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PGM Doty, to me as present Grand Master falls the honor of presenting you, as a token, from the M.W.P.H.G.L. of Minn. & Jurisdiction, a beautiful P.G. Master's apron.

Many years ago you were presented upon your induction into the Masonic Fraternity, a white lamb-skin apron. It was the first gift you received as a Mason. It was simply a badge or symbol of your profession as a Freemason and a token of your connection to the Fraternity.

You know full well its esteemed significance, symbolism, and esoteric implications. Its valuable lessons were impressed upon you at that time. There is no symbol of Speculative Masonry more important in its teachings, or more interesting in its history than the white apron of a Mason.

Whatever was to be your future advancement in the organization, into whatever deeper arcana your devotion and thirst for knowledge in this Mystic Institution might have led you, from your first investiture of your apron, you have never parted.

Later in your Masonic life, the Scriptural message was fulfilled, "You have fought a good fight; you have kept the faith; you have run your course" You have been faithful over a few things, now I shall make you Ruler over many." Your fellows and brothers elevated you to high office. Upon your brow rested the laurel leaves of victory; upon your breast hung the jewels of success and achievement; upon your broad shoulders was draped the honored purple of our Fraternity.

You wore these vestments of authority well during your terms of office as the tender tributes of correspondence read here tonight have so aptly depicted and as the plaudits of your friends and brothers have manifested.

Yet, never again, until your enfranchised spirit shall have passed upward and inward through the

pearly gates of that land not made with hands eternal in the Heavens, shall any honor so distinguished and so meaningful be bestowed upon you, as this one which I now confer.

I find myself, as Grand Master of the Prince Hall Masons of Minnesota, the descendant of a line of twenty four distinguished, illustrious Grand Masters, including yourself. All of you, deceased or living, bequeath me and all of the brothers of the Craft, a light to be held ever high, as a challenge to the best that is within us. True, all of you made mistakes, at times pondered over what course to take, gained enemies, but on the whole you served so faithfully and well that tonight we honor you and all of those men who have presided in the Grand East before you.

And as I present this apron with the jewel of a Past Grand Master emblazoned upon its surface, may it be kept as an ever-present reminder of the simple lessons it inculcates, a never-ending argument for nobler deeds, higher thoughts, and for purest actions.

May it canopy you with humility and grace, may you cleave even closer to the Craft, may you continue to serve as an elder statesman of the body, as a useful citizen in your community, ever loyal to your God, your country, your neighbor, and yourself. May the Almighty bless and keep you, Charles D. Doty. May the rest of your days be filled with good health, happiness and prosperity.

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Freemasonry, deriving its symbolism from the religious associations of the Ancient Mysteries, presents death to the neophyte as the gate or entrance to an eternal existence. We learn that life here is the time of labor, and that working at the construction of a spiritual temple, we are worshipping and praising the Grand Architect, for whom we build that temple. We learn further, that when life is ended, it closes only to open upon a newer and higher one, where the Mason, as the Christian, finds eternal truth in a spiritual temple not made with hands eternal in the heavens. Death, therefore, in Masonic philosophy is the symbol of initiation completed, perfected, and consummated.

To the grave we have consigned the mortal remains of our deceased brothers, we cherish their memory here, and as we commend their spirit to God, who gave it, we call upon that Ancient Teacher of Freemasonry, who has said, "It is appointed unto all men once to die, and after death cometh the resurrection. The dust shall return to the earth and the spirit unto God who gave it. In the grave all men are equal; the good deeds, the lofty thoughts, the heroic sacrifices alone survive and bear fruit in the lives of those who strive to emulate them.

While, therefore, nature will have its way, and our tears will fall upon the graves of our brethren, let us be reminded by the evergreen symbol of our faith in immortal life that the dead are but sleeping and be comforted by the reflection that their memories will not be forgotten; that they will still be loved by those who are soon to follow them; that in our archives their names are written, and that in our hearts there is still a place for them. And so, trusting in the infinite love and tender mercy of him without whose knowledge not even a sparrow falls, let us prepare to meet them where there is no parting and where with them we shall enjoy eternal rest."

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Masonry is founded on the very wants of the nature of man. When man emerged from the hand of the Grand Architect of the Universe, there was implanted within him a desire for society and social intercourse. The declaration of God, that, "it is not good for man to be alone" applies not only to the individual but to all classes of society.

Through the ages that have rolled into eternity since God created man, and looked upon everything that He had made, and pronounced it "very good" down to the present, this longing for social intercourse has maintained its position in the human breast, and ^{has} inspired man with noble aspirations and desires to elevate himself and his fellow-man in the scale of moral and social being. It is true that there are some who have none of these heaven-born aspirations or desires within their breasts, who are content to grovel in ignorance, superstition and bigotry. Such men can never or should never become Masons.

It was the common pulsations of the heart of our common humanity that laid the corner stone of the Masonic institution, that has placed block upon block in the walls of this stupendous temple, and that will continue to infuse life and energy into the hearts of those who bow at its alters, until the temple shall have been completed in all its parts - the keystone having been placed in its proper position - the delta stone illuminated - both of them monuments to the wisdom of its founders and builders - its pillars strong and enduring and beauty being inscribed thereon in indelible characters.

It is definitely in the hallowed atmosphere of such a spiritual temple that the spirit of the great patron saint of Freemasonry - St. John the Baptist - moves and abides. Of him, Christ has said, "Verily I say unto you, Among them that are born of women there hath not risen a greater than John the Baptist; notwithstanding he that is least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he".

His virtues were so exemplary, so honorable, so useful to mankind, so acceptable to God that they should ever be held by men and Masons in grateful, humble remembrance.

In this temple the tenets of our fraternity are taught. First, it is an institution founded by men - not of Divine origin - but upon Divine principles which underlie all that is purely noble and good in humanity. The object being to educate men and to develop them in all faculties

of their nature that tend to bring peace and harmony to the human family, and to elevate mankind to the highest attainable condition to which it is possible for human agencies and institutions to raise him. The teachings are pure and holy, designed to fill the soul of the initiate with higher conception of those duties which every man owes to himself, to his fellow - man and to his God. He is taught that to himself he owes the sacred duty of refraining from all indulgences which tend to impair his faculties and degrade his being; to be temperate in his desires and to rid his mind of the vices and superfluities of life.

To his fellow - man he is taught to act upon principles of brotherly love, relief and truth. Love to all mankind but especially to the brotherhood is strongly advocated and inculcated. The unity and harmony that pervade the universe, that give rise to the orderly movements of the sun, moon, earth and all life in our terrestrial and celestial spheres prove to the Mason that they should be essential and conspicuous elements in his character. It is such unity that gives permanence to our Fraternity.

Finally when we do not learn the lessons nor abide in this spiritual temple as we ought, do we ourselves, to a great extent not cause the objections to and criticisms of our beloved institution?

Do we attend to our duties as Masons as we ought? Do we live up to the principles of our Order that we profess to love and cherish?

Fellow Craftsmen, it is our duty to exemplify by our lives the noble principles of Masonry. Let us, in all our actions, make a constant, regular application of those principles, that others, seeing our good work, may be constrained to acknowledge the utility of Masonry, and that our influence, silent and humble, yet ever working, may draw to the support of our Fraternity, the good and true of every community. Take charity by the hand; do what - ever she commands and a sweet peace will well up in your faithful breasts. The widow's tears will engrave in indelible characters the benefits of Masonry. The mother's excited heart, the infants cries, and the orphan's thanks will answer all objections to the value of the Masonic Institution.

Learn, then, my brethren

III.

Learn, then, my brethren, the art of doing good, of building, of working together, of producing peace amidst the jarring elements of a disturbed, distraught world. Produce order out of chaos and harmony out of discord. Learn to handle the tools of Masonry as you were taught. Apply them as the Master Craftsman ordains that you should.

When you can ~~look~~ out over the rivers, the hills and the far horizon with a profound sense of our own littleness in the vast scheme of things, realizing that we are but fragments in the wondrous universe, and yet have faith, hope and courage you have learned the lesson taught by our Patron Saint.

Your learning and application are further manifested when you learn to sympathize with men in their sorrows, knowing that all men fight a hard fight against many odds. When you stretch forth your hands to support a fallen brother, when you whisper good counsel in his ear and in the most tender manner remind him of his faults and endeavor to aid his reformation, when you do not compete with him for his titles and honors but compete for better understanding, agreement and co-operation, when no voice of distress reaches your ears in vain, when no hand seeks aid without response, when you can see some good in all men then you have become great in the Masonic Institution.

Then when the dim lamp of life is expiring, when we are about to close our labors in the lodge below to join the celestial lodge above, where the Grand Architect of the Universe presides, we shall feel conscious of having performed our work well, equipping it by the devices known to Masons, and be happy, knowing we are in possession of the pass-words which will gain us admission into that lodge of the just, the true, and the good, being duly and truly prepared to become associated with these true craftsmen who have gone before. - A body of just men made perfect.

Daniel Webster has said, "If we work upon marble, it will perish; if we work upon brass, time will efface it; but, if we work upon immortal minds; if we imbue them with principles, with the just fear of God and love for our fellow men, we engrave on those tablets something which will brighten eternity."

Y.C.L.S. Ray Hess Senate Dist 54

(1)

"Black Policeman. 1881 Louis Thomas
1st " Fireman. 1885- W^m Godette
" Fire Station until 1943. 1st Front & Burr.

2. Tarzan & Jane. "Ug." Did N. K. Black & Brown people
had Languages & Dialects? [Incense & Kaaba Stone Bks. off.
Was Jesus. Blond & Blue eyed. Bible - Koran. Pray 3 times a day!]
3. White man discovered America? When did Indians
discover America? Black's Helped Build America.
Black Helped Bldg. Capitols, Mansions, Cathedrals, Pyramids.
4. Crispus ATTucks 1st Kill by King George's soldiers.
Patriots grave, Middle Burying Ground, Boston.
Tom Payne, "These are the Times That Try men's Souls."
Death brings men to a common level ^{Smart men & dumb} at cathedral door.
? Can you Look at Blood & Tell, Arab-German, Swed,
Irish Blood? Which God will answer the prayers?
J. H. V. H. (Yod He Vau He) "Allah." Muslims?

4. Crispus-Attucks-Brooks Post Amer. Leg. Fought in Civil,
W.W.I, W.W.II, Viet-nam
- 4d. Black Gangs not 1st. Mafia.-Irish, Jewish, Italians
- 4b Do Black Banks Launder Drug Money in ST. Paul?
- 4c. Aids? You gave Small Pox To Indians!
Do Blacks make AK-47 guns? Uzi?
Who sells These Guns To Black Kids?
How does Cocaine get To Black neighborhoods?
5. Why Didn't U.S. Jump on Russia or China?
" Did U.S. Jump on Grenada, Panama, Now Saudi Arabia?
Not Blond + Blue eyed.
6. RONDO- B. Business. Why. No ST. Paul Hotel, "Ryan"
Stayed in Homes. Rooming Houses, Ate at Chinese.
At Nickel + Dime Stores, STOOD!

7. Roy Wilkins, Auditorium. Where? What Street?
Hallie Q. Brown

8. You can learn something.

9. My life. Gt. Gt. Grd. Mother. brn. "1837" All SLaves owned
was their Minds, Souls, & Muscles, & I Can Control 2 of 3.
Schools, Church. D.F.L. Since 1936. Presidential Elector.

Idea News

DFL Education Foundation

LECTURERS & GRAND C.C.F.C. - SENATE EAST SUITE

Presiding: P.G.M. Lapercell P. Greene- C.C.F.C.,
Minnesota

Recorder: To be appointed

Call to Order

Opening Remarks

Introductions and Recognition

SHORT TALKS:

"The Role of The C.C.F.C." - Maceo Brodnax
C.C.F.C. OF Colorado

"Who Needs a Study Club ?" -

GENERAL DISCUSSION:

"Our Business Here"

To serve and grow or be served and
defeated

"What, Then is Masonry ?

Adjourn

RESOLUTION

Whereas, Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code requires that some very specific statements be included in our Articles of Incorporation; and

Whereas, The last amendment (May 26, 1950) did not include any such statements,

Resolved, That the ninety-third annual communication should amend the Articles of Incorporation; further

Resolved, That the following changes be included as part of the amendments:

1.

ARTICLE I

NAME.

The name of the Fraternity shall be "The Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, Jurisdiction of Minnesota, Incorporated." Otherwise known as: "...Prince Hall Grand Lodge, F. & A. M. Minnesota, Inc."

2.

ARTICLE II

PURPOSE/OBJECTIVE

The objectives of the Fraternity are:

1. To develop effective leadership within the Fraternity
2. Exclusively, to provide charitable and educational opportunities for the communities of the Fraternity within the meaning of Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal revenue Code.
3. INUREMENT OF INCOME: No part of the net earnings of the Fraternity shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered.
4. LEGISLATIVE OR POLITICAL ACTIVITIES: No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the corporation shall not participate in or intervene (including the publishing or distribution of statements), any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.
5. OPERATIONAL LIMITATIONS: Notwithstanding any other provisions of these articles, the corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) By a corporation exempt from Federal Income Tax under section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provisions of any future United States Internal Revenue Law) or (b) By a corporation contributions, to which

are deductible under section 170 (c) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law).

6. DISSOLUTION CLAUSE: Upon the dissolution of the corporation, The Board of Trustees shall, after paying or making provisions for the payment of all the liabilities of the corporation, dispose of all the assets of the corporation exclusively for the purposes of the corporation in such manner, or to such organization or organizations organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational, religious, or scientific purposes as shall at the time qualify as an exempt organization or organizations under section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law), as the Board of Trustees shall determine.

Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by the Court of Common Pleas of the County in which the principal office of the corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

MASTER OF CEREMONIES, HEAD TABLE GUEST, OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE STERLING
4 S. Club
CLUB, AUXILIARY AND FRIENDS, GREETINGS:

I WISH TO THANK EACH OF YOU FOR COMING OUT TONIGHT. ^{SOMEWHERE TONIGHT I} WILL TELL A LIE.

DECEMBER 23, 1978 THE STERLING CLUB HELD ITS FIRST PARTY IN ITS
HOME AT 300 NO. ST. ALBANS. ON DEC. 31st 1988 WE CELEBRATED OUR TENTH
ANNIVERSITY IN THE ^{PRESENT} ^{ROOMS} CLUB. AT MIDNIGHT, NEW YEARS EVE WE STARTED
CELEBRATING OUR 70th ANNIVERSARY YEAR. WE SHOULD PLEDGE TO OUR SELVES
THAT EVERYTHING WE SPONSOR, WILL BE A SUCCESS. THIS YEAR.

ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 30, 1919 THE MEMBERS OF THE STERLING CLUB
NEVER DREAMED OF WHAT THE CLUB WOULD LOOK LIKE TODAY. NEITHER CAN WE
VISUALIZE WHAT THE CLUB HOUSE WILL LOOK LIKE IN YEAR 2049. WE HAVE TO
INSTALL IN OUR YOUNGER MEMBERS THE DESIRE TO PERPETUATE THIS CLUB.

"FROM WHENCE WE COME," I WANT TO SEE THE START OF COMPILING OUR
CLUB HISTORY, FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS. WE NEED A WRITTEN HISTORY. WE
MUST NOT BECOME COMPLACENT. WHEN WAS THE PROPERTY ON DALE ST. PURCHASED? ^{That.} We all should know

THE PUBLIC SHOULD KNOW ABOUT THE STERLING CLUB. I FOUND SOME
POLICEMEN DID NOT KNOW ABOUT THE STERLING CLUB. NOW THAT IS GOOD. WE
NEED NEWS RELEASES. WHO KNOWS WHO TO CONTACT TO GET PUBLICITY IN OUR
WHITE PAPERS, INTO JET OR EBONY ETC. WE SHOULD UPDATE WHAT IS RECORDED
IN THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY. I BELIEVE OUR NEW MEMBERS SHOULD LEARN THE
NAMES OF THE CHARTER MEMBERS. THIS WILL HELP PERPETUATE THEIR NAMES.

HOW MANY OF YOU CAN REMEMBER THE YEAR YOU FIRST WAS INSIDE EITHER
~~ROOMS?~~ CLUB? IT WAS ABOUT 1946 FOR ME. I WAS IMPRESSED.

IT IS PROPER DURING THIS YEAR OF OUR 70th BIRTHDAY TO CELEBRATE
ITS EXISTENCE AND TO CONSIDER HOW REMARKABLE IT IS THAT THIS CLUB HAS
SURVIVED. NEITHER I NOR ANYONE ELSE HAS THE ABILITY TO SEE WHAT THE
FUTURE HOLDS FOR OUR CLUB. BUT WE MUST PLAN FOR THE FUTURE. PLAN FOR 75th

THINGS DO NOT STAY THE SAME. I WAS COLORED, NEGRO, A BLACK AND
NOW I IS PRESIDENT AND IS AFRICAN-AMERICAN. Like JOHN THE CONQUIRER USE
TO SAY, "HAVE MERCY, -" THE SECRET OF LIVING WITHOUT FRUSTRATION & WORRY
IS TO AVOID BEING ELECTED PRESIDENT.

I HAVE FOUND OUT IN MOST ORGANIZATIONS THERE ^{are} SOME MEMBERS THAT
WILL ARGUE OVER ANYTHING AND SOME THAT WILL ARGUE OVER NOTHING.

BE THANKFUL FOR WHAT WE HAVE, BUT PLAN FOR THE FUTURE. LETS PLAN
SOMETHING FOR EACH MONTH THIS YEAR. ^{in the chapter of Mark:} IT IS SAID, "THE LORD WATCHES OVER
BABIES AND FOOLS. I HOPE HE WILL CONTINUE TO WATCH OVER US."

Mistress
MASTER OF CEREMONIES, CLERGY, *Your Honor Mayor Boykin.* DISTINGUISHED HEAD TABLE GUEST, BROS.
& SISTERS, LADIES & GENTLEMEN: *Not Jessie, nor Leon Sullivan, Dr. Ben Hooks*

I WILL TRY TO OFFER TO YOU SOMETHING, SO EACH ONE CAN SAY THEY GOT SOMETHING FROM MY REMARKS. YOU MUST REALIZE, I AM SPEAKING TONIGHT TO MASTER MASONS, (EASTERN STARS) OFFICERS, NON COMMISSION OFFICERS, *NAACP* NON MEMBERS, CIVILIANS, LADIES & GENTLEMEN. I WOULD LIKE FOR YOU TO WRITE THESE INITIALS DOWN, Y. W. L. S. THAT IS NOT A WORD! TONIGHT I AM GOING TO TRY A DIFFERENT KIND OF SPEECH. WHEN I SWITCH MY REMARKS FROM ONE TOPIC OR FROM ONE GROUP TO ANOTHER, I WILL SAY "TID BIT." I WOULD LIKE FOR YOU TO SAY OUT LOUD "TID BIT", WHEN EVER I SAY "TID BIT." THAT WAY I WILL KNOW YOU ARE LISTENING AND AWAKE. O.K.? I ALWAYS LIKE TO FEEL I HAVE CAUSED SOMEONE TO THINK. I ALSO LIKE TO TELL THE TRUTH. IF SOMEONE TOMORROW ASK ABOUT MY REMARKS, YOU TELL THEM I TOLD THE TRUTH. MY PREDICTION IS: THERE ARE GOING TO BE SOME COLD NIGHTS OUT ON THE STRIP THIS WINTER. THAT IS THE TRUTH! "TID BIT!"

I WANT TO SAY A FEW WORDS TO THOSE WHO DO NOT BELONG TO THE MASONIC FAMILY. MASONRY IS NOT A RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATION. THE CHURCH & LODGE ARE QUITE PARALLEL OR SIMILAR IN ESSENTIAL PARTICULARS. SO, IF FREEMASONRY IS NOT A RELIGION, WHAT IS IT? IT IS A BEAUTIFUL SYSTEM OF MORALITY, VEILED IN ALLEGORY & ILLUSTRATED BY SYMBOLS. IT IS SAID: IT IS SAID: IT IS HARDER TO JOIN A MASONIC LODGE, THAN IT IS TO JOIN SOME CHURCHES. MASONRY LIKES TO GET GOOD MEN AND MAKE BETTER MEN OF THEM. WE HAVE NO KNOWN ATHEIST OR KNOWN TRAITOR, TO OUR COUNTRY, IN OUR FRATERNITY. FREEMASONRY IS A LOYAL INSTITUTION. IT IS A VOLUNTARY ASSOCIATION OF MEN. IT IS A GUIDE FOR MORAL CONDUCT. IT IS A FRATERNAL SOCIETY & A WAY OF LIFE. IT IS RELIGIOUS IN ITS CHARACTER, BUT IS NOT A RELIGION. IT TEACHES THE GOLDEN RULE. IT USES SECRET RITES & CEREMONIES, TO INSTRUCT ITS MEMBERS, (BUT IS NOT A SECRET ORGANIZATION.) IT IS BASED ON A FIRM BELIEF IN THE FATHERHOOD OF GOD, THE BROTHERHOOD OF MAN & THE IMMORTALITY OF THE SOUL. IT TEACHES TOLERANCE TOWARD THE BELIEFS OF OTHERS & CHARITY TOWARD ALL MANKIND. MASONRY IS NOT A POLITICAL ORGANIZATION. IT DOES NOT INTEREST ITSELF IN PARTY POLITICS WITHIN ITS WALLS. BUT, OUTSIDE THE LODGE HALL A BROTHER BECOMES A CITIZEN. HE IS INJOINED TO BE EXEMPLARY IN THE DISCHARGE OF HIS DUTIES AS A CITIZEN. THAT MEANS ALL MASONS SHOULD VOTE. IT ALSO DESTINCTLY INJOINS US TO RESPECT ALL SOCIAL DISTINCTIONS, SO THAT WHILE SOME MUST RULE, OTHERS MUST FOLLOW AND CHEERFULLY ACCEPT THEIR TEMPORARY POSITIONS. A MASONS FIRST DUTY IS TO HIMSELF, HIS WIFE, AND HIS FAMILY. IF YOU WANT TO BECOME A

ASK A MASON. "Tid bit!" P. Hall, Cambridge, Mass. Crispie Attack, Brooks Navy.
1772-1775

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EARLY IN 1950, GRAND MASTER CHARLES D. DOTY HAD RECEIVED LETTERS AND PETITIONS FROM A GROUP OF IRREGULAR MASONIC BRETHREN LIVING IN SIOUX FALLS, SOUTH DAKOTA. THEY DESIRED REGULAR AFFILIATION WITH THE MINNESOTA BODY. (INVESTIGATION REVEALED THAT THEY HAD MADE NO PETITIONS TO OTHER PRINCE HALL BODIES.) THEIR NUMBER WAS SMALL, BUT THEIR PRAYER WAS FERVENT AND THEIR HOPES WERE COURAGEOUS. ON TUESDAY MAY 30, 1950, BROTHER DOTY WITH SEVENTEED TWIN CITY MASONS JOURNEYED TO SIOUX FALLS, S.D. WHERE HE OPEN AN OCCASIONAL LODGE AND ENTERED, PASSED AND RAISED SEVEN BROTHERS TO THE SUBLIME DEGREE OF MASTER MASON. THE GRAND MASTER SUPERVISED THE ELECTION OF THE CHARTER OFFICERS WHO WERE: MAURICE COAKLEY, W. M., DAN COATED, S.W., GEORGE BUSH, J.W. THE NAME ALPHA LODGE U. D. WAS SELECTED. (AFTER PRESENTING RITUALISTIC EQUIPMENT AND INSTRUCTION, THE GRAND MASTER CLOSED THE LODGE.) AN EXCELLENT BANQUET WAS SERVED BY THE SIOUX FALLS LADIES IN ST. JOHN'S BAPTIST CHURCH. ALPHA LODGE, HAVING FUNCTIONED PROPERLY, WAS ENUMERATED NO. 10 BY THE 1950 GRAND LODGE. "TID BIT!" "TID BIT!" LETS TALK ABOUT RETIREMENT.

CAREER VETERANS FACE A STRANGE NEW WORLD OUT THERE AND OFTEN YOU ARE UNPREPARED TO ENTER IT. THE TRANSITION TO CIVILIAN LIFE CAN BE TRAUMATIC. IT IS A TOTAL AND RADICAL CHANGE IN EVERY FACET OF LIFE. THERE NOW ARE 1.4 MILLION MILITARY RETIREES IN CIVILIAN AMERICA: 36,458 MEN AND WOMEN RETIRED IN 1986 ALONE. MANY WERE ILL-PREPARED, APPREHENSIVE AND ACTUALLY FRIGHTENED OF VENTURING INTO THE UNKNOWN WORLD OUTSIDE THE CLOSE-KNIT MILITARY ENVIRONMENT. I HEARD A OLD JOKE: THE LADY IN THE PERSONAL OFFICE SAID: "YOUR RESUME SAYS THAT YOU HAVE WORKED IN TEXAS, VIRGINIA, CALIFORNIA, THE PHILIPPINES, FLORIDA, JAPAN, AND WEST BERLIN" "WHY COULDN'T YOU SETTLE DOWN?" ARE YOU GOING TO STAY HERE FOR ONLY A LITTLE WHILE?" YOU MAY THINK YOU ARE THE SMARTEST SGT. ON THIS BASE, BUT THAT DOES NOT MEAN YOU WILL HAVE A JOB THE DAY AFTER RETIRMENT. THE ENTIRE FAMILY UNDERGOES A TREMENDOUS UPHEAVAL. THERE IS AN ADJUSTMENT PERIOD FOR EVERY ONE. IT CAN BE SCARY FOR A WHILE. SOME COUPLES HAVE BROKE UP WITHIN A FEW YEARS AFTER LEAVING THE SERVICE. SOME CAN NOT COPE WITH THE TREMENDOUS CHANGE. SOME OF YOU WILL HAVE TO CLEAN UP YOUR VOCABULARY.

Let me read a want ad

"TID BIT"

IT IS A POOR MAN WHO IS SCARED TO BE IN HOT WATER, ONCE IN A WHILE. TO THE BASE COMMANDER OR WING COMMANDER.

YOU SHOULD HAVE SEVERAL SERGEANTS THAT YOU CAN CALL IN ONCE IN A

WHILE TO DISCUSS CONCERNS OF THE BLACKS ON BASE. I HOPE YOU HAVE SUCHAN ARRANGEMENT. THEY CAN TELL YOU WHAT ARE THE PROBLEMS OR

Retirement Ad 4

WANT AD! OPPORTUNITY IN MIS DIVISION FOR A DATA SECURITY ANALYST. REQUIRES: TRAINING IN DATA SECURITY ADMINISTRATION, DISCIPLINES DATA BASE & DATA COMMUNICATION. ALSO REQUIRES MINIMUM 4 PLUS YEARS IS EXPERIENCE, MVS/XA EXPERIENCE & PROFICIENCY IN TOP SECRETANALYTICAL & ORGANIZATION SKILLS. PREFER COLLEGE DEGREE IN MIS OR COMPUTER SCIENCE & KNOWLEDGE OF PROGRAMMING & JCL KNOWLEDGE OF IDMS, SNA/UTAM, TSOMVS & UCCEL PRODUCTS & NETWORKS. *tie bit* *Turn back*

NAACP wants you to

REGISTER & VOTE. YOU BECOME SOMEBODY ON A PRINTOUT THEN.

SOMEBODY WANTS YOUR VOTE. YOU ARE SOMEBODY THEN. YOU SHOULD

Martin L. King Day?

WATCH YOUR STATE LEGISLATORS. BIG PUBLIC CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

SHOULD HAVE BLACKS WORKING ON THEM.. IN THE PLANING STAGES YOU

SHOULD GET A FAIR SHARE AGREEMENT WITH THE CONTRACTOR. FIGHT FOR

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION. HAVE A GOOD RELATIONSHIP WITH THE POLICE.

HELP FIGHT CRIME. ASK IF YOU CAN RIDE ALONG WITH AN OFFICER.

IF YOU WANT TO GET ON THE POLICE DEPARTMENT IN ST. PAUL, MN YOU

MUST GO TO SCHOOL FOR TWO YEARS. PASS THE COURSE. PASS THE

EXAMINATION HIGH ENOUGH SO THEY CAN REACH YOU. FIGHT FOR

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION. REMEMBER THE NAACP IS NOT AN ALL BLACK

ORGANIZATION. IT WAS STARTED BY TWO WHITE MEN & A JEW. YOU NEED

WHITES & THERE FINANCES & THERE EXPERTISE. *To small to* DO YOU HAVE A BLACK

NEWSPAPER?

TID BIT

FREEDOM! SAY FREEDOM! FREEDOM COSTS SOMETHING. EITHER MONEY OR

TIME, WRITING TO WASHINGTON, SWEAT OR EVEN DEATH. IT TAKES TIME

TO MAKE PROGRESS. LOOK HOW LONG IT HAS BEEN SINCE SLAVERY. HOW

LONG HAS IT BEEN SICE THE BROWN VS. BOARD OF EDUCATION CASE?? MAY,

NAACP Fought

1954. 33YEARS AGO. THE N.A.A.C.P. FOUGHT FOR THE RIGHTS OF

BLACKS TO HAVE ACCESS TO THE BALLOT. IT HAS BEEN 29 YEARS SINCE

THE ENACTMENT OF THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT. TODAY, THERE ARE OVER

6,000 BLACK ELECTED OFFICIALS INCLUDING THE MAYORS OF CITIES/THAT

LESS THAN 20 YEARS AGO HAD VERY FEW BLACKS WHO WERE ALLOWED TO

REGISTER TO VOTE. EVEN TODAY SOME PEOPLE IN THIS WORLD WANT YOU

TO REGRESS TO NEAR SLAVERY. RIGHT HERE IN THE U.S. YOU HAVE SOME

WHO WANT STATES FOR JUST WHITES. YOU ARE NOT FAR FROM IDAHO.

YOU HAVE WHITE FOLKS RUNNING AROUND IN THE WOODS PLAYING HIDE AND

SEEK. WHAT ARE THEY REALLY TRAINING FOR? SOME WHITES ARE

TRAINING THERE KIDS TO HATE BLACKS & JEWS TODAY. YOU HAD BETTER

Let The world know - A Black Mayor

WATCH THOSE GROUPS.. "TID BIT"

5 Some minorities, would not qualify Today for the job they are doing.

EDUCATION IS ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT RUNGS ON THE LADDER TO SUCCESS. WE MUST DO A BETTER JOB AND BE CONCERNED ABOUT THE EDUCATION OF OUR CHILDREN. WE MUST TUTOR OUR SLOW CHILDREN EARLY IN THERE SCHOOLING. WE MUST NOT LET THEM GET BEHIND. IT IS TO HARD FOR THEM CATCH UP.. IT IS EASIER TO KEEP UP. WE MUST PREPARE OUR CHILDREN TO THEY CAN PASS THE SAT (WE NEED PRE-SCHOLASTIC APTITUDE TESTING FOR THE 9th, 10th & 11th GRADERS. WE HAVE TO "KEEP ON PUSHING". THIS SAT TEST IS USED TO SHUT DOORS TO BLACKS. IF YOUR KIDS CAN NOT PASS THIS TEST, SOME COLLEGES WILL NOT ADMIT THEM. IT'S GOING TO GET TOUGH TO GET IN SOME SCHOOLS. THE ACT-SO COMPETITION IS DESIGNED TO HELP OUR YOUNG PEOPLE TO EXCEL IN THE AREAS OF SCIENCE, THE ARTS, ACADEMICS, ETC. WE MUST ENCOURAGE OUR YOUTH TO TRY FOR SCHOLARSHIPS. HELP THEM TRY FOR ORATORICAL CONTESTS. THE "STAY-in- SCHOOL/BACK TO SCHOOL " PROGRAM CAN HELP KEEP OUR YOUTHS IN SCHOOL. KIDS DO NOT BELIEVE YOU. DO NOT LET THEM DROPOUT BEFORE THEY RECEIVE THAT ALL IMPORTANT HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA. KEEP TRYING TO MOTIVATE THEM TOWARD GOING ON TO COLLEGE OR A VOCATIONAL SCHOOL OR TECH. SCHOOL. TELL THEM IT IS EASY TO DROP OUT-BUT HARD TO DROP BACK IN SCHOOL. TOP OF THE CLASS GRADES IN HIGH SCHOOL CAN PLAY A ROLE IN COLLEGE RECRUITMENT. ANOTHER THING,, YOU HAD BETTER WATCH THE COUNCILERS AT YOUR HIGH SCHOOL. THEY WILL LET YOUR KID SLIP THROUGH THE CRACKS. I WILL GIVE YOU TWO EXAMPLES OF WHAT CAN HAPPEN. MAXFIELD & CENTRAL HIGH.

"TID BIT" ON CIVIL RIGHTS

LETS TALK ABOUT OUR NEIGHBORHOODS & THE POLICE DEPARTMENT.

NEIGHBORS MUST LOOK OUT FOR ONE ANOTHER. YOU MUST LOOK OUT YOUR BACK WINDOW SOMETIME. YOU MUST GET INVOLVED. BE PART OF A CRIME WATCH TEAM. TURN IN TO THE POLICE, THOSE WHO SELL DOPE. ALCOHOL IS A LEGAL DRUG. TELL YOUR KIDS, DO NOT TRY BEER & A FUNNY CIGARETTE. DO NOT BE ONE OF THE GANG. SAY NO & MEAN IT. COKE CAN RUIN YOU. YOU WILL WIND UP BROKE! TELL THE POLICE YOU WILL NOT TOLERATE THE SELLING OF DRUGS IN YOUR BLOCK. GET INVOLVED.

NAACP Needs money! Stamps. Mail in address. Reached by phone. Y.W.L.S. MEANS: YOU WILL LEARN SOMETHING! THANK YOU.

Increase Membership. Publish. Know The Editor.

use Summer school.

Hard head & wall!

CONCERNS

I HOPE YOU HAVE SUCH AN ARRANGEMENT. ⁵³ ~~THEY~~ CAN TELL YOU WHAT ARE THE PROBLEMS. ~~THEY~~ NOW THE CONCERNS OF THE AIR-MEN AS WELL AS THE N.C.O. ^{Him} ~~YOU~~ HAVE SOME SGTs, WHO CAN HELP YOU RUN THIS BASE. ^{That} ~~THIS~~ BASE CAN COMPETE WITH ANY BASE, ANYWHERE. ^{He} IF YOU CAN GET THEM TO WORK AS A TEAM. ^{Him} ~~A~~ BRO. MASON CAN HELP YOU. ^{He} YOU WILL NEVER REGRET IT. ~~IS THAT RIGHT SGT.?~~

"TID BIT"

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^A WHT IS ONE OF THE HARDEST THINGS TO DO? THREE LITTLE WORDS. "LOVE OUR ENEMIES. AND "LOVE ONE ANOTHER." WHEN YOU ARE AT WAR! TONIGHT OR TOMMOROW LOOK UP MATTHEW CHAPTER 6, VERSES 9-13. Write that DOWN. Y.W.L.S? *Joke Workin* "TID BIT" *Heaven* *Now That I have Touched on The Bible -*

WHY CAN'T TEENAGERS REMEMBER A WORD THEY LEARNED TO SAY WHEN ~~THEY~~ THEY WERE TWO YEARS OLD. ~~THAT~~ LITTLE WORD CAN PREVENT TEENAGE PREGNANCY. ~~SAY, NO!~~ AND MEAN IT. ~~EACH~~ DAY MORE THAN 3,000 GIRLS GET PREGNANT AND 1,300 GIVE BIRTH. ~~THAT~~ IS FROM "FAMILIES IN PERIL: AN AGENDA FOR SOCIAL CHANGE" BY MARIAN WRIGHT EDELMAN. ~~EACH~~ YEAR 1.1 MILLION AMERICAN TEEN GIRLS++ONE IN TEN++BECOME PRGNANT. ~~OVER~~ 1/2 MILLION TEENAGE GIRLS HAVE BABIES, A NUMBER NEARLY EQUAL TO THE TOTAL POPULATION OF THE CITY OF BOSTON. ~~EACH~~ YEAR 125,000 GIRLS FIFTEEN AND UNDER BECOME PREGNANT. ~~THIS~~ IS A SHAME. *It takes Two Boys must pay* YOU HAVE BETTER TOUGHT YOUR KIDS TO SAY NO, BEFORE YOU MOVE THEM INTO THE ^{big} CITY. ~~THE~~ STUDS WILL BE WAITING FOR THEM. ~~THE~~ PIMPS WILL BE WAITING FOR THEM. ~~THE~~ DOPE PEDDLER WILL BE WAITING FOR THEM. I HOPE ~~THEY~~ WILL REMEMBER TO SAY NO, AND MEAN IT. *Boys must marry. My dad said.*

TID BIT

JUDGE ROBERT H. BORK, HAVE YOU READ ABOUT HIM? ~~HAVE~~ YOU WRITTEN YOUR SENATOR? ~~EVEN~~ THE AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION OPPOSES BORK. ~~ON~~ THE CUTTING ISSUES, THE FIGHTING ISSUES +ABORTION, AFFIRMATIVE ACTION+ FREE SPEECH+ CHURCH-STATE, BOB BORK'S PRESENCE AND VOTE ON THE COURT WILL MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

Later "TID BIT" *Later*

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THE N.A.A.C.P. HAS SPOKEN OUT AGAINST JUDGE BORK. ~~BUT~~ WE HAVE TO WATCH THOSE NOMINATED FOR ~~ANY~~ JUDGESHIP, AND ~~ANY~~ CABINET POSITION. DO NOT FORGET, OUR UNITED STATES ATTORNEY GENERAL, EDWIN B. MEESE, III. ~~DO NOT~~ FORGET THE HEAD OF THE U. S. COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS, CLARENCE PENDLETON. ~~HOW~~ DO YOU FEEL ABOUT POLYGRAPHS? ~~THEY~~ CAN BE USED TO DISCRIMINATE IN EMPLOYMENT. ~~THEY~~ CAN GET YOU FIRED!

PROGRAM

6:30 PM	FELLOWSHIP
7:15	WELCOME Peer J. C. Camper
7:25	INVOCATION Peer Rev. C. C. Cox
7:25	DINNER
8:30	POWDER ROOM
*:45	INTRODUCTIONS: GUESTS GUEST SPEAKER Peer J. C. Camper
8:50	KEYNOTE ADDRESS
9:30	AWARDS
10:00	BENEDICTION Peer Rev. C. C. Cox

THE HARVEST IS PLENTEOUS

35 And Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every sickness and every disease among the people.

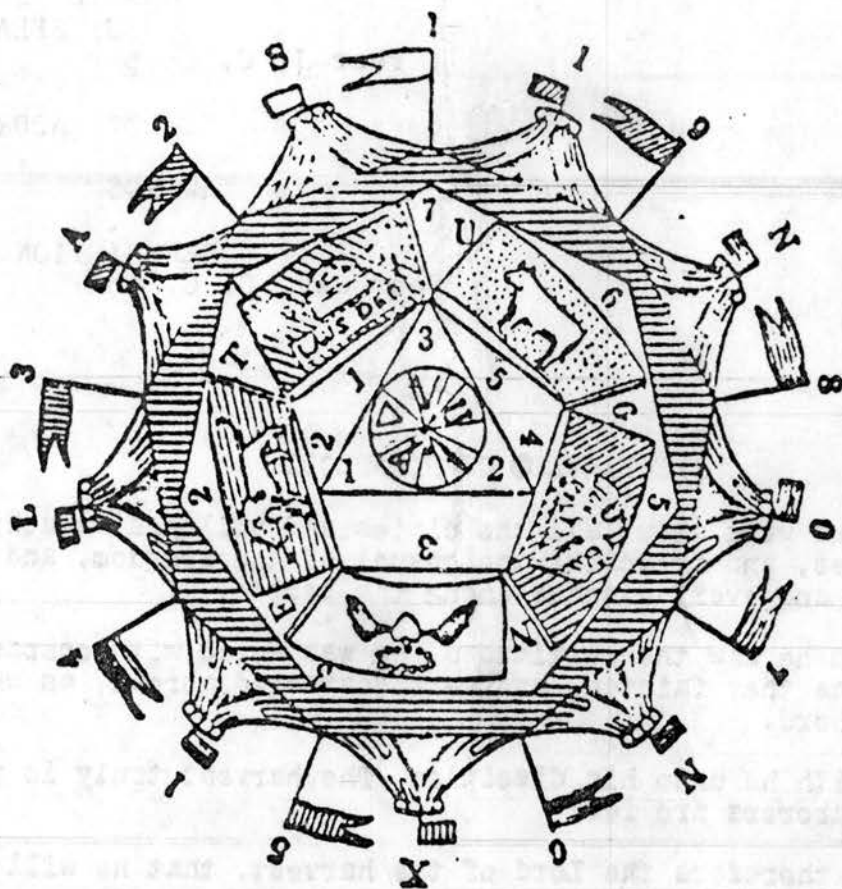
36 But when he saw the multitudes, he was moved with compassion on them, because they fainted, and were scattered abroad, as sheep having no shepherd.

37 Then saith he unto his disciples, The harvest truly is plenteous, but the laborers are few;

38 Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth laborers into his harvest.

Commanders of the Rite are chartered for charitable and educational purposes only. We look forward to working in the harvest of friendship, brotherly love, relief and truth. We thank you for coming out tonight to aid us in this effort.

Read St. Matthew 9:35-38



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BOARD

Dear Friend:

We have the distinguished honor of being members of a committee to raise \$50,000.00 to be used for placing a statue of Lyndon B. Johnson in the Hall of Fame in Washington, D. C.

The committee is in quite a quandry about selecting a proper location for the statue. It was thought wise not to place it beside the statue of George Washington, who never told a lie; nor beside that of Franklin D. Roosevelt, who never told the truth; nor beside that of Harry S. Truman, who couldn't tell the difference. After careful consideration, we think it should be placed beside the statue of Christopher Columbus, the greatest "New Dealer" of them all, in that he started out without knowing where he was going, on arrival didn't know where he was, on returning didn't know where he had been, and did it all on borrowed money.

The inscription on the statue will read: "I pledge allegiance to L.B.J. and to the National Debt for which he stands, One Fund Expendable, with graft and corruption for all."

Five thousand years ago, Moses said to the children of Israel, "Pick up your shovels, mount your asses and camels, and I will lead you to the promised land."

Five thousand years later, F.D.R. said, "Lay down your shovels, sit on your asses, light up a camel, this is the promised land."

Now L.B.J. is stealing the shovels, kicking your asses, raising the price of Camels, and taking over the promised land.

If you are one of those citizens who has money left after paying taxes, we will expect a generous contribution from you for this worthy project. Mail checks to "Disorganized Refugees from the War on Poverty."

Thank you!

P.S. I'm glad I'm an American,
 I'm glad that I'm free.
 I wish I were a little dog,
 And Johnson were a tree!

BROTHER CHAIRMAN, AARANDONDO: GRAND MASTER WEDDINGTON, BROTHER
PRESIDENT AND ALL OF YOU MY BRETHREN WHO MAKE UP THE STRUCTURE OF
THIS GREAT AUGUST BODY KNOWN AS THE PRINCE HALL GRAND MASTERS
CONFERENCE..... I GREET YOU AS MY BROTHERS AND CO-WORKERS IN THE
SECOND GREATEST FIELD OF PEOPLE THAT I KNOW.

NATURALLY, THE FIRST TO ME IS THE CHURCH OF "GOD". ON BEHALF OF THE
ENTIRE MASONIC FAMILY FROM "GOD'S" CHOSEN LAND I BRING YOU
FRATERNAL GREETINGS.

NOW SOME OF YOU MIGHT NOT KNOW WHAT I MEAN WHEN I USE THAT
REFERENCE, BUT IF YOU WILL LET ME BRAG AS A TEXAN, I WILL TELL YOU WHY
I SAY "GOD'S" CHOSEN LAND. YOU SEE, HE KISSED IT WITH SUNSHINE AND
RAIN, WITH WIND AND SAND, AND PLANTED IT WITH VARIOUS FRUITS AND
FLOWERS, AND HALLOWED IT AS IF IT WAS THE GARDEN OF EDEN, SO, THE
RIO GRANDE VALLEY, AND AS THE WIND BLEW IT BROUGHT A PART OF THE
SARAH DESERT AND LET IT DOWN GENTLY IN THE WESTERN PART OF TEXAS
SO IT WOULD BE WIND BLOWN SAND IF AND WHEN WE NEED A GOOD OLD
FASHION DESERT SAND STORM. HE SMILED AS LAKES FORMED TO MATCH
GENEZARETH, AND RIVERS TO RUN LIKE JORDAN. HE THEN KISSED IT WITH
BEAUTY BOTH LAND WISE AND WOMEN, WHO CAN MATCH CLEOPATRA. OH
HOW "GOD" AND TEXANS LOVE TEXAS, THAT'S WHY I SAID "GOD'S CHOSEN
LAND, AND NOW TO SAY IT THE WAY THAT THE GOOD PEOPLE FROM TEXAS
WOULD SAY IT..... "HOWDY" BROTHERS.

OUR THEME FOR THIS YEAR AS SENT TO ME BY OUR ERUDITE CHAIRMAN, IS
..... "A STONE THAT WE MUST HEW." I HAVE CHOSEN TO ASK YOU MY
BROTHERS, WHO MAKE UP THIS BODY TO HELP IN THE HEWING OF THE STONE,
AND I INVITE YOUR ATTENTION TO THIS SUBJECT..... "USE WHAT YOU HAVE."

LET US BEGIN BY GOING BACK TO THE BEGINNING AND WE FIND THAT OUR GREAT "GOD" USED WHAT HE HAD AND SAT AT THE PLANNING TABLE OR TRESTLE BOARD OF LIFE AND CREATED THE HEAVENS AND THE EARTH. MADE THE SUN AND MOON AND FLUNG OUT THE STARS, CALLED IT GOOD. YOU SEE, "GOD" USED WHAT HE HAD TO SET THE PATTERN FOR YOU AND I AND IF WE AS GRAND MASTERS AND BROTHERS OF THE CRAFT WILL FOLLOW THE DICTATES OF "GOD" AND USE WHAT WE HAVE, WE CAN HEW THE STONE AS WE ARE EXPECTED TO DO. "GOD" USED WHAT HE HAD AND GAVE TO THE FIRST GRAND MASTER OF MASONS, WISDOM SUCH AS NO MAN HAS HAD, NOR WILL HAVE IN DAYS TO COME, EVEN THOUGH MOSES PRAYED.... "WHO IS LIKE UNTO THEE 'O' "GOD.", HIS WISDOM DID NOT COMPARE WITH SOLOMON, NOR COULD THE GREAT MISSIONARY AND PREACHER PAUL, MATCH HIS WISDOM, FOR SOLOMON PRAYED TO BE WISE, NOT WEALTHY, BUT IN HIS WISDOM HE ACQUIRED MUCH WEALTH. I KNOW THAT THIS I DO NOT NEED DWELL ON TO GET THIS POINT OVER, BUT WHAT I WANT TO BE SURE AND DRIVE TO THE DEPTHS OF YOUR THINKING IS THE STONE THAT WE MUST HEW.

NO. 1. THE STONE OF TOGETHERNESS, AND I DO NOT THINK THAT YOU, YOU, OR YOU CAN REFUTE THIS STATEMENT. FOR TOGETHER WE CAN AND WILL STAND IF WE TRY. TOGETHER WE CAN AND SHOULD MOVE AS NO OTHER ORGANIZATION CAN IF OUR EFFORTS ARE UNIFIED. I KNOW THAT AS GRAND MASTERS YOU WILL HAVE TO TAKE OUR SUGGESTIONS BACK TO YOUR JURISDICTION FOR THEIR APPROVAL, BUT WE CERTAINLY COULD LEAVE HERE "TOGETHER." AND TRY; YOU SEE, THERE ARE QUITE A NUMBER OF US WHO APPEARED IN CHICAGO ON THAT EVENTFUL WEEKEND OF FEBRUARY 7TH AND SAID WE WOULD TAKE WHAT WE HAD, PUT TOGETHER BACK HOME AND WORK ON IT.

TODAY I ASK THIS QUESTION MY BROTHER... "DID YOU?" I KNOW IN SOME CASES THE BROTHERS WHO WERE GRAND SENIOR WARDENS ARE NOW GRAND MASTERS, AND CAN EASILY SAY THAT THEY HAD NO PART, BUT YOU CAN HAVE A PART IN THIS YEAR'S ACTION. WHAT I MEAN IS, LET US HEW THE STONE OF TOGETHERNESS "NOW." WHAT IT ALL BOILS DOWN TO IS THE REAL MEAT OF OUR BEING HERE..... USE WHAT YOU HAVE AS MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER.

I KNOW YOUR OWN JURISDICTION MUST LISTEN TO YOU, AND I SAY THAT THEY THAT HAVE EARS LET THEM HEAR FROM THE GRAND MASTERS CONFERENCE BY WAY OF THEIR GRAND MASTER.

YOU SEE, I READ IN THE HOLY BIBLE, THE BOOK OF BOOKS, THAT SOMEONE HAS TO TELL THE BROTHER OR EXPLAIN IT TO HIM OR HE WILL NOT BE ABLE TO UNDERSTAND, FOR DID NOT PHILLIP HAVE TO TELL THE EUNUCH? AND IF YOU MY FELLOW GRAND MASTERS AND MY BROTHERS HERE ASSEMBLED, WILL ONLY SPEAK OF THE PLIGHT THAT FREE MASONRY FACE IN A UNIFIED TONE, AND AS MEN WHO ARE WELL TOGETHER, THEN THE ACTION WILL BE "GREAT" FOR YOU WILL THEN BE USING WHAT YOU HAVE.

USE WHAT YOU HAVE AND GO GET THE 18, 19 AND 20 YEAR OLDS, IF YOU DON'T, SOME OTHER ORGANIZED GROUP WILL, SO USE WHAT YOU HAVE AND COMMUNICATE WITH YOUR PEOPLE AND ADJURE THEM (YOUR PEOPLE) TO COMMUNICATE WITH THE PEOPLE IN THE COMMUNITY WHERE THEY LIVE AND LET THE WHOLE WORLD KNOW THAT ASIDE FROM "GOD'S" CHURCH THAT WE ARE THE BEST PEOPLE THAT THEY COULD BECOME ASSOCIATED WITH, AND WITH ME THIS IS AN OBSESSION, FOR I BELIEVE THAT IN THIS DAY AND TIME, PRINCE HALL MASONS CAN AND WILL DO MORE TOWARD ACCOMPLISHING THE GOAL OF THE NEGRO PEOPLE THAN ANY OF THE MILITANT GROUPS

AROUND, "BUT" WE WILL HAVE TO USE WHAT WE HAVE.

WE WILL, AND MUST WALK, TALK AND WORK TOGETHER. WE, THE MEN WHO HEAD THE VARIOUS GRAND JURISDICTIONS NEED TO LEAVE THIS MEETING ON ONE ACCORD, WE MUST MAKE THE WHOLE LOAD OF TOGETHERNESS LIGHTER SO THAT WE MAY BE ABLE TO CLIMB THE HILLS THAT LIETH BEFORE US.

(OLD TRUCK, CAPACITY 5,000 LBS. AND 10,000 TO LOAD) BROTHER DANIELS AND BROTHER LEWIS.

WE MUST PUT OUR SHOULDERS AS GRAND MASTERS TO THE WHEEL OF UNITY, IF WE ARE TO SURVIVE THIS FAST MOVING WORLD IN WHICH WE LIVE. FOR MY PROBLEMS CANNOT BE SOLVED WITHOUT SOME ASSISTANCE FROM SOME OF MY BROTHERS IF ONLY IN PRAYER AND GOODWILL, BUT WE NEED TO BE TOGETHER. WHAT IS DONE IN ALABAMA, CERTAINLY CAN HURT OR HELP CONDITIONS IN ILLINOIS IF WE ARE TOGETHER, AND WITH THE MODES OF TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS OF THIS DAY AND TIME, IT NEED NOT BE ANY SECRETS WHAT CAN BE DONE IF WE USE WHAT WE HAVE.

GRAND MASTERS AND BROTHERS, LEST I TIRE YOU, LET ME HURRY TO A CLOSE, AND I DO HOPE THAT IN THE FEW MINUTES THAT WERE ASSIGNED TO ME THAT I HAVE BEEN ABLE TO DISTURB YOUR THINKING TO GET YOU TO AGREE THAT IF WE CAN GET OURSELVES TOGETHER, THAT THE STONE WE MUST HEW CAN BE HEWED AND WE, AS PRINCE HALL MASONS CAN LOOK TO THE HILLS, CLIMB THE HILLS, WORK IN THE VALLEYS, BUILD AS NEVER BEFORE, WALK, TALK, AND WORK TOGETHER ON ALL THINGS, FOR IF WE LOOK TO THE HILLS WE SURELY WILL SEE A BRIGHTER DAY AND THE LIGHT THAT ~~WE SHALL~~ WILL TELL US VERY PLAINLY TO "USE WHAT YOU HAVE."

HEAVEN'S GROCERY STORE

I WAS WALKING DOWN LIFE'S HIGHWAY A LONG TIME AGO. ONE DAY I SAW A SIGN THAT READ "HEAVEN'S GROCERY STORE." AS I GOT A LITTLE CLOSER, THE DOOR CAME OPEN WIDE, AND WHEN I CAME TO MYSELF, I WAS STANDING INSIDE. I SAW A HOST OF ANGELS,, THEY WERE STANDING EVERYWHERE..ONE HANDED ME A BASKET AND SAID, "MY CHILD, SHOP WITH CARE". EVERYTHING A CHRISTIAN NEEDED WAS IN THAT GROCERY STORE-- AND ALL YOU COULDN'T CARRY, YOU COULD COME BACK THE NEXT DAY FOR MORE.

FIRST, I GOT SOME PATIENCE; LOVE WAS IN THE SAME ROW. FURTHER DOWN WAS UNDERSTANDING, YOU NEED THAT WHERE ERE YOU GO.

I GOT A BOX OR TWO OF WISDOM; A BAG OR TWO OF FAITH. I JUST COULDN'T MISS THE HOLY GHOST FOR IT WAS ALL OVER THE PLACE.

I STOPPED TO GET SOME STRENGTH AND COURAGE TO HELP ME RUN THIS RACE ; BY THEN, MY BASKET WAS GETTING FULL, BUT I REMEMBERED I NEEDED GRACE.

I DIDN'T FORGET SALVATION, FOR SALVATION--THAT WAS FREE. SO.. I TRIED TO GET ENOUGH OF THAT TO SAVE BOTH YOU AND ME. THEN, I STARTED UP TO THE COUNTER TO PAY MY GROCERY BILL, FOR I THOUGHT I HAD EVERYTHING TO DO MY MASTER'S WILL. AS I WENT UP THE AISLE, I SAW PRAYER, AND I JUST HAD TO PUT THAT IN FOR I KNOW WHEN I STEPPED OUTSIDE, I WOULD RUN RIGHT INTO SIN.

PEACE AND JOY WERE PLENTIFUL, THEY WERE ON THE LAST SHELF. SONG AND PRaises WERE HANGING NEAR, SO I JUST HELPED MYSELF.

THEN, I SAID TO THE ANGEL, "NOW HOW MUCH DO I OWE?" HE JUST SMILED AND SAID, "JUST TAKE THEM WHERE ERE YOU GO". AGAIN, I SMILED AT HIM AND SAID, "HOW MUCH DO I REALLY OWE?" HE SMILED AGAIN AND SAID, "MY CHILD, JESUS PAID YOUR BILL A LONG TIME AGO."

FATHER CARTY, WARDENS, OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF ST. PHILLIPS CHURCH: FRIENDS, BRO.&SIS WE ARE GATHERED HERE THIS AFTERNOON BECAUSE ONE OF OUR PAST WORSHIPFUL MASTERS, BRO. THEADORE A. RUFFNER, HAS FINISHED HIS EARTHLY PROBATION. OUR FRATERNITY IS LIKE A TREE: WHEN ONE OF ITS MEMBERS DIES, IT IS AS IF A LIMB IS CUT OFF THE TREE: THE CUT HEALS, BUT THE LIMB IS MISSED AS LONG AS THE TREE LIVES. OUR YOU COULD THINK OF THE FRATERNITY AS A WHOLE BODY: IF A LEG OR A ARM IS CUT OFF, THE CUT MAY HEAL, BUT THE LIMB IS MISSED. LIKE SO, DO WE MISS BRO RUFFNER.

IT IS FITTING THAT WE ARE IN GOD'S HOUSE. WE MASONS BELIEVE IN GOD. BRO. RUFFNER BELIEVED THE XXIII (TWENTY*THIRD PSALM) & WE ALL BELIEVE , AS THAT PSALM ENDS "AND I WILL DWELL IN THE HOUSE OF THE LORD FOREVER." OUR BRO HAS PASSED BEYOND THE SOUND OF OUR VOICES & THE TOUCH OF OUR GRIP, BUT HE HAS NOT PASSED BEYOND THE REACH OF MEMORY & LOVE. LOVE & MEMORY CANNOT DIE.

IT IS FITTING THAT BRO RUFFNER BE AMONG THOSE HONORED THIS AFTERNOON. IN THE GRAVE ALL MEN ARE EQUAL. IN LIFE BRO RUFFNER, WAS A TRAVELING EMBASSADORE & TOUCHED A MANY PERSON. IN HIS WORK HE TRIED TO MAKE LIFE A LITTLE MORE PLEASANT. IT IS SAID, HE WOULD GO OUT OF HIS WAY TO HELP A MOTHER, AN ORPHANT, A CHILD OR A PHYSICALLY HANDY CAPPED PERSON. MANY A PERSON HAS GOTTEN OFF A TRAIN PLEASED BECAUSE THEY HAD COME IN TOUCH WITH BRO. RUFFNER. HE SERVED: HE WAS GENTLE: REFINED & A LOVABLE PERSON. HE POSSESSED TRUE DELICACY OF DEPORTMENT. HE WAS TRUSTWORTHY, FAITHFUL, DEPENDABLE. HE WAS CLEAN OF HABIT AND INSTINCT. HE DEVELOPED A DEEP CULTURE OF THE HEART & MIND. HIS PASSING IS AN IRREPARABLE LOSS TO THE CRAFT. WE WHO KNEW AND LOVED HIM FOR HIS SPOTLESS INTEGRITY, HIS DEEP PERSONAL SYMPATHY, HIS PASSIONATE LOVE OF HIS FRIENDS,, WE WILL MISS HIM & WILL NEVER FORGET HIM.

BRO RUFFNER WAS A MASTER MASON, TRAINED TO USE THE TROWEL & HE SPREAD LIBERALLY, THE CEMENT OF BROTHERLY LOVE. HE KNEW ABOUT ONE OF THE GREATEST ARCHITECTS THAT EVER LIVED, H. ABIFF. HE KNEW HOW TO READ THE DRAWINGS ON A TRESSEL BOARD & CONSIDERED THE TRESSEL BOARD AS ONE OF HIS JEWELS. HE NEW THE 48th PROBLEM OF EUCLID. HE WAS A PERFECT ASHLAR, HE WAS JUST & UPRIGHT. WE BELIEVE HE GAINED ADMISSION INTO THAT CELESTIAL LODGE ABOVE, WHERE THE SUPREME ARCHITECT OF THE

UNIVERSE PRESIDES, BY THE BENEFIT OF THE " PASS " HE KNEW MORE THAN ONE MEANING FOR THE WORD "FATAL". AND HE HAD LEARNT TO SAY "AL HAM DU LE LA HI"

WE MASONS DO NOT FEAR DEATH, BECAUSE WE BELIEVE THERE IS A LIFE HEREFTER. OUR HOPE IS THAT WE SHALL LATER, JOIN OUR BRO. & CONTINUE THE FRIENDSHIP OF THIS LIFE. WE EXPECT TO GREET EACH OTHER AGAIN WITH A CERTAIN FRIENDLY HADSHAKE. A GRIP WHEREBY WE CAN KNOW EACH OTHER IN THE DARK AS WELL AS IN THE LIGHT. WE THINK OF HIM AS A BEACON LIGHT OR A STAR IN THE EAST, BECKONING US TOWARDS LIFE ETERNAL.. ADMONISHING US TO SO LIVE,, THAT WHEN THE GRAND WARDEN OF HEAVEN, SENDS THE DREAD MESSENGER, WE MAY FEARLESSLY ANSWER: "HEREE I AM, OVER HERE."

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CEREMONY OF EXTINGUISHING THE LIGHTS ON THURSDAY BEFORE EASTER

This ceremony takes place on Thursday before Easter, after the table ceremony, and begins the moment the Word is returned to the Most Wise, when all have resumed their positions.

Martin Weddington:

WM: AND THEY ARE CHARGED AND ALIGNED FOR FIRE IN THE EAST. WE WILL NOW FIRE OUR VOLLEY TO OUR LODGE. ATTENTION, MY BRETHREN! (All rise) CARRY, ARMS! (Raise glasses from firing line to chest) YOU WILL NOW ATTEND TO THE WORDS OF **Brother Weddington** [OUR PAST MASTER. (Oldest present)]

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THE VICTORIES THEY HELPED ACHIEVE PRESERVED THE UNION OF THE STATES,
ABOLISHED SLAVERY, ESTABLISHED THE NATIONAL PRESTIGE, OPENED NEW AVENUES
FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF MAN & THE ADVANCEMENT OF LIBERTY.

ERECTED THROUGH THE INSTRUMENTALITY OF THE ALLIED ORGANIZATIONS OF THE
CITY OF , GRAND ARMY FO THE REPUBLIC. A.D. 1903.

THE STATUE REPRESENTS JOSIAS R. KING, THE FIRST MAN TO VOLUMTEER IN
THE FIRST MINNESOTA INFANTRY. THE FIRST REGIMENT TENDERED THE GOVERN_
MENT, FOR THE SUPPRESSION OF THE REBELLION.

WHAT ARE WE GOING TO DO ABOUT THE GRAVE OF THE FIRST BLACK GRAND MASTER?

THE UNITED SUPREME COUNCIL

The United Supreme is the governing body of Scottish Rite Masonry and the Golden Circle. This Supreme Council is not a body of delegates. It is not created by subordinate bodies, but creates them. It is the sole source of their government as well as its own. It perpetuates itself by elevating to the Thirty-Third Degree those Thirty-Second Degree Masons who have given outstanding service to Masonry or the community or country. Selecting from among those so elevated, a certain number serve as administrators of the Rite. These administrators classified as "active members" (wearing Purple and White Crowns) possess the power of transacting all legislative business and have absolute control in direction of the rite in the jurisdiction of the Supreme Council.

When one is elevated from the Thirty-Second Degree to the Thirty-Third Degree, he is given the grade of honorary member of the Supreme Council with a title known as Grand Inspector General. When one is selected from among the Grand Inspectors General to be an "active" member or an administrator of the rite, he is given the title of Sovereign Grand Inspector General. In each state you will find at least one Sovereign Grand Inspector General, the Deputy and maybe others. This Sovereign Grand Inspector General does not represent his Valley in the Supreme Council, but he does represent the Supreme Council in his Valley or Orient. He has no authority unless he is Deputy.

The Council of Deliberation consists of all the Scottish Rite Bodies in the state. The State Grand Assembly consists of all the Golden Circle Assemblies in the state, with the Ill. Deputy (Most Ill. Commander-in-Chief) in charge of both organizations. The Council of Deliberation consists of all Sovereign and Grand Inspectors General of whatever grade residing in the State; duly elected officers of said Councils; all Past Commanders-in-Chief of Consistories in the State; the first three officers for the time being of Consistories; the first three officers of Chapters of Rose Croix and the first four officers of Lodges of Perfection.

The Grand Assembly shall consist of all present elected and appointed Grand Officers, all Past Grand Officers, Present Loyal Lady Rulers, present Loyal Lady Associate Rulers and present Loyal Lady Priestesses of subordinate Assemblies and all Past Loyal Lady Rulers. Any Loyal Lady who is in good standing in a subordinate assembly may attend the Grand Assembly Meetings as an associate member and may serve on Grand

ma. Rev. Sexton

Most Worshipful Grand Master, Past Grand Masters, Masters, Officers,
mes. Worthy Grand Matron, Past Grand Matrons, Worthy Grand Patron, Past
Grand Patrons, Matrons, Patrons, Officers, Members of the subordinate
Bodies, Honored Speakers and Guest.

In behalf of the ~~three~~ letter P's, Pioneer Lodge No. 1, Perfect
Ashler Lodge No. 4 and Palistine Lodge No. 7 we accept your welcome.
We are extremly happy to be your guest ^{*this evening*} ~~today~~. We are Happy to
celebrate St. John's Day with you. I used the word Happy. It is a
word you can find in the Bible. Think how happy John and his
brother James were when they were called by Jesus from there fathers
boat, where they were repairing there nets, and they followed him unto
the Mts. and what did he preach? Who will be happy. HAPPY are those
who are conscious of there Spiritual needs. Happy are the merciful.
Happy are the pure in heart. Happy are the peaceable. Happy are
those who have been persecuted. We are Happy to be with you ^{*this evening*} ~~today~~.

We have journeyed varing distances in order to be here. Some
even consider themselves as having sacrificed in order to be here,
to help you worship God. But think how some in the past have traveled
to thank God. Some still make pilgrimages on foot to Mecca. And that
is a rough road. I hope this service tonight will help someone
get on the road to God. ^{*leading*} We hope this Observence will be something
worthy of putting in your Archives as one of the finest St. John's
Day Observences in the History of the Grand Lodge of Minn. P. H. A.

Thank you,

ATTUCKS-BROOKS POST #606

JUNE 14, 1955

SPECIAL ISSUE

ATTUCKS-BROOKS PICNIC - - SUNDAY - JUNE 19TH

PLACE: COMO PICNIC GROUNDS

TIME: 2:00 P.M. UNTIL ALL THE FOODS ARE GONE.

BRING YOUR OWN BASKET AND THERMO JUGS. PLENTY OF ICE CREAM
AND
AND PRIZES.

BRING YOUR FRIENDS TOO.

SOCIAL MEETING THIS FRIDAY JUNE 17, 1955, COME OUT EARLY.

THANKING YOU IN ADVANCE FOR A NICE TURNOUT.

POST COMMANDER
M.WEDDINGTON

Subject: The proper way of introducing the Grand Master and his Cabinet.

The Tyler will inform the Master that the Grand Master and his Officers are ready to be admitted. The Stewards will take their stations at the Door, one on each side, with rods crossed. When the Door is opened the Master will rap up the Lodge. The Deacons will take their stations at the alter with their rods crossed. The Grand Officers will enter the Lodge, according to their rank (DM, Sr.W, JW, GL, etc.) down the line, as they enter the door, the Grand Lodge officers will break off and start to form two parallel lines to the alter. If there is any space left, the Brothers from the Lodge will fill up the vacant space. After the two lines are formed the Grand Master will enter. He will be escorted by the Grand Marshall, or if he is absent, by the Marshall from the Lodge, to the alter. When he is at the west of the alter, the Master will then introduce him. (Brothers I am happy to introduce you to the Honorable Grand Master, Robert H. Johnson, or who ever the Grand Master might be at the time). The Master will then order the Marshall and the Deacons to escort the Grand Master to the east. When the Grand Master is in the east the Master will say, "Brothers assist me in giving the Grand Master his Honors." After the honors are given, the Master will then say, "Grand Master behold your Craft, Craft behold your Grand Master." The Master will then present the Gavel to the Grand Master. The Grand Master will then order that the rest of his Cabinet be brought ^{to alter} in and introduced. Past Grand Masters next, if there are any, and so on down the line. After they are all placed in their proper stations they will all be given their Grand Honors.

The Past Master Degree

The new Master is informed that according to ancient regulations, he must take an obligation to discharge with fidelity the duties of Master of the lodge. (No Objection)

W. M. - You agree to be a good man and true, and strictly to obey the moral law? You agree to be a peaceful subject, and cheerfully to conform to the laws of the country in which you reside? You promise not to concern in any plots or conspiracies against the government; but patiently to submit to the decisions of the supreme legislature? You promise to pay homage to the Grand Master for the time being, and to his office, when duly installed, strictly to conform to every edict of the Grand Lodge or general assembly of such, that is not subversive to the principles and groundwork of Masonry. Do you submit to these charges, and promise to support these regulations, as Masters have done in all ages before you? (You will now kneel and take the obligation)

I _____, of my own free will and accord, in the presence of Almighty God, and this worshipful Lodge of Past Masters Masons, erected to Him, and dedicated to the Holy Saints John, do hereby and hereon, most solemnly and sincerely promise and swear, in addition to my former obligations, that I will not give the secrets of a Past Master Mason, or any of the secrets pertaining thereto, to anyone of an inferior degree, nor to any person in the known world, except it be a true and lawful brother or bretheren, Past Master Masons, or within the body of a just and lawfully constituted Lodge of such; and ~~not~~ not unto him or them whom I shall hear so to be, but unto him and them only whom I shall find so to be, after strict trial and examination, or lawful information.

Furthermore do I promise and swear, that I will obey all regular signs and summons sent, thrown, handed, or given from the hand of a brother of this degree, or from the body of a just and lawfully

constituted lodge of Past Masters.

Furthurmore do I promise and swear, that I will not govern this lodge, or any other which I may be called to preside, in a haughty and arbitrary manner; but will, at all times, use my utmost endeavors to preserve peace and harmony, among the bretheren.

Furthurmore do I promise and swear, that I will never open a Lodge of Master Masons unless there be present three regular Master Masons, besides the Tyler; nor close the same without giving a lecture, or some section or part of the instruction of the lodge. To all of which I do most solemnly and sincerely promise and swear, with a fixed and steady purpose of mind to keep and perform the same; binding myself under no less penalty than (in addition to all my former penalties) to have my tongue split from tip to root, that I might forever thereafter be unable to pronounce the word, should I ~~at any~~ ever prove wilfully guilty of violating any part of this solemn oath, or obligation, of a Past Master Mason. So help me God, and make me steadfast to keep and perform the same. -- (candidate kisses the Holy Book five times) --

(step, sign and dueguard of a Past Master Mason *****)

STEP OFF WITH THE LEFT FOOT, AND PLACE THE HEEL OF THE RIGHT FOOT AT THE TOE OF THE LEFT, SO AS TO BRING THE TWO FEET AT RIGHT ANGLES.

MAKE THEM THE RIGHT ANGLE OF A SQUARE.

THE SIGN IS MADE BY PLACING THE THUMB OF THE RIGHT HAND (FINGERS CLENCHED) UPON THE LIPS. IT ALLUDES TO THE PENALTY OF HAVING THE ~~at any~~ TONGUE SPLIT. THE SECOND SIGN, PLACE THE RIGHT HAND UPON THE LEFT SIDE OF THE NECK, DRAWING IT EDGEMISE DOWNWARD TOWARD THE RIGHT SIDE, (SO AS TO CROSS THE THREE FORMER PENALTIES)

PASSING THE CHAIR -- PAGE 3

PASSING THE CHAIR ***** W. M. -- BROTHER LET ME HAVE THE PLEASURE OF CONDUCTING YOU TO THE ORIENTAL CHAIR OF KING SOLOMON. (PLACE HAT ON HIS HEAD AND SEAT HIM IN CHAIR) W. M. --- THA T WISE KING, WHEN OLD AND DECREPIT, WAS ATTENDED BY HIS TWO FRIENDS, HIRAM, KING OF TYRE, AND HIRAM ABIFF WHO RAISED AND SEATED HIM BY MEANS OF THE PAST MASTERS GRIP. THE MASTER AND THE SENIOR WARDEN NOW TAKE THE CANDIDATE BY THIS GRIP, AND RAISE HIM ON HIS FEET SEVERAL TIMES, EACH TIME LETTING SIT BACK DOWN. THE WORSHIPFUL MASTER INSTRUCTS ON THE GRIP OF A PAST MASTER MASON. HE THEN TAKES HIM BY THE GRIP OF A MASTER MASON, PUTTING THE INSIDE OF THEIR FEET TOGETHER, AND WHISPERS THE WORD (GIBLEM) THIS IS THE WORD OF THE PAST MASTER MASON. THEN THE SENIOR WARDEN APPROACHES AND THEY ASSIST THE CANDIDATE TO A STANDING POSITION AND THEN SEATS HIM TWICE, THE THIRD TIME THE CHAIR IS REMOVED AND THE CANDIDATE IS TOLD THAT HE HAS JUST PASSED THE CHAIR.

DEC 1, 1962
Minnesota

WORSHIPFUL MASTER, PAST GRAND MASTERS, PAST AND PRESENT GRAND OFFICERS, WARDENS, OFFICERS & BRETHERN: *Rp/11aall-*

SOME WONDER WHY WE ARE TRYING A MEETING ON WED. SOME OF YOU MAY NO KNOW WHAT I AM SUPPOSED TO DO ON MY OFFICIAL VISIT. (PAGE 5") GIVE MASONIC INSTRUCTIONS AND ADVICE TO THE CRAFT IN GENERAL AND SEE THAT THE FINANCES OF THE LODGES ARE PROPERLY ADMINISTERED & SAFE GUARDED. I FEEL THE PROPER WAY TO EXAMINE THE BOOKS OF THE LODGES, IS FOR THE BOOKS OF THE LODGES, BE TURNED OVER TO THE GRAND SECY & GRAND TREAS. BEFORE THE OFFICIAL VISIT, SO THEY COULD HAVE TIME TO STUDY THE BOOKS AND REPORT THERE FINDINGS, AT THE VISIT. THE CLUBS BOOKS WOULD BE EXAMINED BY THE INSPECTOR OF CLUBS & HE WOULD REPORT HIS FINDINGS.

BROS. SECY. HAVE YOU CHECKED YOUR BENEFICIARY CARDS SINCE LAST OCTOBER? BRO. DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER, HAVE THE LODGES PAID THEIR GRAND LODGE TAXES? DID YOU PUT YOUR STAMP ON THE RETURN? BROS. SECY: YOU MUST ORDER YOUR SECY BOOKS ONLY THROUGH THE OFFICE OF GRAND LIBRARIAN. PLEASE, MAKE ALL CHECKS PAYABLE TO M. W. P. H. GRAND LODGE. NOT TO LAWSON, MCADAMS OR SMITH. A Trustee should examine files of petitions, Read Masonic history at Bro. Grd. Secy you may dispose of the ballots of the last Grd Lodge election. *funeral*

NOW JUST SOME THINGS TO THINK ABOUT. LETS WEAR TUXCEDOS MORE. IT HELPS TO SET US APART, ESPECIALLY AT FUNERALS. LETS KEEP THE DEACONS AND STEWARDS RODS PAINTED, THEY ARE SEEN BY THE PUBLIC. I THINK IT WOULD BE GOOD FOR THE ORDER, IF YOU MASTERS WOULD CALL BULL SESSIONS OR RAP SESSIONS ONCE IN A WHILE. THIS IS WHERE THE NEW BROS. GET TO KNOW YOU, ^{GET} TO LEARN IN A HURRY, TEACHING SOMEONE HELPS TO KEEP YOU SHARP. I CAN'T & THE WORSHIPFUL MASTERS CAN'T DO ANYTHING ABOUT A COMPLAINT UNTIL WE HEAR IT. NO MASONS SHOULD STAY AT HOME BECAUSE HE IS MAD. TELL THEM TO COME OUT AND COMPLAIN: THEN LETS LOOK AT EVERY COMPLAINT FROM A POSITIVE VIEWPOINT. ALWAYS TRY TO DO WHAT IS RIGHT. THIS WILL ASTONISH THE HELL OF SOME PEOPLE. KEEP ON VISITING THE SICK. VISITING THE SICK CAN HELP REPETUATE THE LODGE. WATCH YOUR CONDUCT IN PUBLIC. THE PUBLIC IS WATCHING YOU.. HELP GET THE ~~B~~ EX BROS. (THE DROP OUTS) BACK IN MASONARY. REMEMBER, THE DROP OUT KNOWS MASONARY: HE STILL HAS HIS BOOKS, RINGS, PENS. HE IS JUST UNFINANCIAL. PIONEER & PERFECT ASHLAR NEED PHONE COMMITTEES. PALM SUNDAY, MARCH "26, AT 4 pm, AT ST PHELIPS EPISCOPAL CHURCH, THERE WILL BE A MEMORIAL SERVICE, AT WHICH TIME A BIBLE WILL BE PRESENTED TO THE CHURCH IN MEMORY OF OUR LATE BRO. THEADORE A. RUFFNER: YOUR GRAND MASTER WILL SAY A FEW WORDS. THE MASONIC FAMILY IS ENVITED TO ATTEND. I DON'T LIKE TO GO ALONE. PUT THIS ON YOUR CALANDER. ON SAT. MARCH "25, AT 7 pm, THE GRAND LECTURER, BRO WILLIE D. GRAY, WILL HAVE A SCHOOL OF INSTRUCTION. I RECOMMEND THAT YOU BE THERE. ST JOHN THE BAPTIST DAY: PIONEER LODGE NO. 1 WILL BE THE HOST LODGE & WILL CALL THE JOINT COMMITTEE TO MEET. THIS COMMITTEE WILL NOTIFY THE GRAND MASTER, THE LODGES & INVITE THE W. G. MATRON & PATRON & CHAPTERS TO JOIN WITH US. EACH LODGE WILL SEND ITS CONTRIBUTION TO THE HOST LODGE. (WOULD YOU GO TO A WHITE CHURCH? IF INVITED.) WE NEED NEW BLOOD IN MASONRY. ASK YOUR FRIENDS IF THEY WOULD LIKE TO BE A SHRINER. THEN EXPLAIN, HOW TO GET THERE. YOU CAN ALWAYS FIND AWAY. THE PILLAR OF BEAUTY, CHAPTER OF ROSE CROIX # 14, WILL HOLD THERE ELECTION OF OFFICERS, & THE OFFICIAL VISIT OF THE OVERSEER OF THE WORK & THE COUNCIL OF PEERS WILL BE RECEIVED, MARCH 27th. MAUNDAY THURSDAY OBSERVANCE WILL BE HELD IN MPLS. AT THE MASONIC TEMPLE THURSDAY MARCH 30th. NO MONEY WAS ALLOWED AT THE LAST GRAND LODGE FOR INSPECTORS OF CLUBS. I FEEL THE FUTURE OF MASONRY MAY DEPEND UPON THE PROGRAM OF OUR LODGE CLUBS. THERE ACTIVITIES CAN KEEP OUR MEMBERSHIP HAPPY. THEY CAN INCLUDE THE WIVES IN SOME OF THERE ACTIVITIES. THE SOCIAL ACTIVITES WITHIN THE LODGE ARE LIMITED. THE LODGE CLUB CAN & MUST FILL THIS VOID. I WANT EVERYONE OF YOU, TO SUPPORT EVERY EFFORT, *Brochev. patents 1, 1st, 2nd* PRESENTED, TO HELP MAKE THE COMING CONFERENCE OF GRAND MASTERS A SUCCESS. PLAN TO ATTEND WHAT PART YOU CAN. HELP SHOW OUR GUEST SOME HOSPITALITY. (MAY 1) 10. 11, & 12th 666 THIS IS MY SAYING FOR THE DAY, " ITS TO LATE TO TURN AROUND NOW " MAY SONG IS: "YES, HE KNOWS, JUST HOW MUCH YOU CAN BEAR" ME CHARGE TO YOU: BE DELIGENT, PRUDENT, TEMPERATE AND DISCREET. DEFEND A BROS. CHARACTER, WHEN WRONGFULLY DEFAMED OR TRADUCED. I WILL TRY TO DO WHATEVER IS NECESSARY TO GET THE JOB DONE. PRAY FOR ME, FOR STRENGTH TO MEET THE DEMANDS OF THE JOBS BEFORE ME. THNAKS.

STICK WITH ME NOW. WE NEED NEW BLOOD IN MASONRY. WE ARE NOT SUPPOSED TO ASK OUR FRIENDS TO JOIN OUR LODGE, BUT THERE IS NOTHING, THAT SAYS YOUR WIVES CAN'T ASK HIM, OR EXPLAIN TO YOUR FRIEND WHY YOU HAVE NOT ASK HIM. DON'T LET A MOUNTAIN STOP YOU, GO AROUND IT. YOU CAN ASK THEM WOULD THEY LIKE TO BE A SHRINER? THEN EXPLAIN, HOW TO GET THERE. YOU CAN ALWAYS FIND A WAY. *(Lodge of Perfection - Mon Feb 28) Election -*

I MUST MOVE ALONG: NO MONEY WAS ALLOWED AT THE LAST GRAND LODGE FOR INSPECTORS OF CLUBS: BUT I FEEL THE FUTURE OF MASONRY MAY DEPEND UPON THE PROGRAM OF OUR LODGE CLUBS. THERE ACTIVITIES CAN KEEP YOUR MEMBERSHIP HAPPY. THEY CAN ENCLUDE THE WIVES IN SOME OF THERE ACTIVITIES. THE SOCIAL ACTIVITIES WITHING THE LODGE ARE LIMITED. THE LODGE CLUB CAN AND MUST FILL THIS VOID. *Can the Shrine collect enough \$th to stock a hospitality room? at The B.M.C. = will you support a whiskey Rattle - To support Chair.*

MY CHARGE TO YOU: BE DELIGENT, PRUDENT, TEMPERATE AND DISCREET. REMEMBER THAT YOU HAVE PROMISED TO WHISPER, IN THE MOST TENDER MANNER, A BROTHERS SHORT COMINGS OR FAILINGS AND AID IN HIS REFORMATION. THIS HOW TO CORRECT THE ERRORS & IRREGULARITIES OF YOUR UNINFORMED BRETHREN. VINDICATE A BROS. CHARACTER, WHEN WRONGFULLY TRADUCED. *Don't bawl Bro Green out. I went by his house & in the most tender,*

I CLOSE WITH THIS: THE LONGER & HARDER YOU WORK AT SOMETHING* THE MORE YOU SEE THERE IS TO BE DONE. I WILL TRY TO DO WHATEVER IS NECESSARY TO GET THE JOB DONE. MY PRAYER IS NOT TO LIGHTEN THE LOAD BUT RATHER FOR STRENGTH TO MEET THE DEMANDS OF THE JOB BEFORE ME.

THANK YOU.

IT IS FITTING AND PROPER, THAT WE PAUSE AND TAKE TIME TO REMEMBER OUR DEAD LODGES OF SORROW HAVE BEEN HELD TO COMMEMORATE THOSE OF OUR NUMBER WHO HAVE BEEN CHOSEN TO PROCEED US UPON THAT JOURNEY FROM WHICH NO TRAVELER RETURNS. SOME LOOK UPON DEATH AS THE END, BUT TO THOSE IN THE CHOSEN FEW, DEATH IS JUST THE BEGINNING OF A NEW LIFE. LIFE IS REAL, AND THE GRAVE IS NOT IT'S GOAL; DUST THOU ART, IS NOT SPOKEN OF THE SOUL.

IT IS OUR SOLEMN AND SOMEWHAT SAD TASK TO INFORM YOU THAT 5 OF OUR BROTHERS PASSED DURING THE YEAR. THE HOUR GLASS, WITH ITS SANDS OF TIME, HAS SLOWLY BUT SURELY DROPPED ITS CONTENTS, AND WITH THE PASSING OF THE LAST GRAIN OF SAND, WENT THE LIFE OF OUR DEAR BROTHERS, FRIENDS AND LOVED ONES. IT IS SAID, ONE GENERATION SUCCEEDS ANOTHER, AS WAVE FOLLOWS WAVE, THOUGH WE MOURN THE PASSING OF THESE BROTHERS, WHO HAVE PROVEN THEMSELVES FAITHFUL, LOVING AND KIND, THERE REMAINS ANOTHER GENERATION TO SUCCEED THEM, TO FOLLOW THE PRINTS THEY HAVE MADE UPON THE SANDS OF TIME. WHY SHOULD DEATH BE MOURNED, WHEN IT IS FOLLOWED BY IMMORTALITY? THEIR DAYS WERE SEEMINGLY TOO SHORT, BUT THE HOURS OF EACH DAY WERE PUT TO SOME USE. ALL OF THEM DID NOT HAVE TIME, TO TURN BACK, AND BID US FAREWELL. I SUGGEST, THAT WE GLANCE UPWARD AND ASK GOD TO GIVE US MORE DETERMINATION TO LIVE OUR LIVES FRUITFULLY, TO BE CAUTIOUS, TO DO NO ONE HARM, TO BE USEFUL AND WANTED, TO LIVE EVERY DAY SO THAT WHENEVER THE BELL TOLLS FOR YOU, YOU'LL BE HAPPY TO SAY, "I'VE DONE ALL THE GOOD I COULD DO."

SOME OF US CAME TODAY WITH SADDNESS IN OUR HEARTS, BUT LOOK AT IT ANOTHER WAY, OUR BELOVED BROTHERS HAVE PASSED FROM THIS WORLD OF SORROW, PAIN AND WOE. THE SUPREME ARCHITECT OF THE UNIVERSE HAS CALLED THESE BROTHERS FROM LABOR TO REST. HE HAS CALLED THEM TO THAT LAND WHERE PEACE ABOUNDS AND WHERE ALL GOOD MASONS HOPE TO AT LAST ARRIVE. ALTHOUGH THEY HAVE PASSED BEYOND THE SOUND OF OUR VOICES, YET THEIR MEMORIES LINGER ON.

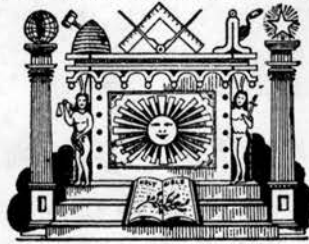
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FOX RIVER BAND

(2) ULAGE

LET US NOT FORGET, THAT IT IS BY THE GRACE OF GOD , THAT WE ARE
PHYSICALLY, MENTALLY AND FINANCIALLY ABLE TO BE IN ATTENDANCE TODAY.

THE MOST WORSHIPFUL PRINCE HALL GRAND LODGE, FREE AND ACCEPTED
MASONS, STATE OF MINNESOTA AND JURISDICTION; AND THE MOST WORSHIPFUL
GRAND MASTER, THE HONORABLE MORRIS S. MILLER, 33⁰ EXTENDS SYMPATHY AND
SINCERE CONDOLENCES TO OUR BROTHER'S FAMILIES AND TO THE HOST OF
FRIENDS WHOSE LIVES THEY HAVE TOUCHED. AND MAY OUR FATHER, WHO IS IN
HEAVEN, GRANT REST TO THEIR SOULS AND ENCOURAGE US, THEIR LEGATEES, TO
EMULATE THEIR STERLING WAYS. THE MEMORY OF THESE BROTHERS WILL LINGER
IN OUR HEARTS FOR YEARS TO COME.

"TO OUR DEPARTED BROTHERS"

"THEY ARE OUT OF THE CHAOS OF THE LIVING,

THE WRECK AND THE (DA-BRE) OF THE YEARS;

THEY HAVE PASSED FROM THE STRUGGLE AND STRIVING,

THEY HAVE FINISHED THEIR GOBLET OF TEARS.

THEY HAVE CEASED, ONE BY ONE, FROM THEIR LABORS,

SO WE CLOTHED THEM IN GARMENTS OF REST,

AND THEY ENTERED THE CHAMBER OF SILENCE,

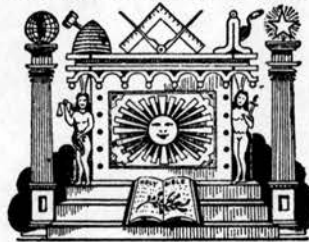
GOD DO FOR THEM NOW, WHAT IS BEST."

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FOX RIVER BOND

25% COTTON

To the Ill. Potentate, Rabbans, Officers & Nobles: Imperial Deputies and Imperial Officers:
Greetings: Es Salamu Aleikum:

This is the time of the year when the hour glass of time is turned over, at the Sacred Shrine in the East. Our Ancient Clan, & even today, some untie their Elijmels, fold their tents and start that blessed trek toward the Oasis of Light and Wisdom, where the Protectorate of Allah has seen fit to summon the Nobles of Noble birth, to the Sacred Shrine & Black Stone, where Peace and Harmony prevails. It is with gratitude and pleasure that we give this report of the activities of the Scholarship Committee.

Last year your Chairman began corresponding in behalf of an applicant by the name of Julius Crawford. Recommendations were sent to the Herbert Lehmann Foundation in N.Y. City. We were too late for consideration for the 1972 allotment of funds. Bro. Crawford resubmitted his application last september and I sent a letter of information. Bro. Crawford started Law School at the University of Minnesota as a second year student this January, 1973. He made a request for financial assistance to this Scholarship Committee.

After due consideration & serious meditation it was properly moved, seconded and passed; that the Committee recommend to Fezzan Court # 7 & to Fezzan Temple # 26, the approval of the committees' recommendation, that Bro. Julius Crawford be awarded & receive a grant of \$500.00 from this Temple and Court Scholarship Fund.

We are pleased to report that Fezzan Court # 7 has approved the recommendation.

If approved by Fezzan Temple # 27 tonight, it is further recommended that the announcement and presentation be made a part of the Grand Masters' Feast, sponsored by Fezzan Temple on Jan. 28, 1973. This is an opportunity for external public relations.

We are making obeisance to Allah, and ask His Blessings upon our works & deeds reported to this Temple.

Daughters:

Betty Curry, Secretary
Doris Jones, Ill. Commandress
Alleen Johnson
Louise Snargrass
Beverly Whitlock
Shirley Roland
Bevaugne Simmons, Imperial Deputy

Yours in the Faith,

Allhamdu Lillah,

Martin O. Weddington P. I. O.
Nobles: Martin O. Weddington, Chairman
Chas. Snargrass, Treasurer
Wm. Dan. McAdams, Imp. Organizer
Otis Spencer, Chief Rabban
Lapercell P. Greene, Imperial Deputy
Chas. Martin, Imperial Deputy
Bevely E. Roland, Illustrious Potentate
Robert H. Johnson, M. W. Grand Master

ONCE AGAIN, THE REVOLVING WHEEL OF TIME HAS BROUGHT US TOGETHER AT ANOTHER JOINT VISITATION / IN DISTRICT # ONE: TO ATTEND TO THE IMPORTANT DUTIES OF OUR STATIONS, AND AS THE POT OF INCENSE IS AN EMBLEM OF A PURE HEART, AS IT GLOWS WITH FERVENT HEAT, SO SHOULD OUR HEARTS GLOW WITH GRATITUDE TO THE ~~GREATEST~~ THE GRAND ARCHITECT OF THE UNIVERSE, FOR EXISTENCE AND FOR THE MANIFOLD BLESSINGS WE ENJOY. WE MAY INDEED BE THANKFUL THAT WE ARE AT PEACE WITH THE WORLD AND OUR ORGANIZATION IS STILL HOLDING A HIGH RANK IN THE AFFAIRS OF MEN AND WE ARE STILL WIELDING A / INFLUENCE AND POWER FOR GOOD. IT BEHOOVES US THEREFORE TO RENDER UNTO OUR HEAVENLY FATHER THE THANKSGIVING AND PRAISE DUE A CREATOR. IN THE INTERESTS OF THE CRAFT WE HAVE GATHERED TOGETHER TO REVIEW THE PAST AND TAKE ACTION FOR THE FUTURE. PROSPERITY HAS BEEN WITH US AND ~~NO~~ *very little* CONFUSION DISTURBS THE CRAFT. THE SOUND WHICH GREETED YOU FROM THE QUARRIES TELL ONLY OF VIGOROUS EMULATION AMONG THE WORKMEN AND THE RAPID GROWTH OF THE TEMPLE UNDER SKILLFUL HANDS. THE RETROSPECTION ~~OF THE XXXXX~~ WAR, AND ITS AFTER EFFECTS HAVE IN ITS NATURAL REACTION BROUGHT THE PEOPLES OF THE WORLD TO THINK IN TERMS OF PEACE. THE OUTPOURING OF HUMAN BLOOD HAS SATISFIED THE DEMON IN MAN AND BROUGHT FORTH A REMORSE TO BE RECKENED WITH. THE MASS REACTION TOWARD PEACE HAS AROUSED THE LEADERS OF NATIONS TO ACTIVE ENDEAVORS TO FORMULATE A MEANS TO REACH THE DESIRED GOAL / OF PEACE. WHILE PEACE AND DISARMAMENT CONFERENCES ARE HELD WITH DIGNIFIED CEREMONY AND APPARENT SINCERITY, WHO CAN ASSURE US THAT THE SIGNING OF PROTOCOLS TO REDUCE THE NUMBERS OF ATOMIC ~~BOMBS~~ BOMBS IS THE WAY TO A PERMANENT PEACE? ARE THE VARIOUS SIGNATURES TO TREATY DOCUMENTS A GUARANTEE TO A TRUE PEACE OR A GESTURE TO LAXITY IN OUR SEARCH FOR TRANQUILLITY IN ALL PARTS OF THE GLOBE? WILL THE SUCCESSORS TO THE PRESENT OFFICIALS OF THE GOVERNMENTS BE IN ACCORD FOR THE FUTURE PEACE OF THE WORLD, AS THEIR PREDECESSORS APPEAR TO BE? IS THEIR ONE NATION WHO, WHILE THEIR SOLEMN REPRESENTATIVES ARE GATHERED AROUND THE PEACE CONFERENCE TABLE, AT THE SAME TIME PLANNING, AS JUDAS ISCARIOT DID, TO BETRAY THE MASTER OF PEACE. WOULD THE SON OF MAN ADVOCATE ARMAMENT WERE HE HERE ON EARTH TODAY? CAN YOU COOL THE WATER IN THE KETTLE, WHILE KEEPING THE FIRES BURNING UNDER IT? WILL THE DOVE OF PEACE EVER BE INDUCED TO PERCH ON THE CONE OF A ~~MISSILE~~ MISSILE? MY DADDY USED TO SAY: IF YOU KEEP GUN POWDER ALL AROUND YOU,, SOMEBODY WILL CAUSE IT TO EXPLODE. THE THOUGHTS & THE ACTIONS OF MEN CAN BE THE FOUNDATION STONES UPON WHICH AN EDIFICE FOR WORLD PEACE CAN BE ERECTED. "PEACE BE WITH YOU.

WORSHIPFUL MASTER, PAST & PRESENT GRAND OFFICERS, WARDENS, OFFICERS & MEMBERS OF
ACACIA LODGE, AND FRIENDS: I BRING YOUR GREETINGS FROM THE OFFICE OF GRAND MASTER
& THE MOST WORSHIPFUL PRINCE HALL GRAND LODGE OF FREE & ACCEPTED MASONS OF MINN &
ITS JURISDICTION. IT IS REAL HARD, TO TRY TO FIGURE OUT WHAT TO SAY TO A PRINCE
HALL MILITARY LODGE, TO THE WIVES AND THE FRIENDS. USUALLY MILITARY LODGES ARE
COMPOSED OF A GROUP OF MASONS FROM VARIOUS JURISDICTIONS BANDED TOGETHER IN A
LOCAL MILITARY LODGE, ON OR NEAR THE BASE. PRINCE HALL MASONS USUALLY BAND
TOGETHER FOR TOGETHERNESS. PLUS,, THE "NATIONAL SOJOURNERS" GENERALLY HATE TO
ACCEPT P. H. M. AS EQUALS. I KNOW,, SOME MEMBERS OF THE SOJOURNERS ARE NOT PREJUD-
ICED AND WOULD ACCEPT P. H. ^{sons} THEY TELL ME, THAT P. H. LODGES ARE USUALLY MORE
POWERFUL, ACCEPTABLE AND RECOGNIZED ON BASES BY THE HIGHER RANKING OFFICERS THAN
THE NAACP, PANTHERS, URBAN LEAGUE AND ALLIED ORGANIZATIONS. THE MILITARY
FAMILY SHOULD TEND TO TAKE CARE OF ITS OWN IN ALL FOLDS: AND IF A TYPE OF PROBLEM
ARISES, IT CAN BE SAID THAT WHEN THE PRECEPTS OF MASONRY CAN BE USED TO THE SATIS-
FACTION OF ALL PARTIES,, ARRANGEMENTS CAN BE MADE,, INSTEAD OF MILITARY PUNISHMENTS.
HOWEVER, ONLY BY KNOWING ALL PARTIES CONCERNED,, WHO ARE IN THE MASONIC FAMILY CAN
THIS PROCEDURE BE USED.

THE YOUNG SGT. BLACK ESPECIALLY, IS NOT A MASON FOR VARIOUS REASONS, KNOWN TO
US IN THE FAMILY. JUST~~A~~ AS THE YOUNG BLACK DOES NOT KNOW HIS OWN HISTORY, CULTURE
AND BLACK AIRMAN HISTORY, HE KNOWS NOTHING OF WHY A BLACK MASON IS A BETTER MAN,
BETTER FATHER OR AIRMAN. HE DOES NOT KNOW WHAT PART P. H. HAS PLAYED IN THE NEGROES'
PAST, CONSEQUENTLY, HE HAS NO REASON TO SEEK OUT THE MASONIC FAMILY IN HIS HOME TOWN,
STATE OR IN THE ARMED FORCES.. I THINK THE MILITARY LODGES SHOULD TRY TO ENCOURAGE
THE YOUNGER PROMISING AIRFORCE PERSONNEL ,,,, BY SOCIAL AFFAIRS, HOME VISITS AND
EDUCATE HIM TO RECOGNIZE HIS HERITAGE OF BEING A ^{Black Airman} PRINCE HALL MASON.

I HAVE TO JUST TOUCH UPON SUBJECTS, , INDEPENDENCE AND FREEDOM OF SPEECH.
THESE ARE TWO OF THE THINGS THAT OUR COUNTRY WAS FOUNDED ON.,, AMERICANS HAVE FOUGHT
FOR OVER THREE HUNDRED YEARS FOR THESE PRINCIPLES. OUR ARM FORCES HAVE FOUGHT,, SO
WE CEVILINS CAN HAVE INDEPENDENCE & FREEDOM OF SPEECH.,, BUT IN THE AIR FORCE ,,
IF YOU DESIRE THESE THINGS

DISOBEDIENCE. & IF YOU DEMAND THESE RIGHTS IT WILL GET YOU A COURT-MARTIAL.

I SUPPOSE YOU ALL HAVE READ ABOUT BRIG. GEN. DANIEL "CHAPPIE" JAMES & M/SGT. WILLIAM SPEIGHT, WHO IS THE PRESIDENT OF THE NAT'L BROTHER HOOD ASSN. OF MILITARY AIRMEN (BAMA). DID YOU READ BOUT THE PROGRAM RECENTLY HELD AT THE AIR FORCE ACADEMY, REPORTED ON IN EBONY MAGAZINE. THIS COULD BE A THEME,, COURAGE AND DETERMENATION.. YOU KNOW ABOUT GENERAL "CHAPPIE JAMES" USAF,, A SOUL BROTHER,, WHO IS MAKING IT BIG IN HIS CHOSEN PROFESSION AS A LOYAL AMERICAN AND CAREER AIRMAN. AFTER GRADUATING FROM TUSKEGEE INSTITUTE, HE WAS A SINGLE,, ENGINE FIGHTER PILOT IN THE THEN, SEGREGATED AIR FORCE, THE 99th PURSUIT SQUADRON: THEN, SQUADRON COMMANDER IN THE INTEGRATED AIR DEFENSE COMMAND, FIGHTER INTERCEPTOR SQUADRON. AS AN OPERATIONS OFFICER IN "NAM" FLYING WING,, MAN MISSIONS DAILY WITH HIS SQUADRON, HE IS NOW BRIG. GENERAL STATIONED IN THE PENTAGON. NOW THERE IS A REAL LEADER WITH INNER COURAGE AND DETERMINATION WHO HAS LET HIS LIGHT SHINE AND PERHAPS SOME OF YOU WILL SEE THE LIGHT AND WANT TO FOLLOW HIS PHILOSOPH OF GETTING AHEAD IN HIS CHOSEN PROFESSION. TO YOU THAT ARE LEADERS, I FEEL THAT YOU MUST KNOW YOUR MEN AS INDIVIDUALS AND AS A WORKING GROUP: KNOW THEIR SOCIAL GROUP BEHAVIORAL OS. LEADERS ARE MEN WHO "DO", "WHO TEACH" & NOT JUST ORDER. LET YOUR LIGHT SH~~OW~~ AND INSPIRE OTHERS, SO THAT OTHERS CAN SEE AND WANT TO BE LIKE YOU OR AT LEAST FOLLOW YOUR EXAMPLE.***NOW I TOUCH ON ANOTHER SUBJECT: STICK WITH ME,, TECH NO LOG ICAL SKILLS,, OFF, TIME FORMAL EDUCATION IS THE BEST WAY TO GET WITH IT. SOME USE THE CLUBS PROVIDED ON BASE OR WORKING IN YOUR LODGE CAN BE A MEANS OF COMMUNICATION BETWEEN PERSONS OF SIMILAR OBJECTIVES. (THINK IT OVER & YOU WILL GET WHAT I MEAN). JUST TO KNOW YOU ARE A MEMBER OF A GROUP, ALL WORKING FOR GOALS, IS INSPIRING TO THE VALUE OF TOGETHERNESS. (NOW LISTEN TO ME) NOTHING TEMPORARY CAN BE AS SATISFYING AS A PERMANENT GOAL. WHAT CAN BE A BETTER GOAL THAN TRYING THE LADDER. DO YOU REMEMBER SINGING, WE ARE CLIMBING, JACOB'S LADDER. CLIMBING TOWARD THE APEX OF A TRIANGLE?

WE CANNOT UNDERESTIMATE THE POWER OF FORMAL EDUCATION AND ITS IMPORTANCE TO THE LOGICAL TRAINING. I UNDERSTAND THAT NO LONGER WILL THE AIR FORCE BE A HAVEN FOR THE "DROP OUT". I UNDERSTAND ALL ENLISTED AIRMEN WILL BE REQUIRED TO HAVE A HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA UPON ENTERING THE SERVICE, OR AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AFTER ENTERING THE SERVICE. I UNDERSTAND ALL CAREER N.C.O.'S ARE ENCOURAGED TO COMPLETE TWO YEARS OF COLLEGE EQUIVALENT STUDY BEFORE THEIR 15th YEAR OF SERVICE. EVEN THE OFFICER GAP WILL BE AUTHORIZED 18 MONTHS FOR COMPLETION OF A BACCALAUREATE DEGREE, AFTER ENTERING THE SERVICE. HOW'S YOUR OWN OPERATION BOOT,STRAP? ARE YOU GETTING IT ALL TOGETHER?? DO YOU KNOW WHAT SOME OF THE OBJECTIONS ARE TO AN ALL,VOLUNTEER ARMED FORCE ARE?? AN ALL,VOLUNTEER, WILL BE MOSTLY BLACK OR DOMINATED BY MEN FROM LOW INCOME BACKGROUNDS. A ALL VOLUNTEER FORCE REQUIRES A SUB STANTIAL INCREASE IN FIRST,TERM MILITARY PAY: THEREBY INCREASES THE ATTRACTIVENESS OF MILITARY SERVICE AMONG LOWER INCOME GROUPS,, INCLUDING BLACKS. SOME WHITES ARE CONCERNED WITH THE DANGERS OF HAVING A COMMUNITY OF A LARGE NUMBER OF BLACKS WHO HAVE HAD MILITARY TRAINING:: WHAT IF THESE BLACKS PARTICIPATE IN RIOTS AND CIVIL DISTURBANCE??

I CLOSE WITH THIS STATEMENT: WE ON THE OUTSIDE SHOULD HELP EDUCATE THE COMMUNITY WHERE WE LIVE IN. LET US THEREFORE, FOLLOW AFTER THE THINGS WHICH MAKE FOR PEACE. AND UNTIL THERE IS NO MORE WAR, IT BEHOVES US TO BE PREPARED. OUR ORGANIZATION, THE MASONIC FAMILY, WILL NEVER STOP STRIVING FOR PEACE, THE GRAND ARCHITECT DEMANDS THIS OF US. AS A GROUP, I ADMONISH YOU TO LABOR FOR PEACE, BUT BE READY TO DEFEND YOUR WORK. WE ON THE OUTSIDE SLEEP AT NIGHT, BECAUSE WE KNOW "THE AIR FORCE NEVER SLEEPS."

Your Secretary, while in Los Angeles on May 4 - 5 talked to several members of our Order, namely Bros. C. A. Pierce, Landry Bryant and Rudolph Johnson. All send their very best regards and greetings and wish God's richest blessings on each and every one. They sincerely hope to hear from their many friends in Western Consistory and its appendant bodies.

We commend to your care, guidance and counsel the 37 new Fraters who were elevated to the 32nd degree on April 29th. This is a very energetic class, and we would like to keep them motivated and interested in the work, programs and fellowship of this Consistory. We must all make a concerted effort to help accomplish this goal, and we will receive benefits more precious than fine gold. - The dignity, nobility, wisdom and strength of man.

The Scottish Rite Pentacost Service will be held on SUNDAY, JUNE 10, 1973 at the 11:00 o'clock hour at the St. John Church - Baptist, 4821 South Michigan Avenue. The Reverend William A. Johnson - Pastor. We expect to see many of you and your families worshipping with us and the membership of the St. John Church. Circle this date on your calendar and make preparations to attend this service.

A REMINDER - SUNDAY, MAY 27, 1973 at 5:00 p.m. THE MASON OF THE YEAR banquet - Chicago-Sheraton Hotel 505 North Michigan - Honoring Bro. Isaac "IKE" Washington. Bro. Washington is a member of our Order and we look to see many of you their with his many friends.

We extend our deepest sympathy to those of our Order who have had to say farewell to some of their loved ones:

ROBERT WILLIAMS - on the demise of his Brother in Connecticut.

THOMAS C. TAYLOR - on the demise of his Uncle in Mississippi.

We commend to your loving care our Sick and Shut-In Brothers. Your cards, letter of encouragement, phone calls and visits play an important part in their welfare, lifting of their morale and their overall well being.

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Anyone knowing the address of the following, please notify the Secretary -

Ralph Cook and William Brashear

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It is for each individual Mason to discover the secret of Masonry, by reflection upon its symbols and a wise consideration and analysis of what is said and done in the work. Masonry does not inculcate her truths. "Seek, and ye shall find," knowledge and the truth.

The practical object of Masonry is the physical and moral amelioration and the intellectual and spiritual improvement of individuals and society. Neither can be effected, except by the dissemination of truth.

A good Mason is one that can look upon death, and see its face with the same countenance with which he hears its story; that can endure all the labors of his life with his soul supporting his body; that can equally despise riches when he has them, and when he has not them; that never thinks his charity expensive; that loves his country, consults its honor, and obeys its laws, and desires and endeavors nothing more than that he may do his duty and honor God. Such a Mason may reckon his life to be the life of a man, and compute his months, not by the course of the sun, but by the zodiac and circle of his virtues.

The true word of a Mason is, not the entire, perfect, absolute truth in regard to God; but the highest and noblest conception of Him that our minds are capable of forming; and this work is ineffable, because one man cannot communicate to another his own conception of Deity; since every man's conception of God must be proportioned to his mental cultivation, and intellectual powers, and moral excellence.

For the Thrice Potent Master,

RICHARD C. BUCK, 32°



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P R O P O S E D S P E E C H

Not to confuse you, but only to establish the key-stone or foundation for my words - I am not a Chaplain, but I am a firm believer of the chaplaincy. Yet, the Chaplains need assistance; *maybe you are the one to help.*

I am not a Base Commander, Wing Commander, Squadron Commander, nor a lower-grade Airman, but you can see that in my position as Most Worshipful Grand Master, I have held similar, comparable grades in rising to my honoured office. And I share the frustrations and exaltations in performing my duties with you, for they must be similar to yours.

I have had to know and accept those higher values of life that effect the way the best of humans must perform, and I'm sure these values are most valid, now and in the future.

You must know the personal fulfillment and happiness will be the harvest of a genuine response to values, which mean a genuine relationship with God, neighbor, self and your world.

And as a guide, I refer you to and implore you to read the March 1972 Ebony Magazine, and then pass it on to all your fellow Airmen and Officers, so they may read it also.

B Independence or Autonomy is merely being indepently free from the rule of others, free from wrong influence, control, or determination of others. The opposite of independence is dependences. The common definition of dependence is the state of being contingent upon or influenced, controlled, or determined by something else. In the Air Force it is called, Insubordination, or not being in accord with authority or disobedience! You need that name as you would " no hands " or " hole in the head ", or a Court-Martial.

We must build a dynamic organization by "rapping" about our mission and the importance of each man's duty to that mission. Such is the program with Brig. Gen. Daniel "Chappie" James and M/Sgt. William Speight, who is the President of the Nat'l Brotherhood Assn. of Military Airmen (BAMA), held recently at the Air Force Academy reported in Ebony Magazine.

Theme { So, we men stress values such as courage, inner direction, certain forms of aggression, autonomy (Independence) mastery of technological skill, group solidarity, and adventure of toughness of mind and body.

- ① Courage is the attitude of response to facing and dealing with anything recognized as difficult, dangerous, instead of withdrawing from it, and your response results from inner direction.

We know the feeling of being faint of heart or experiencing lack of courage, but mostly we know the continuing feeling of the survival of the mind and body, of confident courage in dealing with the everyday routine, and that extra burst of (courage) adrenaline when confronted with the unusual. That, my brother, results from the inner man's direction being prepared to cope with emergencies.

You and I are fortunate as a member of organizations of the home, schools, churches and fraternal - and let me say here, that I know the United States Air Force is a fraternal organization - just as we of the Masonic family are, that believe in inner courage as the way to cope with the hassles of life and job.

Let me give you one example: You know about General "Chappie James" USAF - a soul brother - who is making it big in his chosen profession as a loyal American and Career Airman. After graduating from Tuskegee Institute, he was a Single - Engine fighter pilot in the then, segregated Air Force, the 99th Pursuit Squadron; then, Squadron Commander in the intergrated Air Defense Command, Fighter Interceptor Squadron. As an Operations Officer in " NAM " flying wing-man missions daily with his Squadron, he is now Brig. General stationed in the Pentagon.

Now there is a real leader with inner courage who has let his light shine and perhaps you will see the light and want to be like him, or at least, want to follow his philosophy of getting ahead in his chosen profession.

When we have self-respect or the sense of one's own dignity or worth - that is reflected in our daily living and work - that is wholesome pride. Pride in being a worthy man belonging to a worthy society and organization pushing forward a goal of perfection is so very commendable. What I want to emphasize is remember what we can identify with - Proudly! Nothing phony is acceptable, nothing so phony that it stinks. We must watch for false prophets or instant experts with a solution for everything, or a phony hero or saint.

And we must never ourselves become what we ~~void~~^{avoid}; the false prophet, the instant expert, or phony hero. Rather we must have that inner courage to reach out to the troubled, despondent; depressed with the inner courage to develop a sense of awareness, Because our organization lives within itself and draws its strength from the social group, we must know the score because we can't properly act upon any situation without knowing something about that situation.

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~~COMMENTARY - Address~~
~~(Back-ground)~~

② Aggression or aggressiveness in the human should mean - " full of enterprise and initiative, bold behavior " and not the kind of belief most commonly held as the use of unprovoked attack or invasion. I'm sure you've heard enough of that (provocation) when faced with the allegation of starting quarrels or fights.

After we are trained in the basic landmarks of living with others, and trained in our chosen vocation, job or profession, we have the opportunities to display our potentialities. Among those values is enterprise in carrying on our projects, or participation in undertakings with initiative, or the willingness to take a chance, or think and act without being hassled. This is known as having the " initiation ". All of us have been initiated, most with everlasting effect upon our lives. Thus, our bold behavior was made known as we were searching for Truth and were aggressive in our search. How many of us still show that type of aggressiveness and , and not resorting to invasion?

We need less arguments, confrontations or everyday hassles! Can you do it? I mean, become involved with others without hassling them? And yet be aggressive in the true sense of the word?

We, as leaders, must know our men as individuals and as a working group; know their social group behavior. Leaders are men who " do " as well as " teach " or just " give an order ". Your inner courage must show and inspire others. " Let your light shine ", so that others can see and want to be like you or at least follow your example.

Yet, as individuals, we require some periods of time of being, independent, free from the wrong control or influence of the wrong things, and yet free to use your leisure time in the manner you desire. Sports, or other leisure time activities, when used constructively can enhance the man. Off-time formal education or use of the Social Clubs provided on Base or working in your lodge can be a means of communication between persons of similar attitudes.

③ Just to know you are a member of a group of your peers, all working for the same goals is inspiring to the value of togetherness. Technological skills is the means by which we choose our vocations, jobs and resulting in our duty to society and ourselves.

And now to the question of " Why do I have to work." Let me refer you to the Bible and the story of the expulsion of Adam and Eve from the garden, and the consequence of man living by the sweat of his brow, and being told the worker earns his pay - which means that if you don't work, perhaps you won't eat. And when hunger pains strike, some steal, but most of us work. In choosing a vocation, certain factors should enter into our choice. They are:

1. What shall I aim for?
2. Will the job give me the inner conviction I need?
3. Will it be constructive in the jobs service to me and my fellow men?
4. Will the job provide me with adequate resources to maintain myself and my family, which I hope to have?
5. Will the training for the job and the job itself, utilize to the maximum degree my innate talents and training?

It seems as if all of us here in the room have made our choice of vocation or profession and I hope for the reasons listed above - and not just as a temporary station.

Nothing temporary can be as inner satisfying as a permanent goal! What can be a better goal than trying the ladder, climbing toward the apex of a triangle?

We cannot underestimate the power of formal education and its importance to technological training. I understand that no longer will the Armed Forces be a haven for the "Drop-Out" or "Give Ups", for I understand all enlisted airmen will be required to have a High School Diploma upon entering the service, or as soon as possible after entering the Service. I understand all Career N.C.O.'s are encouraged to complete 2 years of college equivalent study before their 15th year of service. Even the Officer Gap will be authorized 18 months for completion of a Baccalaureate Degree, after entering the Service. How's your own Operation Boot-Strap - are you getting it all together?

- ③ Group solidarity is the completely unified membership of any organization, as of opinion, purposes, interest, feeling....

Man is a social being. His moral behavior, elaborate philosophy to promote it; his customs and laws designed to enforce it, has arisen from the basic necessity of cooperation for survival. Survival can only be achieved by a group and this group must have solidarity. The lessons of History, Anthropology show that many nations, cities, families have been destroyed by the same thing which made them great. And yet man continues, in his life, against being destroyed, continues his group associations.

Let me give you what I consider a pressing fact concerning the Report of the President's Commission on an All-Volunteer Armed Force, Chapter 12. Objections to an All-Voluntter Force - And I quote " An All-Voluntter will be all black or dominated by service men from low income backgrounds. Recognition that moves to an all Volunteer Force requires a sub -stantial increase in first-term military pay; thereby increases the attractiveness of military service previously among lower income groups - including blacks. Some whites are concerned with the dangers of having a community of a large number of blacks who have had military training; resulting in participation of these blacks in riots and civil disturbance. However, the black community fear a loss of black male drain". Now, let me add according to State Department figures - during time of war, a desproportionate number of Black men join the Armed Forces, and suffer proportionately higher casualties than do whites. This was especially true for Vietnam where many blacks faced combat.

This is controversial, some would say not to even bring it up, but in your chosen job or profession we need to know as much about it as possible. Think about it for just a few minutes. Now, your vocation is an honourable profession and is referred to in both the O.T. and N.T. writings as " War" and as " Peace ".

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| 1. Numbers 32:6 | 1. Matt. 24:6 |
| 2. Deuteronomy 24:6 | 2. Matt. 22:10 |
| 3. Psals 46:9 | 3. Luke 15:31 |
| 4. Proverbs 20:18 | 15:32 |
| 5. Ecclesiastes 3:8 | 4. James 4:1 |
| 6. Isaiah 2:4 | |

The biblical verse you may consider is Romans 15:1. Those of us who have a robust conscience must accept as our own burden the tender scruples of weaker men; and not consider ourselves. Each of us must consider his neighbor and think what is for his good and will build up the common life, and coupled with Romans 14:19 - Let us therefore, follow after the things which make for peace.

Now, if we can use the Bible as the pattern for life there must come a time when war may be necessary. If we are to fight this war, would it not be better to serve in a solid group of professionals, completely unified in membership by volunteer service; trained in its purpose; of the same opinion that the best can win; with the same interest in doing the best job possible as a completely unified group? You can compare this type group with a less solid group, even a mob group and see the difference it could make to you as well as your country.

Just as a group may make war, the same group may be a deterrent to war or even keep the Peace. And until there is no more war, it behooves us to be prepared. Our organization, the Masonic Family, will never stop striving for peace, for which the Grand Architect demands of us while laboring, from which we must never retire to recreation. As one group, I admonish you to labor for Peace, but be ready to defend your work.

✓ Adventure or a happening of the unusual, stirring experience of the mind and body, or being prepared to (overcome) combat the unforeseen human experiences.

Man's greatest adventure must be just trying to understand himself. In understanding himself is the recognition of how he has developed his beliefs. The manner in which a person has developed his beliefs affects the way he views the world, thus making him more or less susceptible to conflicts and problems.

It is the unusual, stirring experiences of the mind that controls the body; when man learns to walk as a child; or is among the first to climb a mountain; or is among the first to see the moon as an inhabitant. He has that desire to answer that question of why? What? Where? and prepares himself as best he may, to see a possible answer to the unknown experiences he may encounter. Man is not yet a satisfied, fullfilled being; he must know what is just around the corner for himself.-

The challenge of the impossible and man's reaction to that challenge. However, the Laws of God and man are designed to protect the would-be law breaker. All men are potential law-breakers, either by ommission or commission. In spite of the law, the spirit of adventure is ever present. For man to play games with the game of adventure is known by those who win and by those who lose. Not much is said about those who just play the game, for we are the majority. We are the majority that are the landmarks of society, the ones who never give up and always give out our t lents, time, finances and moral support to those who win and to those who lose. So, you can see that all of us play the game of Adventure, and are either winners or losers, but with the self-satisfaction that we tried.

Where does that value come from? We have been and are continuing to have explained to us, by the principle that " Fraud of Human Pride " is disastrous - any fraud is disastrous. I'm not saying we should not have pride.

GUIDELINES FOR THE NOBLE OF THE YEAR AWARD

1. All entries must be typewritten, double spaced, and not exceed two (2) pages.
2. Each resume should include, but need not be limited to the following information:
 - A. Church affiliation - offices held etc.
 - B. Civic contributions - community involvement, political activities, etc.
 - C. Service record (if applicable).
 - D. Contributions made to the masonic family,
E.G: committees, offices, special projects etc.
3. A recent 3 x 5 black and white glossy photograph of yourself is desirable but not necessary.
4. Deadline for submitting entries is Saturday, November 3, 1979.
5. Send all entries to: Morris S. Miller
507 Columbus Avenue North
No. # 31
New Prague, Mn. 56071

NOTE: The winner will be announced at the Awards Dinner and Dance on November 24, 1979. This gala affair will be held at the American Legion Richfield Post 435 - 6501 Portland Avenue South. We expect at least one Elected Imperial Council Officer to be present for that occasion. You wouldn't want to miss it - WOULD YOU?

MASTER OF CERM. M.W.G.M., BASE COMD. HEAD TABLE DIGNITIES, & KNOWLEDGE
I WILL TRY TO OFFER TO YOU, SOMETHING FOR EACH OF YOU. YOU MUST
REALIZE, I WILL BE SPEAKING TONIGHT, TO MASTER MASONS, EASTERN STARS,
NON MEMBERS, OFFICERS AND NON COMMISSIONED OFFICERS.

WHEN I SWITCH MY REMARKS FROM ONE GROUP TO ANOTHER, I WILL SAY
"TID-BIT." I WOULD LIKE FOR YOU TO SAY OUTLOUD "TID BIT, WHEN EVER I
SAY THAT WORD. THAT WAY I WILL KNOW YOU ARE LISTENING AND AWAKE. O.K.
I ALWAYS LIKE TO FEEL I HAVE CAUSED SOMEONE TO THINK. TID BIT:
HAVE YOU EVER THOUGHT, YOU CAN DEVELOP TALENT IN SOLITUDE, BUT CHARACTER
IS CREATED IN A SOCIETY. CHARACTER IS THE FRUIT OF FELLOWSHIP.
IT TAKES TWO MEN & GOD TO MAKE TWO MEN BROTHERS. HAVE YOU EVER
STOPPED TO THINK, NO ONE HAS LEARNED ALONE. OUR OBJECT IN LIFE
SHOULD BE, TO BETTER OURSELVES. (AD-LIB) "TID BIT"

THESE REMARKS ARE TO MEN WHO ARE NOT MASONS AT THE PRESENT TIME.
WHAT IS MASONRY? 1. IT IS A VOLUNTARY ASSOCIATION OF MEN. 2. IT IS
A FRATERNAL SOCIETY & A WAY OF LIFE. 3. IT IS A GUIDE FOR MORAL CONDUCT.
4. IT IS RELIGIOUS IN ITS CHARACTER, BUT IS NOT A RELIGION. (NO MATTER
WHAT RELIGION YOU ARE, YOU CAN BE A GOOD MASON) 5. IT TEACHES THE
GOLDEN RULE. 6. IT USES SECRET RITES & CEREMONIES, TO INSTRUCT ITS
MEMBERS. (BUT IS NOT A SECRET ORGANIZATION.) 7. IT IS BASED ON A
FIRM BELIEF IN THE FATHERHOOD OF GOD, THE BROTHERHOOD OF MAN & THE
IMMORTALITY OF THE SOUL. 8. IT TEACHES TOLERANCE TOWARD THE BELIEFS
OF OTHERS & CHARITY TOWARD ALL MANKIND. MEN, IF YOU WANT TO BECOME
A MASON, SAY TO SOME MASONS, "I WANT TO BECOME A MASON." (AD-LIB)
"TID-BIT" TO THE LADIES PRESENT WHO WOULD LIKE TO BE AN EASTERN STAR:
THE LADIES ORGANIZATION IS CALLED A CHAPTER OF THE ORDER OF THE EASTERN
STAR, BUT A CHAPTER IS COMPOSED OF MALES AND FEMALES. THE BENEFITS OF
THIS RITE ARE PRIMARILY FOR WOMEN. IF YOU ARE THE WIFE, MOTHER,

WIDOW OF, DAUGHTER OR SISTER OF AN AFFILIATED MASTER MASON AND ARE PROPOSED & RECOMMENDED BY MEMBERS OF A CHAPTER & UNANIMOUSLY ELECTED BY THE MEMBERS, AT A STATED MEETING OF A CHAPTER, YOU ARE THEN ELIGIBLE FOR THE DEGREES OF THE O.E.S. I BELIEVE YOU MUST BE 18 YEARS OF AGE, IF YOU ARE QUALIFYING AS A SISTER OR DAUGHTER OF A MASON. THE OBJECTS & PURPOSES OF THE E O.E.S. ARE: 1. THE CULTIVATION OF CHARITABLE & FRATERNAL PRACTICES THAT WE MAY COMFORT, PROTECT & AID EACH OTHER IN OUR JOURNEY THROUGH THE LABYRINTH OF HUMAN LIFE. 2. FOR A MORE EXTENDED DIFFUSION OF THE PRINCIPLES OF MORALITY AND FRIENDSHIP. 3. FOR INCREASING SOCIAL ENJOYMENT. 4. FOR AMELIORATING THE CONDITION OF THE DESTITUTE WIDOW & THE HELPLESS ORPHAN. &# 5. FOR AFFORDING INCREASED FACILITIES IN RELIEVING DISTRESSED FEMALE TRAVELERS. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE AN EASTERN STAR: TELL A MEMBER YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE AN E.S. & SEE IF YOU CAN QUALIFY. "TID-BIT" TO MASTER MASONS & E. STAR MEMBERS: THESE RESOLUTIONS, I WILL DIRECT TO MASTER MASONS, BUT THEY APPLY TO THE LADIES ALSO: WHEN I SAY WORSHIPFUL MASTER, YOU LADIES THINK WORTHY MATRON, SUBSTITUTE CHAPTER FOR LODGE, ETC. E O.K. "TID-BIT" FOR THE REST OF THE YEAR: I PLAN TO: 1. ATTEND MY LODGE (CHAPTER) AS OFTEN AS I CAN. 2. NOT LEAVE MY MASONRY ^{obligation} IN THE LODGE ROOM. 3. SUPPORT THE WORSHIPFUL MASTER & THE OFFICERS OF MY LODGE IN THEIR PLANS & PROGRAMS. 4. SERVE MY LODGE IN WHATEVER CAPACITY I AM ABLE. 5. WITNESS THE CONFERRAL OF THE DEGREES EVERY YEAR. 6. ACTIVELY DEMONSTRATE A CONCERN FOR ^oTHOSE WHO ARE HOSPITALIZED OR ARE SICK. 7. IMPROVE MY KNOWLEDGE OF SYMBOLISM & THE RITUALS. "TID-BIT" TO THE WING OR BASE COMMANDER: YOU SHOULD HAVE SEVERAL SERGEANTS, THAT YOU CAN CALL IN ONCE A MONTH TO DISCUSS CONCERNS OF THE BLACKS ON BASE. THEY CAN TELL YOU WHAT ARE THE PROBLEMS OR CONCERNS OF THE AIRMAN AS WELL AS THE N.C.O.'S. DON'T LOOK FOR A SNITCH! YOU HAVE SOME SERGENTS WHO CAN HELP YOU RUN THIS BASE. THIS BASE CAN COMPETE WITH ANY BASE, ANYWHERE, IF YOU CAN GET THEM TO WORK AS A TEAM. A BRO. MASON CAN HELP YOU. FIND SEVERAL GOOD ONES & ESTABLISH A DECORUM

OF HONESTY & TRUST. YOU WILL NEVER REGRET IT. HAVE YOU ASKED YOURSELF? "DO YOUR BLACK OFFICERS HAVE ANY DIFFERENT PROBLEMS?" IT LEAST GIVE IT SOME THOUGHT. "TID-BIT" CURRENT EVENTS OR WORLD AFFAIRS: IT IS A POOR MAN, WHO IS AFRAID TO BE IN HOT WATER ONCE IN A WHILE. HERE I GO OFF THE DEEP END. IF WE REACTIVE THE DRAFT OR REGISTRATION AGAIN SHOULD WOMEN REGISTER ALSO? I SAY "YES". MOST CIVILIANS DON'T KNOW, HOW MANY WOMEN VOLUNTEERS THERE ARE IN THE UNIFORMED MILITARY FORCE AT THE PRESENT TIME. IT IS ESTIMATED THERE ARE NOW 150,000 WOMEN ~~IN~~ VOLUNTEERS. THERE ARE APPROXIMATE 62,000 WOMEN IN THE ARMY. YES, THERE ARE LOTS OF JOBS A WOMAN CAN DO, WITHOUT BEING IN THE FRONT LINE FOX HOLE. ALL THAT IS NOW BEING PROPOSED IS SIMPLE, STRAIGHT-FORWARD REGISTRATION OF BOTH MEN & WOMEN IN THE 18 - 26 AGE BRACKET. AND WHAT DO WE HEAR? "HELL NO, WE WON'T GO." THE KEY WORD IS PREPAREDNESS. IF WE ARE GOING THE NUCLEAR ROUT & CREATE A NUCLEAR ARMAGEDDON, THEN FORGET THE DRAFT & KISS YOUR +++GOODBY. A NUCLEAR WAR IS CONCEIVABLE--REMEMBER HIROSHIMA & NAGASAKI. I FEEL WE SHOULD PRUDENTLY PREPARE FOR THE FOR THE DEPLOYMENT OF OUR ARMED FORCES IN CONVENTIONAL WAYS ALSO. YES, WE DO HAVE FULLY TRAINED & EQUIPPED BATTALIONS THAT COULD BE PLUNGED PROMPTLY INTO COMBAT. BUT, WE COULD NOT SUSTAIN SUCH A DEPLOYMENT FOR LONG. NATIONAL REGISTRATION OBVIOUSLY MAKES SENSE. IT WILL TAKE 4 MONTHS TO GET THE REGISTRATION JOB DONE & LONGER TO GET THE CAMPS READY & STILL LONGER TO PREPARE THE PERSONAL. CAN WE AFFORD NOT TO BE READY? CAN WE AFFORD NOT HAVING THE BEST EQUIPMENT? I DON'T THINK YOU CAN WIN A CONVENTIONAL WAR WITH JUST THE AIR FORCE. THE ARMY, NAVY & MARINES NEED MONEY ALSO. (AD-LIB) MERCHANT MARINE & COAST GUARD. THE PACIFIC OCEAN IS NO LONGER AN AMERICAN LAKE. THE ONCE POWERFUL 7TH FLEET, HAS BEEN REDUCED TO @@,22,000 MEN & ABOUT 50 SHIPS & IS STRETCHED ALL THE WAY FROM KOREA IN NORTHEAST ASIA TO OMAN IN THE MIDDLE EAST, A DISTANCE OF 6,000 MOLES, THAT WOULD TAKE 16 DAYS TO COVER AT 16 KNOTS WITH NO STOPS.

THE RUSSIANS HAVE ABOUT 50 NUCLEAR POWERED SUBMARINES & SOME OF THEM ARE ARMED WITH BALLISTIC MISSILES. COULD RUSSIAN SUBS SINK ANY OF OUR SHIPS GOING FROM HERE TO THERE? WE HAVE B 52's. THE RUSSIANS HAVE A bomber CALLED THE BACK FIRE. WHAT CAN IT DO? I WISH I HAD TIME TO CONSIDER IRAN & AFGANANISTAN & RUSSIA & OUR NATIONAL DEFENSEX: BUT TIME WILL NOT PERMIT IT. OT THOSE WHO DO NOT WANT TO REGISTER, I SAY: REMEMBER THE UNREGISTERED X CAN DIE TOO. HOW SELECTIVE IS AN ATOMIC BOMB? WOMAN ARE NOT INHERENT IMMUNE FOR SUFFERING. WOMAN HAVE SUFFERED TERRIBLY IN WARS SINCE THE BEGINNING OF RECORDED HISTORY AND THEY WILL SUFFER AS HORRIBLY AS MEN IF NUCLEAR WARHEADS EVER START FLYING. THE WOMAN OF AMERICA HAVE NOT SUFFERED THE RAVISHES OF WAR FOR 165 YEARS. THE NEXT WAR AMERICA MIGHT GET HIT HARD. HOW WILL OUR WOMEN REACT WITH NO HOME, ETC? I LEAVE YOU WITH THIS QUESTION: CAN WE AFFORD, NOT TO BE READY? CAN WE AFFORD NOT TO HAVE THE BESTEQUIPMENT? THANK YOU.

1. My duties.
2. Our G M 18 hrs a day. Wife, Phone, past, present & Future.
3. Grand Master's pictures.
4. Lodge pride.
5. Bull sessions, Visit the sick, conduct in public!
6. Youngsters in M -
7. Membership, Fraters & Nobels. - Help the drop-out!
8. Help your G M,
9. aprons.
10. Secrets. Heart, Bro.
11. Don't line look for faults - Help. Pray

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