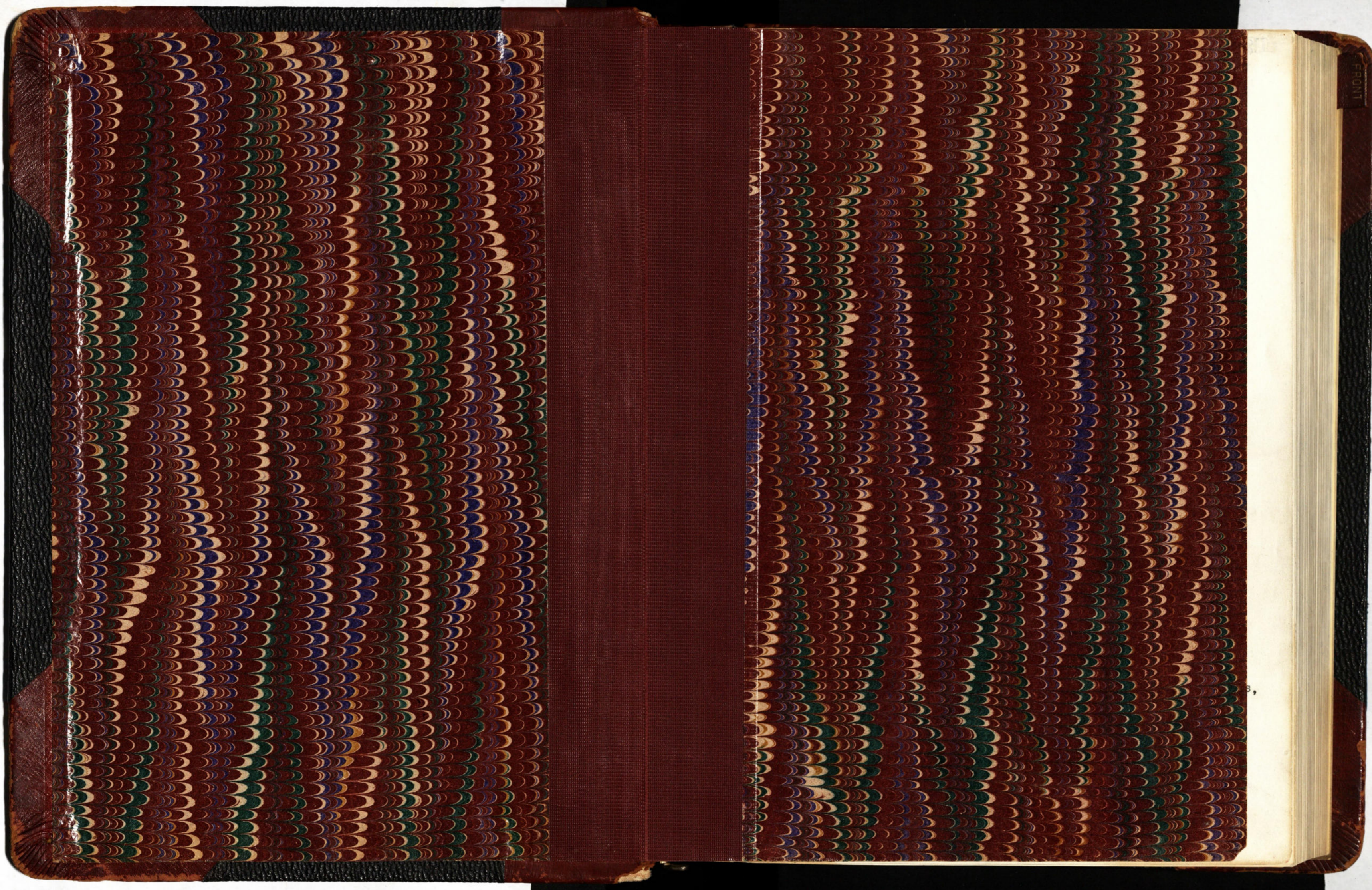


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Charter of Ashland No. 370 was arrested in 1888 and reorganized as Ashland Lodge No. 640 March 7, 1889, and chartered October 24, 1889, with the following officers: James G. Carter, Master; Willis Griffin, Senior Warden; Noah H. Tyree, Junior Warden; James Maret, Secretary; Willis Adams, Senior Deacon; F. Logan Thompson, Junior Deacon; Henry C. Braughton, Steward and Tyler. Ashland Lodge formerly owned its building in connection with the Christian Church, the fraternity using the second story. Six or eight years ago its interest in this building was sold and the second story of the concrete building at corner of Main and Second streets was purchased and commodiously fitted up for fraternity uses, including various rooms and a dining hall.

John W. Brown, of this Lodge, who is one of the strong lawyers of Kentucky, is, under the present Grand Lodge administration, a member of the Judiciary Committee of the Grand Lodge, which is the committee having in charge the consideration of all questions of legal nature coming before the Grand Lodge.

MEETING CREEK LODGE NO. 641

MEETING CREEK, HARDIN CO., KY.

Charter was granted by the Grand Lodge on the 24th., day of October, 1889.

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The Masonic Hall was dedicated November 20, 1890. Pending the dedication, the Lodge held a meeting in the Baptist Church just opposite the new hall. After the meeting closed, the members formed in procession, marched back to the hall and witnessed the dedicatory ceremonies by the officers of the Grand Lodge. Besides there and the members of Parkland Lodge, No. 638, there were visitors from other Masonic Lodges, and forty members from the Louisville Commandery No. 1. After the ceremonies were completed and the congratulations over, the members formed in procession and marched back to the Baptist Church where it opened Lodge on the M. M. degree. The Master, William H. Perrin, was present and being somewhat indisposed did not conduct the meeting. William H. Taylor acted Master at the opening of the Lodge.

The first regular meeting after the dedication of the Masonic Hall, was held there December 9, 1890, William W. Riggs acting Master. On the 27th., of December, the annual election of officers took place, and Dr. John W. Drake was elected Master of the Lodge for the year 1891. He endeavored to build up the Lodge as the former Master intended to do, but met with little success. His term of office having expired he was re-elected Master for the year 1892, and strove hard to make his second term a successful one but failed. It can be said truly that he was a zealous Master and performed his duties well. Demits occasionally showed up, and delinquencies, and remittances kept the Lodge at a standstill, or rather on the ragged edge, some of the members ambitious

to hold the Lodge membership together, made arrangements to give literary entertainments for the good of the order at each regular meeting.

In 1891 Masonic interest had flagged to such an extent that the Lodge was on the verge of disbanding.

On the 27th., of December, three years and six months after the first regular election of officers, William B. Tate, one of the first petitioners for membership in the Lodge was elected and installed as Master of the Lodge. He immediately set himself to work to revive the interest of the Craft. He was prompt in attending all Lodge meetings, and his conduct and bearing cemented the brothers more closely together. He made it his duty to visit every member in sickness. Under his administration Parkland Lodge took a new lease on life, he was re-elected and his second term was a most successful one. He was satisfied with the work he had accomplished, and declined to take the office for another term. A rising vote of thanks was then extended to him and the following testimonial of his worth spread upon the minutes of the Lodge:

"Brother William Brown Tate, rendered efficient service during the past two years, 1892-94, as Master of the Lodge, during which time it had grown from an almost disbanded condition to one of strength and prosperity."

His successor, Herbert V. Harris, showed ability as Master of the Lodge in many ways. A short song service after the meetings was one of the features he introduced, which did much good towards

building up its membership and keeping Lodge interest alive.

In 1899 the site on which the new Parkland Masonic Hall now stands, was purchased and paid for.

William A. Groves, who was elected to the Master's chair by a handsome majority, exceeded the expectation of his friends; he was awake, alert, and steadfast in his purpose to see the Lodge prosper; a tireless and persistent hustler for the St. John's Day League, he raised about \$9000.00 for the Masonic Widows' and Orphans' Home in a day and a night.

The membership of the Lodge is now over four hundred.

This Lodge has established an Employment Bureau which looks after Masons out of employment and puts them in touch with those who seek employees. The jobless brother is thus helped to help himself. It is a noble work and noble men are doing it.

WOODSTOCK LODGE NO. 639

WOODSTOCK, PULASKI CO., KY.

Chartered October 24, 1899. Reports twelve members.





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This Lodge was granted a dispensation under the name of Hardin Lodge. First meeting under dispensation was held July 27, 1889, for the purpose of organizing the Lodge and installing its officers, when the following were elected and installed: Anderson S. Decker, Master; P. A. Cundiff, Senior Warden; Isaac Hicks, Junior Warden; Squire H. Reed, Treasurer; Jerry Adams, Secretary; Richard A. Goodman, Steward and Tyler.

This Lodge reported a membership of ten to the Grand Lodge of 1913.

In December, 1916, a storm swept the roof from the building in which the Lodge meetings were held and destroyed the Lodge Charter and most of the Lodge properties.

CROSSLAND LODGE NO. 642

CROSSLAND, CALLOWAY CO., KY.

Crossland Lodge No. 642, was organized October 24, 1889, with R. C. Williams, Master, John Nance, Senior Warden; William C. Moore, Junior Warden. In October 1897, the Charter was arrested by the Grand Lodge for non-payment of dues.

FREEDOM LODGE NO. 643

SUNNY BROOK, WAYNE CO., KY.

Chartered October 24, 1889. Reports fifty-one members.

CUBA LODGE NO. 644

CUBA, GRAVES CO., KY.

Chartered October 24, 1889. Reports twenty-eight members.

POWELL LODGE NO. 645

CLAY CITY, POWELL CO., KY.

Chartered October 3, 1890. Forfeited its Charter February 6, 1917, for non payment of Grand Lodge dues. This indebtedness having been fully paid, the Charter was restored March 9, 1917.

ROBERT CLARK LODGE NO. 646

SEXTON'S CREEK, CLAY CO., KY.

This Lodge was set to work under dispensation April 19, 1890, by J. F. Herd, of New Hope Lodge 564 acting as proxy of the Grand Master. The Charter members were: Thomas Kidd, W. M.; Charles Scott, Senior Warden, from 564; James Sandlin, Junior Warden, from No. 564; W. M. Halcomb, Secretary, from No. 601; Robert Clark, Treasurer, from No. 564; Henry C. Sandlin, Senior Deacon, from No. 564; N. M. Clark, Junior Deacon, from No. 601; J. G. Halcomb from No. 601, H. J. Clark, Tyler, from No. 601.

Charter was granted October 18, 1890. The men who organized this Lodge were among the pioneer Masons of Clay County and of that hardy fiber of which strong men are made.

To build a suitable hall to house their new Lodge, these men had to haul lumber eleven miles, over a mountain road, in a wagon drawn by four oxen, and the oxen helped with hand spikes at many

places when the axles were hidden in the mud.

The Lodge was named for Robert Clark, its first treasurer, one of the Charter members, ex-sheriff of the county and one of the best beloved men in his section of the State.

This Lodge has ninety active members, meets in its own building, in a hall well supplied with suitable furniture and paraphernalia. With old men to teach and to advise, the active management of the Lodge is in the hands of young men who manifest a very great interest in things Masonic, and who have made the local organization a pronounced influence for good in the community and a source of pleasure and of pride to the Craft.

FLIPPIN LODGE NO. 647

FLIPPIN, MONROE CO., KY.

Flippin Lodge No. 647, F. & A. M., located at Flippin, Kentucky was chartered October 3, 1890. Joseph H. Loyd, Master; G. C. Gillenwaters, Senior Warden; E. T. Thomas, Junior Warden. Charter members: C. H. C. Young, W. C. Bocket, Sam M. Jenkins, W. H. Maxey.

The Lodge rented the upper room of the public school building where it met from date of organization until January 23, 1904, on which date it met in its hall which had been purchased by a committee appointed on December 28, 1903.

VIENNA LODGE NO. 648  
CALHOUN, McCLAIN CO., KY.

Chartered October 3, 1890, burned January 8, 1908. New Charter issued October 21, 1908. Reports one hundred and ten members.

BREATHITT LODGE NO. 649  
JACKSON, BREATHITT CO., KY.

Chartered October 3, 1890. Reports two hundred and fifteen members.

COLUMBUS LODGE NO. 650  
COLUMBUS, HICKMAN CO., KY.

Grand Master W. W. Clarke granted a dispensation on December 21, 1890, to eight petitioners, to establish a Lodge at Columbus to be called Columbus Lodge U. D.

The petitioners were: L. W. Schenk, Master; E. Rowley, Senior Warden; W. N. Ditto, Junior Warden; W. F. Cowles, Secretary; J. M. Gest, Treasurer; J. W. Williams, Senior Deacon; Wm. Rucker, Junior Deacon and H. F. Roberts, Tyler.

The Lodge was set to work by J. R. Owen, as proxy of the Grand Master, January 7, 1890. October 3, 1890 dispensation was continued for one year on request of members.

Charter was granted October 8, 1891.

## BEVIS LODGE NO. 651

ALCORN, JACKSON CO., KY.

Bevis Lodge No. 651 was organized or set to work Under Dispensation August 9, 1890 at the House of J. T. Lainhart near Alcorn Post Office, Jackson County, by O. D. Henderson, Master of Lodge 437, assisted by the following brethren: Charles Rice, Senior Warden; James Flinn, Junior Warden; Andy Richardson, Treasurer; W. L. Rice, Secretary; Ben Cox, Senior Deacon; James Godey, Junior Deacon; Walter Richardson, Steward and Tyler. The following officers of the new Lodge were then installed: W. L. Harrison, Master; A. H. Williams, Senior Warden; W. B. Hymer, Junior Warden; Elihu Rose, Treasurer; J. B. Harrison, Secretary; Tyra Lainhart, Senior Deacon; Nat Rose, Junior Deacon; J. T. Lainhart, Steward and Tyler.

Thus organized the new Lodge worked under dispensation until October 20, 1891, when it was set to work under Charter by John W. Fowler, Master of Indian Creek Lodge 614.

## CRAYCROFT LODGE NO. 652

SYLVAN DELL, HARRISON CO., KY.

This Lodge is located near Sylvan Dell, Harrison County, about eight miles North-east from Cynthiana, the county seat. The Lodge was organized and set to work by W. T. Lafferty, acting proxy for Grand Master Charles F. Fisk, in the year of 1890, with thirteen Charter members: Zack W. Lee, first Master; John E. Masters, first Senior Warden; Willoughby Harning, first Junior

Warden; David Alexander, first Secretary; Samuel W. Craycroft, first Treasurer, S. Thomas Lee, First Tyler.

Charter members: Zack W. Lee, John E. Masters, Willoughby Harning, David Alexander, John B. Colvin, William M. Lowe, William Smith, Nicholas C. Marsh, S. Thomas Lee, Samuel W. Crafcroft, James A. Smith, Moses Florence and Henry H. Harding, most of whom came from Orient Lodge No. 500.

The Lodge was named in honor of Samuel W. Craycroft who donated the site where the hall stands.

The meeting night is on Saturday on or before the full moon in each month.

A fact that is worthy to mention is that John S. Wagoner and seven sons are members of this Lodge.

ELLIOTT LODGE NO. 653

STARK, ELLIOTT CO., KY.

Elliott Lodge No. 653, was chartered October 8, 1891 with the following as Charter members: John A. Leedy, Jacob McDowell, H. C. Cox, W. H. Flanery, G. W. Renfroe, J. M. Porter, L. L. Goodman, W. A. Thompson, Flanery Horton, Huston Flanery, F. M. Mauk, J. H. Leedy, J. W. Rose, J. C. Kegley, D. G. Kegley, Wm. Mauk, R. D. Leadingham, Wm. Green, J. E. Cox, Willis W. Johnson, J. P. Creech, J. W. Barber, J. K. P. Horton, J. G. Whitt, A. B. Duvall, E. S. Leedy, J. C. Hay, J. J. Ross, J. M. Fraley, C. S. Bryant, Samuel Renfroe. The first officers were: W. A. Thompson, Master; J. H. Flanery, Senior Warden, H. C. Cox, Junior Warden.

Since this Lodge has been instituted there have been admitted



and initiated eighty-seven members, making with Charter members a total of one hundred and eighteen, of this number there have been suspended twenty-nine, demitted forty-four, died twelve, present membership thirty-three.

Some of the members of this Lodge have held the highest offices in the county, viz: County Judge, Sheriff, County Attorney, and School Commissioner and member of the State Legislature.

The Lodge is located in a mountain farming district with bad roads and other inconveniences of travel, but with all of these disadvantages interest in Masonry is upon the average and attendance fairly good.

MOREHEAD LODGE NO. 654

MOREHEAD, ROWAN CO., KY.

Chartered October 8, 1891. Reports one hundred and eight members.

GREENVILLE LODGE NO. 655

CANEY, MORGAN CO., KY.

Chartered October 8, 1891. Old Charter having been reported lost a new one was issued October 18, 1899. Reports sixty-two members.

MAYTOWN LODGE NO. 656

MAYTOWN, MORGAN CO., KY.

Chartered October 8, 1891. Reports twenty-nine members.

## EAST POINT LODGE NO. 657

EAST POINT, JOHNSON CO., KY.

Chartered October 8, 1891. Reports ninety-six members.

## VERTREES LODGE NO. 658

VERTREES, HARDIN CO., KY.

Granted dispensation March 4, 1891. First meeting held April 11, 1891. Chartered October 8, 1891.

The Charter members were T. W. Pirtle, W. P. Crume, G. L. Crume, B. F. Duvall, G. L. Hodges, M. N. Cralle, O. B. Funk, D. E. Shipley and R. L. Taber.

One of the Masters of the Lodge, J. K. Board, was educated at the Masonic Orphans Home and has served the County as Assessor and as a member of the Fiscal Court. I. F. Groves, a member of this Lodge, has been Sheriff of Hardin County, and C. L. Crume, another member, Clerk of the Hardin Circuit Court.

## KELSEY LODGE NO. 659

STURGIS, UNION CO., KY.

Chartered October 8, 1891. Reports one hundred members.

## GRAND RIVERS LODGE NO. 660

GRAND RIVERS, LIVINGSTON CO., KY.

Chartered October 8, 1891. Reports thirty-one members.

PINNACLE LODGE NO. 661  
MIDDLESBORO, BELL CO., KY.

Chartered October 8, 1891. Reports one hundred and fifty-one members.

SHELBY LODGE NO. 662  
WADDY, SHELBY CO., KY.

Chartered October 9, 1891. Burned June, 1895. New Charter issued October 16, 1895. Reports sixty members.

DALTON LODGE NO. 663  
DALTON, HOPKINS CO., KY.

Chartered October 19, 1892. Reports fifteen members.

HYDEN LODGE NO. 664  
HYDEN, LESLIE CO., KY.

Chartered October 19, 1892. Reports eighty-two members.

CARRSVILLE LODGE NO. 665  
CARRSVILLE, LIVINGSTON CO., KY.

Chartered October 19, 1892, became defunct October 20, 1898.

WALLINS CREEK LODGE NO. 666  
WALLINS CREEK, HARLAN CO., KY.

Organized under Charter from the Grand Lodge of Kentucky October 19, 1892, is situated in the beautiful little town of Wallins Creek, Kentucky, in the midst of the coal mining section of the State, its membership at present is forty-two.

The Lodge owns its meeting place and is in prosperous condition with Masonic enthusiasm wide awake.

PELLVILLE LODGE NO. 667  
PELLVILLE, HANCOCK CO., KY.

This Lodge was organized October 19, 1892. The Charter members were, Mortimer Mosely(Master), Michael Stephens(Senior Warden), Andrew J. Aberchain(Junior Warden), Solomon Aberchain, Asa J. Skinner, Samuel J. Haynes, Amos T. Skinner, G. L. Morrison, all of whom were living in 1915 except three.

The present membership of the Lodge is forty-four.

In November, 1902, the organization of Floral Lodge No. 748, lessened the territorial jurisdiction of this Lodge, but did not impair its strength.

COOPER LODGE NO. 668  
CORBIN, WHITLEY CO., KY.

Chartered October 19, 1892. Reports two hundred and forty-five members.

GUTHRIE LODGE NO. 669

GUTHRIE, TODD CO., KY.

Chartered October 19, 1892. Reports fifty-nine members.

ANDY BOWEN LODGE NO. 670

SPURLINGTON, TAYLOR CO., KY.

Chartered October 17, 1893. Reports nineteen members.

CROTONA LODGE NO. 671

CAYCE, FULTON CO., KY.

Chartered October 17, 1893. Burned July 1, 1906. New  
Charter granted October 17, 1906. Reports sixty-eight members.

CRESCENT LODGE NO. 672

INEZ, MARTIN CO., KY.

Chartered October 17, 1893. Reports fifty members.

CENTRAL LODGE NO. 673

CENTRAL CITY, MUHLENBERG CO., KY.

January 28, 1893, in Lacefields Hall over where H. Miller now conducts his store, Central Lodge U. D., was set to work by R. W. Adams, commissioned to act as proxy for Grand Master, J. Speed Smith. The following were the first officers and Charter members: R. L. Hendrick, Master; J. J. Lancaster, Senior Warden; W. P. Scott, Junior Warden, T. L. Roll, Treasurer; R. W. Adams,

Secretary; M. T. Cain, Senior Deacon; S. J. Cates, Sr., Junior Deacon; W. A. Perkins, Steward and Tyler; M. P. Creel, B. F. Creel, W. W. Griffifth, L. N. Perkins, W. B. Smith, S. Lacefield.

October 24, 1893, J. W. Wheeldon, proxy of the Grand Master, set the Lodge to work under the name of Central Lodge No. 673. The Lodge held its meetings for a time in Lacefield's Hall, then in McDowell Hall, then in Morton's Hall. In the spring of 1904, it was planned to build a hall of its own which was carried into effect that year.

In growth and membership the Lodge has shown a steady increase. Only one member of this Lodge has held a Grand Lodge office. R. L. Hendrick(now deceased) having been appointed Grand Junior Deacon.

Of the original fourteen Charter members there only remain four, namely: T. L. Roll, M. T. Cain, W. W. Griffifth, S. J. Cates. The present membership is one hundred and twenty-six.

BIG SPRING LODGE NO. 674

BIG SPRING, MEADE CO., KY.

Chartered October 17, 1893, became defunct October 1896.

HARTFORD LODGE NO. 675

HARTFORD, OHIO CO., KY.

Dispensation was granted to Hartford Lodge by William B. Allen, Grand Master in the year 1847.

The Lodge was set to work by Hiram A. Hunter, Past Master of Owensboro Lodge No. 130, March the 31st, 1847.

R. G. Gardner was the first Master; W. J. Berry, Senior Warden; J. W. Lewis, Junior Warden; Thomas C. Taylor, Secretary; Erastus Smith, Senior Deacon; C. J. Kelly, Junior Deacon and Thomas Lawton, Steward and Tyler.

Charter was granted the new Lodge, under the name of Hartford Lodge No. 156, September 2, 1847.

Hartford Lodge No. 156 prospered for many years, many of its members were great and good men and Masons and their influence for good was felt throughout Ohio and adjoining counties, and at this date, all but three have gone to join that Lodge above where the Grand Master of the Universe presides.

For some unknown cause, the members became careless, lukewarm and indifferent, and for failing to pay Grand Lodge dues for the years 1882, 1883, 1884 and 1885, the Charter of the Lodge was arrested by Grand Master B. G. Witt, July 10th., 1886, and Hartford Lodge No. 156 was no more.

There was no Masonic Lodge at Hartford from the year 1886 until the year 1892, when William H. Moore, Gabriel J. Bean, Joe B. Rogers, James Sullenger, Daniel F. Tracy, Thomas J. Smith, A. D. White, Louis Guenther, John C. Riley and H. Weinsheimer petitioned the Grand Lodge of Kentucky for a dispensation and Cromwell Lodge No. 420 recommended that same be granted.

Grand Master J. Speed Smith, issued a dispensation on January the 18th., 1893, and deputized J. P. McKinney, J. P. Miller and Joe Harder to set the Lodge to work, and on Monday evening, April 3, 1893, they with a number of other brothers, organized

Hartford Lodge U. D., and the Lodge worked under dispensation until the 17th., day of October 1893, when a Charter was granted and the Lodge became Hartford Lodge No. 675, F. & A. M.

The first officers of Hartford Lodge No. 675 were William H. Moore, Master; G. J. Bean, Senior Warden; James Sullenger, Junior Warden; A. D. White, Treasurer; H. Weinsheimer, Secretary; S. F. Tracy, Senior Deacon; Louis Guenther, Junior Deacon and Joe B. Rogers, Steward and Tyler.

All of those have joined the Grand Lodge above, except William H. Moore, Joe B. Rogers and A. D. White.

The first petition for initiation was that of Doctor A. B. Baird, which was received on May 1, 1893, and he was accepted and initiated on June 5, 1893.

Hartford Lodge No. 675 is in its twenty-fourth year; twenty different members have served as Master during those years; W. N. Stevens having served two years and C. M. Crowe is now serving the fourth year.

Many of its members have held positions of honor and trust; many of them have been successful financially and professionally, and many of them are now among the leading professional and business men of the County and State.

The Lodge is in a prosperous condition, has a membership of one hundred, owns a one-half interest in lodge building (brick), which cost \$7,000.00; indebtedness about \$1400.00; has two regular monthly meetings (first and third Monday nights); brotherly love prevails and the brethren happy.



HAZARD LODGE NO. 676

HAZARD, PERRY CO., KY.

Hazard Lodge No. 676 was organized in 1893, with I. J. Ward, first Master, F. B. Feltner, First Senior Warden, and J. C. Boggs, first Junior Warden.

Hazard, at this time, was a very small town but composed of some good men who became interested in Masonic work, the Lodge grew slowly but surely, starting with thirty-five Charter members, the membership increased rapidly; then a demit was granted to establish Yerkes Lodge No. 857, thus lowering the membership, but because of increase in population and interest in Masonic work, the membership has increased to one hundred and six, composed of the best citizens of Perry County, who individually and collectively, and as a Lodge, has always stood for a high standard in society and has upheld the standard among its members which has been an incentive to the neighborhood to rise to higher things.

This Lodge has undergone many hardships and suffered heavy losses. The greatest of all was the loss of its temple by fire in 1909, together with furniture, working tools, and regalia. No insurance, hence a total loss. But the Charter was saved. The Lodge communications were then held in the court house where again its regalia was completely destroyed when the court house burned in 1911. The Lodge owns a lot worth perhaps \$3000.00, upon which to erect a Masonic Temple in the near future.

## SACRAMENTO LODGE NO. 677

SACRAMENTO, McLEAN CO., KY.

Chartered October 17, 1893, having failed to make return and pay dues had its Charter arrested October 20, 1897.

## FULTON LODGE NO. 678

HICKMAN, FULTON CO., KY.

Fulton Lodge U. D., at Hickman, Fulton County, was chartered October 19, 1893, as Fulton Lodge No. 678. Joshua Nailor, Master; C. H. Bottzer, Senior Warden; W. E. Lumley, Junior Warden. The Lodge after an uneventful career surrendered its Charter August 7, 1900.

## MAYFIELD LODGE NO. 679

MAYFIELD, GRAVES CO., KY.

Chartered October 17, 1893. Reports seventy-four members.

## PINE GROVE LODGE NO. 680

BECKNERVILLE, CLARKE CO., KY.

Chartered October 17, 1894. Reports twenty-eight members.

## WORTHVILLE LODGE NO. 681

WORTHVILLE, CARROLL CO., KY.

Chartered October 17, 1893. This Lodge has lost part of its minute books. It has a membership of forty-nine. In 1898

the Lodge bought ground for a cemetery.

SALT LICK LODGE NO. 682

SALT LICK, BATH CO., KY.

Chartered October 17, 1893. Burned August 28, 1899. New Charter granted October 19, 1899.

HANSON LODGE NO. 683

HANSON, HOPKINS CO., KY.

Hanson Lodge No. 683, was granted a Charter October 17, 1894, and continued until July 10, 1899, and handed up its commission.

ST. HELENS LODGE NO. 684

ST. HELENS, LEE CO., KY.

St. Helens Lodge No. 684, was organized at St. Helens, Lee County, Kentucky, October 7, 1893. Held their first session under Dispensation of date September 19, 1893.

J. M. Beatty, Worshipful Master, of Proctor Lodge No. 213, proxy for Grand Master, installed the following appointed officers, viz: Charles D. Tyler, Master; James M. Thomas, Senior Warden; William Robinson, Junior Warden; G. D. Hierenmus, Treasurer; J. G. Thomas, Secretary; W. B. Lucas, Senior Deacon; Letcher Snowden, Junior Deacon; Patton Coomer, Tyler.

The first year the membership increased from nine to nineteen. The Charter was granted October 17, 1894.

Among the membership of the Lodge may be found nearly every Gospel Minister in the jurisdiction regardless of Creed or denomination. The moral, social and charitable influence, of the Lodge is recognized by the whole community, both the initiated and uninitiated.

LOGANSPORT LODGE NO. 685  
LOGANSPORT, BUTLER CO., KY.

Chartered October 16, 1894. Reports twenty-seven members.

FILSON LODGE NO. 686  
BOWEN, POWELL CO., KY.

Chartered October 17, 1894. Burned September 11, 1898. New Charter granted October 19, 1899.

CAMP KNOX LODGE NO. 687  
CAMP KNOX, GREEN CO., KY.

Chartered October 17, 1894. Reports eight members.

EMULATION LODGE NO. 688  
SHARPSVILLE, WASHINGTON CO., KY.

In the spring of 1894, Thomas G. Dennis, William S. Y. Goodlet, George W. Royalty, William D. Sharp, Winfield S. Colvin, George W. Shirley, Samuel E. Corn and John H. Young, petitioned the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky to grant them a

Dispensation to establish a Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons at Sharpville, Washington County, Kentucky.

On the 25th., day of June, 1894, the Dispensation was issued but for some reason the Lodge was not set to work until the 15th., day of September, 1894. On that day John W. Reed, Past Master of T. N. Wise Lodge No. 349, Dugansville, Kentucky, acting as the proxy of the Grand Master, called the brethren together in an upper room of W. S. Y. Goodlet's residence and set the Lodge to work, by installing the following members as officers, viz: Thomas G. Dennis, Master; William S. Y. Goodlet, Senior Warden; George W. Royalty, Junior Warden; William D. Sharp, Treasurer; Winfield S. Colvin, Secretary; George W. Shirley, Senior Deacon; Samuel E. Corn, Junior Deacon; John H. Young, Tyler.

The meetings were held in W. S. Y. Goodlet's room for four or five months and then over J. W. Graham's store until the completion of the Lodge Hall in July, 1895.

Though the Craft had held but one meeting previous to the meeting of the Grand Lodge in October 1894, yet by paying dues and Home Assessment their representative was received on the same terms as those given representatives whose Lodges had sent in their reports on the 31st., of August.

The Dispensation granted was renewed in 1895 and 1896 and the Lodge continued under the administration of the same officers.

At the meeting of the Grand Lodge in 1897, a Charter was granted under the name and style of Emulation Lodge No. 688. On the 20th., day of November, 1897, at the thirty-ninth stated communication of the Lodge U. D., the Craft were called to order

by S. B. Noel, Past Master of J. Speed Smith Lodge No. 298, Willisburg, Kentucky, acting as the proxy of the Grand Master, and he as such proxy installed the officers and set the Lodge to work.

On the 27th of December, 1897, the following officers were elected and installed for the ensuing year, viz: W. S. Colvin, Master; C. E. Gibson, Senior Warden; S. E. Corn, Junior Warden; George W. Shirley, Treasurer; T. D. Graham, Secretary; C. C. Foster,, Senior Deacon; D. C. Deeringer, Junior Deacon; J. E. Deeringer, Tyler.

There was increase in the membership in 1898.

The Craft own their own Hall, which was built in 1895 at a cost of three hundred dollars. It is built over a store room belonging to the Sharpsville Mill Company, and its dimensions are 22x28 feet. It is fairly well supplied with all the fixtures usually found in well regulated lodges.

The Lodge has at no time paid any large sums for charity; but small bequests are frequent and in the aggregate would amount to a very considerable sum.

The membership is made up of men of small purses but big hearts and fearless breasts. T. D. Graham has served the County as Assessor, and as a Representative in the General Assembly. Samuel D. Hale is now Deputy Sheriff, serving his second term. W. S. Colvin, J. A. Coulter and C. C. Foster have each filled the office of Justice of the Peace. W. G. Bowen, also served two or three terms as Deputy Sheriff. J. W. Graham, C. B. Graham, James H. Sea and T. G. Dennis, are or have been in the merchandise business and the latter is also in the undertaking

business. W. D. Sharp, W. S. Y. Goodlett, J. E. Deeringer, D. C. Deeringer and Isaac Armstrong have been engaged in milling. R. T. Adams is a physician, the other members are farmers.

None better knows than the Chairman of this Committee that they keep full cribs, well filled smoke houses, bulging larders and unaffected generous welcome for their friends.

HINDMAN LODGE NO. 689

HINDMAN, KNOTT CO., KY.

Chartered October 17, 1894. Reports sixty-three members.

JOHN PITTMAN LODGE NO. 690

EAST BERNSTADT, LAUREL CO., KY.

Chartered October 17, 1894. Reports fifty-five members.

BELL LODGE NO. 691

PINEVILLE, BELL CO., KY.

Josh Bell, now Bell County, Kentucky, was formed in 1867. Before that time, the territory was partly in Knox and partly in Harlan County, Kentucky. The whole territory was in the jurisdiction of Mountain Lodge No. 187, located at Barbourville, Knox County, Kentucky.

The facts about the establishment of the first Masonic Lodge in Josh Bell County are meagre. The first Lodge was chartered October 24, 1873, with James Gibson as Master, and it was known as the Pineville Lodge No. 534, located at Pineville, Kentucky,

the county seat. The Lodge grew in membership for a while, and numbered at the most about forty members. The territory was sparsely settled and of course the material to draw from was not plentiful. In about the year 1884, the interest in the Lodge began to wane, the members ceased to attend or pay dues, and it was finally decided that it was best that the Lodge should cease and go out of existence. Its Charter was therefore arrested by the Grand Lodge for non-payment of dues, by the Grand Master, James D. Black, October 23, 1889.

In the year 1888, the boom started in Bell County, and the population increased rapidly, but there was no effort to establish a Masonic Lodge at the county seat until 1894.

On October 17, 1894, Grand Master, James W. Staton, granted a dispensation, empowering Bell Lodge to act, and commissioned Daniel Boone Faulkner of Mountain Lodge No. 187, Barbourville, Kentucky, as his proxy, to open and set to work, under dispensation, a Lodge of Master Masons in Pineville, Kentucky. Pursuant to that authority, Mr. Faulkner, Past Master, and as proxy of the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, called the members to order in Pineville, Kentucky, November 17, 1894, read his commission, opened the Lodge, presided as Master with J. E. Musson as Senior Warden, J. R. Rice, Junior Warden, J. C. Clark, Secretary pro tem, E. Hurst, Treasurer pro tem, C. J. Hargis, Senior Deacon, J. M. Unthank, Junior Deacon, W. D. Rollins, Tyler and Steward pro tem. There were present at this meeting besides the officers above mentioned, M. J. Moss and J. L. McCoy, Master Masons, and W. M. Bingham, Past Master. The Worhsipful Master



then proceeded to hold an election for Secretary and Tyler, with the following results: James H. Jeffries, Secretary; W. D. Rollins, Steward and Tyler. The Lodge fixed the second Monday and fourth Saturday of each month at seven o'clock P. M., for its regular meetings.

The next meeting was held November 24, 1894, fourth Saturday, and there were three petitions for initiation, and one for recommendation for demit from the Grand Lodge. The minutes of the meeting are signed by W. M. Bingham, W. M., and M. J. Moss, Sec'y pro tem.

This Lodge continued Under Dispensation about one year and held its last meeting on September 28, 1895, and during the year the membership increased until it numbered twenty-three. The Lodge, during the year, initiated, passed and raised, Dr. John S. Ward, W. W. Duffield, C. W. Metcalf, Robert Asher, Joe H. Davis, John E. Howard, L. K. Rice, and D. B. Logan. It initiated and passed J. B. Fields, and initiated Wm. Low. The dues to the Grand Lodge for the year 1895 were \$46.00. The membership on September 28, 1895, was as follows: W. M. Bingham, J. R. Rice, J. E. Musson, E. Hurst, James H. Jeffries, C. J. Hargis, J. L. McCoy, W. D. Rollins, J. M. Unthank, J. C. Clark, M. J. Moss, Andy B. Smith, D. B. Logan, Joe H. Davis, Robert Asher, C. W. Metcalf, John S. Ward, W. W. Duffield; Ballinger Calloway, John E. Howard, L. K. Rice, Master Masons; J. B. Fields, Fellow Craft, and Wm. Low, Entered Apprentice.

On the 16th., day of October, 1895, the Grand Lodge of Kentucky granted a Charter, creating and constituting a Lodge of

Free and Accepted Masons at Pineville, Kentucky, known as Bell Lodge No. 691, and named William M. Bingham to be first Master, John E. Musson, to be first Senior Warden, and John R. Rice, to be first Junior Warden. This Charter is signed by H. H. Holeman, Grand Master, F. C. Gerard, Deputy Grand Master, R. F. Peak, Grand Senior Warden, R. H. Thompson, Grand Junior Warden, and H. B. Grant, Grand Secretary, and bears the seal of the Grand Lodge.

On the same day, the Grand Master in writing appointed and commissioned as his proxy, Past Master and Past Grand Master, James D. Black, of Barbourville, Kentucky, to assemble the brethren constituting the new Lodge at Pineville, Kentucky, and there to open and set to work the Lodge.

Pursuant to this Charter and authority, James D. Black called together the members, Master Masons of Bell Lodge, on Monday, November 4, 1895, at the Hall of the Lodge in Pineville, Ky., at seven o'clock P. M., and proceeded with the work, and appointed John E. Musson, Senior Warden pro tem, John R. Rice, Junior Warden pro tem, James H. Jeffries, Secretary pro tem, Elijah Hurst, Treasurer pro tem, John L. McCoy, Senior Deacon pro tem, Charles J. Hargis, Junior Deacon pro tem, and William D. Rollins, Tyler pro tem, and opened a Lodge of Master Masons. He then read the Charter and commission of proxy, and held an election for Secretary and Treasurer and Tyler, with the following results; for Secretary, James H. Jeffries; for Treasurer, Elijah Hurst; for Tyler, William D. Rollins. John L. McCoy was appointed Senior Deacon, and Charles J. Hargis, Junior Deacon.

The aforesaid officers were then installed and the Lodge set to work, and designated as Bell Lodge No. 691. The first meeting of the Lodge was attended by seventeen of the members of Bell Lodge, and three visitors, besides Past Grand Master James D. Black.

From this beginning, the Lodge has continued until, at the present time, August 31, 1914, the membership numbers one hundred and twenty-one, and includes some of the best men of the community. Since November, 1895, the Lodge has raised to the sublime degree of Master Masons one hundred and fifteen, Fellow Crafts on an average of about six per year. The Lodge is in strong condition financially, but does not own its hall. It owns a lot in the cemetery in Pineville Kent for the interment of members of the Craft who die and need burial.

CROMWELL LODGE NO. 692

CROMWELL, OHIO CO., KY.

Chartered October 16, 1895, as High View Lodge No. 692.  
October 20, 1898 named changed to Cromwell Lodge. Charter burned June 11, 1904 and new one issued by Grand Lodge in October 1904.

PETERSBURG LODGE NO. 693

PETERSBURG, BOONE CO., KY.

Petersburg Lodge No. 693, was chartered October 16, 1895, surrendering its Charter to the Grand Lodge September 3, 1903.

## CRITTENDEN LODGE NO. 694

CRITTENDEN, GRANT CO., KY.

Chartered October 16, 1895. Reports twenty-seven members.

## ATTILLA LODGE NO. 695

ATTILLA, LARUE CO., KY.

Granted dispensation May 15, 1895, and set to work by James C. Jones, of Buffalo Lodge No. 570, as proxy of the Grand Master. Charter granted October 20, 1897. James C. Jones again officiating as proxy of the Grand Master. It reports twenty-one members.

## ELKIN LODGE NO. 696

ELKIN, CLARK CO., KY.

Chartered October 21, 1896. Charter burned October 1, 1908. New Charter granted October 21, 1908. Reports forty-one members.

## HIGH KNOB LODGE NO. 697

HIGH KNOB, JACKSON CO., KY.

Charter granted October 21, 1896. The present location is near the headwaters of Big Sextons Creek, about one and a half miles from its former location in Clay County. The Lodge was moved to Jackson County after after the building of a Lodge room there.

The house is frame, sealed and weather boarded, one story in height, with ante room, and Lodge Hall, about twenty by thirty

feet in dimension, situated on a high hill top about fourteen or fifteen hundred feet above sea level, with a fine view of the surrounding country. The Craft now own one-half the Hall, having sold half the building to the Knights of Pythias.

John William Mullins, the first Master, was County Judge of this county for one term, and W. A. Cope represented the County in the State Legislature.

RIO VERDE LODGE NO. 698

HARDYVILLE, HART CO., KY.

Chartered October 21, 1896. Meets at Gilead Hall. Reports sixty-seven members.

RICHARDSON LODGE NO. 699

RICHARDSON, LAWRENCE CO., KY.

Chartered October 20, 1897. Reports twenty-five members.

MARSHALL LODGE NO. 700

PORT ROYAL, HENRY CO., KY.

The first meeting of the parent Lodge was held on September 9, 1865, and was known as Port Royal Lodge U. D., granted by J. D. Landrum, Grand Master, with the following officers: T. J. Bourne, Master; William Duderson, Senior Warden; M. S. Montgomery, Junior Warden, and worked as such until November 12, 1866, when a Charter was granted, and it became known as Marshall Lodge No. 427, and continued as such until December 9,

1866, when it surrendered its Charter.

The Lodge is named in honor Mrs. Judith L. Marshall.

On March 14, 1896, a number of the old members applied for a new Charter, as Port Royal Lodge U. D., with the following officers: Robert Gruss, Master; Sam Dunaway, Senior Warden; S. K. Jones, Junior Warden.

October 21, 1896, a Charter was granted as Marshall Lodge No. 700, and has continued as such up to the present time.

#### BENTON LODGE NO. 701

BENTON, MARSHALL CO., KY.

Benton Lodge No. 701, formerly existed as No. 205, dispensation for which was granted some time prior to August 1849. This dispensation was renewed in August 1849, and a Charter was granted by the Grand Lodge in August, 1850, with R. E. Rowland as Master. The Lodge had a membership of thirty-seven in 1858. No record of this Lodge later than 1874 can be found. At that time it had a membership of seventy-four and it became defunct in 1879. On June 25, 1896, the present Lodge was set to work U. D., by J. E. Wilhelm, of Paducah, proxy of the Grand Master, with Warner Moore, Jr., Master, B. F. Hall, Senior Warden, R. L. Shemwell, Junior Warden, and T. H. Hall, Secretary, and with a membership of twenty-three. A Charter was granted October 21, 1896, and the Lodge was designated therein as Benton Lodge No. 701 under which title it has since said date regularly worked. On December 8, 1911, the hall owned by the Lodge together with all the lodge

paraphernalia and Charter was destroyed by fire. The records were saved. A dispensation was immediately granted by Grand Master, Dave Jackson, and the lodge thus worked until Grand Lodge Communication in 1912, when a Charter was granted in lieu of the one burned. The Lodge now has sixty-four members, six of whom are Charter members.

## SCOTT LODGE NO. 702

STAMPING GROUND, SCOTT CO., KY.

Chartered October 21, 1896. Reports sixty-eight members.

## BUSH LODGE NO. 703

LIDA, LUAREL CO., KY.

Bush Lodge was organized under dispensation June 13, 1896, by P. L. Young, of Pleasant Hill Lodge No. 535, as proxy for Grand Master, with C. <sup>Harlow</sup>Day as Master, J. C. <sup>John</sup>Jones, Senior Warden, and G. S. Brock, Junior Warden, S. S. Philips, Secretary, M. Cregy, Treasurer, S. W. Dodge, Senior Deacon; J. J. Jones, Junior Deacon, L. H. Vaughn, Steward and Tyler. And on November 14, 1896, it was set to work under Charter by D. B. Faulkner, of Mountain Lodge No. 167, with same officers, and on said date (November 14) five were made Masons.

These first meetings were in a rented house, but now the Lodge owns its hall.

## WILLIAM B. ELLEN LODGE NO. 704

SUMMERSVILLE, GREEN CO., KY.

Chartered October 20, 1897, at Pleasant Valley, Green County, moved to Summersville in 1898. June 5, 1900, lost Charter by fire. October 18, 1900, new Charter granted. Reports thirty members.

## NEATSVILLE LODGE NO. 705

NEATSVILLE, ADAIR CO., KY.

Chartered October 19, 1898. Reports twenty-two members.

## ASHLEY LODGE NO. 706

BLACKFOOT, WEBSTER CO., KY.

Chartered October 19, 1898. Reports sixty-seven members.

## GRAHAMVILLE LODGE NO. 707

GRAHAMVILLE, McCracken CO., KY.

Chartered October 20, 1897. Reports eleven members.

## SOLDIER LODGE NO. 708

SOLDIER, CARTER CO., KY.

Chartered October 20, 1897. Reports fifty-four members.



BURGIN LODGE NO. 709  
BURGIN, MERCER CO., KY.

October 20, 1897, a Charter was granted to Burgin Lodge U. D., and numbered 709. The Lodge held its meetings twice each month, began with a membership of ten Master Masons, continued an uneventful career until December 13, 1903, when it went out of existence.

THACKER LODGE NO. 710  
CRYSTAL, LEE CO., KY.

Chartered October 20, 1897, and set to work by B. H. Sale, of Bibb Lodge No. 368. The first Master was W. S. Thacker. This Lodge became defunct October 18, 1900. The Charter was restored October 22, 1902. The Lodge again went under October 21, 1903 - the Charter was restored October 20, 1904.

TORRENT LODGE NO. 711  
TORRENT, WOLFE CO., KY.

Chartered October 19, 1898. Reports thirty-five members.

LITTLE SANDY LODGE NO. 712  
ROSEDALE, CARTER CO., KY.

During the month of March, 1896, nine Masons, viz: J. B. Craig, D. P. Craig, B. M. Craig, W. C. Horton, Luke Carroll, Lewis Maddix, J. W. Knipp, J. V. Bledsoe and J. E. Walker, being

remotely situated from their respective lodges, held a meeting, and discussed their Masonic location, and desire for a Lodge nearer where they might meet and have the pleasure of full Masonic enjoyment.

They passed a resolution asking the Grand Lodge to grant them a Lodge, and setting another date for a meeting of the persons living in the community.

On the date of the second meeting there gathered a large crowd of people, and the proposition of a new church house and a Masonic hall over it, was presented, the motion was favorably received and a committee was appointed to solicit subscriptions to the proposed building. The result was a subscription of \$860.00 paid in full. The nine Masons contributing \$400.00 of the amount. The preparation of building was at once begun, and during the summer of 1897, the building was completed, the Masons having secured full control of the second story. The petition to the Grand Lodge was prepared and presented, and was favorably received and, Little Sandy Lodge U. D., was instituted October 20, 1897 by a dispensation, and set to work by Past Master George W. Blizzard, of Trimble Lodge No. 145, November 6, 1897. The brethren composing the Lodge were Master, James B. Craig; Senior Warden, David P. Craig; Junior Warden, John V. Bledsoe; Secretary, Bernard M. Craig; Treasurer, William C. Horton; Senior Deacon, Jeremiah Walker; Junior Deacon, John W. Knipp; Tyler, Luke Carroll, and Lewis Maddix.

During the year 1908, there came into the community the "Holiness" people. The teaching of this cult caused a standstill

in Masonic circles for a short time, and induced three of the brethren to resign from the Fraternity. This act influenced several others in such a way that they failed to pay dues and were therefore suspended for non-payment. The Lodge attendance ran very low and at times it was so low that a Lodge of Entered Apprentice Masons could not be opened for work. Notwithstanding those who were zealous continued to meet and to hold lodges, for a period of about four years, when the influence of the "Holiness" people waned and the brethren again began to visit Lodge. The Lodge began to grow, petitions came in and the Lodge took on new vigor. At the present time it is in fine condition. The Lodge has on its roster at present thirty-three Master Masons, two Fellowcrafts, and one Entered Apprentice.

There are five Past Masters. Little Sandy Lodge owns her own Hall, located in the country nine miles South of Grayson Kentucky, in Carter County, and named from the river near it. The regular communications are held on the third Saturday of each month at 1:30 P. M.

#### KENTUCKY ARMY LODGE NO. 1 U. D.

In the spring of 1898, the First Regiment Kentucky State Guards was camped at Lexington, Kentucky, waiting to be mustered into the Federal Service. A number of the officers and men being Masons, Capt. John H. Cowles suggested that an effort be made to establish an Army Lodge, a precedent having been established during the Revolutionary and Civil Wars. The following petition was sent to M. W. Grand Master R. H. Thompson.

"Camp Bradley, near Lexington, Ky., May 24, 1898-- To the Most Worshipful, the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky:

This petition showeth that we are Master Masons, members of Kentucky lodges and soldiers in the United States volunteer service, soon to commence active operations against our country's foes, and relieve those who have been subjected to the cruelties of a bloody and pitiless people.

By this response to our country's call we are cut off from the pleasures of social meetings with our brethren and from the restraining influence of active Masonic work, and from paying the last sad honors of Masonry to such of our comrades as shall fall in the stern realities of a soldier's life.

We do not desire to form a lodge such as is contemplated by our Grand Lodge constitution, to be permanently located with territorial jurisdiction, for that, in the nature of the case, would be impossible. But we do most earnestly desire, and pray for, a dispensation empowering us to meet in a lodge capacity within our camp or post, there to perform all the duties of a lodge, in receiving members, initiating, passing and raising those whom having the essential qualifications, may be deemed worthy, confining our jurisdiction to soldiers who are in fact residents of Kentucky. These comrades could not join any other lodge, unless they should, for an hour or more, happen to be in neighborhood of the lodge near their homes, and this is so improbable as to be accounted among the impossibilities, so we would in no way interfere with the jurisdiction of any lodge or Grand Lodge.

" Thus would be established a temporary lodge such as was established with the Kentucky troops during the Mexican War, of which our beloved Past Grand Master Thomas Todd was an officer. It would not, therefore, disturb our present relations with our home lodges, which we cannot find it in our hearts to sever, for when the war is over we will return (God willing) to our present affiliations, the work of our temporary traveling lodge being ended after having, as we trust, accomplished very much good among our comrades, comforting them in their sufferings, and, it may be, depositing their remains with the honors of our ancient and beloved fraternity. We cannot think that those who have given up the delights of home and its surroundings for the honor of their country, ought to be deprived of the precious knowledge of the comforting reflection that their bodies (if they fall) may be deposited in mother earth by the loving hands of the craft, and with all the honors of Masonry.

We recommend that Brothers John H. Cowles, Wallace W. Morris, and F. W. Hardwick, be appointed Master and Wardens of this temporary lodge, to be known as "Kentucky Army Lodge No. 1 Under Dispensation".

John H. Cowles, Louisville Lodge #400 F. & A. M.

Captain Company "H" - 1st Kentucky Infantry.

Wallace W. Morris, Louisville Lodge #400 F. & A. M.

1st Lieut., Company "H" - 1st Kentucky Infantry.

Fred W. Hardwick, Louisville Lodge #400 F. & A. M.

2nd Lieut., Company "H" - 1st Kentucky Infantry.

"John B. Castleman, Falls City Lodge #376.  
 Colonel Company "H" - 1st Kentucky Infantry.

Geo. C. Hall, Roberts Lodge #172  
 Corporal Company "H" - 1st Kentucky Infantry.

Geo. T. Sprau, Lewis Lodge #191,  
 Private Company "H" - 1st Kentucky Infantry.

Don C. Stratton, Kilwinning Lodge #506  
 2nd Sergeant 1st Kentucky Infantry.

Jas. T. Nelson, Mountain Lodge #187  
 Private Company "H" - 1st Kentucky Infantry.

Dan L. Sauer, Preston Lodge #281  
 Corporal Company "H" - 1st Kentucky Infantry.

Wright S. Riggsby, Bewleyville Lodge #228  
 Private Company "E" - 1st Kentucky Infantry.

Rudolph H. Hoepfner, Preston Lodge #281  
 Corporal Company "H" - 1st Kentucky Infantry.

Chas. F. Starck, Lewis Lodge #191,  
 Private Company "H" - 1st Kentucky Infantry.

W. A. Vanice, Tadmar Lodge #208,  
 Corporal Company "H" - 1st Kentucky Infantry.

Ben A. Farrell, Lewis Lodge #191.  
 Captain Company "K" - 1st Kentucky Infantry.

This petition was carefully prepared under a dvice from the Grand Secretary, Brother H. B. Grant, whose familiarity with precedents made his assistance invaluable. On Sunday, June 5, the Grand Master, with Grand Secretary Grant and Brother Frank

" H. Johnson, came to Lexington and after consultation with them and with Masons here, concluded to grant the dispensation. Two chief obstacles were in the way. First, the constitutional requirement that the demits of petitioners must accompany the petition; and second, the fear of invading the territory of other Grand Lodges as the troops moved from place to place. It was decided that these objections could be met. As to the first, there is no constitutional provision for the establishment of traveling lodges, (whose existence is temporary), and the Grand Master is free to exercise his prerogative in such cases. A further provision was to be inserted in the dispensation requiring members of this Lodge to receive demits from the Grand Secretary on their return from war. The second objection was met by limiting membership to citizens of Kentucky temporarily absent on military service. After the matter had been well considered the Grand Master and Grand Secretary returned to Louisville. But, in pursuance of their plans, on Monday night, June 6, 1898, Devotion Lodge No. 160 - one of the two lodges of Masons in Lexington - met in called session and placed the following endorsement on the petition, viz:

Hall of Devotion Lodge No. 160, F. & A. M., Lexington, Ky.,  
June 6, 1898. This is to certify that the within petition was presented to the above named lodge at a meeting holden the day and date above written, and the above named lodge consented to the issuing of the dispensation prayed for in this petition. In testimony whereof witness my hand as Worshipful Master of said lodge, attested by the secretary and seal of the lodge.

"John F. Cruickshank, W. M.

A. Griffin, Sec. P. T.

Immediately after this action the lodge closed and the members went to the hall at Lexington Lodge No. 1, which was in session. The officers of the proposed lodge were present, and were requested to confer the Master's degree on a candidate (Mr. Headley Land) who was in waiting. This they did in a highly creditable manner, and the lodge thereupon caused the following endorsement to be made upon the petition (it was a regular meeting of the Lodge), viz:

Hall of Lexington Lodge No. 1, Lexington, Ky., June 6, 1898-  
This is to certify that the within petition was presented to the above named lodge at a meeting holden the day etc., above written, and on motion was most heartily recommended. The lodge also declared its opinion that the proposed new (temporary) lodge was both desirable and necessary. The brethren recommended in said petition as Master and Wardens were examined in open lodge and found to be proficient in the work and lectures of the symbolic degrees of Masonry, and fully competent to do all the work as officers according to the ancient landmarks and in a most creditable manner.

In testimony whereof witness my hand as Secretary, and the seal of the said Lexington Lodge #1.

Butler Southgate, Secretary

H. K. M'Adams, W. M.

These proceedings were rendered necessary by the provisions of Section 4, Article 10, of the constitution, and the requirements were strictly complied with.



"The regiment being at present stationed here, the consent of all lodges whose jurisdiction might be affected was necessary. There being only two lodges here, both gave consent, and the "nearest lodge" recommended the application, declared its necessity and certified to the ability of its officers.

The Grand Master was informed by telegraph the same night that all requirements had been complied with. The next morning (Tuesday) the petition and endorsements were read to the Grand Secretary over long distance telephone, and the following dispensation was prepared, viz:

IN THE NAME AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE

GRAND LODGE OF KENTUCKY.

Free and Accepted Masons.

To Whom these presents may come, greeting:

Whereas, Brothers John H. Cowles, Wallace W. Morris, Fred W. Hardwick, G. T. Sprau, Doc C. Stratton, John B. Castleman, J. T. Nelson, D. L. Sauer, W. S. Rigsby, R. A. Hoepfner, Chas. F. Starck, W. A. Vanice, B. A. Farrell, and George C. Hall, being Free and Accepted Masons and citizens of Kentucky, in the volunteer service of the United States, engaged in war with Spain, pray that, they may be authorized to work, as a temporary lodge under dispensation, during the said war, without disturbing their affiliation with the Kentucky lodges to which they belong, in order that they may meet as Masons and thus encourage the practice of our sublime principles while subjected to the trials and temptations of army life in time of war, and lay to rest,

"with the honors of the craft, any of their brethren who may fall while engaged in the service of their country, and it appearing to be for the benefit of our ancient and honorable fraternity.

Be it known, That by the power vested in me, I have hereby authorized our brethren aforesaid to open and hold a temporary Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons at the posts and camps of their companies or regiment, or at some convenient place near the same, to be known as the Kentucky Army Lodge Number One, Under Dispensation; vesting them with power therein to receive regular affiliated Kentucky Masons who, at the time are in the service of the United States as aforesaid, to companionship in said lodge; to admit to said companionship, on demit, etc., Master Masons, citizens of Kentucky, who are also in said service; to enter apprentices, pass fellow crafts, and raise Master Masons, regularly, from among such citizens as aforesaid, as any lodge under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, F. & A. M. could do, except that the jurisdiction of the said temporary lodge hereby authorized is not territorial, but is confined and limited to citizens of Kentucky in the volunteer military or naval service of the United States, as before mentioned.

I hereby appoint Brothers John H. Cowles to be Master, Wallace W. Morris to be Senior Warden and Fred W. Hardwick to be Junior Warden of said temporary lodge. All actual Past Masters who may be admitted to companionship therein will retain their rank, etc., as if really Past Masters thereof, so that in case of the absence of the Master and Wardens, they may act as by law provided. I

"require all of said brethren and their associates to be governed by the "model Code" of by-laws, approved by the Grand Lodge of Kentucky; also by all the laws thereof; to keep a record of their proceedings and promptly send a copy of same, after each meeting, to the Grand Secretary, and make due return, as all other Lodges should do. In case of dissolution, from any cause, to promptly transmit all books, papers, money or other property of said lodge, and this dispensation, to said Grand Secretary.

This dispensation shall continue in force until the 19th., day of October, 1898, and no longer, unless renewed, of which certificate of the fact must be endorsed hereon.

Lastly: The Master Wardens, Past Masters and others in companionship, with said Lodge, by accepting this dispensation, solemnly engage to conform to all the foregoing requirements expressed or implied, and at all times to hold themselves subordinate to and under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky aforesaid.

In testimony whereof witness my hand as Grand Master of said Grand Lodge of Kentucky, Free and Accepted Masons, with the seal of said Grand Lodge, and the attestation of the Grand Secretary thereof, this 7th day of June, 1898, at Louisville, Kentucky. (Seal) R. H. Thompson,  
Grand Master.

By the Grand Master:

H. B. Grant, Secretary.

Endorsement:

It is made a part of the conditions of the within dispensation

"that the officers and all connected with it agree that at the dissolution of said lodge, or at the termination of the service in the army of volunteers each one agrees to apply for affiliation in some lodge of Free Masons near his residence, and that all withdrawals (demits) from the "Kentucky Army Lodge #1 U. D." shall be obtained from the Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky.

Attest,

H. B. Grant, Grand Sec.

On Tuesday night, June 7, both Masonic lodges of Lexington met in called session. Devotion Lodge soon called "to refreshment" and entered the hall where Lexington Lodge was in session. The Grand Master was announced and received with appropriate honors. Then a formal tender was made him of the hall, for the purpose of constituting the new lodge. After its acceptance Lexington Lodge was called "to refreshment" and a special session of Grand Lodge opened, the Grand Master, Reginald H. Thompson, presiding; F. H. Johnson, Deputy Grand Master, H. K. McAdams, G. S. W.; John F. Cruickshank, G. J. W.; W. H. Waltz, G. S. D.; S. R. Van Dyke, G. J. D.; Butler Southgate, G. Sec., and P. G. M. J. Soule Smith, as Grand Marshall. There were now three lodges in operation in this single room - two refreshment and one (the Grand Lodge) at labor.

The new lodge had as yet, neither clothing, furniture, nor jewels, so those of Lexington Lodge #1 were used.

The ceremonies were very impressive, and the Grand Master was deeply moved, especially as he delivered the charge to the new Master. After the installation of its officers, Kentucky

"Army Lodge was declared to be duly constituted and empowered to work, the Lodge then proceeded to elect the other officers, Bro. Don C. Stratton was elected Secretary, Bro. Geo. C. Hall, Treasurer, Bro. Rudolph A. Hoepfner was appointed Senior Deacon, Bro. Benjamin A. Farrell, Junior Deacon, and all were installed by the Grand Master.

P. G. M. J. Soule Smith of Lexington Lodge #1 in a very happy speech on behalf of Bro. Frank H. Johnson, P. M., of Louisville Lodge #400, presented the Lodge with the great lights. The present was accepted and a rising vote of thanks was extended to Bro. Johnson. The by-laws, rules and regulations prepared by Grand Secretary Henry B. Grant known as the "Model Code" was adopted for the government of the lodge. A vote of thanks was tendered to Lexington Lodge #1 and Devotion Lodge #160 F. & A. M., for their assistance, and the use of their Lodge room, furniture &c, during the institution. The first and third Mondays in each month were fixed for the stated communications. The Lodge was then closed in due and Ancient form. There had been four Lodges open at once in this room. The Grand Lodge was then closed, Devotion Lodge repaired to its room, called to labor and closed, and Lexington Lodge called to labor, finished its business and closed, with the invitation to attend a banquet at Lands.

Shortly after this the regiment was ordered to Chicamauga Park, Ga., where it became part of the First Army Corps. The first meeting of the lodge was held in the tent of Capt. Cowles on June 20th, sentinels being stationed about the tent to keep off cowans and eavesdroppers. Quite a number of visitors were

"present. M. W. G. M. R. H. Thompson, Grand Secretary H. B. Grant, P. G. M. J. Soule Smith, and P. M. Frank H. Johnson were elected Honorary Members.

Bro. Sanders of Devotion Lodge #160 presented a set of Gavel to the officers, and Bro. James P. Gregory of Excelsior Lodge #258 presented the Lodge with \$20.00 to aid in purchasing lodge furniture. Bros. Hardwick, Farrell and Hoepfner were appointed a committee to secure paraphernalia, and a place for meeting. Talks were made by Bro. Hal T. Jefferson, P. M. of Excelsior Lodge #258 and Bro. John M. Tipton, of Central Lodge #71, Springfield, Ill., Seargeant of the First Ill. Cavalry. Fee for the three degrees was fixed at \$20.00. Several petitions were received. A regular meeting was held at Camp Geo. H. Thomas on July 18th., Several petitions were received and the regular routine business was conducted. The regiment was then moved to Newport News, Va., and a regular meeting held there on August 1st, and petitions were received from a large number of members of the 3rd Regiment, but as they went to Cuba, and we were ordered to Porto Rico, they were never acted upon. The next meeting was held on August 13, in the Quartel de Infanteria Mayaguez, Porto Rico in the audience chamber of the Commander, the Worshipful Master being seated on a dais over which was suspended a portrait of Alphonso XIII, King of Spain. The Fellowcraft Degree was conferred upon Bro. I. L. Schulhafer, Lieutenant Company "M", at the request of St. George Lodge #239. Another meeting was held August 25th in the same quarters, and the Entered Apprentice Degree conferred on Bro. Chas. T. Smith, Seargeant Company "M". The regiment was then

"moved across the Island to Camp James H. Wilson, near Ponce, and a meeting was held in the tent of Capt. John H. Cowles, on September 5th, where the regular routine business was transacted. This being the rainy season, it was almost impossible to confer degrees in a tent, and having information that a lodge had been at work in Ponce some time before our occupation, it was deemed advisable to try and locate it, and get permission to confer the degrees in their room, as we had at that time a number of candidates. Lieutenant Hardwick being on detached duty volunteered to do this. The first man approached was the Alcalde (an American appointee) but his memory failed him entirely, he had never heard of a Masonic Lodge, other prominent citizens were interviewed, with the same results. After two days diligent search no clue was found. Finally Mr. Steinacher, the Superintendent of the Gas Works, who talked English fluently, was interviewed, but he volunteered no information until Lieutenant Hardwick produced his 33rd degree patent, which had the magic effect of getting him to talk, and giving the desired information, the next morning he secured us an audience with the Master and Secretary of the Lodge, who took us to the lodge room and tendered to us the use of same. It was situated on the street we used in going to and from our camp, we had passed it many times. We found that the reason for keeping the lodge room such a secret was, that the Captain General of the Island, three previous to our occupation had ordered all communication between Masons to cease. Bro. Steinacher had been ordered to San Juan, the capital, at his expense to be told by the Captain General that

"the secret service had information that meetings of Masons were being held in Bro. Steinacher's residence, and that he would be placed in excommunicado if any more were held. After the Masons in Ponce found that we were friendly, and did not desire to persecute them, they became very enthusiastic and began holding meetings and conferring the degrees.

The next meeting of the Lodge was held September 20th, at 10 A. M., in the hall of Modestio Lodge. We admitted as visitors the following members of Modestio Lodge,- Jules E. Steinacher, Dematro Grayens, Jose Pacheco Gariva.

The Entered Apprentice degree was conferred upon Major David W. Gray, Lieut. James R. Triplett and Jesse G. Yates. On October 19, 1898, a meeting was held in the quarters of Company "H", First Kentucky Infantry. The regular routine business of the Lodge was conducted and candidates examined. On October 22nd, a meeting was held in the hall of Modestio Lodge at which a large number of the members of Modestio Lodge were present. The fellow-craft degree was conferred upon Lieut. Triplett. The Worshipful Master on behalf of the Lodge, thanked Modestio Lodge for the use of the Lodge room and for many courtesies extended to them. Worshipful Master Corazon replied, as did several other of his members, whose speeches were interpreted by Bro. Augusto Taylor. The affair was a general love feast, but their habit of embracing with breast to breast and hand to back, was rather embarrassing, especially so to Lieut. Hardwick who was embraced by a large Mamacian negro, much to the amusement of the other members of the



"our Lodge, but it was not very long afterwards that the laugh was on Worshipful Master Cowles, he being visited by Senor Tomasco Ramos and his two daughters, who were rather dusky, they presented their faces to be kissed, and the Worshipful Master could not deny them.

On November 7, a regular meeting was held at the quarters of the 1st Battalion. A communication was received from Grand Secretary Grant notifying us that the Grand Lodge of Kentucky had continued the dispensation for another year. The Worshipful Master reported that he had presented on behalf of the Lodge, An American Flag to Modestio Lodge, which was received in a most unique manner. After Worshipful Master Cowles had made the presentation, the Master called up the lodge, the members forming two parallel lines on either side of the altar facing inward. Worshipful Master Corazon left his station in the East, going to the ante room, returning with the flag across his left shoulder, proceeded through the lines on the steps (the members presenting swords) to his station. He draped the flag across his chair and column, stepping back a few paces he saluted it with the due guard and sign, and faced the lodge. The lines were then faced to the East, and beginning on the right, the members saluted the flag in a like manner and resumed their stations. Not knowing that they were to be presented with this flag, and having but recently been forced to accept the new emblem, we were pleased with the ceremony. The Stars and Stripes were making friends.

A called meeting was held November 27th in the hall of

"Modestio Lodge, and the Fellowcraft degree conferred on Major David W. Gray. Shortly after this, the regiment was ordered back to the States, and the next meeting was held in the office of Worshipful Master Cowles, 215 S. Sixth Street, and the following resolution adopted:

1st - That this Lodge having witnessed in Porto Rico the conferring of the symbolic degrees by the principle officers and brethren of the petitioners herein, it is of the opinion that the work was exceptionally well done, and that the brethren are capable of doing the work according to the Ancient land marks.

2 - That the establishment of the Lodge prayed for in Porto Rico is hereby recommended.

3- That the said Lodge is necessary.

These resolutions with a petition for a Charter from about two hundred Masons residing in Porto Rico, was presented to Grand Secretary Grant. On February 20, 1899, a regular meeting of the Lodge was held, and a motion prevailed that Louisville Lodge #400 F. & A. M., be requested to confer the respective degrees on the candidates which the Lodge had elected. The records were turned over to Grand Secretary Grant the following day, and the members of Kentucky Army Lodge #1 U. D., ceased its labors and the brethren were admitted to membership in different Lodges of their choosing!"

## WEST BEND LODGE NO. 713

WEST BEND, POWELL CO., KY.

The records show that at a called meeting held in the Lodge hall on the 19th of February, 1898, the Lodge, U. D., was called to order by Ed. N. Willson, of Powell Lodge No. 645, as proxy of Grand Master, R. H. Thompson. The Lodge was opened on the Masters degree, and the following officers installed: D. D. Potts, Master; B. F. Berry, Senior Warden; T. B. Ware, Junior Warden; Jas. Hensley, Secretary; J. W. Baker, Treasurer, I. N. Berry, Tyler. The Master appointed J. A. Roberts, Senior Deacon, and the Senior Warden appointed R. L. Ware, Junior Deacon, and they were duly installed. Of the above four are still members of this Lodge. James Henley passed to his reward after a useful and honorable life, having filled various stations in the Lodge. He served as Master in the years 1902 and 1904.

Another Charter member deserves especial mention on account of faithful work - B. F. Berry, who has served the Lodge in nearly every position, both elective and appointive. He has been elected to the Master's chair three different times since 1898, first in 1899, again in 1900, and 1905.

Rev. D. P. Ware, who was greatly beloved by the Craft, and who presented the Holy Bible that is still in use on the Lodge altar, passed from this life December 15, 1904. He was so well loved that the Lodge has a life size portrait of him hung in the Hall.

## CENTERTOWN LODGE NO. 714

CENTERTOWN, OHIO CO., KY.

Chartered October 19, 1899. Reports sixty-seven members.

## RUSH LODGE NO. 715

GEIGERSVILLE, BOYD CO., KY. ( P. O. RUSH)

Lodge chartered October 19, 1899. This Lodge is situated in a mining district near the Carter County line. The membership is composed largely of miners, who are a migratory set of fellows - not residing long at the same place. The Lodge minutes, for the first three years of its existence, have been lost. The membership is small and the collection of dues is reported by the Master of the Lodge as a difficult undertaking.

## SHAWHAN LODGE NO. 716

SHAWHAN, BOURBON CO., KY.

In December 1898, A. Percy Adair, William A. Barnes, Luther C. Ashcraft, Joe H. Ewalt, W. Frank Howard, Porter Jett, Thomas A. Montgomery, John A. LaRue, James T. Snodgrass and James H. Talbott filed their demits with and petitioned Grand Master James E. Wilhelm for a lodge to be located at Shawhan, Bourbon County, Kentucky.

On January 12, 1899, the Grand Master granted the request and issued a dispensation for a lodge to be known as Shawhan Lodge Under Dispensation. The lodge was set to work on January 28,

1899, by the Grand Junior Warden, Harry Bailey, and the following were installed as officers: Joe H. Ewalt, Master; A. Percy Adair, Senior Warden; W. Frank Howard, Junior Warden; John A. LaRue, Secretary; Thomas A. Montgomery, Treasurer; James T. Snodgrass, Senior Deacon; Luther C. Ashcraft, Junior Deacon; James H. Talbott, Senior Steward, Porter Jett, Junior Steward, William A. Barnes, Tyler.

The Lodge continued to work under dispensation until the annual communication of the Grand Lodge held in October, 1899, when a Charter was granted under the name of Shawhan Lodge No. 716, and was set to work under Charter by the Grand Senior Warden, Harry Bailey, on November 11, 1899. The brethren who served as officers when the Lodge worked under dispensation were installed into the same offices.

The growth of the Lodge has been spasmodic, but has increased in membership until there are now enrolled forty-two (42) Master Masons and one (1) Entered Apprentice. While death has been a factor, still the greatest loss in membership has been caused by withdrawals occasioned by the brethren removing to other jurisdictions. Messrs. Adair, Barnes, Ewalt and Jett are the only Charter members now on the roll. Messrs. Howard, LaRue, Snodgrass and Talbott have joined the Celestial Lodge. Mr. Ashcraft is a member of Paris Lodge No. 2, Paris, Kentucky and Mr. Montgomery is a resident of California.

The ballot box has been well guarded, consequently the personnel is first class and will compare most favorably with any in this Grand Jurisdiction. The membership is composed

of the best element of the community, principally farmers and sturdy business men, who have the interest of the order at heart. In the fifteen years existence the records show that only three stand suspended for non-payment of dues.

The Constitution and Regulations are strictly complied with and the degree work attractively done.

Considerable pride has been taken in social functions, and almost invariably brethren from neighboring lodges are guests on these festal occasions. Several Grand Officers have made official visits.

The Lodge is proud of the distinction of having on its roster one of the eight brethren who have filled the highest office in each of the four Grand Bodies of York Rite Masonry in Kentucky, the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons, the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters, and the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar, viz: Joe H. Ewalt, who is now Junior Past Grand Master.

Financially the Lodge has forged ahead, being the owner of a modern and substantial building of two stories located on a good sized lot a few hundred feet from the Louisville and Nashville Railroad passenger depot. By concerted action on the part of the progressives it was made possible to finance this judicious investment.

But few have sought political honors or been prominent in civil life, preferring to look after their own affairs. W. Jeff Kiser and Porter Jett have each served one term as Magistrate of Bourbon County, and Joseph A. Farris, is now serving his second

term as jailer of the same County.

FOREST GROVE LODGE NO. 717

DOT, LOGAN CO., KY.

Forest Grove Lodge No. 717 located at Dot, on Red River, in Logan County, Kentucky, was organized and set to work under dispensation from the Grand Lodge of the State of Kentucky, by John G. Orndorff, Past Grand Master, April 17, 1899. The following Charter members being present: W. J. Hawkins, Adam Hollman Cole, George Forest Dorris, Newton Walton Dorris, Mose Cook, Jasper Claybam Burchett, James Warren Stratton, William Johnson Hawkins, William Asbury Bibb, Archibald W. McReynolds, John Thomas Young. The following officers were installed: A. H. Cole, Master; George F. Dorris, Senior Warden; M. Cook, Junior Warden; John T. Young Secretary; J. C. Burchett, Treasurer; N. W. Dorris, Senior Deacon; W. J. Hawkins, Junior Deacon. The Lodge was granted its Charter in October, 1899.

The Lodge after being set to work, not having its own Lodge room in which to meet, did as in ancient times, held its meetings in low and on high places, wherever a comfortable building could be found, sometimes in tobacco barns. After about twelve months the Lodge erected its own hall.

Three times since the establishment of the Lodge death has invaded the circle of the Craft.

CALLOWAY LODGE NO. 718  
 BURCHFIELD, BELL CO., KY.

May 8, 1899, a dispensation was granted for the organization of a lodge at the Calloway School House, Bell County, Kentucky: the dispensation named Solomon A. Saylor as Master, Wilson B. Saylor, as Senior Warden and James Shackelford, as Junior Warden.

On May 20, 1899, James A. Hopkins, as proxy of the Grand Master, set the Lodge to work. Under this dispensation the Lodge meetings were held twice a month until November 4, 1899, when the Lodge was assembled by James A. Hopkins, proxy of the Grand Master, to receive the Charter, granted October 19, 1899. The former officers were all re-elected and installed.

This Lodge since its organization has sent thirteen orphan children to the Masonic Widows and Orphans Home: the report to the Grand Lodge in 1913 shows its membership to number forty-six, of whom thirteen bear the surname Saylor and thirteen the surname Howard.

WALTON LODGE NO. 719  
 WALTON, BOONE CO., KY.

Chartered October 19, 1899. Charter burned December 1, 1900. New Charter granted October 17, 1901. Charter burned January 7, 1906. New Charter issued October 17, 1906. Reports sixty-five members.



WILHELM LODGE NO. 720  
CLARKSON, GRAYSON CO., KY.

Wilhelm Lodge No. 720 was instituted by James E. Wilhelm, Grand Master, October 11, 1899. The following were the Charter members: Dr. W. A. Terry, S. D. Terry, Proctor Terry, P. S. Bruner, J. M. Bratcher, Dr. F. M. Gaines, J. C. Tilford, Sylvester Milliner, B. B. Layman, J. L. Witten and L. J. Owen.

The following officers were installed: W. A. Terry, Master; P. S. Bruner, Senior Warden; S. D. Terry, Junior Warden; B. B. Layman, Secretary; J. M. Bratcher, Treasurer; L. J. Owen, Senior Deacon; Proctor Terry, Junior Deacon; and J. L. Witten, Tyler.

W. D. Pryor, Master of Clifty Lodge No. 599, was appointed Deputy to put the Lodge to work.

Dr. F. M. Gaines, Sylvester Milliner and J. C. Tilford constituted the first Finance Committee.

During the first year, W. D. Pryor and A. W. Bratcher were received by demit from Clifty Lodge No. 599, and J. W. Rogers from Leitchfield Lodge No. 236.

The Lodge immediately purchased the second story of what was then known as the College building for a Hall which has afforded a convenient home and place of meeting ever since.

A. T. Smith was the first to be made a Mason after the organization, he made and presented the Lodge with a beautiful altar.

Grand Master James E. Wilhelm presented the Lodge with a handsome Bible at the first meeting of the Grand Lodge after the Lodge was instituted.

RED BUSH LODGE NO. 721  
 RED BUSH, JOHNSON CO., KY.

Under dispensation granted by the Grand Master Judge R. H. Thompson, a proxy was issued to Daniel Wheeler of Flat Gap Lodge No. 616, to institute a Lodge at Red Bush, which he did on the third Saturday in December 1898. The Lodge being organized with thirteen members.

October 17, 1901, the Lodge was chartered and given its numerical designation.

CRAFTSMAN LODGE NO. 722  
 LIBERTY, CASEY CO., KY.

Chartered October 18, 1900. Reports fifty-eight members.

WINGFIELD LODGE NO. 723  
 BOHON, MERCER CO., KY.

Chartered October 17, 1900. Reports twenty-seven members.

ENGLISH LODGE NO. 724  
 ENGLISH, CARROLL CO., KY.

Chartered October 18, 1900. Reports twenty-three members.

PIERATT LODGE NO. 725  
 LEE CITY, WOLFE CO., KY.

Pieratt Lodge was granted a dispensation December 7, 1899.

The following were Charter members: J. R. Carroll, C. B. Allen, R. G. Rose, H. L. Taulbee, Elias Shockey, A. J. Dykes, J. H. Stricklin, W. R. Davis, W. H. Rose, and John A. Rose.

John H. Pieratt, the Grand Master's proxy, set the Lodge to work on December 28, 1899. The following officers were first elected: Elias Shockey, Master; C. B. Allen, Senior Warden; A. J. Dykes, Junior Warden; W. H. Rose, Treasurer; R. J. Carroll, Secretary, H. L. Taulbee, Senior Deacon; J. H. Stricklin, Junior Deacon; W. T. Walter, Tyler.

The Lodge continued under dispensation until October 25, 1900, when a Charter was granted by the Grand Lodge.

This Lodge met for a time in a rented hall but now owns its own Lodge room.

ESTES LODGE NO. 726

LOCKPORT, HENRY CO., KY.

Estes Lodge U. D., held at Lockport, Henry County, Kentucky, was on October 19, 1889, granted a Charter numbered 726. John J. Noe was the first Master, Richard Roberts, the first Senior Warden, Jake Estes, the first Junior Warden.

In 1900 the Lodge reported a membership of ten Master Masons and one Fellowcraft. In 1901, fifteen Master Masons and one Entered Apprentice. In 1902, fifteen Master Masons, two Fellowcrafts and one Entered Apprentice. In 1903, twenty-two Master Masons and one Entered Apprentice. In 1904

In 1904 the Lodge made no report and on October 19, 1904, the Grand Lodge withdrew its Charter.

DUBLIN LODGE NO. 727  
DUBLIN, GRAVES CO., KY.

This Lodge was set to work under dispensation April, 1900, it was chartered October 18, 1900. Its Charter members were: James Faulkner, Dr. J. C. Sullivan, Dr. J. W. Smith, W. T. Lowe, J. N. Holifield, David A. Grayum, Green Owens, James H. Rozzell, T. J. Mason, J. H. Beazley, F. J. Colley, George M. Nance, C. B. Green, J. W. Odom.

The Lodge owns its place of meeting and has a membership of twenty-eight.

OAKLAND LODGE NO. 728  
OAKLAND, WARREN CO., KY.

Chartered October 18, 1900. Charter burned January 30, 1905, new Charter issued October 18, 1905. Reports thirty-five members.

ENSOR LODGE NO. 729  
ENSOR, DAVIESS COUNTY, KY.

Ensor Lodge U. D., was organized May 3, 1900, by A. L. Skinner as proxy for the Grand Master. R. Hardin, Master; S. H. Jesse, Senior Warden; A. Kirk, Junior Warden; G. B. Rowland, Secretary; I. Head, Treasurer, B. Hamson, Tyler, J. D. Burton, Senior Deacon; J. W. Daniel, Junior Deacon.

A Charter was granted October 18, 1900. On the fourth Thursday day the above officers were duly

the above officers were duly installed by A. J. Skinner, proxy for the Grand Master.

Charter members met May 3rd., 1900: Samuel Jesse, James Cook, Robert Hardin; Ireland Head, John Daniel, Hardin Morris, William Dawson, Alvin Wilhite, Greenberry Rowland, Aretus Kirk, Ben Harrison, J. D. Burton, H. C. Miller.

The Lodge owns the building in which its meetings are held.

RAMSEY LODGE NO. 730

SHARPSBURG, BATH CO., KY.

Upon the petition of James F. Rayce, J. C. Nelson, Chas. F. Shephard, C. M. Fletcher, J. D. Hoovermale, B. D. Utterback, John S. Gilven, C. M. Crain, W. H. Gilven, and Thomas Caliver, June 28, 1900, a dispensation was granted to organize a Lodge of Masons at Sharpsburg, Bath County, Kentucky, under the name of Ramsey Lodge U. D., with James F. Rayce to be the first Master, and Charles Shepard and J. C. Nelson as first Senior and Junior Wardens.

July 5, 1900, the Lodge was organized and set to work by Grand Master John A. Ramsey and continued so to first meeting of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, October 18, 1900, at which time they were granted a Charter as Ramsey Lodge No. 730. On October 29, 1900, said Lodge was duly organized under their Charter, J. A. Ramsey, as proxy of the Grand Master officiating. At their regular election, December 27, 1900, the above named officers were duly elected for ensuing year.

From date of organization this Lodge has initiated, passed and raised forty-five members, and received for membership sixteen members, and now has a membership of thirty-five.

JACKSON LODGE NO. 731  
LIVINGSTON, ROCKCASTLE CO., KY.

Chartered October 17, 1901. Reports fifty-five members.

MIDDLETOWN LODGE NO. 732  
MIDDLETOWN, JEFFERSON CO., KY.

Middletown Lodge was organized under dispensation granted January 12, 1901, by the Grand Master of Kentucky. His action was approved by the Grand Lodge at its annual meeting, the following October, whereupon a Charter was issued to the Lodge under date of October 17, 1901, and the Lodge was given the numerical designation of No. 732. E. D. Ragland representing the Grand Master, installed the following officers: S. O. Weatherbee, Master; O. S. Kline, Senior Warden; J. B. Guthrie, Junior Warden; R. S. Waters, Senior Deacon; J. A. Yenowine, Junior Deacon; W. A. Ousler, Secretary and Treasurer; H. A. Weatherbee, Tyler. The same officers were retained when the Lodge was chartered October 17, 1901.

In 1905, Middletown Lodge built a hall in which to hold its meetings, which was dedicated August 7, 1905, J. H. Cowles, of Louisville Lodge No. 400, was designated as proxy of the Grand Master, R. H. C. Rhea, as master of ceremonies, assisted by the

following officers: C. A. Summerville, Past Master Abraham Lodge No. 8, Deputy Grand Master; J. T. Funk, Past Master Daylight Lodge No. 760, Grand Senior Warden; J. J. Douglas, Past Master Compass Lodge No. 233, Grand Junior Warden; I. E. Seibert, Past Master Robinson Lodge No. 266, Grand Senior Deacon; C. D. Gipes, Past Master Robinson Lodge No. 266, Grand Junior Deacon; H. B. Gans, Past Master Louisville Lodge No. 400, Grand Marshall; W. H. Bartholemew, Past Master Preston Lodge No. 281, Grand Chaplain; W. A. Ousler, Grand Secretary; Henry Frank, Architect.

Middletown Lodge has grown steadily since organized, and now has a membership of one hundred and thirty Master Masons.

DUNDEE LODGE NO. 733

DUNDEE, OHIO COUNTY, KY.

Chartered October 17, 1901. Reports fifty-four members.

PLEASANT RIDGE LODGE NO. 734

PLEASANT RIDGE, DAVIESS CO., KY.

Chartered October 17, 1901. Reports twenty-seven members.

SACRAMENTO LODGE NO. 735

SACRAMENTO, McLEAN CO., KY.

Chartered October 21, 1903. Reports fifty members.

ONEIDA LODGE NO. 736

ONEIDA, CLAY CO., KY.

Chartered October 21, 1903. Reports forty-eight members.

DORIC LODGE NO. 737

SHARPE, MARSHALL CO., KY.

Chartered October 23, 1902. Reports thirty-nine members.

PIERCE LODGE NO. 738

PIERCE, GREEN CO., KY.

Pierce Lodge was organized and set to work March 26, 1902, by J. R. Ward, proxy for the Grand Master.

Dr. S. L. Thompson was appointed by the Grand Master to be its first Master, and J. W. Davis, Senior Warden, and John A. Rahern, Junior Warden.

The following officers were elected, I. M. Grimsly, Secretary; W. L. Pierce, Treasurer; B. F. Coy, Tyler.

During the year 1902 the membership was increased to eighteen. E. L. Thompson served as Master for the years 1903, 1904 and 1905. Rev. W. L. Pierce was chosen as Master for the year 1906.

During the year 1906, the death of Rev. I. P. McAlister occurred, which was the first death since the organization of the Lodge.

Dr. E. L. Thompson served as Master in 1907 and 1908.

J. S. Kessler served as Master in 1909, 1910 and 1911, and the Lodge increased its membership to thirty-three.



A. E. Pierce served as Master in 1912 and 1913, and was succeeded by T. S. Curry.

JACHIN LODGE NO. 739  
CLAY, WEBSTER CO., KY.

Chartered October 23, 1902. Reports sixty-four members.

SUBURBAN LODGE NO. 740  
LOUISVILLE, JEFFERSON CO., KY.

A number of Master Masons, members of Lodges in the City of Louisville and residents of the Southern Section of the City, desirous of attending a Masonic Lodge, there being none closer than the Masonic Temple, a distance of three miles, conceived the idea of forming a Lodge in their immediate vicinity. A petition containing the names of twenty-five Master Masons, together with the consent of the Lodges in the City of Louisville, were secured. A dispensation was granted by the Grand Master, Harry Bailey, to form a Lodge under the name of Suburban Lodge U. D.

On the evening of April 4, 1902, the following Master Masons met in Iriquois Hall, Third and "O" Streets: A. D. Scott, E. J. Ashcraft, Harry Barker, T. W. Longacre, David Franklin, Mahlen S. Campbell, Jeff. D. Gregory, J. W. Moore, Charles Moir, Archie L. Daniels, J. William Miller, George H. Shaw, T. W. Cartright, William Farrar, John L. Burkhart, William Samuels, Richard Patton, William Harris Dupin, James G. Eskridge, John S. Venable,

R. C. Morrison, Luther G. Scanlon, William S. McDonald, Lestie L. Hill and John Kellar.

Isaac A. Kelly, Past Master of Preston Lodge No. 281, holding a commission as proxy for the Grand Master, Harry Bailey, assembled the brethren and appointed George H. Shaw as Secretary. After reading his commission of proxy and the dispensation of the Grand Master, Mr. Kelley proceeded with the appointment of the following brethren for the purpose of opening a Lodge of Master Masons: Walter M. Crutchfield of Compass Lodge No. 223, as Senior Warden; Charles Gipe, of Robinson Lodge No. 266, as Junior Warden; Clarence Warren, of Fall City No. 376, as Senior Deacon; George R. Middleton of Kilwinning No. 506 as Junior Deacon; John Lemmel, of Excelsior No. 258, as Treasurer, and James G. Eskridge, of the petitioners, as Tyler. The Lodge being opened in due form. He then proceeded with the election of a Treasurer, Secretary and Tyler. J. William Miller elected Treasurer, George H. Shaw Secretary and James G. Eskridge Tyler.

Mr. Kelley then installed the following officers, Past Master John Maas acting as Marshal: A. D. Scott, Master; E. J. Ashcraft, Senior Warden; T. W. Longacre, Junior Warden; J. William Miller, Treasurer; George H. Shaw, Secretary; Jeff D. Gregory, Senior Deacon; William H. Dupin, Junior Deacon; James G. Eskridge, Tyler; J. W. Moore, Steward, and A. L. Daniels, Steward.

The Lodge was then proclaimed legally instituted and its officers authorized to enter upon the discharge of their duties. Past Grand Master James W. Hopper acting for T. L. Jefferson on behalf of the Board of Directors of the Masonic Widows and Orphans

Home presented the Lodge with a set of solid silver Officers' Jewels. These Jewels had been presented to the Home by two of its zealous friends, Messrs. Cook and Sloss. They had been the property of several Lodges but were invariably re-presented to the Home.

S. R. Calveard, on behalf of Mrs. George H. Shaw, wife of Secretary, presented the Lodge with a handsome Altar cover and Bible.

Twenty-seven petitions for initiation were presented. After the close of business, remarks were made of an encouraging and instructive nature, and Suburban Lodge U. D., was launched on its career of Masonic Life.

This was the first Masonic Lodge established in the City of Louisville since Aurora in 1886. Parkland Lodge had been chartered since that time but was not then in the city limits.

The second and fourth Thursdays of each month were adopted for the stated communication and it was found necessary to call two and three special meetings in each month for the conference of degrees so great were the demands upon the Lodge. Its reputation as an active and prosperous Lodge was early established. September 11, the Lodge became a member of the Masonic Board of Relief. At the time of receiving its Charter its membership had increased to seventy-seven. The Grand Lodge in granting the Charter bestowed a very high compliment upon Suburban Lodge, upon the proficiency of its Secretary, George H. Shaw, for the manner in which the books and records were kept. This was very pleasing to Suburban Lodge and likewise a very high compliment

to the Masonic Widows and Orphans Home, Mr. Shaw having been raised in the Home, an inmate from the age of six years.

The Charter was granted by the Grand Lodge on October 22, 1902, under the name and style of Suburban Lodge No. 740 F. & A.M., appointing A. D. Scott, Master, Edgar J. Ashcraft, Senior Warden, and Theodore Longacre, Junior Warden. The Charter was presented on the evening of October 23rd., by Harry B. Grant, Grand Secretary, acting as proxy for the Grand Master. After the presentation of the Charter, Mr. Grant proceeded with the election and installation of officers, the U. D. officers being re-elected to the offices they formerly held, and the Lodge set to work as a Chartered Lodge.

The Lodge desirous of enlisting the sympathies of its members in the cause of the Old Masons Home on June 17, 1904, chartered a train on the L. & N. R. R., and furnished its members and their families free transportation to Shelbyville, Kentucky, where they visited the Old Masons Home. Dinner was served by the Superintendent of the Home, at the expense of the Lodge. After dinner the members assembled on the porch where a literary and musical entertainment was given. Harry Barker, of Suburban, presented a free will offering on the part of the visitors, amounting to more than half a hundred dollars. H. B. Shafer, Superintendent, responded. All joined in singing religious and patriotic songs and after having spent a delightful and profitable day, returned home.

January 9, 1905, public installation of officers was conducted by John Maas, Past Master of Preston Lodge No. 281, musical and

literary entertainment, and on January 12, 1905, as a token of appreciation of meritorious services rendered the Lodge, Past Master Isaac A. Kelly and John Maas, both of Preston No. 281, were elected honorary members of Suburban Lodge. September 28, 1905, the Lodge donated \$150.00 to the Old Masons Home. January 12, 1906, public installation conducted by Past Master Isaac A. Kelly followed by an entertainment and refreshments, the occasion was one of great pleasure to the members and their families and friends.

February 26, 1906, the Lodge donated \$50.00 for the relief of brethren in San Francisco on account of earthquake.

November 30, 1906, the Lodge changed its meeting place to Fourth and Central Avenues in the South Louisville Savings and Deposit Bank Building, and met on the evening of that date in called communication for the purpose of conferring the Entered Apprentice Degree. Past Master occupied all of the chairs during the conference of the work.

July 27, 1908, the Lodge engaged a steamer and conveyed its members, their families and friends to Fern Grove, Indiana, where they spent the day holding an old fashioned picnic. A band of music was engaged for the occasion. The day was so enjoyable that this feature of entertainment became an annual event and is looked forward to in the same manner that children look forward to Christmas.

March 25, 1909, the Lodge donated \$100.00 to the Manual Training Fund of the Masonic Widows and Orphans Home.

September 8, 1910, the Lodge furnished a room in the Old Masons Home at

Masons Home at Shelbyville at a cost of \$75.00.

On May 23, 1912, a committee was appointed to devise ways and means to purchase ground and erect a building for the Lodge. On June 27, 1912, this Committee made its report recommending in substance the formation of an association to be known as Suburban Hall Association, the necessary money to be raised by soliciting loans from the members and any Master Mason who desired to lend sums to the Association, and that certificates of loan be issued payable on or before ten years, bearing 3% interest; the stock of said association with the exception of the shares necessarily held by the incorporators, to be held by Suburban Lodge.

The Lodge, by a vote of fifty to one, accepted the report of the Committee, and concurred in its recommendations, and the same Committee was appointed to form the Association and carry out the recommendations.

The Suburban Hall Association was formed and incorporated under the laws of Kentucky with the following officers: Harry Barker, President, F. M. Marx, Vice President, E. C. Bailey, Secretary-Treasurer, Edward Bloomfield, Corresponding Secretary and Ray Mann, Attorney. The members were solicited for funds and the Lodge turned over its surplus, a lot was purchased on the South-east corner of Third and Central Avenues, plans were adopted for a three-story building with stores on the first floor, a hall suitable for entertainments, lectures or banquets on the second floor, and a beautiful Lodge room with the necessary ante-room on the third floor. Bids have been received from eight reliable builders, and from the present outlook contracts will

soon be let for a building to cost approximately \$24,000.00.

The year 1913 was especially noted for its many large gatherings and social functions under the leadership of Master L. C. Bailey. The Lodge was kept continually on the move. The Master was continually devising something to interest the members, first conference of degrees by the Grand Officers, then by Past Masters, then by Lewis Lodge Degree Team, and a banquet at the Y. M. C. A., by the Hall Association, then conference of Degrees by the St. George Lodge, banquet by the 3500 Club, winding up the year by issuing a History Souvenir 1902-1913, containing a picture of the proposed new hall, portraits of the officers of the Lodge and all Past Masters, together with those of the Grand Master, Orié S. Ware, George B. Winslow, Deputy Grand Master, T. J. Adams, Grand Senior Warden, J. N. Saunders, Grand Junior Warden.

One of the most interesting events in the history of the Lodge was held January 5, 1914, in the Chapel of the Masonic Widows and Orphans Home, when Grand Master Orié S. Ware, assisted by Grand Senior Warden T. J. Adams, Grand Secretary David Jackson, and Grand Tyler Charles A. Gipe, publicly installed the officers of Suburban Lodge and presented the following Past Masters with Past Master's Jewels: E. J. Ashcraft, T. W. Longacre, Harry Barker, George H. Shaw, Edward C. Stuessy, W. Freeman Huff, E. J. Miller, M. F. Marx, Harry Mitchell and L. C. Bailey.

Grand Master, Orié S. Ware, after installing David Jackson as Grand Secretary, presented the Past Masters Jewels and Grand Senior Warden T. J. Adams installed the officers of Suburban Lodge,

concluding with a musical and literary entertainment.

The Lodge has a Social Club known as the Doric Club, for the purpose of promoting sociability among the members and to advance the interests of Suburban Lodge and Masonry in general.

April 5, 1916, the Lodge dedicated its new home, a handsome two story brick building on the South-east corner of Third and Central Avenues. It is furnished in mahogany. Upon the ground floor the Lodge owns and operates a moving picture show.

About the time of the dedication the Lodge issued a handsomely bound and illustrated souvenir containing a full list of its past and present membership, pictures of its Past Masters and present officers, and the four principal Grand Lodge officers.

L. N. HULL LODGE NO. 741

SHERBURNE, FLEMING CO., KY.

This Lodge was organized under dispensation December 30, 1902. It was assembled by W. G. Thornburg, of Newton Lodge No. 286, who installed the officers and set the Lodge to work.

The Lodge was granted a Charter October 22, 1903. L. N. Hull, for whom the Lodge was named was its first Master. The remaining Charter members of the Lodge corresponded in number to the officers, as follows: T. B. Vice, Senior Warden; T. J. Daugherty, Junior Warden; Tarlton Manning, Secretary; J. W. Daugherty, Treasurer; E. R. Protheroe, Senior Deacon; E. W. France, Junior Deacon; John A. Hedges, Tyler; W. T. Wilson, Steward, B. F. Snelling, Steward.



## UTICA LODGE NO. 742

UTICA, DAVIESS CO., KY.

By authority of a dispensation granted by Grand Master Harry Bailey, June 18, 1902, Price Baird, of Glennville Lodge No. 522, acting as proxy for the Grand Master, organized Utica Lodge U.D., July 5, 1902, with nine members, viz: J. Frank King, J. Frank May, Wm. L. Rouse, T. M. Merton, J. H. Thorpe, W. P. Bennett, W. E. Powell, J. J. Wood, and R. H. Reeves.

J. Frank King was appointed Master, J. Frank May, Senior Warden; W. L. Rouse, Junior Warden; J. H. Thorpe was elected Secretary, W. P. Bennett, Treasurer, and W. E. Powell, Tyler. The Lodge was chartered by the Grand Lodge October 23, 1902. Growth was rapid, there being accepted within six months ten petitions for initiation, and one by demit. The Lodge has had a regular and healthy growth and now has a membership of fifty-eight.

The Lodge was constituted in a school hall where its meetings were held until the first hall was built in 1903. A committee began work to secure a suitable hall in November 1902. The new hall was dedicated with appropriate ceremonies in August 1903. Past Grand Master W. W. Clark of Owensboro, acting as proxy for the Grand Master. This hall was outgrown and in 1913 a new building was erected. It with the lot is the property of the Lodge. The new building is a two story frame 36x60. The lower floor being used as a town hall and the upper for lodge room. The building and equipment cost \$3,000.00.

ISLAND LODGE NO. 743  
ISLAND, McLEAN CO., KY.

Island Lodge, No. 743, had its beginning July 22, 1902. With eleven Charter members, demitted from various Lodges enumerated below, viz: H. H. Buckley, Preston Lodge, No. 281, W. D. Everly, Sam Wood, Geo. Weightman, Sr., Geo. Weightman, Jr., Thos. Gardner, Wm. Stanley, Richard Simons, Denis O'Neil, all of Livermore Lodge No. 186, W. B. Smith, Central Lodge No. 673, T. E. Davis, Powell Valley, Tenn., No. 488.

The Lodge worked under dispensation until Grand Lodge met, the following October, when it was granted a Charter as Island Lodge No. 743, with H. H. Buckley, as first Master, W. D. Everly, first Senior Warden and Richard Simons, first Junior Warden.

When the brethren set about to establish a Lodge at this place they were greatly handicapped as to members and finance, and there being no suitable place to meet, it perplexed them greatly, after consulting among themselves they decided to build a hall over an implements store which was under construction, if they could secure this privilege. This done they went to see this owner (B. L. Shacklett), who gladly granted this request. Then it was that they set to work to secure subscriptions for funds consisting of work, timber, money, or anything that could be used in building. They went into the forest (but not of Lebanon) and felled the trees from which this Temple was erected. In the meantime some of the would be members died and some moved away, and they did not have the required members to ask for a dispensation,

so it was deferred till a later date. Undoubtedly they finished their hall and rented it to different secret societies, as well as public gatherings until they were granted their dispensation. Being set to work they met in their new Hall which at best was small and roughly finished with but poor furnishing, buying some of their implements second hand. Raymond Wooten, of Central Lodge, being a good carpenter, made and presented to them an altar which is still in use.

The Lodge has a membership of seventy-two.

SHORT CREEK LODGE NO. 744

SHORT CREEK, GRAYSON CO., KY.

Dispensation for Short Creek Lodge U. D. was granted October 17, 1901.

The Lodge was constituted as follows: F. W. Peyton, M. E. Mutler, E. T. Kimble, I. H. Day, G. D. Litsey, Ezra Duncan, E. E. Shain, W. R. Cummings, B. F. Lahue, W. Allen Kimble, A. T. K. Lynch, H. C. Butler, R. C. Beauchamp and James Young.

Frank W. Peyton was appointed first Master, W. Allen Kimble first Senior Warden, and Minor E. Butler, first Junior Warden.

R. B. Porter and W. B. Montgomery, of Caneyville Lodge No. 635 were appointed proxy of Grand Master to set the Lodge to work. This was done on November 2, 1901. Charter was granted on October 22, 1903.

R. B. Porter, as proxy of John W. Landrum, Grand Master, set the Lodge to work under Charter November 10, 1903, and Short Creek Lodge U. D., became Short Creek Lodge No. 774.

Of the Charter members E. T. Kimble, B. F. Lahue, T. K. Lynch and H. C. Butler had died prior to 1915, A. D.

BERNSTADT LODGE NO. 745  
BERNSTADT, LAUREL CO., KY.

Bernstadt U. D., located in Laurel County about ten miles West of London was organized April 18, 1903. N. Ball, Master, J. H. Dees, Senior Warden; C. J. Jones, Junior Warden; W. Mason, Secretary, W. A. Herron, Treasurer, W. H. Jarvis, Tyler; Robert Bustle, Senior Deacon; J. W. Bustle, Junior Deacon, H. G. Jones and W. H. Herron, Stewards, who were installed by D. W. Rouke, the Grand Master's proxy. The Charter members, in addition to these were, W. A. Herron, H. W. Herron, G. M. Herron, C. A. Lickliter, J. H. Dees, N. Ball, Robert Bustle, J. W. Bustle, Sparks Jones, H. G. Jones, C. J. Jones, R. Ott, W. H. Jarvis, C. W. Mason.

Bernstadt Lodge No. 745 was organized first Saturday in December, 1903. N. Ball, Master; J. H. Dees, Senior Warden; C. J. Jones, Junior Warden; C. W. Mason, Secretary; W. A. Herron, Treasurer, W. H. Jarvis, Tyler; Robert Bustle, Senior Deacon; J. W. Bustle, Junior Deacon; H. G. Jones and H. W. Herron, Stewards, were installed by D. W. Rouke, proxy of the Grand Master. The Charter members were, W. A. Herron, H. W. Herron, G. M. Herron, C. A. Lickliter, J. H. Dees, N. Ball, Robert Bustle, J. W. Bustle, Sparks Jones, H. G. Jones, C. J. Jones, R. Ott, W. H. Jarvis, C. W. Mason, G. W. Moxley, Richard Jones.

The Lodge owns its place of meeting, which was built by

agreement between the members of Lodge and the members of the Baptist church at Hawk Creek, the Church owning the lower and the Lodge the upper story.

LATONIA LODGE NO. 746  
COVINGTON, KENTON COUNTY, KY.

Chartered October 21, 1903. Reports one hundred and eighty-two members.

GLEN DEAN LODGE NO. 747

Set to work under dispensation September 17, 1903, by order of John W. Landrum, Grand Master. Lodge chartered as Glen Dean No. 747, October 22, 1903. I. L. Lynch, Master; James A. Dean, Senior Warden, Paul E. Dempster, Junior Warden.

This Lodge held its meetings in rented quarters over the Bank of Glen Dean.

The Charter was arrested February 6, 1917, for non-payment of dues.

FLORAL LODGE NO. 748  
FLORAL, HANCOCK CO., KY.

Chartered October 21, 1903. Reports fifty-six members.

UPTON LODGE NO. 749

UPTON, HARDIN CO., KY.

Chartered October 21, 1903. Reports thirty members.

SHIBBOLETH LODGE NO. 750

LOUISVILLE, JEFFERSON CO., KY.

To Harry R. Kendall is due the forethought of instituting a strong Lodge of Master Masons in that section of Louisville, known as the Highlands.

Through his energy and enthusiasm fourteen other Master Masons became interested in the enterprise. Meetings were held and plans laid for organizing the work.

Shibboleth was selected as the name for the new Lodge. H. R. Kendall advanced the necessary funds to finance the undertaking, after which application was made for dispensation to start the work.

On February 4, 1903, the Commission of Proxy was given H. B. Grant, Grand Secretary and Past Master of Louisville No. 400, to institute the Lodge. After a satisfactory examination before Louisville Lodge No. 400 as to the proficiency of the prospective officers, the Grand Secretary as proxy for Grand Master John W. Landrum on March 10, 1903, set the Lodge to work under dispensation, the following names being enrolled as Charter members:

H. R. Kendall, J. H. Shrader, Ed. S. Kilgore, L. A. Seitz,  
P. A. McMahan, John Brunck, H. L. Nevin, J. E. Mann, W. D. Schubble,

J. J. Fields, J. T. Godbey, J. E. Comley, R. E. Hardesty, T. A. Hays, W. L. Stith.

From these were chosen the following officers to serve the new Lodge; H. R. Kendall, Master; J. H. Shraeder, Senior Warden; Ed. S. Kilgore, Junior Warden, P. A. McMahan, Treasurer; L. A. Seitz, Secretary, John Brunck, Senior Deacon, H. L. Nevin, Junior Deacon, J. E. Mann and W. D. Schuble, Stewards, J. J. Fields, Tyler.

A Charter was granted October 22, 1903, and designated as No. 750. On November 3, 1903 Grand Secretary H. B. Grant, as proxy for the Grand Master, set the Lodge to work under Charter. From the beginning the increase in membership has been steady and most encouraging.

The Lodge from the beginning has maintained the practice of rotation and promotion, a new Master being elected each year. Dr. L. A. Seitz, the efficient Secretary, has never had opposition for election.

The Cosmic Club, a social organization composed wholly of Shibboleth members, has equipped a dormitory in the Masonic Widows and Orphan's Home and also another in the Old Masons Home at Shelbyville, Kentucky. The Lodge has also furnished a room at the first named Home.

Shibboleth owns one of the most beautiful and up to date Lodge rooms in the State. It is located at 919 Baxter Avenue and is valued at \$15,000.00.

The property of the Lodge is vested in Shibboleth Hall Association, a duly incorporated body composed of the Lodge

membership. A Board of Directors, composed of nine members, is chosen to manage its affairs, one third of whom are elected annually in open Lodge to serve three years.

The second Thursday in June is set apart as Shibboleth Day when the members and their families gather for their annual picnic.

All fifth Tuesdays are designated "Social Days". On such occasions an open meeting is held when the members and their families gather for social intercourse.

In moving into its new home the Lodge presented its original furniture to a sister Lodge, thus reciprocating a kindness of a sister Lodge when it was instituted.

Each retiring Master is presented with a handsome token in recognition of his services.

Stated meetings are held on the first and third Tuesdays of each month. Visitors always welcome.

CUMBERLAND VALLEY LODGE NO. 751

GRAY, KNOX CO., KY.

Chartered October 21, 1903, as Lovill Lodge, named changed October 18, 1905. Reports thirty members.

FONT HILL LODGE NO. 752

FONT HILL, RUSSELL CO., KY.

Chartered October 21, 1903. Reports forty-three members.



TOMPKINSVILLE LODGE NO. 753  
TOMPKINSVILLE, MONROE CO., KY.

Chartered October 19, 1904. Reports fifty-five members.

WHITESBURG LODGE NO. 754  
WHITESBURG, LETCHER CO., KY.

Chartered October 19, 1904. Reports one hundred and sixty members.

ELKFORK LODGE NO. 755  
ELKFORK, MORGAN CO., KY.

On November 25, 1903, Owen D. Thomas, then Grand Master of The Grand Lodge of Kentucky, granted a dispensation to the following named Master Masons: Reuben Sparks, John F. Skaggs, Henry C. McClain, Marian G. Trimble, William T. Caskey, Henry Hammons, Patton A. Bradley, James M. Bailey, Isaac T. Coffee, Thomas H. Bailey, Edward H. Williams, Francis M. Hutchinson, Henry M. Hutchinson, John D. Fannin and Hughey D. Lyon, to meet and organize a Masonic Lodge, to be known as Elkfork Lodge U. D.

On December 12, 1903, C. W. Womack, Past Master of Highland Lodge No. 311, as proxy of Grand Master Owen D. Thomas, assisted by Past Masters B. M. Carr and J. W. Henry, and Richard M. Hamilton, L. D. Carter, H. G. Cottle, Robert McClure and Marian Blair of Highland Lodge No. 311, and G. W. Bailey of Hepburn No. 576, opened a Lodge of Master Masons and installed the following officers:

Rueben D. Sparks, Master; John F. Skaggs, Senior Warden; Henry C. McClain, Junior Warden; F. M. Hutchinson, Secretary; W. T. Caskey, Treasurer; James M. Bailey, Senior Deacon; H. D. Logan, Junior Deacon; Henry Hammons, Tyler; I. F. Coffee, Chaplain; Thomas H. Bailey, and P. A. Bradley, Stewards and instituted Elkfork Lodge U. D.

At the communication of the Grand Lodge in October, 1904, Elkfork Lodge U. D., reported twenty-five Master Masons, and was granted a Charter by Owen D. Thomas, Grand Master, to be known as Elkfork Lodge No. 755, and on November 12, 1904, said Lodge was set to work by C. W. Womack, as proxy of Grand Master Owen D. Thomas, with same officers as under dispensation.

Elkfork Lodge No. 755 F. & A. M., is located over a country school building, owns its own hall and has same paid for, and at this time has about two hundred and fifty dollars in the hands of the Treasurer. Since the institution of Elkfork Lodge death has invaded the ranks once, Edward H. Williams, a venerable brother and zealous Mason died July 4, 1908.

Officers elected and appointed December 27, 1913; Rueben D. Sparks, Master; James E. Ferguson, Senior Warden; Orlando B. Coffee, Junior Warden; J. F. Skaggs, Secretary, W. T. Caskey, Treasurer; O. B. Ferguson, Senior Deacon; E. C. Williams, Junior Deacon; I. F. Coffee, Chaplain, E. M. Ferguson, Tyler, F. M. Hutchinson and Sanford Ferguson, Stewards.

To Henry M. Hutchinson and Isaac F. Coffee, who are the oldest members of this Lodge we give honorable mention. Henry M. Hutchinson was initiated February 14, 1878, in Hepburn Lodge

No. 576. Isaac T. Coffee was initiated March 17, 1883. Mr. Coffee has served as Chaplain of this Lodge since the date of institution to the present time, except one year.

I. C. Ferguson was the first to be initiated in Elkfork Lodge No. 755. The Lodge received his petition on the day it was instituted under dispensation.

Rueben D. Sparks was the first Master and is Master at this time, having served the Lodge the first three years of its existence and been thrice elected since, making in all six years.

WATER VALLEY LODGE NO. 756

WATER VALLEY, GRAVES CO., KY.

Granted dispensation April 9, 1904, and set to work thereunder, by Past Grand Master John W. Landrum, on April 23, 1904. Charter granted October 18, 1904. The last annual report shows a membership of twenty-eight.

HEBRON LODGE NO. 757

HEBRON, BOONE CO., KY.

Hebron Lodge was organized under dispensation April 30, 1904. It was chartered October 18, 1904, with ten members, all except two of whom had formerly belonged to North Bend Lodge No. 540.

FOLSOMDALE LODGE NO. 758  
 FOLSOMDALE, GRAVES CO., KY.

Chartered October 18, 1904. Reports nineteen members.

LUDLOW LODGE NO. 759  
 LUDLOW, KENTON CO., KY.

Chartered October 18, 1904. Reports one hundred and forty  
 one members.

DAYLIGHT LODGE NO. 760  
 LOUISVILLE, JEFFERSON CO., KY.

On January 16, 1904, Daylight Lodge U. D. was set to work by Owen D. Thomas, Grand Master of the State, under dispensation that had been issued by him on the eleventh day of that month.

The first petition received by the Lodge was from John Thixton, Jr., and eight of the Ten Dollars which accompanied his petition was used by the Lodge in paying for its dispensation. The remaining two dollars was spent in advertising that meeting. At the time of its organization Daylight Lodge was without funds. To provide some working capital for the Lodge, the Charter members agreed to pay their first year's dues in advance. The brethren who organized the Lodge determined that it should pay as it went and that it should be organized along such lines that any lodge thereafter organized in this State, no matter how poor, could follow it with financial safety.

Previous to the first meeting of the Lodge, its new officers were examined in Abraham Lodge No. 8, which extended many, many courtesies to Daylight Lodge and its organizers at the time of its organization. The new officers having been found proficient in Abraham Lodge by Past Master Charles A. Sommerville, they were ready to be installed in office during that meeting of January sixteenth. On that day, the Lodge was opened in ample form at four o'clock in the Blue Room of the Masonic Temple, by Past Grand Master Owen D. Thomas, acting as Master; Charles A. Sommerville, as Senior Warden; H. R. Candle, as Junior Warden; S. A. Lederman, as Senior Deacon; Z. T. Randolph, as Junior Deacon and Charles A. Dailey, as Secretary, in the presence of a large number of the Masons of Louisville who had assembled to witness the birth of the new Lodge.

Isaac T. Woodson was installed as Master; David W. Gray, as Senior Warden; H. Hoepfner, as Junior Warden; Ernest W. Sprague, as Senior Deacon and J. L. Lisle, as Junior Deacon. Stephen D. Smith, John A. Gray and W. B. Gossett were elected and installed as Secretary, Treasurer and Tyler, respectively.

At this organization meeting, many prominent Masons were present; chief among them, the beloved Bishop Thomas U. Dudley. At the opening he offered a most beautiful prayer for the welfare and prosperity of Daylight Lodge. It was the last time that he ever appeared in public, for within the next week the Grim Reaper had removed him to the Celestial Lodge above. The prayer that Bishop Dudley made on that occasion was quoted all over the country in the various newspapers, for Bishop Dudley was a

national figure and that prayer was one of his best efforts. At its second stated meeting on January thirtieth the Lodge held a memorial service for Bishop Dudley, during which a beautiful tribute was paid him by Rev. Dr. Powell. The following memorial was adopted, and spread on the Lodge minutes.

"BRO. Thomas U. Dudley, Episcopal Bishop of Kentucky, was present at the first meeting of Daylight Lodge U. D., on January 16th., instant, and in a short but forceful speech of congratulations gave what was pertinently referred to as "The Gospel of Masonry". He expressed himself as being glad that accessibility and seasonable hours for assembling would enable him to frequently meet with our Lodge, and after the lodge closed, lingered for a half hour in social conversation with the brethren, thus evidencing the genuineness of his utterances and the esteem in which he held the Craft - all of which was cordially and unfeignedly reciprocated.

This was the last Masonic gathering our venerable and lamented brother attended, for on the 22nd., instant, Brother Dudley passed to the reward of a well spent life, and his brethren mourn that so grievous a vacancy in the ranks has been made.

We are unable, fittingly, to express the unaffected regard in which our brother was held; nor the shock and sorrow occasioned by his death, but desire that this mark of our Brotherly love and esteem shall be entered upon a page of our records, set apart to the memory of our Brother Thomas Underwood Dudley, who was born in Virginia, November 26, 1837. He became a Mason in 1858,

"was Master of his Lodge, Treasurer of his Chapter, Knight of the Christian Order of Templars and crowned an Honorary Inspector General 33<sup>o</sup> A. A. S. R.

May his broad views, and kindness in words and acts have indellible impressions that will influence us in the performance of duty and in our associations with men".

This was the third Lodge in the United States organized to meet in the daytime; the other two being St. Cecilia No. 568, organized in 1865, of the State of New York, and the other St. Cecilia No. 865, of Chicago, organized in 1902.

At the second stated meeting of the Lodge, by-laws were adopted and the following honorary members elected: Owen D. Thomas, then Grand Master; Henry B. Grant, then Grand Secretary; Rev. E. L. Powell, Charles A. Dailey and James W. Hopper, Past Grand Master.

October 18, 1904, Daylight Lodge was set to work under its Charter by the Grand officers, to-wit: Owen D. Thomas, Grand Master; R. H. C. Rey, Deputy Grand Master; Past Grand Master, John G. Orendorff as Grand Senior Warden; Samuel K. Veatch, Grand Junior Warden; John H. Leathers, Grand Treasurer; H. B. Grant, Grand Secretary; Rev. James W. Rogers, Grand Chaplain, and Past Grand Master W. W. Clark acting as Grand Marshall. The provisional officers of Daylight who had served under its dispensation were again chosen to serve under its Charter; Messrs. Dolfinger and Stage being the Stewards. Past Grand Master Thomas was presented the gavel with which he had set the Lodge to work and H. B. Grant

was presented with the Master's jewel that had been worn while the Lodge worked under dispensation.

After the Lodge had secured its Charter and number, a seal was selected for it, square in shape, being the only seal of such form in Kentucky.

At the meeting of the Grand Lodge, 1904, J. T. Funk was appointed on the very important Committee on Finance, and it is due to him to state that he reorganized the antiquated system of book-keeping then in use by the Grand Lodge.

During its second year the officers of the Kentucky Army Lodge of Porto Rico had charge of the Lodge one meeting and did the work, raising Dr. Ellis Duncan, who had been their surgeon during the Spanish-American war.

In 1905, the year of the earthquake in San Francisco, Daylight Lodge, before assistance was called for by the Grand Master of Kentucky, sent a contribution to the Grand Master of California and it had the honor to be the only subordinate lodge in the State of Kentucky mentioned in the report of the Grand Master of California of the contributions received to aid the brethren in that terrible calamity.

At one of the stated meetings of September, 1905, the Entered Apprentice Degree was conferred upon C. A. Wickliffe by his father, John C. Wickliffe, Past Master of George Washington Lodge No. 265 of New Orleans, Louisiana.

This Lodge has fitted up a room in the Old Masons Home at Shelbyville.

Daylight Lodge has amply justified the hopes of its founders.



From a Lodge of but fifteen members it has grown to a membership of two hundred and twenty-four. Starting without paraphernalia and with practically no financial resources, it has richly equipped itself with all necessary paraphernalia and furniture and has established an invested fund of almost eighteen hundred dollars. It is peculiarly a Lodge of young men and it gives promise in the years to follow to become one of the largest lodges in the State.

HICKMAN LODGE NO. 761

HICKMAN, FULTON CO., KY.

Chartered October 19, 1904. Reports ninety-five members.

WILMORE LODGE NO. 762

WILMORE, JESSAMINE CO., KY.

Chartered October 19, 1904, and arrested August 23, 1916.

FANNIN VALLEY LODGE NO. 763

CLAYTON, ELLIOTT CO., KY.

July 16, 1904, marks the date when eleven Masons having honorable demits, met in an old school house at Fannin Valley (Post office now Clayton) Elliott Co., Kentucky, and organized Fannin Valley Lodge No. 763. This was a very rude old log house by the road side surrounded by woods and the wilds of nature, with no building or residence nearer than one half mile, and about

ten miles from Hepburn Lodge No. 576, from which six of the eleven came.

The Lodge was opened by J. C. Wells, Hepburn Lodge No. 576, proxy for the Grand Master, with M. E. Waddell, Elliott Lodge No. 653, acting as Senior Warden, M. F. Barker, Hepburn Lodge, acting as Junior Warden, G. M. Jarrell and G. L. Click from same Lodge acting respectively, Secretary and Treasurer, James Goodman of Elliott Lodge, as Senior Deacon, and Pleas Wilson and W. J. Pennington of Hepburn Lodge, Junior Deacon and Steward and Tyler, respectively.

There were present B. F. Fannin, Sr., B. F. Fannin, Jr., L. H. Forest and J. T. Fannin, from No. 576, T. L. Dehart, R. L. Parker, C. D. Mauk, W. R. Wells, L. J. Williams, Reese Leadingham, P. L. Hollan and R. P. Maddox.

B. F. Fannin, Sr., having been appointed by the Grand Master to be the first Master of the new Lodge, was presented at the altar and installed as such. C. D. Mauk was likewise installed Senior Warden, and L. J. Williams, Junior Warden. The new Lodge as thus organized was then placed in charge of the newly installed Master, and the following officers elected and installed, to-wit: T. L. Dehart, Secretary, W. R. Wells, Treasurer, and R. P. Maddox, Tyler. The following were appointed and installed-- B. F. Fannin, Jr., Senior Deacon, R. L. Parker, Junior Deacon, J. W. Wells and P. L. Hollan, Stewards. Charter members were as follows: B. F. Fannin, Sr., B. F. Fannin, Jr., T. L. Dehart, W. R. Wells, J. W. Wells and R. L. Parker, demitted from Hepburn Lodge No. 576, C. D. Mauk and Reese Leadingham, from Elliott No. 653,

P. L. Hollan, from Morehead Lodge No. 654, R. P. Maddox, from Soldier Lodge No. 708 and L. J. Williams, Highland Lodge No. 311.

A building committee composed of T. L. Dehart, J. W. Wells, and P. L. Hollan, was appointed, and by their endeavors, assisted by the brethren, a hall was erected in which the Lodge held its third communication. Fannin Valley school district was without an adequate building, the lodge and school district by mutual agreement erected a two story framed building, the second story of which is used by the lodge, the first story being used by the district for school purposes. The lodge and school district were both small and in destitute circumstances, so donations were called for by each and were surprisingly supplied as though the Supreme Architect was superintending the work.

The Lodge began to grow, new members were made until forty-one were initiated and six admitted.

The most notable character in the Lodge was B. F. Fannin, Sr., whom can be justly called the "father of the Lodge". He was born at Elk Fork, Morgan County, Ky., May 3, 1844, initiated June 8, 1891, passed July 13 and raised August 10th., of the same year. He served as Master of Hepburn Lodge No. 576 in which he was made a Mason. Mr. Fannin took upon himself the task of obtaining Charter members and a Charter from the Grand Lodge; laborious as the work was he did not shrink at hardship or yield to discouragements, but persisted with that noble courage which precedes all success. He was re-elected Master in 1905, and again in 1906. In 1907 he declined a re-election and was succeeded by his son B. F. Fannin, Jr., and accepted the Tyler's

place, thus by example showing to the craft that a Mason should serve in whatsoever station his brethren may call him. With the son presiding in the East and the father guarding the outer door, from this post of duty he was called to that Celestial Lodge on High. His death cast a gloom over the Lodge and the entire community. As a man and Mason he was always actuated by pure motives; his advice was timely and good; the principles laid down and practiced by him are still growing in the hearts and lives of those with whom he associated, and especially his Masonic brethren.

NEW BRYANTSVILLE LODGE NO. 764

BRYANTSVILLE, GARRARD CO., KY.

Chartered October 18, 1905. Reports thirty-three members.

ROCKY FORD LODGE NO. 765

ELLISBURG, CASEY CO., KY.

Chartered October 18, 1905. Reports twenty members.

HANSON LODGE NO. 766

HANSON, HOPKINS CO., KY.

This Lodge was granted a dispensation February 22, 1905, and set to work March 20, 1905, by Past Grand Master H. H. Holeman, assisted by H. H. Hill (252, W. G. Reynolds (143).

The Lodge was granted a Charter October 18, 1905.

This is the third attempt with a Masonic Lodge at Hanson.

The first being Hanson Lodge No. 541, which became defunct July 10, 1886, the second being Hanson Lodge No. 683, which became defunct July 10, 1899.

MILFORD LODGE NO. 767

MILFORD, BRACKEN CO., KY.

Chartered October 18, 1905. Reports thirty-one members.

MORTON'S GAP LODGE NO. 768

MORTON'S GAP, HOPKINS CO., KY.

Morton's Gap Lodge U. D., at Morton's Gap, Hopkins County, Kentucky, was on October 15, 1905, granted a Charter and numbered 768 in the Grand Lodge calendar.

Hiram H. Hill was the first Master; William M. Davis, the first Senior Warden; David Y. Keith, the first Junior Warden.

The Lodge meetings were held on the first and third Wednesday in each month. For the year 1905, the Lodge reported a membership of eight Master Masons, one Fellow Craft and two Entered Apprentices.

In 1906, fifteen Master Masons.

In 1907, sixteen Master Masons; one Entered Apprentice.

In 1908, fifteen Master Masons; one Entered Apprentice.

On January 15, 1909, the Lodge became defunct.

## SALYERSVILLE LODGE NO. 769

SALYERSVILLE, MAGOFFIN CO., KY.

At a regular meeting of the above Lodge, held on February 6, 1914, the undersigned Master Masons were appointed as a Committee to compile or gather up Masonic history from this Lodge and the old defunct Ashler Lodge, from the time of their organization at this place to the present time, for the benefit of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, and for Masonry wheresoever dispersed throughout this Grand Jurisdiction; Wherefore they beg leave to report the following:

Old Ashler Lodge(now defunct)No. 531, was organized and set to work U. D., on the 31st., day of August, 1872, by Past Grand Master, then Grand Secretary, Hiram Basset.

The Charter members named in the Dispensation and who constituted the three principal officers were, John Frew Stewart, Master; John W. Moore, Senior Warden; Capt. J. Milton Atkeson, Junior Warden; with D. M. Atkeson as Secretary. Only two of the Charter members are now living, viz: John W. Moore and D. M. Atkeson. The first five members to be initiated were John W. Hammonds, Thomas W. Morton, Capt. W. S. Adams, A. B. Salyer and Dr. J. R. Mann. Out of this five, only Mr. Hammonds is now living.

The first Master, John Frew Stewart, had been a Major in the Union Army and lived at Paintsville, Kentucky. He served two terms as Master of this Lodge and then demitted when he received an appointment in the Pension Department at Washington, D. C.,

where he lived till the time of his death. The second Master was Capt. J. Milton Atkeson, who was a Captain in the Union Army, and lived at Salyersville, Kentucky, till his death in 1901. The third Master was John W. Moore, who joined the fraternity at Lebanon, Virginia, in May, 1867. He served as Master twice in old Ashler Lodge, once in Salyersville No. 769, and once in Wheelersburg Lodge No. 854. He is now a member of Salyersville Lodge. He was also appointed to a position in the Pension Department in Washington, D. C., in 1887, where he worked for nearly ten years. When the administration changed, he was retired to private life, so he again went to teaching school and farming. He has devoted much of his life to school teaching, as he has taught more schools than most any other person in the mountains of Kentucky.

Old Ashler Lodge No. 531, was defunct or the Charter was arrested, in January 1902, for non-payment of dues to the Grand Lodge at the October meeting in 1901. However, during its existence, it made a great many Masons, none of whom so far departed from the ancient land marks of the order as to be guilty of any heinous offense.

Salyersville was for a period of about three and a half years without any Masonic organization existing.

So in June, 1905, some of the brethren of Old Ashler Lodge having made application to the Grand Lodge for a Dispensation to organize a new Lodge at this place, the Dispensation was granted and R. A. Patrick, a Past Master of Paintsville Lodge No. 381,

was made the proxy of the Grand Master to organize the present Lodge at this place.

It was organized and set to work Under Dispensation on the 22nd, day of July, 1905, with the following officers, viz: John W. Moore, Master; L. C. Bailey, Senior Warden; E. L. Stephens, Junior Warden; A. P. Atkeson, Secretary; Jeff Prater, Treasurer; H. C. Mann, Senior Deacon; John W. Hammond, Junior Deacon; C. D. Sublett and A. T. Patrick, Stewards, with William Adams as Tyler. This Lodge continued to work Under Dispensation till the 10th., of November, 1905, when a Charter was procured from the Grand Lodge and Salyersville Lodge No. 769 was organized by C. D. Sublett a Past Master of Old Ashler Lodge as proxy of the Grand Master, with practically the same officers elected and installed as in the first organization.

From that time up to the present, there have been elected and served as Masters of this Lodge the following brethren, viz: John W. Moore, L. C. Bailey, H. C. Mann, A. P. Atkeson, Jeff Prater, John F. Cooper, Dr. R. C. Adams, E. B. Arnett and the present Master, Walter H. May.

As to the personnel of some of the brethren of this Lodge, it is but fitting and proper that mention be made as to their professional, military and civil life. J. W. Moore is a school teacher and farmer; Captain Jeff Prater is a banker, and hotel proprietor; E. L. Stephens is the cashier of the Salyersville National Bank; Judge D. W. Gardner is the present Circuit Judge in the Thirty-first Judicial District; C. D. Sublett is Ex-State Senator of this District, while S. J. Patrick is Ex-Representative :



A. T. Patrick is an attorney at law: W. P. Carpenter and E. B. Arnett, are both successful merchants: W. H. May is a successful farmer: Drs. R. C. Adams, M. C. Kash and W. A. May are all regular practicing physicians: B. W. Higgins has been elected Treasurer of this Lodge five times in succession, while Smith Adams has been Tyler ever since the organization of the Lodge, he is also a farmer.

In 1898, when the call was made for volunteers in the war with Spain, Messrs. Jeff Prater and M. C. Kash went to Frankfort and saw the Governor who gave them authority to organize and muster a Cavalry Troop at this place, which they did. Jeff Prater being Captain and M. C. Kash and N. P. Howard were elected the two Lieutenants. This Troop mobilized and drilled at Lexington, Kentucky, Chickamauga Park, till peace was made and they mustered out, not having been called for to go to the front.

In the spring of 1913, five members of this Lodge called for and were granted demits from this Lodge to organize a new Lodge at Oil Springs, Kentucky. Captain Jeff Prater, a Past Master of this Lodge, being appointed as proxy of the Grand Master, together with M. C. Kash, also of this Lodge, as Secretary, went to Oil Springs on the 17th., of April, 1913, organized and set to work Oil Springs Lodge U. D., with L. C. Bailey a Past Master of this Lodge, as Master. In September, 1913, the brethren of this Lodge asked for and received a Dispensation from the Grand Master to appear in public and lay the corner stone of the First Christian Church at this place, which was done on the 20th., day of September, 1913, with Walter S. Harbins of Zebulon Lodge No.

273, F. & A. M., Prestonsburg, Kentucky, as proxy of the Grand Master.

DUDLEY LODGE NO. 770

ORLANDO, ROCKCASTLE CO., KY.

J. A. Landrum of Ashland Lodge No. 640, proxy for the Grand Master, congregated the following brethren: H. L. Smith, H. C. Owens, L. J. Reames, Solomon Ball, Willis C. Johnson, Rev. Wm. Williams, J. B. Reames, John R. Reames, A. J. Reames, and Rev. W. J. Alcorn, the ten charter members, for the purpose of setting to work Dudley Lodge under dispensation, the dispensation was read by the secretary, and petitions of Mr. Lee Chestnut, T. J. Hayes, E. J. Anderson, and J. W. Deese, were received and referred to an investigating committee. After some interesting remarks by prominent Masons of Ashland Lodge No. 640, the Lodge closed.

On September the 7, 1905, the Lodge was opened for the purpose of hearing report of committee on by-laws, which committee presented the copy of by-laws recommended by the Grand Lodge, a copy of which was read at this meeting, then the Lodge was closed.

On October 2nd., the Lodge was opened in regular communication, the regular officers in charge received petitions for initiation from S. T. Reames, I. R. McCracken and Dr. W. D. Laswell, which were referred to an investigating committee, and the four candidates Lee Chestnut, E. J. Anderson, J. W. Deese and T. J. Hayes, were regularly initiated.

The Lodge made notes to Solomon Ball, J. B. Reames and L. J.

Reames for the amount of one hundred dollars, each, for the purpose of paying for Lodge hall, which was in the upper part of a store building.

November 6, 1905, Dave Jackson, proxy of the Grand Master, opened a Lodge of Master Masons, and set Dudley Lodge No. 770 F. & A. M., to work under Charter signed by the following Grand officers, R. H. C. Rhea, Grand Master; James Garnett, Deputy Grand Master; Samuel K. Veatch, Grand Senior Warden; Henry P. Barrett, Grand Junior Warden; H. B. Grant, Grand Secretary, and dated October 19th., 1905, naming therein H. L. Smith, first Master; H. C. Owens, first Senior Warden, L. J. Reames, first Junior Warden. At this meeting Dr. W. D. Laswell and I. R. McCrackin were initiated, and Lee Chestnut, T. J. Hays, J. W. Deese and E. J. Anderson, passed to the degree of Fellowcraft. Petitions of D. G. Clark and Leslie Clifford, received and referred to an investigating committee, and a warrant drawn on treasurer for thirty-six dollars to pay for the Charter and ten dollars to aid a sick worthy brother.

December 14, 1910, occurred the first death in the Lodge membership, that of Jake Reames, one of the Charter members.

GLENDALE LODGE NO. 771

GLENDALE, HARDIN CO., KY.

Chartered October 17, 1906. Reports fifty members.

## LOCKPORT LODGE NO. 772

LOCKPORT, HENRY CO., KY.

August 17, 1905, J. D. Byrns, of W. G. Simpson Lodge No. 472, as proxy for the Grand Master, R. H. Rhea, assembled the Craft and constituted Lockport Lodge U. D., and set the same to work. The Lodge was chartered as Lockport Lodge No. 772 on October 17, 1906, with a membership of ten. The Lodge has had five Masters, all of whom are still actively connected with the Lodge, Joel Payne, the first Master, now seventy-eight years of age (1914), being one of its most regular and interested attendants.

## BONANZA LODGE NO. 773

BONANZA, FLOYD CO., KY.

Chartered October 17, 1906. Charter arrested February 6, 1917, because representative to Grand Lodge in 1916 drew the diem and did not answer roll call, and the Lodge refused to refund the amount. April 25, 1917 the amount was refunded. July 25, 1917, nine men who had been members thereof asked the restoration of the Charter, and it was restored July 24, 1917.

## JEFFERSONTOWN LODGE NO. 774

JEFFERSONTOWN, JEFFERSON CO., KY.

Chartered October 17, 1916. Reports seventy-six members.

## SMITH LODGE NO. 775

RUSSELL, GREENUP CO., KY.

Chartered October 17, 1906. Reports one hundred and three members.

## BROOKLYNN LODGE NO. 776

BROOKLYNN, BUTLER CO., KY.

Brooklynn Lodge U. D., was organized March 31, 1906, by N. T. Howard, of Cassia No. 272, as proxy for the Grand Master. The following brethren were present: N. T. Howard, Cassia No. 272, as proxy for the Grand Master; W. B. Cardwell, Cassia, No. 272; Senior Warden; Virgil Flener, Brooklynn U. D., Junior Warden; W. W. Embry, Brooklynn U. D., Secretary; N. C. Kessinger, Brooklynn U. D., Treasurer; A. E. Mozey, Cassia No. 272, Senior Deacon; F. M. Embry, Brooklynn U. D., Junior Deacon; D. M. Embry, Brooklynn U. D., Tyler; R. L. Glascock, Brooklynn U. D., J. D. Jones, Brooklynn, U. D., R. V. Hunt, Brooklynn, U. D., Newton Flener, Brooklynn U. D.

Brooklynn Lodge U. D., received its Charter October 17, 1906, becoming Brooklynn Lodge No. 776, and appointed Newton Flener to be the first Master, J. D. Jones, Senior Warden, and R. V. Hunt, Junior Warden.

MERCER LODGE NO. 777  
HARROLSBURG, MERCER CO., KY.

Chartered October 17, 1906. Reports eighty-five members. Charles A. Hardin, Judge of the Thirteenth Circuit Court Judicial District is a member of this Lodge, as is R. L. Marrison, a present member of the Grand Lodge Committee on Visitors, and Rodman Keenon, Clerk of the Court of Appeals.

MERRIMAC LODGE NO. 778  
MERRIMAC, TAYLOR CO., KY.

Chartered October 17, 1906. Reports twenty-six members.

PILOT LODGE NO. 779  
BIG HILL, MADISON CO., KY.

Pilot Lodge No. 779 received a dispensation to meet and work from James Garnett as Grand Master in the spring of 1906. It is located just at the foothills and within the shadow of Pilot Knob, a famous landmark in Madison County. After this mountain, it took its name. It reported a membership of fourteen to the Grand Lodge in October, 1906, and received its Charter. The officers who organized the Lodge and began work under dispensation were: Thomas J. McKeehan, Master; Irvine A. Hunter, Senior Warden; Mike Parker, Junior Warden; Thomas J. Robinson, Secretary; Carlo B. Arnett, Treasurer; Robert L. Ambros, Senior Deacon; Madison Moody, Junior Deacon; William Castell, Steward and Tyler.

These men were set to work by W. Rodes Shackelford as proxy for the Grand Master, October 14, 1906. After the granting of the Charter the same brethren were chosen regular officers. The honor of being the first Master was deservedly bestowed on Thomas J. McKeehan, who had formerly presided as Master of Kingston Lodge No. 315, and who was instrumental in securing the Charter. He is a merchant and farmer and stands high both as a man and Mason. He has been re-elected Master three times. The other members who have served as Masters are: Mike Parker, Elmer Parker, Irvine A. Hunter, R. L. Ambros.

This little Lodge owns its own hall and its last report to the Grand Lodge showed a membership of forty-one. It has a bright future and should become a source of pleasure as well as a means of service not only to its members, but to the surrounding country.

KEVIL LODGE NO. 780

KEVIL, BALLARD CO., KY.

Kevil Lodge No. 780, was set to work on May 26, 1906 by James E. W. Wilhelm.

The Lodge was organized by members from Grahamsville No. 707, Antioch, No. 332, North Ballard No. 537 and Lovelaceville, No. 157.

S. R. Culver was first Master; R. F. Stewart, was first Senior Warden; Baxter Kuykendall, was first Junior Warden; T. H. Marshall, was first Secretary and J. R. Nuckols, first Treasurer.

HARDIN LODGE NO. 781

HARDIN, MARSHALL CO., KY.

Chartered October 17, 1906. Reports forty-one members.

LA CENTER LODGE NO. 782

LA CENTER, BALLARD CO., KY.

Chartered October 17, 1906. Reports sixty members.

LINTON LODGE NO. 783

LINTON, TRIGG CO., KY.

On December 6, 1906, John D. Shaw, Past Master of Cadiz Lodge No. 121, of Cadiz, Kentucky, as proxy of the Grand Master, met with the brethren at the Masonic Hall in Linton, Trigg Co., Kentucky, for the purpose of setting to work Linton Lodge under dispensation. The petitioners were Cullen T. Bridges, first Master, Albert S. Ford, first Senior Warden, Thomas F. Downs, Junior Warden, E. C. Vinson, first Secretary, R. L. Nunn, first Treasurer, W. R. Futrell, first Senior Deacon, W. T. Hargrove, first Junior Deacon, R. R. Hinson, first Tyler.

A letter was received from Canton Lodge No. 242, with the signature of the Master and Secretary, stating that Mr. Al Littlejohn had petitioned Canton Lodge No. 242, and after due time he was duly elected to receive the Entered Apprentice degree. It was his request to receive the degree in the Lodge, that was to



be organized at Linton, Kentucky. Mr. Littlejohn was the first to be initiated in the new Lodge. The Lodge worked under dispensation until November 23, 1907, when J. D. Shaw, of Cadiz Lodge No. 121, proxy of the Grand Master, met with the brethren to constitute a new Lodge, which is known as Linton Lodge No. 783, Linton, Trigg County, Kentucky.

The first Hall was over a blacksmith shop, but in 1912 was built a new one over a dry goods store, this one is the property of the Lodge, the first one was rented.

On the 24th., day of June, 1914, the Lodge held a St. John's Day celebration. There was a large crowd in attendance which was put in line and marched to a grove on W. L. Roger's farm where good speeches were heard and a bountiful dinner enjoyed.

There have been thirty-eight men made Master Masons in Linton Lodge, but there are only thirty-one members now. Some have been demitted, some suspended and one has died.

SONORA LODGE NO. 784

SONORA, HARDIN CO., KY.

Chartered October 15, 1907. Reports fifty-eight members.

BLACK DIAMOND LODGE NO. 785

GRAHAM, MUHLENBERG CO., KY.

James Carley, Past Master of John T. Crandall Lodge No. 457, on December 15, 1906, as proxy for the Grand Master, set this

Lodge to work under dispensation.

October 15, 1907, the Charter was granted and thereafter set to work as such by W. H. Gray, of Pond River Lodge No. 244.

The Lodge takes its name from the rich coal deposits that underlie this whole region of Kentucky.

Its membership is fifty-seven. The meetings are held in a brick metal roof building valued at about \$4,000.00, of which the Lodge is the owner of a one-third interest.

WHITE MILLS LODGE NO. 786

WHITE MILLS, HARDIN CO., KY.

Organized under dispensation February 7, 1907. Set to work under Charter October 15, 1907 by F. G. Carley, as proxy of the Grand Master.

The Lodge in 1916 reported a membership of sixteen.

HISEVILLE LODGE NO. 787

HISEVILLE, BARREN CO., KY.

Hiseville Lodge No. 787, was organized and set to work under dispensation on August 17, 1907, by Judge G. M. Bohannon of Allen Lodge No. 24, as proxy of the Grand Master.

Those petitioning Grand Lodge for dispensation were: James W. Bryant, Joseph T. Winlock, Julius C. Goff, Samuel B. Hatcher, Samuel Gideon Hatcher, Thomas J. Hatcher, William M. Watkins, Edwin Vincent, and John William Pemberton of Rising Star Lodge defunct, of Hiseville, Kentucky, not having affiliated with any

lodge since Rising Star Lodge became defunct in 1880, they were re-instated by the Grand Lodge in 1907.

Other petitioners were, William S. Lain, demitted from Moody Lodge of Texas, John Henry Turk, demitted from Cumberland Lodge No. 413, Burkesville, Ky., W. Maxey Newberry, Candor G. Depp and Ewing L. Palmore, demitted from Allen Lodge No. 24, Glasgow, Kentucky.

The Lodge's first officers were Samuel G. Hatcher, Master; Candor G. Depps, Senior Warden; Ewing L. Palmore, Junior Warden; Thomas J. Hatcher, Secretary; James W. Bryant, Treasurer; John H. Turk, Senior Deacon; Wm. M. Watkins, Junior Deacon, Wm. S. Lain, Steward and Tyler.

At the meeting of the Grand Lodge in October, 1907, a Charter was granted and on November 9, 1907, was organized and set to work as Hiseville Lodge No. 787, Judge G. M. Bohannon of Allen Lodge No. 24, Glasgow, Kentucky, proxy of the Grand Master.

On the morning of October 4, 1911, the room occupied by Hiseville Lodge was destroyed by fire, with all its property but Charter and records.

On November 10, 1911, the Lodge met in the public school building, and continued to meet there for several months.

On November 25, 1911, was begun the discussion of ways and means of securing a more suitable meeting place, and on December 9, 1911, a lot for Lodge room was bought.

On March 9, 1912, a building committee was appointed to erect a Lodge room 26x60 feet.

On October 3, 1912, the new Lodge room was dedicated by

G. M. Bohannon of Allen Lodge No. 24, proxy of the Grand Master.

In the history of Hiseville Lodge there have been four Masters. There were two Past Masters at its organization and both have joined the Lodge above. The Lodge reports forty members.

BEECHBOTTOM LODGE NO. 788  
BEECHBOTTOM, CLINTON CO., KY.

Beechbottom Lodge No. 788 F. & A. M., was organized and set to work U. D., June 15, 1907, with the following brethren: Alvin Bertram, Master; A. Hial Bertram, Senior Warden; James W. Wright, Junior Warden; Samuel G. Morgan, Secretary; Samuel R. Littrell, Treasurer; James Hurt, Senior Deacon; B. A. Buck, Junior Deacon; James E. Smith, Tyler; Rev. I. R. Rogers, Chaplain. A Charter was granted October 15, 1907, and the Lodge set to work at once to secure a hall in which to meet. The result was a commodious lodge room over the Beechbottom Baptist Church house. The Lodge owns the upper part of the building.

Among her members who have done and are doing much for the betterment of humanity, may be mentioned Rev. C. W. Asbery, Rev. I. R. Rogers, and Rev. Alvin Bertram, the latter besides having been an active minister of the Gospel for more than forty years has served two terms as a member of the Kentucky Legislature.

LILY LODGE NO. 789  
LILY, LUAREL CO., KY.

Chartered Oct. 15, 1907. In 1908 a fire occurred in the

Lodge room which so damaged the Charter a new one had to be issued. The old one being kept by the Lodge as a souvenir. This Lodge reports twenty-five members.

CAVE CITY LODGE NO. 790

CAVE CITY, BARREN CO., KY.

Chartered October 15, 1907. Reports thirty-nine members.

HENSHAW LODGE NO. 791

HENSHAW, UNION CO., KY.

Henshaw Lodge was organized June 1, 1907, with H. R. Dyer, Master; A. J. Adams, Senior Warden; G. W. Morris, Junior Warden; S. W. Mitchell, Secretary, W. H. Nunn, Treasurer, W. M. Brantley, Tyler.

The Lodge was set to work by T. B. Young, Jr., proxy of Sam K. Veatch, then Grand Master of Kentucky. Fourteen men demitted from Shiloh Lodge No. 453, and placed their demits with petitions to the Grand Master, who had the Lodge set to work U. D., on June 1, 1907. When Grand Lodge met in October, 1907, Henshaw Lodge No. 791 was granted a Charter. Since that time the Lodge has lost two by death, three by demit, one by suspension and now has thirty-eight.

VALLEY VIEW LODGE NO. 792.

VALLEY VIEW, MADISON CO., KY.

Valley View Lodge No. 792 was organized through the efforts

of John W. Moore who had served as Master of Madison Lodge No. 183 eleven years. Both the dispensation and Charter was granted during the administration of Samuel K. Veatch as Grand Master. He visited this little Lodge March 21, 1907, in person and set them regularly to work. The officers were: John W. Moore, Master; John A. Young, Senior Warden; W. T. Tudor, Junior Warden; S. R. Ballard, Secretary; W. J. Dougherty, Treasurer, J. W. Colston, Senior Deacon; Garland Gibson, Junior Deacon, Joseph Perkins, Steward and Tyler.

John W. Moore was an inspiration to his fellow members and his death in February, 1911, while serving as Master a fourth time was a great loss. He was a kindly, polite gentleman and will be long remembered for his generous charities and kindly ways by all who knew him. Valley View Lodge has had only three Masters besides Mr. Moore. They are: John A. Young, S. J. Jones and S. R. Ballard.

The formation of a Chapter of the Eastern Star among the wives of the members of Valley View Lodge has added much to its interest and strength. The Grand Lodge report of 1913 showed a membership of thirty-one. Joseph Perkins, who has from the beginning been Steward and Tyler, is a most devoted member. He has rarely missed a meeting from the beginning, although now nearly eighty years old. He is a cordial, hospitable man, while in voice, manners and looks he is typical of a class fast passing.

## WILLIAM MCKINLEY LODGE NO. 793

McKEE, JACKSON CO., KY.

In the year 1907, the Masons in and around McKee, Jackson County, Kentucky, asked for a Lodge to be held at McKee, Ky. A dispensation was granted by Sam K. Veatch, Grand Master, naming James M. Bailey to be the first Master, Tyra Lainhart, to be the first Senior Warden, and Joab H. Begley, to be the first Junior Warden. The Grand Master also appointed Lee J. Webb, of Pond Fork Lodge No. 601, his proxy to set the Lodge to work under dispensation to be called Wm. McKinley Lodge, U. D., whereupon Mr. Webb called the Charter members to meet on the 6th., day of April, 1907, in the Odd Fellow Hall at McKee, Ky., and organized the Lodge, with the following Charter members: Dr. W. T. Amyx, Rev. W. H. Anderson, J. M. Bailey, J. H. Begley, W. M. Baker, W. G. Hamilton, Wm. Isaacs, Tyra Lainhart, W. A. Powell, C. C. Powell and S. E. Welch, Sr. There were several prominent Masons from other lodges present as visitors, who assisted in the organization. W. T. Amyx was elected Secretary, S. E. Welch, Treasurer, W. H. Anderson, Senior Deacon, Wm. Isaacs, Junior Deacon, and Wm. Baker, Tyler.

At the next session of the Grand Lodge in October, 1907, a Charter was granted in the name of Wm. McKinley Lodge No. 793.

The Lodge has steadily increased till at present there are forty-three members.

Since the organization of the Lodge there have been only two suspensions and none expelled.

The following members of this Lodge have held county offices:

G. I. Rader, County Attorney, 1906-1910; Tyra Lainhart, Sheriff 1906-1910; John Farmer, 1906-1910, and Sheriff 1914; R. M. Bradshaw, Circuit Court Clerk and County Superintendent, D. G. Collier, County Attorney, 1898-1902 and County Court Clerk, 1906-1914; L. C. Little, Sheriff 1911-1914; H. F. Mintner, County Superintendent 1906-1910; L. V. Morris, Jailer, 1910, 1914; J. W. Mullins, County Judge 1910. 1914.

D. S. Smith and W. H. Anderson are Baptist ministers and J. R. Hays, is Cashier of the Jackson County Bank.

MANCHESTER LODGE NO. 794

MANCHESTER, CLAY CO., KY.

Chartered October 16, 1907. July 12, 1917, Lodge room burned and Charter destroyed by fire. July 17, 1917, the Grand Master granted a desmal authority to continue work as a Masonic Lodge until duplicate Charter should be issued by The Grand Lodge.

ROCKHOLD LODGE NO. 795

ROCKHOLD, WHITLEY CO., KY.

Chartered October 16, 1907. Reports forty-nine members.

BUCKHORN LODGE NO. 796

BUCKHORN, PERRY CO., KY.

Chartered October 21, 1908. This Lodge has a membership of



twenty-four, nearly all of whom are prominently identified with the business and educational interests of the community, which is one of the most prominent educational centers in the Mountains of Kentucky. Among the membership of the Lodge are Luther Johnson, Grand Junior Deacon, and a professor in the College at Buckhorn; Sam Burns, who is business manager of the College farm and its industrial plants; Dr. Z. M. Abshear, the resident College physician.

SHIDDELL LODGE NO. 797

POLSGROVE, FRANKLIN CO., KY.

Chartered October 21, 1908. Reports twenty-one members.

CAUTION LODGE NO. 798

CAUTION, CLAY CO., KY.

Chartered October 21, 1908. Reports twenty-seven members.

CORYDON LODGE NO. 799

CORYDON, HENDERSON CO., KY.

Corydon Lodge U. D., was organized and set to work June 7, 1907, with Deputy Grand Master Henry P. Barrett, (Past Master of Jerusalem Lodge No. 9), presiding, assisted by Past Grand Master Bernard G. Witt, of Henderson, Kentucky, Marshall, H. C. Dean, (of Union Lodge No. 219), Senior Warden, Arch Melt on, Past Master of Cairo Lodge No. 385, Junior Warden, J. W. Thomas, (Past Master

of Union Lodge No. 219), Senior Deacon, A. H. McKinley, (Past Master of Jerusalem Lodge No. 9), Junior Deacon, Chris. C. Whitley, (Past Master of Cairo Lodge No. 385), Tyler, assisted by the following brethren from Jerusalem Lodge No. 9: J. E. Kimmel, Walter Wayland, J. A. Kirkham, S. O. Heilbronner, J. W. Wharton, W. B. Harris, W. B. Smith, J. W. Weldon. From Cairo Lodge No. 385, Eugene Walker, Robert Sellars, Marion Sellars, J. C. Sellars, E. C. Buchanan. From Union Lodge No. 219, Robert Compton, Oscar C. Hardigg, Sam Cox, Edwin Whitley, J. L. Harris, G. H. Gatewood.

This Lodge was granted a Charter at the regular meeting of the Grand Lodge in 1909, and numbered 799.

The following deaths have taken place since organization: H. B. Zernow, died November 15, 1910. D. C. Yarbrough, died, February 21, 1913. James N. Powell, died March 8, 1913; John S. Balew, died December 12, 1911, before taking Fellowcraft degree.

One member of the Lodge has started a building fund with the donation of \$100.00 for that purpose.

McHENRY LODGE NO. 800

McHENRY, OHIO CO., KY.

Chartered October 21, 1908. Charter revoked July 17, 1917, for failure to pay indebtedness to Grand Lodge or to make returns.

WOODFORD LODGE NO. 801  
VERSAILLES, WOODFORD CO., KY.

Woodford Lodge No. 801, was constituted on June 22, 1907, under the name of Mortonsville U. D., by Wm. Yeoman, a Past Master of Landmark Lodge No. 41 at Versailles, Kentucky, as proxy of the Grand Master, with the following Charter members. P. O. Sublett, J. P. Donnellon, E. L. Lillard, R. E. Coyle, E. L. Mitchell, James McWilliams, Wm. Bowmar, J. M. Hackley, J. A. Davis, J. R. Bond, Bolivar Bond, J. L. Beasley. There were present besides the above, R. H. Gray, as Senior Warden, Chas. W. Harris, as Junior Warden, and Ben Gaines, all of Landmark Lodge No. 41, and G. L. Gaines holding a demit from Bethany Lodge No. 560.

S. O. Sublett was appointed the first Master of the Lodge, R. E. Coyle, Senior Warden, and J. A. Davis, Junior Warden. E. L. Mitchell was elected Treasurer, James McWilliams, Secretary and Wm. Bowmar, Tyler, J. R. Bond was appointed Senior Deacon, and J. P. Donnellan, Junior Deacon.

The Lodge failed to secure a Charter at the next succeeding meeting of the Grand Lodge and continued to work under dispensation until the meeting of the Grand Lodge in October, 1908, when it was granted a Charter under the name of Woodford Lodge No. 801. The Lodge rents its hall from the Farmers Bank of Mortonsville. The growth of the Lodge has been slow. Starting with a Charter membership of twelve, it now has a membership of thirty-three.

CLEATON LODGE NO. 802  
 CLEATON, MUHLENBERG CO., KY.

Cleaton Lodge was organized and set to work under dispensation by V. H. Franklin, proxy of the Grand Master of Kentucky, Sam K. Veatch, August 27, 1907, with the following Charter members and officers: A. M. Creel, Master, J. C. Brown, Senior Warden; W. H. Chumley, Junior Warden; T. A. Bransford, J. W. Russ, W. E. Jarvis, W. R. Walls, J. L. Thomas, R. P. Sharpe, J. L. Faughender.

The Lodge was set to work under Charter dated October 21, 1908, as Cleaton Lodge No. 802, by J. E. Barnhill, proxy of the Grand Master, Harry P. Barrett.

This Lodge erected a Masonic Hall in 1913, which is a credit to any Masonic fraternity in the State. Meetings were held in Creels Hall until its removal to its own hall, August 5, 1913.

PLEASANT GROVE LODGE NO. 803  
 FORDSVILLE, (R.F.D.#2), OHIO COUNTY, KY.

Pleasant Grove Lodge U. D., was organized September 16, 1907, at Shreve, Ohio County, Kentucky, with T. E. Butler, master of Fordsville Lodge No. 600, acting as proxy of the Grand Master.

The Craft was congregated there being present T. E. Butler, of Fordsville Lodge No. 600, as the proxy of the Grand Master, J. D. Cooper, of Fordsville Lodge No. 600, as Senior Warden, A. B. Cart, of Glen Dean Lodge No. 747, as Junior Warden, Olla Wilson, of Fordsville Lodge No. 600, as Senior Deacon, J. I. Harder, of

Fordsville Lodge No. 600, as Junior Deacon, J. W. Petty, of Rockport Lodge No. 312, as Tyler.

The Lodge was organized with the following Charter members: W. R. Oldham, William H. Obenchain, C. W. Butler, C. W. DeWeese, Anthony Shartzler, A. Roscoe Stone, William Tuttle, Estil White, C. A. Keen, Rufus Dowell, A. B. Grant, Lafe DeWeese, James M. DeWeese, J. G. Cooper, J. D. Grant and C. T. Whittinghill.

William H. Obenchain was appointed Master, C. T. Whittinghill, Senior Warden; Anthony Shartzler, Junior Warden of the new Lodge. A Lodge of Master Masons was opened in ~~form~~ by ballot C. A. Keene was elected Secretary, Lafe DeWeese, Treasurer and William Tuttle, Tyler. J. D. Grant was appointed Senior Deacon and A. Roscoe Stone, Junior Deacon.

During its seven years of existence the Lodge has been very successful, having accomplished a great deal of work.

In the circle of the Craft there has been but one death, that of William James.

The Lodge owns its own place of meeting and is a wide awake, enthusiastic body of Masons.

At this time the Lodge has two wards in the Masonic Widows and Orphans Home.

SAMORIA LODGE NO. 804

SAMORIA, MAGOFFIN CO., KY.

Chartered October 21, 1908. Reports twenty-four members.

GERARD LODGE NO. 805

HAYS, WARREN CO., KY.

Chartered October 21, 1908. Reports twenty-four members.

NOLIN LODGE NO. 806

JANE, HARLAN CO., KY.

January 18, 1908, S. W. Saylor, Past Master of Wallins Creek Lodge, No. 666, as proxy of the Grand Master, set this Lodge to work under dispensation officered as follows: A. M. Howard, Master, A. H. Nolin, Senior Warden; Joe G. Creech, Junior Warden; E. M. Nolin, Secretary; W. C. Creech, Treasurer; James Metcalf, Senior Deacon; E. L. Howard, Junior Deacon; A. B. Howard, Tyler.

The Lodge was granted a Charter October 21, 1908.

At the end of the first year the Lodge had a membership of forty-four. The establishment of the Lodges at Poor Fork and Baxter, has reduced the membership of the Lodge and narrowed its jurisdiction. The membership last reported is thirty-six, and the Lodge has every indication of a successful future.

VAN BUREN LODGE NO. 807

VAN BUREN, ANDERSON CO., KY.

Chartered October 21, 1908. Reports thirty-four members.

FORT THOMAS LODGE NO. 808  
FORT THOMAS, CAMPBELL CO., KY.

Seeing the necessity for having a Masonic Lodge in this vicinity G. A. Grapes, called the Masons of Fort Thomas to meet at the Central School Building on January 7, 1908, explained the nature of the meeting and thirty-nine names were signed to the petition asking a Lodge Charter.

Grand Master, Henry P. Barrett, authorized Fort Thomas Lodge to work under dispensation and authorized the Grand Senior Warden John H. Cowles, as his proxy to set the Lodge to work, which was done March 30, 1908.

On October 23, 1908, Alvin A. Ranshaw, acting as proxy for Grand Master Henry P. Barrett, set the Lodge to work under its Charter as Fort Thomas Lodge No. 808.

On June 26, 1909, the cornerstone of the Temple of Fort Thomas Lodge was laid by E. S. Rumiels acting as proxy for Grand Master Virgil P. Smith.

The Lodge was removed from Central School House to new Temple on December 24, 1909.

Grand Master John H. Cowles was made an honorary member of Fort Thomas Lodge on February 25, 1910, upon which date the new Temple was dedicated.

The Grand Master was presented with a gold certificate suitably engraved showing membership in this Lodge.

A. A. Ranshaw, of Golden Rule Lodge No. 345, Covington, Ky., and E. S. Rumiels, Sr., of Newport Lodge No. 358, Newport, Ky.,

were made honorary members of Fort Thomas Lodge Dedication Day,  
February 25, 1910.

KELAT LODGE NO. 809

KELAT, HARRISON CO., KY.

Chartered October 21, 1908. Reports thirty-two members.

CYPRESS LODGE NO. 810

LITTLE CYPRESS, MARSHALL CO., KY.

Chartered October 21, 1908. Reports twenty-three members.

MATANZAS LODGE NO. 811

MATANZAS, OHIO CO., KY.

Chartered October 21, 1908. Reports thirty-four members.

CARRSVILLE LODGE NO. 812

CARRSVILLE, LIVINGSTON CO., KY.

Chartered October 21, 1908. Reports thirty-nine members.

GAVÉL LODGE NO. 813

MAGNOLIA, LARUE CO., KY.

Dispensation granted July 21, 1908. Chartered October 21,  
1908. Organized with eleven men, the membership has increased  
to fifty-seven.



During the first year of its organization the Lodge meetings were held in rented quarters, but since that time in the upper story of the school building, which portion of the house is owned by the Lodge and valued at about \$1200.00. The building is situated on the Jackson Highway.

FAITH LODGE NO. 814

FAITH, McLEAN CO., KY.

Chartered October 21, 1908. Reports twenty-nine members.

McDANIELS LODGE NO. 815

McDANIELS, BRECKINRIDGE CO., KY.

Chartered October 1, 1908. Reports twenty-eight members.

DAVID FAULKNER LODGE NO. 816

ANTIOCH, METCALFE CO., KY.

Chartered October 20, 1909. Reports fourteen members.

SMITH'S GROVE LODGE NO. 817

SMITH'S GROVE, WARREN CO., KY.

In 1903 J. B. Owens and W. J. Wade, two Masons who had passed the zenith of life and whose Masonic careers reached back over many years, made an attempt to organize a Masonic Lodge at Smith's Grove, but were unable to arouse sufficient interest.

In 1908, the situation was changed. Additions to the resident craftsmen made it possible to establish a Lodge in this place. A dispensation was granted on March 2, 1909 and a Charter issued October 20, 1909. The Lodge now has a membership of thirty-seven.

ATTERSON LODGE NO. 818  
ATTERSON, CASEY CO., KY.

Chartered October 20, 1909. Reports, thirty members.

HOWARD LODGE NO. 819  
BAXTER, HARLAN CO., KY.

Organized under dispensation June 5, 1909. Chartered October 20, 1909. The Lodge owns its place of meeting and reports seventy-two members.

CRESCENT HILL LODGE NO. 820  
LOUISVILLE, JEFFERSON COUNTY, KY.

Crescent Hill Lodge U. D., organized March 26th, 1909, by Capt. H. B. Grant, as proxy of the Grand Master, Virgil P. Smith. Began with thirty-six Charter members, Joseph E. Longstreet being the first Master.

Charter granted October 20, 1909, under the name of Crescent Hill Lodge No. 820. Joseph E. Longstreet being dedignated as Master.

The Lodge reports a membership of one hundred and twenty.

LONEOAK LODGE NO. 821

PADUCAH, McCRACKEN CO., KY.

Loneoak Lodge No. 821, five miles South of Paducah, Kentucky, was set to work under dispensation in August, 1909, granted a Charter on October 20, 1909, was organized by E. Futrell, who was made a Mason in Haywood Lodge No. 360, in 1861. This Lodge has a membership of twenty-six and is unusual in the following - it was organized with ten members, eight of which were Past Masters, and only worked one time under dispensation before Charter was granted.

NASH LODGE NO. 822

MT. PLEASANT, EDMONSON CO., KY.

Chartered October 20, 1909. Charter was arrested December 23, 1913. The inventory received by the Grand Secretary January 14, 1914, showed \$102.00 in Lodge treasury and outstanding debts of \$12.42.

MACEO LODGE NO. 823

MACEA, DAVIESS CO., KY.

Chartered October 20, 1909. Reports thirteen members.

BANCOCK LODGE NO. 824  
 BAIZETOWN, OHIO CO., KY.

Set to work under dispensation March 21, 1909. Chartered October 19, 1909. In 1913, it returned a membership of twenty-seven. In 1914, the Lodge properties and Charter were destroyed by fire.

CRESS LODGE NO. 825  
 RITNER, WAYNE CO., KY.

Set to work under dispensation July 30, 1909, by W. R. Cress, of Monticello Lodge No. 431. Charter granted October 19, 1910. Reports eighty members.

BIG SPRING LODGE NO. 826  
 BIG SPRING, MEADE CO., KY.

Dispensation granted May 20, 1909. Chartered October 19, 1910. Reports thirty-three members.

CHAPEL LODGE NO. 827  
 GRASSY CREEK, MORGAN CO., KY.

Dispensation granted July 17, 1909. Chartered October 19, 1910. Reports twenty-two members.

ELIJAH UPTON LODGE NO. 828  
RICHARDSVILLE, WARREN CO., KY.

Granted dispensation August 25, 1909. Chartered October  
19, 1910. Reports fifty-four members.

LOGOS LODGE NO. 829  
PEWEE VALLEY, OLDHAM CO., KY.

In October, 1909, there were residing in Pewee Valley, Oldham County, Kentucky, and vicinity, a number of Free Masons, who were desirous of having a Masonic Lodge located in the ir midst, and in the latter part of October 1909, a meeting was held in the town hall and plans were formulated towards establishing such a Lodge, and final arrangements were made at the meeting held in the town hall, the last Friday night in November, 1909. At this meeting it was agreed that demits would be asked for at once by the following brothers: Evan T. Hammond, Shibboleth No. 750, Louisville, Ky.; Charles A. Calvert, Abraham, No. 8, Louisville, Ky.; John F. Harcourt, Lebanon No. 87, Lebanon, Ky.; Alexander McFarlan, Bedford No. 14, Bedford, Indiana; Charles R. Long, Jr., Louisville No. 400, Louisville, Ky.; Rowan B. Pryor, Fortitude No. 47, La Grange, Ky.; Wallace Cox, Fortitude No. 47, La Grange, Ky.; Isaac L. Munday, Fortitude No. 47, La Grange, Ky.; Edgar Clore, Middletown No. 732, Middle town, Ky.; Tom J. Hancock, Fortitude No. 47, La Grange, Ky.; John W. Stine, Kilwinning No. 506, Louisville, Ky.; J. Smith Homan, Corinthian No. 542, Greensboro, N. C.

Financial support was pledged by Evan S. Hammond, Charles R. Long, Jr., Charles A. Calvert, John F. Harcourt, Rowan B. Pryor, Alexander S. McFarlan, Wallace Cox and John W. Stine.

A Committee was appointed to secure a lodge room and it leased the second floor of a two story building on the South-east corner of Tulip and R. R. Avenue.

Charles R. Long, Jr., and Evan T. Hammond were appointed a committee to go to Cincinnati, Ohio, and buy the lodge equipment and paraphernalia. Everything being in readiness Logos Lodge was set to work U. D. Friday night, January 19, 1910. Grand Master John W. Cowles conducted the Installation ceremony. The following officers were installed: Evan T. Hammond, Master; Alexander S. McFarlan, Senior Warden; John F. Harcourt, Junior Warden; Wallace Cox, Senior Deacon; Rowan B. Pryor, Junior Deacon; Charles A. Calvert, Secretary; Isaac L. Munday, Treasurer. The Charter members were as follows: Evan T. Hammond, Alexander S. McFarlan, John F. Harcourt, Charles R. Long, Jr., Rowan B. Pryor, Wallace Cox, John W. Stine, T. J. Hancock, I. L. Munday, J. Smith Homan.

The Lodge had a very successful year, and at the meeting of the Grand Lodge of the State of Kentucky in October, 1911, a Charter was granted. The second year of the Lodge's existence was one of ups and downs. The third year the Lodge began to get over the rough places. When W. N. Jurey, a member of the Lodge, was erecting a new concrete store building on the North-east corner of R. R. and Center Avenues, the Lodge appointed a committee to consult with, and get him to build a two story

building with the upper story designed for a Masonic Lodge room- this arrangement was effected for Friday night November 15, 1912, the Lodge held its first meeting in the new Lodge room.

SHAWNEE LODGE NO. 830

LOUISVILLE, JEFFERSON CO., KY.

The organization of a Masonic Lodge was first suggested by Gus A. Knapp, Jacob Isaacs and John W. Lautz, in the fall of 1909.

In the same room which is now used by Shawnee Lodge, there met what was known as the West End Progress Club. Its purpose was to get improvements for that end of the city, the Club was comprised of men of all creeds, Jacob Isaacs being the President and Gus A. Knapp, the Secretary. In glancing over the members present one evening Mr. Knapp remarked to the President that with the number of Masons present a good strong Masonic Lodge could be organized in this rapidly growing section. After due consideration a canvass was made to see how many would be willing to demit from their Lodges to form the new Lodge, and twentyfour names were secured.

On February 2, 1910, the first preliminary meeting was called with Theodore W. Powell in the chair and Gus A. Knapp, acting Secretary.

It was decided to select a suitable name for the Lodge, should a Charter be granted, and the only name suggested was "Shawnee" which was unanimously adopted.

Alfred C. Krieger was chosen to be the first Master; Jacob Isaacs, Senior Warden; Andrew H. Diehl, Junior Warden, Gus A. Knapp, Secretary; Herman Volkerding, Treasurer; Charles Erdman, Tyler.

Albert C. Leisinger present the Bible; George Fisher the Bookmarks; Albert Townsley, the Treasurer's desk; Herman Volkerding, the Charter (\$36.00); E. M. Atherton, cash (\$2.00); Samuel McGee, three gavels; J. M. Denhard, the small carpet; Fisher-Leaf Company, the small stove; Brandenburg, the large clock; Mrs. Alexander G. Knapp one pair of portiers.

On March 22nd., the Lodge was set to work under dispensation by the Grand Master, John H. Cowles. There were ninety-five members of the fraternity present at the institution of the Lodge.

The first petition received was that of Hinman D. Seeley, dated February 7, 1910.

The first visitor to register was Edwin H. Lotz, of Robinson Lodge No. 266.

Charles A. Erdman was the first to pay dues to the Lodge.

The first meeting of the Lodge took place on March 23rd., the same being for the purpose of appointing investigating committees on 32 petitions.

On August 23, 1910, the members of Shawnee Lodge presented Past Master Charles P. Crowder with a silver loving cup for his faithful services to the Lodge. The presentation speech was made by Herman Volkerding.



On September 13, 1910, Rev. F. C. Whithoff, the first Honorary member, was elected.

On October 19, 1910 Shawnee Lodge was granted its Charter and given the number 830.

On October 29, 1910, Shawnee Lodge celebrated its first social entertainment for its members.

On December 4, 1910, Shawnee Lodge conducted its first Divine Services at the Home. The speakers were Rev. F. C. Whithoff, and Rev. William Mehl. The music was furnished by St. Paul's Church Choir.

Alfred C. Krieger was presented on the night of December 27, 1910, with a Past Master's jewel. This presentation was made by Mr. Volkerding.

On February 6th., Shawnee Lodge was awarded the \$450.00 Piano in the Evening Post Popularity Contest.

On February 14, 1911. Charles P. Crowder was elected an Honorary member of Shawnee Lodge.

The new uniforms for the Master's Degree were worn for the first time on May 11, 1911, when six candidates were raised.

On October 24, 1911, Gus A. Knapp was given permission to organize the Social Club, for the purpose of giving entertainments.

On November 10, 1911, this Club was organized with twenty-six members. G. A. Knapp being chosen the first President; A. R. Klunder, Vice President; J. Isaacs, Treasurer; Wm. Gottschalk, Secretary; J. M. Denhard, John W. Lautz, A. C. Krieger, V. E. Dupre, and I. N. Gray, Trustees.

On November 21, 1911, W. P. Brandenburg presented the Lodge with a large clock.

Theodore W. Powell was the first Charter member to die. He died on January 13, 1912.

George A. Mann was the first Entered Apprentice to die.

On July 20, 1912, the officers of the Lodge accompanied by forty-five members conferred the Master's Degree on seven candidates for Vine Grove Lodge 630, at Vine Grove, Ky.

On October 8, 1912, Shawnee Social Club presented the Lodge with a check for \$1000.00.

On Wednesday December 18, 1912, a lot was purchased from Elizabeth Gunterman for \$920.00.

HAZEL LODGE NO. 831

HAZEL, CALLOWAY CO., KY.

Chartered October 19, 1910. Reports thirty-nine members.

FIELDS LODGE No. 832

POOR FORK, HARLAN CO., KY.

October 20, 1909, upon the petition of seventeen Master Masons

a dispensation was granted to Fields Lodge U. D., and the Lodge was thereafter set to work by Stephen H. Field, in honor of whom the Lodge was named, and who as the proxy of Grand Master Virgil Smith presided at the initial meeting.

The Lodge was granted Charter October 19, 1910 and assigned the numerical designation 832.

For the first two years the meetings were held at Nolen's Chapel - then a Lodge hall was provided at Poor Fork and the Lodge moved thereto.

Fields Lodge has grown to a membership of ninety - degrees are conferred at almost every meeting - Masonic interest is wide awake and the Craft on Poor Fork are keeping fully abreast with the wonderful progress that is being made in Harlan County.

NEEL LODGE NO. 832

DRAKE, WARREN CO., KY.

Chartered November 23, 1909.

The Charter members of this Lodge and their previous lodge affiliation were: J. L. Neel, Harney Lodge No. 343; Robert L. Johns, Harney Lodge No. 343; James E. Matlock, Harney Lodge No. 343; Virgil C. Wallace, Harney Lodge 343; James W. Massey, Harney Lodge No. 343; John W. Oldfield, Harney Lodge No. 343; Jerry Hopper, Harney Lodge No. 343; James H. Carlock, New Salem Lodge No. 462; Stanford Hunt, New Salem Lodge No. 462; James H. Ingram, New Salem Lodge No. 462; James Satterfield, Goshen Lodge No. 503; Neeley W. Oliver, Goshen Lodge No. 503.

The Lodge reports a membership of forty.

GRACEY LODGE NO. 834

GRACEY, CHRISTIAN CO., KY.

Set to work under dispensation, January 4, 1910, by John D. Shaw, of Cadiz Lodge. Chartered October 19, 1910. Charter arrested February 6, 1917, for non-payment of dues. Charter restored by Grand Master, March 20, 1917.

GILBERTSVILLE LODGE NO. 835

GILBERTSVILLE, MARSHALL CO., KY.

Granted dispensation January 5, 1910. Chartered October 19, 1910. Reports thirty-three members.

FITCH MUNGER LODGE NO. 836

SPROUT, NICHOLAS CO., KY.

Chartered October 19, 1910. Reports twenty-four members.

CARMEL CITY LODGE NO. 837

CARMEL CITY, MORGAN CO., KY.

Chartered October 19, 1910. This Lodge was on November 4, 1916, consolidated with Greenville Lodge No. 655, the consolidated lodge taking the name and number of the older Lodge.

RED BIRD LODGE NO. 838

BIG CREEK, CLAY CO., KY.

Chartered October 18, 1911. Reports thirty-two members.

HOOD LODGE NO. 839

CRAY CRAFT, ADAIR CO., KY.

Dispensation granted October 22, 1975. Chartered October 25, 1878, at Egypt Church. For unmasonic conduct the Charter was arrested June 13, 1906, which action of the Grand Master was approved by the Grand Lodge October 17, 1906.

In 1909, a dispensation was granted to a number of the Craft who organized a Lodge which was chartered as Hood Lodge No. 839 on October 18, 1911, and which remained at Egypt Church, near Abner, until December, 1913, when the Grand Lodge permitted its removal to Cray Craft. The Lodge has a membership of about thirty and is in good condition.

RUSSELL SPRINGS LODGE NO. 840

RUSSELL SPRINGS, RUSSELL COUNTY, KY.

Granted dispensation April 11, 1910. chartered October 18, 1911. Reports thirty-seven members.

PRYORSBURG LODGE NO. 841

PRYORSBURG, GRAVES CO., KY.

Chartered October 18, 1911. Reports twenty-three members.

## HAZEL CREEK LODGE NO. 842

YOST, MUHLENBERG Co., KY.

Hazel Creek Lodge was set to work under dispensation on December 30, 1910, by Phoecian McKinney, of Lodge No. 420, as proxy of the Grand Master; E. H. Brown was installed as its first Master; N. C. McGowan, Senior Warden; E. W. Tipton, Junior Warden.

October 18, 1911, Charter was granted and the Lodge was set to work on November 9, 1911, by W. H. Gray, Past Master of Pond River Lodge, No. 244. as the proxy of the Grand Master.

The Lodge reports a membership of thirty-seven.

## WHEELERSBURG LODGE NO. 843

WHEELERSBURG, MAGOFFIN CO., KY.

November, 1910, a dispensation was granted by Robert R. Burnam, Grand Master, for the organization of a Masonic Lodge at Wheelersburg, in Magoffin County: the Lodge was set to work under the dispensation on November 25, 1910, by Jeff Prater, Past Master of Sayersville Lodge No. 769. In 1911 it reported a membership of sixteen, which in the report of 1912 had swelled to twenty-two, and in 1913 to twenty-six, of which the two wardens, the secretary, treasurer, junior deacon and eleven of the unofficial membership bear the surname of Wheeler.

The Lodge was chartered October 22, 1913, and reports twenty-five members.

CARTER LODGE NO. 844

CARTER, CARTER CO., KY.

Granted dispensation November 25, 1910. Chartered October 16, 1912. In 1916 it reported thirty-one members. The meetings are held in rented quarters.

CUNDIFF LODGE NO. 845

DRAKESBORO, MUHLENBERG CO., KY.

Chartered October 18, 1911. Reports thirty members.

W. W. CLARKE LODGE NO. 846

OWENSBORO, DAVIESS CO., KY.

W. W. Clarke Lodge U. D., was organized February 14, 1911 by Past Grand Master W. W. Clarke, proxy of the Grand Master. The Lodge was named for Past Grand Master W. W. Clarke, to whose ready help and wise counsel must, in large measure, be attributed the success of the Lodge.

The Lodge has \$500.00 stock in W. W. Clarke Lodge No. 3, New Masonic Temple, and has paid for one-half the furnishing in the Blue Lodge room in the Temple.

It reports a membership of one hundred and fifty-four.

AUSTIN LODGE NO. 847  
AUSTIN, BARREN CO., KY.

Austin Lodge, Austin, Barren County, Kentucky, held its first meeting in rented hall, on the 27th., day of February 1911, under dispensation, and the officers were installed and set to work by John Bradshaw, as proxy of Grand Master.

The Charter members were: Wm. Y. Carver, Master; Wm. F. Helm, Senior Warden; James R. Fisher, Junior Warden; George H. Jones, Treasurer; James L. McKinney, Secretary; I. H. Gillock, Senior Deacon; John W. Walker, Junior Deacon; George McKinney, Tyler. G. Y. Carver.

Charter was granted October 18, 1911.

The Lodge is making preparations for building a new hall during the present year.

It reports forty-six members.

GLASGOW JUNCTION LODGE NO. 848  
GLASGOW JUNCTION, BARREN CO., KY.

Organized under dispensation April 18, 1911. Chartered October 18, 1911. Reports membership of twenty-two.

DRY RIDGE LODGE NO. 849  
DRY RIDGE, GRANT CO., KY.

Chartered October 16, 1912. Reports thirty-four members.



BOAZ LODGE NO. 850

LOUISVILLE, JEFFERSON CO., KY.

Chartered October 16, 1912. Reports ninety-seven members.

ACME LODGE NO. 851

BONNIEVILLE, HART CO., KY.

Acme Lodge U. D., was organized June 17, 1911. Chartered October 16, 1912.

HALFWAY LODGE NO. 852

HALFWAY, ALLEN CO., KY.

Organized under dispensation June 24, 1911. Charter granted October 16, 1912. The Lodge met in rented quarters until 1914, when the Charter was taken to a building owned by the Lodge. The membership is less than thirty, but the fact that the Craft meet in their own house instead of rented quarters, shows that they are made out of the right sort of stuff.

OKOLONA LODGE NO. 853

OKOLONA, JEFFERSON CO., KY.

Set to work under dispensation January 31, 1912. Chartered October 17, 1912. Reports forty members.

NEW BETHEL LODGE NO. 854

NEW BETHEL CHURCH, ELLEN CO., KY.

Chartered October 16, 1912. Reports thirty-nine members.

GLENSBORO LODGE NO. 855  
GLENSBORO, ANDERSON CO., KY.

Chartered October 16, 1912. Reports twenty members.

JENKINS LODGE NO. 856  
JENKINS, LETCHER CO., KY.

With the development of the Elkhorn Coal fields in 1911, in the mountains of Eastern Kentucky, Letcher County, the new City of Jenkins sprang into existence almost in a day. A wild and hitherto almost unknown region, twenty miles from the nearest railroad, and many miles from any settlement, was quickly transformed into a populous community.

Among the pioneers were a few members of the Craft; some of them holding their membership in distant Kentucky Lodges, while others came from the jurisdiction of half a dozen different Grand Lodges.

These brothers, ten in number, soon saw the necessity of forming a Lodge of their own, where the lights of Masonry could be kept burning in their midst, and on May 17, 1912, a meeting was called for the purpose of effecting an organization.

On July 19, 1912, a dispensation was granted to Jenkins Lodge U. D., appointing John Gordon Smyth, Master; John Claborne Hunsaker, Senior Warden; Jonathan Jenkins, Junior Warden.

The Lodge was set to work on August 1, 1912, by S. Marion Cecil of Thomas C. Cecil Lodge No. 376, and the following

officers elected: W. A. Campbell, Secretary; W. S. Perry, Treasurer; W. J. Christopher, Senior Deacon; J. M. Kinzer, Junior Deacon; Charles Paynter, Tyler.

At the meeting of the Grand Lodge in October, 1912, a Charter was granted Jenkins Lodge No. 856.

The Lodge reports seventy-two members.

YERKES LODGE NO. 857

YERKES, PERRY CO., KY.

Granted dispensation August 9, 1912. Set to work by W. L. McIntosh as proxy of the Grand Master. Chartered October 16, 1912. First meeting as a chartered Lodge held November 16, 1912.

Reports sixty-seven members.

CHANDLERSVILLE LODGE NO. 858

CHANDLERSVILLE, JOHNSON CO., KY.

This Lodge was granted a Charter October 21, 1912, and on October 21, 1912, set to work by W. G. Boggs as proxy of the Grand Master.

The membership of this Lodge is small, the attendance of the Master only occasional, the man who holds the office of Treasurer reported in such delicate health as to be unable to attend at all. This is one of the Lodges that needs fraternal encouragement and a tonic.

CRUTCHFIELD LODGE NO. 859

CRUTCHFIELD, FULTON CO., KY.

Charter granted October 22, 1913. Reports thirty-six members.

SUNLIGHT LODGE NO. 860

FULTON, FULTON CO., KY.

Sunlight Lodge U. D., was set to work September 8, 1913, in Masonic Hall, Fulton, Kentucky, by Grand Master Joseph H. Ewalt. Members of said Lodge then and there present were, Jesse M. Moss, Master; James N. Blackman, Senior Warden; Charles H. Cathey, Junior Warden; William P. Felts, Treasurer; Richard J. Grace, Secretary; George W. Moss, Senior Deacon; Robert S. Brown, Junior Deacon; Joseph J. Baucam, Tyler; James H. Milan, Senior Steward, James H. Henderson, Junior Steward, October 22, 1913. On October 22, 1913, Charter was granted, on November 12, 1913 Sunlight Lodge No. 860, was set to work under its Charter by Past Mast William P. Murrell of Roberts Lodge No. 172.

Stated meetings of the Lodge are second Wednesdays in each month at o'clock P. M.

The Lodge reports thirty-four members.

OIL SPRINGS LODGE NO. 861

OIL SPRINGS, JOHNSON CO., KY.

Oil Springs Lodge No. 861, was organized and set to work under

dispensation by Jeff Prater, Past Master of Salyersville Lodge No. 769, on April 17, 1913.

Charter was granted the Lodge October 22, 1913, and on October 25, 1913, D. J. Wheeler, Past Master of Paintsville Lodge No. 381, proxy of the Grand Master installed the officers of Oil Springs Lodge, which installation was made public.

W. E. Litteral, Chaplain of the Lodge, has served the county continuously for the past nineteen years either as County Judge or County Attorney, having successively held both positions.

PLUMB LODGE NO. 862

LOUISVILLE, JEFFERSON CO., KY.

Set to work under dispensation December 28, 1912. Chartered October 22, 1913, and set to work by Albert M. Keplar of Lewis Lodge No. 191, as proxy of the Grand Master. August 26, 1916, Kelly's Hall, the place of meeting, was destroyed by fire, the meetings were then held in the Public School Building in Jacobs Addition until April 15, 1917, when the Lodge moved into a handsome building of its own in the same section of the city, which is designated Plumb Lodge Hall.

The Lodge reports eighty members.

FRIEDALAND LODGE NO. 863

FRIEDALAND, OHIO CO., KY.

Chartered October 22, 1913. Reports twenty-nine members.

CARRICO LODGE NO. 864  
STITHTON, HARDIN CO., KY.

The meeting for the organization of Carrico Lodge U. D., was held December 21, 1912, in the hall over the Stithton Bank.

R. L. Buchanan, of Vine Grove Lodge No. 603, took in hand the work of opening the new Lodge, having a proxy from the Grand Master for that purpose. Other visiting brothers present and who assisted in the work were: W. E. Poole, of Vine Grove Lodge and J. W. A. Meyers, J. L. Shipley and J. M. Robinson of Barker Lodge No. 129, West Point.

H. W. Hines was named in the dispensation as Master for the new Lodge; W. A. Miller, Senior Warden; and G. W. Jones, Junior Warden.

At the beginning of the year 1914, the Lodge was moved from the hall which it had been occupying, to one larger and more suitably arranged and furnished, in the upper room of W. P. Carrico's new building, near the depot.

The Lodge was organized with twenty-three members and has increased to sixty-two.

The name "Carrico" was chosen in honor of Isaac Carrico, who was born in one of the adjacent counties in 1804 - was a Charter member of Barker Lodge No. 129, established at West Point, Kentucky, in 1843, at which place he died in October 1853.

Three of his sons, E. T., R. B., and W. P., and a grandson, I. B. Carrico, are members of the Lodge bearing his name.

HIGHLAND PARK LODGE NO. 865  
HIGHLAND PARK, JEFFERSON CO., KY.

Granted dispensation August 9, 1912. Chartered October 22, 1913. Officers publicly installed October 25, 1913. T. J. Adams, Grand Senior Warden, officiated as the proxy of the Grand Master.

The Lodge reports one hundred and nine members.

WOODBINE LODGE NO. 866  
WOODBINE, WHITLEY CO., KY.

Chartered October 22, 1913. Reports forty-seven members.

EUREKA LODGE NO. 867  
SANDERS, CARROLL CO., KY.

April 1, 1913, several Masons conferred at Sanders, in regard to the organization of a Masonic Lodge. H. B. Rigg was instructed to write to the Grand Secretary for the necessary instructions. Zach Coleman and George Griffith of Ghent Lodge No. 344; Willis Tandy, E. T. Williams and H. B. Rigg of Dallasburg No. 260, J. M. Webster of Glencoe Lodge No. 498 and Fred Mattick of English Lodge No. 176, secured their demits and the proper papers were forwarded to Dave Jackson, the Grand Secretary. These were forwarded to Joseph Ewalt, the Grand Master, at Paris, Kentucky, who under a misconception of location refused to grant a dispensation. The Masons selected Prof.

Willis Tandy and E. T. Williams as committee to visit the Grand Master. This was done the 7th., day of June 1913. The Grand Master, upon the proper representation of aforesaid committee, revoked his former decision and, granted the dispensation, naming Willis Tandy Master; Zack Coleman, Senior Warden and F. A. Mattick, Junior Warden. June 28th., was selected as date for organizing. Joseph Ewalt, Grand Master, Orie Ware, Deputy Grand Master; George Winslow, Grand Senior Warden; H. H. Davis, Grand Senior Deacon, and members of several surrounding Lodges assembled at Sanders June 28, 1914, and proceeded with the work. Willis Tandy was installed as Master; Zack Coleman as Senior Warden; F. A. Mattick, as Junior Warden, H. B. Rigg was elected Secretary, E. T. Williams, Treasurer, George W. Griffith was appointed Senior Deacon, J. M. Webster, Junior Deacon and Peter Breeden, Steward and Tyler. Twelve petitions were received, and committees of investigation were appointed. The Grand Master delivered an address expressing satisfaction with the prospects of the organization.

The second and fourth Saturday in each month were selected as the times of the regular meetings, and Eureka Lodge was set to work with brave and ardent Masons to conduct her course.

IRVINGTON LODGE NO. 868

IRVINGTON, BRECKINRIDGE CO., KY.

Chartered October 22, 1913. Reports fifty-eight members.



## JAMES W. ALLEY LODGE NO. 869

GARRETT, FLOYD CO., KY.

Granted dispensation as Salt Lick Lodge, February 25, 1913.  
Chartered October 22, 1913. Reports fifty members.

## RAGSDALE LODGE NO. 870

STOWERS, SIMPSON CO., KY.

June 1, 1911, R. L. Banton, J. R. Claypool, Jr., James Rogers, and R. B. Morris, undertook the organization of a Masonic Lodge at Stowers.

A petition signed by R. L. Banton, J. Rowan Claypool, R. B. Morris, S. W. Banton, J. T. Ferguson, J. W. Rogers, J. R. Claypool, James Rogers, was filed with the Grand Lodge asking a Dispensation under the name of Ragsdale Lodge.

The Dispensation being granted December 13, 1911, Ragsdale Lodge was instituted and the officers duly installed by Past Grand Master John G. Orndorff, proxy of the Grand Master and J. A. Frazer, both of Russellville Lodge No. 17. The Lodge held its first regular meeting under the dispensation January 6, 1912.

After two years work under Dispensation the Grand Lodge placed its stamp of approval on the records of Ragsdale Lodge U. D., and granted it a Charter October 22, 1913.

The Lodge reports twenty-two members.

WEAVERTON LODGE NO. 871

MILL SPRINGS, WAYNE CO., KY.

Chartered October 21, 1914. Reports twenty members.

PARADISE LODGE NO. 872

PARADISE, MUHLENBERG CO., KY.

Chartered October 21, 1914. Reports twenty members.

PINE KNOTT LODGE NO. 873

PINE KNOTT, McCREARY CO., KY.

Chartered October 21, 1914. Reports twenty-seven members.

ORIE S. WARE LODGE NO. 874

STEARNS, McCREARY CO., KY.

On April 21, 1914, upon the petition of twenty-one Master Masons a dispensation was granted by the Grand Master for the organization of Orie S. Ware Lodge at Stearns. The twenty-one petitioners represented ten different Lodges.

In the organization of the Lodge F. W. Childers was made Master; E. D. Stephens, Senior Warden; B. R. King, Junior Warden.

Stearns is a new mining town in the coal fields of South-east Kentucky, with a population, permanent and transient, of 5,000. The nearest Masonic Lodges are No. 634 at Burnside, twenty-five miles distant, Pine Knott, No. 873, four miles away and No. 825 at Ritner, eighteen miles to the West. It is an unusual thing,

but among the entire membership of this Lodge there was not a single man who had ever served as the Master of a Lodge.

A Charter was granted October 21, 1914. The Lodge reports forty-two members.

CERULEAN SPRINGS LODGE NO. 875

CERULEAN, TRIGG CO., KY.

Chartered October 21, 1914. Reports thirteen members.

VERONA LODGE NO. 876

VERONA, BOONE CO., KY.

Chartered October 21, 1914. Reports twenty-one members.

HEIDELBERG LODGE NO. 877

HEIDELBERG, LEE CO., KY.

The little town of Heidelberg, Kentucky, is situated on the banks of the Kentucky River in Lee County, Kentucky. Its history as a town commences about the year 1905, or about the time the L. & A. R. R. extended their line from Irvine to Beattyville, Kentucky, and opened up this section for commercial development.

With the advent of the railroad, population and business began to increase, and soon a bustling little town stood on the banks of the Kentucky. Among the original inhabitants and later arrivals were a number of Masons, and they keenly felt the need

of a local Lodge, wherein to gather and draw their designs on their trestle board according to ancient custom. This agitation did not, however, assume a definite shape until the year of 1914, when George S. McDonald, James H. Howell, Charles Phillips, M. L. Baker, W. L. Cart, J. B. McGuire, W. H. Whittaker, L. F. Gibson, C. J. Bolling, Frank M. Smith, W. G. Buchanan, W. T. McGuire, Elias Phillips, Elias Durbin, A. M. Kennedy, J. G. McGuire, John Cecil, H. S. Brandenburg, E. R. Houchin, and Monroe McGuire, on June 22, 1914, petitioned the Grand Lodge for a dispensation empowering them to work as a Lodge of Master Masons.

Their petition received favorable consideration, and a dispensation was granted them, naming G. S. McDonald to be Master, W. G. Buchanan, Senior Warden; and J. H. Howell, Junior Warden.

The Grand Master's proxy being addressed to A. P. Wilson of Proctor Lodge No. 213, Beattyville, Kentucky.

The initial meeting was held in Odd Fellows Hall in Heidelberg, Kentucky, on June 29, 1914, the officers, besides the above named brothers, were W. T. McGuire, Secretary, John Cecil, Treasurer, and W. H. Whittaker, Tyler, Monroe McGuire, Senior Deacon, W. L. Cart, Junior Deacon.

October 21, 1914, Heidelberg U. D., was granted a Charter under the name of Heidelberg Lodge No. 877.

After the election of officers December 27, 1914, the Lodge was called off from labor to refreshment and a bounteous repast was served, one of the features of which was a wild turkey furnished by Fleming Horn, of Irvine Lodge No. 137.

At the meeting of March 21, 1917, numerously attended by

home and visiting brethren, a large American flag was presented to the Lodge and adopted as a part of the furniture of the Lodge for all time.

Heidelberg Lodge now has a membership of sixty-two, with over three hundred dollars in its treasury and expects soon to be in a home of its own.

STANLEY LODGE NO. 878

STANLEY, DAVIESS CO., KY.

Chartered October 21, 1914. Reports twenty-six members.

HARLAN LODGE NO. 879

HARLAN, HARLAN CO., KY.

Chartered October 20, 1915. Reports sixty-two members.

Will Ward Duffield, of this Lodge, is a member of the Grand Committee on Finance, one of the most important of all the Grand Lodge committees.

BENHAM LODGE NO. 880

BENHAM, HARLAN CO., KY.

Chartered October 20, 1915. Reports twenty-seven members.

WHEATCROFT LODGE NO. 881  
WHEATCROFT, WEBSTER CO., KY.

Chartered October 18, 1916. Reports fifteen members.

WARFIELD LODGE NO. 882  
WARFIELD, MARTIN COUNTY, KY.

Chartered October 18, 1916. Reports nineteen members.

ROBARDS LODGE U. D.,  
ROBARDS, HENDERSON CO., KY.

Granted Dispensation December 11, 1913. Reports sixteen  
members.

VALLEY OAK LODGE U. D.,  
VALLEY OAK, PULASKI CO., KY.

Granted Dispensation February 1, 1916. Reports eight members.

FLEMING LODGE U. D.,  
FLEMING, LETCHER CO., KY.

Granted Dispensation June 8, 1916. Reports twenty-four  
members.

HEBBARDSVILLE LODGE U. D.,  
HEBBARDSVILLE, HENDERSON CO., KY.

Granted Dispensation March 8, 1917.

VAN LEAR LODGE U. D.,  
VAN LEAR, JOHNSON CO., KY.

Granted Dispensation March 1, 1917.

W. A. COLSTON ARMY LODGE U. D.

From sixteen officers in the First Kentucky Infantry, Army of the United States, now the One Hundred and Fifty-ninth United States Infantry, the Grand Master received the following petition and made the following orders thereon, viz:

"To J. N. Saunders, Grand Master of The Grand Lodge of Kentucky F. & A. M.

We the undersigned officers of the First Kentucky Infantry having volunteered our services to the country in the war now waged, and being about to depart for foreign lands for active service with the Army of the United States; we, each of us, being residents of Kentucky, Master Masons in good and regular standing, under the jurisdiction of lodges subordinate to The Grand Lodge of Kentucky F. & A. M., not disturbing our present relationship to our home lodges, hereby ask a dispensation empowering us to meet as a Masonic lodge at or near the Military Stations

"of said Regiment of the United States Army and there practice the rights, perform the duties and enjoy the privileges of Masonry; and in said lodge to receive to membership, to initiate, pass and raise soldiers of said Regiment who are residents of Kentucky, who are found worthy and who possess all the requisite qualifications.

W. A. Colston,	Falls City ,	No. 376.
I. L. Shulhafer,	St. George,	No. 239.
Harris Mallenckrodt,	Phoenix,	No. 31, N.C.
C. V. Williams,	Aurora,	No. 633.
F. J. Hardesty,	Eminence,	No. 282.
J. C. Barnes,	Donovan,	No. 292.
B. F. Ewing,	Louisville,	No. 400.
Geo. M. Cheschier,	Louisville,	No. 400.
Dan Carrell,	Daylight,	No. 760.
Walter Byrne, Jr.,	Russellville Lodge,	No. 17.
H. P. Rives,	Solomon,	No. 5.
F. S. Wright,	Solomon,	No. 5.
Ellis Duncan,	Daylight,	No. 760.
Thompson Short,	Lexington,	No. 1.
Hubert E. Royalty,	Breckinridge,	No. 67.
Ben F. Offutt,	Preston,	No. 281."

All of the aforesaid petitioners being residents of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, Master Masons in good and regular standing, under the jurisdiction of lodges subordinate to The Grand Lodge of Kentucky F. & A. M., and officers in the



First Kentucky Infantry, Army of the United States, now One Hundred and Fifty-ninth United States Infantry, summoned to active military service in a foreign land, not disturbing their present relationship to their home lodges, ask me for a dispensation empowering them to meet at or near their military stations as a Masonic Lodge, and there to practice the rights, perform the duties and enjoy the privileges of Masorry, to receive to membership, to initiate, pass and raise soldiers of said Regiment who are residents of Kentucky, who are found worthy and who possess all the requisite qualifications.

The Master Masons who make this petition have evidenced the highest claim to all the rights and privileges possible to be granted under the constitution of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky; they have voluntarily offered their services and their lives in defense of their country, in vindication of the rights of outraged civilization, and in protection of peaceful homes, of guileless children and defenseless women against the most barbarous, and faithless military tyranny the world has ever known.

THE DISPENSATION IS GRANTED.

The petitioners are hereby authorized to open and hold a Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons at or near the Military Stations of said Regiment to be known as

W. A. COLSTON ARMY LODGE

with jurisdiction not territorial and limited to residents of Kentucky in the service of the United States with the First Kentucky Infantry, now One Hundred and Fifty-ninth United States Infantry. I hereby designate Hubert E. Royalty to be Master, and I. L. Shulhafer, to be Senior Warden, and Wm. A. Colston to be Junior Warden, of said lodge, each of whom has been examined by me and found proficient in the work and lectures of the symbolic degrees of Masonry.

This lodge shall be governed by the constitution and regulations of The Grand Lodge of Kentucky F. & A. M., and the By-laws and Rules of order as recommended by The Grand Lodge of Kentucky F. & A. M., and published in the authorized Book of Constitutions 4th., edition, pages 184-190.

All past Masters admitted to this lodge to retain such rank therein as though past Masters thereof.

Given under my hand and the seal of The Grand Lodge of Kentucky F. & A. M., at Stanford, Kentucky, this 27th., day of August, 1917.

(Signed) J. N. Saunders,  
Grand Master."

On August 27th., 1917, at Regimental Headquarters of the One Hundred and Fifty-ninth United States Infantry at Camp Zachariah Taylor, Louisville, Kentucky, with the assistance of the officers of The Grand Lodge of Kentucky F. & A. M., in the presence of most of the Past Grand Masters of this Grand Lodge

and a large company of distinguished Masons from different parts of the State, the Grand Master opened W. A. Colston Army Lodge and installed the officers thereof.

KENTUCKY RIFLE LODGE U. D.

From eighteen officers and privates in the Second Kentucky Infantry, Army of the United States, the Grand Master received the following petition and made the following order.

"TO J. N. SAUNDERS, GRAND MASTER OF THE GRAND LODGE OF KENTUCKY, F. & A. M.

We the undersigned officers and members of the Second Kentucky Infantry (now the 160th. U. S. Infantry) having volunteered our services to the country in the war now waged, and being about to depart for foreign lands for active service with the Army of the United States; we, each of us, being residents of Kentucky, Master Masons in good and regular lodge standing, under the jurisdiction of lodges subordinate to the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, F. & A. M., not disturbing our present relationship to our home lodges, hereby ask a dispensation empowering us to meet as a Masonic lodge at or near the military stations of said Regiment of the United States Army and there practice the rights, perform the duties and enjoy the privileges of Masonry; and in said lodge to receive to membership, to initiate, pass and raise soldiers of said Regiment who are residents of Kentucky, who are found worthy and who possess all the requisite qualifications.

"First Lieut. J. M. Harper,	McKee Lodge,	No. 144.
Captain K. B. Wise,	Harlan Lodge,	No. 879.
First Lieut. Ena W. Walker,	Jackson Lodge,	No. 731.
Captain George W. Jenkins,	Whitesburg Lodge,	No. 754.
First Lieut. A. C. Cope,	Breathitt Lodge,	No. 649.
First Lieut. Ura W. Bryant,	Island Lodge,	No. 743.
First Lieut. Carter D. Stamper,	Proctor Lodge,	No. 213.
First Lieut. Hiram Hogg, Jr.,	Booneville Lodge,	No. 425.
Captain R. J. H. Spurr,	Lexington Lodge,	No. 1.
Captain F. W. Staples,	Lexington Lodge,	No. 1.
Major Robert W. Jones,	Lexington Lodge,	No. 1.
Sgt. James Bowling,	Red Bird Lodge,	No. 838.
Cook, Henry Evans,	St. Helens Lodge,	No. 684.
Corpl, Chas. Barker,	St. Helens Lodge,	No. 684.
Robert Stone,	St. Helens Lodge,	No. 684.
W. O. Bradley,	St. Helens Lodge,	No. 684.
Fred M. Curtis,	Somerset Lodge,	No. 111.
Sgt. John M. Bentley,	Whitesburg Lodge,	No. 754.

All of the aforesaid petitioners being resident of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, Master Masons in good and regular standing, under the jurisdiction of lodges subordinate to The Grand Lodge of Kentucky F. & A. M., and officers and members of the Second Kentucky Infantry, now the One Hundred and Sixtieth United States Infantry, summoned to active military service in a foreign land, not disturbing their present relationship to their home

"lodges, ask me for a dispensation empowering them to meet at or near their military station as a Masonic lodge, and there to practice the rights, perform the duties and enjoy the privileges of Masonry, to receive to membership, to initiate, pass and raise soldiers of said Regiment, who are residents of Kentucky, who are found worthy, and who possess all the requisite qualifications.

The Master Masons who make this petition are the descendants of the home seekers who bearing the rifle, the bible and the ax, converted "No Mans Land" into one of the greatest of all the American States.

Masons of such descent, Masons who voluntarily answer their County's call to patriotic duty, to hardships, to victory or to death are entitled to make such request.

THE DISPENSATION IS GRANTED.

The petitioners are hereby authorized to open and hold a lodge of Free and Accepted Masons at or near the Military Stations of said Regiment to be known as

KENTUCKY RIFLE LODGE

with jurisdiction not territorial and limited to residents of Kentucky in the service of the United States with the Second Kentucky Infantry now the 160th., United States Infantry.

I hereby designate

Major Roger W. Jones to be Master, First Lieutenant Joseph M. Harper, to be Senior Warden, Captain Keith B. Wise, to be

"Junior Warden, each of whom has been examined by me and found proficient in the work and the lectures of the symbolic degrees of Masonry.

This lodge shall be governed by the constitution and regulations of The Grand Lodge of Kentucky F. & A. M., and the By-laws and Rules of order as recommended by The Grand Lodge of Kentucky F. & A. M., and published in the authorized Book of Constitutions 4th., Edition, pages 184-190.

All Past Masters admitted to this lodge to retain such rank therein as though Past Masters thereof.

Given under my hand and the seal of The Grand Lodge of Kentucky F. & A. M., at Stanford, Kentucky, this 25th., day of September, 1917.

(Signed) J. N. Saunders,  
Grand Master."

On September 25, 1917, upon a high hill, in the open, overlooking Camp Stanley, near Lexington, Kentucky, guarded by military pickets who stood out of sight and hearing, and carefully tiled by two Master Masons, the Grand Master opened Kentucky Rifle Lodge U. D., installed its Master and Wardens, and upon their appointment and election by the Lodge, installed the remaining officers.

MILITARY ROLL OF HONOR OF  
LEXINGTON LODGE NO. 1.

Col. James Morrison founder of Transylvania University, and for whom Morrison Chapel is named, served in the Revolutionary war, he was Master in 1794.

Major Thos. Love, also of Revolutionary fame, Master 1795-6,

Gen. Thos. Bodley, Master 1798, served in Waynes Indian Campaign.

Captain Levi Todd, Master 1801, was the hero of the Battle of Blue Licks.

Col. Jos. Hamilton Davies, Master 1810, was killed at the Battle of Tippecanoe, War of 1812, while Grand Master of Kentucky.

Captain N. G. T. Hart was killed in War 1812.

General Wm. Henry fought at the Battle of the Thames War 1812.

Gen. Wm. Logan served in War 1812.

Major Joseph Livingston Maxwell was Surgeon in both Mexican and Civil Wars.

Gen. John Moore McCalla, distinguished himself in the war of 1812 and was Master when Lafayette visited Lexington and was entertained by Lexington Lodge No. 1, May 16, 1825.

Captain John Neet, served through Mexican War and was Master, 1830, laying the corner stone of the first railway West of Alleghenies.

Col. Wm. McKee, Capt. Oliver Perry Beard, John W. Bell, and Dr. Joseph G. Chinn served in the Mexican War.

The Civil War claimed many, when Father was against Son and Brother against Brother, among those furnished the South were,

Gen. Roger W. Hanson, Gen. J. C. Breckinridge, Gen. John Hunt, Morgan, Col. W. C. F. Breckinridge, Wm. Brand served with Forrest, J. H. Webster with Breckinridge and James M. Duff with Ashby, while Dr. Garrett Davis Buckner, served the Union as Surgeon of the Navy, he was Grand Master in 1882, Dr. B. W. Dudley was Surgeon of 2nd., Kentucky Infantry.

And now when the black clouds of War and ruin have gradually crossed the Atlantic to envelope our ever peaceful Republic, and the forces of over a hundred million freemen are massing to deal the death blow to German Imperialism and Treacherous Autocracy, the following men of Lexington Lodge answer their Country's call:

Major Roger W. Jones, 2nd., Kentucky Infantry, now 160th., United States Infantry, serving as Instructor of Automatic Rifle on Staff of Major General commanding the 11th., Division.

Major Thompson B. Short, 1st., Kentucky Infantry, now 159th., United States Infantry, in charge of Amunition train 38th., Division.

Captain W. A. Post U. S., Regular Army Central Department.

Captain Frederick W. Staples, commanding Company C 2nd., Kentucky now 160th., United States Infantry.

Captain R. J. Hughes Spurr, commanding Co. L 2nd., Kentucky, now 160th., United States Infantry.

Captain Perry R. Cassidy, United States Regular Army Heavy Field Artillery, now in France with General Pershing.

Lieut. Keeling G. Pulliam United States Aviation Corps.



Lieut. Lawrence J. Heyman, 336th., Infantry National Army.  
 Lieut. Geo. P. Bush, United States Regular Army.  
 Lieut. R. E. Grinstead, United States Regular Army.  
 Lieut. E. F. Wilkerson, National Army.  
 Lieut. Chas. C. Garr, United States Medical Reserve Corps.  
 O. R. C. Wm. Baldwin Respass, Fort Benjamin Harrison.  
 O. R. C. John Frank Grimes, " " "  
 O. R. C. Raymond A. Scherer, " " "  
 O. R. C. Jeff. T. Jones, " " "  
 O. R. C. Stanton Linsey Dorsey, " " "  
 Private T. Ward Havelly, Field Artillery National Army.  
 Lieut. John W. Hall, United States Signal Corps.  
 Private R. T. Grannaghan, Co. B., Kentucky Signal Corps 38th.,  
 Division United States Army.

To each of these Lexington Lodge has presented a solid silver identification tag to be worn throughout the war with the name of each engraved thereon and this inscription on the reverse side, "In case of need notify Lexington Lodge #1 Lexington, Ky., U. S. A.", with this is a Lodge travelling card admitting them to the Masonic Lodges throughout the globe, which is printed in English, French, Italian and German, also when their service <sup>began each</sup> /began automatically paid up in the Lodge for the duration of their service, Lexington Lodge appreciates her noble sons and to them is due all that can be given.



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## QUICKSAND, BREATHITT COUNTY, KENTUCKY

Chartered October 22, 1919 as Mowbray & Robinson Lodge, U. D. Name changed to Quicksand Lodge No. 887. Charter surrendered October 10, 1932. Set to work November 15, 1917 by J. H. Newland, Past Master of Breathitt Lodge No. 649.

## DRIPPING SPRINGS LODGE NO. 888

## DRIPPING SPRINGS, LOGAN COUNTY, KENTUCKY

Set to work on November 24, 1917 by Earl W. Weathers, Grand Master. Charter granted October 22, 1919. Consolidated with Russellville Lodge No. 17 on November 28, 1949.

Set to work on March 16, 1918 by S. Marion Cecil, Past Master of

## WHEELWRIGHT, FLOYD COUNTY, KENTUCKY

Set to work on March 16, 1918 by S. Marion Cecil, Past Master of Thomas C. Cecil Lodge No. 375; William G. Reese, Master; T. T. Webb, Senior Warden; Van D. Harmon, Junior Warden.

Charter granted on October 22, 1919.

## STONE LODGE NO. 890

## STONE, PIKE COUNTY, KENTUCKY

Stone Lodge No. 890 was instituted on May 11, 1918 by Brother S. M. Cecil, Past Master of Thomas C. Cecil Lodge No. 375 under Proxy granted by Brother E. M. Weathers, Grand Master.

The following brothers belonging to other lodges were:

J. E. Stoltz	J. T. Sygnar	A. E. Elswick
C. O. Echols	C. W. Stafford	W. J. Smith

C. A. Jones	D. H. Buckner	Henry Meek
J. A. Helmm	J. A. Duff	Peyton A. Lewis
M. B. Turner	W. A. Bragg	Thomas A. Mitchell

Brother S. M. Cecil appointed and installed the following brothers to serve as officers of Stone Lodge, U. D. - C. O. Echols, Master; J. E. Stoltz, Senior Warden; C. W. Stafford, Junior Warden; C. A. Jones, Senior Deacon; D. H. Beckner, Junior Deacon; W. J. Smith and M. B. Turner, Stewards; J. T. Sygnor, Treasurer; A. E. Elswick, Sr. and Henry Meeks, Tiler.

Stone Lodge, U. D. held its meetings in a small room over a store building until October 1919 and moved over a Theatre.

#### EQUALITY LODGE NO. 891

##### EQUALITY, OHIO COUNTY, KENTUCKY

Set to work on June 11, 1918 by C. O. Hunter, Past Master of Hartford Lodge No. 675; John T. Morton, Master; Vig. P. Morton, Senior Warden; Alonzo L. France, Junior Warden.

Charter granted on October 22, 1919.

Charter arrested on January 14, 1935.

#### BLUE DIAMOND LODGE NO. 892

##### BLUE DIAMOND, PERRY COUNTY, KENTUCKY

Set to work on April 12, 1919 by S. H. Campbell, Past Master of Yerkes Lodge No. 857; Henry C. Snodderly, Master; Charles Snodderly, Senior Warden; Charles R. Keller, Junior Warden.

Charter granted on October 22, 1919.

Blue Diamond Lodge No. 892 consolidated with Hazard Lodge No. 676  
on May 28, 1932.

EWINGS CREEK LODGE NO. 893

WILHOIT, HARLAN COUNTY, KENTUCKY

Set to work on May 1, 1919 by W. W. Duffield, Master of Harlan  
Lodge No. 879; E. G. Howard, Master; J. H. Dingus, Senior Warden;  
W. M. Allen, Junior Warden.

Charter granted on October 22, 1919.

Ewings Creek Lodge No. 893 consolidated with Howard Lodge No. 819  
on July 1, 1933.

ELI LODGE NO. 894

ELI, RUSSELL COUNTY, KENTUCKY

Set to work on August 13, 1919 by W. S. Knight, Past Master of  
Russell Lodge No. 284; George Frank Rexroat, Master; Jacob Kirby  
Butcher, Senior Warden; James Ringholder, Junior Warden.

Charter granted on October 22, 1919.

Eli Lodge No. 894 consolidated with Russell Lodge No. 284 on  
October 2, 1937.

## GLEANINGS LODGE NO. 895

## GLEANINGS, LARUE COUNTY, KENTUCKY

Set to work on September 17, 1918 by R. M. Phelps, Past  
Master of New Haven  
Master of New Haven Lodge No. 215.

Charter granted on October 20, 1920.

Gleanings Lodge No. 895 consolidated with New Haven Lodge  
No. 215 on December 27, 1945.

## BUECHEL LODGE NO. 896

## BUECHEL, JEFFERSON COUNTY, KENTUCKY

Set to work on October 2, 1919 by Cleveland Harris, Master  
of Jeffersontown Lodge No. 774; James L. Smith, Master; J. Russel  
Seay, Senior Warden; Orville J. Stevens, Junior Warden.

Charter granted on October 20, 1920

## YOCUM LODGE NO. 897

## EVARTS, HARLAN COUNTY, KENTUCKY

Set to work on November 11, 1919 by Brother F. G. Lewis,  
Past Master of Howard Lodge No. 819; George F. Neil, Master;  
I. Edward Crouch, Senior Warden; John T. Weltchel, Junior  
Warden.

Charter granted on October 20, 1920.



## NEW ZION LODGE NO. 898

## MUNSEY, JACKSON COUNTY, KENTUCKY

Set to work on December 6, 1919 by Brother D. G. Collier, Past Master of William McKinley Lodge No. 793; Simpson L. Farmer, Master; Henderson H. Fox, Senior Warden; Lucian G. Farmer, Junior Warden.

Charter granted on October 20, 1920.

New Zion Lodge No. 898 consolidated with New Zion Lodge No. 651 on September 3, 1932.

## NEW HARLAN LODGE NO. 899

## BLEDSOE, HARLAN COUNTY, KENTUCKY

Set to work on February 23, 1920 by Brother C. L. Howard, Past Master of Howard Lodge No. 819; Adrain H. Nolan, Master; Robert C. Creech, Senior Warden; L. Harman Farley, Junior Warden.

Charter granted on October 20, 1920.

Charter arrested on January 16, 1933.

## ELKHORN CITY LODGE NO. 900

## PRAISE, PIKE COUNTY, KENTUCKY

Set to work on July 6, 1920 by Brother S. Marion Cecil, Past Master of Thomas C. Cecil Lodge No. 375; Van Buren Pinson, Master; Joe Davis Meade, Senior Warden; Andrew Ray Ventors, Junior Warden.

Charter granted on October 20, 1920.

Elkhorn City Lodge No. 900 consolidated with Thomas C. Cecil Lodge No. 375 on March 10, 1941.

## FALLS OF ROUGH LODGE NO. 901

## FALLS OF ROUGH, GRAYSON COUNTY, KY.

On August 20, 1920, a group of Master Masons from McDaniels Lodge No. 815, and Pleasant Grove Lodge No. 803, Short Creek Lodge No. 744 met at Falls of Rough, Grayson County, Kentucky for the purpose of organizing a Lodge of Master Masons.

On August 27th, 1920 they came together again and under dispensation from the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, and Commission of Proxy, Lodge was opened with Walter Walker, of Pleasant Grove Lodge No. 803, as Acting Master.

On October 20, 1920, a Charter was granted and by proxy Warren E. Lahue, Past Master of Short Creek Lodge No. 744 was appointed to set the Lodge in order, the same to be known as Falls of Rough Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons No. 901.

An election was held and the following Officers were duly elected:

Stephen T. Cook	Master
Robert S. Green	Senior Warden
Arlie C. Eskridge	Junior Warden
Samuel E. Stanley	Secretary
J. S. Quertermous	Treasurer

With a membership of 39 Master Masons, the lodge meets the second Saturday in each month.

## DULANEY LODGE NO. 902

## KIRKSEY, CALLOWAY COUNTY, KENTUCKY

Set to work on July 2, 1919 by John A. Howlett, Past Master of Temple Hill Lodge No. 276; J. M. Hargis, Master; U. P. Clark, Senior Warden; H. H. Boggess, Junior Warden.

Charter granted on October 19, 1921.

## GREENWOOD LODGE NO. 903

## GREENWOOD, McCREARY COUNTY, KENTUCKY

Set to work on May 22, 1920 By Brother G. S. Denney, Paster Master of Green Lodge No. 825; Dennis Keith, Master; M. W. York, Senior Warden; C. H. Casada, Junior Warden.

Charter granted on October 19, 1921.

## GEORGE WASHINGTON LODGE NO. 904

## LOUISVILLE, JEFFERSON COUNTY, KENTUCKY

Dispensation granted on January 31, 1921. Set to work on February 2, 1921 by Grand Secretary Dave Jackson, Proxy; Henry S. Epstein, Master; William M. Duncan, Senior Warden; William Göttschalk, Junior Warden.

Charter granted on October 19, 1921.

## KRYPTON LODGE NO. 905

Dispensation granted on February 19, 1921., Set to work by Brother J. H. Newland, Past Master of Breathitt Lodge No. 649; Felix G. Begley, Master; H. E. Pennington, Senior Warden; Allen Fugate, Junior Warden.

Charter granted on October 19, 1921.

## ST. MATTHEWS LODGE NO. 906

## ST. MATTHEWS, JEFFERSON COUNTY, KENTUCKY

Dispensation granted on March 3, 1921. Set to work by Brother Dave Jackson, Past Grand Master and Grand Secretary.

First Master, Brother R. J. Clarkson; first Senior Warden, Brother E. Rupert Herr; first Junior Warden, Brother George L. Edinger.

Charter granted on October 19, 1921.

## MORTON'S GAP LODGE NO. 907

## MORTON'S GAP, HOPKINS COUNTY, KENTUCKY

Dispensation granted on April 7, 1921. Set to work by Brothers W. A. Toombs, H. L. Browning and Carl Woolfolk, Past Masters of E. W. Turner Lodge No. 548.

First Master, Daniel D. Cates; first Senior Warden, James F. Thomas; first Junior Warden, Ernest B. Brown.

Charter granted on October 19, 1921.

Morton's Gap Lodge No. 907 became defunct on December 27, 1933.

## CUNNINGHAM LODGE NO. 908

## CUNNINGHAM, CARLISLE COUNTY, KENTUCKY

Dispensation granted on June 29, 1921. Set to work by Brother Tom C. Pettit, Past Master of Bardwell Lodge No. 499.

First Master, Brother J. B. Scott; first Senior Warden, Brother John S. Kendall; first Junior Warden, Brother J. M. Mobry.

Charter granted on October 19, 1921.

Charter arrested on March 11, 1929.

EKRON LODGE NO. 909

EKRON, MEADE COUNTY, KENTUCKY

Dispensation granted on July 12, 1921. Set to work by Brother W. J. Piggott, Past Master of Irvington Lodge No. 868, Brother B. T. Grant, Past Master of Acme Lodge No. 851.

First Master, Brother John M. Joyce; Brother John S. Dowell first Senior Warden; first Junior Warden, Brother Blancet B. Shacklett, Jr.

Charter granted on October 19, 1921.

Charter surrendered on February y, 1945.

CUB RUN LODGE NO. 910

CUB RUN, HART COUNTY, KENTUCKY

Dispensation granted on July 26, 1921. Set to work by Brother W. F. Nichols, Past Master of Green River Lodge No. 88.

First Master, J. F. Girards; first Senior Warden, James Humphreys; first Junior Warden, Isrial J. Cox.

Charter granted on October 19, 1921.

## DIXON LODGE NO. 911

## DIXON, WEBSTER COUNTY, KENTUCKY

Dispensation granted on January 8, 1920. Set to work on January 13, 1920 by Brother J. M. Jackson, Past Master of Carlow Lodge No. 314.

First Master, Brother L. B. Vaughn; first Senior Warden, Brother G. A. Carville; first Junior Warden, Brother Eley Showlders.

Charter granted on October 18, 1922.

## BLACKEY LODGE NO. 912

## BLACKEY, LETCHER COUNTY, KENTUCKY

Dispensation granted on March 1, 1921. Set to work by Brother N. R. Day, and Kelly Fields both Past Masters of Whitesburg Lodge No. 754.

First Master, Brother Joseph P. Brown; first Senior Warden, Brother H. J. Kassen; first Junior Warden, Brother Calloway Brown.

Charter granted on October 18, 1922.

Charter arrested on August 10, 1940.

## MARROWBONE LODGE NO. 913

## MARROWBONE, CUMBERLAND COUNTY, KENTUCKY

Charter granted on October 18, 1922.

First Master, Brother Finas A. Strange; first Senior

Warden, Caleb R. Heedham; first Junior Warden, Isaac H. Strange.

K. B. GRAHN LODGE NO. 914

GRAHN, CARTER COUNTY, KENTUCKY

Dispensation granted on November 16, 1921. Set to work on November 22, 1921 by Brother James B. Craig, Proxy, Past Master of Little Sandy Lodge No. 712.

First Master, Brother Henry L. Cunningham; first Senior Warden, Brother Claude L. Salmons; first Junior Warden, Brother Sam Bailey.

Charter granted on October 18, 1922.

K. B. Grahn Lodge No. 914 consolidated with Little Sandy Lodge No. 712 on January 19, 1946.

SUNSET LODGE NO. 915

LOUISVILLE, JEFFERSON COUNTY, KENTUCKY

In the fall of 1921 several Master Masons residing in the City of Louisville, conceived the idea of organizing a new Masonic Lodge for the Central Western District. Several meetings were held during the months of October, November and December, at Wesley M. E. Church, located at Twenty-third and Jefferson Streets, by the several Masons interested in the formation of a new lodge.

Renewed interest was manifested at each meeting, and as genuine enthusiasm filled the hearts of the Masons attending the meeting, it was definitely decided to organize.

With the aid and assistance of our dearly beloved Brother and Grand Secretary, Dave Jackson, now deceased, a special dispensation was granted by our Most Worshipful Grand Master, Brother F. W. Hardwick, under date of December 21, 1921, and on the following evening, December 22, 1921, at Pfister's Hall, located at Twenty-fifth and Market Streets, Sunset Lodge, U. D., F. & A. M. came into existence, and was set to work by our Most Worshipful Grand Master, F. W. Hardwick, assisted by our Grand Secretary, Dave Jackson.

Officers were duly installed; Brother Charles F. Cuzner being the first Master; Brother Walter K. Ensor the first Senior Warden; and Brother Harry H. Deutsch the first Junior Warden, after which many of the brothers present addressed the Lodge. Brother Jackson on this occasion made a very timely address.

A good attendance of the Masons witnessed the opening exercises of Sunset Lodge, U. D. which started with seventeen members, perfect harmony and a spirit of Masonic Brotherhood prevailing.



## SILVER GROVE LODGE NO. 916

## SILVER GROVE, CAMPBELL COUNTY, KENTUCKY

Dispensation granted on December 21, 1921. Set to work on January 17, 1922 by Brother G. A. Grapes, Proxy, Past Master of Ft. Thomas Lodge No. 808.

First Master, Brother James V. Jolley; first Senior Warden, Alva Alexander; first Junior Warden, George J. Carwile.

Charter granted on October 18, 1922.

## SYMSONIA LODGE NO. 917

## SYMSONIA, GRAVES COUNTY, KENTUCKY

On the fourteenth day of February, 1922, Grand Master Fred W. Hardwick authorized these Brethren: Ernest E. Smith, John Calvin Roundtree, Neuton Ernest Wallace, Peter Kanpp, R. H. McGuire, C. G. Reid, Harry Edwards, R. N. Allcock, Pete Edwards and Charlie Chumber, all being Free and Accepted Masons and residing at Symsonia, Kentucky to open and hold a regularly Lodge of Masons at Symsonia, Kentucky, Under Dispensation, vesting them with power therein to confer upon Worthy Applicants the Degree of Entered Apprentice, Fellow Craft and Master Mason, to receive members, adopt the by-laws, and do all the things of a Lodge of Free Masons, under the Regulations and Constitution of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky.

Grand Master Fred W. Hardwick appointed Brothers Ernest E. Smith, Master; John Calvin Roundtree, Senior Warden and Neuton E. Wallace, Junior Warden of said Lodge, then he appointed Brother T. E. Whipple, Master of Doric Lodge No. 737, by Proxy to assemble the Brethren

Constitution a new Lodge to be known as Symsonia Lodge, U. D. in Symsonia, County of Graves, Kentucky, and there to open a Lodge of Master Masons, hold an election for Secretary and Treasurer, install the officers of said Lodge and set it to work according to the laws and usages of the Craft.

On the twenty-fifth day of February, 1922, Symsonia Lodge, U. D. was called to order by Worshipful Master, E. T. Whipple and E. E. Smith was installed as Worshipful Master of Symsonia Lodge, U. D.; Brother J. C. Roundtree, Senior Warden; and Brother W. E. Wallace, Junior Warden; Brother W. R. Fields acting as Grand Marshal; Brother R. H. McGuire was elected Treasurer and Peter Kanpp as Secretary. The following were appointed by Worshipful Master: R. N. Allcock, Senior Deacon; C. G. Reid, Junior Deacon; Charles Chumber, Tiler. When installed in their respective offices a proclamation was made that now Symsonia Lodge, U. D. was a lawfully constituted Lodge.

Brother John T. Draffen was the first to petition the Lodge and was raised the 27th day of May, 1922 and is a member in good standing of Symsonia Lodge No. 917 today. All of the foresaid Officers of Symsonia Lodge, U. D. are deceased.

A called meeting on the eighth day of November, 1922 Brother W. C. Lutor, Past Master of Doric Lodge No. 737, acting as Proxy for the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky to constitute a new Lodge to be known as Symsonia Lodge No. 917, F. & A. M. and to set the foresaid Lodge

to work under a Charter. Brother Fields acting Grand Senior Déacon the foresaid officers were elected and installed in their respective offices.

The Charter now in the hall of Symsonia Lodge No. 917, Symsonia, Kentucky, dating eighteenth day of October, 1922 and signed by the following Grand Lodge Officers of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, F. & A. M.

Fred W. Hardwick  
(Grand Master)

E. E. Nelson  
(Deputy Grand Master)

Al. E. Orton  
(Grand Senior Warden)

H. M. Grundy  
(Grand Junior Warden)

Alex M. Woodruff  
(Grand Secretary)

#### BEECH CREEK LODGE NO. 918

#### BEECH CREEK, MUHLENBERG COUNTY, KENTUCKY

Dispensation granted on February 25, 1922. Set to work on March 3, 1922 by Grand Master Fred W. Hardwick.

Charter granted on October 18, 1922 and Brother W. H. Chumney was appointed the first Master; Brother Clarence Wood, Senior Warden; and Brother James Wilson, Jr., Junior Warden.

Most of the Charter Members came from Hazel Creek Lodge No. 842 of Yost, Kentucky. (Later changed to Belton, Kentucky.)

Membership now is near 125 members. The Lodge still grows and the Community is going down every year as most of the mines have worked out.

## CAMP KNOX LODGE NO. 919

## FORT KNOX, HARDIN COUNTY, KENTUCKY

Dispensation granted on March 20, 1922. Set to work on March 21, 1922 by Grand Master Fred W. Hardwick.

Brother John H. Mellom was the first Master; Brother Jack Kogel, Senior Warden and Brother N. H. Duval, Junior Warden.

Charter granted on October 18, 1922.

## ST. BERNARD LODGE NO. 920

## ST. CHARLES, HOPKINS COUNTY, KENTUCKY

Dispensation granted on August 20, 1921. Set to work by Right Worshipful A. E. Orton, Grand Junior Warden and Brother W. A. Toombs, Past Master Master of E. W. Turner Lodge No. 548.

Brother A. A. Band was the first Master, Brother T. N. Sisk, Senior Warden, and Brother Arthur Robinson Junior Warden.

Charter granted on October 18, 1922.

Charter surrendered on March 1, 1929.

## ROCKY CHUTE LODGE NO. 921

## ROCKY CHUTE, POWELL COUNTY, KENTUCKY

Dispensation granted on January 10, 1922. Set to work on January 13, 1922 by Brother B. F. Hatton, Proxy,

Past Master of Filson Lodge No. 686.

First Master, Brother G. C. Winkler, Senior Warden, Brother Bert Hall, Junior Warden, Brother A. S. Pasley.

Charter granted on October 17, 1923.

Charter arrested on January 13, 1932.

#### WILMORE LODGE NO. 922

WILMORE, JESSAMINE COUNTY, KENTUCKY

Dispensation granted on May 23, 1921. Set to work by Brother Dave Jackson, Past Master and Grand Secretary.

Brother Joseph B. Adams was the first Master, Brother Hugh L. McLean, first Senior Warden, and Brother E. S. Matherly the first Junior Warden.

Charter granted on October 17, 1923.

#### ROYALTON LODGE NO. 923

ROYALTON, MAGOFFIN COUNTY, KENTUCKY

Dispensation granted on September 19, 1922. Set to work on October 6, 1922 by Brother James W. Turner, Past Master and Brother L. C. Bailey, Past Master of Oil Springs Lodge No. 861, Proxies.

Brother M. B. White was the first Master, Brother D. R. Skaggs, Senior Warden, Brother C. H. Ezell, Junior Warden.

Charter granted on October 17, 1923.

Royalton Lodge No. 923 consolidated with Salyersville Lodge No. 769

on March 9, 1945.

HARDBURLY LODGE NO. 924

HARDBURLY, PERRY COUNTY, KENTUCKY

Dispensation granted on November 30, 1923. Set to work on December 27, 1923 by Brother W. N. Cole, Master of Hazard Lodge No. 676.

First Master, Brother C. Freeling Lykins, Senior

Warden, Brother Frank Wright, Junior Warden, Jasper Hunt.

Charter granted on October 22, 1924.

ALFORD LODGE NO. 925

AURORA, MARSHALL COUNTY, KENTUCKY

December 11, 1923, as the world was preparing for the coming Christmas Season, with their thoughts re-kindled with that old but wonderful story of Christ being born into the world as a Saviour to men. So was another babe born in the form of a dispensation of Alford Lodge. Although its birth was not a world celebrated occasion by all men, yet to the Masons of our Country it meant one more link in the chain to a closer relationship with God and mankind. So, December 19, 1923, a little group of loyal, brave and devoted Masons set sail in a small boat dispensated to them by Al. E. Orton then Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, Free and Accepted

Masons with W. P. Williams as his proxy. The crew was small but the spirit was strong among this little band of Masons as they launched forth with brothers: Fred C. Carnell as Worshipful Master, Dewey Sirs, Senior Warden, Linus E. Ross, Junior Warden, Cherry G. Johnson, Secretary, James T. Richerson, Treasurer, Fred C. King, Senior Deacon, Bernice A. Johnston, Junior Deacon, J. D. and C. A. Taylon as Tiler. Besides these officers on board were brothers: E. D. Johnston, J. O. Johnston, H. C. Johnston, A. T. Oakley, R. C. Mohundro, S. F. Warren and Enos Smith.

Devotion, hard work and regular attendance made this little group of loyal Masons worthy of their hire. And on October 22, 1924, they were rewarded for their labors by a Charter given under the hand of Al. E. Orton, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of the State of Kentucky, Free and Accepted Masons and a lodge number of 925.

Ready to work and eager to display the beauties of Glory to the honor of His Holy Name these 15 Charter Members began their labors humbly by building a lodge hall up stairs over the Aurora School House which was loaned to them by the Marshall County Board of Education. And to them we are indeed grateful for having furnished us a home when we couldn't afford one of our own.

Down through the years this boat traveled with several different captains at its wheel, stopping at many ports and taking on additional passengers

Born to ashes our last note of regular meeting at which time a motion was made and seconded that we buy a building site and erect a lodge of our own. This motion was unanimously passed.

What had been a peaceful sea now began to ripple. As the winds blew the storm raged and our debts mounted high as a building site was bought and a building erected.

Our heartfelt thanks go to our building committee, composed of brothers, Hardin, Ross, Dorsey, Hill and Elton Oakley for the untiring labors as they skillfully drew up the plans for a lodge hall and then had them put into effect. Not only to them, but to every member who showed their love and devotion by contributing work and money so their dream might become a reality, we give thanks. And above all to God above for blessing us with this building.

October 23, 1948, the doors were opened to our new lodge building and our first meeting was held. Yes, the debt storm raged high from 1948 to 1950, but true to nature all storms must reach their peak then subside. So has it been with us.

Tonight as brother Joe Cathey, member of Alford Lodge No. 925 lights the flame that will burn to ashes our last note of indebtedness, he is representing every member of Alford Lodge, past and present. As we watch with pride and humble heart the fire that makes the end of



this long and toilsome journey, and as dropping anchor for the first time at home port. Although some of her passengers have laid down beneath the silent clouds of the valley during the journey and can not witness this occasion with us tonight, we feel that they are looking down from their Heavenly Home with as much pride as we are, along with every member of Alford Lodge No. 925 as we give thanks to God for giving us a home of our own, and ask of him that he give us members in the future who will be as loyal as our own, and ask of Him that he will give us members in the future who will give us members in the future who will be as loyal as our present members, and as loyal as our past members have been.

PETERSBURG LODGE NO. 926  
PETERSBURG, BOONE COUNTY, KENTUCKY

Dispensation granted on June 25, 1924. Set to work on July 1, 1924 by Grand Junior Warden, Charles S. Rankins.

The first officers of Petersburg were as follows: Otto Deck, Master; H. Wilson White, Senior Warden; Claude H. McWethy, Junior Warden; John C. Bolen, Treasurer; J. P. Mahan, Secretary; Charles E. Cox, Senior Deacon; E. W. Klein, Junior Deacon; and J. G. Loudon, Tiler.

Charter granted on October 22, 1924.

## MILBURN LODGE NO. 927

## MILBURN, CARLISLE COUNTY, KENTUCKY

Milburn Lodge No. 927 was instituted in Milburn, Kentucky on January 7, 1925 bringing a Masonic Lodge to one of the oldest towns in Western Kentucky for the second time. Milburn had been without a Masonic Lodge since the old Milburn Lodge No. 170, Charter and all records were destroyed by fire December 25, 1900.

The Lodge was instituted by Brother Tom C. Petit, Past Master of Bardwell Lodge No. 499 having the proxy of Grand Master H. M. Grundy. The lodge opened on the M. M. degree at 6:35 p. m. with Brother C. C. Perry as Senior Warden, Brother W. L. Turk, Junior Warden, Brother G. W. Perry, Senior Deacon, Brother Lube Harp, Junior Deacon, Brother Jim Wilson, Tiler, Brother C. D. Forrester Marshal and Brother C. E. Coil, Secretary. These officers being to assist Brother Petit in setting the new lodge to work. Brother J. R. Bard was elected and installed as the first Master. The installation was held in the Milburn High School with all fifteen Charter Members and visiting Brothers present. Membership was composed of residents of Milburn Community who elected to demit from various lodges of neighboring towns.

After the lodge was instituted and set to work we were very happy to have Brother Mark Hotchkiss of Arlington Lodge No. 582

who was living in Milburn at the time, to assist the Lodge in starting off in a good way. Brother Hotchkiss' work and labors while living among us will always be remembered and as a token of this, the black felt hat that Brother Hotchkiss wore is now a part of the lodge property and hangs in the East behind the Master's chair at all times. Lodge meetings were held in the upper room of a building located near Milburn School until 1938. In 1938 the Bank of Milburn was closed and the Lodge at that time bought the Bank's part of the building. The Milburn Independent Telephone Company owned the room over the Bank's part of the building. The lodge and Telephone Company at this time exchanged rooms; the Lodge taking the upper room and the Telephone Company the lower room.

Brother Cris Cate has loyally and faithfully served the Lodge as Secretary for 28 of the 33 years since Milburn Lodge No. 927 has been instituted.

Regular meetings are held the first and third evening in each month where where harmony has prevailed through the years. The Lodge at this time has 101 members in good standing, having doubled it's membership since 1950. The Lodge is enjoying a good year under the faithful guidance of Brother Cetus Moss, Worshipful Master.

THOMAS DeVENNY LODGE NO. 928

FREEBURN, PIKE COUNTY, KENTUCKY

Dispensation granted on October 7, 1925. Set to work on

October 1925 by S. Marion Cecil, Past Master of Thomas

C. Cecil Lodge No. 375.

Brother Charles Edward Lewis was the first Master,  
Brother Clifford Buck, Senior Warden, Brother Ulrich  
Schaffer, Junior Warden.

Charter granted on October 21, 1926.

#### VICCO LODGE NO. 929

#### VICCO, PERRY COUNTY, KENTUCKY

Dispensation granted on September 10, 1926. Set to  
work in October 1926 by Brother H. C. Dixon, Worshipful

Master of Blackey Lodge No. 912, Proxy.

Brother Shade H. Combs was the first Master, Brother  
Charles A. Duke, Senior Warden, Brother Alvin G. Bolling,  
Junior Warden.

Charter granted on October 19, 1927.

#### LOYAL LODGE NO. 930

#### LOYALL, HARLAN COUNTY, KENTUCKY

On July 3, 1926, Brothers Ailey Howard, Ewin Shumate  
and W. H. Frost visited Howard Lodge No. 819, Baxter, to  
obtain permission to form a lodge at Loyall, Kentucky. We  
again visited Howard Lodge on July 17, 1926 when permission  
was granted.

On July 6, 1926, Brothers Ailey Howard, Ewin Shumate

and W. H. Frost visited Harlan Lodge No. 879 and secured permission from that lodge to form a lodge at Loyall, Kentucky.

On July 8, 1926, Brothers W. G. Hagood, Ewin Shumate and W. H. Frost visited Ewings Creek Lodge No. 893 at White Star, Kentucky to obtain permission to form a lodge at Loyall, Kentucky.

On July 17, 1926, the same committee visited Ewings Creek Lodge at White Star and obtained permission to form a new lodge at Loyall, Kentucky.

On September 27, 1926, Brother Will Ward Duffield acting as Proxy of Grand Master G. Allison Holland instituted Loyal Lodge, U. D. with the following Officers:

Ailey Howard, Master, Ewin Shumate, Senior Warden, W. H. Frost, Junior Warden, W. G. Cudd, Treasurer, W. G. Hagood, Secretary, T. E. Dizney, Senior Deacon, A. P. Wilson, Junior Deacon, J. C. Risner, Tiler.

On October 19, 1927 we received our Charter and number (930) at that time Fred W. Hardwick was Grand Secretary.

EDMONTON LODGE NO. 931

EDMONTON, METCALFE COUNTY, KENTUCKY

Edmonton Lodge No. 931 held its first meeting in October, 1926, and its charter was granted on October 19, 1927. While the lodge was U. D. the name was known as Henry Price Lodge, but when the charter

was granted we took the name of Edmonton Lodge.

We have had four meeting places, but have never owned a lodge building.

Our first Master was Henry R. Price, first Senior Warden Avery Sartin, and first Junior Warden, S. A. Thompson.

Most of our members who were charter members came from Renick Lodge No. 549 which has been discontinued since 1928.

#### PROGRESS LODGE NO. 932

##### CAMP TAYLOR, JEFFERSON COUNTY, KENTUCKY

Dispensation granted on October 11, 1926.

Charter granted on October 17, 1928

#### BURCHFIELD LODGE NO. 933

##### ALVA, HARLAN COUNTY, KENTUCKY

Brother C. B. Burchfield, who was the first Master, and for whom the lodge was named, is the Brother who was mainly responsible for its organization. Alva, Kentucky, at which place the lodge is located, is about eight miles distant from the nearest lodge. This lodge is Calloway Lodge No. 718, located at Hulen, Kentucky. Before Burchfield Lodge was organized, most of the masons at Alva belonged and attended Calloway Lodge, and most of the time had to walk

to and from the meetings, since at that time, and for some time after, Burchfield Lodge was organized, there was no road over which you could travel by automobile. So, for the convenience of the Masons living in Alva, and through the untiring efforts of Brother Burchfield and others, Burchfield Lodge was organized and a charter granted under the date of October 17, 1928.

GLASGOW JUNCTION LODGE NO. 934

GLASGOW JUNCTION, BARREN COUNTY, KENTUCKY

Dispensation granted on July 25, 1927. Set to work by E. D. Turner, Proxy, Cave City Lodge No. 790.

First Master, Wilbur Kessinger, Senior Warden, Simon C. Denton, Junior Warden, Sam W. Crump.

Charter granted on October 17, 1928.

Name changed to Park City Lodge No. 934 on October 18, 1939.

AUXIER LODGE NO. 935

AUXIER, FLOYD COUNTY, KENTUCKY

Dispensation granted on December 21, 1927. Set to work on February 2, 1928 by Brother Jeff Mates, Proxy of the Grand Master.

Brother Robert Ernest Thomas was the first Master, Brother William Newton Stratton, Senior, Brother E. G. Curnutte, Junior Warden

Charter granted on October 17, 1928.

Auxier Lodge No. 935 consolidated with East Point  
Lodge No. 657 on December 27, 1947.

GOOD WILL LODGE NO. 936

COVINGTON, KENTON COUNTY, KENTUCKY

Thirty years have passed since twenty seven members  
of various Northern Kentucky lodges, led by Brother Charles  
A. Miller and Brother Thomas J. Dunn, demitted from their  
respective lodges and signed a petition for dispensation to  
form a new lodge at West Covington, Kentucky, to be known  
as Good Will Lodge, U. D.

Requests for permission to form a new lodge were sent to  
Covington Lodge No. 109; Colonel Clay Lodge No. 159;  
Golden Rule Lodge No. 345; Latonia Lodge No. 746; and  
Unity Lodge No. 478, Ludlow, Kentucky. All the above  
lodges complied with this request except Unity Lodge No.  
478, which refused. Things looked mighty dark for the  
petitioners. However, on January 20, 1928, Grand Master  
Hanson Peterson invited Brother Charles A. Miller and all  
interested parties to meet with him at the Masonic Temple  
in Covington, Kentucky, to discuss this matter. After a



lengthy debate it was decided by Grand Master Peterson that Unity Lodge's refusal to grant permission to form a new lodge would have no bearing on the final decision as Unity Lodge was located in another city. This seemed to create new spirit among the petitioners and on April 23, 1928, a signed petition for dispensation to institute a new lodge with all necessary information was forwarded to the Grand Secretary.

It was on July 2-, 1928, that P.G.M. Orie S. Ware called a meeting of the petitioners in the Knights of Pythias Hall, Parkway and Altamont Road, West Covington, Kentucky, and there as a Proxy of Hanson Peterson, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, read the Commission of Proxy which authorized the petitioners to constitute a new lodge to be known as Good Will Lodge, U. D. of Covington, Kenton County, Kentucky, to open a Lodge of Master Masons, hold an election for Secretary and Treasurer, install the officers and set to work, according to the Constitution and Regulations of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky.

The first officers to serve were Brother Thomas J. Dunn, Master; Brother Harvey A. Schultz, Senior Warden; Brother John J. Bluemlein, Jr.; Junior Warden. These officers were appointed by the Grand Master, having been examined in Colonel Clay Lodge No. 159 at an earlier date. The officers elected were: Brother Edward H. Chapman, Secretary, and Brother Charles A. Miller, Treasurer. All other officers were appointed by Worshipful Master Thomas J. Dunn. P. G. M. Orie S. Ware, with the assistance of the visiting Past Masters and Brethren, duly and legally

installed the newly elected and appointed officers. Brother  
 J. Mason Howk proclaimed the installation and thus was  
 born Good Will Lodge, U. D.

**SOUTH PORTSMOUTH LODGE NO, 937**

**SOUTH SHORE, GREENUP COUNTY, KENTUCKY**

Dispensation granted on May 30, 1929. Set to work  
 by Brother J. E. Pollock, Past Master of Greenup Lodge  
 No. 89.

Brother Garnett T. Thomas was the first Master,  
 Denver E. McGlone, Senior Warden, Arnold Wood,  
 Junior Warden.

Charter granted on October 22, 1930.

Name changed to Harrison-Fullerton on October 17,  
 1945.

**HUGH HARRIS LODGE NO. 938**

**CORBIN, WHITLEY COUNTY, KENTUCKY**

Dispensation granted on May 10, 1935. Set to work  
 on May 21, 1935 by Brother H. M. Killinger, Proxy, Master  
 of Cooper Lodge No. 668.

Charter granted on October 16, 1935.

## HUGH HARRIS LODGE NO. 938

CORBIN, WHITLEY COUNTY, KENTUCKY

Dispensation granted on May 10, 1935. Set to work on May 21, 1935

by

## BOONEVILLE LODGE NO. 939

BOONEVILLE, OWSLEY COUNTY, KENTUCKY

Dispensation granted and lodge set to work on May 9, 1938, at

8:00 p. m., by:

T. W. Pennington, Grand Master (60)  
E. D. Swimmé (850), Senior Warden  
Charles A. Keith (25), Junior Warden  
A. E. Orton, (628), Secretary  
C. E. Tyree, Sr. (684), Senior Deacon  
Hugh Riddell (137), Junior Deacon  
S. A. Carroll (777), Marshal  
J. C. Gabbard (617), Tiler

Lodge opened and proceeded to election of a treasurer and Secretary.

Set to work with the following officers:

Master, Pleasant S. Turner  
Senior Warden, Luther F. Morgan  
Junior Warden, Thomas Victor Campbell  
Treasurer, Eugene F. Gabbard  
Secretary, Sam C. Cornett  
Senior Deacon, Steve Wilson  
Junior Deacon, Charles A. Bowman  
Senior Steward, James Bowman  
Junior Steward, Andrew J. Creech  
Chaplain, Albert C. Wildman  
Tiler, Lester Eversole

Six petitions received at this meeting.

The organization of this lodge was one of the highlights of the

Masonic Year. Key Man C. E. Tyree, Sr., was of inestimable help in the formation of this new lodge.

On August 31, 1938, the report to the Grand Lodge shows eleven men were initiated in the three months of their existence.

Charter granted on October 16, 1935.

MASONIC HOME LODGE NO. 940

LOUISVILLE, JEFFERSON COUNTY, KENTUCKY

Dispensation granted on June 24, 1943, and the lodge instituted on July 3, 1943, by W. Z. Carter, Grand Master, Albert Phillips, Grand Treasurer, acting as Senior Warden, Charles S. Johnson, Grand Junior Warden, as Junior Warden, A. E. Orton, P.G.M., Grand Secretary as Secretary, James C. Morris, Superintendent Masonic Widows and Orphans' Home, as Senior Deacon, C. Frank Mann, Past Master of Highland Park Lodge No. 865, as Junior Deacon, H. M. Grundy, P.G.M., Assistant Grand Secretary as Marshal. There were twenty-one charter members, all former residents of the Masonic Widows and Orphans' Home.

Charter granted on October 18, 1943.

## RUSSELL SPRINGS LODGE NO. 941

## RUSSELL SPRINGS, RUSSELL COUNTY, KENTUCKY

Russell Springs Lodge, U. D. was instituted Saturday, March 31, 1945 with thirty-seven Charter Members.

Grand Master Joe L. Tigue called the meeting to order at 8:15 p. m. Prayer by Past Grand Chaplain A. H. Baugh.

Grand Secretary Al. E. Orton read the dispensation which was to continue in force until the close of business of next Annual Communication of Grand Lodge and no longer.

The Dispensation also stated that Brother Marcus H. Hale appointed Master; Brother Chester Riggius, Senior Warden; and Brother D. E. Tarter, Junior Warden.

The above mentioned officers were installed by Past Master Pete Stamon of Shawnee Lodge No. 830.

A lodge of Master Masons was opened in due form with the following officers in their respective stations:

Master, Joe L. Tigue (794)  
Senior Warden, W. B. Morrow, P.M. (111)  
Junior Warden, W. H. Anderson (566)  
Treasurer, Attis R. Hopper (284)  
Secretary, A. E. Orton, Grand Secretary (628)  
Senior Deacon, Edward G. White, Grand Senior Deacon (794)  
Junior Deacon, Nathan O. Phelps (284)  
Senior Steward, J. W. Mitchell (284)  
Junior Steward, George W. Bennett (940)  
Chaplain, Rev. A. H. Baugh, (Past Grand Chaplain (184)  
Tiler, Leslie R. Wilson (284)

An election was held for Secretary and Treasurer  
resulting as follows  
resulting as follows:

Treasurer, Attis R. Hopper  
Secretary, Earl Rippetoe

Brother Marcus Hale appointed the following officers  
to be installed at next meeting:

Senior Deacon, Bolinor Sullivan  
Junior Deacon, Cloyd Lacey  
Senior Steward, Otha Shepherd  
Junior Steward, Marvin Rexroat  
Chaplain, S. B. Rowe  
Tiler, Mark C. Alley

It was decided to hold stated meetings on the third

Friday in each month at 8:00 o'clock p. m.

There were eighty-six Masons present; twenty-two

Lodges were represented.

Charter granted on October 17, 1943.

#### FAIRDALE LODGE NO. 942

FAIRDALE, JEFFERSON COUNTY, KENTUCKY

Dispensation was granted on August 16, 1945.

At 8:45 o'clock on the above date assisted by the  
following brethren Fairdale Lodge, U.D. was opened  
by Grand Master Albert C. Hanson in the library of  
Fairdale Public School:

Senior Warden, Frank H. Osborn, Grand Senior Warden  
 Junior Warden, E. E. Bissell, District Deputy Grand Master No. 13  
 Treasurer, Perry G. Stapleton, Secretary of Aurora No. 633  
 Secretary, Al. E. Orton, Grand Secretary  
 Chaplain, Rev. Willard H. Zinke, Grand Chaplain  
 Senior Deacon, Herbert E. Brenner, D. D. G. M. No. 33  
 Junior Deacon, C. Ross Adkins, Master, Aurora No. 633  
 Marshal, Raymond K. Thomas, P. M., Parkland No. 638  
 Tiler, Charles S. Priest, Master of Okolona No. 853.

The following officers were elected and installed:

Master

Master, Frank L. Churchman  
 Senior Warden, Howard Lee Gibson  
 Junior Warden, Roy E. Truby  
 Treasurer, Charles W. Blake  
 Secretary, Edward L. Johnstone  
 Senior Deacon, James D. Buckler  
 Junior Deacon, Hiram B. Jordan  
 Senior Steward, Charles H. Martin  
 Junior Steward, Roy Appleby  
 Chaplain, Rev. James Richard Gunn  
 Tiler, Lee V. Oakes

Charter granted on October 16, 1946.

CLARK LODGE NO. 943

WINCHESTER, CLARK COUNTY, KENTUCKY

Minutes of the first meeting of Clark Lodge, U. D. held in  
 Winchester, Clark County, Kentucky at the Masonic Temple, at 8:15 p. m.  
 Saturday, August 16, 1947.

The Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky,  
 F. & A. M., Brother Albert Connell Hanson, Grand Master, called the  
 Master Masons to order and opened the lodge of Master Masons and  
 stated by the power in him vested as the Grand Master of the Grand  
 Lodge of Kentucky, F. & A. M. He was here for the express purpose

of setting to work a new lodge to be known as Clark Lodge, U. D., on  
 U. D., and he called upon Brother Alpheus Everett Orton  
 to read the document, number 193, which reads as follows:

IN THE NAME AND AUTHORITY  
 OF  
 THE GRAND LODGE OF KENTUCKY

To All to whom this may Come, Greeting:

Whereas, Brothers James B. Allen, Robert D.

Blanton, Omer Booth, M. H. Boone, Perry Browning,  
 S. Wesley Bumpus, J. O. Burkhardt, Auther N. Bush, Cha  
 Charles Lee Bush, Armstead S. Broaddus, Sam Cawood,  
 James B. Cockrell, P. J. Conkwright, Melvin Dunnaway,  
 D. C. Dunigan, John T. Evans, Robert M. Fisher, Jr.,  
 Grover C. Fluty, Jr., L. L. Harrod, W. Y. Jones,  
 Oscar R. King, Kenneth Lowry, William J. Moore,  
 Forrest Mack Muhleman, John D. Pace, Charles T.  
 Pool, John L. Pound, J. Taylor Pound, James C. Pound,  
 Owtis J. Ragland, Malcolm D. Royse, Sr., Malcolm D.  
 Royse, Jr., George W. Sheoherd, Leslie T. Sheoherd,  
 Logan Standafer, Charles A. Stone, Edward L. Swift, Jr.,  
 Bruce C. Taylor, Benjamin H. Tuttle, Sr., Benjamin H.  
 Tuttle, Jr., Marcus L. Tuttle, Al. L. Veach, Hugh E.  
 Wedding and Wallace Woods.



Being Free and Accepted Masons, residing in Winchester, Kentucky, and its vicinity, pray that they be authorized to organize and work as a lodge, and it appearing to be for the benefit of the aforesaid Brethren and the Craft:

Be it known, That by virtue of the power in me vested, I so authorize our Brethren aforesaid to form, open and hold a regular Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons at Winchester, County of Clark, and State of Kentucky, to be known as Clark Lodge, U. D.; vesting them with power therein to confer upon worthy applicants the degrees of Entered Apprentice, Fellow Craft, and Master Mason; to receive members, adopt By-Laws, and do all other things that a Lodge of Freemasons may do, not inconsistent with the Constitution and Regulations of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky.

I hereby appoint Brothers Charles Thomas Pool, Master; Benjamin Harrison Tuttle, Sr., Senior Warden; and Kenneth L. Lowry, Junior Warden of said Lodge, requiring the said Master, Wardens and Brothers to keep a faithful record of their proceedings so far as they should be committed to writing; to correspond with said Grand Lodge through its Grand Secretary; to make due return of this Dispensation and a copy of their By-Laws and record of proceeding to the Grand Lodge at its next Annual Communication, on the third Tuesday in October, Next; until the close of which Communication this Dispensation shall continue in force, and no longer. And lastly, the Master, Wardens, and Members aforesaid do, by accepting hereof, solemnly engage strictly to conform to all of the foregoing requirements, and at all times to acknowledge themselves

subordiante to and under jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge  
aforesaid.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my name,  
and caused the seal of said Grand Lodge to be affixed,  
attested by the Grand Secretary this 16th day of August,  
1947, A. L. 5947. Signed Albert C. Hanson, Grand  
Master, Attested, A. E. Orton, Grand Secretary. (With  
seal of Grand Lodge, Affixed.)

Grand Master Hanson appointed the following officers:

Master, Charles Thomas Pool  
Senior Warden, Benjamin H. Tuttle, Sr.  
Junior Warden, Kenneth L. Lowry, Jr.

Brother Pool appointed Brothers Edward L. Swift, Jr.,  
Senior Deacon; Benjamin H. Tuttle appointed Owtis J.  
Ragland, Junior Deacon; and Brother Pool appointed  
Brothers Sam Cawood as Senior Steward and Auther N.  
Bush as Junior Steward. Grand Master Hanson then  
called for nominations for the office of Secretary. Brother  
George W. Shepherd nominated Brother Wallace H. Woods  
for the office of Secretary, which was duly seconded by  
Brother William J. Moore. There being no other nomi-  
nations, Brother Woods was elected by unanimous vote of  
the members present. Nominations were then in order for  
a Treasurer. Brother George W. Shepherd nominated

Brother Robert M. Fisher, Jr., for the office of Treasurer, which was duly seconded by Brother Charles T. Pool. There being no other nominations, Brother Fisher was elected by unanimous vote by the members present. Nominations were then in order for Tiler. Brother Charles T. Pool nominated Brother A. L. Veach for the office of Tiler. This nomination was duly seconded by Brother George W. Shepherd. There being no other nominations, Brother Veach was unanimously elected by the members present.

At this point the Lodge was called from refreshments on the Master Masons degree and a lodge of Fellow Craft Masons was opened in short form, at this time the Grand Master, Brother Hanson obligated Brother Charles T. Pool as the first Master.

At this time the Lodge of Fellow Craft Masons was closed in due form and a Lodge of Master Masons was called from refreshment to labor on the Master Masons degree.

After obligating Brother Pool as the first Master of Clark Lodge, U. D. , the Grand Master turned the gavel over to Brother Pool for the installation of the other officers. Brother Pool returned the gavel to Brother Hanson and asked that he continue the installation ceremonies, which he did in a very impressive manner. Brother Malcolm D. Royse, Sr., acted as Marshal and assisted in the installation. The only officers that were not present for this installation were Brothers Kenneth L. Lowry, Jr., Junior Warden and Wallace H. Woods, Secretary. The first

official act of the Master, Brother Charles T. Pool, was to have the brethren present, extend the public Grand Honors, to Brothers Hanson and Orton.

The Worshipful Master called upon Brother Hanson for a talk and he delivered a very inspiring message.

Brother Orton also gave a very inspiring talk and in his message pointed out the fact, that Winchester was large enough for two Masonic Lodges to do a grand work in the community.

At the conclusion of Brother Orton's talk, Brother Pete G. Stamon, a distinguished Mason from Louisville also gave a very inspiring talk.

The Worshipful Master suggested to the Craft that the regular meetings for Clark Lodge, U. D. be held on the first and third Friday nights of each month and after some discussion a motion was made by Brother William J. Moore, that the first and third Friday nights be the regular meeting nights of Clark Lodge, U. D. at 7:30 p. m. This motion was duly seconded by Brother Benjamin H. Tuttle, Sr., and was adopted by unanimous vote of all members present. Brother Albert C. Hanson presented Clark Lodge, U. D. a beautiful scroll on which was inscribed a Craftsman's Prayer, which was composed

by the donor. It was moved by Brother George Shepherd and duly seconded by Brother John D. Pace that this scroll be framed and hung in the Lodge Hall. This motion carried by unanimous vote.

Those attending this meeting were as follows: Grand Master, Albert C. Hanson; Grand Secretary, Al. E. Orton; Brothers Pete G. Stamon; Charles T. Pool; David M. Lipscomb; William J. Moore; Benjamin H. Tuttle, Sr.; John D. Pace; A. L. Veach; Robert D. Blanton; Malcolm D. Royse, Sr.; Owtis J. Ragland; Grover C. Fluty, Jr.; Arther N. Bush; Marcus L. Tuttle; Bruce C. Taylor; Omer Booth; William W. Clark; Calloway White; Edward L. Swift, Jr.; Robert M. Fisher, Jr.; James T. Gilkey; J. C. Pound; John L. Pound and George W. Shepherd.

The Lodge was closed in due form at 10:15 p. m.

Charter granted on October 22, 1947.

KEVIL LODGE NO. 944

KEVIL, BALLARD COUNTY, KENTUCKY

Kevil Lodge No. 944, F. & A. M., Kevil, Kentucky was set to work Under Dispensation of Grand Lodge of Kentucky on August 21, 1948; with twenty-four charter members; with Brother W. D. Goldsby as Master and was granted Charter No. 944 on October 19, 1949.

In the ten years since 1948 Kevil Lodge has grown to a membership of two hundred ten members, and we were honored by having one of our

members serve as District Deputy Grand Master for the year 1955.

We have built a Temple, since we were set to work, the cost of which has been paid in full, and we have a balance in the Bank, with no outstanding bills.

Kevil Lodge holds a contract with the Post Office Department for rental on lower floor of building to be used as Post Office, rent payable to Lodge No. 944.

R. H. JONHSTON LODGE NO. 945

McKEE, JACKSON COUNTY, KENTUCKY

Dispensation granted on January 31, 1951 and lodge set to work by Oscar Morris, Past Master of Pond Fork Lodge No. 601, proxy for Grand Master Edwin E. Freshney on February 24, 1951.

Brother Lewis Gay was the first Master; Brother Ray G. Madden, Senior Warden and Brother Howard McQueen, Junior Warden.

Charter granted on October 17, 1951.

## G. L. CARRIER LODGE NO. 948

## MORTONS GAP, HOPKINS COUNTY, KENTUCKY

G. L. Carrier Lodge No. 948, F. & A. M. was formed with members from the E. W. Turner Lodge of Earlington, Kentucky, Orphans' Friend Lodge of White Plains, Kentucky and N. H. Shaw Lodge of Nortonville, Kentucky. The lodge operated under dispensation for a year then a regular charter was issued. The Lodge was named in memory of George L. Carrier, a prominent citizen and business man and one of the first Masons in Mortons Gap. The lodge was set to work on October 13, 1954 by Brother Earle W. Adams, acting as proxy for the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, F. & A. M. At present we have 40 members. The first Master was David W. Rash, Jr. The present Master is Edgar Poe Cavis. The lodge is located in Mortons Gap, Kentucky. Regular meeting nights are the first and third Tuesday of each month. This lodge was formed here with the assistance of the neighboring lodges of this area for which we are grateful. The officers for each year for the first year are as follows:

Master, David W. Rash, Jr.  
Senior Warden, Daniel M. Taylor  
Junior Warden, James A. Lovan  
Treasurer, Gilbert Cox  
Secretary, Oral Greenfield  
Senior Deacon, Edgar P. Cavis  
Junior Deacon, Lewis Stanley  
Senior Steward, Neil Wright  
Junior Steward, William C. Jones  
Tiler, David W. Rash, Sr.

Charter granted on October 19, 1955.

FORT CAMPBELL LODGE NO. 946

FORT CAMPBELL, CHRISTIAN COUNTY, KY.

Fort Campbell Lodge, U. D. set to work on September

19, 1951 by Most Worshipful Grand Master Edwin E.

Freshney and Grand Secretary A. E. Orton.

Brigadier General Wayne C. Smith was the first

Master, 1st Lieutenant Francis W. MacNeill, Senior

Warden, Lieutenant Colonel Harold E. Beaty, Junior

Warden, Major J. C. Parr, Treasurer, Lieutenant Col-

onel Julian M. Lockhart, Secretary, W. O. J. G. John G.

Clary, Senior Deacon, 1st Lieutenant James H. Nix,

Junior Deacon, and SFC Otis K. Webb, Tiler

Charter granted on October 17, 1951.

MILTON LODGE NO. 947

MILTON, TRIMBLE COUNTY, KENTUCKY

Dispensation granted on Friday, October 16, 1953 and

set to work by Dr. Robert M. Sirkle, Grand Master,

assisted by Al. E. Orton, Grand Secretary. Thirty-seven

members were on the Dispensation.

Brother J. Weston Powell is the first Master,

Brother S. Nelson Barnes, Senior Warden, Brother

Ben Ford, Junior Warden.

Charter granted on October 23, 1951.



## FLORENCE LODGE NO. 949

## FLORENCE, BOONE COUNTY, KENTUCKY

During the decade preceding 1956 the community of Florence experienced an unprecedented expansion wherein entire new subdivisions, new churches, new stores and school building additions were erected to accommodate the influx of new residents. The new population included many Masons and it was estimated that by the year 1956 an excess of two hundred Masons were living in the confines of Florence.

The thought that a Lodge in Florence would be of great moral and spiritual benefit to the community prompted a small group of Master Masons to organize for the purpose of obtaining a charter. It was unanimously agreed that the Old Town Hall would be the most appropriate site for the initial meeting of this group since it was in this building that Good Faith Lodge No. 95 had been chartered on April 8, 1934. Consequently, on February 28, 1956 in the Old Town Hall at Florence, Kentucky, a group of Master Masons consisting of: Reverend Roy Johnson, Ralph Maurer, Charles Schneider, Fitzhugh Tanner, Roy C. Nestor, George Scott, William B. Shotwell, Jr., Charles Niblack, William Campbell and Roy Youell for the purpose of organizing and obtaining a charter for a Masonic Lodge in Florence the following officers were elected to serve in a temporary capacity until such time when their services were no longer needed and the officers of the

proposed lodge could be elected: Roy C. Nestor, Chairman  
George Scott, Treasurer, and Roy Youell, Secretary.

The idea of seeking a Masonic Lodge in Florence was a popular one and the size of the original organizing group grew to such proportions that the Old Town Hall was no longer able to accommodate its size and the meeting place was transferred to the Community Center on April 6. On this date William O. Ware, Grand Senior Warden of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, instructed the group on the Grand Lodge requirements for a Lodge under dispensation. At this meeting the following Past Masters were elected to serve as officers of the proposed lodge. Charles Schneider, Sr., Master; George Scott, Senior Warden; and Reuben Duvall, Junior Warden.

In a meeting held on July 13, 1958 it was pointed out that all surrounding lodges had formally given their consent to the formation of the new Lodge. Brother Frank Hill, of Good Faith Lodge No. 95, Erlanger, informed the brethren that Good Faith Lodge was presenting the new lodge with officers jewels and a new ballot box.

The auditorium of the Florence Elementary School was filled to capacity on August 22, 1956, when the Florence Lodge was set to work under dispensation by Grand Master Fred B. Layman of the Grand Lodge

of Kentucky. In addition to Grand Master Layman the other installing of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky were William O. Ware, Grand Senior of the Grand Lodge Warden as Senior Warden; Past Grand Master Edwin E. Freshney as Junior Warden; Grand Secretary, Al. E. Orton as Secretary; Past Grand Master, Orie S. Ware as Senior Deacon; District Deputy of the 29th District J. Riley Presser as Junior Deacon; Ira D. Truesdell as Senior Deacon; Rev. J. F. Stomberger as Chaplain; and Robert Ellis as Tiler.

The following Brethren were installed to serve as officers of the new lodge: Charles Schneider, Sr., Master; George R. Scott, Senior Warden; Reuben Duvall, Junior Warden; William Campbell, Treasurer; George E. Morith, Secretary; Roy C. Nestor, Senior Deacon; Roy F. Youell, Junior Deacon; William B. Shotwell, Senior Steward; Francis K. Souther, Junior Steward; Fitzhugh Tanner, Tiler; and Rev. Roy A. Johnson, Chaplain.

The Charter Members are: Leroy B. Abbott, Seward R. Abbott, Carl E. Anderson, Clyde N. Arnold, C. Verne Arnold, Walter A. Arnold, Harry E. Ashcraft, George A. Baker, Harvey Baker, Roy E. Brooks, Clayton R. Brown, Jr., Samuel C. Byland, William Campbell, F. Dean Caton, John E. Cavanaugh, Sidney R. Conrad, Ralph Coppage, Robert L. Cody, Jr., Harry M. Crist, Ernest L. Cushman, A. E. Davidson, Walter E. Dilts, Reuben G. Duvall, George W. Fessler, George Groves, Joseph R. Henage, Robert L. Idol, Rev. Roy A.

Johnson, Jack T. Karrick, William O. Karrick, Wallace M.  
 Lucas, Hayden Marksberry, Jr., Harold V. Martin, Owen L.  
 Martin, Ralph G. Maurer, Henry S. Mays, George E.  
 Morith, Glenn N. Meyers, James M. Morgan, Verner E.  
 McCord, Gordon L. McGuire, Albert P. Newton, Roy C.  
 Nestor, Charles E. Niblack, William L. Oliver, Lonnie E.  
 Paxton, Harvey M. Perkins, Riley J. Presser, Harold A.  
 Ramey, Lloyd E. Riddell, Floyd Roberts, Jerry W. Rouse,  
 Lloyd C. Rouse, Louis C. Riddell, Elmer J. Ruef, Robert  
 Rowland, Charles Schneider, Sr., John R. Schram, George  
 R. Scott, William B. Shotwell, A. B. Smoot, Francis K.  
 Souther, Harry Spencer, E. G. Stephenson, W. Ralph  
 Stith, Fitzhugh L. Tanner, Wilford E. Tanner, George R.  
 Tanner, Robert L. Vaughn, J. Robert West, Arthur L.  
 Wilson, Louis E. Wright, and Roy F. Youell.

Five petitions for initiation were received and acted  
 on at the Dispensation Meeting and are Harvey Pope, Jr.,  
 Louis E. Wright, Jr., George A. Baker, Elmer J. Ruef,  
 and Robert Rowland and the following stated meeting on  
 September 6, 1956, three more petitions for initiation  
 were received and acted on and are Clayton R. Brown,  
 Jr., James Morgan and Arthur L. Wilson, and seven  
 of these Petitioners received their Entered Apprentice

Degree on October 11, 1956, Fellow Craft on November and Master Mason on December 15, 1956.

Charter granted on October 17, 1956.

JOHN W. HALL LODGE NO. 950

MARTIN, FLOYD COUNTY, KENTUCKY

Dispensation granted and set to work on September 6, 1958 by Most Worshipful Grand Master William O. Ware.

Gardez Henderson Dingus, first Master; Willie George Goff, first Senior Warden; and Wesley Leon Hall, first Junior Warden.

Charter granted on October 22, 1958.

VALLEY OAK LODGE, U. D.

VALLEY OAK, PULASKI COUNTY, KENTUCKY

Dispensation granted on February 1, 1916. Set to work on February 19, 1916 by Brother John B. Abbott of Woodstock Lodge No. 639.

James M. Bailey, Master; Wayman C. Wyrick, Senior Warden; and M. E. Burton, Junior Warden.

Valley Oak Lodge, U. D. became defunct on October, 1917.

**KENTUCKY ARMY LODGE NO. 1**

Dispensation granted on June 7, 1898, and set to work  
by R. H. Thompson, Grand Master.

Brother R. H. Thompson, Grand Master appointed  
Brothers John H. Cowles to be Master, Wallace W.  
Morris to be Senior Warden, and Fred W. Hardwick to  
be Junior Warden.

Kentucky Army Lodge, U. D. became defunct on  
March 4, 1899.

## SHIVELY LODGE NO. 951

## SHIVELY, JEFFERSON COUNTY, KENTUCKY

In the summer of 1958 Brother Luther C. Scott came to Brother Stanley W. Crawley, Jr. and asked about the possibility of starting a Masonic Lodge in Shively. Shortly after this discussion, there was a rumor that a lodge from the West End of Louisville was moving to Shively. Therefore, it was decided to wait and see if we would have a Masonic Lodge in the area. By late 1959 no lodge had moved to Shively and it was decided to go ahead with plans to form a new lodge.

Brother George W. Stowers took a survey, and reported that there were more than the necessary fifteen Master Masons interested in forming a new lodge. In January 1960, notices were circulated that all Master Masons interested in forming a new lodge meet at the Home of Brother Howard C. Reeves on February 6, 1960. Seventeen Master Masons met that night and decided that the name of the lodge would be Shively Lodge, that it would meet on the first and third Saturdays of each month, and that each Charter Member would pay a fee of \$25.00 to give the lodge some working capital. At each subsequent meeting, additional Brethren attended, signing petitions for affiliation, Butler High School was decided upon as the regular meeting place for our lodge, until such time as we would be able to build a lodge hall.

On March 25, 1960, Shively Lodge No. 951 was set to work under Dispensation. As of that date we had 102 Charter Members. The lodge was set up in the TV Room of Butler High School. There were about 250 interested Masons gathered to see a new lodge born. The officers opening the Lodge meeting were, Brother John R. Vinson, Jr., Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, F. & A.M., in the East; Brother C. J. Hyde, Grand Sr. Warden, in the West; Brother Gene Beeber, D.D.G.M., No. 16, in the South; Brother S. Albert Phillips, Grand Treasurer, as Treasurer; Brother Al. E. Orton, P.G.M., Grand Secretary, as Secretary; Brother Frank Wood, D.D.G.M., No. 15, as Sr. Deacon; Brother Herbert H. Turley, Master of Sunset Lodge No. 915, as Jr. Deacon; and Brother Earl Wold, P. M. of Suburban Lodge No. 740, as Tiler.

Grand Master Vinson conducted the Dispensation ceremonies, Brother Al Orton installed the new officers with Brother Albert Phillips as Marshal. Those installed were, Stanley W. Crawley, Jr., Master; Edwin R. Acree, Sr. Warden; Howard C. Reeves, Jr. Warden; Ray Cook, Treasurer; Richard E. Lyons, Secretary; E. Robert Merrick, Jr., Sr. Deacon; Joseph A. Davis, Jr. Deacon; Clifford Porritt, Sr. Steward; Henry H. Albro, Jr. Steward; Donald Stoelting, Tiler and Luger C. Scott, Chaplain.

Shively Lodge received their charter from the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, F. & A.M., on October 20, 1960, to be known as Shively Lodge No. 951, F. & A. M.; Brother James B. Patrick, D.D.G.M., No. 16, made the official presentation of our Charter to our lodge on November 5, 1960.

## LEDBETTER LODGE No. 952

LEDBETTER, LIVINGSTON COUNTY,  
KENTUCKY

Several Brethren discussed the need and advantage of forming the Masonic Lodge at Ledbetter. Several of the Charter members were members of Smithland Lodge No. 138 and other neighbor lodges.

Permission from lodges in jurisdictions joining Ledbetter was granted to form the new lodge. The first meeting was held Friday evening, January 6, 1961 in Ledbetter (Panhandle) School Building. Brother John Harrelson was the D.D.G.M. and set the new lodge to work.

Grand Master Loyd Greene wrote the letter to Brother Harrelson, authorizing him to set the new lodge to work.

Brother Braxton A. Gillahan was the first Master.

The following Brethren filled the offices and conducted the first meeting.

J. R. Harrelson, Master, Protem  
 Dan Farley, Senior Warden, Protem  
 Bill Williams, Junior Warden, Protem  
 Robert L. Rogers, Secretary, Protem  
 T. E. McDowell, Senior Deacon, Protem  
 Lynn Heater, Tiler, Protem  
 Lynn Heater, Tiler  
 Jim Bragdon, Marshal, Protem

Charter granted on October 18, 1961.

## FRED M. GROSS LODGE No. 953

## WESTWOOD, BOYD COUNTY, KENTUCKY

Dispensation granted on September 30, 1963 and set to work by James W. Elam, Grand Master.

Brother Elam, Grand Master appointed Brothers Jack Woodson Kelley, Sr., Master; Henry H. Thompson, Senior Warden; and Robert G. Price, Junior Warden.

Charter granted on October 16, 1963.

ROBERT M. SIRKLE LODGE No. 954  
LEXINGTON, FAYETTE COUNTY, KENTUCKY

Dispensation granted on January 20, 1964, and set to work by J. C. McClanahan, Grand Master.

Brother McClanahan, Grand Master appointed Brothers Robert M. Sirkle, Master; Charles Lester Simpson, Senior Warden; and Kenneth Carol Morgan, Junior Warden.

Charter granted on October 21, 1964.



WILLIAM O. WARE LODGE OF RESEARCH  
COVINGTON, KENTON COUNTY, KENTUCKY

Dispensation granted on September 10, 1964 and set to work by J. C. McClanahan, Grand Master.

Brother McClanahan, Grand Master, appointed Brothers Maurice U. Strange, Master, Albert C. Hanson, P.G.M., Senior Warden: and James Forrest, Junior Warden.

Charter granted on October October 20, 1965.

FERN CREEK LODGE NO. 955  
FERN CREEK, JEFFERSON COUNTY, KENTUCKY

On December 9, 1964, a group of Master Masons employed on night work and unable to attend their Mother Lodges, met in the Buechel, Jefferson County, Kentucky area to discuss the probability of forming a lodge to be conducted during the daylight hours.

Right Worshipful James B. Patrick, Grand Junior Warden, was present to advise and assist in getting organized.

Brother Melvin Mullins was appointed Master, on February 3, 1965, and Fern Creek Lodge was set to work by the Most Worshipful Joe C. McClanahan, Grand Master.

First Meeting was on December 9, 1964 at the Buechel Lodge Hall. The first Stated Meeting was on February 3, 1965 at the Fern Creek Community Center, Fern Creek, Kentucky.

Brother McClanahan, Grand Master, appointed John Wilder, Senior Warden and Charles Moore, Junior Warden.

Charter was granted on October 20, 1965.

BLUE GRASS LODGE NO. 956  
LEXINGTON, FAYETTE COUNTY, KENTUCKY

The organization of a new lodge began in the summer of 1966. Dispensation granted on January 11, 1967.

Brother E. Creighton Wilcoxon began enlisting Brethren from the three lodges in Fayette County, Kentucky, to become Dual Members in forming the new lodge. Funds were raised by use of affiliation fee plus dues for one year.

The organization of the new lodge was not due to any disagreements or conflicts within or with the other Fayette County Lodges.

The reason for formation of an additional lodge was the need for a smaller lodge in the community, as the other three were either over 500 members or rapidly approaching 500 members.

Brother E. Creighton Wilcoxon spent many hours in getting all of the work done to get our lodge in operation under dispensation from the Grand Lodge of Kentucky.

Blue Grass was chosen as the name of the new lodge, as research revealed there had never been a lodge by this name in the history of the Grand Lodge

of Kentucky.

Blue Grass Lodge U. D., F. & A.M. was set to work on January 11, 1967 at 1108 Winchester Road in Lexington, Kentucky by P.G.M., Davie J. Smith and the Grand Lodge of Kentucky Officers.

The lodge was formed with 47 Charter members.

The Officers installed by Past Grand Master Smith were:

Thomas W. Horine, Master  
 Chester R. Meyer, Senior Warden  
 John C. Phillips, Junior

Charter granted on October 18, 1967.

#### YELLOW BANKS LODGE NO. 957

#### OWENSBORO, DAVIESS COUNTY, KENTUCKY

Dispensation granted on August 19, 1968 and set to work by James B. Patrick, Grand Master.

Brother Patrick appointed Brothers Charles J. Majors, Master; Henry C. Smith, Senior Warden; and Veachel R. Shull, Junior Warden.

Charter granted on October 16, 1968.

#### HENDERSON LODGE NO. 958

#### HENDERSON, HENDERSON COUNTY, KENTUCKY

At a dinner meeting of Jerusalem Lodge No. 9, sometime in the year 1968, Brother Joe C. McClanahan and Hubert W. Phillips discussed the large membership of Jerusalem Lodge No. 9 and the possibilities of forming a new lodge.

Brother James Patrick met with a group from Jerusalem Lodge No. 9 in the city of Owensboro and informed them of the procedure in organizing a new lodge.

On September 3, 1968 Henderson Lodge U. D. was set to work by Grand Master James B. Patrick and other Grand Lodge Officers at Jerusalem Lodge Hall No. 9. There were twenty-one Charter members.

Grand Master Patrick appointed Brothers Hubert W. Phillips, Master; Bobby R. Jones, Senior Warden; and Noble B. Dixon, Junior Warden.

Charter was granted on October 16, 1968

## PLEASURE RIDGE PARK LODGE NO. 959

## PLEASURE RIDGE PARK, JEFFERSON COUNTY, KENTUCKY

The first meeting held by P.G.M. James B. Patrick for instuting a new lodge at Pleasure Ridge Park was in 1968 in the Grand Lodge Building and among those present were, Brothers R. Cliff Wilder, Norris Parrish, Don Gorin and Hadren D. Spicer.

Dispensation granted on October 11, 1968 and Grand Master James B. Patrick appointed Brothers Billy Howerton, Master; Norris Parrish, Senior Warden; and Floyd Meredith, Junior Warden.

Its first meeting on Tuesday, November 5, 1968 was in the Valley Lodge Hall on Dixie Highway for the purpose of installing officers and Brother Al Howerton, District Deputy Grand Master, was the installing officer and Brother Floyd Meredith the acting Marshall.

The first E. A. Degree was conferred on the 17 of December 1968, the first F. C. Degree was on January 21, 1969 and the first Master Mason Degree was conferred on February 18, 1969, on Brothers Roy Bock, Richard Helm and James Harlow.

The present location of the Pleasure Ridge Park Lodge Hall No. 959 is at 5410 (Rear) Johnstontown Road, Valley Station, Kentucky. (3-7-1972)

Charter granted on October 22, 1969.

## LYNDON LODGE NO. 960

## LYNDON, JEFFERSON COUNTY, KENTUCKY

Dispensation granted on January 14, 1969 and set to work by John W. Chandler, Grand Master.

Grand Master Chandler appointed Brothers Clyde H Meadows, Master; Robert Wm. Troutman, Senior Warden; and James Wm. Hanley, Junior Warden.

The first meeting was held at Lyndon Women's Club, Lyndon, Kentucky on January 14, 1969.

Charter granted on October 22, 1969.

## C. D. WARD LODGE No. 961

## EAST BERNSTADT, LAUREL COUNTY, KENTUCKY

Dispensation granted on August 12, 1973 and set to work by George R. Effinger, Grand Master.

Grand Master Effinger appointed Brothers Ralph Marshall Begley, Master; Richard H. Moore, Senior Warden; Kenneth Ray Moore, Junior Warden.

Charter granted on October 18, 1972.

## BLACKWATER LODGE NO. 962

## EZEL, MORGAN COUNTY, KENTUCKY

Dispensation granted on September 5, 1972 and set to work by R. Cliff Wilder, Grand Master.

Grand Master Wilder appointed Brothers Fred Mays, Master; Orville Henry, Senior Warden; and Ray Gamble, Junior Warden.

Charter granted on October 18, 1973.

## STONE CITY LODGE NO. 963

## Garrison, Lewis County, Kentucky

Dispensation granted on January 9, 1973 and set to work by Robert M. Wilhite, Jr., Grand Master.

Grand Master Wilhite appointed Brothers Luke Bentley, Jr., Master; George D. Guilfoyle, Senior Warden and Thomas B. Riley, Junior Warden.

Charter granted on October 18, 1973.

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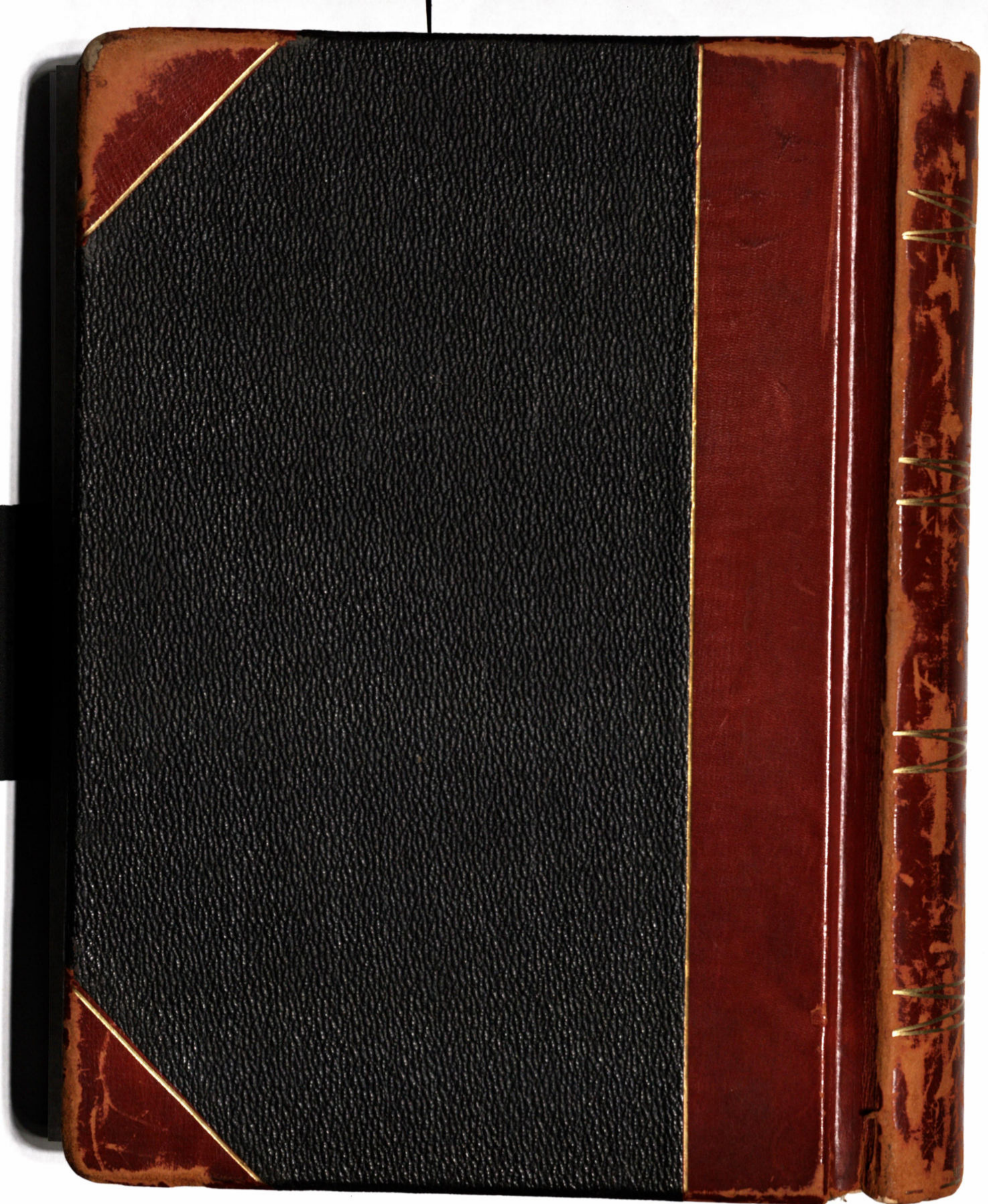
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PROCEEDINGS 1856  
VERONA LODGE U. D.

Grand Master D. T. Monsarrat in his address 1856 reported that he had granted a Dispensation to Verona Lodge, at Verona, Boone County.

Committee on Lodges U. D., in its report presented the following resolution which was approved:

Resolved, that a charter be granted to Verona Lodge U. D., at Verona, Boone County, under the name of T. M. Lillard Lodge No. 331, and that R. M. Ratcliffe be the first Master; J. A. Miller first Senior Warden and F. J. Whitson first Junior Warden thereof.

VERONA LODGE U. D.  
(Now J. M. Lillard Lodge No. 331)

Stated meetings on the fourth Saturday of each month.

OFFICERS

Rob M. Ratcliffe, Master  
James A. Miller, Senior Warden  
F. J. Whitson, Junior Warden  
James M. Hume, Secretary  
Benj. W. Norman, Treasurer  
Weden S. Hume, Senior Deacon  
Benj. A. Sleet, Junior Deacon  
John M. Ossmon, Steward and Tyler

Master Masons: John T. Clements, William H. Lynch, Weden Sleet, M. Stevenson, Jonathan S. Stevenson, James M. Anderson, Benj. S. Noell.

Fellow Crafts: Robert E. Sleet, William E. Leach.  
Entered Apprentices: George O'Neal

1860--October 18

Committee on Finance presented the following resolution which was approved:

Resolved, that T. M. Lillard Lodge No. 331, having had her hall burnt, together with her charter and all her Jewels, working tools and furniture.

Resolved, that the dues of T. M. Lillard Lodge No. 331, for the present year be remitted and refunded; and that the Grand Secretary be directed to issue her a new charter with the present officers named therein without charge.

PROCEEDINGS 1885

Grand Master John G. Orndorff in his address reported T. M. Lillard Lodge No. 331, James A. Miller, Master; L. J. Hume, Senior Warden, William McPherson, Junior Warden, Verona; August 29, 1885, no report for three years, Charter Surrendered but no books returned.

VERONA LODGE U. D., VERONA, BOONE COUNTY

Dispensation granted by Grand Master Orie S. Ware May 29, 1949 set to work by Brother John L. Vest, Past Master of Walton Lodge No. 719.



Report Committee on Lodges U. D., as follows:

Verona Lodge U. D.---October 21, 1914

Verona Lodge U. D.---Minute book, cash book and ledger. These books are in fine form, and the Lodge is to be commended for having so efficient a Secretary. A few criticisms of the committee have been noted and the Secretary's attention called thereto. We recommend charter be granted under name of Verona Lodge, No. 876, and that Brothers O. K. Whitson be the first Master, Robert P. Coffman the first Senior Warden, and L. J. Hume the first Junior Warden.

OFFICERS---1914

VERONA LODGE NO. 876  
13 MEMBERS

Held at Verona, Boone County, on the second and fourth Friday in each month.

OFFICERS

O. K. Whitson, Master  
R. P. Coffman, Senior Warden  
S. J. Hume, Junior Warden  
J. C. Hume, Secretary

L. F. Stephenson, Treasurer  
C. L. Craven, Senior Deacon  
W. E. Walker, Junior Deacon  
W. D. Smith, Tyler

MASTER MASONS

Coffman, Robert P.	Hume, Leroy J.	Smith, William D.	Waller, William E.
Craven, Charles L.	Hume, James C.	Stephenson, L. F.	Whitson, Omer K.

ENTERED APPRENTICES---William H. Blessing, Jesse L. Hamilton, William E. Jenkins, D. Hess Vest, Walter M. Vest.

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OFFICE OF  
**Masonic W. & O. Home & Infirmary**  
OF KENTUCKY.

LOUISVILLE, KY., AUGUST 3, 1911.

To the Masonic Lodges and Brethren in Kentucky:

A committee of Bardwell Lodge No. 499, having sent you a circular complaining that Mrs. Rich, widow of one of their deceased members, was refused admission into the Masonic Widows and Orphans' Home, the lodge urged that, (on its one-sided statement of the case) you would instruct your representative to vote for a change in the former declaration of the Grand Lodge, to the effect that it had no power to compel admissions into the Home, so as to read: "The Grand Lodge has power to compel the Board of Directors of the Masonic Widows and Orphans' Home to admit applicants."

As the almoners of your bounty, and guardians of the three hundred Masonic widows and orphans who are cared for in your noble institution, duty compels the undersigned to respond.

The Home Directors, with every other Kentucky Mason, have a common interest in the moral and physical well-being of every inmate in the Home. The Directors give their best thoughts, much of their time and considerable money in the performance of the duty devolving upon them, for which they do not and never have received so much as a penny in return. They confidently point to its wonderful success and usefulness, as evidence of the manner in which the trust has been fulfilled. However, they will cheerfully give place to others whenever it shall be your pleasure to change the management.

The Home is a corporation under the laws of Kentucky, and its government was exclusively committed to a Board of Directors—to be chosen by the craft or its authorized representatives; hence the Grand Lodge, as it formally declared, "has no power to compel" the admission of any applicant. Yet, as a fact, the Grand Lodge has practical control of the Masonic Home, not only because of its influence and high standing, but because its Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master, Grand Senior Warden and Grand Junior Warden are always members of its Board of Directors. The Grand Master is also a member of every Committee of the Home, and the other Grand Officers are—all of them, on two or more of the committees. Besides this, the Grand Master holds the power to determine who shall or shall not be members of the Board of Directors. But the Grand Lodge in consideration of the power already vested in it, has wisely declared that as a body, it would not undertake to interfere in the management of the Home because it could not be fully advised as to the peculiar circumstances affecting each case. Especially would it be dangerous for the Grand Lodge, or any man or body of men to hear but one side in any case, and upon such one-sided evidence to determine who ought to be admitted or what particular thing ought to be done.

It would be an unthinkable thing, terrible in its results, to admit any one of bad character, or who was afflicted with any contagious disease that would contaminate or in any way injuriously affect the little ones under our care. Hence the most searching investigations are made, and lodges are required to certify to facts set out in blank applications for admission, and the Board of Directors accept their statements as correct.

Now touching the matter of refusing admission to Mrs. Rich.

Bardwell Lodge No. 499 applied for admission of Mrs. Sarah Virginia Rich, aged 45 years, with her two children, aged 7 and 11 years, respectively. The lodge certified over its seal and signatures of its Master and Secretary that the health of Mrs. Rich was "good," that she and her children were "worthy and in destitute circumstances." Dr. T. J. Marshall, who examined her, certified that she had no hereditary disease or taint; that she had no loss or deficiency in any of her senses; no skin disease; no contagious disease; no deformity of body or limbs; never had St. Vitus' Dance or other nervous trouble; was not addicted to morphine, cocaine or opium habit, or use of intoxicating liquors; never had Epileptic or other fits, small pox or scarlet fever; that she had not now and never had granulated eyelids or any other eye disease, but had been successfully vaccinated, and has had measles and whooping cough. That she is of a good, healthy, sound mind.

Moreover, Dr. Marshall closed his statement with these words: "I certify that I have personally and carefully examined the widow above named and believe the foregoing statements to be full and correct, and recommend admission to the Home."

A better certificate of good health could hardly have been made, and the Board of Directors accepted the statements of Bardwell Lodge, and of the physician, a member of said lodge, as worthy of entire confidence.

The Board has no desire to decline the admission of Mrs. Rich, whom not one of the Directors knew, but was in her case as in every other application, wholly governed by the conditions of the Home and the best interests of its inmates. This widow was declared by the lodge to be in "good" health; a brother Mason and physician said in writing that he had "personally and carefully examined" her; and, substantially, that she had no disease or hereditary taint or deformity, and was of "a good, healthy, sound mind."

Such a woman, mature in years, and in good health and mental condition, if unincumbered with children, and having as she ought, and it now appears did have, the cordial friendliness of a Masonic Lodge, was deemed by the Board of Directors fully equipped for ample self support, and in-as-much as the Home at that time had more inmates than it had ever provided for at any one time, agreed to receive the children, entertaining no shadow of doubt as to the ability of the widow, thus relieved of every incubance, to easily support herself, without any great tax on the middle-aged strength of a woman in good health, sound in mind and body. Under such conditions she could not properly be esteemed as being "in destitute circumstances."

The Home has not sufficient capacity, nor has it sufficient income to admit every widow who may apply therefor, but the Board exercises its most sympathizing and best judgment, born of long experience and full knowledge of conditions at the Home, in selecting the most needy and most nearly helpless, so far as circumstances will justify it, to be cared for in the great institution for which and its inmates the Directors are responsible, acting under a solemn oath of office.

We are of opinion that a lodge makes a serious mistake in urging the admission to the Home, of any widow who can possibly be reasonably near self-supporting, especially if she have children in the Home; because she may prevent a more dependent child or aged widow from receiving its fostering care; the capacity of the Home being limited. Besides, in a few years the children will have attained the age at which they must and ought to leave the institution to take their places in the world at large. If the mother also be an inmate of our Home, her own will be broken up and there will be none to which the children may return, and for which their young hearts yearn.

"Though ever so humble, there's no place like home." We could not be a party to the destruction of the dearest heart's desire for home and mother, unless the unrelenting demands of necessity rendered it imperative. Especially is the "home and mother" idea a sacred thing for young girls of the impressive age fixed for their leaving us. It is also important that boys have such restraining influence on going out into a world from whose temptations they have been shielded. If there are two or more children in the Home and the oldest reaches the age when she must leave it, the mother, if an inmate, must choose between leaving her younger children and going with the older to fight life's battles at a time when she has grown in years, with weakened capabilities for the struggle and more than herself to struggle for.

Again, young widows at the Home, naturally, are not contented. They are separated from friends and accustomed or desired company. They are restive under necessary restraint where so many are together, and the regulations of the Home are irksome. They are not apt to be willing to consent that their authority over their own children shall be subordinate to that of the Superintendent. In case of petty or more serious contention arising among the children (which is inevitable where there are many together) the mother sides with her own children whose short comings are extenuated, and the mistakes of others are magnified. That is human nature, and the source of great embarrassment and interference with necessary discipline.

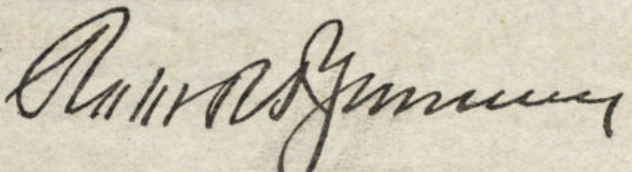
You are invited at all times to visit the Masonic Home and investigate its methods.

We respectfully request that your representative be not instructed, but left full to act and vote as the merits of the case may seem to demand.

In the Bonds of Fraternity,

T. L. JEFFERSON, President.  
CHAS. E. DUNN, Chairman  
Committee on Admission and Discharge.

The foregoing is cordially concurred in.

  
Grand Master.