Accepted by two Lodges Worshipful Master of Each



Bro. Heinz Wendt, Past Master

Bro. Heinz Wendt, the immediate Past Master of Humbolt Lodge, No. 359, Philadelphia, immigrated from Berlin, Germany, with his family in 1955 and settled in Philadelphia. He was made a Mason in Melita Lodge, No. 295, Philadelphia, in 1965 and served as Worshipful Master in 1971. Always anxious to be a Member of a German speaking Lodge, he transferred to Humboldt Lodge in 1974 where he continued his dedication to the Craft by working his way through the chairs again. The few German speaking Lodges in Pennsylvania are permitted to confer the Symbolic Degrees in German and Bro. Wendt does excellent work.

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Higher Education Loans

The Grand Lodge Committee on Youth Services is pleased to announce that the maximum amount of Higher Education Loans for qualified students has been increased from \$1,000.00 to \$2,000.00 per year. In accordance with the requirements and procedure for making application as spelled out in the November 1978 edition of "The Pennsylvania Freemason," applicants must be sponsored by a Pennsylvania Symbolic Lodge, must have completed the first year of an accredited college or university with satisfactory grades and be registered for the second, third or fourth year. Students in the first year of graduate work and the first year of study in law or medicine are also eligible.

Grand Master Names 6 New Floor Officers

Bro. Joseph E. Trate, R. W. Grand Master, has appointed the following new Grand Lodge Floor Officers:

Bro. William H. Siegel, Lodge No. 405, Honey Brook, Grand Chaplain. Bro. P. Franklin Hartzel, Lodge

No. 256, Milton, Senior Grand Deacon.

Bro. Mark H. McFerren, Lodge No. 586, Waynesboro, Grand Steward.

Bro. Joseph F. Palmer, Lodge No. 3, Philadelphia, Grand Sword Bearer.

Bro. George H. Hott, Jr., Lodge No. 615, Charleroi, Grand Pursuivant.

Bro. Ralph B. Rogers, Jr., Lodge No. 543, Philadelphia, Grand Tyler. All other Grand Lodge Floor Offi-

cers were reappointed.

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200th Anniversaries

Arrangements are well under way for the 200th Anniversary celebration of Bristol Lodge, No. 25, held at Bristol, Bucks County, north of Philadelphia.

The date is Saturday afternoon and evening, March 29, 1980. The R. W. Grand Master, accompanied by many of his Grand Lodge Officers, will make an Informal Visitation to Bristol Lodge to help celebrate this once-in-a-lifetime occasion.

Lodge No. 9, held at Tacony, Philadelphia, is in the process of planning for its 200th Anniversary to be held later this year.

The Grand Lodge Officers were pleased to attend the 200th Anniversary celebrations of Perseverance Lodge, No. 21, Harrisburg, and Lodge No. 22, Sunbury, held the latter part of 1979.

Add Another Centenarian

A recent addition to our ever increasing list of centenarians is Bro. Charles M. Keagle, a Member of Corinthian Lodge, No. 573, Millvale, Allegheny County. Bro. Keagle celebrated his 100th birthday on October 23, 1979. He was made a Mason on May 16, 1919 and was associated with the old Pennsylvania Railroad for many years.



TWO TOP HATS FOR ONE FAMILY—Bro. Clyde A. Collier (left) the immediate Past Master of George Washington Lodge, No. 143, Chambersburg, took his Masonic regalia with him—just for this photograph—when he had the privilege and pleasure to visit Orrstown Lodge, No. 262, Orrstown, Pa., last year, and was received with the customary honors by his proud son, Bro. Duaine A. Collier, the immediate Past Master of Orrstown Lodge.



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Bro. Joseph E. Trate Installed Grand Master

Bro. Joseph E. Trate, a retired executive engineer of The Bell Telephone Company of Pennsylvania, has been installed as the Right Worshipful Grand Master of Masons in Pennsylvania.

He has succeeded Bro. Walter P. Wells of Coudersport in being elevated to the highest office in Freemasonry in Pennsylvania. He now is the leader and overseer of approximately 222,000 Masons in the 586 Symbolic Lodges throughout the State.

The ancient Masonic ceremony which marked Bro. Trate's installation took place at the Annual Grand Communication of the Grand Lodge F. & A. M. of Pennsylvania held in the spacious and beautiful Corinthian Hall, Masonic Temple, Philadelphia, on December 27, 1979.

Bro. Trate served as Worshipful Master of Lodge No. 3, held in Philadelphia, in 1960. He served as District Deputy Grand Master for Masonic District "C" from late 1962 through 1972. He was elected and installed to serve as R. W. Junior Grand Warden in 1974 and 1975; R. W. Senior Grand Warden in 1976 and 1977, and served as R. W. Deputy Grand Master in 1978 and 1979.

Bro. Trate has served on the Grand Lodge Committee on Masonic Homes and the Grand Lodge Committee on Finance since 1973. He has also served as an Administrator of the Grand Lodge Pension Plans. He has been Chairman of the Grand Lodge Committee on Youth Services since 1973 and is currently serving as Chairman of the Grand Lodge 1981 Committee for commemorating 250 years of Freemasonry in Pennsylvania.

In York Rite Masonry, Bro. Trate is a Member of Fort Washington Royal Arch Chapter, No. 220; Cryptic Council, No. 51, Royal and Select Masters; Mary Commandery, No. 36, Knights Templar, and Girard Mark Lodge, No. 214.

In Scottish Rite Masonry, Bro. Trate is a Member of the Scottish Rite Bodies in the Valley of Philadelphia and served as Sovereign Prince of the DeJoinville Council, Princes of Jerusalem in 1969 and 1970. He has also served as Master of Ceremonies of the Benjamin Franklin Consistory. He was coroneted a Thirty-third Degree Mason by the Supreme Council, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite for the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction of the United States.

Bro. Trate is also a member of LuLu Shrine Temple, A.A.O.N.M.S., the Masonic Veterans of Pennsylvania, the High Twelve Club, International, and Benjamin Franklin Chapter, No. 16, National Sojourners, all in the Philadelphia area.

Born in Williamsport, Pa., Bro. Trate and his family live



Bro. Joseph E. Trate Right Worshipful Grand Master

in Dresher, Montgomery County, a Philadelphia suburban community. He attended the public schools of Williamsport and continued his education at the University of Pennsylvania and Drexel University, Philadelphia, where he graduated with a degree in Electrical Engineering.

A member of Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church in Oreland, Pa., Bro. Trate has served as a member of the Church Council and the Finance Committee. He was Treasurer of the Church and has served as a Sunday School teacher over the years. He served in the United States Air Force for three years during World War II.

Bro. Trate and his wife, the former Isabel M. McCabe of Windber, Pa., have four daughters, Mrs. Louis Zandy, Sandra, Deborah and Karen Trate, and two grandchildren, Kimmie and Steve Zandy.

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Grand Masters Aim— Stronger Blue Lodges

Bro. Joseph E. Trate, Right Worshipful Grand Master, in his inaugural address, following his installation on December 27, 1979, declared that it will be his prime goal during his term in office to do all in his power to ". . . strengthen the foundations of Freemasonry in Pennsylvania, namely the Blue Lodges."

Sounding the challenging alarm for a "... back to Blue Lodge movement and a better understanding of the lessons taught in the three Symbolic Degrees of Freemasonry," the Grand Master appealed to all Pennsylvania Masons "... to join hands in a concerted effort to support and strengthen the basic and most important level of Freemasonry, the Symbolic Lodges."

To accomplish that, the Grand Master reminded the Brethren: "... We must talk to each other. We must listen to each other. We must understand each other. In short, Brethren, we must communicate."

The tongue is a very useful organ. Without it we could not speak. This valuable organ helps us in the selection of food and is generally a fine and indispensible servant. But in wagging spitefully or irresponsibly it is a sure breeder of trouble, both for the offender and the victim.

As a Master Mason we have already heard and learned about "the tongue of good report." That is the only kind of tongue any true Master Mason should have. The author of Proverbs wrote long ago: "The tongue of the wise useth knowledge aright; but the mouth of the fools poureth out foolishness."

There is no end of harm that may be done by an ignorant or vicious tongue. Nor, by the same token, can any limit be set to the good that "a tongue of good report" may bring about.

Other Grand Lodge Officers Installed; New Homes Committee

Grand Lodge Officers installed with the R. W. Grand Master at the Annual Grand Communication on December 27, 1979, included:

Bro. Samuel C. Williamson, of Pitcairn, R. W. Deputy Grand Master.
Bro. Thomas H. Burgess, of Hazle-

ton, R. W. Senior Grand Warden.

Bro William A Carpenter of Up

Bro. William A. Carpenter, of Upland, R. W. Junior Grand Warden.

Bro. Arthur R. Diamond, of Jenkintown, R. W. Grand Treasurer. Bro. Thomas W. Jackson, Shippensburg, R. W. Grand Secretary.

Members elected to the Grand Lodge Committee on Masonic Homes were: Bro. Ellis E. Stern, Coatesville; Bro. Milton Fritsche, Douglasville; Bro. Theodore K. Warner, Jr., Devon; Bro. Walter B. Wilson, Carisle; Bro. P. Thomas Feeser, Schuykill Haven; Bro. Richard M. Wilson, Mansfield, and Bro. Kenneth E. Thompson, New Wilmington.

Bro. Ellis E. Stern, died suddenly on December 30, 1979. Bro. Joseph E. Trate, R. W. Grand Master, has appointed Bro. Guy E. Walker of Somerset to fill the vacancy.

The Elected Grand Lodge Officers also serve as members of the Grand Lodge Committee on Masonic Homes.

Appointed to the Homes Committee



Bro. Kenneth E. Thompson Past District Deputy Grand Master

Bro. Kenneth E. Thompson, Past District Deputy Grand Master of the 26th Masonic District, comprising Lawrence and a portion of Butler Counties, is now a member of the Grand Lodge Committee on Masonic Homes.

Bro. Thompson, a prominent New Wilmington dentist, was appointed to the Committee on Masonic Homes in September 1979 by Bro. Walter P. Wells, then the R. W. Grand Master, to fill the vacancy on the Committee caused by the resignation of Bro. Robert E. Woodside, Jr.

Bro. Thompson is a Member of Wilmington Lodge, No. 804, held in New Wilmington and served as the Warrant Master of that Lodge in 1965 and 1966. He is also a Past Master of Kedron Lodge, No. 389, West Middlesex, where he was made a Mason in 1953. In his capacity as District Deputy Grand Master, he was the guiding hand and overseer in the constituting of our newest Lodge, Hermitage Lodge, No. 810. that took place on April 7, 1978, with 120 Warrant Members.

A member of the York Rite Bodies, Scottish Rite Bodies, the Shrine, Bro. Thompson has been active in the New Wilmington United Presbyterian Church and various community organizations.

Bro. Thompson and his wife, the former Billie Hamilton of Beaver Falls, are the proud parents of five children and the grandparents of three granddaughters and one grandson.

R. W. Past Grand Secretary is Installed R. W. Junior Grand Warden

Bro. William A. Carpenter, R. W. Past Grand Secretary, has been installed as the R. W. Junior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge F. & A. M. of Pennsylvania.

His installation took place at the Annual Grand Communication of the Grand Lodge, held in the Masonic Temple, Philadelphia, December 27, 1979, the date he retired as R. W. Grand Secretary.

Bro. Carpenter is a Past Master of Chester Lodge, No. 236, Chester, Pa. He served as Worshipful Master in 1953. He was Treasurer of his Lodge for three years and then served as Secretary for twenty years.

Appointed to the Grand Lodge Committee on Masonic Culture in 1954, he assisted in the planning and designing of "The Pennsylvania Freemason" and served as its editor from its first edition in November 1954 until the end of 1969.

In 1961 he was appointed Librarian and Curator for the Grand Lodge Library and Museum, a full time position. He served in that capacity through 1969 and then served on the Grand Master's Staff during 1970 and 1971. He was appointed Director of Masonic Education in 1972, a position he held until he was appointed and installed R. W. Grand Secretary in September 1973.

Bro. Carpenter served as a member of the Grand Lodge Committee on Masonic Culture from 1954 through 1961. He served as Secretary to the Committee from 1962 through 1973. He has been a member of the Grand Lodge Committee on Masonic Homes since 1973. He was a member of the Grand Lodge Committee on Finance from 1973 through 1975 and has been Secretary to the Committee since 1973. He was an Administrator of the Grand Lodge Pension Plans from 1974 through 1977, and has been a member and Secretary of the Grand Lodge Committee on Youth Services since 1974.

Bro. Carpenter is a Member of all the York Rite Bodies and the Scottish Rite Bodies in the Valley of Philadelphia, having served as Most Wise Master of Kilwinning Chapter, Rose Croix. He is a Member of LuLu Temple, A.A.O.N.M.S., was made a Tall Cedar at Sight in 1958, is a recipient of the "Christopher Champlin Medal" from the Grand



Bro. William A. Carpenter R. W. Junior Grand Warden

Lodge of Rhode Island, and is a member of most of the Allied Masonic Degrees.

He was Executive Secretary of the Northeast Conference on Masonic Education and Libraries from 1958 through 1969 and was the Chairman of the program for the 1979 Conference of Grand Secretaries of North America.

Bro. Carpenter was coroneted a Thirty-third Degree Mason in Boston in 1969.

A graduate of the public schools of Chester, Pa., he later attended courses at the University of Pennsylvania and Princeton University. He is a veteran of World War II having served for four years as cryptograph technician in the Air Force Intelligence.

Always active in his community, he has held many elected offices in his church, the First Baptist Church of Chester, and was president of the Pennsylvania Baptist Convention in 1960 and 1961. Long associated with the printing industry, he was the Composing Room Superintendent at the Wilmington, Delaware, Journal-Every Evening prior to coming to the Grand Lodge in 1961.

Bro. Carpenter and his wife, the former Dorothy T. Roberts, reside in Upland, Pa.

Grand Master Appoints Committee on Finance

The new Grand Lodge Committee on Finance, charged with overseeing ". . . all matters relating to the finances of the Grand Lodge . . ." is as follows:

The four Elected Line Officers of the Grand Lodge, in accordance with The Ahiman Rezon, and the following appointments by Bro. Joseph E. Trate, R. W. Grand Master:

Bro. Arthur R. Diamond, R. W. Grand Treasurer, Lodge No. 527, Philadelphia.

Bro. Edward E. Tourje, Lodge No. 472, Uniondale.

Bro. William J. Ebertshauser, Past District Deputy Grand Master, Lodge No. 731, McKeesport.

Bro. Harry E. Heatherby, Lodge No. 543, Philadelphia.

Bro. John R. Rouse, Past District Deputy Grand Master, Lodge No. 366, Union City.

Bro. Robert G. Wharton, Lodge No. 106, Williamsport.

Bro. Andrew O. Friedrich, Past District Deputy Grand Master, Lodge No. 569, Parkesburg.

Nearly 96 Years Old— A Mason Nearly 74 Years

Bro. Wesley G. Ambill, a Member of Hailman Lodge, No. 321, held at Pittsburgh, is approaching his 96th birthday. Proud as he is with the longevity he enjoys, he is more proud of the fact that he has been a Mason for nearly 74 years.

Guest and Building Fund Remember It Always

It is always in order to contribute to the Guest and Building Fund of the Masonic Homes at Elizabethtown, Pa.

Your contributions enable the Grand Lodge Committee on Masonic Homes to provide a real home for the more than 700 Guests spending the sunset years of their lives at the Homes.

Make your checks payable to: Masonic Homes, Elizabethtown, Pa.

Mail to the Masonic Homes, Elizabethtown, Pa. 17022 or to Office of Grand Master, Masonic Temple, One North Broad Street, Philadelphia, Pa. 19107.

Give 'til you feel real good.



A GROUP OF HAPPY DeMOLAYS — Here we have a group photograph of most of the DeMolays and their advisors who enjoyed a three-day workshop using the facilities on the Patton Campus directly across Bainbridge Road from the Masonic Homes, Elizabethtown, Pa., last November. Organized by Bro. Samuel C. Williamson, R. W. Deputy Grand Master, standing proudly on the far left, the young men and their advi-

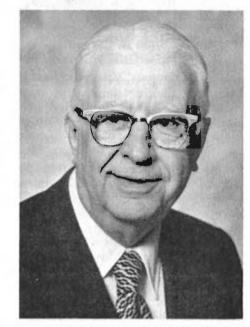
sors were from DeMolay Chapters in the southwestern area of Pennsylvania and were the guests of your Grand Lodge for their lodging, meals, recreation and the several leadership workshop sessions. Similar three-day sessions are being scheduled in cooperation with other DeMolay Chapters throughout Pennsylvania, as part of the broad program of the Grand Lodge Committee on Youth Services.

Judge Woodside Retires from Homes Committee Having Served for a Record 36 Years

Bro. Robert E. Woodside, Jr., a Past Master of Susquehanna Lodge, No. 364. held at Millersburg, rounded out an unequaled term of 36 years as a member of the Grand Lodge Committee on Masonic Homes last August when he resigned from the Committee. A testimonial dinner with an appropriate gift, attended by members of his family and the members of the Committee and their ladies, was held at Alfred's in Middletown following the Committee Meeting in August 1979.

Judge Woodside, as he is better known in Harrisburg and throughout Dauphin and the other surrounding counties, was a devoted and dedicated member of the Committee on Masonic Homes during his long tenure. Joining the Committee following its formative years, he had been involved in the many years of progress and expansion that has made our Homes at Elizabethtown, Pa., one of the great Masonic Homes in the Nation and our greatest charity.

There have been some outstanding law careers produced in Dauphin County, but Judge Woodside's is unmatched. A graduate of Dickinson College Law School, he started a 10-year stint on the Dauphin County Bench at age 37. Then he was Attorney General for Governor Fine. He subsequently served 11 years on the Pennsylvania Superior Court. He served five terms in the General Assembly and was twice considered for the gubernatorial nomination. He



Bro. Robert E. Woodside, Ir.

was Chairman of the Woodside Commission which promoted constitutional reform. The new Dauphin County Juvenile Detention facility in Swatara Township is named The Woodside Center in honor of Bro. Woodside.

Bro. Woodside has always been an active Mason. He was coroneted a Thirty-third Degree Mason in September 1946. We wish him well and continued good health during his much earned retirement and we'll be ever grateful for the many years of service he has given to our Grand Lodge in particular and Freemasonry in general.

17 New Past District Deputy Grand Masters

The following Brethren have been created Past District Deputy Grand Masters in accordance with Article XII, Section 13, of The Ahiman Rezon:

Bro. Arthur B. Stitzer, Jr., Lodge No. 51, Masonic District "A."

Bro. Ellwood L. Hunsberger, Lodge No. 450, Masonic District "B." Bro. Herbert J. Garber, Lodge No.

782, Masonic District "E."
Bro. Arthur J. Kurtz, Lodge No.

Bro. Arthur J. Kurtz, Lodge No. 464, 2nd Masonic District.

Bro. Harry L. Oyler, Lodge No. 143, 4th Masonic District.

Bro. A. Ralph Taylor, Lodge No. 240, 15th Masonic District. Bro. John A. Yost, Jr., Lodge No.

199, 21st Masonic District.
Bro. Gordon G. Burdick, Lodge No.

388, 22nd Masonic District.
Bro. Louis H. Osenider, Lodge No.

363, 23rd Masonic District. Bro. Kenneth E. Thompson, Lodge

No. 804, 26th Masonic District. Bro. Rexford F. Cox, Lodge No. 601, 30th Masonic District.

Bro. R. Kirk Cover, Lodge No. 774, 34th Masonic District.

Bro. Robert E. Spriggle, Lodge No. 619, 46th Masonic District.

Bro. William J. Ebertshauser, Lodge No. 731, 49th Masonic District.

Bro. Henry B. Kulp, Lodge No. 325, 50th Masonic District.

Bro. Joseph I. Greenberger, Lodge No. 712, 51st Masonic District.

Bro. Herbert C. Wolstoncroft, Jr., Lodge No. 513, 57th Masonic District. **Introducing New Grand Lodge Officer**

Bro. Jackson, R. W. Grand Secretary

Bro. Thomas W. Jackson, Past Master of Cumberland Valley Lodge, No. 315, held at Shippensburg, was elected R. W. Grand Secretary at the Quarterly Communication of Grand Lodge, December 5, 1979, and installed at the Annual Communication on December 27, 1979.

He succeeds Bro. William A. Carpenter who retired from that office on December 27, 1979.

Bro. Jackson is a past presiding officer of all the York Rite Bodies and a Past Most Wise Master of Harrisburg Chapter of Rose Croix, Valley of Harrisburg, where he has also served as a Degree Master.

He is currently the Puissant Sovereign of York Conclave, Knights of the Red Cross of Constantine. Holding membership in many of the Allied Masonic Degrees, he is presently the Sovereign Master of Rex Council, No. 47, Allied Masonic Degrees.

A Past Grand Tall Cedar of Valley Forest, No. 145, he has been active in the Order of DeMolay and several Masonic Research Lodges.

Born in McKeesport in 1934, he has been a resident of the Shippensburg area since 1945. He earned a B.S. Degree in Biology and Chemistry from Shippensburg State College and later received a M. S. Degree in Zoology from The Pennsylvania State University.

Bro. Jackson spent more than 16 years in the teaching profession, three in the public school system and 13 years as chairman of the Biology Department at the collegiate level. His most recent employment has been Sales Manager of Flohr Pools, Inc., Chambersburg, Pa.

Active in his church and many community projects, Bro. Jackson is a member of the Pennsylvania State Grange and also holds membership in several scientific organizations. He has been recognized in several biographical publications and was recently named a Fellow of the American Biographical Institute.

Bro. Jackson is married to the former Linda L. Canfield of Sommerville, New Jersey.

Because Freemasonry has such a wonderful and rich heritage, there is the added responsibility of each and every Member of the Craft to hand it down in its purity.



Bro. Thomas W. Jackson R. W. Grand Secretary

Schedule of Grand Lodge Communications in 1980

The Quarterly Communications of Grand Lodge for 1980 are scheduled to be held as follows:

Wednesday, March 5, 1980, at the Masonic Temple, Philadelphia, at 7:00 o'clock, P.M.

Wednesday, June 4, 1980, in the Main Auditorium of the Scottish Rite Cathedral, Williamsport, Pa., at 7:00 o'clock, P.M.

Wednesday, September 3, 1980, at the Rajah Temple, 136 North Sixth Street, Reading, Pa., at 7:00 o'clock, P.M.

Wednesday, December 3, 1980, at the Masonic Temple, Philadelphia, at 10:00 o'clock, A.M. Election of Grand Lodge Officers.

The Annual Grand Communication of Grand Lodge will be held at the Masonic Temple, Philadelphia, on Saturday, December 27, 1980, at 10:00 o'clock, A.M. Installation of Grand Lodge Officers.

Eighteen New District Deputy Grand Masters

Eighteen new District Deputy Grand Masters have been appointed by Bro. Joseph E. Trate, R. W. Grand Master.

The new District Deputy Grand Masters received their Commissions from the R. W. Grand Master, were invested with their Collars, Jewels and Aprons and officially presented to the Officers of the Lodges in their respective Masonic Districts in a Masonic Ceremony conducted at an Extra Communication of Grand Lodge held in the George H. Deike Auditorium at the Masonic Homes, Elizabethtown, Saturday afternoon, January 26, 1980.

The new District Deputy Grand Masters are:

Bro. Carl D. Homan, Lodge No. 487, Philadelphia, Masonic District "A"

Bro. Lester Mann, Lodge No. 605, Philadelphia, Masonic District "B."

Bro. Norman A. Fox, Lodge No. 703, Philadelphia, Masonic District "E."

Bro. Donald L. Albert, Lodge No. 698, Harrisburg, 2nd Masonic District.

Bro. Glen L. Roller, Lodge No. 348, Hanover, 4th Masonic District.

Bro. Bertine B. Steigerwalt, Lodge

No. 648, Bethlehem, 9th Masonic District.

Bro. Robert K. Montross, Lodge No. 240, Montrose, 15th Masonic District.

Bro. James E. Williams, Lodge No. 268, Bellefonte, 21st Masonic District.

Bro. James T. Amacher, Lodge No. 749, Bradford, 22nd Masonic District. Bro. Donald L. Jolley, Lodge No.

316, Franklin, 23rd Masonic District. Bro. Norbert L. Rossman, Lodge No. 599, Ellwood City, 26th Masonic District.

Bro. Richard L. McAlpine, Lodge No. 225, Greensburg, 30th Masonic District.

Bro. Robert E. Louder, Lodge No. 300, Huntingdon, 34th Masonic District.

Bro. John I. Kebach, Lodge No. 22, Sunbury, 46th Masonic District.

Bro. Albert G. Lebedda, Lodge No. 641, McKeesport, 49th Masonic District.

Bro. Willard W. Waltz, Lodge No. 413, Bath, 50th Masonic District.

Bro. Lewis Kaye, Lodge No. 535, Pittsburgh, 51st Masonic District.

Bro. Carl W. Stenberg, Jr., Lodge No. 794, Pleasant Hills, 57th Masonic District.

In Memoriam BRO. ELLIS E. STERN

The Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania lost a dedicated Mason in the death of Bro. Ellis E. Stern, Past District Deputy Grand Master for the 5th Masonic District.

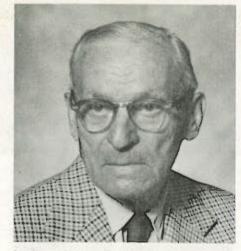
Bro. Stern, known far and wide as the "prominent Coatesville Banker" and a dedicated Masonic leader, died on December 30, 1979, in the Coatesville Hospital after a brief illness.

Born in Compass, Lancaster County in 1892, Bro. Stern resided in Coatesville most of his life and began his banking career in 1906 at the National Bank of Coatesville, which later merged with the Industrial Valley Bank while he was president of the Coatesville Bank. As a vice president of the Industrial Valley Bank, he served as a director of the trust investment committee, trust committee and executive committee. He remained active until his death.

On his return from military service in World War I, he married the former Anne Pennegar who survives him along with a son, Bro. Ellis E. Stern, Jr., who followed his father in the banking profession.

Long active in his church and in various community endeavors, Bro. Stern was also elected to high offices in many state and national banking groups. He was influential in having the large Veteran's Administration Hospital located in Coatesville in 1930.

A Past Master of Coatesville Lodge, No. 564, Bro. Stern's talents and dedication to Freemasonry were soon recognized by our Grand Lodge. Following his years of service as a District Deputy Grand Master, he was appointed to the Grand Lodge Committee on Masonic Homes and at the time of his death



had served on that Committee for 25 consecutive years.

Serving as Chairman of the Sub-Committee on Finance for most of his 25 years on the Committee on Masonic Homes, Bro. Stern was also appointed a member of the Grand Lodge Committee on Finance another Committee he served faithfully and well until his death.

When most of the many trust funds of the Grand Lodge were consolidated by a Resolution adopted by the Grand Lodge, Bro. Stern was appointed Chairman of the Trustees of the Grand Lodge Consolidated Fund and he continued to oversee the daily activities of that important fund of Grand Lodge. He was also Chairman of the Trustees of the Joseph W. Murray Fund.

Coroneted a Thirty-third Degree Mason in 1959 for his outstanding service in Freemasonry and for his community service which brought much credit to the Craft, Bro. Ellis E. Stern, Master Mason and a friend to mankind, will long be remembered as a giant in the dedication and service he afforded our Grand Lodge.

Past Masters for 120 years

Bro. Earl E. Cooper, Secretary of Cowanesque Lodge, No. 351, held at Knoxville, Tioga County, writes and tells us that his Lodge has two Members who have served the Lodge for quite a few years. They are: Bro. Ivan W. Edgcomb, Entered in 1910 and Worshipful Master in 1915; and Bro. R. Hugh Lugg, Entered in 1918 and Master in 1925.

Unique Record Among 31 Past Masters

We learn from Sunset Lodge, No. 623, held at Washington, Pa., that all the Worshipful Masters that have served the Lodge since the beginning of 1949 and through 1979 are still living. This means a listing of 31 Past Masters without a break in the line.

Grand Lodge Officers Three-month Itinerary

The schedule for the Grand Lodge Officers for the next three months includes:

March 4—Meeting of Grand Lodge Elected Officers, Philadelphia.

March 5—Meeting of Grand Lodge Committee on Finance, session with District Deputy Grand Masters, Quarterly Communication, Philadelphia.

March 11—Meeting of 1981 Committee, Philadelphia.

March 14, 15—Seminar for District Deputy Grand Masters, Harrisburg.

March 27—Meeting of Grand Lodge Elected Officers, Masonic Homes, Elizabethtown.

March 28—Meeting of Grand Lodge Committee on Masonic Homes, Masonic Homes,

March 29—Sectional Meeting of Schools of Instruction, Harrisburg in morning. 200th Anniversary of Bristol Lodge, No. 25, Bristol, late afternoon and evening.

April 12—Special Communication, Dedication of new Lodge Room, Palestine-Roxborough Lodge, No. 135, Philadelphia.

April 24—Meeting of Elected Grand Lodge Officers, Masonic Homes, Elizabethtown.

April 25—Meeting of Grand Lodge Committee on Masonic Homes, Masonic Homes.

April 26—100th Anniversary of Northern Star Lodge, No. 555, Duke Center.

May 10—125th Anniversary of Ashland Lodge, No. 294, Ashland.

May 22—Meeting of Grand Lodge Elected Officers, Masonic Homes.

May 23—Meeting of Grand Lodge Committee on Masonic Homes, Masonic Homes, Elizabethtown.

Union Lodge, No. 334, Bradford Claims to have Top Recruiter

Bro. James A. Scheffer, a Member of Union Lodge, No. 334, Bradford, and station commander of the United States Army Recruiting Station in Bradford, has been selected as the top recruiter in the Niagara Falls District which comprises a fifteen county area in Western New York and Northern Pennsylvania. The award is given each quarter of the year to the recruiter who achieves the highest percentage of enlistments.











MISSISSIPPI RIVERBOAT CRUISE

Dear Friends

The Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania would like to extend a personal invitation for you to travel with fellow Masons on a storybook adventure that captures Mark Twain's life on the Mississippi and the antebellum days of the deep South.

Sailing the southern-most waters of the Mississippi, the Land of Dixie forms a patchwork of genteel southern towns and engaging countryside; expansive sugar plantations and billowy cotton fields; Creole-style mansions and lush, pre-Civil war estates. This exciting cruise adventure weaves through the history glitter and charm that is the colorful fabric of the Old South.

Mark Twain said it, "... this is the only way to travel." Rollin' down the river, you'll sense its romance, nostalgia, history and adventure. A steamboat cruise aboard the luxurious Mississippi Queen is an unforgettable experience.

We have arranged exciting optional extensions to enhance your vacation. These will enable you to also visit New Orleans or Nashville, or both, if you choose.

Sincerely & Fraternally, Joseph E. Trate Grand Master

\$969 From Pittsburgh, Miami, Orlando & Tampa complete per person, based on double occupancy for Category "M"

DEPARTS: June 6 August 29

June 13
September 5

Philadelphia departure +\$20 Harrisburg departure +\$60 7 nights Cruising the MISSISSIPPI

Your Cruise Includes:

- Round-trip jet transportation via scheduled air service to New Orleans
- 7 peaceful nights in your choice of accommodations
- Captain's Welcome Aboard Reception
- Lavish, full-course breakfast, lunch and dinner daily
- Captain's Dinner
- Early-riser coffee, Continental breakfast, and late-night buffet daily
- Mike Fink Seafood Buffet—with contests and fun
- On-board activities as varied and constant as you want them—from calliope playing to bridge tournaments
- A full card of evening entertainment every day
- Steamboat Mardi Gras Party—bring your costume ideas because prizes are awarded!

DAY 1: Depart New Orleans-9:00 pm

DAY 2: Cruising

DAY 3: St. Francisville—all day ,

DAY 4: Cruising

DAY 5: Vicksburg—all day

DAY 6: Natchez-all day

DAY 7: Baton Rouge—morning

DAY 8: Arrive New Orleans-9:00 am

 While steamboatin along the Mississippi, at your ports-of-call, local options will be available to go into the city to visit the historical civil war sites, museums and antebellum mansions. The price for these shore excursions will vary from approximately \$10-\$25. All options must be purchased on board ship.

OPTIONAL EXTENSIONS

A June 13-June 15 September 5-September 7

NEW ORLEANS +\$99

- Transfer from pier to hotel including baggage handling and tipping of porters
- 2 nights hotel accommodations at the deluxe Hyatt Regency or comparable
- Get-Acquainted sightseeing tour of New Orleans

B June 13-June 15 September 5-September 7

2 Nights

NASHVILLE +\$129

- Scheduled air transfer from New Orleans to Nashville
- Two nights hotel accommodations at the Grand Ole Opry or comparable
- Get-Acquainted sightseeing tour of Nashville
- Performance of the Grand Ole Opry

June 4-June 15
August 27-September 7
2 Nights each in
NEW ORLEANS
NASHVILLE +\$228

 Includes all features of Optional Extensions A and B

CABIN SELECTIONS
DESCRIPTION

M Inside stateroom on Main Deck
L Inside stateroom on Cabin Deck—plus \$35

I Outside stateroom on Main, Cabin and Texas Decks plus \$150

E Deluxe veranda stateroom on Cabin Deck plus \$350

D Deluxe veranda stateroom on Texas Deck—plus \$400

Veranda Suite—plus \$650

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THE HEART OF EUROPE

OBERAMMERGAU PASSION PLAY

MAGNIFICENT MUNICH

We're visiting three cities filled with activity and excitement in the heart of Europe.

The people of Munich call it "Gemutlichkeit"—enjoying the good things in life. From their hearty black breads and saverbraten, to majestic cathedrals and Nymphenburg Palace, life here is always a Bavarian festival. Salzbura is alive with music during the month of August with its new Festival House ringing with sounds of Mozart and other great composers. One of Europe's great musical extravaganzas, people flock here from all over the world. From its inspiring Cathedral to its worldfamous marionettes, this it the time to be in Salzburg! Onward to the city of tradition and elegance—Vienna. Home of the world's most majestic architecture, from the Opera House to enormous St. Stephen's Cathedral, a walk through Old Vienna is a photographer's delight. Spend some time at the memorials to Mozart, Haydn. Schubert and other world-renowned composers. End the day in the Grinzina district where old coffeehouses dor the streets and the ultimate in pastry awaits.

\$1299

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From New York

complete per person based on double occupancy

DEPARTS: August 3*, 1980 RETURNS: August 14, 1980

Philadelphia +\$60 Pirtsburgh +\$130 Harrisburg +\$100

*An alternative departure date of August 10, 1980 has been arranged pending reservation demand.

11 Days/10 Nights

Munich 5 nights
Salzburg 2 nights
Vienna 3 nights

Your Trip Includes:

- Round-trip jet transportation via KLM scheduled service on wide-bodied jet aircraft. Meal and beverage service inflight
- All transfers and baggage handling between airports and hotels, including tips
- Continental breakfast daily in your hotel
- Gala Dinner in Munich
- A Gala Evening hosted by the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, including dinner in Grinzing (Vienna)
- Get-Acquainted sightseeing tour of Munich, Salzburg and Vienna
- Deluxe or first-class hotel accommodations at the Sheraton, Hilton (or similar) in each city
- OBERAMMERGAU PASSION PLAY, including transportation via deluxe air-conditioned motorcoach and admission to the play (lunch is not included)
- Short, informative briefing upon arrival in each city
- Professional Selectiveworld Tours Escort Services throughout
- All taxes and tips for included features, including departure taxes

OPTIONAL MEAL PLAN \$109

Including 7 dinners on Dine-Around or in your hotel (3—Munich, 2—Vienna, 2—Salzburg) One of Europe's great cultural events will be presented this year at the small mountain village of Oberammergau. The lassion of Christ, presented every ten years since 1634. It is one of Europe's last great spectacles, drawing crowds from around the world, many making reservations years in advance just to be present. The Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania is proud to offer you this exclusive trip, with admittance to the play, whose history is as stirring as the performance you will see.

In the year 1634, the Black Plague wept Europe, killing millions and scourging the town of Oberammergau as well. Driver to desperation, the parish fathers voted to stage a performance of The Passion of Christevery ten years if the town was spared. What followed is now history. The plague vanished, and the inhabitants of the little village of Oberammergau have faithfully fulfilled their promise by presenting this play, filled with spectacle, drama and pageantry, every tenyears for the last 350 years. Each decade, its fame and renown have grown. Today it is a cultural tradition, enacted by members of the town. Performances are strictly limited to hose with tickets and lodging booked in advance. It is a dramatic event that is unmatched anywhere in the world, and one you will remember for the rest of your life. The 1980 Oberammergau Passion Play.



In this fun, frolicking city of Bavaria, life is always a festival! You'll get caught up in the excitement of brass bands playing their hearty "oom-pahpah's" and the vitality of the Germans as they sing along. Sample the knockwurst, bratwurst, sauerbraten, dark Bavarian black breads, crusty pumpernickel, and mouth-watering pasteries. Take an excursion to King Ludwig's "fairytale" castle of Neuschwanstein, which Walt Disney recreated in smaller scale at Disneyland. View fine art at the Alte Pinakothek and the Nymphenburg Palace. See the city from the massive steeple of Frauenkirche Cathedral. Go for a ride on the enormous ferris wheel at the Der Prater Amusement Park, or feed the animals in Europe's largest zoo, the Tierpark Hellabrunn, Stroll through Schwabing, Munich's bohemian quarter, where artists and students gather for a fun-filled evening in the countless cafes and cabarets. Munich is an adventure that begins with "Gemutlichkeit" and ends with "Auf Wieder-

\$969 ITOKL1241ZZ From New York complete per person

DEPARTS: August 4*, 1980 RETURNS: August 18, 1980

Philadelphia +\$60 Pittsburgh +\$130 Harrisburg +\$100

*An alternative departure date of August 11, 1980 has been arranged pending reservation demand.

8 Days/7 Nights Munich and the Oberammergau Passion Play

Your Trip Includes:

- Round-trip jet transportation via KLM scheduled service. Meal and beverage service inflight
- 8 days/7 nights in MUNICH at the Hilton or similar
- All transfers between airports and hotels, including baggage transfer and porters' tips
- Continental breakfast daily in your hotel
- Get-Acquainted sightseeing tour of Munich
 A Gala Evening hosted by the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, including dinner in Munich
- OBERAMMERGAU PASSION PLAY, including transportation via deluxe air-conditioned motorcoach and admission to the play (lunch is not included)
- Professional Selectiveworld Tour Escorts throughout
- Short, informative briefing on arrival
- All taxes and tips for included features, including departure tax

OPTIONAL MEAL PLAN \$79

Including 5 dinners on dine-around or in your hotel

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OPTIONAL TOURS

SALZBURG

Berchtesgarden and Konigsee Berchtesgarden and Norrigada Half-day tour with Alpine scenery and Hitler's \$20 former mountainside residence.

Salzkammergut—Lake District Resort area in Austria with panarama of Salzburg

VIENNA

Kahlenberg Mountain

Half-day visiting Beethoven and Schubert's birth place. View Blue Danube and panorama of

Vienna Woods

Half-day through the enchanting Vienna Woods visiting the Liechtenstein Castle

Full-day tour visiting the Abbey of Melk, Panorama of Blue Danube, lunch included

All prices are approximate and subject to change. Due to space limitations, the above options are listed for your information in planning your tour. These options will be

MUNICH

Nymphenburg Castle Visit the summer residence of the rulers of

Bayaria

Royal Castles Tour

Full-day tour visit to Linderhof Castle, Neuschwanstein Castle, including lunch

Edelweiss Tour

half-day rour with cable-car ride to Wendelstein

purchased upon arrival in each city. Upon receipt of your deposit, a complete listing of all options will be available. All optional tours are subject to change and cancellation if minimal reservations are not received

General Information

Reservations: Reservations are confirmed on receipt of a deposit of \$200 per person. Final payment must be made at least 45 days before your departure. Prices are based on double or triple occupancy

Air Transportation: Economy class trans-Atlantic flights via KLM. All flights within Europe are Tourist class. Any IATA or ATC airline may be used in connection with this program. Airfares are based on economy class jet transportation using the 7/21 day Non-Affinity Group Airfare from New York, effective November, 1979, Departures from other cities require add-ons as indicated below. The oirfores used are subject to change and government approval. Prices quoted on the Mississippi Cruise are based on scheduled Super Saver Airfare in effect at time of departure. Airfares used are subject to change

Group Requirements: The tours offered are based on Non-Affinity Group Airfares, requiring a minimum of ten passengers traveling together. In the unlikely event the minimum is under ren, alternate departure dates will be offered to participants

Passports, Visas, Health Requirements: Persons traveling abroad must have a valid passport prior to departure

Baggage Allowance: A free baggage allowance includes two pieces of luggage per person, not to exceed 62 inches in length, height and width per piece on trans-Atlantic flights. Baggage in excess of 62 inches is additional cost and is the sale responsibility of the

Important Notice: Land prices and conditions for travel are based on tariffs and currency rates in effect November, 1979. All prices are subject to change without notice prior to departure due to major currency fluctuations and/or unforseen economic circumstances. All air prices are based on rariffs in effect November 1, 1979 and are subject to change in accordance with airline tariffs in effect at time of change

Itinerary Variations: Selectiveworld Tours constantly strives to improve each itinerary and features. If improvements can be made or unforseen conditions beyond our control deem changes necessary, we reserve the right to vary Irineraries or substitute comparable accommodations.

Cancellations: The deposit is refundable in full up to 45 days prior to departure, less a \$50 per person non-refundable administration fee. Cancellations received between 45 and 30 days before will be subject to a penalty of 10% of the tour price. Cancellations received by the tour operator less than 30 days before departure will be subject to the above, plus expenses incurred, which will be dependent upon the ability to obtain refunds on deposits already paid our on behalf of the canceller. Cancellations received witin 15 days of departure are subject to a cancellation fee of 25% of land and air fare

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What Are You Doing to Help, Aid and Assist "Blue Lodge" Masonry?

Working under the authority of the Grand Lodge, vour Symbolic Lodge or "Blue Lodge," as we often call it, is one of the most important units in the structure of Ancient Craft Ma-

The Symbolic Lodge is where you were actually made a Mason and took your first step in a Masonic journey.

It was in your Symbolic Lodge or "Blue Lodge," where you received the three most important Degrees conferred in Freemasonry, the Entered Apprentice Mason's Degree, the Fellow Craft Mason's Degree and finally, the most important of all Masonic Degrees, the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason.

When you were unanimously accepted and became a member of your Symbolic Lodge, you then became associated with one of the most noble and altruistic fraternities for men throughout the world.

It is membership in your "Blue Lodge" that makes it possible for you to affiliate and enjoy membership in all other Masonic Bodies. Resigning or becoming suspended in your "Blue Lodge" automatically makes you ineligible to continue membership in other Masonic Bodies.

So, my Brethren, you can sense just how important the Symbolic Lodge is in Freemasonry. And, as important as it is, it should and must be the strongest and most active unit in our Ancient and Honorable Fra-

But, important as it is, and as vital to the well-being of the Craft, too many of our members have, in a way, forsaken their Symbolic Lodge, the very Lodge that accepted them and made them a Mason.

How often do you attend your "Blue Lodge?" What have you done to advance the best interests and well-being of your "Blue Lodge?" If you were on trial for being a Master Mason, would there be enough evidence to convict you?

When your Symbolic Lodge accepted you and conferred the three Degrees upon you, it also obligated you to fulfill certain responsibilities due Freemasony in general and your Symbolic Lodge in particular. Never

New Telephone Numbers

A new telephone system, called Centrex, has been installed in the Masonic Temple, Philadelphia.

For your convenience and use, the general numbers are as follows:

> Office of the Grand Master 215-988-1920

Grand Secretary's Office 215-988-1900

Library and Museum 215-988-1932

Superintendent's Office 215-988-1916

has there been a greater need for concern and full allegiance to our Symbolic Lodges than now.

No man can consider himself a true Master Mason nor is he transmitting unimpaired the real tenets of our Ancient and Honorable Fraternity, if he merely bears the title of a Mason, pays his dues, and then delegates to others the performance of his Masonic responsibilities.

Brethren, the time is long over-due for a "Back-to-Blue-Lodge-Movement." Our "Blue Lodges" have been sadly neglected and treated like forgotten souls. It is about time that we place the priority in Freemasonry where it rightfully belongs - with the Symbolic Lodges. They need your interest, your attendance, your understanding, your leadership, your general support and also your appreciation for what the "Blue Lodge" has done for you.

No matter what added Masonic honors have come your way, no matter how far you have travelled or how far you may travel, if you have learned and lived up to your oaths and obligations as a Master Mason, then you have attained all there is. fulfilled all there is, and received all there is in Symbolic Masonry.

You should always be real proud that you are a Master Mason and just as proud of the Masonic Body that made it all possible - "YOUR BLUE LODGE!"

So long as Freemasons reflect in their lives the spiritual and moral teachings of Freemasonry, the Craft will stand. The destiny of Freemasonry is not in the hands of the profane. The destiny of Freemasonry is in the hands of all Freemasons.

Newest Member of Homes Committee



Bro. Guy E. Walker Past District Deputy Grand Master

Bro. Guy E. Walker, Past District Deputy Grand Master of the 41st Masonic District, covering Somerset and most of Cambria Counties, is the newest member of the Grand Lodge Committee on Masonic Homes.

Bro. Joseph E. Trate, R. W. Grand Master, appointed Bro. Walker on January 14, 1980, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Bro. Ellis E. Stern on December 30, 1979. Bro. Stern had been reelected for his twenty-sixth year on the Committee at the Quarterly Communication, December 5, 1979.

Bro. Walker is a Past Master of Somerset Lodge, No. 358, held at Somerset, and is currently serving as Secretary of his Lodge. While District Deputy Grand Master, he was one of the original incorporators of the non-profit corporation that constructed the beautiful new Masonic Temple located just outside the Borough of Somerset. He is a former president and the current treasurer of the Masonic Temple Association.

Bro. Walker is president of the Somerset Thrift Consumer Discount Company. A member of all the York Rite Bodies, the Scottish Rite Bodies, Shrine, and several service clubs, Bro. Walker has been most active in various community groups and the Casedeer Lutheran Church of Somer-

Bro. Walker and his wife, the former Betty Egolf of Somerset, are the proud parents of four children and the grandparents of two grandsons and one granddaughter.