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FRIDAY and SATURDAY
JUNE 8 and 9, 1984
CHATEAU LACOMBE, EDMONTON

LET EVERY LODGE BE REPRESENTED

FROM THE M.W. THE GRAND MASTER

Brethren, I have now completed over half of my term and I would like, for a moment, to review with you my theme of, Masonry In Action. I have visited with the Craft in most areas of the Jurisdiction and I am satisfied that a goodly portion of you have been witnesses to Freemasonry in Action and this is why you are members of our beloved Craft today. A large portion of our lodges were formed by the early settlers of Alberta, when times were much tougher than they are today. A short study reveals that these early Brethren were men of vision, men of faith and men of hope. I am sure they were not worrying about a lack of attendance, shrinking membership in rural areas, per capita charges, a decaying society, or "What's in it for Me?", or many other negative items you hear at any Masonic gathering today. No they were too busy thinking about having an organization available to help others; to have an organization that would provide character for their new communities; to have an organization which they could bequeath, with honor to their children. Brethren, these men were positive thinkers, men of vision.

Have we carried out the vision and the trust they left with us? Are we going to pass on a comparable vision and trust to our children? I think not, Brethren. But why?

Alexander Solzhenitsyn, the Russian novelist, in a commencement address at Harvard University stated, "A decline in courage may be the most striking feature which an outsider observes in the west today. The western world has lost its civil courage and from ancient times a decline in courage has been the beginning of the end."

Church leaders also point out that the family is no longer the foundation of society — it is disintegrating with the permissive society, the divorce rate, the statistics on rape, unwed mothers, especially teenagers, etc., all being a part of it. Our trouble today is that we all feel that the individual is powerless, — Brethren, that is not true. We each count and further, we must be counted.

When does Freemasonry enter this picture? What does Freemasonry demand of us? What discipline does it place upon us to obtain the perfection we dream of?

We are instructed to dedicate ourselves to such pursuits as may enable us to retain our rank in life, to be useful to mankind and an ornament to Freemasonry. We are to encourage industry and reward merit, to supply the want and relieve the needs of Brethren and fellowmen to the utmost of our power and ability, on no account to wrong them or see them wronged, but apprise them of approaching danger, and view their interests as being inseparable from our own.

We are to improve the morals and correct the manners of men in society, and that, my Brethren, is to be our constant care. We are to promote universal benevolence and by the regularity of our own behavior, afford the best example for the conduct of others.

How do you and I conform to that picture — to those objectives? Are there not a lot of young men in Alberta today who would be proud to be a part of an organization with that vision? I think there are.

Are there not a considerable number of men in your District who are men of vision; who would desire to have an organization to help others, an organization to build character in their communities? I think there are.

The challenge is ours Brethren — we must lead, we must communicate — we must put our Freemasonry into action. We are not powerless. As the late Robert Kennedy so aptly stated, "Let no one be discouraged by the belief that there is nothing one man or woman can do against the enormous array of the world's ills, against misery and ignorance, injustice and violence. Few will have the greatness to bend history itself, but each of us can work to change a small portion of events, and in the total of all these acts, will be written the history of this generation."

Yes Brethren, it can happen but there has to be Masonry in Action — your action and mine. So let us be positive, let your world and my world know our Freemasonry, and many of the problems we look at today will become immaterial.

May the Great Architect give meaning to your life and to mine. Let us all put our Freemasonry into Action by meeting at the Annual Communication in Edmonton on June 8th and 9th.

Gordon D. Thompson, Grand Master

PROGRAM OF THE SEVENTY-NINTH ANNUAL COMMUNICATION CHATEAU LACOMBE HOTEL EDMONTON, ALBERTA

HOURS OF BALLOTING ARE:

7:00 P.M. Friday, June 8th to 10:00 P.M. 8:00 A.M. Saturday, June 9th to 11:00 A.M.

FRIDAY, JUNE 8TH, 1984

7:00 P.M. Registration and balloting under the direction of R.W. Bro. A.H. Jones (101)

5:30 P.M. ANNUAL BANQUET — Speaker: M.W. Bro. M.G. Merner, Past Grand Master, Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

8:00 P.M. Grand Lodge will be opened in AMPLE FORM.
Distinguished Visitors will be received and introduced.

BRETHREN YOU ARE ASKED TO BE IN YOUR SEATS NO LATER THAN 7:45 P.M.

PRESENTATION OF COLOURS.

SERVICE OF COMMEMORATION AND THANKSGIVING:

V.W. Bro. W.R. McQuiad (142) Grand Chaplain V.W. Bro. Harry Farmer (81) Grand Organist

MOTION OF LOYALTY.

INTRODUCTION OF PAST GRAND MASTERS (By Deputy Grand Master)

RECOGNITION OF GRAND REPRESENTATIVES. (By M.W. Bro. W.J. Collett, P.G.M.)

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF 1983 ANNUAL COMMUNICATION AND CORRESPONDENCE.

REPORT OF JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE.

GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

SATURDAY, JUNE 9TH, 1984

8:00 A.M. FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT.

BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES.

BOARD OF BENEVOLENCE.

COMMITTEE ON GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

CONDITION OF MASONRY.

COMMITTEE ON THE WORK.

NOTICE OF MOTION.

FRATERNAL RELATIONS.

MOTION TO ADOPT THE FOLLOWING REPORTS.

Grand Secretary

Auditor

Librarian

Grand Lodge Bulletin

Research and Education

Grand Treasurer

Masonic Higher Education Bursary

Charters and New Lodges

ELECTION OF TYLER.

CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE.

SCRUTINEERS' REPORT.

GENERAL BUSINESS

LUNCH IN THE CHATEAU LACOMBE

(Tickets must be purchased in advance. Not later than May 31st, 1984. Luncheon tickets will not be on sale Friday or Saturday.)

1:30 P.M. INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS.

RETIRE THE COLOURS.

CLOSE IN AMPLE FORM.

NOMINEES FOR GRAND LODGE OFFICES

GRAND MASTER:

ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION

R.W. Bro. Claude Rodney Austin Green (106)

DEPUTY GRAND MASTER:

ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION

R.W. Bro. William (Bill) Charles Graves (2)

SENIOR GRAND WARDEN:

ONE TO BE ELECTED



R.W. Bro. Leslie Donald Jeater: (1) Born - Redhill, Surrey, England, February 9th, 1924. Initiated - Bow River Lodge No. 1, April 20th, 1960. W.M. 1971. D.D.G.M. District No. 1, 1978-79. Member of the Masonic Higher Education Bursary Committee from 1976-1984 - Chairman from 1977-84. General Chairman 100th Anniversary Committee Bow River Lodge No. 1. R.W. Bro. Jeater is employed by Revenue Canada, Customs and Excise. R.W. Bro. Jeater is married to Dorothy Margaret (Peg) and has two



R.W. Bro. Norman Frederick Oslund: (146) Born - Ryley, Alberta, June 17th, 1925. Initiated - Astra Lodge No. 179, January 30th, 1961. Demitted - December 20th, 1971. Affiliated - Palestine Lodge No. 46, May 20th, 1968. W.M. 1970-71, 1978-79, 1979-80. D.D.G.M. District No. 20, 1981-82. Served overseas with the Canadian Army, World War II, R.C.A.F. to 1968. Awarded the Canadian Forces Decoration. Presently the Chief Executive Officer, Canadian Corps of Commissionaires, Northern

Alberta, 1970 to present. Married Majorie Sutton 1944. R.W. Bro. Oslund is active in all Concordant Bodies - York Rite Bodies and a

member of the Scottish Rite.

JUNIOR GRAND WARDEN:



R.W. Bro. David Alexander Bruce: (87)
Born - Calgary, Alberta on December
2nd, 1937. Initiated - Crescent Lodge
No. 87, April 28th, 1959. W.M. 1970.
Grand Pursuivant, 1980-81. D.D.G.M.
District No. 18, 1981-82. Member of
Board of General Purposes, 1982-83.
Organist for Crescent Lodge No. 87
from 1972 until present. Theme Speaker Masonic Spring Workshop 1983. Past
Principal Crescent Chapter No. 24, Royal
Arch Masons. Affiliated with the United Church of Canada. Married with

two children. R.W. Bro. Bruce is School Principal. Employed by the Calgary Board of Education.



R.W. Bro. Robert Eugene Juthner: (81) Born - Warnsdorf, Czechoslovakia on March 4th, 1923. Initiated - April 26th, 1954 in Kette Lodge No. 430, United Grand Lodge of Germany. Affiliated -Commercial Lodge No. 81 on January 3rd, 1959. W.M. 1973. W.M. 1981-82 Fiat Lux Lodge of Research No. 1980. D.D.G.M. District No. 20, 1977-78. Board of General Purposes 1978-80 and 1980-82. Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Austria near the Grand Lodge of Alberta since 1978. Charter member

of Alberta since 1978. Charter member Fiat Lux Lodge No. 1980. Most Wise Sovereign Mizhah Chapter Rose Croix 1971-72, Commander in Chief, Alberta Consistory A and ASR 1975. Officer of North Star Chapter No. 2, Royal Arch Masons. Member of Zohar Council No. 4, Royal and Select Masters. Member of Alberta Lodge No. 2, Royal Ark Mariners. Life member, Commercial Lodge No. 81, G.R.A. November 1983. Bachelors and Masters degrees in Education from the University of Alberta. Elder and member of the Workshop Committee of Trinity United Church, Edmonton. Knight of Grace of the Hospitaller Order of St. John of Jerusalem. Knight of Grace of the Military and Hospitaller Order of St. Lazarus of Jerusalem. Past Chairman of Continuing Education Committee, A.S.E.T. Past President, Home and School Association. Member Al Azhar Temple A.A.O.N.M.S., Calgary and Edmonton Shrine Club. Employed by N.A.I.T. as a Senior Instructor in Engineering Sciences. Married Erika on July 22nd, 1950.



R.W. Bro. Stanley Kennedy Sproul (119) Born - Martintown, Ontario on January 11th, 1922. Initiated - February 15th, 1972 in York Lodge No. 119. W.M. 1975-76. D.D.G.M. District No. 11, 1979-80. W.M. Fiat Lux Lodge of Research No. 1980, 1983-84. Employed by Canbra Foods as a refinery Supervisor. Married to Beth and has two daughters and three granddaughters.



R.W. Bro. Benjamin William Arthur Summerton (181) Born - Verdun, Quebec on May 8th, 1924. Initiated - February 1st, 1961 in Bowmont Lodge No. 181. Presently Secretary-Treasurer. W.M. 1973. D.D.G.M. District No. 1, 1979. Involved with Concordant Bodies. Veteran of World War II, R.C.N.V.R. Served in Canadian Armed Forces with the Lord Strathcona's Horse Royal Canadians and Fort Garry Horse. Saw duty with U.N. forces in Egypt, Cyprus, and served with the International Control Commis-

sion in Vietnam. Holds the Canadian Forces Decoration with bar. Educated in Montreal. Supervisor, Royal Bank (Central Processing Centre). Married with three children.

GRAND TREASURER:

BY ACCLAMATION

R.W. Bro. Walter Elmer Bright (134), Calgary.

GRAND REGISTRAR:

ONE TO BE ELECTED

W. Bro. William Albert Brown (118), Calgary; W. Bro. George Mah (192), Edmonton; W. Bro. Richard Frank Reynolds (9), Calgary; W. Bro. Ronald James Smith (187), Calgary.

BOARD OF BENEVOLENCE:

THREE TO BE ELECTED

W. Bro. Harold John Clay (180), Calgary; W. Bro. James Withers Hunter (51), Edmonton; W. Bro. Donald Gordon MacWilliam (9), Calgary; R.W. Bro. Charles Edwin Tuckey (1), Calgary.

MASONIC HIGHER EDUCATION BURSARY COMMITTEE: TWO TO BE ELECTED

M.W. Bro. William John Collett (180), Calgary; W. Bro. Francis John Grummett (174), Calgary; W. Bro. Isaiah Melech (51), Edmonton; W. Bro. Hugh John Robinson (16), Olds; W. Bro. Calvin Douglas Shaver (176), Calgary.

BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES: EIGHT TO BE ELECTED

W. Bro. Kenneth E. Bailey (63), Edmonton; W. Bro. Ross Howard Cawley (101), Edmonton; R.W. Bro. John Finlay Code (107), Carbon; W. Bro. Robert Geoffrey Davidson (63), Edmonton; R.W. Bro. Lloyd Erwin Dickson (190), Red Deer; W. Bro. Alastair Dunbar (51), Edmonton; R.W. Bro. James Gratton Forbes (192), St. Albert; W. Bro. Francis John Grummett (174), Calgary; R.W. Bro. Cecil Douglas Holmes (12), Red Deer; W. Bro. William David Hughes (15), Wetaskiwin; W. Bro. Lyndon Owen James (87), Calgary; V.W. Bro. Robert Fredrick H. Jones (9), Calgary; R.W. Bro. Robert Irwin Lewis (143), Jasper; R.W. Bro. James Andrew Lore (60), Acme; R.W. Bro. Myron Lusk (166), Edmonton; V.W. Bro. Donald Charles Maskell (142), Edmonton; V.W. Bro. Stephen Edwin McVittie (192), Edmonton; W. Bro. Theodore Oscar Newmann (166), Edmonton; R.W. Bro. Guy Henry Pelsma (166), Edmonton; R.W. Bro. George Norman Perry (59), Calgary; W. Bro. Leslie Punshon (5), Banff; R.W. Bro. Douglas Gloeckner Simmonds (193), Edmonton;

ROOM RESERVATIONS FOR GRAND LODGE

R.W. Bro. Charles Edward Simmons (22), Okotoks; R.W. Bro. Charles Edwin Tuckey (1), Calgary; W. Bro. Charles Henry White (9), Calgary; W. Bro. Donald Lloyd Wood (105), Grande Prairie.

A block of rooms has been set aside in Chateau Lacombe for those attending Grand Lodge. Reservations are to be made directly to the Chateau Lacombe, Edmonton. The cost is \$49.00 and should be made by May 7.

WHAT PRECISELY HAVE I JOINED?

By Bro. M. Armour, Sherwood Lodge No. 183

It is not my intention to define accurately Freemasonry as such, as to do so at this stage of my Masonic career would be presumptuous. Many experienced Masonic students far wiser than I have attempted on inumerable occasions to define the craft. I can only forward from my limited seasoning, what Masonry APPEARS to be to me. Hopefully it may provide a retrospective glance for my newly acquired brothers.

The art of deliberation and discussion is enjoyed by many masons. This would appear natural as these are the most profitable measures of learning we possess. I hope to learn by discussion, probably correction, but however by the constructive response of all brethren who read this.

I would move that Freemasonry is ever the advocate of the principles of freedom of thought and freedom of speech. The fact that men may differ in their private opinions tends to give dignity and strength to

Masonic friendships.

When a man approaches the doors of Freemasonry in earnest, he is already a Mason in search of light. The qualifications required of candidates make it such that Masonic qualities have already been displayed, prior to his admittance. The man may already be living the life of a good Mason but because he knows none of the ritual he may not call himself such. If a man is a good orator, is well versed in the ritualistic aspects of Freemasonry, displays qualities of leadership, is he truely a good Mason? Appearances can, at times, be deceptive. Freemasonry is a condition of the heart. This supports the fact that someonwho is not able to speak in public, who cannot assume the responsibility of the chairs, and who is not well versed in ritual can still be a far better Mason than his counterpart who is gifted.

Men from different walks of life expect different things from the Craft. Some expect a golden key to a worldwide brotherhood, together with the obvious advantages. Some expect an instant clarification of old doubts. Some expect a direct path to enlightenment. Once admitted a man is free to choose his own path. Some achieve their goals, some fall by the wayside as the tribulations increase. All the while Freemasonry sits atop a pillar of respect owing no man anything but

existing for his benefit.

Men expect a lot from Freemasonry, Freemasonry expects a lot from men. What other organization compells a man to swear an oath of secrecy, compell him to maintain principles he as yet knows very little about? How strange for the initiate! He is informed he is joining a non-religious organization and yet he has to swear an oath to God he has to state before witnesses that in times of stress he places his trust in God. How strange for the initiate when passed to the second degree. It now becomes clearer that without a belief in God a man's oath to be upright honest and square cannot be binding if a belief in God is not present. What matter to the atheist if God's laws are broken? A ray of

light is received but how strange for the initiate?

Freemasonry owes no man but brother owes brother Freemasonry!!!

"WILL YOU LISTEN!!!!" Cries the school ma'am to her uninterested pupils in an attempt to justify her vocation, and force the food of knowledge into her students. Is this the way Freemasonry is taught? NO. Ever since the universe was created and supported by great pillars of strength, beauty, and the availability of knowledge, the foundations were laid. The virtues and qualities depicted in the working tools of the three degrees were man's answer for discovering the foundation stone of the heavens. From the mists of creation example has been the seed of Freemasonry. Freemasonry has existed since those mists cleared. When men began to attempt to unravel its secrets. Therefore I move we should learn Freemasonry from example. From the example of our brothers more experienced in the Craft, whose duty it must be to maintain that example, and from our own endeavours. Do not expect any brother to impart his knowledge, but instead follow his example and use your own resources.

Our ritual is clothed in antiquity, but are we so wrapped up in secrecy that we are frightened to question its contents. Do we expound our charges without examining them? The explanation of the working tools of a fellowcraft tells us "Not to be an enthusiast, a persecutor, a slanderer or reviler of religion." The three later are qualities obviously not desirous in a mason. But an ENTHUSIAST? It is difficult to believe that no Mason is expected to follow enthusiastically his religion, whatever it may be!!! Some explanation must exist after all what is Freemasonry?

A beautiful system of ALLEGORY?

Some radical non Masons say "Freemasons are worthless if you are not a Mason they don't want to know of your existence. "To them I would say how does Freemasonry flourish? Why does it continue to grow? Surely the example we set is not to be restricted to Masons or

otherwise Freemasonry would become extinct.

There gathers around my head a vision of indescribable grandeur. I behold an institution called Freemasonry, without any discoverable beginning and with no apparent end. An institution which accepts and proclaims only those principles that have been tested and approved by all races and in all times. An institution devoted to the discovery, preservation, and propagation of the few indisputable truths upon which all the sages of all the world have agreed. An institution for ever adhering to the mature judgment of the ages rather than to the aphemeral theories of the day that is passing over us. (Continued on page 4)

WHAT PRECISELY HAVE I JOINED?

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I see an institution which no man founded and which no man has been able to destroy; an institution which has survived all the assaults that bigotry, ignorance or fanaticism has been able to devise.

The Institution has never been more triumphant than it is today. It attacks no man, and yet has flourished in majestic spendour all down the centuries. I see an institution, unchanging and unyielding in a time of universal flux and turmoil, an immovable rock amid the whirlwind and the earthquake. I see Freemasonry immemorial, immeasurable, immovable, immutable and, I believe, immortal. Freemasonry is not a lodge, Freemasonry is not a ritual, Freemasonry is an ideal. An ideal to be strived for and hopefully obtained. Freemasonry is not give and take. Freemasonry is GIVE in its entirety. If Freemasonry is GIVE it will work: it has to work.

Our Grand Master has a theme "Freemasonry in action". What could possibly be better than Freemasons being Freemasons? What better example could we set to the world than, not only to think like a mason, but to act like a Mason. Not for personal reward or esteem but for the benefit of the Craft.

Surely this is the best theme of all that we have the opportunity to progress as we wish for the benefit of Freemasonry, and when we benefit do not our brothers benefit? I move that it would be an irreplaceable loss if we did not grasp this opportunity whilst we are able to take it. Let us follow the path of Freemasonry as we think it should be followed. Let us show our new candidates by our example what Freemasonry has to offer. Only by adopting this attitude will we retain Freemasons as you brethren have retained me.

Although this has been a simple thesis simply put forward I would like it to be noted that I am grateful to the Most Worshipful Brother Rose of West Virginia who upon relinquishing the office of Grand Master gave a powerful eulogy extracts of which I took for my definition of Freemasonry.

FROM THE PAST

On July 18, 1942 the R.C.M.P. Schooner "St. Roch" set sail for the North West Passage. It was forced into Paisley Bay, Bothia Penninsula on September 10. The bay froze and the schooner was forced to spend the winter there. The Bay is near the Magnetic North Pole Latitude 70 40' N. 96 32'W. A cairn was built there and in it was deposited the September, 1940 issue of the Grand Lodge Bulletin. M.W. Bro. A.M. Mitchell, P.G.M. was the editor at the time. Recently the cairn was demolished and the copy of the Bulletin returned to the Grand Lodge Office. Sgt. Henry A. Larsen was the Commander of the "St. Roch". He was also a Mason.

This event took place during the Second World War and, appropriately Bro. Larsen wrote this on the top of the Bulletin, "May the world soon arise from Darkness and again let free men receive the great light of Freedom. God Bless Our King and Country.

It appears that Bro. Larsen was a member of Mount Newton Lodge No. 89 G.R.B.C.

Two articles of interest appeared in the Bulletin of September 1940.

I - THE EDITORIAL

Since our last issue much has happened to the world and to Masonry. In five more European countries the lights have gone out; five more European countries are under the heel of the conqueror and our own Motherland battles for her life.

Here in Canada we strive to do our part in defence of the freedom we cherish. That we shall fail is unthinkable but the time is here when acts and not talk are indispensible.

As citizens there is no need to doubt that the Masons of Alberta are doing their share. As Masons they have acted in two main directions, first by the generous gift of seventy-five hundred dollars to Canada's War Effort and the English Masonic War Charities and second by an active canvass and a generous response thereto for temporary homes for British Masonic Child Guests when the time comes for their journey to Canada and Alberta.

From a letter from the father of two of these children we quote the following: "I have had considerable misgivings about the value of our Order. Now these misgivings are gone. You have stretched your hand across the sea and offered to take my children away from events which, apart from the physical, might scar them for life. There are no words to convey thanks for that."

Many of us, like our good brother, have had misgivings about the

value of our Order in times like these and as many have thrown aside these misgivings in the face of opportunity to serve in this greatest of all emergencies, the fight for our very lives.

Now is the time, if ever, when we can translate our precepts and principles into action, and now is the time when as individuals we can check our own performance in the practice of brotherly love, relief and truth. Is your Masonry mere attendance at Lodge, mere lip service to great principles, mere rainbow chasing? Is it a cloak to be thrown aside when personal advantage offers? The future of Freemasonry hinges upon your answer to these questions for we are a band of brothers bound in fraternal ties to altruistic enterprise and each who fails or sells his bond for personal gain weakens the band and injures his brethren and himself.

As an Order our field of activity is limited, as citizens and members of this band of brothers, individual opportunity for service is everywhere and when we seize these opportunities, strong in our Masonic faith and act for the good of all men, we cannot fail to have marked influence on immediate society.

Nor need there be any flag waving or false evidence of patriotism. The man who does his duty as he sees it without fear or favor, keeping in mind the tenets to which as a Mason he has subscribed, is the man who best exemplifies Masonry in action now and at any time.

A.M.M.

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II - MASONRY DOWN NORTH

In these columns for January, 1939, was reported an interesting Masonic gathering, the first Masonic Lodge held north of the Arctic Circle on August 30th, 1938.

That meeting has been permanently recorded by the erection of a monument at Coppermine. The monument consists of a three foot granite pillar, weighing 445 lbs., supplied by the Alberta Granite, Marble and Stone Company, and bears a copper plaque with the following inscription:

HERE THE FIRST REGULAR MASONIC LODGE WAS HELD

North of the Arctic Circle, August 30, 1938,

by IVANHOE LODGE No. 142 of Edmonton, Alta.

E.J. Walli of Eldorado Mines was initiated by Special Dispensation of	
Grand Lodge of Alberta.	
Chas. E. Garnett, M.E.I.C.	W. Master
A.K. Muir, M.Sc.	Senior Warden
C.R. Harrison, D.S.O., M.C., D.F.C.	Junior Warden
J.B. Tyrrell, LL. D.	Chaplain
H. Larsen, R.C.M.P.	Senior Deacon
W.R. (Wop) May, O.B.E., D.F.C.	Junior Deacon
A. Copland, H.B.C.	Junior Steward
J.W. Nichols, H.B.C.	Secretary
J.D. Nicholson, R.C.M.P.	Tyler

In a cavity in the pillar was deposited a brass cylinder containing the story of the meeting and of those who took part and the memoranda regarding the monument itself.

Lat. 67º48'

Since much interest was evinced in the report of the meeting itself, we are glad to publish the data contained in the brass cylinder, which information was kindly supplied by Wor. Bro. C.E. Garnett, who acted as Worshipful Master at the original meeting.

Sergeant Henry Larsen, who acted as Senior Deacon, was in command of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police supply ship, St. Roch, which makes an annual voyage from Vancouver to the posts in the Western Arctic, with supplies for the Mounted Police posts. Sgt. Larsen was a member of the Mount Newton Lodge No. 89, Saanich, B.C.

On March 21, the Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Gordon Thompson and the Past Grand Master, M.W. Bro. Stan Harbin are to receive Honorary Life Memberships in Landmark Lodge, Lashburn, Saskatchewan. It is my intention to attend this function and as our Emergent Meeting is on the same night, the S.W. Bro. Bob Elliot will be chairing a quiz night.

Fraternally,
R.D. Lamont, W.M.
From the Lodge Notice of West Edmonton Lodge No. 101