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The 1974-75 Masonic Brotherhood Fund Campaign will close on May 31, 1975. All proceeds of the Campaign will be used to help continue and support the vital Charity Projects of the Fraternity in New York State.

In the many years that the Brotherhood Fund has been in existence, this undoubtedly will be the year of greatest need. Because of the inroads of inflation, additional monies must be available to help carry out the work of the Masonic Home and Health Facility, Masonic Research Foundation, Masonic Veterans and Military Hospital program.

Our goal for 1974-75 must be well over the million dollar mark. The previous Campaign resulted in \$969,000 being contributed by one third of the total membership. Two thirds of the Masons in the Grand Jurisdiction of New York failed to make a gift. Are you one of these brothers?

Campaign workers from your Lodge are in the field. They have brochures for your study and important information that you should know. Welcome them warmly and respond cheerfully to their invitation to make a generous donation to your Masonic Brotherhood Fund.

BROTHERHOOD

By R:W: A.E. Campion

Getting down to basics, I cannot be sure when, if ever, our Brotherhood Fund has reached a total of one million dollars in any one year. I do know that in recent years we have strived for that sum but have fallen short, sometimes not by a great deal, but still short. My Brethren, do you know that given the total membership of our Fraternity in this Jurisdiction, it would take only about four dollars, five at most, given by each of us in order to raise the long-sought-for million dollars. I beg you, is this too much to ask of each of us? Say five dollars apiece once a year for Brotherhood? Five dollars a year that our brethren in Utica may live in comfort and happiness in the knowledge that their Brothers in all parts of the State really care for them, desire to help bear their burdens, and will gladly share with them. Five dollars per annum! I know that many of our brethren give much more than that each year, which must mean that many give less, and, sad to relate, quite a few give nothing — nothing at all. Surely we have not forgotten the lesson taught us in the First Degree as to the necessity of aiding a needy Brother. If every one of us would give at least five dollars this and every succeeding year, the heart of our Grand Master would be gladdened and our brethren in need made more secure.

A MESSAGE TO THE CRAFT

From R:W: Ellsworth A. VanGraafeiland

Those who were in attendance at the Grand Masters Annual Utica Visitation last June will remember that M:W: Arthur Markewich spoke of his inability as a judge to participate in the Masonic Brotherhood Fund Drive. As he pointed out, judges quite properly are prohibited from taking part in any fund raising activities, no matter how worthy the cause may be.

I now find myself in the happy position of being a newly appointed judge and in the unhappy position of having to relinquish my office as Chairman of the Brotherhood Fund for the First Monroe District. I am pleased, however, that R:W: Septimius DiLauro has found a most able successor to replace me. He is W: Gerald K. Becker, 19 Deland Park B, Fairport, New York 14450, Past Master of Fairport Lodge No. 476. With full awareness of the loyal support which Masons of the First Monroe District have always given to our great Fraternity, I confidently wish him success in his endeavors.

To facilitate the tangible evidencing of this support, I attached hereto a list of the Lodge Chairmen to whom contributions may be sent.

JAMES BROLIN, STAR OF "MARCUS WELBY" ON TV HEADLINES 1975 CIRCUS

James Brolin, Dr. Kiley of "Marcus Welby" TV series will be the guest star of this year's 51st annual Damascus Temple Shrine Circus, February 19 thru 22 at the War Memorial.

For James Brolin, actor, 1970 was a very good year.

The National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences awarded Brolin the coveted Emmy Award for Best Supporting Actor in a Dramatic Series and the Award for Best Dramatic Series for his "Marcus Welby, M.D." series on ABC-TV. He was also awarded the Photoplay and Fame Magazine awards for the Most Promising Actor of 1970.

"Marcus Welby, M.D." is so firmly entrenched in the number one Nielsen position, it may be some time before Brolin can take advantage of movie and stage offers and work them around his role as Dr. Steven Kiley in the hour-long drama.

The darkly-handsome and soft-spoken actor is one of those seemingly rare individuals; a native Californian born in Los Angeles to Henry Bruderlin, a building contractor, and Helen Sue Mansur, a former member of the Four Ambassadors singing group who performed at the Coconut Grove.

Perfecting the techniques of his craft still occupies much of his time. Brolin has studied with Hollywood coaches Robert Gist, Vince Chase, Stella Adler and Robert Paris as well as at the Film Industry Workshop. Brolin has also developed a rich baritone singing voice which will stand him in good stead for Broadway musicals or a career in the popular recording field.

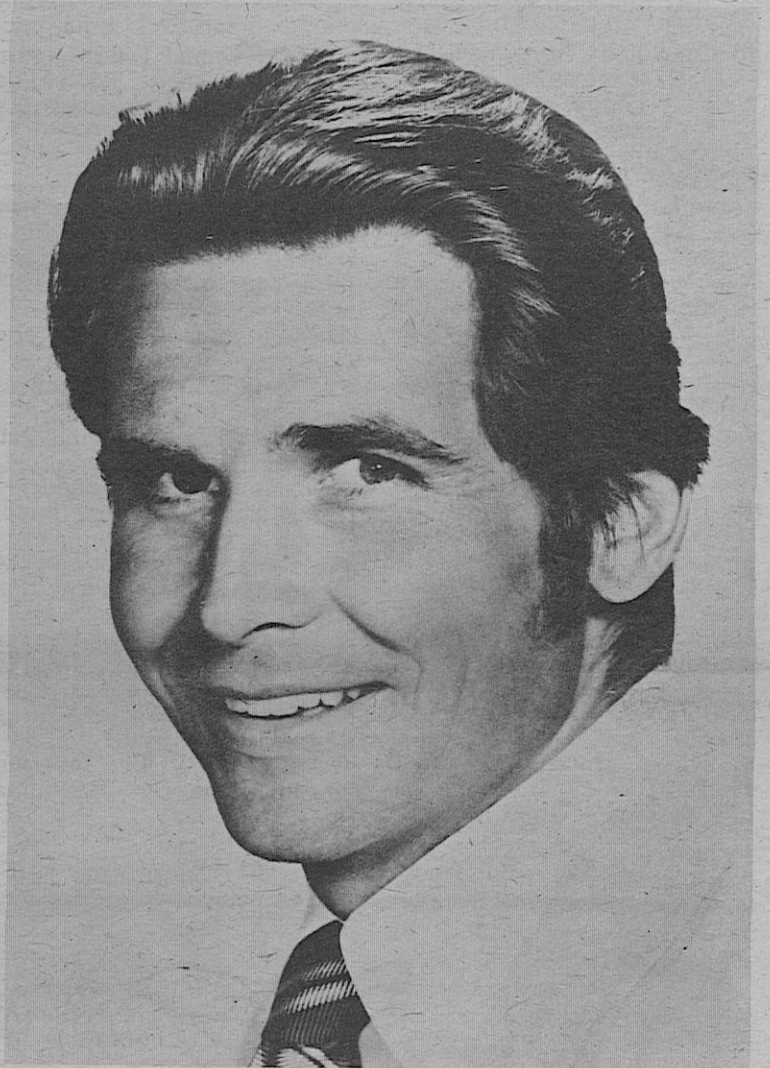
A man of many and diverse interests, Brolin has recently taken up flying and is studying for his pilot's license.

The motorcycle plays a big role in his life off-camera as well as in his "Marcus Welby, M.D." role.

Brolin is also writing a screenplay and seeking properties which he would like to produce and perhaps star in for his own production company.

The Circus, which is presented for the benefit of Damascus Temple's Shrine activities, is perhaps the top annual indoor winter extravaganza on Rochester's entertainment calendar. In recent years, since transfer to the War Memorial in 1961, each Circus has drawn more than 50,000 admissions on a day and night schedule that includes three Saturday shows.

Again this year the Shriners will provide free trans-



portation, refreshments, as well as admission for some 10,000 handicapped and underprivileged youngsters and for many senior citizen groups. These admissions and the entertainment are paid for by Shriners who contribute to a Circus Daddies Fund each year.

Among the acts to be seen in the three ring set up are: Johnnie Cline's Elephants; Victor Julian and his little stars; Worlds largest group of performing Siberian Tigers; Vidbell's Ponies and

The Navarros Bicycle Act. There will be the usual entertaining trained animal acts, performing ponies, "tons of elephants" in amazing and intricate routines; and a galaxy of traveling clowns who have created laughter for kids at circuses all around the world.

The Damascus Temple Band, under direction of John Cummings, will play at all performances and the grand opening tournament of marching uniformed Shriners.

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Dear Brethren:

One of our Grand Chaplains, the Rev. Norman Vincent Peale, advocates thinking positive, and that's what I am going to do. I'm going to "Think Positive" about your response to my request that you make a contribution to the Masonic Home and Research Center in Utica, New York, which is the Brotherhood Fund. Last year, 142,000 Masons in New York State out of 225,000, didn't give one cent; not even a penny. Many said they were not asked. Well, I just asked! If you haven't yet contributed, put down this paper and do it right now! If you're unsure where to send it, address it to your Lodge Secretary and he will take care of it for you. Make your check out to the "Masonic Brotherhood Fund." Thank you.

SEPTIMIUS A.
DI LAURO
D.D.G.M.
1ST MONROE
DISTRICT



Brethren:

With the Installation of Masters completed and the end of January in sight, we are launched into another Masonic year. The only way the program of the Master can be a success is through the help of you, the members of the respective Lodges; so give some of your time, go to Lodge, participate, and make 1975 a year to remember.

WALTER A.
LINDEMUTH
D.D.G.M.
2ND MONROE
DISTRICT



The Christmas trip to Utica was enjoyed by all that went, and the happiness it brings to the guests at the Home is not easily forgotten.

The Masonic Blood Day was not what was expected, but was a start. I am sure the next one will be better, and will continue to improve as the program becomes established on a regular basis.

As I was attending Installations, I was encouraged by reports I heard given by Brotherhood Fund Chairmen. By supporting this Fund, we not only contribute to Masonic charity, but through the Research Facility the world outside learns of Masonry and becomes convinced of its effects.

Fraternally,
Walter A. Lindemuth, D.D.G.M., Second Monroe District

December and January have been busy and interesting months. I traveled to Utica with the group for the Christmas visit to the Home and Research Center. The annual joint Investiture was well done and well attended. On the 28th of December, a group of Masons left some of their blood at the Red Cross. After participating in this, I still had enough strength to attend several Installations of the new Officers and the annual Winter Party.

Many programs are planned in your Lodges in the coming months. I hope you will find time to attend and support them. I will again be visiting your Lodge in the next few weeks. My remarks will be brief and I will welcome meeting you and hearing your comments.

Fraternally,
Septimius A. DiLauro, D.D.G.M., First Monroe District

LET'S GO VISITING

FEBRUARY, 1975

- 3 - J.A. Robertson - Business meeting
- 4 - Charlotte - Open meeting, Euchre Tournament with Webster Lodge
- 4 - Yonnonadio - Third Degree.
- 6 - Webster - Budget meeting, Euchre Tournament with Fame Lodge
- 6 - Genesee Falls - First Degree
- 7 - W.C. Hubbard - Open meeting
- 7 - Monroe Commandery - Past Masters Night
- 7 - Bureau of Masonic Education Annual Dinner
- 9 - Visit to Canandaigua VA Hospital
- 10 - Rochester - Switzerland Ski Holiday slide show
- 11 - Orpheus - First Degree, Second Section
- 11 - Henrietta - Widows Degree (Public)
- 11 - F.L. Simes - Open meeting
- 11 - Fame - Tureen dinner
- 11 - Flower City - First Degree
- 13 - J.A. Hard Post - Post meeting
- 13 - Zetland - Open meeting

- 17 - J.A. Robertson - First Degree
- 18 - Yonnonadio - First Degree
- 20 - Webster - Second Degree
- 20 - Genesee Falls - Business meeting
- 21 - W.C. Hubbard - Open meeting
- 21 - Monroe Commandery - Honor 25 & 50 Year members
- 24 - Rochester - First Degree
- 25 - Orpheus - Father & Son Night
- 25 - Henrietta - First Degree
- 25 - Fame - First Degree
- 27 - Hamilton Chapter - Past Master's Degree
- 27 - School of Ritual
- 27 - Zetland - Open meeting
- 28 - Ionic Chapter - Hawaiian Slide Show

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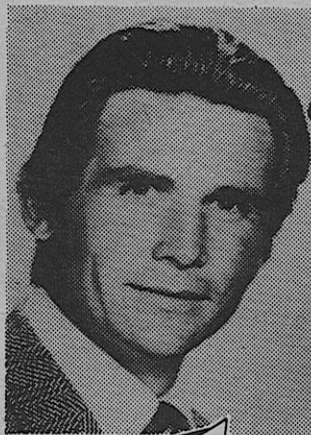
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Q. I read in a Masonic magazine a reference to a Table Lodge. What is a Table Lodge?

A. Table Lodges are an important part of Masonry in many Grand Jurisdictions. A Table Lodge is essentially a tiled meeting, in which the Brethren join for dinner with a set ritual for opening. During the evening a number of toasts are proposed, usually the number of toasts, as well as the quantity of liquid for each toast, are strictly limited.

The Table Lodge stems from operative days, and was the type of meeting held for conferring Degrees during the 18th and early 19th centuries, as we learn from the esposes which were published during those years.

Lodges were usually held in taverns most often on the second floor, and were very carefully tiled. The Brethren wearing aprons, and the Officers wearing also jewels, sat around a long table, on which were three candles in the form of a triangle. The Master, wearing his hat, sat at the east end of the table, the Senior Warden at the west end, the Junior Warden on the south side, and the Secretary on the north side. Liquid refreshments (wine, punch or cider) and snacks were on the table. The Bible was on the table in front of the Master, with compasses on the Bible, the points covered by a square.

Brethren helped themselves to the refreshments during the course of the evening.

When all was ready, the Master proceeded to open the Lodge, in language surprisingly similar to our present ritual, and the candidate was similarly prepared.

A figure was now drawn on the floor with chalk or charcoal, adjacent to and parallel to the table, on which the Degree work was exemplified. The Master took his station in the East of the drawing with three lighted tapers in the middle, in the form of a triangle. The candidate was then escorted into the Lodge room, and the Degree conferred upon him.

Following the initiation ceremony, the Brethren were called from labor to refreshment, when they adjourned for dinner, or for a social hour. This usually included seven toasts. The Brethren then returned to the Lodge, which was formally closed in short form.

Table Lodges today are purely for sociability. The Table is usually in the shape of a horseshoe, with the Master in the east, and the Wardens in the west at the two ends. Following a formal opening, a number of toasts are called for, with everything on the tables having a changed name; for example (G.L. of Massachusetts) glasses are cannons, bottles are casks, bread is rough ashlar, lights are stars, plates are tiles, knives are swords, etc. Seven toasts are called for in formal manner. The Lodge is then closed in a brief ceremony.

It should be noted that at the request of our Grand Master, the Custodians of the work are preparing a ritual for Table Lodges in our Grand Jurisdiction.



THE ROCHESTER MASONIC STAMP CLUB

This year marks the 10th anniversary of the founding of our club. Looking back through the years I cannot help but remember the many nights of fine fellowship we, the members of the Club, have shared together. Although a small group, knowing that we are giving comfort and purpose to others through our collection and disbursement of used postage stamps, we have experienced much pleasure and a sense of achievement.

We wish to thank again all who have donated so many stamps through the years. May we request that any person or organization donating stamps identify himself with an attached note giving name and address as we would like to acknowledge the donations. Thank you.

I would like to congratulate Bro. August Bush on his reelection as Secretary of our Club. Gus has been Secretary for ten years. He is doing an excellent job.

Fraternally,
Willard E. Garrett

SCHOOL OF RITUAL

Thursday, Feb. 27th - Valley Lodge No. 109, Charlotte Lodge No. 1088 and Fame Lodge No. 945.

Friday, March 21st - Monroe Lodge No. 173; Rochester Lodge No. 660 and Robertson Lodge No. 1032.

Friday, April 18th - Northfield Lodge No. 426; Frank L. Simes Lodge No. 990 and Penfield Union Lodge No. 154. Fraternally,
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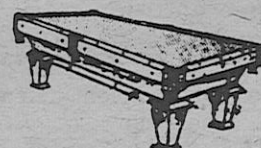
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GROTTO

Since Jan. 1, 1974, our Grotto has expended the following for Humanitarian purposes: \$1,022.85 was sent to the Happiness House in Geneva, N.Y. This money was used to purchase braces for a young girl afflicted with Cerebral Palsy. It paid for the services of an area dentist to do an evaluation of 32 children in the program. One child was accepted by our National Denistry for Handicapped Program and has had her dental problems corrected and paid for. Our Grotto paid the costs of one other child who had dental work performed prior to national approval and whose family couldn't afford to pay. We are now in the process of having the dental problems of a 13 year old boy taken care of by the National Program.

The money left after the above expenses was used to purchase materials needed in the many programs at Happiness House. Our Grotto has contributed \$500. to the Empire State Grotto Association, to help establish our own E.S.G.A. Dental Clinic for handicapped children at the Buffalo General Hospital. We also had 1,250 senior citizens at our Country and Western Show.

Our Grotto units have shown great interest and support for our humanitarian efforts and have contributed generously to them.

The Revels have given \$350. to Happiness House, \$300. to the Al Sigl Center, \$300. to the Rotary Camp and \$450. to the Grotto general fund.

The Legion of Honor has built 3 stand-up tables to be used by the children at Happiness House. If purchased, these would have cost \$150. each, but because four Legion members put out that "extra effort," they were built for about \$50.

The Greeters and the Patrol units each sent \$100. to Happiness House for the purchase of needed equipment for their many programs. The Greeters and the Legion of Honor also contributed \$50. each and treated these children to a Christmas Party.

Our Grotto Band performed at several homes for the aged and entertained at various Lodges and Chapters in the area.

"Stripes," our Grotto Clown, has given several benefit shows for area children. These efforts as well as his performance at the C&W Show, where he entertained the senior citizens, have all helped to enhance the Grotto image. The thanks of Lalla Rookh Grotto goes out to Joel Olson for his efforts on our behalf. The "Bucket" was introduced at our September meeting. Contributions have amounted to \$234.77 which goes to our Philanthropic Fund to help handicapped children.

Those who work with children on a daily basis are certainly grateful to our Grotto, not only for the monetary contributions, but for the personal touch that means so much to these handicapped children.

During the year our members have purchased 175 sheets of Denistry stamps for a total of \$175, half of which goes to the Supreme Council and half to our Grotto Philanthropic Fund. Our Prophets have also purchased 23 Enchanted Lanterns at \$50. each. This money is used by the Supreme Council to fund the Denistry Program and contributes to the search for a cure of that dreaded child killer, Cerebral Palsy. Ronald Charron, Chairman, Humanitarian Committee.

LODGE *news and views*



Ancient Craft Lodge: Presentation of gavel to Wor. Master Delmar H. Miles by Right Worshipful Septimius A. DiLauro, D.D.G.M., First Monroe District.



Ancient Craft Lodge Officers for 1975: L to R: Bro. Irving H. Meyer, Tiler; Bro. Albert Johnson, Jr. Deacon; Bro. Frederick R. Osborne, Marshal; Bro. Fred Haddad, Jr. Mas. of Cere.; R:W: Lawrence Kilmer, Treasurer; Bro. Robert L. Curtis, Sr. Warden; Delmar H. Miles, Wor. Master; W: Bro. Leon R. Perkins, Jr. Warden; W: Bro. Frederic G. Hartley, Secretary; W: Bro. Charles L. Hanes, Sr. Deacon; W: Bro. Keith L. Masten, Chaplain; W: Bro. Russell J. Schrader, Installing Master.

ANCIENT CRAFT LODGE No. 943
2nd and 4th Wednesdays



Dear Brethren:

On Jan. 8th Ancient Craft Lodge held its Installation of Officers. The Installation was preceded by an excellent dinner served by the members of Ruth Chapter O.E.S. I want to thank my Installing Officers, W: Bro. Russell J. Schrader as Installing Master, and W: Bro. Leon Perkins as Installing Marshal, for the excellent job they did. A sincere thank you to my soloist Bro. Harold Rosentreter.

We have a fine line of Officers this year and they are as follows: Worship Master, Delmar H. Miles; Sr. Warden, Robert L. Curtis; Jr. Warden, W: Leon R. Perkins; Treasurer, R:W: C. Lawrence Kilmer; Secretary, W: Frederic G. Hartley; Chaplain, W: Keith L. Masten; Sr. Deacon, W: Charles L. Hanes; Jr. Deacon, Albert Johnson; Sr. Mas. of Cere., Joseph Mlayess; Jr. Mas. of Cere., Fred Haddad; Marshal, Frederick R. Osborne; Tiler, Irving H. Meyer; Trustee, W: Glendon J. Ramsay.

On January 22, we were indeed fortunate in having R:W: I. Vincent Lloyd as a speaker. His speech was excellent and entertaining and all Brothers who were in attendance, enjoyed a fine evening.

Our second meeting on Feb. 26 will be a regular meeting to be followed by a mineral and rock slide show with actual specimens on display. This show and lecture is thru the courtesy and generosity of W: Bro. Earl Branch. These are two evenings I'm sure you won't want to miss.

Last year we lost several Brothers, two of them being Past Masters: W: Bro. Robert Bowler, who lived in Dayton, Ohio and W: Bro. Jacob J. Adolph, who resided here in the city.

Those of Ancient Craft Lodge, who knew W: Bro. Floyd C. Tubbs, might be interested to know that his wife Margaret Tubbs, has been appointed a member of the Necrology Committee of the Grand Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star, of the State of New York.

It is with regret that we say goodbye to our organist Bro. James Ratcliffe. We have enjoyed both his music and his friendship.

A reminder that our Brotherhood Fund is now under way. Send your checks to W: Bro. Earl C. Branch, 877 Whitlock Rd., Rochester, N.Y. 14609.

SICKNESS & DISTRESS

Wor. Bro. Bernard L. Noll is at home recovering from surgery.

CALLED HOME BY THE SUPREME ARCHITECT

W: Bro. Ford A. Myers, Honeoye Falls, New York, and Bro. John W. Becker, Memphis, Tennessee. Fraternaly, Delmar H. Miles, Master

HENRIETTA LODGE No. 526

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2nd and 4th Tuesdays

Dear Brethren:

Among our several Masonic obligation is that of "supporting" our Lodge.

Some think this means solely a "financial obligation" but it is more.

The need for you to support your Lodge by "attending meetings" is more often greater than the financial need, because a Lodge is alive and effective only when everyone participates.

Much time and effort are devoted in planning and arranging programs for Lodge meetings, but without attendance of a majority of members, even the best made plans lose their effectiveness. It's your Lodge so all who can and especially those living within a reasonable distance of the Lodge, physically able and within the length of your Cabletow should make every effort to be there and support your Brothers in attendance.

If you regularly attend meetings, why not contact a brother whom you haven't seen lately and ask him to join us.

If you haven't been to Lodge lately, let me or another officer know how we can make Lodge attendance more important than whatever is keeping you away.

We're not just interested in raising attendance for attendance sake for a Lodge should reflect the thoughts and desires of its entire membership. It won't unless every possible member is present to make his personal (not financial) contribution.

I hope we can count on you and see you in Lodge. Fraternaly, Mel Simmons, Master

TRESTLEBOARD

Feb. 11 - Widows Degree (Public).
Feb. 18 - Fellowcraft.
Feb. 25 - First Degree.



Ancient Craft Lodge: Master and Installing Officers: L to R - W: Bro. Leon R. Perkins, Installing Marshal; W: Master, Delmar H. Miles; W: Bro. Russell J. Schrader, Installing Master.

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John A. Robertson Lodge No. 1032: Installation of Officers for 1975.

ROCHESTER LODGE
No. 660
2nd and 4th Mondays

Dear Brethren:

The annual Installation of Rochester Lodge Officers was held on Monday night, Jan. 13th, with R:Wor. Frank W. Fulreader, Installing Officer; W: Willard W. Garrett, Installing Marshal; W: Merritt E. Sweet, Installing Director; W: Kenneth J. Moore, Chaplain; and Bro. Loren P. Kellogg, Jr., Organist. My thanks to all of these Brothers for a most excellent Installation Ceremony, it was a night I will never forget.

I want to thank all of my Brothers for their confidence in me, and pledge to serve you to the best of my ability. All I ask of you is that you show your dedication to the Fraternity by attending regular communications and functions regularly. We are all looking forward to a year filled with real brotherhood.

Put down in your date book April 19th, on this date we will host Humber Lodge of Weston, Ontario, Canada. Humber Lodge members will present the Canadian style of the Third Degree. In the evening we will have a party, with the Brethren and their wives, to renew our friendship we started last October in Canada. You will be hearing more about this date later.

The Fellowcraft Club elected and installed new Officers for the year 1975. The Officers are as follows: Leo F. French, President; Donald F. Leisten, Vice President; Merritt E. Sweet, Secretary; and Cornelius J. Behage, Treasurer. The Fellowcraft Club meets the first Monday of the month in the basement of the Temple.

The Brotherhood Fund is underway. This year's Chairman, Sr. Warden Edward J. Garrett, reports that we are ahead of last year, but we need the support of all members. Make checks payable to Masonic Brotherhood Fund and mail it to Bro. Ed at 41 Albermarle St., Rochester 14613.

Looking forward to seeing you in Lodge.
Fraternally,
George M. Adams, Master

TRESTLEBOARD

Jan. 27 - Business meeting.

ETOLIAN LODGE
No. 479
2nd and 4th Mondays

The January 13th meeting was called to order and the death of W: John E. Smith was recorded in the minutes at which time Lodge was lead in prayer by W: William Mason. We then adjourned and a brief Investiture service was conducted by D.D. G.M. Septimius DiLauro, assisted by twelve Past Masters - Willard L. Goodridge was invested with the word and work of the Office of Master of the Lodge. After this service Lodge was reconvened and the following Officers were installed in their stations and places.

Master, Willard L. Goodridge; Sr. Warden, Bro. Chalmers L. Dinger; Jr. Warden, Bro. Dale E. Rankin; Secretary, W: Clark L. Kunes; Asst. Secretary, W: W. Wallace Lessord; Treasurer, W: Sterling V. Peckham; Sr. Deacon, Bro. Floyd R. Holmes; Jr. Deacon, Bro. Alvin H. Ingram; Sr. Mas. of Cere., Bro. William E. Miller; Jr. Mas. of Cere., Bro. Clarence R. Dinger; Stewards, Bro. Floyd E. Seeley and Bro. Carl E. Diehl; Marshal, Bro. Dennis Huffman; Tiler, Bro. Ruel R. Lovett; Color Bearer, Bro. Donald A. Walzer;

The new Trestle Board has been printed and should be received soon. On it for the next meeting is a Pot Luck Dinner at 6:30 p.m. January 27th - bring a dish to pass.

The Ski Party at Frost Ridge is Feb. 8th - 7:00-10:00 p.m. weather permitting - everyone invited - pray for snow.

Give now to the Brotherhood Fund. It is not a gift but an investment in the health and well-being of all mankind.

Fraternally,
W: Wallace Lessord
Assistant Secretary

Feb. 3 - Fellowcraft Club meeting.

Feb. 10 - Open meeting - a slide show Switzerland Ski Holiday will be shown by R:W: Frank W. Fulreader.

Feb. 24 - First Degree - Sr. Warden Edward Garrett in the East.

W.C. HUBBARD LODGE
No. 964
1st and 3rd Fridays

The first month of the year 1975 is passed. Myself and your Officers have been elected and installed and now are ready to abide by our obligations. As in last month's message, I again ask for your personal support, which really means giving of some of your time.

I would like to thank all of you who came out during the past month and supported your Officers, not only at the meetings but at the election of officers dinner for Fellowcraft and the Euchre Tournament.

BROTHERHOOD FUND

The Brotherhood Fund is well underway. Let's keep the contributions coming. Remember its not the amount you give but the action of giving that makes the Brotherhood Fund function. It sure would be nice to see 100% membership contribution for Warren C. Hubbard.

FELLOWCRAFT CLUB

On Jan. 10 the Fellowcraft Club held their election of officers dinner. Brother Frank Austin was elected President and Wor. Bro. Ray Jay, Secretary-Treasurer.

On Feb. 14 the Fellowcraft Club is having a St. Valentine Dance in the Ballroom of the Masonic Temple. Music will be by the Beeliners, a three piece band with a female vocalist. Dress will be informal. Refreshments will be served. Price \$3.00 per person. Guest invited. For reservations call Bro. Bob Helmes Chairman at 865-5589 or Bro. Frank Austin at 594-4989. Let us all get out and support these Brothers who are working to make this dance a big success.

TRESTLEBOARD

Feb. 7 - Open meeting.
Feb. 14 - Fellowcraft Club St. Valentine Dance.

Feb. 21 - Open meeting.
In closing may those of you who have been sick or are sick, my wishes are for a speedy recovery.
Fraternally,
Robert C. Adams, Master

JOHN A. ROBERTSON
LODGE No. 1032
1st and 3rd Mondays

Dear Brethren:

As this is the first article I am writing as newly installed Master of the Lodge, I want to thank every one who came to my Installation. It seemed good to see both sides of the Lodge filled. I trust that each and every brother will try to attend at least one meeting during the year. With the Holidays over and winter doldrums upon us, why not spend a couple of Monday nights each month in fellowship and brotherhood. We have an excellent program planned, so come out and visit your Lodge.

We need additional petitions to fill our Degree schedule, so if any Brother has a friend who is interested in joining our fraternity, please get a petition to him so that we can have a full class of candidates when we start our Degrees on Feb. 17th.

BROTHERHOOD FUND

Bro. Frank Zaffino, our Brotherhood Chairman, reports that contributions to the fund are starting to slow down, so if you have not handed yours in, please do so at the first opportunity.

Bro. Sam Grover and his wife Ann, recently celebrated their 24th Wedding Anniversary by taking a train trip to Toronto, Canada, where they spent several days doing the town.

Bro. Myron Estes and his wife Ernestine, spent Thanksgiving with their daughter Nancy in Florida, who recently presented them with another grandson.

Bro. Charles Swift of Pleasanton, Calif., spent the holidays with his son in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Bro. Bruce Hinkley has recently moved to the sunny south. His new address is 4210-37th Ave., Bradenton, Florida 33505.

Bro. Bruno Humans new address is 7119 E. Fronlag Rd., N.E., 109 Albuquerque, New Mexico 87109.

Bro. Thomas N. Stevely will be spending this winter (until May 1) at Boyds, Stock Island, Keywest, Florida 33040 and we will all be thinking of you when we have our next snowfall.

Wor. Bro. Arthur Roberts sends regards to all the Brethren of the Lodge, he has been enjoying his golf so far this winter.

Sympathy of the Lodge was extended to Bro. Lee Schulz at the recent passing of his Mother, Cora Schultz; and to Bro. Herman Brause at the passing of his Daughter-in-law.

Bro. Thomas McAvoy of Florida wishes to thank all the Brothers for their cards and prayers during his recent illness. Bro. Tom says that his health is improving daily.

Bro. Anthony Bartusek advises us that he is receiving his mail at his new address, Rt. No. 1, Box 73-A, Summerdale, Alabama 36580.

The Lodge wishes to extend birthday greetings to the following brothers:

Charles W. Thomas, 1/4; Russell H. Perry, 1/6; Norman P. Millard, 1/6; Frederick W. Sullivan, 1/6; W: Bro. Ned T. Wylam, 1/8; Randall J. Salzer, 1/11; Donald F. Rogers, 1/5; Joseph A. Mosar, 1/17; Adren R. Sullif, 1/17; Frederick H. Harris, 1/18;

ORPHEUS LODGE
No. 1082
2nd and 4th Tuesdays

My Brothers:

As we move into the year 1975, we have a credo, or theme to follow: One that was laid down several months ago, by our Most Worshipful Grand Master. It is called, "The Pursuit of Excellence," and will govern our Masonic activities throughout the rest of his term. We will pursue Excellence in our Ritual, in our Lodge activities, and, as a Beacon, to light up and direct even our daily lives.

We have a full complement of able and alert line Officers; the caliber of which, fills me with great pride. It is only fitting then that our efforts will be rewarded by a large class of eight candidates, ready to take the First Degree. This Degree will be presented in two Sections, over two successful meeting night; Jan. 28 and Feb. 11. Following this, (Feb. 25), will be a Father & Son (or Daughter) night, at which will be shown an old Charlie Chaplin movie, and possibly one other short subject. Subsequent meetings will be equally interesting.

With such a beginning, I can only conclude, by wishing each of you a most satisfying and rewarding New Year. Fraternaly,

William Dworkin, Master

TRESTLEBOARD

Jan. 28 - First Degree, First Section.

Feb. 11 - First Degree - Second Section.

Feb. 25 - Father & Son Nite. Entertainment - Movie.

Mar. 4 - Rehearsal for Second Degree.

Mar. 11 - Second Degree.

Rudolph W. Elliott, 1/21; Ernest G. Burkhardt, 1/24; Samuel Elehof, 1/24; Kenneth J. Skidmore, 1/24; Carl Silvio, 1/25; W: Bro. Albert E. Cannon, 1/27; William F. Miller, 1/27; Irvin R. Delensky, 1/30.

TRESTLEBOARD

Feb. 3 - Business meeting - Fellowcraft.

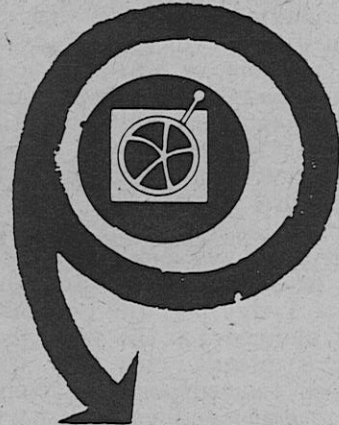
Feb. 17 - First Degree.

Mar. 11 - Ladies & Family Night - Details to follow. Fraternaly,

L. Edward Walker, Master

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CLIO LODGE
No. 779

1st & 3rd Tuesdays

FROM THE EAST

Brethren:

The Installation of your new Officers took place on Jan. 7th. A program showing all elected and appointed Officers, committees, and our meetings and events for 1975 is available for you at the Lodge. Please try to attend Lodge soon to receive your copy or have a Brother pick one up for you. If you are out of town, write and we will send one on to you.

I would like to thank R:W: Donald Rockcastle, Installing Officer, and W: Harry Hopkins for the fine job that was done at the Installation. I am also thankful to those who have accepted responsibility in the work of the Lodge this year.

W: Si Hulse, Chairman, has sent you a letter concerning the Brotherhood Fund Drive. I cannot add to what W: Si has said but I would like to remind, and urge you to return mail your contribution without delay. Let's give Si our support in this important project.

We were pleased to hear from Bro. George Austin who is now back in the area and we thank him for his contribution for the "coffee break" fund. Bro. George found himself without a dues card and wrote to remedy the situation. You might check to be certain you have your card for 1975.

Illustrious Bro. John Braund is planning on being with us on Jan. 21 to give a talk, "Overview of Masonry" and on Feb. 4: Si Hulse will share the platform with W: Bill Zufall on the subject "Brotherhood and Masonry." On March 4 our meeting will be conducted by Clio's Past Master's and we look forward to a presentation, "History of Clio Lodge." A full program is planned for the year and it is planned for you. We need your support and attendance at meetings. Please try to be there and encourage a brother to come with you.

I urge you to make plans now to attend our Valentine Days party on February 14, our Ladies Night, again with Etolian Lodge, on April 12, and our Ox Roast on April 26.

SICKNESS & DISTRESS

Bro. Gordon McCoy entered Northside Hospital on Jan. 12, for what he expects to be about a week's stay.

Bro. Fred Lutz was hospitalized in Florida in December for a detached retina and we trust he is back enjoying the warm Florida weather.

W: Gar Rockcastle is hospitalized in Tampa, Fla. and his condition is serious.

If you can visit these Brothers or if you know of anyone who is ill or in distress, please contact me, our Secretary or Bro. David Maynard, 392-7404. I have asked Bro. Dave to coordinate Sickness and Distress so that we insure cards are sent and our ill Brethren visited. If you would be willing to drive, call Bro. Dave so that he can coordinate visits.

FROM THE SOUTH

A Valentine's Day Party for Clio and Leah Chapter, O.E.S. will be held on Friday, Feb. 14th at Clio Lodge starting at 8 p.m. Featured will be a buffet of appetizers, liquid refreshments, live music for dancing and a great opportunity to get acquainted and enjoy each others fellowship. The cost is only \$2.00 per person, so plan to attend. Please make reservations with Jr. Warden Jim Cochran. Telephone 392-7327. Fraternally,
James Cochran, Jr. Warden

CALLED HOME BY THE SUPREME ARCHITECT

The Lodge was saddened at the passing of Ill. Earle E. (Doc) Maynard on January 4, 1975.

Also called by the Supreme Architect was Bro. Cornelius Vanderbeck on January 11th. A Masonic Service was conducted for Bro. Cornelius by Clio Lodge members which was much appreciated by the family. Bro. Cornelius was raised in Clio in 1918 and Bro. "Doc" Maynard in 1928.

Fraternally,
Robert E. Stevens, Master

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SENECA LODGE
No. 920

3rd Tuesday

MASTER'S MESSAGE



In the January Trestleboard I said that I hoped to be able to complete some of the programs my hard working predecessor, Wor. Bro. Hal Miller had commenced. The most important and significant one I had in mind was put in motion last summer and has now reached the stage where the Lodge has been given permission by the Board of Trustees of the Temple Civic Center to carry it out. What we plan to do is to put on permanent display in some prominent place in the Temple, the Grand Lodge aprons and jewels of Most Wor. William F. Strang and Most Wor. Clarence J. Henry, the only Grand Masters from Rochester that I am aware of and both of whom were members and Past Masters of Seneca Lodge.

The Board of Trustees has granted us permission to mount a display case on the wall in the first floor lounge. Bro. Link Cundall is heading up a committee to look into the designing and fashioning of such a case and he is already hard at work on this project. I will keep you posted as to our progress from time to time.

I have just spoken with our Jr. Warden, Larry Snodgrass, who told me that the entertainment portion of our February communication will concern the subject of off track betting. Any program Larry arranges will be interesting and informative. I hope for a big turnout. Fraternally,
Bruce E. Hansen

K.P. SQUARE CLUB

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FLOWER CITY LODGE
No. 910
2nd Tuesday

TRESTLEBOARD

Feb. 1 - Fellowcraft Club Square Dance.
Feb. 11 - First Degree, by W: Sy Kopen, Master
Feb. 18 - Fellowcraft Club.
Mar. 15 - Ladies Night.
Apr. 23 - Visit to Palestine Lodge, Toronto.

ANNUAL INSTALLATION

A vast throng of over 200 Brethren attended the Installation of Officers for 1975, which was preceded by an excellent dinner in the Basement Dining Room. The Installing Master was R:W: Albert E. Goldman, P.D.D.G. M., who was ably assisted by W: Maurice Solomon as Marshal, and W: George Hoffenberg as Chaplain. The Shrine Chanters entertained during the evening. The following is the new Master's message. The night of my Installation has now passed, and I am very proud that you have given me the honor of serving as your Worshipful Master this year. There are no words to tell you how much it pleased me that so many of you turned out to see me Installed. I, and the Officers will serve you and our Lodge to the best of our Masonic ability, and ask for your personal assistance, if within the length of your cabletow, and the square and angle of your work, to keep Flower City Lodge the number one Lodge in our District. My thanks to each and everyone of you. Fraternally,
Sy Kopen, Master

SQUARE DANCE

There will be a Square Dance in the Temple Basement on Saturday, February 1, at 8:30 p.m., with the same caller as we had last year. Price is \$6.00 per couple including refreshments (Kosher hots, etc.) For reservations, call Erwin Newell at 544-2242, or Joe Klein at 342-5788.

LADIES NIGHT

March 15 will be the date of our Annual Ladies Night, which this year will be held at Nero's in Georgetown Plaza, Ridge Road East. The price is \$20.00 per couple, and reservations can be made with our Jr. Warden, Erwin Newell at 544-2242 or 342-1930.

**VISIT TO
PALESTINE LODGE
TORONTO, CANADA**

We are planning an Official Visit to Palestine Lodge, Toronto, when we will take the opportunity of presenting them with the United States Flag which was flown over the Capitol Building on Canadian Thanksgiving and presented by R:W: and Hon. Frank Horton. We are looking for a large delegation to go with us - the date is Wednesday, April 23, and all those planning to go should notify either W: Sy Kopen or W: Maurice Solomon.

BROTHERHOOD FUND

The campaign is now in full swing, and quite a bit of money has come in. But it is still not enough, and there are many Brethren who promised last year, and failed to come across, I regret to say.

GERMANIA LODGE
No. 722
2nd and 4th Wednesdays

Brethren:

Two Degrees for the month of February, Second Degree on the 12th and Third Degree on the 26th. W: Bro. Don Freeman will be in the East for the month of February and the Shrine Degree Team will confer the Third Degree. There will be a dinner at 6:30 p.m. for the Third Degree.

We will have five Brothers receiving the Degree. Why don't you make it a point of being at the Degree and Dinner. Call now and make your reservations - W: Bro. Don Freeman 544-1149 or W: Master Frank Arnold 458-4810 or 381-7411.

February is also the month I especially want to remind you to turn your contributions in for the Brotherhood Fund. You will receive only one mailing that will be during February. Let's make it an effort to give even if it is a small contribution. We can only reach our goal by giving something. Mail your donations to Bro. John Arnold, 59 Glazer Dr., Rochester, New York 14625.

Sometime in March will be Ladies Night. The date is not set yet but you can start thinking about it. More news about this in the March issue.

Don't forget about the attendance at the Lodge meetings will keep you well informed, also you will enjoy its good fellowship and supporting the Officers of your Lodge.

Fraternally,
W: Frank J. Arnold, Master

**SAVE
THE DATE
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GRAND BALL
APRIL 12,
1975**

Brethren, PLEASE! Your word should be your bond. Send your donations NOW to the Secretary.

CONGRATULATIONS

W: Ellis I. Hormats, who has been elected Chancellor (Sr. Warden) of Genesee Assemblage 1, Order of Judas Maccabeus, and Jr. Warden of Genesee Council 51, Allied Masonic Degrees.

Wor. & Mrs. Myron Kleinberg on the Bat-Mitzvah of their daughter, Gail Ellen.

SICKNESS & DISTRESS

We extend our sympathy to the family of Bro. Henry Hayms, and to Bro. Sam M. Rapp in the passing of his mother.

Bro. Burton Gordon is now home after surgery.

Correction: Bro. Jack Goldberg did not have a heart attack - he had surgery and is coming along very well. (Sorry about that!)

Fraternally,
Wm. R. Dunsky, Hospitaler

**CORINTHIAN
TEMPLE
LODGE**
No. 805
1st and 3rd
Mondays



Brethren:

Installation of Officers is over and what a memorable night it was. For you who could not make it, you sure missed an exciting evening. Many thanks to Wor. Bernie Bonnington, Donald Fox, Stanley Allen and everyone else that took a part in this evening.

Our new line Officers are anxious and prepared to perform their first ritual work together, Feb. 3, the First Degree. Your Master will be in the East. Make every effort to be present to see the new line in action.

On Feb. 17, we have an open meeting. Following this meeting Mr. Hutchinson will be present to show a movie and talk on ecology. Mr. Hutchinson is with the Delta Labs and is a very interesting speaker. Don't miss this important lecture on a subject of interest to everyone.

Later in the year Corinthian Temple has been invited to journey to North Haven, Conn. to confer the Third Degree on a brother. Mark these dates on your calendar, Sept. 26, 27 and 28. This should be a great weekend for all who partake in this visit to North Haven.

Bro. Elmer Keller is our Brotherhood Fund Chairman this year and he has informed me that the Brotherhood Fund Drive is in full swing, so get your contributions in early to Bro. Keller. It would be nice if you could increase your donation by 10%, the average contribution is \$4.00.

Something that is on my mind is, in my travels around Monroe County to the various Lodges, I've noticed that they are getting many more new members than we are. You must know someone (a neighbor, son, grandson) whom you believe would make a good Mason. I realize that you can't ask them to join, but I have some books "What is Freemasonry." Give them one of these books and when they ask questions, give them a petition. If you want either a book or a petition, call me at 671-5146.

Fraternally,
Daniel Nesbitt, Master

**BIRTHDAYS
IN FEBRUARY**

Henry Leichtner, 2/1; W: Daniel E. Nesbitt, 2/2; Ralph Buis, 2/4; Thomas Hagerman, 2/4; Robert Halleran, 2/4; Allan Snider, 2/5; George Shaler, 2/6; Warren Benham, 2/8; Roger Cole, A. Jack Levine, Raymond F. Unger, 2/8; Edward Meding, 2/9; Clark Miller, 2/9; Frank Gordner, (Master 1967), 2/10; John De Vries, J. Lawrence Hill, Jr., Charles Sampson, 2/11; Howard Warner, 2/12; James Hunn, 2/14; O. Dean Erwood (Master 1957), Franklin Van Ordier, Harold Walter, 2/14; Frank Dixey, 2/15; Richard Borate, Thompson Davis, 2/18; Francis Hanratty, H. Edward Rodger, 2/20; Paul Griffith, 2/22; Mathias Barry (Master 1964), William Waugh, 2/23; William Gaines, John Gionta, 2/25; Carl Schuster, Charles Schuldt, 2/26; James Fraser, 2/28; Gerald D. Zapf with no date available.

CHURCHVILLE LODGE
No. 667
2nd and 4th Wednesdays

My Brethren:

As our New Year is beginning it is my great pleasure and privilege to have the honor to be installed as your new Master.

I take this time to thank you all for trust and confidence that you as Brothers of the Lodge have placed in me. I will do my very best to live up to the standards that the Masters of the Lodge have set who have gone this way before me.

The new Officers, Committees and myself are going to try to initiate some new Programs that we hope will be successful enough to be continued on in the future. But we cannot do it alone. We will need the help and support of every member of the Lodge to make this a good and fruitful year.

Our new call list is being drawn up and will be available in the near future. When the new list is out and are called upon please keep the chain of calls going because if the chain is broken some of our stronger links may not be informed of our coming events.

We welcome any new or old ideas from our Brethren to help our Lodge become not only a meeting place twice a month for regular meetings, but also a place where we can practice good fellowship and brotherly love.

Our Brotherhood Fund Drive is well underway and is progressing very well under the guidance of Brothers Rod Meier and John Briskie.

Any Brother who is sick or in need of our aid or sympathy, please notify the Benevolence Committee - George Simon, William Baxter and John Briskie.
Sincerely & Fraternally,
George Simon, Master

DUES BOX SCORE

1974 - 25

The Treasurer's at his desk, The Master's in the East, The routine work of the Lodge Perplexes them none the least.

But here's a different picture, The Secretary's in tears ... He just made up a list Of all members in arrears.

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**WHAT FAMILIAR SAYING
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(Answer next month)

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Bertram M. Steene, Secretary

FELLOWCRAFT CLUB

Sorry that I missed my article for the January issue, the only reason I can give, is due to the old Holiday Spirit. Now that the Holiday's are over, it is time to look forward to the New Year.

Once again I want to thank all the Brothers for the work and support they gave, not only for the Fellowcraft Club but its Officers also.

The past years have been very successful for the Club, not only because of the Bro-

**ZETLAND
LODGE**
NO. 951
2nd & 4th
Thursdays



Dear Brethren:

Now that the Holidays are over it is time to start thinking about the Brotherhood Fund. With the state of the economy being what it is today, the Brotherhood Fund will need all that we can give. Let's all give in any amount from \$1.00 to whatever that we feel we can give. Let's us, the more fortunate, think of the less fortunate and our great Research Center.

In March the Lodge will hold a First Degree and we expect a large class. If any Brother has a petition outstanding, please bring it to Lodge in February so that we can process it in time for the Spring Class.

I want to express the best wishes of the Lodge and myself to W: Fred Ambeau on his coming marriage this year. Fred has given a great deal of time and effort to the Lodge and we wish him the best that life will offer.

Fraternally,
Theodore Z. Theodor
Master

TRESTLEBOARD

Feb. 13 - Open Meeting.
Feb. 27 - Open Meeting.

**CALLED HOME BY THE
SUPREME ARCHITECT**

Victor Linboe, Initiated Oct. 21, 1920; Passed, Feb. 10, 1921; Raised, March 10, 1921. Entered into rest December 25, 1974. Life member.

Robert T. Kingsley, Initiated January 22, 1948; Passed April 8, 1948; Raised April 22, 1948. Entered into rest December 28, 1974. Life member.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Robert E. Slaughter, 2/13; Mahlon E. Blake, 2/15; Walter R. Klinginberger, 2/16; Jacob Gierber, 2/18; Raymond Richards, 2/19; Frederick J. Watson, 2/23; Richard A. Bell, 2/23; Arthur L. Rockman, 2/24; James R. Tucke, 2/26; Otis G. Denninson, 2/28.

thers but mainly due to their wives who worked very close to us all and helped make our activities successful.

Before I go any further, I would like to mention the Officers elected for 1975:

President, W: Walter Gay; Vice President, Bro. Robert Van Kevren; Secretary, W: Warren Trimble; Treasurer, Bro. George Shayler.

Our first event for the year will be a bowling party on April 26th. It will be held at the Lyons Den located on Ridge Road West. We will have dinner before we bowl, with a choice of either Veal Cutlet or Prime Ribs. Bowling will start at 9:30 p.m., which we will be bowling 3 games. The cost will be \$6.00 per person. Our bowling parties in the past have been very successful and I am quite sure this one will be too.

I hope everyone had a nice Holiday, and I will be looking forward to seeing you all in the near future.

Don't forget we meet every 4th Monday of the month, at 7:30 p.m. in the Temple basement.

Fraternally,
W: Walter Gay, President

Monroe Districts Brotherhood Fund Drive

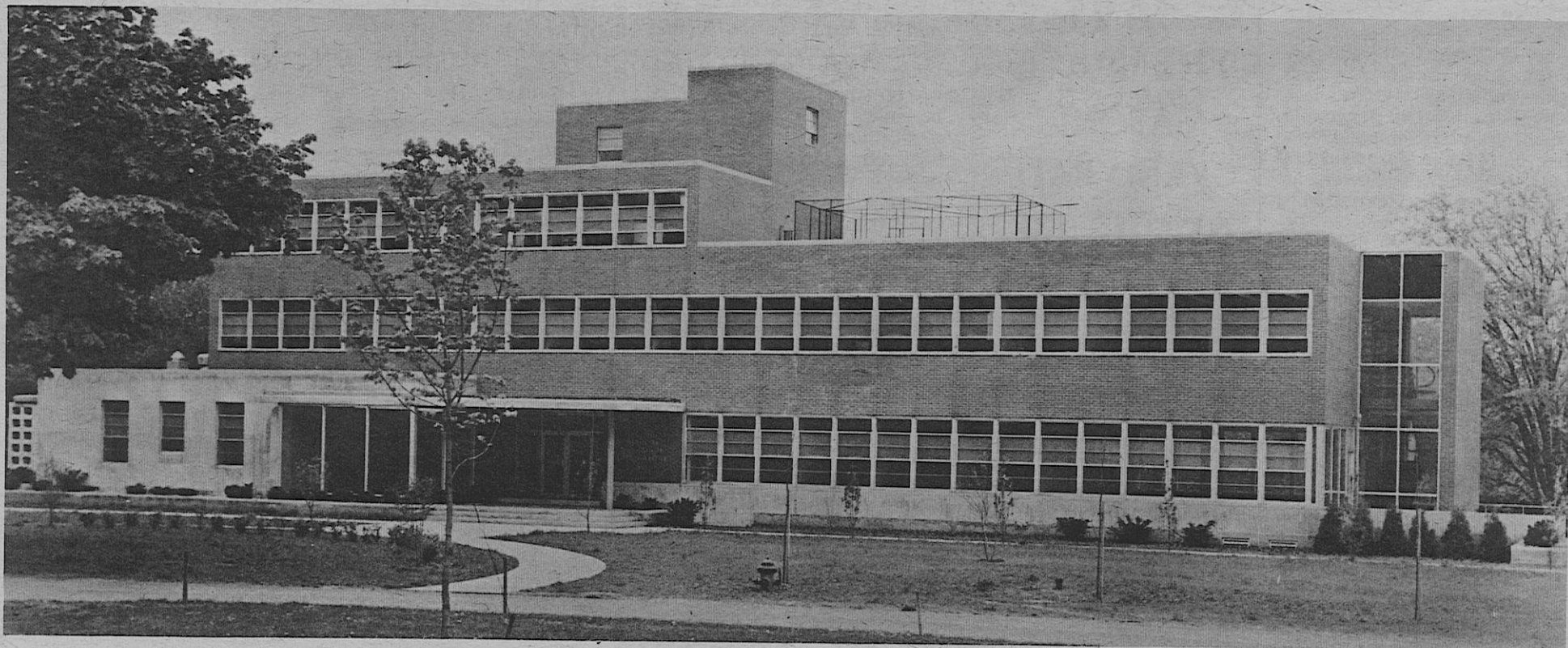
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YONNONDIO LODGE
No. 163
1st and 3rd Tuesdays



Brethren:
At our January 7th meeting we had a very fine Installation of Officers, thanks to W: William G. Buchanan who officiated as Installing Master, W: Loren A. Fairbanks as Installing Marshal, and R:W: Leonard Parker as Installing Chaplain.

I would like to sincerely thank you Lodge brothers for your trust in electing me Master for 1975. I will try to live up to the excellent honorable tradition of the Past Masters of Yonnondio Lodge in Ruling and Governing the Lodge.

At our January 13 Officers meeting at the Master's home the planned schedule for the ensuing year was discussed. This year being the 125th for Yonnondio Lodge will be most enjoyable with a special emphasis on History and a 125th Anniversary Ball. Your Officers all feel this will be a Banner Year and plan to use their abilities and hard work to make it work.

The January 21 Open meeting theme "The George Washington Memorial" was attended by R:W: Septimius A. DiLauro, D.D.G.M. of the First Monroe District and his representative to the Endowment Fund Drive, W: Wallace Lessord. The movie, slides, and discussions of this Masonic Memorial was very informative. I hope our Brothers will support this fund drive.

The Yonnondio Lodge Fellowcraft Club is looking forward to another excellent year of involved activities. I wish the enthusiastic Officers and members a good year of Fellowship.

TRESTLEBOARD

- Feb. 4 - Third Degree by the Master. Dinner.
 - Feb. 7 - Al Tinsmon Retirement Reception at Barry's Party House - 5:00 P.M.
 - Feb. 10 - Officers meeting at Jr. Warden's house.
 - Feb. 18 - First Degree by Senior Warden.
 - Feb. 25 - Fellowcraft Club.
 - Feb. / Mar. - Snowmobile Party - Phone Power.
- Please communicate the knowledge of any of our brothers known to be stricken by misfortune, sickness, accidents, or anything that our help may be offered.
- I wish you and your family a healthy, happy and prosperous New Year.
- Memory Jogger: Petitions, Participation, Brotherhood Fund, Local Flood Relief Fund.
- Fraternally,
Robert P. Galloway, Master

FROM THE SECRETARY'S DESK

To the many Brothers who have sent in their 1975 dues, my sincere thanks, we will be able to pay our Grand Lodge dues and assessments without delay. To those who have not as yet been able to send in their dues, we will look forward to receiving payment early.

We also have a few Brothers who are in arrears, so if you are one, why not be up to date and carry a current dues card.

Our membership, as reported to Grand Lodge, now stands at 492, of which 264 are Life Members and the balance of 228 are classed as Regular Members, this is the first year that Life Members have out-numbered the Regulars.

PENFIELD UNION LODGE
No. 154
1st and 3rd Tuesdays

Dear Brethren:
It is with a sincere feeling of both pride and humility that I "assume the gavel" for this, the 126th year of Penfield Union Lodge. Our Lodge, rich in tradition, has been blessed with extremely able and capable Masters in the past... it will be my challenge to continue their fine work.

The Investiture Service on December 27th will always stand out in my mind as a very memorable occasion, not only because of the beauty of the evening, but because eight Past Masters of our Lodge were there implicitly giving their strength and best wishes to me. Their very presence that evening is typical of the character and friendliness of our Lodge.

I write the above as a salutation to our Officers who were installed with me. You are all aware of the beautiful ritualist work of R:W: Fred Wolfe who, in his usual exceptional manner, acted as the Installing Officer and felt, as I did, the support of the other Brothers of our Lodge. With this support, I feel we will carry forward the rich traditions we all enjoy so much and make 1975 a memorable year for us all.

I am pleased to report that Bro. Ronald Lyons appears to be progressing satisfactorily after having a back operation. We also wish **Bro. George Shultz a speedy recovery from his surgery.**

Our Brotherhood Fund Chairman, W: Wayne Slack, has reported satisfactory results to date, but it is most important that we all pitch in and help him complete a successful drive.

The rewards of your attendance are twofold - the pleasure you receive from your Brothers and the pleasure they receive from being with you.

Fraternally,
Eric W. Zaenglein, Master



Our Grand Lodge Report shows 5 members gained for the year and losses number 36, resulting from Deaths, Dimits and Drop-outs, leaving our membership at 492 as stated above.

Sometime ago, I wrote an article regarding ACE, which was interpreted as Attendance, Communication and Enthusiasm. The Monroe Masonic News is our means of Communication so we must now stress the importance of Attendance and Enthusiasm. Our average attendance at meetings is about fifteen Brothers and when a Third Degree is conferred by the Fellowcraft Club, this number is doubled.

This being our Anniversary Year, 125 years young, it would be an opportune time for more members to attend Lodge meetings and be informed of the plans being made for our anniversary celebration. Your Master W: Bro. Robert P. Galloway, is working hard to make this an outstanding year, he cannot do it alone, your participation is needed.

The TRESTLEBOARD is published in each issue of the News and many interesting events are planned. Why not show your Enthusiasm and come to Lodge and enjoy these special events?

Fraternally,
R:W: Barton S. Horner
Secretary

GENESSEE FALLS LODGE
No. 507
1st and 3rd Thursdays

Dear Brethren:

First a word of thanks to all of you who showed up at Lodge for the Installation of Officers on January 2nd. It is always encouraging to see a good number of members and especially so at times such as the Installation of new Line Officers. This year I am going to make every effort to keep meetings short and to the point. Personally I find meetings which are needlessly long to be a bore. The business of the Lodge should be conducted with expedition so as to enable us all to enjoy fellowship over a cup of coffee and some light refreshment, perhaps with a game of cards, after the meeting. You can assist me in attaining this goal by thinking carefully of what you want to say before standing to speak, addressing the subject succinctly and avoiding re-iteration. Bro. John Faro is our Degree Director this year and I know he is anxious to put together a first class team for the second section of the Third Degree. If you would like to be a part of his endeavors please make yourself known to John and tell him to find you a spot on his team. This is a most interesting part of the Degree work and an opportunity for anyone who wishes to be active in the important task of raising new brothers. The Brotherhood Fund campaign is in full swing and Sr. Warden Ron Mertens soon will be mailing letters to us all. I urge everyone to support this great humanistic undertaking by mailing Ron some of your hard earned dough, he will take anything except green stamps and rubber checks. Do it! To those of you who are sick, we wish you a speedy and complete recovery. If you are not sick, come to Lodge, we have plenty of your friends here waiting to see you, and we need you to help warm up the Lodge room.

TRESTLEBOARD

- Feb. 4 - Rehearsal for First Degree - 7:30 p.m. - Room B.
 - Feb. 6 - First Degree - Master in East.
 - Feb. 20 - Business meeting.
 - Mar. 4 - Rehearsal for Second Degree - 7:30 p.m. Room B.
 - Mar. 6 - Second Degree - Master in East.
 - Mar. 20 - Quiz night. Find out the startling facts!
- Fraternally,
Nobby Smith, Master

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FAIRPORT LODGE
No. 476
2nd and 4th Mondays

Brethren:

Our Masonic year is off to a rousing start! It began, actually, on Dec. 21st, when Bro. & Mrs. Nelson Venette, Bro. & Mrs. Bob Cameron, Bro. Kenneth Blohm, Ruth and I joined some 70 others from the Monroe Districts in the Annual Christmas trip to our Masonic Home in Utica.

The residents seemed to enjoy our visit, especially that of Bro. Nelson who represented the "Jolly Old Elf" himself and brought smiles to many faces.

We were treated to a tour through the Laboratory by two staff members who gave of their time especially to enlighten us on the outstanding work performed in that facility. Finally, a delightful dinner at Trinkhaus Manor capped a truly marvelous day.

On Friday, Dec. 27th, the inspiring Investiture Service was conferred at the Masonic Temple in Rochester. After the ceremony R:W: Herman Sarachan gave a splendid talk on the meaning of the Investiture and the duties and prerogatives of a Master.

Jan. 13th was of course, our

Installation Ceremony. This ceremony was superbly performed by R:W: John Moll, as Installing Master and R:W: Darwin Reed, as Installing Marshal. This, coupled with the splendid attendance of Brethren and friends, made it a very memorable evening for me. I repeat, Brethren, it is your attendance that makes our work and efforts all worthwhile.

Our Trestleboard in February includes a Memorial Service on Feb. 10th. Since I must be away on business that week, our Sr. Warden Nelson Venette will be in the East. Old Timer's Night will be the theme of our Feb. 24th meeting. W: Ben Whitenight will be in charge of the program which will include honoring several of our members for 25 and 50 years of service to our fraternity.

February, then, is the month to salute our senior Brothers and a time to honor those who are no longer with us. Won't you all plan to be a part of this truly Masonic endeavor.

I would like to extend greetings to all who are ill or infirm and wish you all God Speed.

Fraternally,
Jim Comstock, Master

If each Lodge had to pay for the maintenance of its deserving elderly folks at a private facility, it wouldn't be as good as our Home in Utica and it would cost YOU a considerable sum of money each year. Why not count your Blessings for our Home . . . and give just a small part of the amount you save to the Brotherhood Fund TODAY! Send it to your Lodge Chairman.

REGIUS POEM ENDS WITH OLDEST KNOWN WORDS IN MASONIC RITUAL

Sometimes called the Halliwell Document, the Regius Poem is, loosely speaking, the oldest of the "Manuscript Constitutions" of Freemasonry. Dated approximately A.D. 1390, it is in old Chaucerian English, difficult to read without translation. It is preserved in the British Museum.

It is not, accurately speaking, a "Constitution," although it has within it much that is found in manuscripts. It is more a document about Masonry than for Masons. It is discursive, rambling, wordy and parts of it are copies of contemporary documents, notably "Urbanitatis" and "Instructions to a Parish Priest." Within the Regius, 38 lines are devoted to "The Four Crowned Martyrs," who are not referred to in any of the manuscript constitutions.

The book is approximately four by five and one-half inches, the pages, fine vellum, the letters in red and what was probably once black but is now a rather drab greenish brown color.

Its most curious feature is that it is written in verse, which is why it is often called the Regius Poem, although it is much more doggerel than poetry.

It is important to Masonic students for many reasons; to the average Mason its most salient feature may be that it ends with what are, so far as is known, the oldest words in the Masonic ritual.

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CARIBBEAN CRUISE



Above are the Monroe Districts Masons with their wives who participated in the Eighteenth Empire State Masonic Cruise to the Caribbean, January 4-17, 1975. Past Grand Master Lloyd Cochran and Mrs. Cochran joined them for the trip from Rochester to New York City and return and are pictured in the center of the group. Others from left to right are R:W: Earl Lowry and Mrs. Lowry, R:W: Larry Alman and Mrs. Alman, R:W: Roger Lowry who handled travel arrangements, R:W: Arnold Mundy and Mrs. Mundy, R:W: and Rev. I Vincent Lloyd and Mrs. Lloyd, Bro. James Lays and Mrs. Lawys and R:W: Kenneth Crawford and Mrs. Crawford. Jim and Cora Lays celebrated their forty-ninth wedding anniversary on this cruise. The above picture was taken in the foyer of the Lounge Deck of the M/S Sea Venture.

NORTHFIELD LODGE

No. 426

1st & 3rd Thursdays



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Brethren:

I would like to thank all those who attended Northfield's Installation of Officers on January 2, 1975. It was gratifying to see so many on the sidelines, especially so soon after the Holidays when some were undoubtedly still on vacation. I want to thank the Brothers of Northfield Lodge for the honor and privilege of serving as your Master. I hope that this will be a year of growth for the Lodge. It is my hope that this year we can make the community in which we live more aware of our Lodge and the principles by which we are governed. I also want to thank Linda Zahn and the Sisters of Northfield O.E.S. Chapter for the excellent roast beef dinner which they provided before the Lodge Installation.

A special thanks is in order for W: Bro. Frank R. McConnell and the many Brothers who took part in the Christmas party on Dec. 22 for the children of the Bushnell's Basin flood area. 40 children from about 2 to 15 years old each received a new toy and at least one nearly new toy as well as many items of clothing donated by the Brethren and friends. The children were also feted with cookies, soft drinks, singing and movies. It was indeed heartwarming to hear the children's voluntary expressions of gratitude. Special thanks to the Brothers of Fairport Lodge whose generous contributions of toys and clothing helped to make the party a success.

Thanks are also in order to Jr. Warden, Bill Frost and his helpers from the Lodge who provided refreshments after the Installation of W.

Sister Annette Wasickanin and after the other 1975 Officers of Northfield Chapter of the Eastern Star. Serving with Bill were Bob Campbell, Jim Briggs, Charlie Wilson, and Dave Howard. A salad plate, coffee, tea and wine was served.

A reminder that on Feb. 9th, the Lodge is having its annual Go-To-Church Sunday at the United Church of Pittsford on South Main St., Pittsford at 8:00 A.M. Please come out to church with us Brethren. I understand that this is a special service for us and a good attendance would be appreciated. After the service, breakfast will be served in the Temple with a talk by town supervisor Paul Spiegel on Historic Pittsford. For breakfast reservations call W: Frank S. McConnell, 586-2750, Bill Frost, 244-0136 or Bob Phelps 381-9336 before February 1st.

Congratulations to Sister Annette Wasickanin on her Installation as Worthy Matron of Northfield Chapter, O.E.S. I had the honor and privilege of Installing Annette and her Officers on Jan. 15th in our Temple. Her colors are yellow, green and white and her motto for the year is "friendship".

Don't forget the Brotherhood Fund. Bro. Willis Pierce is our Brotherhood Chairman. He will be looking for your donations. See him before he has to look you up.

Finally, our Bushnell's Basin Relief Fund goes on. Many thanks to those who have already contributed in response to the letter from our immediate Past Master Frank R. McConnell. If you haven't responded yet, please do. We still need funds for this worthwhile project, however, we don't need any more clothing donations.

It looks as if we will not have a First Degree as scheduled on February 6th since we do not have any petitions for new membership. If any of you have petitions out, please try to get them in.

BLUE SIGNIFIES TRUE FRIENDSHIP

The ancient Israelites were specially commanded by God to wear a blue fringe to their garments to remind them of His Commandments. The blue of the Masonic regalia is a remembrance of this. It taught that the sky was always blue even when darkened by clouds. His commandments had to be obeyed even in joy as in sorrow. Blue has always been the acknowledged color of friendship and if we keep His commandments we always shall have a friendship on High.



VIVID SYMBOLS

Symbols are more vivid than words. Symbols can express more than words can say. Who can explain a flower, or say what a melody means? Symbols are more impressive than words. The person seeing the symbol makes his own interpretation. The thought is then his own. He had done more than see the symbol; he has created an idea. A man holds to his ideas and remembers them. Lastly, a symbol can express in a flash a whole series of ideas; so it does the work of many speeches. The explanations of the symbol given in the lectures are but suggestions or starting points. — Massachusetts.

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CHARLOTTE LODGE No. 1088 1st and 3rd Tuesdays

When you receive this edition of the Masonic News, I will have been Installed as Master of Charlotte Lodge No. 1088. May I express my gratitude to you, my Brethren, for the privilege and the honor of serving as Master of this Lodge. One of my great concerns for this Lodge, is our Brotherhood Fund Campaign. How much each of us gives is not so important as to whether or not we have given. Let's all try to fulfill our obligation. Please send your contribution to our Brotherhood Chairman - Albert Padget, 626 Magee Avenue, Rochester, N.Y. 14613.

On January 21st, we will have a First Degree. It would be my pleasure to meet and greet each of you. The need for you to support your Lodge, by attending meetings, is more often greater than financial need, because a Lodge is alive and effective only when everyone participates. Much time and effort are devoted in planning and arranging programs for Lodge meetings. Why not contact a Brother whom you have not seen lately and ask him to join us at our next meeting. If you haven't been to Lodge lately, let me or another Officer know how we can make Lodge meetings more interesting for you.

A Lodge should reflect the thoughts and desires of its entire membership. It won't unless every possible number is present to make his personal (not financial) contribution. I hope we can count on you. Fraternally,
Leonard Mack, Master

FROM THE SOUTH

The new year got off to a good start with the Installation of Officers on Jan. 7th. A large group of members and visitors were in attendance to see our Brother Len Mack installed as Master. I am sure all who know Len will agree that it promises to be an interesting year under his able and competent leadership.

I hope to be able to make our after-meeting get-togethers and other activities equally enjoyable.

Some dates to mark on your calendar are:

Feb. 4th - Open meeting followed by a Euchre Tournament at Charlotte. We are being challenged by Webster Lodge, they want the Gold Spade back. Brothers, we need your support.

Feb. 28 - Our Second Annual Family Pancake Supper starting at 6 p.m. Last year it was a great success even though there were many ob-

stacles to overcome. With your help my Brothers, it can be twice as successful this year. This is not limited to Mason's, all are welcome so bring your friends and neighbors.

April 1 - Open meeting, followed by a speaker who will get the ball rolling. The subject: How may one Mason know another in the dark as in the Light'. What a wonderful opportunity for our new Brothers to learn as others tell of their experiences. Questions and answers too.

May 10 - Ladies Night at the Newport House. NOT Ridgemont Country Club as listed on your activities schedule.

Feb. 11 is our next Fellowship Club meeting. Come for fun and fellowship.

See you at Lodge.
Fraternally,
Verne Halter, Jr. Warden

SECRETARY'S NOTEBOOK

Masonically speaking, 1975 has gotten off to a good start. We again have a fine group of dedicated Officers, but they will need your support in order to prove their worth. Our first class of candidates received their First Degree on Jan. 21st. with a second class to start on March 4th.

There are several matters which I think need your attention. First, we'd like to see you in Lodge. Mark your calendars for the First and Third Tuesdays and come out and join us. You'll be glad you did. Second, is the Brotherhood Fund. This is a worthwhile cause and surely deserves our consideration. If you haven't already sent your envelope with your contribution in it, now is a good time to do it while its on your mind. The total contributed by Charlotte members has always been at the top or near the top in the Monroe Districts. Let's again do our part.

Third, is DUES. Your response to the notices has been marvelous, but some of you have neglected this important duty. Take a moment to see if your Dues Card is current, if not, won't you get your check in the mail to me. Fourth, some of you have asked for petitions and have not turned them in, or if you have a friend whom you think is good material, talk to him about it. We need candidates.

We at Lodge would like to keep in touch with you. Feel free to call me at any time at 663-0060 or drop me a note at 118 Centerwood Dr., Rochester, N.Y. 14616 if you are ill or change your address.

Fraternally,
Everett Van Putte,
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WEBSTER LODGE

No. 538
1st and 3rd Thursdays

Dear Brethren:

January is now behind us, with the Installation and the Public Installation that saw so many friends coming to Webster Lodge. I would especially mention the Tootells from Ionic Lodge, Hamilton.

A tip of the Master's hat to W: Chuck White for the fine job done on the Installation and the Public Installation along with R:W: G. Robert Witmer Sr., W: Donald McTarnaghan, W: William Guthrie, W: Bro. Walt Schattner and all the Past Masters that participated in both Installations.

On the 16th, Sr. Warden Horace Denton, did his usual good job in the East. First Degree was conferred on five candidates.

My apologies to W: Donald McTarnaghan for omitting his name as Fellowcraft Vice President in the New Webster Trestleboard. Bro. Ed Wood and his hard working committee met their own deadline and got the Trestleboard mailed out to be received on the 15th.

Wonder what happened to the Traveling Euchre Spade that W: Bro. Jim Fordham painted last year?? We have an opportunity to win it back at Charlotte Lodge, Tuesday, Feb. 4th. Fame Lodge has challenged us on Thursday, Feb. 6th at Webster. We need your support, call Bro. Doug Brummell at 872-5983.

FROM THE WEST

The Brotherhood Fund has received \$396.00 from 12 contributors. The drive will begin in earnest in February. Every Brother is asked to consider increasing his donation by as much as he possibly can. The Masonic Home in Utica needs a great increase in the amount we give to it. So please send your check in early.

FROM THE SOUTH

Jr. Warden Bob Wyble reports the "Ladies Night 1975" scheduled for March 22 at the Newport House, Irondequoit Bay, promises to be another good one. It features our own



Webster Lodge No. 538: Wor. Bro. William Guthrie presents gavel from Damascus Clown Unit to W: Master Kenneth Hutchinson. Bro. Edward Crandell and Bro. Harry Darwent of the Clown Unit look on.

Fellowcraft players, in a Far Off Broadway play. There will be gifts for the Ladies, a minimum of speeches, and music by the "Kings Three." Information concerning the details will be mailed out very soon.

The Fellowcraft Winter Party, honoring our 1974 Master, Donald McTarnaghan, will be held February 14th at the Country House, 321 Linden Ave., East Rochester. Cash bar, 6:30 p.m. Dinner, 7:30 p.m. Choice of Half Broiler Chicken, Stuffed Pork Chops or Roast Beef. Music by the Jan Cursio Trio. For reservations, call Gordon Dodge at 334-3660.

TRESTLEBOARD

Feb. 6 - Consideration of Budget - Guests Fame Lodge. Euchre Tournament.

Feb. 13 - Fellowcraft meeting.

Feb. 20 - Second Degree by Junior Warden.

Mar. 6 - Third Degree by Shrine Degree Team.

Mar. 13 - Fellowcraft meeting.

Mar. 20 - 60 Year pin to W: Bro. Luther Curtis and "Morgan Affair" presentation.

Mar. 22 - "Ladies Night 1975" at Newport House.

SICKNESS & DISTRESS

Bro. Bob Eck had a double hernia operation in Toronto

UNION STAR LODGE

No. 320
1st Wednesday

Dear Brethren:

Our Annual Installation of Officers was held January 8th. I would like to thank R:W: Harley Rittenhouse, W: Bro. Jackson Valley and W: Bro. Harvey Closs for the Officers. I would also like to congratulate W: Bro. Harvey on his receiving the Mason of the Year Award, for the fine job he has done for the Lodge and Masonry. W: Bro. Charles Lord presented the Award to W: Bro. Closs. I would again like to remind you of the Brotherhood Fund. Bro. Jack McGirr III is chairman and his address is 62 West Main St., LeRoy, New York 14482. It's for a worthy cause so please give if you can.

Fraternally,
Raymond A. Sipple,
Master



on Jan. 29.
Bro. Dave Williams is still taking it easy and would like to thank all for the visits and cards.

Fraternally,
Kenneth Hutchinson,
Master



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Visitors from Lockport Triangle No. 128. Cheryl Miller, Cindy Hayes, Linda Hayes, Patty Hayes, Mr. Miller, Mrs. Miller, Mrs. Hayes, Mr. Sims, Jr. Deputy Mrs. Sims, and Past Beloved Queen Lucinda Sims.



December 22, 1974 — Genesee Valley Chapter, Order of DeMolay and Lilac Triangle No. 121 members Christmas carolling at Canandaigua Veterans Hospital. L to R Seated: Debbie Peets, Linda Gurney. First Row: John Barth, Scott Harris, Neil Gumbiner, Bob Weed, Karen Leipold. Second Row: Glen Dennis, Curtis Crump, Joel Gumbiner, Sue Gurney and Debbie Leipold.

FIDELITY TRIANGLE

Dec. 12-13 - A Fidelity Triangle rummage sale raised \$201.70 which will be used for our regular charity program. Many thanks to all of those who donated rummage and helped on the sale. Some of the parents, whose daughters are no longer active, still continue to donate their rummage, and we appreciate it.

Dec. 14 - Formal meeting with special Christmas program. Beloved Queen Mary Ann Farrell suggested that a special collection of \$24.00 be donated to the Eddie Meath Children's Christmas Toy Fund. We were honored and pleased to have a visiting delegation of old friends from Lockport Triangle No. 128. A social hour and refreshments followed the meeting.

Dec. 22 - Triangle Daddy Joseph Dimino, obtained and drove a bus, so that a group of girls and parents from Fidelity Triangle could visit the Veterans Hospital at Canandaigua, where they joined with Lilac Triangle members and other Masonic groups, to visit the wards, where they sang Christmas carols, passed out refreshments and visited with the patients. On the way home we stopped for a late lunch and talked about our visit to the hospital.

Jan. 5 - Thirty Three (33) girls and parents attended the Cabin party at North Lodge in Powder Mill Park. Everyone enjoyed the lunch of Sloppy Joes, salad, beans, pickles, potato chips, brownies, cookies, coffee and hot chocolate. After lunch, some went sledding or tobogganing, some played cards, and some walked in the woods. Everyone had a good time.

TERM PLANS

Feb. 2 - Cabin Party at North Lodge in Powder Mill Park. 11:00 a.m. till dusk. Eat at 2:00 p.m. Pattie Hutchinson in charge.

Feb. 8 - Formal meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Feb. 9 - Roller Skate party. Ann Hassoldt and Mary Kay Jackson in charge.

Feb. 22 - Our semi-annual Queen's Term Dinner for \$1.00 in second floor dining room with Karen Metzler in charge, followed by an open meeting at 7:30 p.m. with a Flag Degree. A "Penny Auction" and refreshments will follow the meeting.

**JENNIE M. LORD
CONSTELLATION No. 5**

Our Installation was held in Cathedral Hall on Jan. 4, 1975 at 8:00 P.M. The Jr. Past Exalted Star, Karen Brethen, presented checks from the Jennie M. Lord Constellation to the Shrine Crippled Children's Hospital fund, the Brockport Volunteer Fire Department, and a check was mailed to the Monroe Masonic News.

Heather Ann Cooper was installed as Exalted Star of Light and Love. The charity for her term will be the Heart Fund. Also installed that evening was: Kelly Thompson, Star of Happiness; Joy Lowry, Star of Mercy; Elaine Beardsley, Star of Kindness; Margaret Dobbartin, Star of Record; Janice Bueg, Star of Treasures; Wendy Bock, Star of Guidance; Cheryl Olson, Star of the Nation; Karen Brethen, Star of Reliance; Laurie Perry, Star of Protection; Cheryl Baxter, Star of Devotion; Gail Bruening-sen, Star of Truth, and Linda Beardsley, Star of Faith. Heather's presiding sponsor for her term of office is Aunt Eleanor Miller.

Guests of the evening were our own two grand officers, Miss Brenda Miller, Grand Star of Reliance, and Miss Margaret Rainey, Grand Star of Truth; also the Illustrious Potentate of Damascus Temple, Dr. Russell Lane; Master Counselor of DeMolay, Larry Biker, and Beloved Queen of Fidelity Triangle, Miss Mary Anne Farrell.

On January 17th we will all meet for ice skating at Xerox Square with a get-together following and on Feb. 1st at 8:00 p.m. we will be honoring Master Masons and Eastern Stars at our regular meeting in Room B. Fraternally,
Karen Brethen,
Corresponding Secretary

Dear Brethren:

Recently, New York DeMolay participated in their annual Jurisdictional Convention held this year at Ithaca College on Aug. 3-6. The spirit of "Brotherhood" and men working together was incomparable. It was a true showing of how DeMolay's can work with themselves and with others. Masons, Sweethearts, and DeMolays were there to participate in the various events.

At the State Convention, State, Region, and Section Officers were elected. From the Dr. Elmer G. Seel Section I was elected Master Councilor. I served in the Section last year as the Junior Councilor under Doug Riter. The Seel Section encompasses an area from Rochester to Williamson. There are three chapters in the Section. They are Genesee Valley Chapter, which meets in Penfield Union Lodge; Rochester Chapter, which meets in the Rochester Masonic Temple, and Ray De Smit, which meets in Pultneyville Lodge No. 159. Genesee Valley is sponsored by Penfield, Fairport, Pittsford, East Rochester, and Webster Lodges of Free and Accepted Masons. Rochester is sponsored by Cyrene Commandery No. 39, K.T., Monroe Commandery No. 12, K.T., and the Scottish Rite, Valley of Rochester. Ray De Smit is sponsored by Pultneyville Lodge No. 159.

The meeting nights for these Chapters are as follows: Genesee Valley Chapter - 2nd and 4th Thursday in every month; Rochester Chapter - 1st and 3rd Monday in every month; Ray De Smit - 1st and 3rd Wednesday in every month.

During the next year we have two prospective areas for DeMolay Chapters. They are in Geneva, and Western

ORDER OF DEMOLAY

**NOLA CHAPTER
NO. 368
Order of the Eastern Star**

Dear Members:

I would like to thank all the Officers of 1974 and the members who backed me up all year.

This year we have some new sisters who are taking part in our Order. Con. Susan Skelton, Assoc. Cond. Patricia Betteridge, also Esther Susan Riley Martha, Eleanor Vitalic, Color Bearer Elizabetha Morris. The rest are all sisters and brothers who never say no. Thanks to everyone. Do come out and support us all.

Received a note from R:W: Onnolee Daycock from Florida said the weather was nice and warm and they were enjoying themselves.

Cards would be enjoyed by R:W: Demaris Girvin also W: Gail Buck. Missed both sisters at Installation and hope you will soon be back.

Again I would like to thank everyone who helped to make my year a success and I hope to do my best in 1975.

See you all at Chapter. Fraternally,
Dorothy E. Erwin, W:M:

Monroe. They have a little interest there, and we hope to mold that interest into strong DeMolay Chapters as a part of this section.

DeMolay on the Section Level, is one of the most important, in New York DeMolay. My officers and I have made up quite interesting and exciting term plans. Many activities have been planned which will bring all the Chapters closer together. We also have tentative activities planned to bring DeMolay's and Masons closer together. For Example, another hockey nite is planned for the end of February and a ritual nite is planned for the Masons to explain the DeMolay history and beliefs. Without the Masons, DeMolay would not exist, and over the years we have been most appreciative of all the help and guidance the Rochester area Masons have given their local Chapters.

If you have a son or relative who is the right age for DeMolay (13-21) this kind of activity would be a fantastic start for an organization that he could belong to and remember for the rest of his life. Feel free to bring any prospect to any activity planned.

Each month in the **Monroe Masonic News**, there will be a list of all the DeMolay activities in this section. The activities will be listed for the upcoming month.

Fraternally yours,
William P. Rhudy III,
Section Master Councilor

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You are hereby summoned to attend the Conclave of Cyrene Commandery to be held on Friday, Feb. 28th, 1975 at 8 P.M. in Cathedral Hall, Masonic Temple, Rochester, N.Y. The purpose of the Conclave is Amendment of our By-Laws. S.K. Gordon C. Mosher, Recorder.

Already here is the month that Valentine Day is in. That will be the day that you can tell your best girl that you still love her. I think that all of us should do it more often. It helps.

Coming up in February - Cyrene Commandery has been invited to attend Webster Lodge Annual Winter Party on Friday, Feb. 14th. It will be held at the Country House in East Rochester at 6:30 p.m. with a dinner at 7:30 p.m. The menu is: Half Broiler Chicken - \$6.50/person; Stuffed Pork Chops-\$7.25/person; Roast Beef-\$7.50/person. All of which includes tax and gratuities. After the dinner there will be dancing to the music of the Jan Cursio Trio. Reservations can be made through Ernest Stelianou, (872-4389) and must be in by Feb. 5th. This will be an opportunity to have a good time with your Valentine and enjoy the friendship of the Blue Lodge. All that can, please be there. We are giving up our Commandery Conclave that night to attend this party.

The Conclave on Feb. 28th is a Summoned Conclave and we will have a full form opening.

Cyrene Commandery had the pleasure of attending the Installation of Hamilton Chapter on Jan. 9th, Webster Chapter on Jan. 14th and Ionic Chapter on Jan. 28th. The Commandery provided an Honor Guard at all of the Installations. Thanks.

Looking ahead-on March 14 the Past Commanders will have their night at the Commandery Conclave. We have some duties to perform that night so let's be with it.

Inspections are coming up with Geneva Commandery No. 29 on Feb. 3rd and Zenobia Commandery No. 41 on Feb. 19th. All the Officers should try to attend and if you need transportation let our Commander know about it.

Also coming up in March this year is Easter on the 30th. It is early this year. Our Annual Easter Sunrise Service will again be held in Washington, D.C. at the Arlington National Cemetery. If you have never attended there is no time like the present. Even though it is early you still will have a wonder-time there. May even see the Cherry Blossoms this year. Something to look forward to anyhow. More about this in the March issue.

We have one death to report at this time. S.K. Victor Lindboe died on December 25, 1974. He was 84 years young. We will miss him and the sympathy of the Commandery has been extended to his family and relatives. May the Good Lord bless and keep all of them at this time of sorrow.

Dues notices have been sent to all and we hope that you

Has the year advanced so far that we have forgotten to be true to some of our vows. Our hope is that we have not. The world needs our example of "Living up to the Moral Law" as taught by our Heavenly Master. For the Commandery January proved to be a quiet month, except for sickness. We are thankful that some of those suffering ailments are well on the way to full recovery.

February will not be so quiet. We have many activities and hope that you will all become active with us, there seems to be something for each one. Please put these dates down in your agenda.

Feb. 7 - Past Masters Nite, we are hoping to make this one a special night to remember.

Feb. 15 - A Valentine's Party, this is for the Ladies and your friends. It will be at the Ridgmont Country Club. Our Generalissimo is in charge of this party so be sure to call him and make reservations. We can't tell what the price will be right now. This will be established at our Officers meeting Jan. 24, a letter will be sent to you giving full details as soon as we have completed them. We are looking forward to this party to be one of the outstanding events of the year.

Feb. 21 - This is our night to pay honor to our 25 & 50 year members. Also this is to be the night that our Sword Bearer is planning to give us the first re-view of his work on the History of Monroe Commandery. He has researched this subject and found many interesting facts that you should want to know about.

What have you done on behalf of the Eye Foundation? I hope you have done your part. Maybe you could do a little more. Your donation will be gratefully accepted.

January may have been a quiet month for you but not for your Officers. There were 4 installations to attend where our Sr. Knights were being installed in their Blue Lodges. I was privileged to give a brief descriptive talk describing our Order at the Shrine Lunch Club. An important Officers meeting is being held to complete our Spring program and it will soon be in your hands. Plans are in the works to give our orders in April and May, assuming we have applications. This is the most important task facing us at this time.

will all take advantage of paying as soon as possible. Let's make our Recorder and all happy.

As we always have events coming up in the future, it is to your advantage to read these articles that are printed for your information.

If you have information which you think might be of interest let us know about it.

Fraternally yours,
W: Scott Hollander Jr.,
Em. Comm.
S.K: Roy E. Huff, Reporter

York Rite News

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Companions:
The Public Installation on January 9th proved very successful and I would like to thank all those who helped to make it all possible. The Installing Team, under the direction of R:E: Frank Allen and his co-worker Bruce Dayton, who served as Marshal and of course everyone who filled a station, really added to this event.

As we looked in the East we were honored by four active Grand Line Officers: R:E: Frank Allen, R:E: William T. Plews, R:E: Frank Gordnier and R:E: Richard Oliver. Where else could you find such an impressive East than at Hamilton Chapter. An added feature was the presence of the honor guard, supported by Monroe Commandery and other area Commandries under the capable direction of Joel T. Johnson. The music was beautifully done.

After the Ceremonies, R:E: William Plews gave a talk on Masonry that impressed everyone in attendance. It also got him a booking with Webster Chapter to do the same. To me this was a very memorable evening and one that I shall never forget.

What is it they say about the well laid plans of mice and men? Well, it seems that after a meeting with the Officers of Hamilton Chapter that it would be to our advantage to shuffle some of the programs for the first part of this year. I would like to make a correction and inform all that on our first meeting in Feb. (the 13th), we will confer the Mark Master Mason Degree on a class of candidates. It sure would be nice to see the sidelines, so would you be part of this group?

The High Priest Night will now be changed to the 6th of May. Everyone mark your calendar for this and I hope we can hold to this date.

On Feb. 27th we will be conferring the Past Master

Companions:
On January 14th the public was invited to attend the Installation of Officers of Webster Chapter.

The elected officers installed for the ensuing year included: High Priest, James Hughes; King, Jerome Pulver; Scribe, Thomas Pellett; Treasurer, Donald Evans; Secretary, Howard Hornick.

The outgoing High Priest, George Gerkin got the evening going by welcoming all those present.

The Installing Team was headed by R:W: Frank W. Allen, Grand Treasurer of the Grand Chapter of the Royal Arch Masons for the State of New York. He was assisted by R:E: Rev. William T. Plews, Grand Chaplain; R:E: Kenneth Zimmerman, a State Grand Representative; R:E: Richard Oliver, District Deputy Grand High Priest.

Your attendance of the Cyrene Commandery Royal Escort Team, headed by Eminent Sir Knight Horace C. Porter was well received by all present.

The speaker of the evening, that enlightened all non-Masons present as well as active Masons, of the riches and rewards of Masonry, was R:E: Rev. William T. Plews.

A special thanks is on order for Organist Grace Franke; Soloist, Amy Smock; and the Lilac Triangle girls who made the Installation a success.

A reception followed in the Lodge Dining Hall where Fellowship and refreshments completed the evening.

Fraternally,
James O. Hughes,
High Priest



Degree on our candidates. Don't miss this meeting. There will be a dinner preceding both the Feb. 13th and Feb. 27th at 6:30 p.m. so why not call now and reserve a spot. Call Mel Simmons at 247-1133 or myself at 865-8969.

Thank you and we will see you on the 13th.

Fraternally,
Ray Morgan, High Priest

**IONIC CHAPTER
No. 210
Royal Arch Masons**

Companions:
As the Monroe Masonic News goes to press before the Installation of Officers on Jan. 28, I will thank you in advance for the great honor you have bestowed upon your High Priest for the ensuing year.

To have a good year with many activities, requires the combined efforts of all, not just the Officers. So come out and help PUSH. Make known your desires, likes and dislikes to enable the forming of a program interesting to all. The enjoyment comes by doing rather than waiting for something to happen. So join in the fun.

The next regular meeting on Feb. 28 will be an open meeting followed by a short slide show of beautiful Hawaii and refreshments. See you there, come with a companion or better yet, bring a petition.

Thank you and have a Happy.

Dean Airy, H.P. Elect

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The turnout for our last Post meeting was quite encouraging to the Officers-elect for 1975 and hopefully we will be able to match this attendance in the meetings to come!

The elected slate of offers for 1975 are:

Commander, Chick Becker; 1st Lt. Commander, Bob Emmons; 2nd Lt. Commander, Luke Grande; Adjutant, Thomas Heller; Finance Officer, Ray "M" Ring.

The Officers were installed at a public installation held at Fairport Lodge on Sunday, Jan. 19th which followed a dinner. This is the one occasion where we can enjoy the fellowship of our families and get to know and meet one another.

At our next Post meeting to be held on Feb. 13th there will be a discussion held on possible changes in our meeting place, frequency of meetings and other matters that may encourage better attendance and participation.

At the time of this writing we have had one request for service in February which will be a Memorial Service at Fairport Lodges regular communication on Feb. 10th.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Feb. 9 - Canandaigua Hospital - 1:30 p.m.
Feb. 10 - Fairport Lodge - 7:30 p.m.
Feb. 13 - Post Meeting - Masonic Temple - 7:30 p.m.

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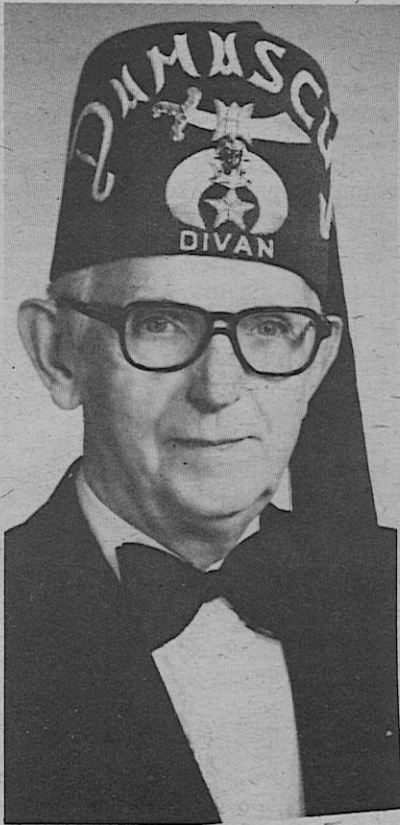
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CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE

by Rev. William H. McKee

YOUR CHOICE !

Years ago, a rather interesting story was written about an eccentric ruler who followed a rather unique procedure with dealing with wrong doers, who appeared before him for judgement and sentencing. The guilty man was told that he would go to a room where there were two identical doors and he would have to open the one of his choice. Behind one was a beautiful young lady, the other housed a wild, hungry tiger. If he opened the door where the lady stood, he would marry her and supposedly live happily ever after, the other door released a starving beast which meant death. At some length, the reader was lead to the room and stood facing the door sharing the thoughts which were supposed to be passing through his mind. Finally, he completed his mediation, reached a decision, stepped forward, opened a door - and saw "The Lady or the Tiger!"

We have choices in life as long as we live, not all as diverse as that young man was given, but nevertheless we are obliged to select every day and continue as long as we live. After the Twelve Tribes gained possession of Canaan, Joshua, their leader, realized both his work and days on earth were nearing completion. He called a meeting of all, reminded them of their gifts from God and then his parting advice was to make a choice, either the Gods of the land where they now resided or the God who had given that new homeland to their keeping, ending with the statement "As for me and my family, we will worship Jehovah". It is regrettable that the Twelve did not remember to carry out their parallel promise made with Joshua.

In later days we hear Jesus saying "If any man wants to come with me he must forget himself, carry his cross, and follow me." We now have another Twelve, the Chosen individuals, who again and again stoutly proclaimed that nothing could separate them, yet one did betray him, and even Peter, the most fervent of all, is pictured when Jesus was arrested, as following at some distance and shortly after denying three times that he knew his Lord.

We are obliged to make choices, perhaps few as difficult as that fictional young man before the identical doors, promising life and hopefully happiness, the other almost instant death. The prophet Joel, called the prophet of promise, since the Lord promised restoration in the wake of repentance, had a vision of the plight of many in our world today, when he wrote that he saw "Multitudes, multitudes in the valley of decision!"

There are two basic choices which we all are able to make, practice daily, which will shape our lives and influence others to do likewise.

In 1975 may we choose God for worship and the brotherhood of man in our daily living, now and forevermore, even to the end.

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at Canandaigua Vets Hospital or the waiting rooms and lounges of our local hospitals. We also continue to ask for used clothing in good condition, old eyeglasses, postage stamps, etc. These things are all put to good use in one way or another, which, I'm sure you'll agree, is better than having them rust, rot or mold in your attic, basement, or garage. Keep us in mind when you're planning a rummage or garage sale; we will be glad to take what is left over.

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