fickel, Worshipful Master; A. M. Edwards, Senior Warden; J. W. Ritterbusch, Junior Warden; H. E. Hale, Treasurer; W. T. Rodger, Secretary; E. S. Richman, Chaplain; W. C. Stanford, Senior Deacon; J. H. Giltz, Junior Deacon; L. H. Marshall, Marshal, Cory Hoff, Senior Steward, M.E Wildermuth, Junior Steward, R. G. Goodwin, Organist, A. E. Griffin, Tyler.

II - Yorba Linda Lodge No. 469, F. & A. M.

Yorba Linda Lodge No. 469, received its Dispensation from the Grand Lodge under date of February 13, 1918, granted by Grand Master Wm. Rhodes Hervey. The following were the first officers:- James W. Newell, Worshipful Master; Carl H. Seamans, Senior Warden; Wm. C. Fricke, Junior Warden; Daniel A. Speer, Treasurer; Henry E. Carnes, Secretary; Victor H. Robertson, Senior Deacon; James A. Logsdon, Junior Deacon; Edwin L.

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Gilman, Marshal; A. Russel Lupton, Senior Steward; Scane E. Spencer, Junior Steward; William O. Howey, Tyler.

Charter Members:-Carl H. Seamans, James W. Newell, Wm. C. Fricke, Victor H. Robertson, Henry E. Carnes, Daniel A. Speer, Charles W. Blattner, Edwin L. Gilman, Wm. O. Howey, A. Russell Lupton, Scane E. Spencer, George L. Calkins, James A. Logsdon, Edmund E. Knight, Frank I. Shepherd, Walter R. Milhouse, James D. Boughner.

The Lodge received its Charter under date of October 10, 1918. Yorba Linda Masons have always met in the building known as the Masonic Hall. However, it was not purchased by the Lodge until July 1923. The following is a list of our thirteen Past Masters:-James W. Newell, 1918; Carl H. Seamans, 1919; Wm. Fricke, 1920; James A. Logsdon, 1921; A. Russell Lupton, 1922; Henry C. Carnes, 1923; Homer M. Jay, 1924; Alonzo J. Carter, 1925; Ralph C. Shook, 1926; Elmer E. Haas, 1927; Wilfred Schryer, 1928; Chester R. Knisley, 1929; Ernest Scribner, 1930.

The officers for the present year include:- Ross B. Johnson, Worshipful Master; George F. Plumb, Senior Warden; David Giddings, Junior Warden; John W. Hargrave, Treasurer; Ernest R. Walker, Secretary; Raymond F. Young, Senior Deacon; Chauncey H. Eichler, Junior Deacon; Rene B. Richards, Senior Steward; Austin R. Marshburn, Junior Steward; Ernest T. Scribner, Marshal; Percival T. Scott, Chaplain; Samuel H. McCracken, Tyler. At the present, there are 141 members on the roll.

III - Azure Lodge No. 533, F. & A. M. (in Fullerton)

April 26, 1922, a meeting was called and attended by fifteen members of Fullerton Lodge No. 339, for the purpose of taking the necessary steps for the establishment of a new Lodge. At this meeting Brother Layton S. Conover was called to the chair and on motion by Brother Egbert D. Johnson, Archie A. McCormick was named Secretary. The first step taken was the selection of a name for the proposed Lodge, the name however was not definitely decided upon at this meeting and it was after many suggestions and much discussion that the name "AZURE" offered by Brother John E. Jones, Jr., was selected. At this first meeting a committee composed of Brothers Harry V. Williams, Archie A. McCormick and C. Floyd Horton, was named to prepare a petition to the Grand Master of California for dispensation to form and open a new Lodge. May 24, 1922, the finances of the new Lodge was taken up, discussed and arranged. The name of "AZURE" was adopted at this meeting on motion by Brother Robert McKee seconded by Brother Egbert D. Johnson.

Dispensation under date of July 6, 1922, was read at a meeting held on July 11, by inspector E. B. Trago, under direction of Grand Master Samuel E. Burke who had assumed the East. The petitioners for dispensation were:- John Edward Jones, Jr., Harry V. Williams, Layton S. Conover, Egbert D. Johnson, Jesse D. MacClocklin, Robert J. McKee, Archie A. McCormick, Lewis W. McKelvy, Ura Waldo O'Kelly, Augustus G. Miller, Robert W.

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Landreth, Charles C. Clark, Homer A. DeLaney, Luther L. Tannar, Omer G. Evans, William R. Boatman, Charles F. Horton, Albert J. Severson, Arthur Van Kauble, Daniel L. Newton, Thomas D. Robertson, Archie J. Collins, Otto L. Price, Harry Ames and M. S. Ryan (who) presented the Inner Chamber Pillars, St. Clair Woods, our first Bible. Later we received a very beautiful gift of a leather covered, richly bound Bible, November 29, 1924, from Edward Marion of Anaheim Lodge No. 207. Harry Ames also presented the Tyler's sword; J. H. Cockerham presented the silk hat worn by the Master. The Master's gavel, presented by Brother C. C. Violet, has the distinction, as reported, of being taken from a tree grown in George Washington's yard in Mt. Vernon. The tree was planted by LaFayette when visiting this country.

The place of meeting in the Lincoln school was the auditorium used by school officials. Neither the arrangement nor lighting was very beneficial, nor appropriate for our Lodge services, but the spirit of the officers and members was such that neither lighting or arrangement had much effect upon their ardor and zeal.

Our Junior Warden, Travis Anderson, somehow was always successful in presenting the Lodge and its guests with refreshments, which were pleasing and appetizing. He was much handicapped as he had no kitchen in which to make preparation. His obligation was always well filled, and presented his part of the program very efficiently. Two years were spent in the school building, and finally arrangements were made for a hall room in the Price building, where we are now located.

The Lodge has grown to 112 members, and the spirit that is now expressed, guarantees a successful continuation of brotherly love and affection. Where an expression of true Masonry is presented you will always find men of true Masonic spirit assembling together. The Lodge is now governed by Worshipful Master, Ernest Littlejohn. The membership wishes to thank the Lodges and individuals, who assisted in furnishing the first lodge room. These gifts were much appreciated, and although the Brethren assisted in material things, contacts were made that will never be forgotten.

Trustees appointed by Inspector Trago, while under the dispensation were:- J. M. Woodworth, E. H. Darling and John A. McCullough.

The late J. M. Woodworth was a great asset to the Lodge, and assisted very much in its successful operation. Much time and patience was contributed by him, and the experiences of his years in other Lodges, was indeed a material help to our ultimate success.

Charter members were:- James Allen Knapp, Edward Hiram Darling, Clarence Travis Anderson, Frank Austin Monroe, St. Clair Woods, Wm. T. Lambert, J. D. Price, James Henderson Cockerham, James Hammontee, Moses Swan Ryan, Wiley Burgey Hale, Jerome Merrill Woodworth, John Adam McColough, John Charles Mitchell, Richard Haster, Harry Ames, Walter Porter, Charles C. Violet, Palmer N. Larson, R. L. Coats (deceased) Frederick Hosias Felberg, B. R. Day, David G. Ashby, R. D. Lippencot.

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First officers were- J. A. Knapp, Worshipful Master; E. H. Darling, Senior Warden; Travis Anderson, Junior Warden, F. A. Monroe, Treasurer; St. Clair Woods, Secretary; Richard Haster, S. D.; John C. Mitchell, Junior Deacon; M. S. Ryan, Senior Steward; B. R. Day, Junior Steward: James Hammontree, Tyler; J. D. Price, Chaplain; W. D. Hale, Marshal.

Past Masters:- J. A. Knapp, E. H. Darling, Richard Haster, John C. Mitchell, J. H. Cockerham, A. J. Woodworth, James Hammontree, Ernest Littlejohn.

Officers serving during 1931 are:- Ernest Littlejohn, Worshipful Master; Leland Mitchell, Senior Warden; Brinton Hale, Junior Warden; F. A. Monroe, Treasurer; L. L. Trickey, Secretary; James S. Hammontree, Chaplain; Grant Fergus, Senior Deacon; Chas. G. Munz, Junior Deacon; Stanley G. Anderson, Marshal; Albert Nearing, Senior Steward; Ralph G. Smith, Junior Steward; Wm. Veirs Brady, Organist; James Cockerham, Tyler.

IV - Citrol Lodge No. 656, F. & A. M. (in Brea)

April 3, 1926, the first meeting was held in the Brown Building in Brea, to consider the advisability of instituting a Masonic Lodge in Brea. L. L. Lemmon was elected chairman, and C. C. Kinsler, Secretary. A committee consisting of J. H. Robinson, Albert Boyd and R. E. Critchlow was appointed to visit the Masons in Brea and vicinity with the idea of ascertaining the number willing to affiliate with the proposed new Lodge. The next meeting was set for April 8, but was postponed on account of fire at the Union Oil Company's Stewart Tank Farm, and was held April 15, 1926.

Meetings were conducted weekly and various locations and buildings discussed as a suitable place for a Masonic Lodge Room. November 8, 1926 it was voted to rent a part of the Sewell building on Pomona Avenue, and make the changes necessary for conformation to Masonic requirements. The lease on the building dated from December 1, 1926. Members of the Brea Masonic Club assisted Deputy Grand Master Will Fischer, in the laying of the Cornerstone at the new Brea-Olinda High School on October 2, 1926. The name Citrol was chosen for the Lodge on account of the name "Brea" being too much like the name "LaBrea" already held by a Lodge near Los Angeles. The petition for Dispensation was mailed to Grand Master Jones on February 12, 1927. It was signed by 25 Master Masons. Of this number, 5 were members in California and 20 were from other states.

The Dispensation was granted and on March 4, 1927, Bro. Henry MacMaster, Inspector of the 97th District, assisted by Bro. Wm. T. Rodger, read the Dispensation and installed the following officers: Lester Lee Lemmon, Worshipful Master; Geo. Wayne Cullen, Senior Warden; Charles Edward Miller, Junior Warden; Alonzo Hiram Brown, Treasurer; Charles C. Kinsler, Secretary; Hugh Rhonald Williams, Senior Deacon; Lynn A. Hohue, Junior Deacon; Monte Cristo Fiscus, Marshal; W. Judson Oldfield, Chaplain; Robert E. Critchlow, Senior Steward; Frank T. Lane, Junior Steward; Fredrick George Boxall, Tyler. Citrol Lodge, U.D. was then opened in due

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form. At this meeting there were 28 applications for Affiliation and 31 Petitions for the Degrees. From this beginning the Lodge has steadily grown until at present there are over 180 members.

V – La Habra Lodge No. 659, F. & A. M.

All Orange County Masons and especially La Habra Brethren, are justly proud of the exceptional achievement and very rare occurrence of a loyal, energetic group of Masons forming a Masonic Club, building a beautiful Temple in La Habra, and then petitioning the Grand Lodge for Dispensation to Institute a "just and regular Masonic Lodge." The La Habra Masonic Club, organized July 29, 1925, participated in the placement of the La Habra Masonic Temple Cornerstone (in this building with the) participation of Grand Master Will H. Fischer. The Temple was completed and ready for occupancy the early part of June, 1927, and the Petition for Dispensation was granted June 24, 1927. The Lodge was Instituted July 6, 1927, Charter granted October 13, 1927, and Constituted October 18, 1927.

The Temple was Dedicated by Grand Master Gustav A. Hutaff, October 28, 1927. The first meeting of La Habra Masonic Club was held in William Abrams store, July 29, 1925. Officers elected were F. D. Halm, President; William Abrams, Vice President; Francis Rockwell, Secretary; R. M. Evans, Treasurer. Henri Clayton acted as Secretary pro tem, and there were present 46 Masons. The Lodge now has a membership of 135. Charter Members were:- William Abrams, Gurnard Clair Beer, Gordon M. Cameron, Daniel Levi Chipman, Charles LeRoy Crumine, Benjamin Davies, Henry Carl Dohrmann, Roy Martin Evans, Walter Coney Fairweather, Raymond F. Frantz, Clint Richard Guthrie, Henry Eldridge Hart, Edward L. Journigan, Rollie William Koontz, Thomas MacKenzie Lawson, Walter Albany Linsdell, Roy Nickell, Claude Arthur Ridgway, Ulysses Grant Sherman, William Campbell Stark, Charles Edward Trent, Robert W. Vanderhoof, Ivan James Wagner, James Henry Walker, Burt S. Williams.

First Officers were:- Walter Albany Linsdell, Worshipful Master; Gordon McKnight Cameron, Senior Warden; Claude Arthur Ridgeway, Junior Warden; James Henry Walker, Treasurer; Rollie William Koontz, Chaplain; Henry Carl Dohrmann, Senior Deacon; Roy Martin Evans, Junior Deacon; Chas. Edward Trent, Marshal; Roy Nickell, Senior Steward; Walter Correy Fairweather, Junior Steward; Ulysses Grant Sherman, Tyler.

Officers for 1931 are:- Harlen Hodges, Worshipful Master; William Weaver, Senior Warden; George Eaby, Junior Warden; Gordon M. Cameron, Treasurer; A. J. Young, Secretary; Ed Klusman, Chaplain; Homer C. Haltzgraf, Senior Deacon; Charles T. Miller, Junior Deacon; Grant Sherman, Marshal; P. H. Goodell, Senior Steward; George Armstrong, Junior Deacon; W. M. Stanley, Tyler; Frank Barrows, Organist.

[Note: The above are verbatim transcripts, including grammar and punctuation.]

Master's Consolidation Message

As this new term commences - the *ninety-sixth* year of Fullerton Lodge - I wish to express my heartfelt appreciation for the confidence placed in me by the Brethren in selecting me to again serve as Master. Two major changes have occurred since I first greeted you as Master three years ago - happenings which seem to have greatly impacted our performance in this great Masonic Brotherhood of the world.

- ♦ Beginning in January 1993, for the first time in 73 years, we held Lodge in a venue other than that at Harbor and Chapman in Fullerton (theretofore at Harbor and Amerige) - we relocated to the DeMolay Center in Anaheim.
- ♦ In December, 1994 we moved on to La Habra Masonic Temple, and we now share their facility with La Habra Lodge No. 659.

We have thus been blessed with two fine homes "away from home" and have been privileged to share Masonry with several other great Lodges. However, it appears that Fullerton, the Mother Lodge of North Orange County, is homesick - longing for the independence and confidence that nearly a century had wrought in houses made by the hands of Fullerton Masons. Living with "friends and relatives" doesn't seem to be hacking it, and although nothing has yet been cast in concrete, the process has been initiated for Fullerton to merge or consolidate with another Lodge - future issues of the Trestleboard will keep you posted. Our problem stems from a shortage of *active* Brethren - those who have the interest and time to participate in the *business* of Masonry - the *ritual*. The very structure of our Fraternity mandates that those who would serve as Master - or any other office - need first learn, practice, and apply its teachings - its ritual. This is really all that matters - it's as simple as that. But even simplicity falters when fundamentals are lacking, and unfortunately for our beloved Fullerton Lodge, such seems now the case. But for rain, the creek runs dry - but for love, society fails - for lack of a steady stream of participation, any Lodge will surely see its day, and such indeed is close at hand for Fullerton.

[This transcript is from the January 1996 Trestleboard of Fullerton Lodge No. 339 and announces the beginning of the Consolidation procedure by Fullerton - written by Jack E. Dotson, last Fullerton Master.]

Master's Message – Final Fullerton Trestleboard

On November 19, 1996, Fullerton Lodge convened for the purpose of conferring the Third Degree of Masonry upon Brother Victor Asfour. This meeting ignited the strongest light of Masonry in the heart of our new Brother - and it extinguished the strongest light of Masonry ever to glow in North Orange County, for on the occasion of Brother Asfour being raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason, the final gavel of the evening was at once the end of an era spanning more than 96 years. Our cherished Bible was closed for the final time. The importance of this great Book cannot be overstated, for on it, numerous Fullerton Masons were obligated, including those who organized four new Lodges in our area. The light of this great Book will never die – it glows in the heart and soul of every Mason whose hands were privileged to rest gently upon its sacred pages, even as it lighted the pathway of their lives.

And so it will be that on December 1, 1996, Fullerton and Citrol Lodges will unite – and re-emerge as Gateway Lodge No. 339. And so it will *also* be that the end of one great era shall ignite the beginning of the next, for as our two dimmed beams converge, a greater light will be made to shine with renewed intensity. It is now the task of *all* the Brethren of *both* Fullerton and Citrol to continually fuel this new flame, that that magic number – “339” - may serve as the *common* brand atop the Gateway of a great new Lodge in our midst.

My Brothers, only 5 of my 42 years as a Master Mason have been in the service of Fullerton Lodge – I have served our Lodge as Sr. Steward, Jr. Warden, Sr. Warden, and twice as Master. During the first four of these five years, I was dedicated to promoting the continuance of Fullerton Lodge, but despite the hard work and dedication of a few, our ranks continued to diminish – and (devastatingly) we developed an acute shortage of Brethren willing to serve the principal offices. And so I have dedicated my final year of service to the consolidation now at hand. It has, at times, been a rough and rugged road, one beset with perils which threatened success. But we *have* succeeded, this with the guidance of Brotherly Love that again has carried the day. I most sincerely appreciate the faith extended me by the Brethren of Fullerton – serving as Master is not always an easy task, but in the end, it is always worthwhile. Two simple words are among the most important in the world when spoken from the heart – and these I now extend to all members of Fullerton Lodge – *Thank You.*

Consolidation Issues - Final Fullerton Trestleboard

Counting of the (returned) Consolidation Consent Ballots during the November Stated Meeting resulted in there being 130 members agreeing to the terms of the consolidation - this being in excess of 75% of the 171 ballots mailed out to the members, the Master declared the consolidation approved. It was announced that Citrol Lodge had also met the 75% goal. The Consolidation Certificate was read to those present - this certificate was signed and sealed by the Secretary who delivered it to Brother Chuck Cooper (member of the Grand Lodge Charters Committee) the following day (Nov. 6th). The Citrol Consolidation Certificate was delivered on November 15th. Brother Cooper, after determining that all documentation was proper, signed the Certificates and forwarded all necessary material to the Grand Secretary on Nov. 18th. It now remains for the Grand Secretary to review the material and present the Certificates to the Grand Master who is expected to promptly approve the proceedings of our consolidation (in advance of the Dec. 1st effective date proposed in the Fact Sheet). In approving the Certificates, the Grand Master essentially *appoints* the Brethren named in the Fact Sheet as the elected and appointed officers of Gateway Lodge No. 339, who will then preside over the Stated and Special Meetings of the new Lodge (even though not installed) - they are scheduled to be *formally* installed on Saturday, January 11, 1997.

It thus appears that the business of the hard-working Fullerton Consolidation Committee has been concluded. I join Worshipful David Alexander, Chairman, in thanking the members of the Committee for a job well done, and I also thank and congratulate all the Brethren in the Lodge for your faith and cooperation in bring this task to fruition. God Bless.

[These transcripts are from the final Trestleboard (December 1996) of Fullerton Lodge No. 339 - both were written by Jack E. Dotson, last Fullerton Master.]

A Century of Past Masters

Lodge No. 339
(Esperanza/Fullerton)

Lodge No. 656
(Citrol)

Gateway Lodge No. 339

Esperanza Lodge No. 339

- 1900 William M. McFadden
- 1901 George C. Clark
- 1902 James F. Davis
- 1903 James F. Davis

Fullerton Lodge No. 339

- 1904 Arthur Staley
- 1905 M. M. Good
- 1906 R. E. Holloway
- 1907 R. E. Holloway
- 1908 C. F. McFadden
- 1909 C. George Porter
- 1910 Charles E. Ruddock
- 1911 J. R. Gardiner
- 1912 J. R. Gardiner
- 1913 A. E. Griffin
- 1914 A. E. Griffin
- 1915 C. R. Allen
- 1916 C. Stanley Chapman
- 1917 A. G. Miller
- 1918 J. A. Green
- 1919 R. J. McKee
- 1920 P. C. Woodward
- 1921 C. W. Reeve
- 1922 W. A. Goodwin
- 1923 H. G. Meiser
- 1924 H. C. McMaster
- 1925 J. H. Lang
- 1926 W. T. Rodger

Affiliated Past Masters **They also served**

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Ralph M. Fellows
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Frank F. Heyer
Hal Newcomer
Dwayne C. Wright

The Buck Stops Here!

Harry Truman should know; he was Master of his Lodge, Grand Master of Missouri and President. The men here listed have all faced the “Buck”, decisions of which way or how far to go. Lacking a crystal ball, we can’t always tell what’s right, but decide we must – for the Buck waits for no one!

Fullerton Lodge (continued)

Citrol Lodge No. 656

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1953	Alfred W. Moffett	Kenneth R. Welles
1954	Lisle M. White	Norman LeRoy
1955	G. W. Thompson	Harold Freiley
1956	Carl F. Burnett	Claude Williamson
1957	Ralph B. Pease	George E. Cook
1958	W. B. Danenhauer	Elmer Edwards
1959	Merril D. Vantuyl	Marlon Titcomb
1960	Harold W. Ensign	Frank Blystone
1961	Merril D. Vantuyl	Malcom B. McQueen
1962	J. B. Hanke, Jr.	Phil Campbell
1963	Loy Moore	Donald Lacy

Appendix L – A Century of Past Masters

Fullerton Lodge (continued)

1964	Gervis King
1965	Alex Grattan
1966	William F. Wall
1967	Lawrence G. Lindsey
1968	George A. Whiteside
1969	Thoral E. Gilland
1970	Richard F. Pearce
1971	Earl Medoff
1972	David R. Alexander
1973	Raymond F. Lamb
1974	John G. Renner
1975	Phil Davis
1976	Maurice L. Brubaker
1977	James Thompson
1978	Herschel Lakes
1979	Robert Casper
1980	Larry Morris
1981	Fredric Lehr
1982	Dennis Bagger
1983	J. B. Hanke, Jr
1984	George R. Boyd
1985	Kirk Johnson
1986	David J. Alexander
1987	Randall P. Stange
1988	Arnaldo O. Gomez
1989	Fredric Lehr
1990	Terry W. Certain
1991	Anthony G. Murphy
1992	Walter N. Wagner
1993	Jack E. Dotson
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1996	Jack E. Dotson

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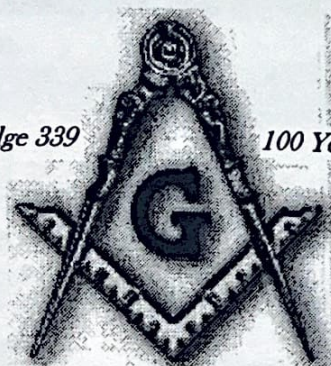
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1997	Richard Mallard
1998	David R. Alexander
1999	Jeffery Hornsby
2000	George Boyd

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December - 1996

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1996 OPERATION SANTA CLAUS Brethren and Friends

A man never stands so tall as when he stoops to help a needy person - especially a child. The adorable little creation of Santa depicted at the left was made by a little girl as a gift to her father - she unknowingly had created a caricature of her true Santa Claus, the man whose love and dedication was the source of her joy and happiness.

But for some children, there is no Santa - no one to call "mom" or "dad". And some mothers and dads, year after year, lack the means to express their love to their families, while other needy men and women may have nobody to love - or to love them back.

As all Masonic orders, Santa Ana Scottish Rite is dedicated to improve the quality of life for our needy fellow beings - and what better way than to bring them joy at this very special time of the year. Please bring gifts of Toys, Clothing, Non-perishable Foods, Health and Beauty Aids, Gift Certificates, Monetary Donations or other items to the Stated Meeting on December 2nd - or drop them off at the Scottish Rite Office. As your family opens presents on Christmas, your heart will surely be enriched with the knowledge that somewhere, someone less fortunate will have a happy holiday because you cared. (Please do not wrap gifts - wrapped gifts cannot be delivered)

Stated Meeting Schedule: Dinner at 6:30 pm
Entertainment at 7:30 pm Meeting at 8:30 pm

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STATED MEETING

Held the first Monday of each month at 7:30 PM at the Ebell Club
Corner of French St. and Civic Center Dr. in Santa Ana.

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Ill. H. Douglas Lemons, 33°
Lt. Grand Commander
of the Supreme Council
Sovereign Grand Inspector
General in California



Ill. Wayne L.
Butterbaugh, 33°
Personal
Representative



Ill. Peter H.
Jantz, 33°
Assistant Personal
Representative

December - 1996

Monday the 2nd at 6:30 PM
STATED MEETING
Christmas Program
Cap and Ring Ceremony

Dinner Menu

Stuffed Pork Loin
Chunky Apple Sauce
Au Gratin Cheese Potatoes
Tossed Green Salad with Ranch
Dressing
Rolls and Butter
Assorted Christmas Butter Cookies

Friday /Saturday 6th / 7th
El Bekal Fall Ceremonial
Palm Springs
Hanukkah

Saturday the 21st
Advisory Council Meeting
DeMolay Center

Wednesday the 25th
Merry Christmas

Tuesday the 31st
New Year's Eve

Wednesday January the 1st
Happy New Year

Dinner Preview for January
Home Made Meat Loaf
Mashed Potatoes and Gravy
Tossed Green Salad with Italian Dressing
Rolls and Butter
Dessert: Carrot Cake
and a very Happy New Year

Lodge of Perfection



Chris R. Christoff, 32°
Venerable Master

During our November Stated Meeting, the following Heads of Bodies were elected to lead our Santa Ana Scottish Rite Valley in 1997:

Charles E. McDaniel, 32° KCCH

Venerable Master, Lodge of Perfection

Richard B. Wood, 32°

Wise Master, Chapter Rose Croix

Wallace F. Cook, Jr., 32°

Commander, Council of Kadosh

Charles A. Nelson, 32°

Master of Kadosh, Consistory

We extend our congratulations to these and our other elected and appointed officers, and our best wishes for a most successful year in guiding our Valley through 1997. The Installation Ceremony will be on Sunday afternoon, January 19th.

The General Douglas MacArthur Memorial Unity Class was a huge success to say the least, and I am very proud of the many Brethren of this Valley who rose to the occasion with more than 100 petitions.

The Cap and Ring Ceremony, to be held prior to our December 2nd Stated Meeting, will be the really big event of the year. Because of the large number of new members and their ladies expected to attend, dinner reservations are particularly imperative - call the Scottish Rite office by Friday morning, November 29th.

I look forward to seeing you at our Stated Meeting on December 2nd.

Sincerely and fraternally,
Chris R. Christoff
Venerable Master

The Spirit of General MacArthur

Old Soldiers Never Die.....Nor Do They Fade Away

He was a pillar of strength and a symbol of hope for the Filipinos whom he adored, and when forced from their midst during their darkest hour, he promised "I shall return". His vow rang loud in the ears of the world, of itself the inspiration to fulfillment of that promise. Such was the hallmark of Douglas MacArthur, and in his words at the close of his military career, he "just fade(d) away, an old soldier who tried to do his duty as God gave him the light to see that duty". MacArthur was called from labor thirteen years later, but the *memory* of this great and good man will never fade away. He is why history books are written.

Ill. Douglas MacArthur, 33°, was with nine Scottish Rite Valleys and two Orders of the Mystic Shrine on November 9, 1996 - he was there in spirit, and that spirit carried the day as surely as it carried peace back to the Philippines in 1944. His spirit served as that great light given him by God to see his duty as an "old soldier", and it guided the 1996 **General Douglas MacArthur Memorial Unity Class** to far higher levels than expected by the many, many Brethren who toiled endlessly to bring it to fruition.

What was accomplished?

♦ In his welcoming address, Ill. H. Douglas Lemons remarked "To say that I am delighted would be an understatement!! - indeed, I am overwhelmed" And his words were echoed by all who attended, from the most recently raised Master Mason to

the most veteran Scottish Rite Mason and Shriner.

♦ Some **six-hundred** candidates took the Degrees of the Scottish Rite or were initiated into the Shrine - for almost all of them, both.

♦ Santa Ana Valley gained more than **one-hundred new members** (including ten from Arizona who received out-of-state courtesy degrees) - and we have some twenty candidates (those who could not attend the Unity Class) lined up for our 1997 Spring Class. Our count was right up there with the larger Valleys of Los Angeles and Long Beach - the finals are not in.

♦ The ritual work of the Degrees was nothing less than superb - each of the five degrees was performed by a different Valley and through dedicated practice, each was a "masterpiece".

♦ Three Santa Ana Brothers were continually in the limelight - **Ill. Peter Jantz, 33°**, who served as Master of Ceremonies, **David Harrington, 32°**, Class Room Committee Chairman, and **Donald Nielson, 32° KCCH**, Registration Committee Chairman. We owe a debt of gratitude to these and to the many others among our ranks who served behind the scenes and who left few stones unturned in seeking out candidates. The spirit of Santa Ana Valley, combined with that of Douglas MacArthur, is the Rite path to success - big time!

♦ And those great **Shriners** - what a job by both El Bekal and Al Malaikah. Their work was superb, and their hospitality unmatched.

The General Douglas MacArthur Memorial Unity Class



The following has been compiled from his welcoming address to the Unity Class to relay the thoughts of Ill. H. Douglas Lemons on this momentous occasion.

Ill. H. Douglas Lemons, 33°

Lieutenant Grand Commander and Sovereign
Grand Inspector General in California

"How good and how pleasant it is" to greet such a large number of distinguished Master Masons who now desire to expand their knowledge of Ancient Craft Masonry by becoming 32nd Degree Masters of the Royal Secret.

On behalf of the scores of Scottish Rite and Shrine Workers, I extend our warm greetings as you commence your journey through the ineffable degrees of the Lodge of Perfection - the historical and religious degrees of the Chapter Rose Croix - the philosophical and chivalric degrees of the Council of Kadosh - and the ceremonial and official degrees of the Consistory.

You may well ask, "what is the Scottish Rite of Freemasonry?" I can tell you first what it is *not* ...it is not the formal organization ...nor is it our magnificent temples ...nor is it a severely secret society ...nor is it merely ritual.

Our overall mission is to seek that which is the most worth in the world - to exalt the dignity of every person, the human side of our daily activities, and the maximum service to humanity - to aid mankind's search in God's universe for identity, for development, and for destiny - and thereby to achieve better men in a better world, happier men in a happier world, and wiser men in a wiser world.

Our ultimate goal is mankind's moral, spiritual and intellectual development.

Historically, the Scottish Rite of Freemasonry evolved as the Rite of Perfection over 200 years ago on the continent of

Europe under the regulations of 1762. Later, the *Grand Constitutions* of 1786 were enacted. These became the creative laws for us and all descendant Supreme Councils of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite. Our Supreme Council was organized at Charleston, South Carolina, in 1801 as the Mother Supreme Council of the World, and hence all regular and recognized Supreme Councils throughout the world in some 33 nations must trace their pedigree to us.

We learn our mission in a system of progressive degrees of instruction. We teach our members the highest ethics, the wise expositions of philosophy and religion, and the blessings of charity. Our code of personal conduct stems from the precepts of chivalry, the Ten Commandments and the Golden Rule. We reveal the wisdom of the lesser and greater mysteries and their symbols of words and phrases long considered lost - these are the truths that Plato, Pythagoras, Socrates, Homer and other intellects held in high esteem - truths which reappeared in later religions but not disclosed until after timely preparation and purification of selected and trusted initiates.

Our Scottish Rite hospital for crippled children in Atlanta was the forerunner of the vast chain of Shrine hospitals that now stretch across the nation, and we point with pride to our 130 childhood language disorder clinics in 35 states.

We advocate complete separation of church, absolute freedom and protection of religion, press and assembly, and the dignity of every individual. These we consider vital for the ultimate liberties and independence of our people. The Scottish Rite is aptly known as the strong arm of Freemasonry - one of the chief safeguards for making sure the winds of liberty will continue to blow across this land we love.

Discover the Rite

Contributions from

.....III. Peter H. Jantz, 33°

Depending on individual background, interests and experiences, philosophic and Masonic concepts mean different things to different people. The following is not presented that you must accept it as the only explanation, but rather to interest you in studying for yourself. Potential sources would be A Bridge to Light (Hutchins), Morals and Dogma (Pike) and Commentary on Morals and Dogma (Clausen) - these and other books are available in your Scottish Rite Library. Members are also invited to study the Liturgy and Legenda of each degree.

The Twenty-First Degree:

Noachite, or Prussian Knight

The twentieth-first degree is entitled Noachite, or Prussian Knight. It came to us from the Prussian Knights in France and has a very interesting history and character. The Prussian Knights called themselves Noachites, or disciples of Noah, and designated other knights as Hiramites, or disciples of Hiram.

The action of this degree involves a knight, recently returned from the Crusades, who found his lands and heritage stolen under a forged deed. He appealed to the Prussian Judges for justice and a secret midnight trial was held. Successive ordeals were applied between the

complaining knight and the accused, all sustaining the charge. Hence, the wrongdoers were banished and the knight's rightful lands and possessions were restored to him.

The story thus supports man's belief in a Supreme Being and in His willingness to sustain truth and right a wrong. The experience confirms the supreme thoughts of theology and goes beyond Aristotle's teaching that God cannot be seen, heard, smelled, tasted or touched. Today, we must concede the reality of extrasensory perception. How can it be said that God is beyond man's reach if man can communicate with another human being distant in space or time. It must follow that man is capable of religious experiences of profound significance.

The value of our Scottish Rite Degrees lies in a discovery of spiritual elements that are of far more importance than the material environment in which man has imprisoned himself.



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On October 10th, we concluded the second class of our current school year schedule. The six remaining classes for this year and all eight classes for the 1997-98 school year are full. Due to the importance of this training in our school system, we continue to have a waiting list. In January, the Foundation will be scheduling eight more classes for the 1998-99 school year. If you know of a school that would be interested in this training, call the Foundation office in San Francisco at 1-(800) 900-2727 and we will put them on the waiting list. Remember, schools attend our training on a first come, first serve basis.

BECAUSE WE CARE, 129 students attending college this year received scholarships totaling more than \$160,000. Beginning in 1997, awards will increase from \$1500 to \$2000. Since 1970, your Foundation has presented more than one million dollars to students to further their education.

BECAUSE WE CARE, this year the California Masomic Foundation will continue the following programs:

Our Scholarship program,
Our Masonic Student Assistance Program,
\$10,000 to the National Foundation for Children,
\$10,000 to support the leadership programs of our Youth Orders,
Publication of the Scholarship Manual for our Youth Orders,
\$5,000 to the California Teacher-of-the-Year program, and
\$500 to public schools where Grand Lodge performs a cornerstone ceremony.

BECAUSE WE CARE, your financial support of our programs is urgently needed. The need for college level scholarships and Masonic Student Assistance training in our public schools is growing every year. We currently offer our communities a wonderful service and we need to do everything within our power to ensure that our programs meet the needs of our young people. The future of our country and the freedom of future generations is embodied in our motto:

**AN INVESTMENT IN OUR COUNTRY'S FUTURE
THROUGH EDUCATION.**

Contributed by David C. Decker, 32°
President, California Masonic Foundation



Secretary Sez



Ill. Dean F. Bradley, 33°
General Secretary

Ill. Mark Schrock, 33°
Interim Secretary

Brethren, please note that the Fall Cap and Ring Ceremony will be in concert with our December Stated Meeting (usually in November), this as the result of the General Douglas MacArthur Memorial Unity Class having convened in November. And noting that we took on more than one hundred new members during the class, we expect to serve well over two hundred for dinner as compared to a norm of about seventy-five. It is therefore more important than ever that reservations be made prior to noon of November 29th.

Brother Bob Larson has agreed to handle distribution of our Operation Santa Claus gifts to the Children's Hospital of Orange County and the Social Services of Orange County - bring your gifts to the December Stated Meeting or drop them off at the Scottish Rite Office ahead of time. If bringing a gift would incur an inconvenience, why not consider sending a monetary contribution? - no amount is too large or too small.

Have a Happy Holiday with peace and good will for you and yours,

Scottish Rite News Editor for

Dean Bradley, 33° and Mark Schrock, 33°
General Secretary & Interim Secretary

Guided Tour of Bowers Museum

Lady's Luncheon and Tour

Ladies! Mark your calendars now! Save January 14, 1997 for lunch and a docent-led tour of Bowers Museum of Cultural Art in Santa Ana. Details of this special occasion will be published in the January issue of the Scottish Rite News, but for now, please note the date and keep it free for an afternoon of pleasure.

Memorium

Virtus Junxit-Mors Non Separabit

(Whom Virtue has United, Death will not Separate)

Samual F. Garton, 32°

Charter Member

Born: 12/07/09

Passed: 09/17/96

Blue Lodge: Saddleback Laguna No. 672

Wayne Richard Devenny, Sr., 32°

Charter Member

Born: 10/13/12

Passed: 08/28/96

Blue Lodge: Kiabab No. 25 (Utah)

Harold Smollen, 32°

Born: 11/20/23

Passed: 10/22/96

Blue Lodge: Huntington Beach No. 380

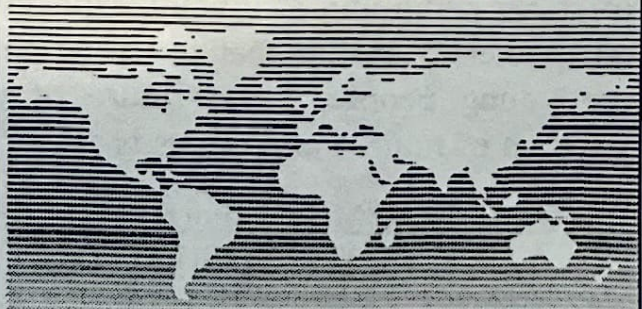
William Arthur Upson, 32°

Born: 10/27/11

Passed: 10/06/96

Blue Lodge: Kane No. 380 (Indiana)

WHEREVER IN THE WORLD YOU MAY BE DURING THE HOLIDAY:



**Pray for freedom and lasting peace
for all mankind in the New Year**

From the Editor



Jack E. Dotson, 32°
Editor
Santa Ana Scottish
Rite News

After some six months of anticipation regarding the 1996 General Douglas MacArthur Memorial Unity Class - after the many months of wondering just how many "Round Tuits" would be returned - after practically reinventing the wheel regarding procedures and logistics of an undertaking of such magnitude - and after running out of photographs and low on fresh words of praise for General MacArthur, many of us were beginning to wonder if it would be worthwhile. Now we know!! A smashing hit, a 10+ performance, a win for everyone, and a much needed shot in the arm for Freemasonry. In a word, OVERWHELMING.

Those who couldn't make it on November 9th missed a really big show. Al Malaikah Shrine Temple is a BIG building - and it was *full* of smiling faces and good will. All did their jobs to perfection, and the results were - well - perfection. Six-hundred candidates and hundreds of veteran Scottish Rite Masons and Shriners applauded each and every degree as though a Broadway hit - and the casts were deserving. A very long day seemed short as Blue Lodge Masons, Scottish Rite Masons, and Shriners joined hands for the betterment of all, and all were enriched with Brotherhood from one another. WOW!

Wishing all a Happy Holiday and a prosperous New Year,

Ed Jed

Ambassador News

We have quite a few presentations to report this issue, gifts from our Valley to the newly obligated Brethren in the area. We thank our Ambassadors for keeping on top of things in their Lodges, and also for the many new Scottish Rite Masons and Shriners sponsored in the great 1996 General Douglas MacArthur Memorial Unity Class. Keep up the good work!

ENTERED APPRENTICE DEGREE

La Habra Lodge No. 659

Candidate: James Johnson

Presented by Kenneth Sime, 32° KCCH

FELLOWCRAFT DEGREE

Fullerton Lodge No. 339

Candidate: Victor K. Asfour

Presented by Jack E. Dotson, 32°

La Habra No. 659

Candidates: Chris Burdy

Douglas Slatter

Presented by Kenneth Sime, 32° KCCH

MASTER MASON DEGREE

Fullerton Lodge No. 339

Candidate: Victor K. Asfour

Presented by Jack E. Dotson, 32°

La Habra Lodge No. 659

Candidate: Daniel McGraw

Presented by Kenneth Sime, 32° KCCH

Yorba Linda Lodge No. 469


Candidate: Mark Bardwell

Presented by Joseph Caruso, 32°

Citrol Lodge No. 656

Candidate: Robert Freidman

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DECEMBER 02 STATED MEETING - CHRISTMAS PROGRAM - CAP AND RING CEREMONY

06 EL BEKAL FALL CEREMONIAL (PALM SPRINGS) - HANUKKAH

21 ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING (DEMOLAY CENTER)

25 MERRY CHRISTMAS

JANUARY 01 HAPPY NEW YEAR

06 STATED MEETING

14 LADIES LUNCHEON AND TOUR OF BOWERS MUSEUM

19 INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS - SPEAKER GRAND MASTER ALLEN GRESHAM

FEBRUARY 02 HAPPY GROUNDHOG DAY

03 STATED MEETING

MARCH 02 STATED MEETING

15 ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING (DEMOLAY CENTER)

16 SPRING SUPER BREAKFAST (TENTATIVE)

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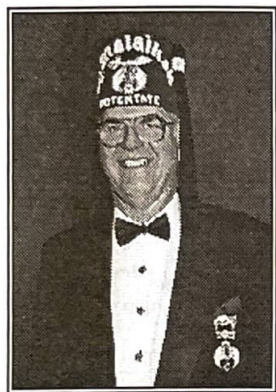
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1998

SANTA ANA VALLEY SHRINE NIGHT

Monday, March the 2nd

Dinner at 6:30

(Reservations a Must)

Entertainment at 7:30

Stated Meeting at 8:30

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El Bekal



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In commemoration of America's best-loved-ever humorist, every Master Mason receiving his 32nd Scottish Rite Degree in 1998 will be a member of an exclusive . . .

WILL ROGERS CLASS

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**Tuesday the 17th
St. Patrick's Day**

Friday and Saturday
March 20th and 21st

Will Rogers Spring Reunion Class

See Pages 5 and 6

The 1998 Scottish Rite year has begun and our first meeting is now history.

What an honor it is to serve the Santa Ana Lodge of Perfection as your Venerable Master. I am very grateful to each of you for the confidence you have placed in me this year. With your support and assistance from our corps of officers serving with me, I know this will be an outstanding year for our Valley.

The installation of officers on January 18 was exceptional. My thanks to all who attended, especially Ill. H. Douglas Lemons who served as Installing Officer and Ill. Mark Schrock who served as Master of Ceremonies along with Jim Quinelly as Chaplain. Your work was beautiful and I truly appreciate what you do for me.

This month we will honor the Brothers in the Shrine. Please make an effort to come out and celebrate with Ill. Ned Driggers, Potentate of Al Malaikah Temple and Ill. Don Eyer of El Bekal and their officers. Let's all show them how important they are by wearing the fez of the Temple to which we belong. A full house will make them feel at home and show our unity to both organizations. The entertainment will be furnished by Al Malaikah this year. Come out and see what Ned has arranged. You won't be disappointed.

A special tribute to "Hey You" Charles McDaniel and his officers for an outstanding year of service. You have set a standard which will be hard to follow. If every member of our Valley will step forward and attend our meetings and serve where needed, we will again be the Number One Valley in the Orient of California.

Fraternally,
Don Nielsen

El Bekal & Al Malaikah

ANCIENT ARABIC ORDERS OF THE NOBLES OF THE MYSTIC SHRINE
TO BE HONORED BY SANTA ANA VALLEY SCOTTISH RITE

LARGE TURNOUT EXPECTED MAKE DINNER RESERVATIONS EARLY

The Nobles of Al Malaikah and El Bekal Shrines will be honored in concert with our March Stated Meeting (March 2nd) and as usual, our Shrine Brothers will furnish the entertainment for the evening - Al Malaikah Potentate Ned Driggers promises an enjoyable program.

Venerable Master Don Nielsen will serve as Master of Ceremonies for the evening; being a Past Potentate of El Bekal, Illustrious Don is sure to bring out the best of the best in both Shrines.

"Shrine Night" is a another way of saying "Fun Night", for Shriners thrive on good fun and entertainment. Their antics in parades and fairs bring squeals of delight from young and old alike, and incalculable satisfaction to the Shriners! The Shrine is truly the Masonic window to the public, a showcase reflecting fun, laughter, contentment and the delight of feeling good about the world and what's in it. The spice of life for these Nobles is to share their talents and joy with the peoples of the world and to relish the fun along the way.

Enough cannot be said about the great Shriners' Creed (see column right) which truly reflects the *essence* of Freemasonry. And as we are aware, the Nobles of the Shrine adhere to this creed in mind and action as attested by the great Shriners Hospitals for Children, now in the 76th year of service, which has cured or substantially helped more than 559,000 children and operated on a \$425 million

budget in 1997! Although these records are most impressive, they do not reflect the millions of additional lives *affected* by their operations - the grateful parents, families and friends of the patients treated in the hospitals. Indeed, every good man should become a Mason in order to become a Shriner. Please come out and express your appreciation in person.

SHRINERS' CREED

Shriners believe in God and that He created man to serve His Purposes, among which is service to others in His name.

We believe that care for the less fortunate, especially children who suffer from burns and crippling diseases, is our institutional calling.

We are patriots, each willing to serve his country with fidelity and courage. We cherish independence under law and freedom with responsibility.

We honor family. We respect our parents, wives and children! We should instill in our children the tenets of this creed and the heritage from which it emanates.

As individuals, we pledge ourselves to integrity, virtue and nobility of character. Our intentions will be honorable, our relations will be trustworthy and our spirits forgiving of each other.

As brothers we offer each other fraternal affection and respect. Together we will support each other in adherence to this creed, so that we and our communities will be the better because of our fraternity and its principles.

As Shriners we look beyond ourselves to serve the needs of others, especially children who cannot help themselves. We believe Shriners Hospitals to be the world's greatest philanthropy, and we covenant with each other to support its "temples of mercy" with spirit, time, talent and means.

Friend To Friend
The Legacy Grows

Legends Of Freemasonry
Yesterday Today Tomorrow



1998 CLASSES DEDICATED TO WILL ROGERS



William Penn Adair Rogers, born in Oologah, Indian Territory (now Oklahoma) in 1879, was a true cowboy who came to be known as the world's greatest. It didn't take him long (probably by age three or four) to drop the more capricious aspects of his name, branding himself plain ol' "Will Rogers", the man whose homespun humor and talents brought joy to the world, the man who never met a man he didn't like, the man *loved* by every man

who ever met him and millions who did not, the man whose sudden death in 1935 saddened the hearts of the world. Will Rogers, a man among all men, a Mason among *all* Masons.

Will Rogers learned the tricks of his trade as a youngster on his father's ranch and quickly developed a talent in rope twirling and lassoing. At an early age, he shipped out to the pampas (plains) of Argentina where he worked as a gaucho (cowpuncher) for \$4.00 a month; he later cowpunched in Australia and in Africa. On returning home, he began a career as a rope-throwing cowboy in steer-roping contests and Wild West shows where he wowed his audiences by simultaneously tossing *two* ropes, one catching the horse, the other the rider. His roping talents led to New York vaudeville where his act was embellished with witty patter, thus unveiling a most startling attribute - that the man who branded himself as "ignerent" was actually among the most intelligent in the country. He made his points by expressing complex issues (often political) in simplistic terms, expressions recognized as thinly disguised wisdom (as intended) by some and as mere humor by others (example: "Communism to me is one third practice and two thirds explanation."). His personality was a reflection of his inner self; simplicity, realism and caring. Will Rogers knew all about Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth long before he became a Mason, and he practiced these principles until his dying day. He stands tall among Hollywood's great movie stars and his syndicated weekly and daily newspaper columns were the most widely read in his time. He wrote a series of books which reflect his uncanny knack for explaining the most complex issues in the most understanding manner. Will Rogers was not famous for any given feat but rather for *everything* he was.

THE 1998 SANTA ANA VALLEY WILL ROGERS SPRING REUNION CLASS

SPRING CLASS MEMBERS NEEDED

The Brethren of Santa Ana Valley rose to the occasion during the tenure of Membership Chairman Emeritus George McCracken, especially when inspired by dedications to three great American military leaders who helped defend against those seeking to enslave the peoples of the world: Jimmy Doolittle, Douglas MacArthur and Arleigh Burke. As these heroes of freedom succeeded in inspiring the world to fight for the Holy cause of Liberty, so did their spirits inspire the Santa Ana Brethren to gain significant prominence in California (indeed, in the Southern Jurisdiction) with regard to new members gained:

- ♦ **1996 Trophy** for members in the 1995 Jimmy Doolittle Classes.
- ♦ **1997 Trophy** for members in the 1996 Douglas MacArthur Classes.
- ♦ **1998 Trophy** (*probable*) for members in the 1997 Arleigh Burke Classes (not announced, but Santa Ana appears to have prevailed).

Three Classes are scheduled for 1998 (Spring and Fall Reunion Classes and a Shrine Unity Class in June), all of which will be dedicated to Brother Will Rogers. Many of us remember the sorrow of his tragic death (1935) in an airplane crash in Alaska, and also his films and writings of wit and humor which softened the severity of life during the depression. Mankind will ever remember his simple and homespun demeanor, his reaching out to the weary and unhappy by giving them hope and a reason to smile. The life of Will Rogers was

not timed to bring peace to a world troubled with war, but he brought peace aplenty to the troubled minds of his generation while here on earth - he will never be forgotten.

The Brethren of Santa Ana Valley are urged to now honor the spirit of Brother Will Rogers - a spirit which carried the day for so many so long ago - a spirit which can carry us to the brink of the new millenium with ever-increasing membership, the lifeblood of the Fraternity. Allow his spirit to so inspire *you* in 1998.

General Schedule

Will Rogers Spring Reunion Class

FRIDAY March the 20th

- 6:30pm: Class Registration/Coffee
- 7:00pm: Class Assembly/Welcome
- 7:45pm: 4th Degree - Auditorium
- 8:20pm: Communication of 5th through 13th Degrees
- 9:00pm: 14th Degree - Auditorium
- 10:15pm: Communication of 15th through 17th Degrees

SATURDAY March the 21st

- 7:15am: Class Registration/Coffee
- 8:00am: 18th Degree - Auditorium
- 9:25am: Communication of 19th through 28th Degrees
- 10:25am: 29th Degree - Auditorium
- 11:05am: Class Photo Taking
- 11:15am: Class Briefings
- 11:30am: Lunch - Dining Room
- 12:00noon: Introductions
- 12:20pm: Class Briefings
- 12:50pm: 30th Degree - Auditorium
- 2:10pm: Communication of the 31st Degree and Class Briefings
- 2:35pm: 32nd Degree - Auditorium
- 3:35pm: Class Briefings
- 4:00pm: Class Dismissed
- 4:10pm: Formal Closing of Lodges

DO YOUR NEIGHBORS KNOW?

As you read this article, take a few minutes to think about your relationship with Freemasonry.

Thinking hard? Good! Now ask yourself whether *your* neighbor, one who sleeps (perhaps) but 50 feet away, knows you as an honest and true man, a man of charity, a Mason.

As Masons, we know we may not ask a man to be a Mason, but this neighbor just might be interested if he but knew the kind of a man you are, that there stands a just and upright Mason, proud to be a member of the oldest fraternity in the world, proud of its beliefs and teachings.

WOULD HE THEN ASK TO JOIN?

As I have previously written, I believe Masonry is as strong, well and active as it has ever been. True, we need more members, and I feel the way to help turn the tide is for each of us to make sure that our neighbors, those across the street and behind us as well as those on either side, that *all* of our neighbors know that we are active Masonic Families.

We should also keep others informed: those we meet in the supermarkets, banks and drugstores where we do our business; those in civic centers and other places where we may chance to meet them.

If, beginning today, we each concentrated on inviting even one person to a layman's night dinner barbecue or fun gathering, our numbers would grow dramatically.

Brethren, we owe it to our Craft.

From the writings of Brother Bill Sizemore, 32°

JOB'S DAUGHTERS VISIT

The following song (to the tune of the "Gilligan's Island" theme) was a tribute to those of us who visited Bethel No. 290 on February 11th.

Just sit right there and you'll hear a tale
A tale of a special night
That started from this Temple
On Valentine's Night
Everyone was all dressed up
The Scottish Rite was there
They came to see us do our work
And share some cheer
And share some cheer

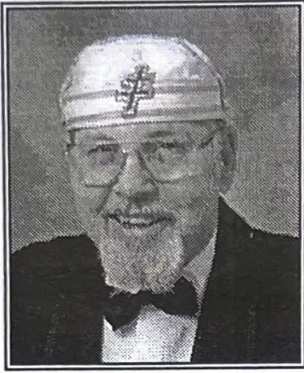
The officers had Valentines
To give to all the men
To show their love and gratitude
For how nice they've been
How nice they have been
We enjoy to see your faces whenever you visit
Like Mr. Dotson, Mr. Lefler too
Mr. Butterbaugh and his wife
Mr. Nielsen and the rest
Here at our meetings.

The Librarian's Report also was a compliment to our Valley:

S is for *sunshine* that you love to share
C is for *caring* for all
O is for *outstanding* people that you are
T is for *taking time* to volunteer
T is for *trusting* us with your dinners
I is for *impressing* upon the world your love
S is for *smiling* all the time
H is for *hope* that you give to many
R is for *returning* to the community
I is for *intelligence* you've gained over the years
T is for *thanks* that we all give to you
E is for *effort* that you put into everything

The Jobies and Council Members were exceptional hosts and as usual, their work was delightful - the best way we know of to spend an evening.

Secretary Sez



Ill. Dean F. Bradley
33°
General Secretary

More and more our Brethren are moving hither and yon. Unfortunately, the Post Office delivers to the forwarding address, then charges \$.32 extra postage to our Valley; this makes the cost of postage for forwarded Scottish Rite News issues \$.495 per item. This morning the mail had 8 returns. My Brethren, please, when you move or are going to be absent, notify your Post Office. No 3rd Class mail is forwarded, it is returned to the sender, and our Valley suffers the cost. I would appreciate everyone's help with this problem.

Fraternally,
Dean F. Bradley, 33°

Yesterday is for that which is past - it is now too late to complete that which we planned but didn't accomplish yesterday.

Tomorrow is for the future - for those things planned for tomorrow, and to make up for the things we didn't accomplish today.

Today furnishes the only reality; once it is gone, it becomes yesterday - don't waste it lest you run out of tomorrows before you accomplish your goals.

In Memorium

Virtus Junxit-Mors Non Separabit
(Whom Virtue has United, Death will not Separate)

William Sterling Jorgenson, 32°

Born: 09/17/14

Passed: 12/21/97

Blue Lodge: Greenleaf Gardens No. 670

Clarence Robert Beck, Jr., 32°

Born: 04/30/11

Passed: 01/12/98

Blue Lodges: Irvine Valley No. 671 and
Redlands No. 300

WHEREVER IN THE WORLD YOU MAY BE THIS DAY:



Take time to live:

It is one secret to success.

Take time to think:

It is the source of power.

Take time to play:

It is the secret to youth.

Take time to relax:

It clears your mind for tomorrow.

Take time to read:

It is the basis of knowledge.

Take time for study:

It is expansion of knowledge.

Take time for friendship:

It is the source of happiness.

Take time to laugh:

It helps to lift life's load.

Take time to dream:

It hitches the soul to the stars.

Take time for God:

It is life's only lasting investment.



CHECK

OUT YOUR LODGE

FOR NEW SCOTTISH RITE MASONS

From the Editor



Jack E. Dotson,
32° K.C.:C.:H.:
Editor, Santa Ana
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We recently were informed that the Santa Ana Valley Eighteenth Degree Team (Knight Rose Croix) has been selected to perform their Degree for the Will Rogers Unity Class at Al Malaikah Shrine Temple in June. This honor is a well-deserved credit to the Valley and especially to the Rose Croix Degree Team and Degree Master George McCracken whose cast consists primarily of Scottish Rite Masons from Yorba Linda Lodge No. 469. This team, named "most improved" in the Valley in 1997, also conducts the impressive ceremonies of *Extinguishing the Lights* on Maundy Thursday and *Relighting the Lights* on Easter Sunday, and furthermore, Jeffrey Dotson, 32°, who performs the role of Wise Master, was presented with the prestigious "Georgie" award in 1997 for his outstanding work.

Each member of the Valley also owes a tip of his Scottish Rite Cap (whatever the color) to Ill. Peter Jantz, 33°, for his masterful job in preparing for and moderating a special Blue Lodge Membership Seminar at Pasadena Scottish Rite Center on February 7th. The thrust of this session was to devise team programs for in-home meetings with prospective candidates and their families regarding the merits of the whole of Masonry. Several impressive videos for use in such programs were previewed and evaluated; selected videos and other material will be furnished at

little or no cost to the Lodges. Known as "Friend to Friend", the program has been derived from one currently in use in Pennsylvania with a great deal of success. Harvey Mayhill, 32°, is also involved in this new plan for gaining members and keeping them interested in Masonry after conference of their degrees. *Ed Jed*

Ambassador News

The Blue Lodge Membership Seminar (February 7th at the Pasadena Scottish Rite Masonic Center) reviewed in "From the Editor" (column left) was found interesting by the several Santa Ana Ambassadors in attendance. It will require some amount of time for teams to be trained and activated in individual Lodges for identifying and contacting prospective members and their families, however, degree presentations should drastically increase as a result. This new plan affords an opportunity for our Ambassadors to become involved in developing individual Lodge programs and/or to serve as Visitation Team members making direct contact with candidate families. The concept is exciting and the possibilities unlimited.

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Presented by Kay Hara, 32°

Yorba Linda Lodge No. 469

Candidate: Allen Wayne Nicely
Presented by Joseph Caruso, 32°

San Dimas Lodge No. 428

Candidates: Gregory Allen Moyer
Sam McDonald
Presented by Richard Wood, PM, 32°

MASTER MASON DEGREE

Yorba Linda Lodge No. 459

Candidates: Kenneth R. Daut
Presented by George McCracken, 32° KCCH

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17	<u>ST. PATRICK'S DAY</u>
20-21	<u>WILL ROGERS SPRING CLASS REUNION - SPRING BEGINS (20TH)</u>
APRIL 05	<u>PALM SUNDAY - BEGIN DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME</u>
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10	<u>GOOD FRIDAY</u>
11	<u>PASSOVER</u>
12	<u>EASTER - BREAKFAST, RE-LIGHTING THE LIGHTS</u>
19	<u>ORTHODOX EASTER</u>
MAY 04	<u>STATED MEETING - PUBLIC SCHOOLS NIGHT</u>
10	<u>MOTHER'S DAY</u>
31	<u>MEMORIAL DAY (OBSERVED)</u>
JUNE 01	<u>STATED MEETING</u>
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ROY ROGERS AND TRIGGER

“The King of the Cowboys” rode into the hearts of America on his palomino mount, giving us a sense of justice and pride. He showed us that right always prevails and gave us values for setting our goals. He was an institution, our role model and our hero. His performances reflected his way of life: honesty and concern for his fellow man. His spirit will be ever with us.

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THE YEAR OF THE COWBOY

GENE AUTRY AND CHAMPION

“America’s Favorite Singing Cowboy” was a tradition on a strawberry roan, the only entertainer with five stars in Hollywood’s Walk of Fame. After an entertainment career spanning 60 years, he changed horses by becoming a broadcast executive and major league baseball club owner. He was proud to risk his life for his country and his country is proud of him.

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March 1999

Monday the 1st March Stated Meeting

**El Bekal and Al Malaikah
Shrine Night
entertainment by
El Bekal Oriental Band**

Dinner Menu for March
Homemade Meatloaf
Mashed Potatoes and Gravy
Salad with Ranch Dressing
Rolls and Butter
Cupcakes for Dessert

Sunday the 7th Spring Super Breakfast See Page 7

Wednesday the 17th St. Patrick's Day

**Saturday the 20th
Advisory Council Meeting
DeMolay Center
9:00 to 11:00 AM
(Spring Begins)**

Advance April Dinner Menu
Rosemary Chicken
Rice Pilaf
Green Salad with Dressing
Rolls and Butter
Brownies for Dessert

Lodge of Perfection



Joseph H. Morris
32°K.: C.: C.: H.:
Venerable Master

The Scottish Rite Cap is a part of the uniform and is treated as such. Consequently, it must not be removed when the flag is passing by, while repeating the Pledge of Allegiance or participating in prayer.

The Brothers of El Bekal and Al Malaikah Shrines will visit our Valley in concert with our March Stated Meeting, during which the world-renowned El Bekal Oriental Band will entertain. This band has won the World Championship for the last three years, so please come and enjoy their fine performance.

The Spring Super Breakfast will be on Sunday, March 7 from 7:30 to 11:00 AM. Bring your family and friends to enjoy a good meal while relaxing with your Scottish Rite Brothers. This important fundraiser needs your contribution and support.

Remember to bring your Scottish Rite Dues card to Stated Meetings for showing to the Tiler at the door.

The Santa Ana Advisory Board will meet at the DeMolay Center on Saturday, March 20 from 9:00 to 11:00 AM. Please come if you can – we need your support.

Fraternally, Joe

1999 - The Scottish Rite Year of the Cowboy

cow (kou) *noun*, domesticated bovine of either sex or any age.

Had there been a "Presidential Suite" on Noah's Ark, it would surely have been occupied by the species "cow", for cows have been incredibly important to mankind from time immemorial. Brazen or golden images of cows have been idolized as gods, and a significant segment of society considers them sacred. In serving man, they are a major source of dairy and meat products and of important byproducts, including leather and fertilizer (lots of it!). Their being contributes mightily to economics: consumer products, materials and (importantly) employment. This economic chain necessarily begins at the source, the ranchers who breed and nurture their "critters" for specialized markets. And of course, the grassroots of the ranches are the Cowboys, the unsung heroes who risk life and limb protecting their charges from harm's way. Which *finally* brings us to our point.

Unsung heroes? Well, yes, for some, but certainly not all. Teddy Roosevelt (albeit transplanted from New York) was a cowboy who made it to the White House via San Juan Hill. Many of our cowboy movie heroes of yesteryear were actual cowhands who parlayed their working skills into a new breed of entertainment which took the country (indeed, the world) by storm: Will Rogers, Tom Mix, Ken Maynard, Tex Ritter and numerous others. Collectively, these performers contributed heavily to the "Legends of the Old West" which by and large, promoted the theme: "The Good Prevail, the Bad Lose". Along that line, *singing* cowboy Gene Autry starred in his first movie, "Tumbling Tumbleweeds", in 1935 which introduced Roy Rogers in a support role. The "singing cowboy" quickly became the film genre of western movies. Gene and Roy prevailed over all others who broke into the field, and both enjoyed very long and prosperous careers. Despite a certain amount of rivalry, they remained good friends for more than sixty years - and both passed away during 1998.

The music and performances of Gene Autry and Roy Rogers brought a great deal of happiness to the world and were inspirations to youngsters and adults alike. Nobody *ever* picked up a bad example from either, for they lived their lives according to their movie roles. Each was a 33° Mason who practiced his obligations and vows at every turn. They were good citizens who loved their country. Each possessed an incredible combination of talent - music and acting - which imprinted the importance of even ordinary things in the minds and in the hearts of their very devoted audiences - tumble weeds, happy trails, dogies and red-nosed reindeers. They inspired you to sing even if you didn't know how, and their examples of honesty and clean living were most certainly a boon to every mother and dad who ever tried to rear their children according to the Commandments of God. These countless examples of exemplary conduct are more enriching than wealth or power, and although Gene Autry and Roy Rogers are no longer with us in body, their spirits will ever remain to guide every little boy or girl who ever played "cowboy" or sang a cowboy song. The Scottish Rite Valleys in California proudly dedicate 1999 to The Cowboys, Gene Autry and Roy Rogers. *Ex Ed Jed*

Cowboy Gene Autry, 33°

The memory of departed Brother Gene Autry will co-star (along with that of Roy Rogers) in the great 1999 California Scottish Rite production, The Year of the Cowboy. This gala will include special performances during our Spring and Fall Reunion Classes.

Brother Autry passed away in October 1998 at age 91, leaving a legacy of accomplishment seldom matched. He excelled in the fields of entertainment, business and major league baseball. In the Scottish Rite, he was a 33rd Degree Inspector General Honorary and recipient of the Grand Cross of Honor. The oft-told tale regarding his break into the entertainment world bears repeating:

Gene purchased an \$8 guitar at age 12 that became his constant companion. While working as a telegrapher for an Oklahoma railroad in 1927, a stranger ambled into the station one night and, spotting the guitar, asked Gene if he played. "Some", replied Gene. "Like to hear ya", drawled the man, and Gene strummed and sang. Nodding approval, the stranger said, "You oughta go to New York and get on radio." Gene then sent his telegram, signed "Will Rogers". The railroad thus lost a good telegrapher who wasted little time in climbing his ladder to the stars.

Our great and vast country is curiously small at times, as the paths of two singing cowboys – Gene Autry and Roy Rogers – continually crisscrossed those of the great Will Rogers until his untimely death eight years later. And it is fitting that The Year of the Cowboy now commemorates *their* reunion in realms beyond the skies. Happy Trails!

Cowboy Roy Rogers, 33°

Once upon a time, a starry-eyed young Texas gal named Frances Smith said that as a child, she dreamed of marrying Tom Mix (then *the* silent movie cowboy star) and having six children. On growing up, however, she married a man named Leonard Slye, but by then she had changed her name to Dale Evans and he was known as Roy Rogers. "As it turned out," she later remarked, "I came pretty close to my dream, didn't I?" Well, there are those among us who believe she far exceeded it, for we can only wonder how many starry-eyed young ladies were to dream of marrying Roy Rogers – or how many goo-goo-eyed guys would have died for even one smile from Dale Evans.

For some years, Roy sang with the Sons of the Pioneers, and while playing a 1935 benefit for the Salvation Army in San Bernardino, he was thrilled to chat with Will Rogers (star of the show) and his friend Wiley Post. The very next day, Will and Wiley left for Alaska in an airplane they'd fixed up – and the crash near Point Barrow in which they were killed seemed to stop the world.

Roy Rogers went on to star in 87 films (26 co-starring Dale Evans), numerous television shows and some 5000 charitable appearances. At age 59, he began a new career: recording country-Western music as soloist – and he promptly topped the sales charts.

Brother Roy passed away in July 1998. He was a 33rd Degree Inspector General Honorary, and we are proud to honor his memory as *co-star* in the great 1999 Scottish Rite Production, The Year of the Cowboy.

Valley to Honor El Bekal and Al Malaikah Shrine

A past issue of the Santa Ana Scottish Rite News expressed this editorial view of the Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine (the Shrine):

Nearly two thousand years ago, a bright star over Bethlehem was a beacon of hope for all mankind. Some nineteen hundred years later, the Mystic Shrine was born, albeit with much less notice. There was no star in the heavens to signify its birth - it was left to the good men of the Shrine to create their own. And create they did - their Shrine Hospitals, dedicated to the relief of the children of the world. Shriners are encompassed by an aura of goodwill and relief. The Shrine Hospitals are the beacons of the business of the Order - of children - that those near death may have a chance to live, that those in distress may find a way to go, that those without funds may be afforded the very best. Every Mason should be a Shriner, and every good man should be a Mason in order to become a Shriner - for the business of the Shrine is surely among the noblest ever known.

Enough cannot be said about this aspect of the *Shriners' Creed*, however, there is much *more to say*, for there is so much more to *know*. First and foremost, Nobles of the Shrine are Masons (surprisingly, many non-Masons are unaware of this connection), hence, service to God, family, country and neighbor are all intrinsic attributes. But Shriners inherently adapt these attributes in an expressive manner fulfilling an often overlooked need of society: good healthy entertainment! In providing this need, the Nobles are, perhaps, the greatest beneficiaries. Through public participation and contribution, it is a Masonic window to the world - a showcase reflecting fun, laughter, contentment and the delight of feeling good about the world and what's

in it. In fine, the spice of life for these Nobles is to share their talents and joy with the peoples of the world and to relish the fun along the way.

The Nobles of El Bekal and Al Malaikah Shrines will be honored in concert with our March Stated Meeting, and true to form, entertainment will be furnished by the Shriners: the El Bekal Oriental Band, that accomplished group which has won the World Championship for the last several years. Potentates Joe Pendergast of El Bekal and Gene Moore of Al Malaikah will be on hand with their ladies (Molly and Pat), their Divans and many of their Nobles.

The Unity Classes of 1996 and 1998 were showcase examples of cooperation by several levels of Masonry in Southern California, and some nine hundred Blue Lodge Masons entered the ranks of the York Rite, Scottish Rite and/or the Shrine. In executing these classes, these three great participating Masonic bodies worked as a team dedicated to the benefit of all and for the general betterment of Masonry. The impressive gains made during these classes could not have been attained through individual efforts. And our Santa Ana Shrine Night provides an excellent opportunity for these two Masonic orders to express mutual appreciation of one another.

Brethren, this is one session you will want to attend if you possibly can. Our Brothers of the Shrine are dedicated to having a good time, a dedication that can radiate good feelings to thousands along a parade route or to a small room full of friends. A large turnout is expected: it is therefore important that dinner reservations be made by Friday, February 26th. Call the office (714-543-7277) promptly to assure your place at the table.

Something So Simple Isn't So Secret

Harbinger of the Vernal Equinox

From Grand Lodge

As recently announced by Right Worshipful David C. Decker, 32° KCCH, Senior Grand Warden of Masons in California, an attractive Masonic promotional advertisement appeared in all February 7, 14, and 21 Sunday issues of the Los Angeles Times Sports Pages. The centerpiece is a handshake - symbol of warmth, friendship, trust and honor. The copy includes a brief overview of Masonic principles with emphasis on Masonic contributions to charities, youth, education and family life. It also points out that only men of high character who believe in a Supreme Being are favorably considered for membership - and it advises readers seeking membership, to "Just ask a Mason!" A toll-free telephone number is provided for those seeking further information. Grand Lodge personnel will assimilate all inquiries for use by Lodges in the areas of origin. The ads also appeared in major newspapers in the northern part of the state. Future ads will be placed (spring and summer) to highlight other Masonic Organizations. Brother Decker also informed us that Grand Lodge is in the process of restructuring its Website (www.californiamasons.org) for directly responding to inquiries related to this series of promotional ads.

We learn in the First Degree of Masonry that the handshake (two right hands joined) is a symbol of fidelity - we commend our Grand Lodge leaders for now extending this great symbol to the world. *Ex Ed Jed*

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Secretary Sez



Ill. Dean F. Bradley
33°
General Secretary

The patents from the last class are in the secretary's office. Please pick them up as soon as possible. Office hours are 9:00 AM - 2 PM Monday through Friday.

The Harry Cohen Memorial Baseball Games (4) will commence on Friday, April 30th at 7:05 PM with the Chicago White Sox. We have 25 seats at \$5.00 each. Get your reservations early. I know Harry will be there rootin' us on.

Our April Class will be on the 16th and 17th which is rapidly approaching. Please get your candidates' Petitions in as soon as possible.

Fraternally,

Dean Bradley, General Secretary

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FOR NEW SCOTTISH RITE MASONS

In Memorium

Virtus Junxit-Mors Non Separabit
(Whom Virtue has United, Death will not Separate)

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Passed: 12/14/98

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Passed: 12/17/98

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Born: 06/18/20

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From the Editor



**William F.
Sizemore, 32°**

Editor, Santa Ana
Scottish Rite News

(Ex Ed Jed pinch-
hitting during the
Editor's vacation)

No man should ever enter upon any great or important undertaking without first invoking the blessing of God – *and* having a nice vacation???

Brother Sizemore has entered upon quite a few great and important undertakings, and I'm sure that preceding each, he looked to the Almighty for aid. Well, his *prayers* seem to have been answered, but this *vacation* thing is a new angle I never even *dreamed* of! Well, more power to him (not that I'm jealous or anything like that).

Actually, Brother Bill and I did the best we could in preparing for the transition but were faced with a compatibility problem between two computers (the *one* thing Bill forgot to mention in his prayers, wouldn't you know?), and we ran out of time preceding his long-planned vacation in Hawaii. Now this problem was not *my* computer's fault! I have the Holy Bible on a CD which *my* computer ROMs every night, and this (plus an occasional kick in the CPU) keeps it on the straight and narrow. The problem is that *heathen* PC at Norwalk Lodge. It has no MEMORY of anything we RAMed into it! Maybe *it* needs a vacation! But we hope to ZIP a few BYTES of WORD into it when Bill gets back. I need a vacation! (Just Kidding, Jack Dotson, Ex Ed Jed.)

Ambassador News

Reported presentations are a little higher this issue and the trend is expected to continue into the summer.

As stated on numerous past occasions, the Ambassador program is of extreme importance to the Scottish Rite as well as the new Blue Lodge candidates as they receive each degree. Faced with the membership downtrend affecting all fraternal organizations, it is ever more important to inculcate as much interest and knowledge as possible into our new members as well as our older ones.

This issue of the Scottish Rite News includes an article (From Grand Lodge, page 7) announcing an advertising program reaching out to men of high character favorably considered for Masonic membership. It is suggested all members, Ambassadors in particular, clip out these ads and become familiar with the context of each. The dialogue is excellent.

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Presented by Pat Patterson, 32° KCCH

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Candidate: Monfred C. Kiefer

Presented by Joseph Caruso, 32°

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07	<u>SPRING SUPER BREAKFAST</u>
17	<u>ST. PATRICK'S DAY</u>
20	<u>ADVISORY COUNCIL - DEMOLAY CENTER - SPRING BEGINS</u>
APRIL 01	<u>MAUNDY THURSDAY - EXTINGUISHING THE LIGHTS</u>
02	<u>GOOD FRIDAY</u>
04	<u>EASTER-BREAKFAST, RELIGHTING THE LIGHTS-BEGIN DAYLIGHT SAVINGS</u>
05	<u>STATED MEETING</u>
16/17	<u>GENE AUTRY/ROY ROGERS SPRING REUNION CLASS</u>
MAY 03	<u>STATED MEETING - CAP AND RING CEREMONY</u>
09	<u>MOTHER'S DAY</u>
15	<u>ARMED FORCES DAY</u>
31	<u>MEMORIAL DAY</u>
JUNE 07	<u>STATED MEETING</u>
14	<u>FLAG DAY</u>
19	<u>ADVISORY COUNCIL - DEMOLAY CENTER</u>
20	<u>FATHER'S DAY</u>
21	<u>SUMMER BEGINS</u>

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Gene Aütry

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Until then, dear
Brother, until then,
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Meeting at 8:30 PM

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Monday the 2nd at 6:30 PM November Stated Meeting Cap and Ring Ceremony Election of Officers

Dinner Menu for November
Country Style Pot Roast
Parslied New Potatoes
Mixed Vegetables
Garden Salad / House Dressing
Rolls and Butter
Lemon Bars for Dessert

Reservations a MUST - Call 714-543-7277

Tuesday the 3rd National Election Day

Wednesday the 11th Veterans Day

Thursday the 26th Thanksgiving Day

Dinner Menu for December
Home Style Meatloaf
Mashed Potatoes and Gravy
Buttered Corn
Green Salad / Italian Dressing
Rolls and Butter
Butter Sugar Cookies for Dessert

Advance Notice

Gala December Programs

Operation Santa Claus

**Christmas Party with Santa
Bring the Kids**

Valley Workers Honored

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Lodge of Perfection



Ill. Donald A. Nielsen, 33°
Venerable Master

Welcome to our Fall Reunion Class members. The Cap and Ring Ceremony (Nov. 2) will add to your Scottish Rite experience; it is our sincere hope that you will become active participants in our Valley.

Fall begins a period of celebration. Halloween brings costumed children "Trick or Treating" at our doorsteps - help make their night a safe one. In October, Ill. Mark Schrock explained the Feast of Tishri, which reminds us of the bountiful harvests we share with our families on Thanksgiving Day. Clay Harrison said it this way:

God gives us more than we deserve,
And yet we still complain.
We may frolic in the sunshine
But we scoff at the rain.

We take for granted many things,
We have so much, you see
That we forget how blessed we are
Because we are so free.

We waste enough to feed the world!
For what is poverty
To those who eat three meals a day,
And live in luxury?

God gives us more than we deserve,
Enough that we should share
With those less fortunate than we
Who need someone to care.

Have a happy holiday season!

Don Nielsen

CAP AND RING CEREMONY

WILL ROGERS FALL REUNION CLASS

A Brief Thesis on Masonic Ritual

The primary purpose of Masonry is to communicate its principles through ritual work. The Scottish Rite degrees convey important rules of conduct and codes of ethics not generally obtainable from other sources. Study and concentration are required to gain full understanding, however, once understood, guidance from these degrees adds meaning to our lives and to the lives of those around us (good examples *do* rub off). Masons who truly understand their rituals develop keener and truer interests. Their quests for knowledge lead them to understand how historic social patterns, from time immemorial, have influenced present-day society, for better or for worse. Life becomes more meaningful, more fruitful and much more satisfying.

There is a story of a fellow who became obsessed with winning the lottery, determined that this, alone, would be his life's goal. Night and day, he thought of little else, and finally turned to prayer. He prayed many hours each day, year after year - and God finally answered his prayers with this advice: "*First, you must buy a ticket*". This little story (hopefully) provides a moment of humor, but in reality, it is a modern-day simplification of a point made in Scottish Rite ritual: *Reward is the fruit of labor*. We must plant the seed or have no crop. We must do the work or get no wages. We must fix the roof today or be wet tomorrow. "No 'tickee', no 'washee'". The key to this simple (but powerful) lesson is "*participation*", the cause leading to the effect - lacking a cause there can be no effect. Lacking participation there can be no results, and lacking results there can only be failure.

"Participation" comes in many forms - from simple acts to heavy involvement (you participate by simply reading this message) - but all forms of participation are essential to any organization, particularly a fraternal order having no profit motive. Participators performing *basic* functions might be considered the foundation; those in *direct support* the building blocks. But without participation by the *general* membership - the cement binding the building into a common mass - all organizations will ultimately fail. A building weakens as the cement crumbles away; so also does an organization weaken as membership decays, and lacking maintenance, both will surely perish.

Membership *maintenance* is a measure of membership *satisfaction*; a content member is more likely to sponsor new members. Early impressions are germane to the contentment of our Fall Class members, that they may sponsor new members for the Spring. A full auditorium for our Cap and Ring Ceremony is certainly more impressive than one nearly empty. Please *participate* by bringing your lady and a big smile - *there is so much here at stake*. Ed Jed

GENE AUTRY - WHAT WHITE HATS (AND CAPS) ARE ALL ABOUT



Gene Autry
33rd, G. A. C.

The Cowboy Is Now Singing with the Angels

Brother Gene Autry, America's Favorite Singing Cowboy, passed away on October 2, just three days after his 91st birthday. He was a 33rd Degree Inspector General Honorary and recipient of the Grand Cross of Honor.

Gene Autry the Entertainer

He sang in the choir in his father's church at age 5 and purchased an \$8 guitar when 12. Working as a telegrapher in an Oklahoma railroad station in 1927, he often strummed his guitar and sang while off-duty. A stranger ambled into the station one night and, spotting the guitar, asked Gene if he played. "Some," replied Gene. "Like to hear ya," drawled the man, and Gene sang. The stranger nodded and said, "You oughta go to New York and get yourself a job on radio." The wire he sent was signed "Will Rogers". The railroad thus lost a good telegrapher who wasted little time in climbing his ladder to the stars.

A Few Rungs From His Ladder

- ♦ 1928 - Starred as the "Oklahoma Yodlin' Cowboy" on Tulsa radio.
- ♦ 1930 - "That Silver-Haired Daddy of Mine" record first-ever to sell over 1-million copies; first Gold Record Award.
- ♦ 1931-34 - Regular performer in "National Barn Dance" radio show.
- ♦ 1935 - Autry's first film *support* roles in two Ken Maynard Westerns.
- ♦ 1935 - "Tumbling Tumbleweeds" first Autry *feature* film; Roy Rogers gets big break in support role.

- ♦ 1936 - "The Singing Cowboy" typifies the film genre of that era; major film studios clamor to catch up.
- ♦ 1937 - Autry is No. 1 Western Star.
- ♦ 1939 - "Back in the Saddle Again" sparks Autry signature song (same title).
- ♦ 1940 - Fourth largest box office attraction (after Mickey Rooney, Clark Gable & Spencer Tracy). First performer to sell out Madison Square Garden in NY.
- ♦ 1940 - Begins weekly "Melody Ranch" radio series (aired 16 years).
- ♦ 1942-45 - Enlisted in Air Force, annual income reduced by \$600,000.
- ♦ 1949 - "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer" brings first-ever Platinum Record Award (over 2 million copies); 30-million copies now sold, still going strong.

His performance career coasted to its conclusion in 1955 when Gene aired the last of 91 episodes of **The Gene Autry Show**, however, he and his sidekick Pat Buttram did host 93 episodes of **Melody Ranch Theater** in the late 1980s which spotlighted telecasts of his old movies.

Only Gene Autry has five stars on Hollywood's Walk of Fame (live performance, radio, records, film, and television). He was an image-maker, a unique blend of talent, tirelessness and integrity - with foresight ever toward innovative creations and progress.

Gene Autry in the Army Air Corps

Brother Gene enlisted as a private in the Army Air Corps during a 1942 episode of **Melody Ranch** (CBS Radio). He explained, "I didn't intend to look for some loophole to keep me out. There was nothing noble about it. I would have much rather kept counting my money and firing blanks. But there didn't seem to me to be any choice. If you were healthy and able, you either served or learned how to shave in the dark".

According to Jackie Autry, the second most important thing dear to Gene ⇒

(the first being a 33rd Degree Mason) was being a pilot, that he often said, "I'd never trade my time in the service or the people I met". After training as a private, Gene was promoted to tech sergeant with duty in the Air Transport Command; he piloted cargo planes in the China-Burma-India theater. Before returning to his career after the war ended, he entertained troops in the South Pacific.

Gene Autry the Businessman

Serving his country for four years set Brother Gene to thinking about his future. "I knew I could make good money as long as I could work. But suppose I was incapacitated? Where would I get my income? I decided I better start investing in some business." And invest he did – big time. A business administration correspondence course (years before) had taught him enough accounting to get by better than most. He loved to tell a little story about a philosophy developed after aspiring to a lofty plateau in the business world. "Whenever a lone cowboy or Indian needed to take a long journey by horseback, it was customary for him to ride on a saddled horse while leading another bare-back. When his mount began to tire, instead of stopping to rest, he merely slipped the saddle into the spare horse and rode on. In just about that way I eased out of my life as a performer and began to devote my full energy to business. I just changed horses." His story was a masterpiece of understatement, for indeed, he changed to a very large horse. Already well ensconced in film studio and ranch businesses, he purchased a string of radio and TV stations in Phoenix, Los Angeles, San Francisco and Seattle which were operated as Golden West Broadcasters. He then purchased a string of hotels in San Francisco, Palm Springs, Chicago and Hollywood, these in addition to land and oil investments throughout the country. And in 1960, the Golden West

Baseball Company was formed when he purchased the then-Los Angeles Angels. For many years, Autry was on the Forbes Magazine list of the 400 richest Americans.

Gene Autry was one of the most trusted men in American business. Hard working and even-tempered, he had great ability to attract people and a great faculty for instilling loyalty – he demanded loyalty from everyone and gave it back in return.

Gene Autry the Baseball Man

Brother Gene, a devout Cardinals fan since his tryout with that team in 1926, got into baseball "through the backdoor". His Golden West radio station KMPC had been airing Dodger games for some time when owner Walter O'Malley shifted stations in 1960. News that the American League was planning an expansion team in Los Angeles sent Gene to the baseball meetings in St. Louis, intending to buy the radio rights to the new team. He got the rights – and due to a last-minute development, he also got the new team. Within six days, Fred Haney was hired as general manager and Bill Rigney as manager. And just eight days after the birth of the Los Angeles Angels, Haney and Rigney selected 28 players in the expansion draft, including pitcher Eli Grba. And on April 11, 1960, the Angels took the field in Baltimore – Grba pitched a complete game and beat the Orioles 7-2. WOW! What a Game! "I remember the look he had on his face that day in Baltimore," said Rigney. "I remember how proud Mr. Autry was. He looked like we had just won the World Series." But alas, the Cowboy never made it to the series. He came very close a couple of times, but fate always seemed to prevail. On such occasions, it was he who soothed his players' disappointment by thanking them for always doing their very best – on or off the field, such was always the way of the ⇒

Cowboy wearing the big White Hat.

The team became the "California Angels" when it was moved to the Anaheim "Big A" Stadium in 1966. Because of failing health, Gene sold a 25% interest in the team to the Walt Disney Company in 1996. Disney now operates the team as the "Anaheim Angels" in the "Big E". Autry's death allows Disney to now purchase the remaining interest – this arrangement kept Brother Gene active with his beloved team until the very end, a touch of class on the part of Disney.

In 1992, the Angels retired No. 26 in honor of Gene Autry – there being 25 players on the roster, he had thus been referred to as the "extra man". But this particular extra man was something very special – this Super Star will always be No. 1 in the heart of every baseball fan in America and in the world.

Gene Autry: His Private Life

Brother Gene and Ina Mae Spivey were married in 1932; after 48 years of happy marriage, she died in 1980.

Gene Autry and Jackie Ellam were married in 1981. A recent newspaper column relates the beginning of their courtship, sparked by their meeting at a charity ball. "He called me a few days later and invited me to a party," said Jackie. "He told me I could bring my husband or a date. That was his polite way of trying to find out more about me. I told him I wasn't married, that I would come without a date." Gene's response? "Hot diggity dog!" The rest is beautiful history.

Gene Autry: His Legacy

His first film was the genesis of a refreshing new idea: *the singing cowboy fights for what's right and always prevails*, a moral uplift for an industry drifting toward disrepute. His roles mirrored his own conduct, children's welfare being ever foremost. He starred in 93 such films. He introduced many new film stars, including Roy Rogers. He glorified the Old West.

He recorded 635 songs, about half of which he wrote or co-wrote. He sang for children with "Peter Cottontail", "Here Comes Santa Claus" and his all-time hit, "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer". More than 100 million copies of his records have been sold, many even today.

One of Gene's long-cherished dreams came true in 1988 with the opening of the Autry Museum of Western Heritage in Los Angeles. His legacy will live in the museum he founded and in the hearts of his countless fans throughout the world.

Gene Autry's Cowboy Code

1. A cowboy must never shoot first, hit a smaller man, or take unfair advantage.
2. He must never go back on his word, or trust confided in him.
3. He must always tell the truth.
4. He must be gentle with children, the elderly, and animals.
5. He must not advocate or possess racially or religiously intolerant ideas.
6. He must help people in distress.
7. He must be a good worker.
8. He must keep himself clean in thought, speech, action, and personal habits.
9. He must respect women, parents, and his nation's laws.
10. The Cowboy is a patriot.

Gene Autry's Ode to Dads Everywhere

In a vine-covered shack in the mountains,
Bravely fighting the battle of time,
Is a dear one who's weathered life's sorrows;
Is that silvered-haired daddy of mine.

If I could recall all the heartaches
Dear ol' daddy I've caused you to bear.

If I could erase
Those lines from your face,
And bring back the gold to your hair.

If God would but grant me the power
Just to turn back the pages of time,
I'd give all I own

If I could but atone,
To that silver-haired daddy of mine.

BELOVED "BLACK HAT"



**Brother
Pierce Lyden
1908 - 1998**

**Hat: Black
Principles: White
Heart: Pure Gold**

Our beloved Brother Pierce Lyden, 32° KCCH, all-time top villain of Western movies, passed away on October 10, three months short of his 91st birthday.

During a 30-year film career, Pierce performed in more than 300 films, most of them Western thrillers. He played the role of the black-hatted "bad guy", the villain who always lost in the end in order for the "good guy" to always win. Pierce worked with virtually every cowboy star in Hollywood: Gene Autry, Roy Rogers, John Wayne, Alan Ladd, Gregory Peck, Ken Maynard, Tex Ritter, and on and on.

When television began pushing into the field, Pierce was obliged to switch over to telecast serials such as "Cisco Kid" and "Kit Carson". Life for him was just not the same after that, so after about 100 TV performances, he retired in 1973.

After his retirement, Pierce noticed a metamorphosis of sorts, as Western film buffs began to "discover" the "bad guy". He was suddenly a "regular" in American film festivals and to his pleasant surprise, was invited to a London festival in 1996 (then again last year), where he attracted more attention than the "stars" who had "killed" him back in the heyday of the oaters. He was met with affectionate hisses and boos, proud to be finally recognized by his name rather than just a scowling face lurking in the shadows. The public *finally* had recognized his inimitable acting talent, that a "good guy" *pretending*

to be a "bad guy" ain't all that easy.

The Sept. 1997 issue of the Scottish Rite News featured the career of Brother Pierce, at which time he donated a set of his books to our library for all to enjoy.

We will miss Brother Pierce as will the fine citizens of Orange, his home. This "bad guy" did real good, for a bad guy - and he made a lot of good people happy.

In Memorium

Virtus Junxit-Mors Non Separabit

(Whom Virtue has United, Death will not Separate)

Harold James Mahar, 32°

Charter Member Born: 10/20/19
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John Henry Moore, 32°

Charter Member Born: 01/04/07
Passed: 01/11/98

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Passed: Not Known

Blue Lodge: Irvine Valley No. 671

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Guantanamo Bay, Cuba

Joe Lyons DuPuy, 32°

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Passed: 09/01/98

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Gary Lauritz Petersen, 32°

Born: 10/11/36
Passed: 09/04/98

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From the Editor



Jack E. Dotson,
32° K.:C.:C.:H.:
Editor, Santa Ana
Scottish Rite News

The lives of beloved Brothers Pierce Lyden and Gene Autry first touched on a Hollywood screen set many years ago, a relationship far outlasting the "Singing Cowboy" era which brought them together. It is remarkable that they rode off into the glorious sunset but eight days apart, and were but three months different in age. Their roles in the film industry were night and day (Black Hat vs. White Hat), but their principles were identical. Last fall, as a gala charity birthday party was in the works for Gene (\$500 per head), I asked Pierce if he planned to attend. "Can't afford it," he said, "I just sent him a card, told him he could come to my birthday party for free". I expect that card was worth \$1000 to Gene.Ed Jed

Secretary Sez



Ill. Dean F. Bradley
33°
General Secretary

Happy Thanksgiving! Please come to the Cap and Ring Ceremony - we have been blessed with a good Fall Reunion Class.

Fraternally

Dean Bradley, General Secretary

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11	<u>VETERANS DAY</u>
26	<u>THANKSGIVING DAY</u>
DECEMBER 07	<u>STATED MEETING - ELECTIONS, OP. SANTA CLAUS, CHRISTMAS PARTY</u>
14	<u>HANUKKAH</u>
19	<u>ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING (DEMOLAY CENTER) AT 9:00 AM</u>
25	<u>MERRY CHRISTMAS</u>
27	<u>ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST DAY</u>
JANUARY 01	<u>HAPPY NEW YEAR</u>
04	<u>STATED MEETING - ADVANCE NIGHT</u>
10	<u>INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS, S.G.I.G. OFFICIAL VISIT</u>
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12	<u>LINCOLN'S BIRTHDAY</u>
14	<u>ST. VALENTINES DAY</u>
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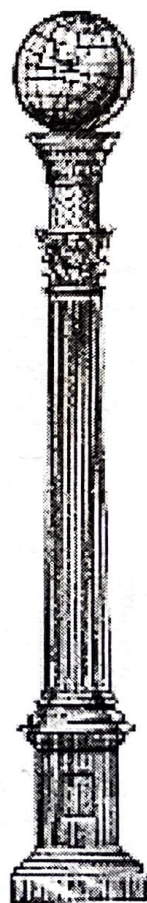
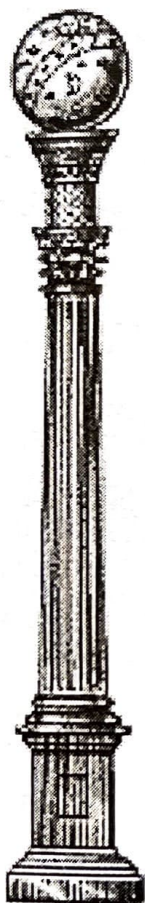
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The 2000 spring class is dedicated to ILL. Harry S. Truman 33°
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**Stated Meeting Schedule: Dinner 6:30 PM
Cap & Ring Ceremony 7:30 PM, Meeting at 8:30 PM**

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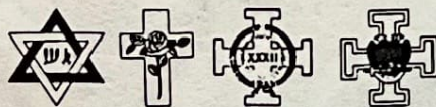
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April 2000

Monday the 3rd
April Stated Meeting,
Cap and Ring Ceremony

Dinner Menu for April 3rd
Herb Roasted Chicken
Au gratin potatoes, vegetable medley, green salad, rolls with butter, and brownies.

Friday March 31st &
Saturday April 1
Spring Reunion Class!
Thursday the 20th
Maundy Thursday and Dinner
Sunday 23rd Easter Breakfast
and Service

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another brother that is ailing,
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Dinner Menu for May 1st
Roast Beef with light gravy,
twice baked potatoes, baby
carrots, garden salad, rolls with
butter and chocolate cupcakes.

From the Editor



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Thank you, Thank you, Thank you! I am so happy that many of you took the time to make comments about last month's SASR News. Your suggestions, help and praise were greatly appreciated. In the coming issues I am looking to experiment with many different styles and ideas. Hopefully, this will evolve into a new format for our bulletin.

It will be my first intention to include those articles and bits of information that interest the members of our valley. However, I do need to hear from you. Do you have ideas, comments or would you like to submit an article? Please let me know. You certainly do not need to be a head of body in the Valley to have your voice heard. Simply putting your thoughts on paper is enough. You may also want to take a picture at your next event and send me a copy via mail or email. You can also have your photo developer put your pictures on a disk!

Finally, if you need computer help, or would like to volunteer to help another brother with computer problems, please let me know.



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By now, many members are signed up to go to the Supreme Council's Spring Leadership Training Conference in San Diego on April 15. Those attending can expect to come back with renewed enthusiasm for their work in the Scottish Rite. We'll try and have some reports in the next issue.

We have sent questionnaires to a number of professional Speech & Language therapists working in the schools and in private facilities. We expect to complete our Feasibility Study in the next quarter and assume all systems will be a "go!" This will enable us to begin looking for the right location. Bottom line -- **we're moving forward!**

As you read last month, an anonymous donor has agreed to match our contributions to the Orange County Memorial Foundation for the Clinic up to \$10,000 per year for five years. **WOW!!** But this year only has 9 months left and we haven't made much of a dent in the \$10,000 we need to contribute to get matching funds. The children we will ultimately help will appreciate your contribution and you, too, will be able to enjoy the warm feeling in your heart knowing that you helped.

Just draw your check in favor of the Orange County Memorial Foundation and write "Clinic" in the memo line of the check. Send or bring your check to the office and thanks in advance for caring.

NAME BADGES FOR LADIES

The Scottish Rite ladies have decided to order name badges for themselves. They will be gold with black print and attached with a magnet behind the cloth. Cost is \$6 each, with any profits going to the Clinic effort. If you'd like one, please call Prue Jantz at (714) 536-5044 to place your order.



From the Assistant Representative



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Brethren please take the opportunity to give an enthusiastic welcome to Brother Chris Dyer, 32° as Santa Ana Valley's News Bulletin Co-Editor. Brother Dyer has only been a Master Mason since September 1999. He is a fourth generation Mason dating back to his Great-Grandfather. Chris joined our Valley in the Fall of 1999. He has a Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice from Cal State Fullerton and enjoys being the Marshall for Yorba Linda Lodge No 469. He also enjoys coaching basketball and has in the past coached swimming, water polo and soccer. Additionally, he enjoys working with computers and reading. As a security expert, he has taken on the responsibilities at Et All Inc. as the Director of Marketing and Investigations. Brother Dyer has now aggressively taken on the responsibility of assisting Brother Bill Sizemore, 32° KCCH editor of our News Bulletin. Chris will take over the design and overall look of the News Bulletin. He has many new ideas for future Bulletins and we will enjoy the fruits of his contributions.

I am looking forward to seeing all of you at the upcoming Stated Meeting for fellowship.

-Fraternally, Frank

We continue to look for writers who will contribute articles to the bulletin. If we can get 6 brothers who will contribute two articles a year it will certainly make the challenge of generating a News Bulletin much easier. Please contact Brother Bill Sizemore at 714-543-7277 if you can help.



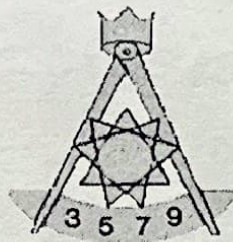
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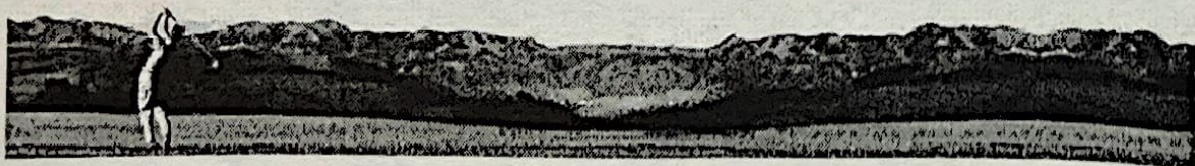
March was a great month for our Valley! Our stated meeting was a great success with the Nobles of El Bekal joining us for dinner and providing the entertainment as well.



Thanks to Bro. Pete Panos 32° KCCH, Commander of Kadosh, our Super Breakfast came off without a hitch. The food was finger-licking-good and the turnout was better.

We also completed the Ill.: Harry S. Truman, 33° Spring Reunion Class. It was wonderful to see so many young Masons (both in age and spirit) in attendance. As always, our Ritual Teams were word perfect and our communications were flawless. Thanks for giving our new Brothers a wonderful introduction to Scottish Rite Masonry.

This month our Stated Meeting will consist of our Cap and Ring Ceremony. Come out and see our new brethren! We also look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at the Supreme Council Advisory Meeting in San Diego on April 15. (Don't forget to send Uncle Sam a few bucks!)
Fraternally-David VMY2K



Special Announcement

The Annual Scottish Rite Golf Tournament is just around the corner. On Saturday July 29th we will play at Birch Hills Golf Course. Please call Bob Larson at 714-998-7530 or the SASR office for more information.



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Maundy Thursday - Extinguishing the Lights

In Latin, Maundy means commandment. It was during the Last Supper that Jesus of Nazareth gave his disciples an additional commandment, "to love one another as I have loved you." It is fitting we, as Masons, pause to reflect that almost 2,000 years ago this voice was silenced; yet the words of Jesus and their central teaching remain relevant today to all humankind. On what we now call Good Friday, the day after Maundy Thursday, Jesus was crucified and the world, according to tradition and symbolism, was plunged into darkness. Masonry teaches us that man before being brought to light must endure darkness. Masons symbolize this on Maundy Thursday by extinguishing the lights one by one in memory of our departed Brethren. For two days following the crucifixion, the world remained spiritually in darkness until the dawn of the third day when a glorious light burst forth indicating the arrival of Easter and the risen Christ. In this regard, the Santa Ana Chapter Rose Croix will host the Ceremony of *Extinguishing the Lights* in the Santa Ana Ebell Club on Thursday, April 20. Dinner (\$7.00 per person) will be at 6:30 p.m., the program at 7:30. Call the Santa Ana Scottish Rite office (714-543-7277) for making dinner reservations (a must). Our guest speaker will be Santa Ana Valley's own Right Worshipful David Decker 32° KCCH Deputy Grand Master, Grand Lodge F&AM of California.

Easter Sunday - Relighting the Lights

"And Jesus had cried out in a loud voice, Father, into Thy hands I commend my spirit: and having said this, He gave up the ghost (Luke 23:46)...they (two angels) said unto them (Mary Magdalene and Mary, mother of Jesus), Why seek ye the living among the dead? He is not here but has risen. (Luke 24:5&6). The ending of this brief period of spiritual darkness marked the beginning of a great period of enlightenment among mankind, and the basic Masonic policy regarding religion, that of one Supreme Being and life after death. The Easter Sunday celebration of *Relighting the Lights* is dedicated to refreshing our minds in this regard, and to honor our departed Brethren - that on the bright morning of the Resurrection, their spirits, too, may spring into newness of life and expand in immortal beauty in realms beyond the skies. The Santa Ana Chapter Rose Croix will perform this impressive ceremony in the Santa Ana Ebell Club on Sunday, April 23rd.

Breakfast (no charge) will be at 7:30 a.m., the program at 8:30. And for our Traditional Easter Sunday Address we are fortunate to have Ill. Lon Fishbach 33° as guest speaker.

Cap and Ring Ceremony

Year 2000 Harry S. Truman Spring Reunion Class



Every Scottish Rite program is important to the function of our Valley, but none has a greater impact than gaining new members. The yearly cycle begins with our Membership Chairman, Ambassadors and *all* Brethren scouring the area for candidates. Our Classroom Committee plans and executes the work during which our hard working Degree Teams and Presenters inculcate our lessons into the hearts and souls of our new members. We then honor these new members with presentations during our Cap and Ring Ceremony, and we should continually bear in mind that the ladies (and other family members) of

these new members most often accompany them during this impressive Ceremony; these family members are equally important to Masonry. Nothing can be more impressive than heartfelt friendship – shaking hands all around, welcoming them aboard and caring how they feel about the Scottish Rite once they have joined our ranks. Why not attend our Cap and Ring Ceremony (Stated Meeting, April the 3rd) and do your part. Playing to a full house can be a big boost for those putting on the program as well as our guests, and it will do a lot for you, too. And as Harry Truman would no doubt have reminded us:

The Buck Stops Here.

The 32nd Degree Cap

Every Master of the Royal Secret, as created in the Thirty-Second Degree, is entitled to wear the **BLACK CAP** of the Scottish Rite Mason.

The Scottish Rite cap is worn with pride and humility – pride in the many accomplishments of Brothers past and present – humility in that we each know our own failings and short comings and wonder whether we can measure up to the standard of some of our Brothers of the past. It is a visible reminder of the knowledge we have gained and the vows we have taken during the Thirty-Two Degrees of Free Masonry.

The black color of the cap symbolizes the ceremony of the Lodge of perfection – it's mourning for a legendary Brother and for martyrs among our Brothers who chose death rather than to forfeit their integrity. The golden over-cord is a refinement of the chinstrap – part of every warrior's uniform – and a reminder of our martial origin as knights. The golden bands of the brim form complete circles denoting unity, eternity and One God – giver of life, light and truth.

The insignia on the front includes a equilateral triangle encompassing the numeral "32" – the triangle refers to the Trinity and from its three sides, to the triads and the numbers they represent – the "32" refers to the 32nd Degree and the Great Trinity of our ancient Aryan ancestors referred to in that Degree. The frontal insignia also includes the double-headed eagle (at times, perched on a sword). The eagle is a symbol of the uniting of the knights of the East and the knights of the

West, and the ultimate aim of the Scottish Rite to spread truth to mankind throughout the world. The sword alludes to the militant approach of Scottish Rite Masonry toward injustice, ignorance and blind surrender of liberty. It is our constant aim that as individuals and Masons, we remain pledged to resist the despot and tyrant. We must expose and destroy the demagogue, promote brotherly love, relief and truth, and ferret out the hidden and insidious forces of evil that would make man destroy himself with false doctrines, untruths and vicious innuendoes.

The 14th Degree Ring

In many parts of the world from time immemorial, whether by custom or tradition, man has endowed rings with symbolic and mystic properties. The **14th DEGREE RING** is truly symbolic – albeit not mystic – to those who recognize and understand its symbolism.

Primitive man believed that a ring on the finger, or a bracelet worn around the wrist or ankle, would keep the soul from escaping.

Egyptian pharaohs considered circles as symbols of eternity and looked upon the ring as a sign of life having no ending. They believed that the soul of a mortal body protected by such visible ornaments would enter into everlasting and immortal life.

The 14th Degree Scottish Rite ring is worn as an emblem of brotherhood or common interest. This custom and tradition may be traced to a time when knighthood was in flower, and newly dubbed knights received heraldic rings the king alone could ordain. The 14th Degree ring has great and lasting significance. The visible emblem is the equilateral triangle – or delta – recognized in all ages as a symbol of Deity.

The triangle inscribes the letter “Yod”, representing the first letter of the Ineffable Name. Of itself, Yod is a symbol of Unity and of the Supreme Being, and especially represents the Divine Energy manifesting itself as Creative Light. According to Jewish mysticism (the Kabala), Yod took a vestige of the Divine Creative Light and from it fashioned Adam, by whom it has been transmitted to all mankind.



The delta (inscribed with Yod) is sometimes surrounded by a circle of rays (glory) representing the Great Light emanating from the center – an emblem of God’s eternal glory, and symbolic of the Divine Light toward which all Masons travel.

A translation of the Latin inscription on the inner surfaces of the ring means “Virtue has united, and Death shall not separate”.

Whenever we observe the symbol of our 14th Degree Scottish Rite ring – this Yod which should be ever in our possession – we are reminded of the Divine Light within us, that immortal part which can never, never die.

Jack Dotson 32° K.:C.:C.:H.:

ALL YEAR 2000 SANTA ANA CLASSES WILL BE DEDICATED TO OUR 33RD PRESIDENT, HARRY S. TRUMAN. GET READY FOR THE FALL REUNION CLASS NOW! LET’S GET THAT TROPHY BACK HOME!



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Spring Super Breakfast is a Hit!

I hope that everyone enjoyed last month's Super Breakfast. We are very appreciative of the brothers who supported their Valley by attending this important fund



raising event. Thanks to all those who were not able to attend, but helped out through their donations and/or promotional efforts. It was nice to see old and new faces at the breakfast. I would also like to thank Brother Rick Dyer, 32° and his Lady Sandy for bringing 54 of the over 215 who attended our event from their motorcycle group, *GWRRA-Chapter R*. Spending quality time with our fellow brothers is what makes Masonry a worthwhile endeavor. This is also one of those times that we can let our friends and family discover what our fraternity is all about.

A special thank you is in order for the officers of the Council of Kadosh in helping to host the function, and to all of the officers and members of the Valley for coming down so early and helping out in the kitchen, in the preparation and serving of the food. I would also like to thank Peter Jantz, Donald Muller, and Frank Heyer for their efforts in handling the ticket sales at the door and greeting the guests.

If any members of the Valley have suggestions for improving the breakfast, please do not hesitate in letting us know what we can do to better serve you in the future.



*A team can only
achieve greatness in
strength through unity.*



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Harry's Hats Personified

Following his WWI tour of duty, Harry Truman operated a haberdashery in Lamar, Missouri. The business failed, but its influence survived, particularly with regard to his hats. In public, his dapper attire was often crowned with a "just-right" hat that seemed to distinguish him from all others, but certain other hats worn on more private occasions symbolized a facet of his life he considered as important as being President.

Although he sometimes wore the top hat as President, such was mere protocol, not symbolic of his office. But worn as Master of his Lodge, it signified the trust his Lodge had placed in him. And worn as Grand Master of Missouri, it symbolized the highest Masonic rank in that Great State, a rank that instilled such pride that he sat for his official presidential portrait in his full Grand Master's regalia.

On the death of President

Roosevelt, Harry S. Truman became President of the United States in May 1945; he was coroneted with the Thirty-third Degree honorary that October. Our 33rd President, he was the first president ever to receive the 33rd Degree.

In addition to the top hat, other Masonic hats (caps) worn by Truman were thus colored black, red and white, all presented by the Scottish Rite. During our Y2K reunion classes honoring Harry Truman, the Valley wants to present a record number of 32nd Degree black caps to new Scottish Rite Masons. The Spirit of Harry Truman wants the buck to stop with you. Who knows? Your candidate could become President someday.



Secretary Sez

Ill. Dean F. Bradley 33°



General Secretary



WHY?

Why should I remain a member of the Scottish Rite if I can't go to the meetings? An active worker in the Scottish Rite recently gave a good answer to the questions, convincing the doubter that he would not demit. "Being a Mason is not just attending meetings. Although you do get more out of the Craft if you get together with your brethren. Being a Mason is living up to your vows. When you pay your dues, you are supporting a cause you believe in, helping to continue a fraternity of free men who believe in continuing a belief in moral character, love of country and the practice of the tenants as we are taught in the Blue Lodge and in the Scottish Rite."

Fraternally,

Dean F. Bradley 33°
General Secretary-SASR

Ambassador Presentations



1° Dynamic Freedoms and Lapel Pin

- 2/8/00- Presentation to Stanley Ceplius by Robert Schramm-Orange Grove #293
- 2/10/00- Presentation to Joe Suarez by Gary Peterson-Saddleback Laguna #672
- 2/10/00- Presentation to Sam Rizk by Gary Peterson- Saddleback Laguna #672
- 2/23/00- Presentation to Daniel Romero by Harvey Mayhill- Anaheim Azure #207
- 2/23/00- Presentation to Fred Sanchez by Harvey Mayhill- Anaheim Azure #207

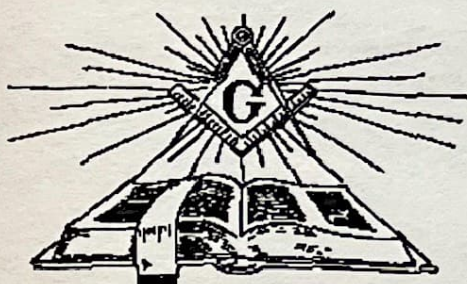
2° Why Public Schools

- 10/7/99- Presentation to Charles White by Michael Neben- Irvine Valley #671
- 2/9/00- Presentation to Gary Robinson by Robert Nelson at Anaheim Azure #207
- 3/4/00- Presentation to William Gifford Jr. by Jack Beers- A.M. Daylight #625

3° Anchor of Liberty and Trowel Pin

- 1/15/00- Presentation to David Chindlund by Pat Paterson- A.M. Daylight #625
- 1/17/00- Presentation to Tracey Noonan by Jack Slagel- San Dimas #428
- 1/24/00- Presentation to David Jennings by Michael Neben- Irvine Valley #671
- 1/25/00- Presentation to Raul Valdivia by Robert Schramm- Orange Grove #293
- 1/31/00- Presentation to Dennis Ferreira by Michael Neben- Irvine Valley #671
- 2/24/00- Presentation by Chris Dyer to William Donahue-Yorba Linda #469
- 2/29/00- Presentation to Theodore Crisell by Robert Schramm- Orange Grove #293

Chaplain's Corner



Many Masonic people and organizations keep libraries for reference as well as much needed historical backgrounds. And in forming these libraries it takes lots of time to gather and file learned and needed material.

Some libraries are very large, and some just containing the material acquired in the process of learning or investigation. But all are usually called individual libraries.

Now the point I want to make is this. Did you know that you can add to your library sixty six books ranging in a variety of topics of at least ten different areas?

These areas include law, history, biographies, autobiographies, poetry, life stories and short stories. This sounds expensive doesn't it?

The maker of the book is also the largest organization in the world and there is a guarantee with all this too. He gave that guarantee almost 2001 years ago, and is still good today. It was his son who represented it to the public for the first time. And it is still the number one seller. You see God is the author, Christ sold it to the public, and the book is the Bible. Read it, I think you will like it!

-Larry J. Shaw 32°
Assistant Chaplain

In Memoriam



Virtus Junxit-Mors Non Separabit

(Whom Virtue has United, Death will not separate)

Edward Russell Cardoos, 32°

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**George Edward Matthews, 32°
(CM)**

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San Geronio #668



John Joseph Pinamonti, 32° (CM)

Born 07/14/15-Passed 02/04/00

Tustin #241



Mitchell Joseph Slayman, 32° (CM)

Born 11/01/11-Passed 12/16/99

Porterville-Lindsay #303



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10 Talk at Lions Dinner

The Brea Lions club will move its dinner meeting to the Brea-Olinda High School a week from Thursday, Dec. 2, when, for the 27th consecutive year, it plays host to the varsity and Bee Wildcat football players and their coaches.

Always one of the highlights of the local grid season, the football banquet will feature a turkey dinner and a talk by dynamic Mike Pecarovich, former Loyola university and New York Yankee

football coach and professional scout.

Varsity and Bee monograms are scheduled to be distributed as well as the five "Wildcats of the Week" trophies, which are also sponsored by the Lions club.

Men of the community wishing to attend this traditional event may purchase tickets from any member of the Lions club during the next week. Price for the dinner and entertainment is \$2.50, which pays for two meals, one for the father or adult, and one for a football player.

Blaze Causes \$1500 Damage To Apartment

Fire caused about \$1500 damage to an upstairs apartment at 108½ E. Date St. last Friday morning at 8 o'clock. The three-room apartment's kitchen was completely burned out and heat and smoke damaged the rest of the house. Several pieces of furniture were also complete losses.

John Sarthou, who had just rented the apartment, had moved some of his belongings in when the fire started. He had loosened a gas connection in preparation for hooking up a stove. The gas from the outlet seeped over to a flame under the water heater and was ignited.

Sarthou received slight burns on his arms when he tried to put the fire out before calling the fire department.

Fire Chief George Ellis said that Sarthou told him that he was under the impression the gas was turned off when he started connecting the stove.

Masons Planning To Rush Finish Of New Temple

Brea's new Masonic temple moved one big step nearer to completion last weekend when the pink colorcoat was added to the exterior walls of the building. Phil Campbell, a member of the building committee, said that the windows would be installed shortly and that the building would now be rushed to completion.

Much credit is due the temple association workers who have spent hours and days of time contributing both labor and material to the building of the temple.

When completed the temple will stand as a tribute to the small group of Brea Masons who have persisted in their attempt to give Brea a Masonic Temple of which we may all be proud.

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Surprise Shower
Jest Mrs. Corcoran
Returning from Los Angeles yesterday afternoon, Mrs. R. E. Corcoran was happily surprised to find gathered at her home on Golden Hill, her daughters, daughters-in-law and one old friend. The group had arranged the gathering so that they might shower her with gifts for her beautiful new residence into which the family moved about a month ago.
At the impromptu party were: Mrs. Schweinfest, Anaheim; Mrs. W. J. Cadman, Mrs. Milton Corcoran, Mrs. Ted Corcoran, Mrs. Emmett Corcoran, and Misses Lillian, Alice and Phyllis Corcoran.
Mrs. Drips Hostess
To P. E. O. Chapter
Members of chapter T. P. E. O. sisterhood were very happy to have with them at their meeting Thursday in the home of Mrs. Tom Drips at Placentia. Mrs. Bob Strala who has been unable to attend for sometime, and Mrs. Geo. Amerigo who has just returned from an eastern trip.
The usual one o'clock luncheon was served, with Mrs. Sam Whelan, sister of Mrs. Drips, sharing the hostess duties. Appointments were appropriate to the Halloween season.
During the study hour Mrs. Clara West reviewed "The Travel Diary" (Kernertling) and Mrs. W. J. Bennis "The Little World" (Stella Bennis).
Brea Club Meets Monday Night
Welcoming teachers in Brea schools to their community, members of the Brea Woman's club will give an informal reception at the kindergarten building, Monday evening at 7 o'clock. One feature of the evening will be the presentation to the club of a silk flag, by the Fullerton Woman's Relief Corps. The corps had originally planned to make the presentation in the afternoon, but the meeting time was changed in order that the teachers might be present.
Young People Enjoy Dancing Party
At the home of Miss Helen Easton in Anaheim, a group of

GENERAL NEWS FROM TOWNS IN ORANGE COUNTY

Chairmen of P. T. A. Committees Chosen

BUENA PARK, Oct. 22.—The newly elected president of the Buena Park Parent-Teacher association, announced the chairmen of the committees for the year, as follows: Community life, W. W. Hart; Child Hygiene, Dr. A. H. Foster; Home Hygiene, Mrs. J. H. Page; Press, Mrs. F. B. Jones; Membership, Mrs. A. Sherrod; Emblem and Magazine, Mrs. J. A. Davis; Human Education, Mrs. J. B. Robison; Finance, Mrs. L. J. Robison; Reception, Mrs. Lillian Truitt; Philanthropy, Mrs. Fred Bastard; Juvenile Probation, W. B. Shaw; Thrift, Mrs. Charles Landell; Program and Music, Mrs. Garrison Costar; Citizenship, Mrs. L. J. Robison; Patriotism, Mrs. Ralph Cummins; Speakers, Mrs. V. T. Stephens; Parliamentarian, Mrs. Maud Pahan.

Clubwomen Discuss Measures on Ballot

BUENA PARK, Oct. 22.—The Buena Park Woman's club met Thursday afternoon, when the members and friends of the community discussed the measures to be voted on in the coming election.
Mrs. O. E. Pike and Mrs. J. W. Wagg were appointed as delegates to the county convention at Huntington Beach, and Mrs. H. E. Warren as delegate and Mrs. Greenwald as alternate to the southern district convention to be held in Fullerton in November. Mrs. Edward Thurman was elected as treasurer, in place of Mrs. Little, resigned. The president, Mrs. Wilkey, was hostess for the social hour and served light refreshments.
Mrs. Frank Miller of Anaheim was a visitor at the club meeting.
Auxiliary Postpones Trip to Hospital
Postponement of the trip to

Brea Lodges Plan Fraternal Center

BUENA PARK, Oct. 22.—Another meeting of the Masonic club of Brea will be held Monday night, in the parlors of the congregational church. Committees from the different fraternal orders in Brea, who were present at the last meeting of the club, have been asked to report from their lodges at this time.
At the previous meeting, presided over by Chairman L. L. Lemmon, a motion was carried to adopt plans outlined for the remodeling of Sewell Hall, the Masons to assume the expense of this work as well as the furnishing of the hall for a fraternal center. Other lodges represented may vote from then.

A finance committee, consisting of L. L. Lemmon, chairman; Ray Stein, L. A. Hogue, George Cullen, Charles Miller and S. L. Verger, was appointed to complete details of the matter and hasten the work. It is said the hall can be made ready for use by December first.
Plans as submitted by A. A. Van Tuyle provide for a lodge room, banquet and ball room, reception rooms, modern kitchen, dressing rooms, anterooms, property room and the present stage.

Buena Park

BUENA PARK, Oct. 22.—Sunday guests at the George McNeill home were Mr. and Mrs. Carl Young of Santa Ana, also Mrs. Young's mother, Mrs. Blood, who had spent the week previous with Mrs. McNeill. Mr. and Mrs. Young were college mates of Miss Ethel McNeill when they were attending Pomona college.
Those from here to attend the entertainment and dance given by the Fullerton Fire Department were Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Rotson, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Owens and Percy and Donna

Surprise Child on Fourth Birthday

BREA, Oct. 22.—Honoring the fourth birthday anniversary of Esther Mathews, tiny daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Mathews, of the local post office, seventeen little friends called at her home bringing many pretty gifts and staying to play games. The affair was a surprise for the honoree.
Adults who enjoyed the party were: Mrs. J. V. Russell and Mrs. R. C. Payan, of Anaheim; Mrs. J. A. Nicklett, of Fullerton, and Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Payan, of Olive, grandparents of Esther.

Hallowe'en Motif at Pleasant Affair

BUENA PARK, Oct. 22.—Mrs. Ralph Cummins pleasantly entertained in honor of Mr. Cummins' parents before they left for their home in Fairview, W. Va. The guests were Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Cummins of Montebello, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ferrell of Torrance, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. McNeough and children of Long Beach and Miss Helen Fisher of San Francisco. Decorations and menu were suggestive of Hallowe'en.

Hallowe'en Frolic for Brea Teachers

BREA, Oct. 22.—Monday evening the Brea Woman's club is to honor teachers of the local schools. Entertainment will feature a Hallowe'en frolic and arrangements have been made to hold it in the kindergarten building on the Laurel school grounds.
This is the first of a series of affairs being planned by Brea people for the entertainment of teachers.

Placentia

Two Ordinances are Before Board

BREA, Oct. 22.—The Brea city council today had under consideration two proposed ordinances, one regarding distribution of advertising matter by concerns outside the city, and the other providing for boulevard stops and other traffic regulations.
The first calls for a license for each separate piece of advertising matter and regulates the manner of distributing same, so as to prevent an unsightly accumulation of papers in yards and streets. The ordinance is so drawn as to prohibit distribution of newspapers and periodicals to any but bonafide subscribers, unless a license is obtained.
Although the proposed measures have been laid on the table by the council since its last meeting, it is generally expected that they will be made effective within the next month.

When you buy a mattress buy the best—"Sealy". Harris Furniture Co.—adv.

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We show big values

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Of simple and durable construction, easy to keep clean

Masonic Officials Break Ground for New Brea Temple

Masonic officials Sunday afternoon took part in groundbreaking ceremonies at the site of the new temple, to be built at the corner of Imperial highway and Sycamore avenue.

The first spadeful of earth was turned by Vincent E. Jaster, worshipful master of Brea Citrol lodge; and William T. Rodger, district inspector for the 628th Masonic district.

The ceremony was postponed until 1:30 awaiting the appearance of Lieutenant Governor Goodwin J. Knight, who was scheduled to take part in the ceremonies. He finally caught up with the group at the Union Oil picnic grounds, where a chicken dinner and entertainment followed the groundbreaking ceremony.

Cooke Opens

The ceremony was opened by George Cooke, president of the Temple association. He welcomed about 300 spectators to the site where "one of the most beautiful temples in Orange county will be built."

James McGarrigle, popular song leader from Long Beach, led the singing of "America" and the pledge of allegiance to the flag. Following that, Rev. Joe Nation, former Brea Baptist minister, led the invocation.

Rodger gave a brief talk, emphasizing that "the structure will be a monument to Masonry, and is bound to be an influence for good in the community."

Congratulations from brother Masons in California were given by Ellsworth Meyer, a past grand master of California.

Happy Occasion

He reminded Masons that "there is no happier occasion in Masonry than when a lodge has a home of its own."

He traced the history of Masonry, and told of the great number of leaders in our country who have been members.

With the preliminary proceedings out of the way, Rodger and Jaster carried shovels to a corner of the proposed temple, and turned over the first earth amid comments by Cooke.

Knight Talks

Lt. Gov. Knight gave a 15-minute talk on the history and importance of Masonry, and appeared to enjoy the program and the fried chicken that was served to about 300 persons.

Other talks at the picnic grounds were made by Mayor Chas. McCart of Brea; Jaster; Rodger; Ted Perry, Poentate of the Long Beach El Bokal Shrine; Harold Browning, a 33rd degree Mason and Eminent Commander of Fullerton Commandery No. 55, Knights Templar; and Ted Craig of Brea, former Speaker of the California Assembly.

Other entertainment was singing and a professional accordion player.

The Social Welfare Club 266 will meet with Mrs. Laura Uhm, 333 South Pomona, on Thursday afternoon, April 10, at 2. All pensioners and others are invited to join the group. Refreshments will be served.

Miss Betty Waggoner of Rivers and Peggy McCommin of Whittier were weekend guests of the V. M.

Masonic Temple Groundbreaking Historic Event

An historic event took place in Brea Sunday afternoon with the turning over of the first shovel full of earth for the new \$70,000 Brea Masonic temple at Imperial and Sycamore.

The building will be a one-story frame and stucco structure with a 46 feet by 65 feet lodge room and 30 feet by 50 feet dining hall with complete kitchen facilities including the latest appliances. There will be a mezzanine lounge for members and guests with a 20 feet by 30 feet coaching room. Total floor area will be 7800 square feet.

Modern design will be followed throughout the building and it will be fully air conditioned according to Norman LeRoy, building chairman.

The building would cost an estimated \$70,000 if built by a contractor, LeRoy said, but Masons are doing the work themselves.

George Cooke is chairman of the Temple association. Henry Rudd has been appointed general overseer. Walter Crockett will have charge of the cement work. Electrical work will be supervised by Frank Holly. Claude Williamson will oversee the plumbing and the Slunka brothers, John and Ed, will supervise the plastering.

Harvey Moore, as building inspector, is taking care of building fees and inspection fees. Everett Lynn Child of Fullerton is the architect for the temple. Many building materials are being donated by Masons and friends of the Brea lodge, LeRoy said.

Former Brea Minister To Deliver Services At Grand Canyon

Rev. Cecil L. Prior, pastor of the Brea Congregational church about 11 years ago, but now located at Tempe, Ariz., has been selected to deliver the sermon for the World-wide Grand Canyon Easter Sunrise Service broadcast, April 13. Governor Howard Pyle, originator of the program, announced in a recent issue of the Tempe Daily News.

His friends of the Rev. Prior may wish to listen to this broadcast which will be over the NBC stations from 6 to 6:30 a.m. Mountain Standard Time.

32-Year-Resident Mrs. Stanley Dies

Mrs. Valeria I. Stanley, 33, of 223 South Redwood, died April 2 in her home.

A native of Nebraska, she had lived in Brea since 1920.

She is survived by her husband, Perry A. Stanley, two grandchildren, a brother, and two sisters.

City Buys Land For 9.52-Acre Addition to Park

A resolution accepting the deed to 9.52 acres of land from Union Oil Co. as an addition to the new city park at the west end of the city was adopted by the City Council Monday night.

The purchase price was \$9620 or \$1000 an acre. The city had spent the last year when negotiations for the sale were completed. Council voted to buy the land, which is on the east edge of the new park after civic leaders at an open meeting a month ago urged them to go ahead.

A second resolution was passed granting a deed to the company for oil drilling rights, rights of way, and rights to construct necessary roads and facilities on a site south of the new park.

The site was given by the city as an alternate to the same rights sought by the company on the new land acquisition. The city wanted "no strings attached" to the park area.

Councilmen Monday night also looked at a proposed master plan for the 26-acre park.

Don Allen, a landscape architect student at California Polytechnic college, submitted a rough sketch of how he thought the park should be laid out. Councilman Frank Schwitzer Jr. had asked him for a plan for the cost of developing a complete plan.

His bid was \$200 for a plan showing the locations of buildings, playgrounds, picnic areas,

...ception of the proposed Brea Temple on Imperial and Sycamore, ground for which was broken Sunday afternoon. (Fullerton Tribune photo).

Junior Women Seek Donors for Blood Bank

The Junior Women's club is using "every effort" to recruit blood donors as possible to make the trip to the mobile blood bank in Yorba Linda April 5, 6 or 7 to 7 p.m. It has been announced.

Free transportation will be provided by the club, according to Mrs. C. L. Gibson, who is in charge of registering donors and seeking transportation.

A table is set up in front of the book store every day in order to register everyone possible, Mrs. L.

The women want to register in the hours between 3 and 5 p.m. Working men can donate between 5 and 7 P.m. Registration has been left with Mrs. L. at her office, Winchell, 1000 N. Main.

The women also have a person in the area of 31 and 50 who are a part of blood every day. The women without all effects between 18 and 71 years of age must have consent of a blood guardian.

Windows Club Sets Meeting Tonight

The Windows Club, who are working to make the Brea Windows Club a reality, will meet tonight at 7:30 p.m. at the Brea Windows Club. The club is working to make the Brea Windows Club a reality, will meet tonight at 7:30 p.m. at the Brea Windows Club.

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DIVISION 5 — Midget cars —
1st prize, \$5. Hank Messick; 2nd
prize, \$3. Harry Rause; 3rd prize,
\$1. Ritchie Russell.
Cash prizes were donated by
the VFW. All other entrants re-
ceived passes for free rides at
the Ritter's Shows.
At the sack races and shoe
races cash prizes were donated
by the VFW. All other prizes
were donated by Romar Photog-
raphy Studio.

vit of registration filed by the
candidate. Hanna's designation
used in the affidavit was "Attor-
ney."

PRESENTING "MRS. BREA"—Herb Worsham, presi-
dent, Mrs. Mary Lee, seated. The other candidates
left to right, Mrs. Shirley Bickel, 20-30 Club; Mrs.
ley Cannon, Kiwanis; and Mrs. Fiamma Prichard, L
VFW.—(Romar Photo—Brea)

Brea Masons to Dedicate Temple With July 20 Dinner, Ceremony

The officers and members of Citrol Lodge No. 656, Free and
Accepted Masons of Brea, announce the official dedication of their
new Temple on Friday evening, July 20, at 8 o'clock. The Temple
is located at 500 East Imperial Highway, corner of Sycamore St.

The dedication ceremonies will
not be open for the public, only
Master Masons will be admitted,
and by vouchment only.

The Most Worshipful Edgar V.
Stewart, Jr., Grand Master of
Grand Lodge, Free and Accepted
Masons, State of California, will
preside over the dedication cere-
monies, with the participation of
his Grand Lodge officers, and
Worshipful William T. Rodger,
Grand Lodge Inspector of the
628th Masonic District, will make
the introductions.

A testimonial dinner will pre-
cede the ceremonies at 6:30 in
the dining room of the new
building.

Nine Years Work

The new Temple started on
paper on May 27, 1947, when the
Brea Masonic Temple Associa-
tion was incorporated, in order to
work out the construction plans,
and raise the necessary funds to
complete the Temple. After five
years, on January 12, 1952, the
building plans were approved by
the same organization, and on
February 23, 1952, by the Grand
Lodge Finance Committee. The
ground breaking ceremonies took
place on April 6, 1952, and the
cornerstone was laid on March
6, 1954, by Frank Harwell, Jr.,
Grand Master, with participation
of his Grand Lodge officers.

From this date all the exterior
and interior work progressed

very rapidly. Many thousand
hours of labor have been donated
by the members of the Lodge,
which made it possible to move
into the new Temple on Decem-
ber, 1955, when the first great
event took place, namely the in-
stallation of the officers of the
Lodge for the year of 1956.

The building is now regularly
used by Citrol Lodge, Brea Chap-
ter of Eastern Star, and by Brea
Bethel of Job's Daughters.

Many have visited the new
Temple, and commented as to its
beauty, design and workman-
ship. It is a definite asset not
only to the Masons, but to the
whole community, and repre-
sents a valuation that probably
never can be computed.

Because the dedication cere-
monies are restricted to Master
Masons only, Citrol Lodge and
the Temple Association plans an
open house dinner early in the
fall. The public, and all friends
who generously contributed to
the building program will be in-
vited and will have an opportu-
nity to visit and inspect the
Temple.

According to a release by the
Brea Post Office, the new 10c
Independence Hall Commemora-
tive Stamp was placed on sale
July 5.

LITTLE LEAGUE STATISTICS (Compiled by Lew Farwell)

Batting — Dick Holly (Walter
Johnsons) .667; Larry Wright
(Angels) .583; Eddie Boque
(Braves) .571; Mike Ledbetter
(Walter Johnsons) .556; Ted
Cunningham (Dodgers) .500;
Alan Ledbetter (Indians) .465.

Hits — Alan Ledbetter (Indians),
8; Richard Newhouse (Indians),
LaVaughn Hendren (Indians),
Larry Wright (Angels), and Ted
Cunningham (Dodgers), 7.

Runs — John McGuire (Cardi-
nals), 9; Gary Matlock (Cardi-
nals), 8; Dick Holly (Walter
Johnsons), Bob Ackles (Indians),
and Richard Newhouse (Indians),
7.

Doubles — Bob Millen (Angels),
3; Jim Unger (Giants), 2; eleven
tied with one each.

Triples — LaVaughn Hendren
(Indians), 4; Gary Odum (Dodg-
ers), 3; nine tied with one apiece.

Home Runs — Richard New-
house (Indians), 2; nine tied
with one apiece.

Pitching — Gary Matlock (Car-
dinals), 2-0; Larry Pettit (Car-
dinals), 2-0; Dixie Wolcott (Wal-
ter Johnsons), 1-0; Mike Ledbet-
ter (Walter Johnsons), 1-0;
Steve Ledbetter (Walter John-
sons), 1-0; Tom Boque (Braves),
1-0; Steve Hendricks (Angels),
1-0.

Strike Outs — Cliff Lashley
(Dodgers), 53; Tom Shores
(Giants), 31; Larry Wright (An-
gels), 29; Doug Nahin (Braves),
25; Richie Atkins (Indians), 24.

Playground Schedule

WEEK OF JULY 10

Laurel Playground on
day through Friday, 9;
High School gym open
through Friday, 1 - 4

Any child under six
attending the recrea-
tions is to be accompan-
ied at all times.

A ten cent charge will
for crafts.

MONDAY — 10, Peev
ball, Wildcats vs. M
11:30, Midget League,
Brea; 1, quiet games,
story hour, singing;
games, folk dancing;
school girls softball, Al
Brea.

TUESDAY — 10, Peev
ball, Crazy Cats vs. S
11:30, relays; 1-4, sam
as Monday; 5:30, Wal
sons vs. Dodgers.

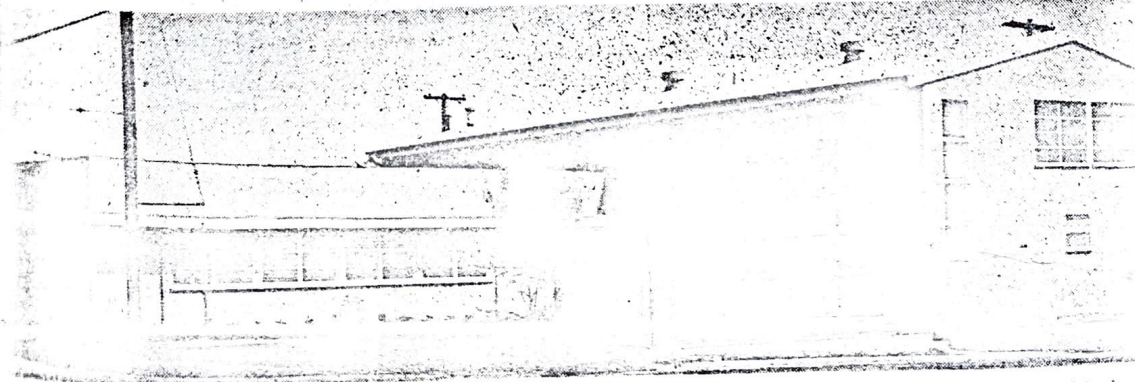
WEDNESDAY — 10,
Line Tournament; 1, K
Knott's Berry Farm;
League, Brea at Or
Giants vs. Yankees.

THURSDAY — 1,
Softball, Wildcats vs.
1, same schedule a
5:30, Braves vs. Dodg

FRIDAY — 10, Peev
Crazy Cats vs. Muscler
Sacket games; 1, sam
as Monday; 1, Bob
Girls Softball, Buena
Brea; 6, Girls' softba
Laguna.

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...Goodwin ac-
...Woman's Club



DING—Brea Masons will dedicate their new Masonic
at Sycamore and East Imperial, on July 20. From drawing
tion took nine years with the actual labor being done,

in the most part, by members of the local Masonic Citrol Lodge.
ing will be used for activities of the Citrol Lodge, Eastern Star
Daughters.—(Romar Photo—Brea)

Cornerstone Laying for \$70,000 Masonic Temple Set for Saturday

12 Fighting Ships Hold Maneuvers; 3 Breans Aboard

Pacific Fleet (FHTNC) — The 43 ships of Task Force 12 gave residents of the San Francisco Bay Area an impressive and spectacular view of U. S. Naval might upon their arrival Feb. 20 for a three day stay.

On maneuvers with the fleet were Hugh C. Hall, teleman third class, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Hall of 432 Magnolia Ave., aboard the destroyer USS Gurke; Joseph A. Lorea, seaman, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lucas Lorea of Brea, aboard the destroyer USS John A. Bole, and Doyle B. Bouse, electrician's mate third class, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. James F. Bouse of 442 S. Pomona Ave., aboard the destroyer USS Leonard F. Mason.

Task Force 12, with which the three Breans sailed, conducted the largest Pacific Fleet Training Exercise since World War II. Included with the Task Force

Most Worshipful Frank Harwell, Jr., grand master of Masons of California, will be in Brea Saturday, March 6, for the cornerstone laying ceremony of the new Brea Masonic Temple.

According to local Masonic officers, this will be the first official visit of any grand master to the Brea Citrol Lodge.

The historic ceremony is scheduled to start Saturday noon with a luncheon to be served in the present lodge hall dining room. This luncheon, from 11:30 to 1 p.m. is open to the public. Norman H. LeRoy, worshipful master of Brea Citrol lodge announced.

Cornerstone Ceremony

The cornerstone laying ceremony will start at 2 p.m. at the site of the new Temple, East Imperial and Sycamore, with local Masons and grand officers marching to the location from an assembly point at Laurel School grounds.

The Oranco Grotto Drum and Bugle Corps will provide music for the occasion and the distin-

guished guests will conduct the colorful cornerstone laying ritual. The public is invited to attend this historic service in Brea.

Groundbreaking ceremonies for the new temple were held at the site in April, 1952, with Vincent E. Jaster, then worshipful master of Brea Citrol Lodge, turning the first shovelful of earth. He was followed by William T. Rodger, district inspector.

Lieutenant Governor Goodwin Knight was here for the ceremony and addressed the group at a chicken dinner served at the Union Oil picnic grounds.

Valued Near \$80,000

The 7,900 square foot building, to be fully air conditioned, will have an assessed valuation of \$70,000 to \$80,000 dollars, LeRoy said. He added that at the present time about \$40,000 to \$50,000 dollars worth of material and workmanship have gone into the building with a cash outlay of about \$4,000. All other work and material has been donated, re-

sulting in slower progress in the building program.

The Temple will house a large lodge hall with mezzanine, a dining room with a modern kitchen, recreation hall and two sets of rest rooms. The outside walls will be finished in a peach-tan stucco and modern style architecture will be used for trim finish. The entrance will be on Sycamore Avenue. The building will have no indebtedness when completed, LeRoy stated. Everett Lynn Childs of Fullerton is the architect.

Congratulations

Phil Campbell, president of the Masonic Temple Association, George Cooke, former president, and a host of other Masons are to be congratulated for the successful methods used to make possible this Temple for Brea.

At the groundbreaking ceremonies William Rodger said, "The structure will be a monument to Masonry and is bound to be an influence for good in the community."

Gra-Y Group

Planners Deny Petition Requesting

Fulberton

Daily News Tribune
Nov 19, 1926

Brea, Nov. 19 Hubbard Hardware company have been kept busy this week removing furniture stored in the Sewell hall to the store room of Woodruff's on East Ash ⁵ Street. The change is made necessary because of the remodeling of Sewell hall for a fraternal center for Brea. Work on the hall is advancing rapidly and those interested feel ~~4~~ sure that the hall will be ready for use by December 1.

fine was paid.

Ducking the Stork

John, aged six, was told that he had to go to the hospital to have his tonsils removed, and his mother was bolstering up his morale.

"I'll be brave and do just what you tell me, mother," he promised, "but I betcha one thing, they don't palm off no crying baby on me, like they did on you when you were in the hospital."

For secretary of agriculture, Harold Wahlberg, Orange county.
For secretary of war, Harry Hale, Placentia.
For secretary of commerce, George Raymer, Santa Ana.
For secretary of labor, George T. Kellogg, Yorba Linda.
For postmaster-general, Terry Stephenson, Santa Ana.
For federal prohibition administrator, [illegible].
With a cabinet like that poverty ought to be abolished sure enough.

Q. A owes B some money which is evidenced by a promissory note. The note is due and unpaid. A has a house and lot which is all paid for but was put in the name of A's wife to avoid the payment of his debts. The note was first made in 1923 but has been kept alive by the payment of interest to Feb. 1929. The house above referred to was purchased in Feb. 1929. Can B reach this house in order to satisfy his debt? A also has a new car worth \$400. Can B collect his debt by attaching the car?

A. B must first reduce his claim to a judgment. He can then attach such property standing in the name of A that is not exempt from attachment under the exemption laws of the state in which the parties reside. The automobile of A can be attached to satisfy the judgment as there is no exemption allowed for it. It would seem that the property standing in the name of A's wife could not be subjected to the payment of B's judgment, however, if B had obtained a judgment against A before the property was purchased, it is possible that the property could be reached.

living together marriage ceremony.
Q. If two persons are joint legal property held jointly in most states or bonds the same as a debt that upon the death of the parties named the takes all by operation of law.

Olinda Girl Is Wed to William Gholson

BY SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT
OLINDA, Oct. 21.—Miss Olive Schryer of Olinda and William J. Gholson were married Saturday at 11 o'clock by the Rev. W. J. Oldfield of Brea. The witnesses were the bride's sister, Gertrude Andrews of Pico, and the bridegroom's aunt, Hattie Berry of the G. and L. lease. Mrs. Gholson is the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Schryer of the Santa Fe lease and William Gholson is the oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gholson of Taft, formerly of Brea canyon. Mrs. Gholson was a student of the Brea-Olinda high school. After a dinner at the home of the bride's parents the newlyweds left on their honeymoon to Taft. They will return in a week to make their home in Whittier.

Masons Decide On Sewell Hall

Nov. 11 = 1926
BREA, Nov. 11.—Members of the Masonic club of Brea at a meeting held in the Brown building the first of the week, decided definitely upon Sewell hall as a fraternal center for Brea lodges for the next three years. The matter has been in controversy for some weeks and all concerned are glad to see it settled.

Work on remodeling the hall, under the direction of A. A. Van Tuyle, has begun and it is expected that the lodge room will be ready for use by December 1. Other less important rooms will be ready soon thereafter.

Many local Masons have been holding demits from other lodges, waiting anxiously for the matter to be settled so that the work of organization could go forward. It is said there are also many prospective members who were equally as anxious to see the work of organization begin.

Masons Elect Officers

Last Thursday evening local Masons at their meeting held in the Baptist church definitely voted to petition for a dispensation to establish a Masonic Lodge in Brea. Officers chosen include L. L. Lemmon, worshipful master, J. L. Cullen senior warden, C. C. Kinsler junior warden. Additional officers will be chosen at a later date. A sufficient number of names is assured to comply with Masonic requirements for the establishment of a lodge and the new lodge will probably start with an initial membership of more than seventy five names on the roster. A suitable room in which to confer degrees is being negotiated for.

C. of C. Again Selects Pres. W. D. Shaffer

The Brea Chamber of Commerce board of directors elected by ballot Monday, selected W. D. Shaffer as president, Ted Craig, vice-president, and C. C. Kinsler, secretary.

The count of the ballots for directors Monday night showed that the members of the chamber had selected as directors Frank Mason, Ted Craig, J. A. Leuzinger, J. R. Collins, W. D. Shaffer, E. F. Hurst, C. C. Kinsler, S. F. Hilgenfeld, and E. H. Peterkin.

Business transactions of the meeting other than the selection of officers was confined to the mere renewal of membership in the county council.

It is understood that secretary Kinsler serves without compensation and that the present board will confine its expenses to the revenue received from the \$1.00 per month membership dues.

DNT

Dec 7, 1926

Work Progressing

Work on Sewell hall, the new home of the Masonic ~~hall~~ ^{lodge} of Brea, as well as other fraternal orders of the city, is progressing rapidly under the supervision of A. A. ~~Tuyle~~ ^{Tuyle}, building contractor. It is said the first meeting of the newly organized masons is to be held there December 13 and installation will follow December 17.



THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR'S VIEWPOINTS



Masonic Unity The Blessed Tie that Binds our Hearts in Brotherly Love

The Foundation of Freemasonry

The Symbolic Lodge is the basis of Freemasonry, the foundation of every Body associated with our Craft. Each and every member of each and every dependant Masonic Body is, first and foremost, obligated to support all the edicts of his Symbolic Lodge and of the Grand Lodge to which it is subordinate. The profound lessons learned from the first three degrees lead us to better understand our fellow man and ourselves, and to appreciate divine laws as well as those of society; indeed, the laws of society are mere reflections of those from God. So profound are the teachings of these degrees that they were utilized by our founding fathers in structuring the Constitution of the United States, a revolutionary form of government now recognized as the most functional in the world. Thinking men can readily grasp and understand the principles presented in the Symbolic Lodge rituals, for while they encompass complex matters, the lessons are presented in a manner whereby they can be absorbed even without full understanding of these complexities. Through these teachings, Masons gain character and integrity, and become more impressed with the importance of liberty and freedom. These attributes reflect on those with whom Masons associate, and society gains from the resulting peace and harmony. It is called Brotherly Love!

Broadening our Horizons

There are those Brethren who wish to delve deeper into the history and philosophy of the lessons of the first three degrees and to also *broaden* their scope of Masonic ritual. Hence, the Scottish and York Rite rituals are designed to build on the basic principles learned in the Symbolic Lodges, rituals which hone previously learned lessons and expand the horizons of knowledge. The lessons of the Scottish and York Rites do not *change* the direction set by the earlier degrees, for indeed, the rough and rugged road traversed through the degrees of the Symbolic Lodge is the only true path of progress in the Craft.

Relief for Distressed Children and Healthy Entertainment

About two thousand years ago, a bright star over Bethlehem was a beacon of hope for mankind. Some nineteen hundred years later, the Mystic Shrine was born, albeit with much less notice. There was no star in the heavens to signify its birth – it was left to the good men of the Shrine to create their own. And create they did, their Shrine Hospitals, dedicated to the relief of the children of the world. Shriners are encompassed with an aura of goodwill and relief. The Shrine Hospitals are beacons of their business – of children – that those near death may have a chance to live, that those in distress may find a way to go, that those without funds may be afforded the very best. The Nobles of the Shrine also fulfill an overlooked need of society – good healthy entertainment! Through public participation, it is a Masonic window to the world – a showcase of fun, laughter, contentment and the delight of feeling good about the world and what's in it. Every Scottish and York Rite Mason should be a Shriner, and every good man should become a Mason in order to become a Shriner – for the Business of the Shrine is surely among the noblest in the world.

All in the Family

Numerous dependant and appendant Masonic Bodies (Eastern Star, DeMolay, Rainbow, Job's Daughters, Tall Cedars of Lebanon, Grotto, National Sojourners, High Twelve and many others), all linked to the Symbolic Lodge and to one another, radiate our teachings to many facets of society. Some of these bodies reach out (for membership) to those not therefore familiar with Masonic structure – others (as does the Shrine), extend important benefits to all (Masonic affiliations or not). Such "open-door" policies often provide pathways to our Craft for those who might otherwise have remained at a perpetual distance.

Unity is our Strength, Discord our Danger

It is hoped the above Masonic overview, albeit brief, will serve to point out that **simplicity can be remarkably complex**, or conversely, that **complexity can be remarkable simple**. Hence, our "complex" membership concerns can be "simplified" by standing back and rationally observing Masonry in toto, and recognizing the *tendency* of many Masonic entities – Lodges, Chapters, Assemblies, Bethels, Valleys or whatever – to insulate themselves from

the problems and concerns of the others. The "complexity" here is the *insulation*! – a virtually shell which may provide false security during "good" times but nurture destruction when the going gets rough. Such shells would best be eliminated, but to eliminate them invariably requires understanding both within and without the shell.

Example 1: Every Scottish Rite Mason must previously have received his Symbolic Lodge Degrees, and while our Valleys continually maintain connections with local Lodges (via Ambassadors, etc.), there is cause to wonder how many Valleys have structured plans to help these Lodges *prosper*! We recognize that our Scottish Rite membership problems are directly related to those of the Lodge and that many Lodges have been obliged to consolidate (some more than once). Each Symbolic Lodge is individually responsible for its financial and functional success, and in the modern era, many lack sufficient resources to attract enough new members to maintain a solid base. Several plans to reverse this trend have proved marginal at best. Still, some Lodges do prosper! A structured Scottish Rite membership plan could entail a study of methodologies utilized by such prosperous Lodges, and implementation of such a plan in the less prosperous Lodges. Or your Valley might assist in organizing "Friend-to Friend" teams in the Lodge (contact Chairman Harvey Mayhill, 714-524-5922). Your Valley might further consider organizing a Degree Team (especially for the Third Degree) to help Lodges lacking such talent. Members of your Valley (especially past Lodge officers) might be encouraged to become dual or plural members of troubled Lodge to fill out the line. And you might volunteer to take an active role in a Youth Group in danger of folding – or encourage or train other Lodge members to take on such roles.

Example 2: Through the years, rifts have developed between certain Lodges and another Masonic Body (Scottish Rite, York Rite or Shrine), whereby a faction within the Lodge becomes adamantly opposed to its members joining a dependant Body. A common bone of contention is that once a member joins the Scottish Rite (or other Body), he becomes inactive in the Lodge. From time to time, such is, indeed, the case (even with forethought), but even so, we should ponder whether or not such is actually an affront to Masonry. Indeed, such an "offender" continues to support his Lodge by at least keeping his dues current while participating in other facets of the Craft to his particular liking (his choice). This situation can be difficult to resolve, for the volatile issue may be reignited with the raising of each and every new Master Mason. A possible solution might be to counter the argument by "bombarding" such a Lodge with good examples to the contrary. Scottish Rite Masons (or York Rite or Shriners) could fill the sidelines whenever possible to demonstrate support to the Lodge as *well* as the dependant Bodies, this along with applying some of the actions described above (Example 1). If the presentation of Scottish Rite books or pins (to newly obligated Masons) appears unpopular, it might be prudent to present them in his home rather than the Lodge. While it is the privilege of the new Masons to seek the Scottish Rite and the duty of the Scottish Rite to consider him, all care should be taken to avoid worsening an already volatile situation. It might prove fruitful to develop a Scottish Rite Information Program for presentation to the Lodges (especially those troubled with this situation), for there are many examples of prominent Masons holding high offices in a *number* of Masonic Bodies, often simultaneously. There is a good chance the situation may be resolved if enough member of such a Lodge become convinced of the *importance* of the dependant Bodies, but it may be difficult to rally enough support. If possible, such a situation is best resolved from within, however, it could prove necessary to prudently and diplomatically seek assistance from higher levels.

Example 3: The Youth Groups are direct conduits to Freemasonry. Their members are accustomed to Masonic principles (albeit varying ritual formats) and have benefited from their Masonic associations. Many new Masons have been introduced to our Craft via our Youth Groups, either as senior DeMolay members or relatives of a member of any of the groups. These youths are on the threshold of adulthood, active in Masonry during the most formative years of their lives. Their parents are encouraged to be active (many are) and members of sponsoring Lodges (and their ladies) are active as advisors, committee persons, etc. The members of each group (Assembly, Bethel or Chapter) learn ritual in a manner similar to Symbolic Lodge methodology. They all love attention! They love to do things and go places! They are *young*! When inspired, they learn well and rapidly. They are treated on an adult level and respond well because they are doing that which *they* have chosen rather than that which *others* have chosen for them. It may prove productive to develop special Scottish Rite Programs for presenting to the members of these groups along with their friends, parents, advisors and associated Lodge members and their friends and families. This ideal environment could provide a golden opportunity to talk directly to non-Masons regarding our Craft, and to Master Masons regarding the advantages of the Scottish Rite.

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No one knows with certainty how or when the Masonic Fraternity was formed. A widely accepted theory among Masonic scholars is that it arose from the stonemasons' guilds during the Middle Ages. The language and symbols used in the fraternity's rituals come from this era. The oldest document that makes reference to Masons is the Regius Poem, printed about 1390, which was a copy of an earlier work. In 1717, four lodges in London formed the first Grand Lodge of England, and records from that point on are more complete.

Within thirty years, the fraternity had spread throughout Europe and the American Colonies. Freemasonry became very popular in colonial America.

Many of the founding fathers of our nation had a belief in divine guidance, but they did not speak openly about it. Many were deeply committed to ancient secret societies.

All of the signers of the Declaration of Independence, with only one exception, was a Free Mason. The philosophy of the Free Mason's is a mystical approach to things. Dating back to our founding fathers many of whom belonged to the Masonic Orders, believed in higher vision in the affairs of humanity.

When Washington dedicated the United States capitol he used the Masonic symbolism. Masonic influence is evident in the architecture of Washington, DC where pyramids, pillars, and Numerology are repeated in nearly every official building. In fact the floor plan of the capitol mall may have been designed from the floor plan of a Masonic Temple....and East-West rectangle attached to an unfinished triangle. The lodge Master would reside at the cap of the triangle, where the

Capitol stands today.

Even the symbols on the dollar bill relate back to the Masonic notions

of the founders. The all-seeing eye comes from the Masonic symbolology.

The idea of the pyramid was America as a spiritual nation ...has work

to do and it is not complete. That is why the capstone is not connected

to the base.

The Masonic beliefs of the founding fathers were passed down to successive generations of government leaders. To this day in fact.

George Washington was a Mason, Benjamin Franklin served as the head of

the fraternity in Pennsylvania, as did Paul Revere and Joseph Warren in

Massachusetts. Other well-known Masons involved with the founding of

America included John Hancock, John Sullivan, Lafayette, Baron Frederick

von Stuben, Nathanael Greene, and John Paul Jones. Another Mason, Chief

Justice John Marshall, shaped the Supreme Court into its present form.

Over the centuries, Freemasonry has developed into a worldwide fraternity emphasizing personal study, self-improvement, and social

betterment via individual involvement and philanthropy. During the late

1700s it was one of the organizations most responsible for spreading

the ideals of the Enlightenment: the dignity of man and the liberty of

the individual, the right of all persons to worship as they choose, the

formation of democratic governments, and the importance of public education.

Masons supported the first public schools in both Europe and America.

During the 1800s and early 1900s, Freemasonry grew dramatically. At

that time, the government had provided no social "safety net". The

Masonic tradition of founding orphanages, homes for widows, and homes for the aged provided the only security many people knew.

Today in North America, the Masonic Fraternity continues this tradition by giving almost \$1.5 million each day to causes that range from operating children's hospitals, providing treatment for childhood language disorders, treating eye diseases, funding medical research, contributing to local community service, and providing care to Masons and their families at Masonic Homes.

The four million Masons worldwide continue to help men and women face the problems of the 21st century by building bridges of brotherhood and instilling in the hearts of men ideals for a better tomorrow.

Disaster Relief - How it Works
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When a natural disaster occurs, the Grand Jurisdiction(s) affected may request the MSANA to make an appeal for assistance to all U.S. and Canadian Grand Lodges.

Our first disaster relief appeal was in 1923 to help the victims of an earthquake in Japan. Since that time more than 50 appeals have been made on behalf of individual Grand Lodges.

When a disaster relief appeal is made, all of the monies received are sent, in their entirety, to the Grand Jurisdiction involved. No portion of donated funds is retained by the MSANA for any reason whatsoever. All costs connected with the appeal are absorbed through our regular operating budget. All donated funds are given to help the recovery within the Grand Jurisdiction for whom the appeal was made. Also, every gift is acknowledged by the MSANA.

Summary of Masonic Relief
Location Year
Amount

Japanese Earthquake Relief	1923	\$1,577.25
Florida Hurricane	1926	114,236.97
Mississippi Valley Flood	1927	608,291.91
Puerto Rico Hurricane	1928	86,316.58
Florida Hurricane	1928	107,622.14
Kentucky Flood	1937	33,771.01
Austrian Relief Fund	1938	5,202.36
Chilean Earthquake	1939	7,387.27
Philippine Relief Fund	1945	46,798.46
Ecuador Relief Fund	1949	20,734.51
Manitoba Relief Fund	1950	19,210.44
Holland Relief Fund	1953	29,985.32
Tamaulipas Relief Fund	1955	18,024.42
Miscellaneous Relief Fund	1958	1,000.00

Chilean Relief Fund 1960 11,436.75
 Cuban Relief Fund 1962 54,718.90
 Louisiana Hurricane Relief Fund 1965 59,395.54
 Italy Flood Relief 1967 20,008.68
 Mississippi Relief 1969 87,367.33
 Peru Relief 1970 19,220.82
 Philippine Flood Relief 1972 5,960.00
 Nicaragua Earthquake Relief 1973 13,696.60
 Honduras Relief 1974 7,320.00
 Guatemala Relief 1976 66,130.26
 Mississippi Flood Relief 1979 80,560.63
 Dominican Republic Disaster 1979 32,859.55
 Chilean Earthquake 1985 36,927.00
 Florida Hurricane 1985 20,244.00
 Mexico Earthquake 1985 6,220.00
 Columbia Earthquake 1985 100.00
 Chilean Flood 1985 32,500.00
 South Carolina Hurricane 1989 243,325.00
 Puerto Rico Hurricane 1989 45,625.00
 California Earthquake 1989 62,000.00
 Philippine Islands Flood 1991 30,500.00
 Florida Hurricane 1992 279,750.00
 Louisiana Hurricane 1992 243,150.00
 Hawaii Hurricane 1992 76,900.00
 Iowa Flood 1993 126,600.00
 Illinois Flood 1993 103,775.00
 Missouri Flood 1993 88,225.00
 Kansas Flood 1993 47,850.00
 Nebraska Flood 1993 47,825.00
 South Dakota Flood 1993 46,650.00
 California Earthquake 1994 146,225.00
 Georgia Flood 1994 60,725.00
 Texas Flood 1994 67,535.00
 Japan Earthquake 1995 34,285.00
 Oklahoma Bombing 1995 89,962.00
 Washington Flood 1996 32,487.00
 North Carolina Hurricane 1996 110,524.75
 California Flood 1997 42,000.00
 Nevada Flood 1997 48,850.00
 Minnesota Flood 1997 80,000.00
 North Dakota Flood 1997 85,000.00
 Total \$3,894,593.45

Freemasonry is the world's oldest and largest Fraternity. While its traditions look back to earliest history, Masonry in its current form appeared when its public events were noticed by the residents of London, England in 1717. Although Masonry - particularly in its earliest days - had some elements of secrecy, the first 'exposure' of the supposedly highly-secret Masonic ritual actually appeared in 1696! Since that time, there have been tens of thousands of books published about this 'secret organization'. And for over three hundred years, despite the good works done by its members, Freemasonry has continually suffered the slings and arrows of those who seek to use its quiet nature against it.

Freemasonry's singular purpose is to make good men better and its bonds of friendship, compassion and brotherly love have survived even the most divisive political, military and religious conflicts through the centuries. Freemasonry is neither a forum nor a place of worship. It is not a religion nor does it teach a religious philosophy. For nearly three hundred years it has attracted men of high moral character who support the tenets of temperance, fortitude, prudence and justice.

Today, the more than four million Freemasons around the world come from virtually every occupation and profession. Within the Fraternity, however, all meet as equals. In fact, one of the most fascinating aspects of Freemasonry (and an obvious source of irritation for those who thrive on the seeds of discontent) has always been: how so many men, from so many different walks of life, can meet together in peace, ignoring political or religious debates, to conduct their affairs in

harmony and friendship and to call each other "Brother!"

Freemasons are taught to conform to the moral laws of society and to abide by the laws of the government under which they live. They are men of charity and good works and they engage in charitable works which have made them "the World's greatest philanthropy!" Their services to mankind represent an unparalleled example of the humanitarian commitment and concern of this unique and honorable Fraternity.

What is the program?

The name is somewhat misleading. The Masonic Hospital Visitation Program is, without a doubt, the finest public relations program ever undertaken by the Masonic fraternity. The Masonic Service Association of North America deems this program their major relief work.

It is much more than merely "visitations" to the disabled and lonely patients in V.A. Hospitals, State Veterans Homes and Extended Care Facilities. It is the rendering of personal services to all our sons and brothers, Masons and Non-Masons alike, who now need someone to turn to for encouragement and to make life a little more pleasant.

Little things mean a lot. A friendly smile, a warm handclasp, an embrace and a kind word can do wonders for those who are lonely and depressed in a hospital or a nursing home.

The Hospital Visitation Program is a vital part of the Fraternity that deserves your attention and needs your immediate help

THE TEMPLES AT JERUSALEM

by W.B.Don Falconer

SYMBOLIC INTERPRETATION

References to the construction of King Solomon's temple at Jerusalem

are to be found in the rituals of the operative Free Masons since ancient times. The stoneyards in operative lodges symbolise the temple

at the various stages of construction and the candidate for each of the

several degrees represents a particular type of stone. The ceremonial

for each degree is based on the usage of the relevant stone in the

construction of the temple. The way in which a stone is prepared by an

operative mason in the stoneyard, or utilised on the building site, is

used as a basis to illustrate how an individual should prepare himself

for the life hereafter. The moral lessons imparted are also illustrated

by the application of the various working tools in the various stages

of the work, not only in the shaping, testing, fitting and marking of

the stones, but also during erection on the site. Many aspects of the

operative ceremonies and catechisms have been included in the rituals

of speculative Freemasonry, though in a very abbreviated form.

One of the most learned and distinguished of the early English Freemasons was the Rev Dr George Oliver DD, who studied and wrote extensively on ecclesiastical antiquities and all aspects of speculative Freemasonry. He was descended from the ancient Scottish

family of that name, some of whom moved to England in the time of King

James I. In 1801 he was initiated in St Peter's Lodge in the city of

Peterborough, by his father the Rev Samuel Oliver. In his renowned work

on the "Revelations of the Square", Dr Oliver says: "The Society adopted the Temple of Solomon for its symbol, because it was the most

stable and the most magnificent structure that ever existed, wheth

er we
 consider its foundation or superstructure; so that of all the societies
 men have invented, no one was ever more firmly united, or better
 planned, than the Masons . . . The edifices which Freemasons build
 are
 nothing more than virtues or vices to be erected or destroyed; and
 in
 this case heaven only occupies their minds, which soar above the
 corrupted world. The Temple of Solomon denotes reason and
 intelligence." This must be one of the most succinct yet comprehensive
 explanations ever given in respect of the foundation, purpose and
 symbolism of Freemasonry. It also typifies all aspects of the operative
 craft from which speculative Freemasonry is derived.

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

Since the earliest times, man has built temples or shrines where he
 could worship his god in his "house". The Tower of Babel is the first
 such structure mentioned in the Bible, Babel being the name of one
 of
 the chief cities founded by Nimrod in the land of Sumer, or ancient
 Babylon. Nimrod was a prodigious builder and was King of Babylon at the
 time of the Tower of Babel. Although as yet there is no archaeological
 evidence to confirm the existence of a city and tower of Babylon before
 about 1800 BC, a text of Sharkalisharri, King of Agade about 2250
 BC,
 mentions his restoration of the temple-tower or "ziggurat" at Babylon,
 which implies the existence of an earlier sacred city on the site.
 It
 is now believed that when Ur-Nammur, the King of Ur, built a ziggurat
 in about 2100 BC, it replaced the first Tower of Babel, probably
 constructed prior to 4000 BC. The ziggurat was a series of superimposed
 platforms, each from about 10 to 20 metres in height and progressively
 diminishing in area, with access by ramps or stairways. The structure
 was surmounted by a temple, to which it was believed that God would

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descend and communicate with mankind. The traditional history of t
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Masons' Guilds stated that their trade secrets were first given to
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trade by Nimrod. The ritual of the operative Free Masons still inc
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the old "Charges of Nimrod", in which the first charge requires th
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all Free Masons shall be true to their God, their King, their Lord
and
their Masters.

When he was 70 years old Abram, who was born in Ur of the Chaldees
around 2160 BC, received a Divine call to search for a land where
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could build an Israelitish nation free from idolatry. To fulfil hi
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mission, Abram first moved to Harran on the Balikh River, a tribut
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of the Euphrates 1,000 kilometres north-west of Ur, where he staye
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until his father died about five years later. Thence he travelled
southwards in stages to the vale of Moreh, between Mount Ebal and
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Gerizim in Canaan, where Yahweh promised Abram the possession of t
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whole land from the Euphrates to the south-west. Abram then "built
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altar to the Lord, who appeared unto him". As the Canaanites were
jealous of Abram, he soon moved south to the mountainous district
between Beth-el and Ai, where he also built an altar to Jehovah. A
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continued to move southwards until driven by famine from the Negeb
into
Egypt, but he later returned as a wealthy man to the mountainous
district, where he again established the worship of Jehovah. God
reiterated his promise to Abram, who then moved to Mamre near Hebr
on,
where he built another altar.

In about 2080 BC, after rescuing his nephew Lot by defeating a
confederation of four Babylonian kings under the leadership of
Chedorlaomer, the despotic King of Elam, Abram was blessed in the
name
of God by Melchizedek, the King of Salem and the "priest of the m
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high God". Melchizedek prefigured Christ and offered bread and wine as the memorials of sacrifice. Because he saw in this sacrament a messianic revelation of the most high God, El Elyon, Abram paid tithes to Melchizedek in token of this recognition. God then renewed his promise to Abram, but said that before his people should inherit Canaan they would spend 400 years in a foreign land. God also revealed himself to Abram as El Shaddai, the all powerful God able to consummate his staggering promise of a coming Redeemer. At this juncture Abram, which signifies "eminent father", changed his name to Abraham, signifying "father of a multitude", which he did as a token in recognition of what El Shaddai would do in his redemptive power. The renewal of the covenant was sealed by the introduction of the ceremony of circumcision, a spiritual symbol of the purification of life at its very source and also signifying the messianic hope for a Redeemer and Covenant-Fulfiller. Abraham was 175 years old when he died, which was 115 years before Jacob and his family migrated to Egypt. As Jacob passed out of Canaan around 1870 BC, God gave him an assurance that his descendants would return to the Promised Land.

THE TABERNACLE OF ISRAEL

As the patriarchs Abraham, Isaac and Jacob were semi-nomadic, they could not build a permanent shrine for worship, as was the custom in the cities of Mesopotamia when Abraham left Ur. After a sojourn of 430 years in Egypt, the Israelitish nation came into being with the institution of the Feast of the Passover and the beginning of the Exodus around 1440 BC, under the leadership of Moses and with the guidance of the Pillar of Cloud by day and the Pillar of Fire by night. During the second year of the Exodus, Moses made the most zealous intercessions on behalf of his people, spending two periods of forty days and nights on Mount Sinai. Moses was rewarded when the glory of

the Lord was revealed to him, the tables of the law were renewed and a new covenant was made with Israel. In recognition of the new covenant and in accordance with directions given to Moses by Jehovah, a Tabernacle or "tent of congregation" was erected as a portable sanctuary. The Tabernacle was 30 cubits long and 10 cubits wide, oriented from east to west and placed within an enclosed court near its western end. The court was 100 cubits long and 50 cubits wide, surrounded by a fence of shittim or acacia wood pillars 5 cubits high and braced by stay ropes. The structure supported "fine twined linen" sheets hung from rods. A "brazen altar", or "altar of burnt offering" was placed just inside the court, near the entrance gate at the eastern end. A bronze "laver", in which the officiating priests washed, was placed midway between the brazen altar and the entrance to the Tabernacle at its eastern end.

The Tabernacle was composed of two parts, the "mishkan" or tabernacle proper and the "ohel", or tent. In its strictest sense, the word "tabernacle" refers to the ten linen curtains that were hung inside the tabernacle proper, along the narrower western wall and the longer northern and southern walls. These walls consisted of planks of shittim or acacia wood plated on both sides with sheets of gold. The curtains had figures of cherubim woven into the blue, purple and scarlet tapestry work. The interior of the mishkan was divided into two compartments by a veil of similar material, colour and design as the curtains. The larger of these compartments, 20 cubits long and 10 cubits wide, was at the eastern end and called the "hekhal" or "Holy Place". The western compartment was a perfect cube of 10 cubits called the "debir" or "Holy of Holies", in which the Ark of the Covenant rested under the protective wings of two huge cherubim. The whole was covered by the "ohel", a fly roof of foxy black or brownish canvas made of goats'-hair and called camelot, such as is still used by nomadi

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Arabs. The Tabernacle continued to be used as the provisional meeting place between God and the "chosen people" until long after their entry into Canaan. Under the Judges it was at Shiloh and in Saul's reign it was at Nob and later at Gibeon. Although David erected another Tabernacle at Jerusalem for the reception of the Ark of the Covenant, the original Tabernacle of Israel remained at Gibeon until the days of King Solomon, together with the brazen altar used for sacrificial offerings.

The Hebrews naturally attached a great deal of symbolism to various aspects of the Tabernacle and also to the related ceremonies. The

"tent of congregation" typified God dwelling with his people and the

Ark of the Covenant was a constant reminder of God's presence and forgiving love. The twelve cakes of shewbread, placed on a table midway

along the north wall in the "Holy Place", signified the dedication of

the Twelve Tribes of Israel to divine service. The "menorah", a seven

branched candlestick of pure gold that was 3 cubits or more high, was

placed midway along the south wall to represent Israel as a people

called to be the children of light. The incense ascending from the

golden altar of incense that was placed in the middle of the space on

the eastern side of the inner veil, near to and in front of it, symbolised the act of prayer. The early Christian evangelists

interpreted the two compartments of the Tabernacle as being characteristic of the earthly and heavenly aspects of Christ's

ministry, saying that by the symbolism of the rent veil Christ had

opened up for everyone a way into the Holy of Holies. The layout and

furnishings of the Tabernacle and its surrounding court were replicated

in lavish detail and supplemented in the temple constructed by King

Solomon at Jerusalem.

OTHER PROTOTYPES FOR THE TEMPLE AT JERUSALEM

Because of the important role Egypt played in the history of the Hebrew people, the strong intellectual and cultural influence of the pharaonic civilisation throughout the Mediterranean region and the close links then existing between the two peoples, it was believed until recently that Egypt had provided the model for King Solomon's Temple in Jerusalem, even though it did not resemble any temple in Egypt. Archaeological excavations in northern Syria in the 1930s were the first to throw doubt on the belief of its Egyptian heritage. These doubts were reinforced by excavations at Hazor, in northern Palestine, during the 1950s. However, it was the salvage excavations carried out from 1970 to 1976 in a bend of the Euphrates River, on the site of what is now Lake el-Assad, that confirmed beyond doubt that the Temple of Solomon was built to a Phoenician pattern according to the traditions of a religious system that was then at least 2,000 years old. At least 3,200 years ago, about the time when Moses was on Mount Sinai, the Phoenicians became the greatest developers and builders around the Mediterranean. Their preeminence in building continued until the conquest of the region by Alexander the Great in 333 BC. The Phoenicians were more advanced culturally than the Hebrews and they played a significant role in the design and construction of King Solomon's Temple, their long experience in temple building undoubtedly having a significant influence.

The religious traditions that developed in the countries in the "fertile crescent" of the Near East and in the adjoining eastern Mediterranean, were bringing about significant changes in human attitudes to the divinity as long ago as 5,000 years. These attitudes were reflected in the designs of temples that became the pattern for

or those constructed by the Phoenicians. The temples were elongated about 3:1 in plan, had a single entrance at the narrower eastern end and were subdivided into compartments that provided a progressive transition from the profane outside world to the inner and most holy sanctuary. The deep significance of this progression of priests and worshippers, commencing from the profane outside world and leading to the sacred precincts, is reflected in the names of the compartments in the Tabernacle and later in King Solomon's Temple. This arrangement was typified in the Temple of Solomon, which had a porch or anteroom (the ulam) at the eastern end flanked by the two great pillars, Jachin and Boaz. The porch opened into the main hall of worship (called the hekhal) which had a table of offering and other furnishings and was the place for divine service and the performance of ritual. At the western end was the Holy of Holies (called the debir), the place "where God dwelt" and the "Ark of the Covenant" was kept, accessible only to the priesthood on specific occasions.

The many temples that have been excavated are not identical in design, but they are sufficiently alike to prove beyond doubt that they had a common religious theme. The oldest known temples or sanctuaries of this type were three found at Tell Shouera on the eastern branch of the headwaters of the Euphrates River in the foothills of northern Syria. In comparison with the Temple of Solomon, they range from about the size of its Holy of Holies to a little larger than its overall size including the storage chambers surrounding it on the northern, western and southern sides. They are about 4,500 years old and were built

sequentially over several generations. A Canaanite temple of the same general description and about 4,000 years old, was discovered during the 1950s while excavating the ancient lower city of Hazor in northern Palestine. Hazor was only occupied for about 500 years, when it was destroyed and burnt, never to be reoccupied. Another temple excavated at Ebla, 300 kilometres to the southwest of Tell Chouera and built around 3,800 years ago, is almost identical in size to the Temple of Solomon, although the Holy of Holies is significantly shorter. In the Temple of Solomon the Holy of Holies was on a podium, but at Ebla it was augmented by a substantial niche in the western wall, which allowed a small room to be placed between its porch and the main hall of worship which is about the same size as it was in the Temple of Solomon.

The greatest volume of evidence comes from the salvage excavations on the site of Lake el-Assad during the 1970s, where seven temples unearthed were constructed several hundred years before the first temple at Jerusalem. Of these temples, four at Emar range in size from about half to two-thirds that of the Temple of Solomon and are from 3,400 to 3,200 years old, corresponding with the brief period during which a Hittite city existed there. The two larger temples at Emar are built parallel and close together to form a double sanctuary, with a road between them giving access to a common terrace for sacrificial offering located behind them, instead of in front as at Jerusalem. A similar temple excavated at Moumbaqat, roughly midway between Emar and Ebla and intermediate in age, is even larger than the largest at Tell Chouera. The first Syrian temple discovered, which is that at Tell

Ta'Yinat, is almost identical in size to the Temple of Solomon and probably was constructed a little later. Some of the Syrian excavations also show evidence of stub walls near the western ends of the temples, which are thought to have been the locations of internal timber walls, similar to the one that screened the Holy of Holies in the Temple of Solomon. The foregoing archaeological evidence clearly shows that the Temple of Solomon and its precursor, the Tabernacle of Israel, both were of the form originally established by the Canaanites and subsequently developed by the Phoenicians.

KING SOLOMON'S TEMPLE

With the death of Saul, about 1010 BC, David became the King of Judah.

Seven or eight years later he was anointed King over all Israel. When

David had consolidated his power and built a permanent residence for

himself, the lack of a shrine of Yahweh seemed invidious to him. He

said "I dwell in a house of cedar, but the Ark of God dwelleth within

curtains". Because David was stained with the blood of his enemies, he

was precluded from building a temple to the Lord, but he collected

materials, gathered treasure and purchased a site for the construction.

The site chosen was the threshing-floor of Araunah the Jebusite, within

the area now called Haram esh-Sherif on Mount Moriah on the east side

of the "Old City" of Jerusalem. Whilst the precise location is uncertain it is believed that the highest part of the rock, now covered

by the mosque known as the "Dome of the Rock", almost certainly was the

position of the Holy of Holies in the first temple. Jewish tradition

relates that a secret vault was constructed beneath the temple, in

which confidential meetings could be held and all sacred treasures

and documents could be stored. Such a vault also features in masonic tradition and is a key element in several of its ceremonies. The construction of such a vault under ecclesiastical and other buildings of importance was common in ancient times and virtually became an essential in medieval times. Recent seismological surveys indicate that there probably is a cavern beneath the mosque, but excavations to confirm the existence of the traditional vault are precluded at present.

King Solomon commenced construction of the temple in the fourth year of his reign and completed it seven years later, about 950 BC. To facilitate the work he entered into a treaty with Hiram King of Tyre, whereby Hiram would permit Solomon to obtain cedar and cypress wood and blocks of stone from Lebanon. Furthermore, Solomon's workmen would be permitted to fell the timber and to quarry and hew the stones under the direction of Hiram's skilled workmen. In addition, Solomon was provided with the services of a skilful Tyrian artisan named Hiram, to take charge of the castings and of the manufacture of the more valuable furniture and furnishings of the temple. In return for all of the services to be provided by Hiram, Solomon agreed to send to him every year 4,400,000 litres of crushed wheat and 4,400,000 litres of barley, as well as 440,000 litres of wine and 440,000 litres of oil. Solomon raised a levy of forced labour out of all Israel, totalling 30,000 men, which he sent to Lebanon in relays of 10,000 a month. Adoniram, who had been an officer of King David in charge of labour gangs, continued under King Solomon and was placed in charge of the levy working in Lebanon. King Solomon also employed 70,000 burden bearers and 80,000 hewers of stone in the hill country, as well as 3,300 officers in charge of the people who carried out the work. Some thirty years a

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the completion of the temple, when Rehoboam sent Adoniram to enforce the collection of taxes, the exasperated populace rebelled and stoned Adoniram to death.

The Temple of Solomon was a prefabricated building oriented due east-west, being constructed of accurately shaped blocks of limestone quarried and dressed in or near Jerusalem and assembled without mortar.

The temple had a single entrance at the eastern end, accessed through

an uncovered porch. The porch, called the "ulam", was 10 cubits in

length along the axis of the temple and 20 cubits wide. Looking east

from inside, it was fronted by two great pillars or columns, that on

the right or south side being called "Jachin" and that on the left or

north side being called "Boaz". All of the timber used in the temple

came from the forests of Lebanon. The temple had olive wood doors and

was lined with cedar wood, ornately carved and inlaid with gold. The

compartments of the Tabernacle were replicated in King Solomon's Temple, but they were twice as large. The porch gave entrance into the

"hekhal" or Holy Place, which was 40 cubits long, 20 cubits wide and 30

cubits high and lit by latticed windows near the ceiling. This hall was

accessible only to priests and was used for daily worship, for religious ritual and for the presentation of offerings. At the western

end of the building was the "debir", or Holy of Holies. It was a perfect cube of 20 cubits, set on a podium to maintain the same ceiling

line as in the Holy Place. There were no windows in the Holy of Holies,

which received its light only through the doorway from the Holy Place

when the curtains were open. The Holy of Holies was accessible only to

the high priest, probably only once a year for the atonement ceremony

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The temple was surrounded on the north, west and south by store chambers three stories high. Among these, on the southern side, was the

"Middle Chamber" to which access was gained by a winding stair in the

south-east corner of the building. The whole structure was on a platform about 2 metres higher than the upper or inner court that surrounded it, requiring ten steps to ascend. This inner court was

raised above the surrounding great, or outer court, which required

eight steps to ascend. The outer court also was raised above the surroundings, requiring another seven steps to ascend. Each of the

courts was enclosed by walls comprising three rows of hewn stone, surmounted by a row of cedar beams. In the upper or inner court, as in

the court of the Tabernacle, there was a brazen altar of burnt offering, a brazen sea and ten brazen lavers for use by the priests in

their ablutions and for ceremonial purification.

Although smaller than any Egyptian temple, the Temple of Solomon was as a

magnificent edifice surpassing any that had preceded it, being noted

for the lavish beauty of its detail and opulence of its furnishings,

rather than for its size. No stonework was visible inside, because the

compartments were ceiled and panelled with cedar wood and the floors

were planked with cypress. Access to the Holy Place was through double

folding doors of cypress wood, each divided into upper and lower sections. The Holy of Holies was separated from the Holy Place by double doors of olive wood. Both sets of doors were usually left

open, but they were screened with veils similar in ornamentation to

those in the Tabernacle. The walls and doors were carved with palm

trees, garlands, opening flowers and cherubim, richly inlaid with gold.

The ceiling and floor of the Holy Place, as well as the whole of the

interior of the Holy of Holies, were overlaid with gold plate.

The furnishings of the Holy Place included an altar of incense, ten "menorah" or golden seven-branched lampstands, often called lampstands; also twelve tables for the loaves of shewbread. Within the Holy of Holies there were two cherubim, 10 cubits high, carved from olive wood and overlaid with gold, symbolising the majestic presence of God. Modern research shows that the cherubim would have been winged sphinxes, each with the body of a lion and a human head. This hybrid was extremely common in the iconography of western Asia between 1800 BC and 600 BC. The cherubim stood in a brooding attitude with outstretched wings, their adjacent wing tips touching above the Ark of the Covenant that rested in the middle of the apartment, while the tip of each other wing touched the north and south walls respectively. The Ark of the Covenant was made of shittim or acacia wood, overlaid with pure gold within and without. It contained the two tables of stone on which were engraved the ten commandments, the terms of God's covenant with Israel.

THE TWO GREAT PILLARS

The two great pillars at the porch or entrance to King Solomon's Temple were hollow and cast of bronze, 18 cubits high, 12 cubits in circumference and four fingers thick. They were surmounted by double capitals that were 5 cubits in their combined height, but probably cast in two separate parts. The lower part or chapter was of lotus work comprising four open and everted petals each 4 cubits wide. The upper part or capital was a bowl, not a sphere as is often said. The hollow columns were cast by the Tyrrians in moulds dug in the ground, using the "lost wax" method developed by the Assyrians in the Bronze Age

probably around 1200 BC. In this method the mould is formed round a wax core which melts away during casting. With large castings like the pillars, the wax core is formed round a sand or earth core. Such columns were common in Syria, Phoenicia and Cyprus at that time and the Tyrrians were very experienced in this method of casting.

Modern research indicates that the upper bowl probably was a vessel to contain oil, which could be lit at night. Similar decorated pillars are known to have been used at shrines in Palestine and Cyprus, during the period 1000 BC to 900 BC. The Greek historian Herodotus, writing around 450 BC, described two large pillars near the temple of Hercules at Tyre which "shone at night". Like the Phoenician models, the two immense incense stands at the porch of King Solomon's Temple would have illuminated the facade of the temple on Mount Moriah at night, whilst also catching the first glint of the Jerusalem sunrise. They have been interpreted as sacred obelisks, their blazing smoking wicks recalling to worshippers the pillars of fire and cloud that led the Israelites of old through the wilderness.

The pillars were completed and named before the temple was dedicated. Although it has often been said that the names of the pillars were to enshrine the memory of David's ancestry, it is now known that this was not their interpretation. It has been shown convincingly that the names of the two great pillars inscribed on the columns stood for the initial, or key words, spoken by oracles. In seeking to give power to the Davidic dynasty, as well as to express King Solomon's gratitude to the Almighty, the oracles probably used invocations such as: "Yahweh

will establish (jachin) thy throne forever" and "The king's strength (boaz) is in Yahweh". The bowls were not representations of the then known terrestrial and celestial globes, nor did the pillars serve as archives for the constitutional rolls, as is often suggested.

THE CAPTIVITY AND EZEKIEL'S TEMPLE

Ancient temples usually served as state treasuries, being filled with booty or emptied to pay tribute as the power of the land waxed and waned. King Solomon's Temple was no exception. The treasures which King Solomon had accumulated in the temple were raided in the reign of his son, Rehoboam, by Shishak of Egypt. Later kings, including even Hezekiah who adorned the temple, used the treasures to purchase the favour of allies or to pay tribute and buy off invaders. Then followed idolatrous kings who desecrated the temple and allowed it to fall into decay. By the time of Josiah three centuries after construction of the temple, it was in need of considerable repair which had to be financed by contributions from the worshippers. Finally the temple was looted by Nebuchadrezzar who sacked it in 587 BC during his destruction of Jerusalem. The deportation of the Hebrews into Babylonish captivity commenced with the capture of the Ten Tribes of Israel in 722 BC and was completed following the destruction of Jerusalem. Ezekiel, who was captured in 597 BC and deported to Babylon with Jehoiachin, became an important Hebrew prophet during the Exile.

Ezekiel's mission was to comfort the captives in Babylon, which comprised "all the house of Israel". His prophecies were numerous, including many concerning the surrounding nations, all of which were fulfilled. He made many prophecies of Israel's final restoration, including his messianic prophesy that the false shepherds would give

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 spoke of the restoration of the land and of the people and gave hi
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 vision of the restored nation and their worship in the new Kingdom
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 exiles were heartened in their grief by Ezekiel's vision of a new
 Temple, which he said would be erected during their restoration.
 Ezekiel's description related to a temple similar to King Solomon'
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 but he gave additional and specific information which helps us to
 establish details missing from the Biblical description of the fir
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 temple. However, Ezekiel's temple was never built even when the se
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 temple of Zerubbabel was constructed at Jerusalem.

THE DECREE OF CYRUS AND THE SECOND TEMPLE

Cyrus came to the throne of Anshan, an Elamite region, about 559 B
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 clashed with a Median king. When the Median army rebelled, Cyrus
 captured the walled city of Ecbatana (modern Hamadan) and the Pers
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 were then in the ascendancy. Cyrus rapidly extended his conquests,
 defeating Croesus the king of Lydia about 546 BC and conquering Ba
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 in 539 BC. Cyrus thus founded the vast Persian Empire under whose
 dominion Judea was to remain as a province for the next two centur
 ies.
 Cyrus established his capital at Pasargadae in the land of Parsa a
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 ruled until his death in 530 BC. In 538 BC Cyrus issued the follow
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 decree, releasing the Jews who were in exile in Babylon: "Thus sai
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 Cyrus King of Persia, all the kingdoms of the earth hath Jehovah,
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 God of heaven, given me; and he hath charged me to build him a hou
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 Jerusalem, which is in Judah. Whosoever there is among you of all
 his
 people, his God be with him and let him go to Jerusalem . . . and
 build
 the house of Jehovah . . ." About 42,360 Israelites returned
 progressively, under the leadership of Sheshbazzar or Zerubbabel i
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BC, under Ezra in 458 BC and under Nehemiah in 445 BC.

The first small band who returned to Jerusalem soon began rebuilding the temple, under Jeshua the high priest and Zerubbabel the governor. Their meagre resources and the many difficulties encountered delayed the completion until 515 BC, almost twenty years after leaving Babylon, but long before all the exiles had returned from captivity. Indeed, it was only completed then because of the efforts of the prophets Haggai and Zechariah, who urged the work on in the later stages. No accurate description of the second temple exists, but the layout appears to have been similar to that of the first temple with the height increased to 60 cubits. However it was much less ornate than the Temple of Solomon, lacked the sumptuous finishes and was scantily furnished. A lack of resources probably was the reason why the second temple was not built to Ezekial's grand plan. So far as is known the second temple, like the Tabernacle of Israel, had only a curtain at the entrance to the Holy Place, one lampstand, one table of shewbread and a golden altar of incense. Another curtain gave entrance to the Holy of Holies, but it was empty because the Ark of the Covenant had been destroyed when Jerusalem was sacked by Nebuchadrezzar in 587 BC. Nevertheless, the second temple, usually referred to as Zerubbabel's Temple, survived almost 500 years, much longer than any other temple at Jerusalem, finally being taken by the Roman general Pompey when he captured Jerusalem in 63 BC. Although Pompey did not harm the temple, the Roman consul Crassus plundered it of all its gold and other valuables nine years later.

HEROD'S TEMPLE

A discussion of the temples at Jerusalem would not be complete without mentioning Herod's Temple. Our principal source of information is Josephus, the Jewish historian and priest who flourished about 70 AD.

Herod the Great, or Herod the tetrarch of Galilee, came from the N egeb

between the Dead Sea and the Mediterranean, being of Idumaeen blood and

Edomite stock, descended from Esau. He was an indefatigable builder,

who wished to show his own grandeur by restoring the temple as a larger, more complex and much more beautiful building. He took great

pains to carry out the reconstruction piecemeal, without interrupting

the ritual observances, even training 1,000 priests as masons to build

the shrine. The work was begun about 20 BC and the main structure was

finished in ten years, but the whole complex was not completed until 64

AD. The temple area was twice that of Zerubbabel's Temple, but the

total area of development was more than ten hectares. The temple was

burned when Jerusalem fell to the Roman armies in 70 AD, when the golden candelabrum, the golden table of shewbread and other valuables

were carried off to Rome. In Rome, bas reliefs carved on the triumphal

arch of Titus depict Roman soldiers carrying off the looted temple furniture.

ORIENTATION

It is worth noting that the orientation of the temples at Jerusalem was

the reverse of the orientation of Christian churches. A worshipper in

the Holy Place of the temple looked west to the Holy of Holies or east

through the entrance to see the rising sun. Christian churches usually

have their main entrance in the west and the altar in the east. Lodges

of operative Free Masons have always adopted the orientation of the

temples at Jerusalem, with the entrance in the east and the master in the west. The orientation of lodges of speculative Freemasons is the reverse, probably because the compiler and editor of the original "Constitutions of the Freemasons" published by order of the Grand Lodge of England in 1723, the Rev Dr James Anderson DD, was an influential Presbyterian clergyman who as a matter of course would have adopted the orientation of Christian churches. Another possible reason is that early speculative ritualists may have been influenced by an essential doctrine of that particular school of the Cabala that says: "His Majesty . . . sits on a throne in the east, as the actual representative of God". Whatever the origin of the reversal of the orientation in lodges of speculative Freemasons, it has caused confusion in the interpretation of their symbolism because the words of the ritual were adapted from Operative usage based on the original orientation. In conclusion it is worth quoting Dr Oliver, to whom we have already referred, who said in his lectures on "Signs and Symbols":

"The principal entrance to the lodge room ought to face the east, because the east is a place of light both physical and moral; and therefore the brethren have access to the lodge by that entrance, as a symbol of mental illumination."

Many of the founding fathers of our nation had a belief in divine guidance, thought they did not speak openly about it. Many were deeply committed to ancient secret societies.

Many were Free Masons. All of the signers of the Declaration of Independence, with only one exception, was a Free Mason. The philosophy of the Free Mason's is a mystical approach to things. Dating back to our founding fathers many of whom belonged to the Masonic Orders, believed in higher vision in the affairs of humanity.

When Washington dedicated the United States capitol he used the Masonic symbolism. Masonic influence is evident in the architecture of Washington, DC where pyramids, pillars, and Numerology are repeated in nearly every official building. In fact the floor plan of the capitol mall may have been designed from the floor plan of a Masonic Temple....and East-West rectangle attached to an unfinished triangle. The lodge Master would reside at the cap of the triangle, where the Capitol stands today.

Even the symbols on the dollar bill relate back to the Masonic notions of the founders. The all-seeing eye comes from the masonic symbolology. The idea of the pyramid was America as a spiritual nation ...has work to do it is not complete. That is why the capstone is not connected to the base.

The Masonic beliefs of the founding fathers were passed down to successive generations of government leaders. To this day in fact.

Why Do Freemasons Support Free Public Schools?

Throughout human history, knowledge has been a source of power. For thousands of years, education had been reserved for the elite of society . . . for those wishing to exercise power over others. Those with power, fearful of their own status, sought to deny the common man of an education and to control what he thought. Many people suffered brutal punishments for simply discussing democracy, suggesting that the Earth is not at the center of the Universe, or preferring Aristotle over Plato.

During this same time, we saw the continual struggle of the common man for higher understanding about himself and the world around him . . . to raise the yoke of tyranny off of his shoulders, to break the chains of serfdom from around his feet, and to stand tall as an equal among all others.

Today, the benefits of education are clear. It empowers the individual -- economically, intellectually, and as a citizen.

An individual can achieve economic empowerment through education. An educated individual can offer an employer a broader array of skills, can decide to take up one occupation or another, or can choose to start up her or his own business.

An individual can achieve intellectual independence through education. An educated individual is enabled to contemplate and judge the big questions in life for herself or himself, without dependence on superstition or fear of punishment.

An individual can become a better citizen through education. An educated individual is better equipped to consider and decide on the issues that affect her or his family, community, country, and the World.

To avoid the tyrannies of the past, to afford every individual the opportunity to realize her or his full potential, education must be available to all without regard to race, ethnicity, religion, gender, wealth, or social class. Free public schools do just that. For this reason, Freemasons support free public schools.

Free public schools were the Freemasons' gift to America . . . and they are America's gift to the World.

The California Masonic Foundation is the primary vehicle through which the Masons of California support the public schools of the Golden State. Please visit their Web page.

The California Masonic Foundation sponsors a scholarship program intended to help correct that problem. The program is intended to assist exceptional California high school seniors who are seeking to attend a university or trade school within the United States. Scholarships are based on the whole person concept, with emphasis on academic performance and financial need.

No regard is given to gender, race, religion, national origin, or ethnicity. However, scholarships are given to United States citizens only.

Under current plans, the Foundation is building up to roughly \$1 million in scholarships per year. The bulk of scholarships are either \$40,000 (\$10,000 per year for four years) or \$10,000 (\$2,500 per year for four years).

The Masonic Student Assistance Program (MSAP) trains teachers to recognize the sometimes subtle signs of a child who is "at risk" of abuse or who has been the subject of actual abuse and direct the child to the appropriate professional services.

The California Masonic Foundation conducts 10 to 12 MSAP training sessions per year, with approximately 60 teachers and counselors receiving training at each session. The expenses of travel, lodging, and meals of the MSAP participants are picked up by the Foundation, as well as the cost of training. MSAP has proven to be a very successful program. As a result of it, thousands of school kids who are experiencing or are at risk to abuse are being helped every year.

Masons have long been involved with the youth of our nation. We sponsor a variety of programs which effect the young either directly or indirectly. These include the Child ID and anti Drug programs among others. We offer college scholarships to deserving young people and we sponsor three youth organizations. These we call "Youth Orders." There are two for young ladies one for young men. They are known as the "Job's Daughters", "Rainbow for Girls" and the "DeMolay."

California's Teachers of the Year

Education determines so much in an individual's life. There is a small

group of people who carry the immense responsibility of providing our

children with that education.

They put in long hours and receive a nominal wage. And we call them

"teachers". The California Department of Education sponsors the State's

Teachers of the Year Award Program.

Each year, each public school across the State is allowed to identify

their own Teacher of the Year. These teachers then compete for the

title at the school district level and county level. The 58 teachers

who earn the title in her or his respective county then compete for the

California Teachers of the Year Award. Five teachers are selected, one

of whom represents the State at the national level awards program sponsored by the National Education Association.

The California Masonic Foundation recognizes the five State-level Teachers of the Year with grants, which represent the only monetary

recognition these truly outstanding teachers receive.

The Masonic Homes of California provides quality care to Master Masons, wives, widows and children with dignity and compassion, within an atmosphere, based on Masonic tenets, that fulfills the physical, social, spiritual and nurturing needs of our extended community.

The Masonic Student Assistance Program (MSAP) is a three-day workshop that trains a team of teachers, administrators and support staff to identify school kids who are "at risk", gather the information necessary and develop an plan specifically for each child. The plan may be a school-based plan or utilize outside resources depending on the child's needs.

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I Am Freemasonry
By Ray V. Denslow

I was born in antiquity, in the ancient days when men first dreamed of
God. I have been tried through the ages, and found true. The cross roads
of the world bear the imprint of my feet, and the cathedrals of all
nations mark the skill of my hands. I strive for beauty and for
symmetry. In my heart is wisdom and strength and courage for those
who
ask. Upon my altars is the Book of Holy Writ, and my prayers are to
the
One Omnipotent God, my sons work and pray together, without rank or
discord, in the public mart and in the inner chamber. By signs and
symbols I teach the lessons of life and of death and the relationship
of man with God and of man with man.

My arms are widespread to receive those of lawful age and good report
who seek me of their own free will. I accept them and teach them to use
my tools in the building of men, and thereafter, find direction in
their own quest for perfection so much desired and so difficult to
attain. I lift up the fallen and shelter the sick. I hark to the
orphans' cry, the widows tears, the pain of the old and destitute.

I am
not church, nor party, nor school, yet my sons bear a full share of
responsibility to God, to country, to neighbor and themselves. They are

freemen, tenacious of their liberties and alert to lurking danger.
At
the end I commit them as each one undertakes the journey beyond the
vale into the glory of everlasting life.

I ponder the sands within the glass and think how small is a single
life in the eternal universe. Always have I taught immortality, and
even as I raise men from darkness into light, I am a way of life.

I am Freemasonry.

The End but actually, just the beginning.

Ray V. Denslow was master of Trenton Lodge No. 131, Missouri, and
Grand

Master of the Grand Lodge of Missouri in 1931.

How to Join a Masonic Lodge

Men of all ethnic and religious background are welcome. There are several California lodges whose members are primarily of Chinese, Filipino, or Jewish heritage.

One of Freemasonry's traditions is that it does not solicit members. We

do not ask a man to join. Men must seek membership on his own initiative, starting with obtaining a recommendation by two members of

a local Masonic lodge and submitting a petition. If accepted, the individual receives the Entered Apprentice degree, the first degree of

Freemasonry. Once a man has completed the next two degrees, he is a

Master Mason and a full member of the fraternity.

For more information non-Masons are invited to contact the Grand Lodge

of Free and Accepted Masons at www.freemason.org, or write to Grand

Lodge, 1111 California Street, San Francisco, CA 94108-2284, or call

800.831.8170.

- 1769 *First Europeans step foot in modern-day Fullerton area*
- 1830 *Spanish land grant to Juan Pacifico Ontiveras includes Fullerton area*
- 1849 *California Gold Rush brings influx of homesteaders & businessmen*
- 1887 *Railroad extensions leads to land-boom in North Orange County*
- May 17 *Town of Fullerton founded by George & Edward Amerige, named for George H. Fullerton, land agent who locally routed Santa Fe railroad.*
- 1896 *William McKinley elected President, inaugurated March 4, 1897*
- 1900 *U.S. Population 76,212,162 (5,308,483 in 1800). - McKinley re-elected*
- Jan 19 *Thirteen Masons meet to discuss formulation of Lodge in Fullerton.*
- Feb 17 *McFadden (WM), Clark (SW) and Davis (JW) certified in ritual.*
- Mar 7 *Grand Master Charles Patterson grants Esperanza dispensation.*
- Mar 10 *First meeting of Lodge: officers appointed & installed, adopted by laws - eleven petitions for degrees, six applications for affiliation received.*
- Apr 13 *Second meeting of Lodge: seven petitions, five applications.*
- Apr 21 *John Henry Schulte initiated Entered Apprentice Mason (1st).*
- May 18 *First Stockholder meeting, Fullerton Masons Building Association: corporation by laws adopted; directors elected. First Director meeting, Fullerton Masons Building Association: officers elected; by laws certified; motion passed to erect building (cost not to exceed \$8,000.00); architect plans approved; loan procurement approved.*
- May 22 through May 26 *(3) Director meetings: construction bids reviewed, cost reduction changes made, building contractor selected (\$7,400.00).*
- Jun 20 *1st Third Degrees conferred on Willie D. Hale & Elmer R. Ford.*
- Jun 22 *Director meeting, announcements of lot ownership recordation, \$6000.00 loan agreement signing, construction contract signing.*
- Jul 31 *Special dispensation allowed eight 3rd degrees to be conferred, attended by Grand Master and visiting Masons from 25 Lodges.*
- Aug 28 *Director meeting: authorized sidewalk bids and insurance needs.*
- Sep 29 *Director meeting: sidewalk contract let; authorized reception and ball in Temple on October 26; store rent established at \$40.00 per month.*
- Oct 11 *Date of Charter, Esperanza Lodge No. 339, F.& A. M.*
- Nov 3 *Chartered Lodge No. 339 constituted and officers installed by the Grand Lodge of California, W. M. James A. Foshay officiating.*
- Nov 15 *Director meeting: authorized purchase of fixtures, hiring janitor.*
- Dec 11 *Director meeting: authorized final payments to contractors.*
- Dec 22 *Director meeting: approved \$315 expenditure for piano.*
- 1901 *President McKinley assassinated, Theodore Roosevelt takes oath*
- Lodge becomes venue of Toastmasters, Woodsmen of the World, Foresters, Odd Fellows and other organizations, and for numerous community functions. Building Association procures many furnishings (including spittoons) and services. Ground floor store rental is largest revenue source. O.E.S. Chapter instituted in Fullerton.
- 1902 *U.S. purchases Panama Canal rights - Ford Motor Co. incorporated - Harley-Davidson motorcycle introduced - First flight by Wright Brothers*
- Founding Worshipful Master William M. McFadden passes away on Monday, July 21, interred with full Masonic honors at Anaheim Cemetery on July 23.
- 1903 *Gillette first year sales: 51 razors, 168 blades - Pepsi Cola introduced*
- Lodge continues to gain new members - Building Association continues efficient operation of facility. Annual rental revenue \$934.
- 1904 *Theodore Roosevelt re-elected - Fullerton incorporated as City*
- Lodge changes name to "Fullerton" in concert with new city status - Royal Arch Masons

- Chapter 73 locates in the Temple.
- 1908 *William Howard Taft elected President*
- 1910 *U.S. Population 92,228,496 (76,212,162 in 1900)*
- 1912 & 1913 *Woodrow Wilson elected President in 1912*
Need recognized for extending rear of building, completed with cost-reduction changes (example: tops of windows straight rather than arched).
- 1916 *Woodrow Wilson re-elected - war expands in Europe, U. S. neutral*
- 1917 *U. S. declares war on Germany in April, Gen. Pershing heads forces*
New storefronts installed on building - inherited estate proceeds used to reduce mortgage and loans. Lodge continues to grow, rent revenue increases. O.E.S. Chapter No. 347 instituted in Yorba Linda.
- 1918 *WWI ends on November 11*
Inherited property sold, all debts paid off, \$2000.00 in Liberty Bonds. Grand Master William Rhodes Hervey invited to help celebrate. Yorba Linda Lodge No. 469 chartered in October (first Fullerton offspring).
- 1919 *July 4: Jack Dempsey wins heavyweight championship in Toledo, Ohio*
Lodge needs more space, Building Association plans new facility, sales proceeds of old used to buy land (Chapman & Harbor). Construction begins. Order of DeMolay founded in Kansas City, Missouri on March 24.
- 1920 *U.S. Population 106,621,532 - Warren G. Harding elected President, dies in 1923, Calvin Coolidge takes oath - First vestige of German Nazism*
Fullerton Masons Building Association dissolved, new Temple Association takes over. New building dedicated, Cornerstone Ceremony Dec. 8, 1920, Grand Master Samuel Burke and C. Stanley Chapman, PM officiating.
International Order of Job's Daughters founded in Omaha, Nebraska.
- 1922 *Fascist dictatorship (Benito Mussolini) begins in Italy*
Azure Lodge No. 533 chartered in October (second Fullerton offspring)
International Order of Rainbow for Girls founded in McAlester, Oklahoma.
- 1923 *Yankee Stadium opens*
O.E.S. Ami Tai Chapter No. 405 instituted in Fullerton.
- 1924 *Calvin Coolidge re-elected President*
- 1926 *Goddard launches first liquid-fueled rocket, predicts moon landing*
Fullerton Chapter, Order of DeMolay and Job's Daughters Bethel No. 13 Chartered in Fullerton.
- 1927 *"Lone Eagle" Charles A. Lindbergh first to fly non-stop across Atlantic*
Citrol Lodge No. 656 (in Brea) and La Habra Lodge No. 659 Chartered in October (third and fourth Fullerton offspring).
- 1928 *Herbert Hoover elected President*
- 1929 *Ford Motor introduces first station wagon - built on Model A chassis*
O.E.S. Brea Chapter No. 506 and La Habra Chapter 508 instituted.
- 1930 *U.S. Population 123,262,674 - Nazi Party gains power in Germany*
- 1932 *Franklin D. Roosevelt elected President - Ford V8 replaces Model A*
- 1936 *Franklin D. Roosevelt re-elected President*
- 1940 *U.S. Population 132,164,569 - F. D. R. re-elected President*
- 1941 *Pearl Harbor, U.S. at war with Japan, Germany declares war on U.S.*
- 1944 *F. D. R. re-elected President, dies in 1945, Harry S. Truman takes oath*
- 1945 *A-Bombs dropped on Japan, WWII ends*
- 1948 *Harry S. Truman re-elected President*
Job's Daughters Bethel No. 176 Chartered in Brea, 27 members.
- 1950 *U.S. Population 151,325,798*
- 1952 *Dwight D. Eisenhower elected President*

- 1956 *Dwight D. Eisenhower re-elected President*
Job's Daughters Bethel No. 278 Chartered in Yorba Linda, 33 members.
- 1957 *Dwight D. Eisenhower begins second term*
DeMolay Chapter Chartered in Yorba Linda. Job's Daughters Bethel No. 282 Chartered in La Habra, 59 members.
- 1960 *U.S. Population 179,323,175 - John F. Kennedy elected President, assassinated late*
- 1963 *Lyndon B. Johnson takes oath*
- 1961 *Los Angeles Angels first game*
Job's Daughters Bethel No. 333 Chartered in La Habra, 37 members.
- 1964 *Lyndon B. Johnson re-elected President*
- 1968 *Richard M. Nixon elected President*
- 1972 *Richard M. Nixon re-elected President, resigns 1974 - Ford takes oath*
- 1970 *U.S. Population 263,312,031*
- 1976 *Jimmy Carter elected President*
- 1980 *U.S. Population 226,542,203 - Ronald Reagan elected President*
- 1984 *Ronald Reagan re-elected President*
- 1988 *George Bush elected President*
88DeMolay Chapters Chartered in Brea and La Habra.
- 1990 *U.S. Population 248,709,873*
- 1992 *William J. Clinton elected President*
- 1993 *Terrorist's bomb in N. Y. World Trade Center*
Fullerton Lodge No. 339 relocates in December to Anaheim DeMolay Center.
- 1994 *June 17 - O. J. Simpson charged with murder after freeway chase*
Fullerton Lodge No. 339 relocates in December to La Habra Masonic Temple.
- 1996 *William J. Clinton re-elected President*
Fullerton Lodge No. 339 and Citrol Lodge No. 656 consolidate as Gateway Lodge No. 339 on Dec. 1, meeting in Brea Masonic Temple.
- 1998 *No news is Good News*
La Habra Lodge No. 659 and East Whittier Wayfarer Lodge No. 726 consolidate as Cornerstone Lodge No. 659, meeting in La Habra Masonic Temple.
- 2000 *U.S. Population 276,555,027 (est.) - election to be decided*
Lodge No. 339 celebrates "First One Hundred Years".

Chapter 17

Citrol Lodge in the City of Brea

On April 3, 1926, a group of five Master Masons met in Brea to consider establishing a Masonic Lodge in their town - and establish they did! Lester Lee Lemmon, chairman of the group, appointed a committee to investigate interest among other Masons in the area. As the group gained members, it became identified as the "Brea Masonic Club", and as such, assisted Deputy Grand Master Will H. Fischer in performing the Cornerstone Ceremony when the "old" Brea Olinda High School was dedicated on October 2, 1926. (On December 2, 1989, Citrol Lodge assisted Grand Master Sam M. Pavlovich in dedicating the "new" Brea Olinda High School on Wildcat Way.)

Meeting weekly, the Club members began surveying various buildings in search of a suitable place for a Lodge to meet, and on November 8, 1926, voted to lease a portion of the Sewell building on Pomona Avenue (now Brea Blvd.). Leased as of December 1, 1926, the Club suitably remodeled this facility to serve as a meeting place, and later as their Lodge room, until the Temple on Imperial Highway was ready for occupancy nearly 29 years later.

The members of the Brea Masonic Club petitioned the Grand Master for a Dispensation to meet as a Masonic Lodge on February 12, 1927; the petition was signed by twenty-five Master Masons, only five being members of California Lodges. It was decided to name the new Lodge "Citrol" (a combination of "citrus" and "oil", the two main industries in the community) since they feared the name "Brea" might be confused with "LaBrea", then the name of a Lodge near Los Angeles. The Dispensation, signed by Grand Master George L. Jones and attested by Grand Secretary John Wicher, was granted under date of February 26, 1927, and on March 4, Brother Henry MacMaster, Inspector of the 97th District, read the Dispensation and instituted Citrol Lodge, U.D. F. & A.M. Assisted by Brother William T. Rodger, Past Master of Fullerton Lodge No. 339, the Inspector then installed the officers, including Lester Lee Lemmon as Worshipful Master, George Wayne Cullen as Senior Warden and Charles Edward Miller as Junior Warden. The first Stated Meeting of Citrol Lodge U.D. was held in the Sewell Building Lodge room on April 1, 1927 during which 31 petitions for the Degrees and 28 applications for Affiliation were read! From this exceptional beginning, the Lodge grew steadily, and by 1931, more than 180 members were on the role. The Lodge was constituted as Citrol Lodge No. 6561, F. & A.M. by virtue of its Charter under date of October 13, 1927.

The Cornerstone laying Ceremony of the Citrol Masonic Hall took place in 1954 in concert with a Special Communication of the Grand Lodge - the dining-room wing was not completed until after the first Stated Meeting in the new Temple convened on November 1, 1955. The building was free of

debt even prior to occupancy owing to donated cash, material and labor along with successful fund-raising activities.

Citrol Lodge has continually been a pillar of strength in the Brea community, the membership having including School Board officials, a Superintendent of Schools, city government officials, police officers, firemen, physicians and numerous other creditable positions. In addition to their participating in Cornerstone Ceremonies for the two Brea Olinda High Schools, the Lodge has assisted Grand Lodge Cornerstone Ceremonies for the Fanning Elementary School, Country Hills Elementary School and the Brea Civic Center. Citrol Lodge further promoted their local community by awarding annual

scholarships to graduating Brea Olinda High School seniors.

Citrol and Fullerton Lodges consolidated as Gateway Lodge No. 339 on December 1, 1996, now meeting at 500 East Imperial Highway in Brea. Worshipful Robert J. Nelson, Sr. was the final Master of Citrol Lodge.

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IV - Citrol Lodge No. 656, F. & A. M. (in Brea)

April 3, 1926, the first meeting was held in the Brown Building in Brea, to consider the advisability of instituting a Masonic Lodge in Brea. L. L. Lemmon was elected chairman, and C. C. Kinsler, Secretary. A committee consisting of J. H. Robinson, Albert Boyd and R. E. Critchlow was appointed to visit the Masons in Brea and vicinity with the idea of ascertaining the number willing to affiliate with the proposed new Lodge. The next meeting was set for April 8, but was postponed on account of fire at the Union Oil Company's Stewart Tank Farm, and was held April 15, 1926.

Meetings were conducted weekly and various locations and buildings discussed as a suitable place for a Masonic Lodge Room. November 8, 1926 it was voted to rent a part of the Sewell building on Pomona Avenue, and make the changes necessary for conformation to Masonic requirements. The lease on the building dated from December 1, 1926. Members of the Brea Masonic Club assisted Deputy Grand Master Will Fischer, in the laying of the Cornerstone at the new Brea-Olinda High School on October 2, 1926.

The name Citrol was chosen for the Lodge on account of the name "Brea" being too much like the name "LaBrea" already held by a Lodge near Los Angeles. The petition for Dispensation was mailed to Grand Master Jones on February 12, 1927. It was signed by 25 Master Masons. Of this number, 5 were members in California and 20 were from other states.

The Dispensation was granted and on March 4, 1927, Bro. Henry MacMaster, Inspector of the 97th District, assisted by Bro. Wm. T. Rodger, read the Dispensation and installed the following officers: Lester Lee Lemmon, Worshipful Master; Geo. Wayne Cullen, Senior Warden; Charles Edward Miller, Junior Warden; Alonzo Hiram Brown, Treasurer; Charles C. Kinsler, Secretary; Hugh Rhonald Williams, Senior Deacon; Lynn A. Hohue, Junior Deacon; Monte Cristo Fiscus, Marshal; W. Judson Oldfield, Chaplain; Robert E. Critchlow, Senior Steward; Frank T. Lane, Junior Steward; Fredrick George Boxall, Tyler. Citrol Lodge, U.D. was then opened in due form. At this meeting there were 28 applications for Affiliation and 31 Petitions for the Degrees. From this beginning the Lodge has steadily grown until at present there are over 180 members.

V - La Habra Lodge No. 659, F. & A. M.

All Orange County Masons and especially La Habra Brethren, are justly proud of the exceptional achievement and very rare occurrence of a loyal, energetic group of Masons forming a Masonic Club, building a beautiful Temple in La Habra, and then petitioning the Grand Lodge for Dispensation to Institute a "just and regular Masonic Lodge." The La Habra Masonic Club, organized July 29, 1925, participated in the placement of the La Habra Masonic Temple Cornerstone (in this building with the) participation of Grand Master Will H. Fischer. The Temple was completed and ready for occupancy the early part of June, 1927, and the Petition for Dispensation was granted June 24, 1927. The Lodge was Instituted July 6, 1927, Charter granted October 13, 1927, and Constituted October 18, 1927.

The Temple was Dedicated by Grand Master Gustav A. Hutaff, October 28, 1927. The first meeting of La Habra Masonic Club was held in William Abrams store, July 29, 1925. Officers elected were F. D. Halm, President; William Abrams, Vice President; Francis Rockwell, Secretary; R. M. Evans, Treasurer. Henri Clayton acted as Secretary pro tem, and there were present 46 Masons. The Lodge now has a membership of 135. Charter Members were:- William Abrams, Gurnard Clair Beer, Gordon M. Cameron, Daniel Levi Chipman, Charles LeRoy Crumine,

Benjamin Davies, Henry Carl Dohrmann, Roy Martin Evans, Walter Coney Fairweather, Raymond F. Frantz, Clint Richard Guthrie, Henry Eldridge Hart, Edward L. Journigan, Rollie William Koontz, Thomas MacKenzie Lawson, Walter Albany Linsdell, Roy Nickell, Claude Arthur Ridgway, Ulysses Grant Sherman, William Campbell Stark, Charles Edward Trent, Robert W. Vanderhoof, Ivan James Wagner, James Henry Walker, Burt S. Williams.

First Officers were:- Walter Albany Linsdell, Worshipful Master; Gordon McKnight Cameron, Senior Warden; Claude Arthur Ridgeway, Junior Warden; James Henry Walker, Treasurer; Rollie William Koontz, Chaplain; Henry Carl Dohrmann, Senior Deacon; Roy Martin Evans, Junior Deacon; Chas. Edward Trent, Marshal; Roy Nickell, Senior Steward; Walter Correy Fairweather, Junior Steward; Ulysses Grant Sherman, Tyler.

Officers for 1931 are:- Harlen Hodges, Worshipful Master; William Weaver, Senior Warden; George Eaby, Junior Warden; Gordon M. Cameron, Treasurer; A. J. Young, Secretary; Ed Klusman, Chaplain; Homer C. Haltzgraf, Senior Deacon; Charles T. Miller, Junior Deacon; Grant Sherman, Marshal; P. H. Goodell, Senior Steward; George Armstrong, Junior Deacon; W. M. Stanley, Tyler; Frank Barrows, Organist.

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