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TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29 and 30
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Ordered to be read in all Chapters and preserved

STANLEY PORTCH
Grand Z.
R.R. No. 2, 5059 Walker’s Line
MILTON, ONTARIO

ROBERT J. HAMILTON
Grand Scribe E.
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TORONTO 1, ONTARIO
BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH . . .

GEORGE HAROLD SHANNON

Most Excellent Grand First Principal

Born as the oldest member of the family of George David Shannon and Winifred Amy Shannon, on the 21st day of July, 1904, in a red brick house east of the C.N.R. right-of-way on the Twelfth Line (Big Bay Point Road) in the Township of Innisfil, in the County of Simcoe. The residence has since been demolished.

Married September 17, 1932 to Alice Irene McQuay, of Beeton, Ontario. Three children of that marriage, Patricia Ann, Sandra Irene and John David Ernest.

Remarried to Helen Gertrude Wesson on September 5, 1962.

Educated in Saskatchewan, Barrie and at Osgoode Hall in Toronto.

Religion—Member of St. John’s Anglican Church, Kitchener, Ont.

Profession—Barrister-at-law and Solicitor of the Supreme Court of Ontario. Made a King’s Counsel in October, 1946 (now Queen’s Counsel).

Miscellaneous Activities—Served in the Non-Permanent Active Militia 1936-1940, and came out with the rank of First Lieutenant, Royal Canadian Artillery (Field). Served as Alderman on the Town Council at Listowel for three years. Also served in various other miscellaneous capacities, including that of President of the Kitchener-Waterloo Kiwanis Club, Kitchener, Ontario.

Masonic Record

Craft—Initiated in Simcoe Lodge No. 644 at Toronto, on November 23, 1929. Passed to the Second Degree on December 22, 1929, and raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason on January 27, 1930.

Served as Master of Bernard Lodge, Listowel in the year 1939, and also served as Master of Temple Lodge No. 690 in Kitchener, in the year 1958.

Royal Arch Masonry—Received the Degree of Mark Master Mason on October 9, 1936. Advanced to the Honourary Degree of Most Excellent Master on January 29, 1937, and exhausted to the Sublime Degree of the Holy Royal Arch on February 26, 1937, all in Bernard Chapter No. 146, Listowel.

Served as First Principal in Kitchener Chapter in 1946.

Past Grand Registrar of Grand Chapter and a member of the Executive Committee for several intervening years.

Scottish Rite—Received admission to Barrie Lodge of Perfection (14°) May, 1931, Rose Croix Chapter in Guelph (18°) April, 1943, Moore Consistory in Hamilton (32°) May, 1944.

Cryptic Rite—Became a member of Salem Council, Royal and Select Masters, in Brantford, and served as its Thrice Illustrious Master in 1963. In 1964 served as Thrice Illustrious Master in Conestoga Council No. 17 in Kitchener. Served as Commander Noah in Macassa Bay Lodge in Brantford and Victoria Lake Lodge in Kitchener, Royal Ark Mariners.

Preceptory—A member of Mount Calvary Preceptory No. 12 in Barrie, and served as its Presiding Preceptor in 1967. Member of Rameses Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine.

Miscellaneous—Became a member of the Order of the High Priesthood in 1947. Member of Huronia Conclave at Barrie, Red Cross of Constantine and appendant Orders. Member of Kilwinning Council No. 62, Knight Masons of Ireland. Member of Medwayosh Council (Kitchener) Allied Masonic Degrees.
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R. Ex. Comp. B. M. Conron ......................... as Grand Outer Guard
and the following assisting:

Grand Chapter was opened in Ample Form at 9:15 p.m. when the Grand First Principal announced that the special Convocation had been called for the purpose of dedicating the Chapter room for Amabel Chapter No. 131 of Wiarton, Ontario. The ceremony being concluded the Most Excellent Grand First Principal closed Grand Chapter in Ample Form at 10:30 p.m.

ROBERT J. HAMILTON,
Grand Scribe E.

GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF CANADA
IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

PROCEEDINGS

The One Hundred and Eleventh Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario held in the Royal York Hotel, Toronto, Canada, on April 29 and 30, 1969.

M. Ex. Comp. Stanley Porth ........................................ Grand Z.
R. Ex. Comp. G. Harold Shannon ............................... Grand H.
R. Ex. Comp. F. W. D. Welham ........................................ Grand J.

PAST GRAND Zs
M. Ex. Comp. Fred W. Dean ........................................ Grand Treasurer
R. Ex. Comp. Robert J. Hamilton ............................... Grand Scribe E.
R. Ex. Comp. William Bradley ........................................ Grand Scribe N.
R. Ex. Comp. Hallett C. Banks ................................. Grand Principal Sojourner
V. Ex. Comp. Paul Vorvis ........................................... Grand Senior Sojourner
V. Ex. Comp. T. R. Tompkins ........................................ Grand Junior Sojourner
R. Ex. Comp. James E. Archdekin ............................. Grand Registrar
V. Ex. Comp. William Canon ......................................... Grand Director of Ceremonies
V. Ex. Comp. J. R. Lovell ........................................... Grand Outer Guard

GRAND SUPERINTENDENTS
St. Clair District No. 1 ................................. R. Ex. Comp. George A. Lauzon
London District No. 2 ........................................... R. Ex. Comp. Hugh Ernest Packrell
Wilson District No. 3 ........................................... R. Ex. Comp. Claude Wilfred Spicer
Wellington District No. 4 ....................................... R. Ex. Comp. Donald Lloyd Attridge
Hamilton District No. 5 ....................................... R. Ex. Comp. George Benjamin Cowman
Huron District No. 6 ........................................... R. Ex. Comp. Wm. Elmer Johnston
GRAND CHAPTER OPENED

A constitutional number of Chapters being represented by their qualified officers, the One Hundred and Eleventh Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario was opened in Ample Form at 10 a.m.

The Grand First Principal Stanley Portch announced: “All Royal Arch Masons, in good standing and properly vouched for, will be made welcome during the Convocation.

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DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

The following distinguished guests were introduced by the Grand Director of Ceremonies V. Ex. Comp. William Cannon and assistants.

M.E. Charles A. White, Past Grand High Priest Representing William E. Piercey, Most Excellent Grand High Priest

GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF CONNECTICUT
M. Ex. Comp. Glenn L. Johnson, Grand High Priest

THE GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS.
M. Ex. Harold H. Lundberg, Grand High Priest

GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS STATE OF INDIANA
M. Ex. Alfred L. Apple, Grand High Priest

GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF MARYLAND
M. Ex. Roy V. Ringler, Grand High Priest

GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OF MASSACHUSETTS, INC.
M. Ex. Charles A. Cross, Grand High Priest

GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF MICHIGAN
M. Ex. Thomas B. Ballard, Grand High Priest
M. Ex. Arthur M. Burke, Past Grand High Priest

THE GRAND CHAPTER OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK ROYAL ARCH MASONS
M. Ex. Fred Feldscher, Grand High Priest
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GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONs OF THE STATE OF OHIO
M. Ex. Louis H. Doerman, Grand High Priest
M. Ex. James A. Gorham, Past Grand High Priest

THE GRAND HOLY ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OF PENNSYLVANIA
M. Ex. Grand King Robert M. Evans representing
M. Ex. James D. Smith, Grand High Priest

THE GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONs OF QUEBEC
M. Ex. Comp. Leslie Taylor Calhoun, Grand First Principal

GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OF THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
M. Ex. Alfred C. Bateman, Past Grand High Priest representing
M. Ex. Russell E. Knight, Grand High Priest

GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONs IN THE COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA
M. Ex. R. Claiborne Wilson, Grand High Priest

THE SOVEREIGN GREAT PRIORY OF CANADA, OF THE UNITED ORDER OF MALTA AND THE TEMPLE
M. Em. Kt. C. E. Wells, Grand Chancellor representing
M. Em. Kt. Dr. C. A. Ball, Grand Master

M. Ill. Grand Sovereign Percy D. Windram

GRAND COUNCIL OF ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS OF ONTARIO
M. Ill. Comp. Leslie C. Ewener, Grand Master

GRAND COUNCIL OF THE ORDER OF HIGH PRIESTHOOD OF ONTARIO
M. Ex. Grand President John R. Wheeler

SUPREME COUNCIL 33° ANCIENT AND ACCEPTED SCOTTISH RITE OF FREEMASONRY FOR THE DOMINION OF CANADA
Comp. Walter H. Mortlock representing the Sovereign Grand Commander, C. H. Cunningham

GRAND LODGE A.F. AND A.M. OF CANADA IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO
Most W. Bro. and V. Ex. Comp. Donald J. Gunn, Grand Master
Most W. Bro. and Ex. Comp. Ewart G. Dixon, Grand Secretary
INVOCATION PRAYER—Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love Thee and worthily magnify Thy Holy Name.

O God Thou hast poured out the richness of Thy blessing upon this fraternity in the days past. We stand in constant need of Thy Divine support, strength, and courage that we may be enabled to show forth the symbols of brotherly love, relief and truth to all with whom we may be privileged to live and work. May we continue to cherish that which is lovely, just and of good report, to the glory of Thy Holy Name. AMEN.

To the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal Stanley Portch, Officers and members of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario, the distinguished guests, all companions of this Grand Chapter,—the Volume of the Sacred Law provides the basis for our meditation this morning as we turn to Deuteronomy chapter 30, verse 19 . . . . “I have set before you life and death, blessing and curse; therefore choose life, that you and your descendants may live.”

Every generation from that time until our own has faced that fateful decision, — life or death. It is fitting that we also consider these words from the Book of Revelation;—“To the thirsty I will give water without price from the fountain of the water of life.” This is the bent of the soul of the sojourner which is the secret that lies behind his attainment of life. He who is athirst for life, finds life.

Various writers have suggested that life begins at forty, or sixty, or even eighty years of age. But the fact remains that the future belongs to those who at any age are mentally and spiritually unsatisfied.

History provides us with examples of men who were alert to the challenges which life presented to them until past their eighties. There are men active in the deep national concerns and they are well into their seventies. The spur to progress lies with the unsatisfied. John Greenleaf Whittier wrote,—

“And step by step since time began
I see the steady gain of man.”

That gain has not always been as steady or as easy as the poet would make it sound, but as the present day is witness to, any gain that man has registered is due to the great army of the unsatisfied. We may take three steps forward and slip back two but the pioneer is one whose face is set on the goal and with courage presses toward that mark.

The hymn writer has penned these lines for the aspirations of the faithful,—

“O for a faith that will not shrink.
Though pressed by many a foe,
That will not tremble on the brink,
Of poverty or woe,
A faith that shines more bright and clear
When tempests rage without,
That when in danger knows no fear,
In darkness feels no doubt;
A faith that keeps the narrow way
Till life’s last spark is fled,
And with a pure and heavenly ray
Lights up a dying bed.
Lord, give me such a faith as this
And then, whate’er may come,
I taste even now the hallowed bliss
Of an eternal home.  

(W. H. Bathurst)
This is the evidence that the man who is "unsatisfied" here looks to his satisfaction beyond this "bourne of Time and Place", to the fulfillment of the promise of immortality itself. That this is no static experience is borne out by the believing sojourner's desire to achieve an even more glorious fulfillment of life's eternal goals as he looks beyond death into the vistas of his eternal aspirations where he will be eternally satisfied.

PRAYER—O God, who has been our dwelling place in all generations, we remember before Thee this day our beloved brethren who have gone out from midst to be sustained eternally by Thine everlasting arms and shaded by the mantle of Thy love. We would also commit ourselves to Thy care and rest ourselves in the strength that has led up to this point in our lives. May we continue to walk in dignity this day and be enabled to face the morrow with courage. We humbly accept Thy guidance in these our supplications. In Jesus' name. Amen.

PRESENTATION OF PAST GRAND Z's.

The Grand Z., Most Ex. Comp. Stanley Portch, requested the Acting Grand Director of Ceremonies, V. Ex. Comp. William Cannon, to present the living Past Grand Z's. The following were present:

M. Ex. Comp. Fraser Hay, M.D., 1963-64.

The Grand First Principal Stanley Portch extended a cordial welcome to the Past Grand Z's., after which Grand Honors were accorded.

M. Ex. Comp. Portch expressed the regrets of M. Ex. Comp's. A. G. N. Bradshaw and James E. Girven due to illness and directed that a telegram be sent from the Grand Convocation extending our affectionate regards and best wishes for a speedy recovery. The absence of the dean of our Past Grand Z's., M. Ex. Comp. John M. Burden was also regretted.

TORONTO DISTRICT 8 AND 8A ADDRESS OF WELCOME

To the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal, Stanley Portch, officers and companions of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

The distinguished guests from Sister Jurisdictions in Canada, the United States and far off lands including the representatives from other Masonic bodies.

We in District 8 and 8A express our appreciation for the honour and priviledge of once again being hosts to this our one hundred and eleventh Annual Convocation. We trust that your journey to Toronto was most pleasant and that your stay with us will be both profitable and fraternally satisfying.

Most Ex. Comp. Stanley Portch your term of office as our Grand First Principal is coming to a close and we in Toronto Districts of 8 and 8A knowing the great contribution you have made to Capitular Masonry will miss you. Your warm personality with its wit, dynamic enthusiasm and untiring exemplification of those ideals so necessary to a complete and satisfying Masonic life.

We realize that your great masonic ability with its leadership inspiration and knowledge must not be lost and your calls to duty will be many, and we pray and hope that the great Jehovah will spare your health and welfare that you may be able to enjoy your continuing work in masonry.

Presented this 29th day of April 1969.
John Richardson, Grand Superintendent Toronto District 8.
W. C. Arch, Grand Superintendent Toronto District 8A.
PRESENTATION OF GIFT TO GRAND Z.

M. Ex. Sir: It has been the custom over the years for the two Toronto Districts to make a presentation to the Grand First Principal at the Annual Convocation of our Grand Chapter. Now we believe M. Ex. Sir that the Most High has endowed you with much that is good in life. Notably in these blessings there is undoubtedly the presence of a gracious and charming lady, in the person of Mrs. Portch. We feel it is only fitting to remember Mrs. Portch at this time for her understanding and thoughtfulness which has allowed you to undertake the arduous and time consuming duties as our Grand First Principal.

We would therefore request that you present this gift of appreciation and thanks to Mrs. Portch on behalf of the Companions of the two Toronto Districts East No. 8 and West No. 8A.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

The Grand Scribe E. commenced reading the minutes of the Proceedings of the One Hundred and Tenth Annual Convocation held in the city of Toronto when it was moved by R. Ex. Comp. G. H. Shannon, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. F. W. D. Welham:

Resolved—"That the Proceedings of the last Annual Convocation held Tuesday and Wednesday, April 23 and 24, 1968, have been printed and copies thereof sent to all the Chapters in this Jurisdiction, the recorded minutes be considered as read and the same is now confirmed."

ORDER OF BUSINESS

It was moved by R. Ex. Comp. G. H. Shannon and seconded by R. Ex. Comp. F. W. D. Welham, and—

Resolved—"That the order of business of this Grand Convocation be changed at the discretion of the Grand Z."

COMMITTEE OF CREDENTIALS

R. Ex. Comp. James W. Woodland, chairman of the Credentials Committee, reported that there are 156 warranted Chapters on the roll of Grand Chapter of which 145 Chapters were represented by the following:

3. Bruce Thornley, Z.; Wm. Thornley, I.P.Z.
6. Fred Scott, James Brownlie, J. E. Richardson, Alexander Wilson, Joe Freelove, P.Z.'s.
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20 Frederick C. Tiffin, Z.; R. W. McPadden, P.Z.
22 E. A. Barnard, P.Z.
23 Harvey S. Hutchinson, Z.
24 J. L. Blom, Z.; Dr. P. D. Armstrong, J.; R. H. Davies, Geo Smith, George Kilch, P.Z.'s.
29 Reg. S. Ash, Fred Deamude, Roy Miller, P.Z.'s.
31 Harry Alder, Lyle Hagerman, Frank Root, James York, P.Z.'s.
40 John C. Boswell, Z.; Oliver T. Flint, James A. Robertson, P.Z.'s.
41 L. Mansfield, P.Z.
53 James McCabe, P.Z.
54 T. F. A. Longthorne, Hugh Fackrell, P.Z.'s.
57 L. D. Winn, W. Cooper, P.Z.'s.
59 W. G. Munro, Z.; J. A. Greer, P.Z.
61 C. O. Barber, Z.; James Ingram, H.
71 Axel Andkilde, Z.; Bruce Smith, P.Z.
73 Blake Hastings, Z.; P. L. Lalande, P.Z.
GRAND CHAPTER OF CANADA PROCEEDINGS

74 E. Moran, Frank Hendry, P.Z.
75 W. Rowney, Z.; E. Harrop, R. J. Hamilton, F. Chisholm, P.Z.’s.
76 R. Phillips, Z.; N. Farrington, P.Z.
78 C. A. McGregor, P.Z.

82 J. Butler, Z.; Wm. Arthur Cheetham, P.Z.
83 Harry French, Z.; W. J. McCall, P.Z.
84 MacInglis, Z.; A. J. H. MacDonald, Jas. Mair, Wm. B. McElwain, P.Z.’s.
85 Harold Garrod, Z.; Richard Cadwallader, Edward H. Logan, Hugh M. Dunlop, Thomas Elliss, P.Z.’s.
90 J. Milloy, P.Z.
103 A. S. Haley, P.Z.
113 K. A. Barton, Z.
115 Robert Sasse, Z.; Claude Spicer, P.Z.
119 John Warren, Z.; Lawrence F. Hillman, I.P.Z.; R. A. Willett, J. A.


130 C. H. Gorrell, L. B. Evans, P.Z.'s.

131 Wilfred Pruder, Z.

132 A. L. Wheeler, P.Z.

133 A. Lang, Z.; G. A. Phillips, R. B. McCrea, F. Fairfield, G. H. Patterson, P.Z.'s.


144 Kenneth A. Mcquoid, P.Z.


149 William B. Warner, P.Z.


155 Archie Martin, John D. Calder, Russell Brown, P.Z.'s.

161 Charles Hamilton, Z.; Grant C. Gaebel, H.; Gerald Keller, J.; Thomas Lloyd, P.Z.


168 Ray Sharp, Z.; George Brennan, H.; Tom Christie, J.; Jos. Poulton, P.Z.

184 J. Foster, P.Z.
195 D. Davidson, Z.; H. Spratt, C. Wiggins, F. Richardson, J. A. Mc-
  Cleave, Fred Kline, Ken Davidson, Elmer Carney, J. Gold, G. Cott-
  on, J. A. McFarlane, J. Archdekin, W. B. Cannon, M. Clark, Alex
  McLeod, J. L. McKane, Wm. Sproule, T. Armstrong, L. Kitchener,
P.Z.'s.
198 Wm. C. Calverley, Z.; George H. Cooke, H.; Allan G. Cook, J.; F. C.
205 Douglas Tozer, Z.; James Dickson, H.; Martin Styrmn, J.; G. J.
  Hall, H. Ince, Dave Hill, Cecil Smith, P.Z.'s.
210 G. F. Coons, Z.; J. W. Fyke, H.; G. A. Cumming, J.; D. K. Camp-
  bell, I.P.Z.
212 H. Irvin Sax, Z.; Everett M. Bluestein, J.; Louis Hermant, I.P.Z.;
  Harry R. Fox, Abraham Fox, Irwin M. Gilbert, Herman Ginsberg,
  Joseph Taube, Harry E. Savlov, Dr. Samuel Perlman, Samuel
  Abrams, Harold Hands, Harold Sayles, Murray Fidler, Aube Weis-
  man, Milton Gottlieb, Syd Bederman, Ned Austin, Irving M. Ingles,
  Samuel Tenenbaum, Ben Walters, Michael Sandler, Louis Hermant,
  Maurice A. Searle, Fred W. Welham, James W. Woodland, P.Z.'s.
214 Ivan J. Armstrong, Z.; Allen Campbell, H.; Russell Wilcox, J.;
  Burton A. Russell, P.Z.
215 William Angst, David C. Reedie, P.Z.'s.
  J. Raeburn, Wm. Wyllie, A. H. Baldwin, Colin C. Kerr, Edward L.
  Coomer, P.Z.'s.
218 George Silk, Z.; Glenn Bell, H.; Keith Burnside, J.; Alex Mawd-
  sley, P.Z.
  Robert Story, Joseph McCullough, David MacLachlan, James Brem-
  ner, Garfield Anthony, George Sheard, Thomas Barker, Herbert
  Kesteven, Charles Ibottson, Peter Taylor, Hugh McLauchlan, Charles
  Bryson, P.Z.'s.
220 Hugh M. Jackson, Z.; Edward C. Smith, H.; George Holmes, J.;
  Jefferson, A. R. McDougall, P McGregor, S V. Meakings, Alex
  Grant, P.Z.
221 Earl D. Roberts, Z.; John N. Edwards, P.Z.
222 George A. Kent, Z.; Edward D. Jones, H.; David Mills, J.; Cedric
  C. Dale, Frederick F. Horton, P.Z.'s.
223 Howard T. Beaton, Z.; Parker Faler, Horace A. Jones, P.Z.'s.
224 Thomas C. Bates, Z.; Melville G. Spiers, I.P.Z.; J. Harvey William,
  G. Ben Cowman, P.Z.'s.
225 Fred Daubney, Z; Russell Spencely, H.; John Walsh, J.; Tak
  Nishino, I.P.Z.; Fred W. F. Welham, John T. Wallace, Joseph Brown,
  John Dempster, John E. Richardson, Donald Magee, W. D. Sturch,
  O. R. Roberts, P.Z.'s.
226 Vedon Morrow, J.
233 W. E. Wardner, John Burns, D. Wilson, P.Z.'s.
  son, E. V. Evelingh, H. W. Moorby, R. H. Foote, Ewart Jennings,
  Charles Henshaw, P.Z.'s.
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239 Laverne Sykes, Z.; Lloyd Guyett, Lowell Boyle, P.Z.'s.

240 L. T. Vail, P.Z.


243 John D. Rogers, Z.; John E. Pennell, H.

244 G. A. Braby, I.P.Z.; A. Jefkins, R. Wright, P.Z.'s.


246 Henry F. Motton, I.P.Z.; Leo J. Gent, Ralph Neely, P.Z.'s.

247 Jump Lindon, Z.; George R. Clarke, P.Z.


250 Nathan Kaplan, Z.

251 Keas Boone, Z.


253 Clarence Kelly, H.; W. Ross Wittet, Mervin Hicks, Clinton Scott, Fred W. Evans, P.Z.'s.


257 Jack Loft, Z.; Fred Scott, Ralph J. Cocks, James Brownlie, C. Douglas Reading, John E. Richardson, P.Z.'s.


The following Chapters were not represented: Excelsior No. 45, St. Johns No. 48, Midland No. 94, Glengarry No. 143, Alberton No. 152, Temiskaming No. 169, Kitchener No. 210, Caledonia No. 236, Golden Star No. 254, Epanola No. 257, Seguin No. 261.

145 Chapters represented

11 Chapters not represented

156 There were 717 registered delegates having a total vote of 943. All of which is fraternally submitted.

JAMES W. WOODLAND, Chairman.

CLARE HOWES, Vice-Chairman.

It was moved by V. Ex. Comp. Clare Howes, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. J. W. Woodland, and—

Resolved—That the report of the Committees on Credentials be received and adopted.
GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

The Most Excellent the Grand Z., directed the Grand Scribe E. to call the roll of representatives of sister jurisdictions when they assembled before the Altar. The following Grand Representatives answered their names:

Alberta—Chas. W. Emmett  
Argentina—Andrew Nisbet, Jr.  
Arizona—Edward Marshall  
California—B. M. Conron  
Colorado—Cyril McMullen  
Delaware—W. J. Grierson  
District of Columbia—Bruce H. Smith  
Florida—Gordon Brown  
France—Geo. Phillips  
Illinois—J. W. Woodland  
Indiana—James H. Rogers  
Iowa—Carroll E. Griffin  
Ireland—R. W. E. McFadden  
Kansas—E. H. Brennan  
Maryland—Leo J. Gent  
Massachusetts—Dr. Fraser Hay  
Michigan—Fred W. Dean  
Minnesota—F. Carl Ackert  
Missouri—H. S. Biggs  
Montana—David Harcus  
Nebraska—A. V. Roy  
Netherlands—Chas. A. Batt  
New Brunswick—Abe Cavanagh  
New Hampshire—N. M. Sprague  
New Jersey—G. Harold Shannon  
New Mexico—J. A. Kennedy  
North Carolina—W. Leslie Davies  
North Dakota—Wm. H. Gummer  
Nova Scotia—Stanley Portch  
Oklahoma—R. J. Hamilton  
Oregon—John J. Robins  
Pennsylvania—John L. House  
Philippines—Wm. E. Gardner  
Quebec—M. A. Searle  
Queensland—N. A. MacEachern  
Rhode Island—Milton Gottlieb  
Scotland—James Turnbull  
South Dakota—F. W. D. Welham  
Switzerland—L. B. Morrison  
Texas—Allan C. Mason  
Utah—Lloyd Gillespie  
Vermont—Norman Farrington  
Virginia—John J. Carpenter

Most Excellent Companion Stanley Portch in extending a warm welcome to the representatives expressed his appreciation for the large representation of the representatives of Grand Chapters with whom we are in fraternal accord, and directed that they make contact with their respective Grand Chapters and to send our greetings and best wishes in order to strengthen our fraternal bond with the sister jurisdictions. Grand Honors were given.
GRAND Z's. ADDRESS

To the Officers and Companions of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

My Companions:

Two years ago when I assumed the offices of Grand First Principal, I little dreamed of the tremendous experience that lay before me, for the opportunity of being of service to my fellow-men, and more particularly to share the true feeling of Masonic brotherly love. In every visitation I was received with warmth and dignity.

Now, as we commence our One Hundred and Eleventh Annual Convocation, it gives me a great deal of pleasure to return that wonderful hospitality so graciously given on so many occasions.

To all our Companions we extend a most sincere and cordial welcome. May your sojourn with us be pleasant, and may you return to your Chapters with renewed enthusiasm and zeal for our beloved Royal Craft.

To the fine group of distinguished guests from our Sister Jurisdictions we extend our warmest salutations. They bring to our Convocation much of its character and colour. We are most happy to share this occasion with them, and we trust their stay with us will generate new friendships that will endure down through the years.

During our term of office we have experienced the joy of meeting many new Companions, and now some of these new Companions have become old friends. These are valued friends, people who have contributed much to my life. Getting to know them first through our common bond of Royal Arch Masonry, and then having the opportunity of associating with them and learning to recognize their deep sense of dedication, their fine commaradarie, and their sincere desire to help one another. We are honoured to have them with us.

Throughout our jurisdiction there is one Mason who is beloved, revered, and respected by all Brethren and Companions, our Grand Master Most Wor. Bro. and Very Ex. Comp. Donald J. Gunn.

To you Most Worshipful Sir and to the Grand Ledge A.F. & A.M. of Canada, in the Province of Ontario we pledge our loyalty. We are most happy to have you with us today. Your inspired leadership is like a beacon in the night ever guiding us to greater achievements in our ancient and honourable institution.

To Most Wor. Bro. and Ex. Comp. Ewart G. Dixon our distinguished Grand Secretary, we extend again the right hand of
Masonic Fellowship. We welcome you to our Convocation and trust your visit will be pleasant and enjoyable.

Or Annual Convocation presents an opportunity for us to fraternize, and to exchange thoughts and ideas with our Brethren and Companions from other branches of Masonry. We are delighted to welcome the representatives from:

- The Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite,
- The Masonic & Military Order of the Knights of the Red Cross of Constantine,
- The Sovereign Great Priory of Canada, Knights Templar,
- The Grand Council of Royal & Select Masters of the Cryptic Rite and the Order of High Priesthood.

We appreciate their attendance and the opportunity it affords us to show our deep regard and affection for all of them.

We have said many times that Masonry in all its branches is a world force for good. Its high principles, moral integrity, and profound basic teachings draw men of goodwill and understanding together.

May we, as Masons, always be mindful that the Great Jehovah is ever watching over us, and will weigh in the balance of truth all our thoughts, words, and actions.

**IN MEMORIAM**

At this time, Companions, it is meek, fitting and proper that we should pay tribute to those worthy Companions who have left us to sojourn in the Grand Chapter Above.

"They would not wish for sorrow nor would they wish for tears, only to be remembered throughout the passing years."

Companions please give your attention to our Grand Chaplain.

Rt. Ex. Comp. G. S. Matthias the Chairman of the Committee on Fraternal Dead will give us a more detailed report later in our Convocation.

Much work and many hands are required to handle the necessary material and planning for a smooth and free flowing convention, and we are once again indebted to the Principals Association of Toronto — Districts 8 and 8A for their kind invitation to hold our One Hundred and Eleventh Annual Convocation in their progressive and growing city.

For their untiring and unceasing labours, which contribute so greatly to the success of our Convocation we offer our most sincere thanks.
VISITATIONS

May 18, 1968—Northern Lights Chapter No. 213, Timmins—50th Anniversary Banquet.
May 19, 1968—Northern Lights Chapter No. 213, Timmins—50th Anniversary Banquet.
May 21, 1968—Wentworth Lodge, Stoney Creek—Guest Speaker.
May 27, 1968—King David Chapter No. 262, Burlington—Guest Speaker.
May 28, 1968—Peel Chapter No. 195, Brampton—Presentation of Jewels and Gr. Chapter Regalia.
May 30, 1968—Hamilton District No. 5—Principals Assoc.
June 4-5, 1968—Grand Chapter of Quebec, Montreal—Guest Speaker.
Sept. 21, 1968—Shuniah Chapter No. 82, Port Arthur—Guest Speaker.
Sept. 29, 1968—Hamilton District No. 5—Annual Divine Service.
Sept. 30, 1968—Hamilton District No. 5—Principals Assoc.
Oct. 4, 1968—Waterloo Chapter No. 32, Galt, 10th Anniversary—Guest Speaker.
Oct. 11-12, 1968—Grand Chapter of Michigan, Lansing—Guest.

Nov. 1, 1968—Prince Edward Chapter No. 31, Picton—100th Anniversary—Guest Speaker.


Nov. 9, 1968—St. Clair District No. 1, Wallaceburg—Reception.


Nov. 16, 1968—Amabel Chapter No. 131, Wiarton—Dedication.

Nov. 22, 1968—The Hiram Chapter No. 2, Hamilton—Guest Speaker.

Nov. 26, 1968—Hamilton District No. 5—Principals Assoc.


Jan. 6, 1969—St. Andrew & St. John Chapter No. 4, Toronto—Installation.


Jan. 21, 1969—Oakville Lodge No. 400, Oakville—Installed Comp. David Moffat W.M.


Jan. 27—King David Chapter No. 262, Burlington—Installation.


Feb. 1, 1969—Maple Chapter No. 116, Carleton Place—75th Anniv.—Guest Speaker.


Feb. 21, 1969—Ancient Frontenac & Cataraqui Chapter No. 1, Kingston—Received Hon. Life Membership.

Feb. 27, 1969—Trafalgar Lodge, Oakville—R.A. Degree Team—Guest Speaker.


Mar. 4, 1969—Oakville Lodge No. 400, Oakville—P.M. Degree Team.

Mar. 8, 1969—Hiawatha Chapter No. 252, Sarnia—International Day.


Mar. 12, 1969—Claude M. Kent Lodge, Oakville—Royal Arch Degree Team.


Mar. 18, 1969—Oakwood Chapter No. 233, Toronto—Guest Speaker.


Apr. 8, 1969—Shekinah Chapter No. 138, Toronto—Guest Speaker on Annual Master Masons Night.
Apr. 14, 1969—Occident Chapter No. 77, Toronto—Received Honourary Membership.

DEDICATIONS

There were two dedications since our last report to you, and we are most happy to see the fine accommodations being provided for our Companions.

The first dedication ceremony was on May 17th at Temiskaming Chapter No. 169, New Liskeard and the second, on Nov. 16th at Amabel Chapter No. 131, Wiarton.

I am happy to report there was an exceptionally fine turnout of Grand Chapter Officers on each occasion.

On the week-end of May 17th, 18th and 19th, several Companions drove over one thousand miles to take part in the activities. Many of the ladies accompanied their husbands on the trip and were warmly greeted and entertained by the ladies of the host chapter.

I would like to particularly thank the Grand Second and Grand Third Principals, Rt. Ex. Companions G. H. Shannon and F. W. D. Welham for assistance on this trip, and to acknowledge the dedication and zeal of the following Companions for their attendance:

Rt. Ex. Comp. R. J. Hamilton—Grand Scribe E.
Rt. Ex. Comp. Fred Scott—Grand Executive Committee.
Rt. Ex. Comp. Leo J. Gent—Grand Executive Committee.
The Late Rt. Ex. Comp. Ernest Smith—Grand Executive Committee.
Rt. Ex. Comp. Ralph Neeley—Past Gr. Scribe N.
V. Ex. Comp. Chas. Feasby.
V. Ex. Comp. Edward Shunk—Past Gr. Dir. of Ceremonies.

After the dedication at New Liskeard we journeyed on to Timmins for the 50th Anniversary celebration, and a Divine Service.

We deeply appreciate the fine hospitality offered by both Temiskaming and Northern Lights Chapters on this memorable occasion, and wish to convey our thanks to them.
We have already mentioned the date of Nov. 16th and it is one that will long remain in our memory. The Companions of Amabel Chapter gave Grand Chapter a Royal Welcome, and after a superb fish dinner all Companions adjourned to the Chapter Room where the dedication ceremonies were performed with solemn dignity and due decorum to the satisfaction of all present.

Once again let me congratulate both Amabel and Temiskaming Chapters on their fine accommodation for our capitular work.

PRESENTATION OF JEWELS

Fifty Years a Royal Arch Mason:
St. Andrew & St. John Chapter No. 4—V. Ex. Comp. Alexander Lawrence.
St. George’s Chapter No. 5—Comp. W. H. Morgan.
St. John’s Chapter No. 6—V. Ex. Comp. Henry W. Hewett.
Moira Chapter No. 7—Comp. James Cooper.
King Solomon’s Chapter No. 8—Comp. Charles T. Hoare.
St. Mark’s Chapter No. 26—Comp. Thomas Burden, Comp. Mark Tripp.
Pentalpha Chapter No. 28—Comp. Clarence E. McLaughlin.
Mount Sinai Chapter, No. 44—Comp. G. J. Tustin.
Willson Chapter No. 64—Ex. Comp. Henry W. Ort.
St. Clair Chapter No. 75—Comp. John MacMillan.
Shuniah Chapter No. 82—Comp. James E. Thompson.
Toronto-Antiquity Chapter No. 91—Comp. James R. McKenzie.
Midland Chapter No. 94—Comp. Frederick G. Perrin.
Elliot Chapter No. 129—Comp. Charles Ritz.
St. John’s Chapter No. 148—Comp. Charles Proudfoot.
Kichikewana Chapter No. 167—Comp. Ludwig Buttler, Comp. David R. Campbell, Comp. Alex F. MacLennan, R. Ex. Comp. Rufus R. Wilson.
Peel Chapter No. 195—V. Ex. Comp. H. Clark Snyder.
Victoria Chapter No. 205—Ex. Comp. Everett S. Cox, Ex. Comp. George Topper.

50 Year Past Principal’s Bar:
King Solomon’s Chapter No. 8—Ex. Comp. Alexander S. Elliott.

For Twenty-five Years Installed First Principal:
St. George’s Chapter No. 5—Ex. Comp. J. C. Simms.
King Solomon’s Chapter No. 8—Ex. Comp. Alexander S. Elliott.
Mount Horeb Chapter No. 20—R. Ex. Comp. Alfred J Wesley
Ezra Chapter No. 23—V. Ex. Comp. Wilfred H. Richardson.
Prince Edward Chapter No. 31—R. Ex. Comp. Charles E. Goodwin.


St. John’s Chapter No. 103—R. Ex. Comp. James G. Maroosis.

King Cyrus Chapter No. 119—V. Ex. Comp. Harold E. McClellan.

Chantry Chapter No. 130—Ex. Comp. Maurice W. Brown.


Succoth Chapter No. 135—V. Ex. Comp. Matthew Veitch.

St. John’s Chapter No. 148—Ex. Comp. Russell Davey.

Laurentian Chapter No. 151—Ex. Comp. Edmund R. Molson.

Peel Chapter No. 195—R. Ex. Comp. Orton T. Walker.


Caledonia Chapter No. 236—Ex. Comp. James A. Emerson, Jr.

Blenheim Chapter No. 239—Ex. Comp. Clyde D. Fleming.

Humber Chapter No. 246—Ex. Comp. Bertie C. Mason.

Palestine Chapter No. 249—R. Ex. Comp. Harold Ferguson.

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

This Jewel was established to reward a Companion or Companions, who through meritorious service had advanced the cause of Royal Arch Masonry by exceptional zeal and dedication and by promoting harmony and unanimity among the Companions.

The Committee on Distinguished Service Awards advise me that three awards have been approved for this year.

The honoured Companions receiving the award are:

Comp. W. Allan of Humber Chapter No. 246.

Comp. E. D. Mann of Hiawatha Chapter No. 252.

Comp. J. H. Mackie of Kichekawana Chapter No. 167.

It is with deep regret we advise you that Comp. J. H. Mackie passed to the Grand Chapter Above before the award could be made. It has now been presented to his family posthumously.

We would like to make one recommendation in regards to the Distinguished Service Award. It is one of the highest honours we can bestow on a Companion, and the recipient’s health permitting, I feel the award should be presented before this Grand Convocation whenever possible.

100th ANNIVERSARIES

Year by year as we draw further away from our Grand Chapter Centennial, more and more of our Chapters are observing their own 100th Anniversary. This is clearly an historical highlight in any Chapter and we feel that committees should be formed, from three to five years prior to the event by each Chapter. These committees should actively plan the raising of the necessary funds in advance to adequately take care of the special commitments that will be encountered.
Where possible we believe our ladies should be invited to join us at the feature banquet during the year and care should be taken to see our Masonic Brethren from all other branches of Masonry are invited to join in the celebrations.

This is a big event, when you plan, plan big, and be sure to have a Divine Service on the Sunday immediately following the feature banquet and invite the ladies.

We have had the privilege of participating in several 100th anniversary celebrations.

This year there were three such occasions:
- Oct. 4, 1968—Waterloo Chapter No. 32—Galt
- Nov. 1, 1968—Prince Edward Chapter No. 31—Picton

We understand there will be two more before this year is out.

A 100th Anniversary is an opportunity to make every meeting in the year a special event. It can stimulate any Chapter and revive flagging interest as well as re-activate lethargic members.

My Companions, it's both a challenge and an opportunity, and don't overlook 50 and 75 year anniversaries for the same reasons. We want worthwhile projects. Here is one that's made to order for us.

**DISPENSATIONS—PERIOD 1968-1969**

One Hundred and Forty-four dispensations were issued as follows:

- Attend Divine Service .................................. 17
- Change of Day or Hour of Opening .................. 62
- Permit Social Functions ............................... 16
- Amputations Initiated .................................. 1
- To permit physically incapacitated to be initiated ...... 1
- Dispense with Convocation in April .................. 2
- Dispense with Convocation in June .................. 11
- Dispense with Convocation in September .............. 2
- Dispense with Convocation in December ............... 1
- To confer three Degrees in one day .................. 3
- Permit special emergent Convocations ................. 4
- To receive application contrary to Constitution ....... 3
- To permit election of Officers contrary to by-laws .... 2
- To permit Joint Installation Ceremonies .............. 8
- Advancement of Officers other than as required by Constitution ............................................. 11

**WARRANTS**

Most, if not all Companions are aware of the disastrous fire which completely destroyed the historic old Temple in downtown Hamilton.

It was a loss that cannot be measured in dollars and cents. Valuable records, some dating back to the earliest days of Masonry in the Hamilton area, a coin collection and other historical documents were lost, never to be replaced.
Among the items destroyed were the warrants for the three Hamilton District No. 5 Chapters that used the facilities of the Temple for their meetnings:

- The Hiram Chapter No. 2
- St. John's Chapter No. 6
- The Hamilton Chapter No. 175

As your Grand First Principal I extend to these Chapters the regrets of all Royal Arch Masons in this Grand Jurisdiction.

It is to be noted that these Chapters went to work immediately and found temporary meeting places; while other Chapters assisted them by helping to replace, or actually replacing the regalia and equipment so necessary to the proper conferring of our degrees.

It gives me great pleasure to advise The Hiram Chapter No. 2; St. John's Chapter No. 6, and The Hamilton Chapter No. 175 that new warrants have been prepared for them and will be presented at this Grand Chapter Convocation.

CONSTITUTION

Our Constitution is both the foundation and copestone of our institution.

Unfortunately, like so many things, the erosion of time has taken its toll of this noble document. By this we are not suggesting that it is outdated. Far from us be any such intention.

We pointed out in our address to you last year that the last major review was drafted some fifty years ago, but that more recent amendments had been undertaken.

Notices of motion have been duly published covering two items which will amend the Constitution once more; and these will be voted upon at this session.

After careful consideration we now propose that a committee be appointed to re-draft the entire Constitution. This is not to say it will be entirely changed. Some parts are clear and concise as they are, while other areas will have to be replanned or rewritten for clarification due to some conflict in the rulings handed down over a period of many years.

Acceptance of this new Constitution would of course be voted on at next year's Annual Convocation, after due and proper publication and distribution to each of our constituent Chapters for study.

CHAPTER BY-LAWS

This year follows closely the pattern set last year for by-law amendments. The following Chapters, after due process requested changes in their by-laws:

New By-Laws Approved:

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All amendments were approved upon recommendations from Rt. Ex. Comp. Leo J. Gent.

This Grand Chapter is indeed indebted to Rt. Ex. Comp. Gent for the zeal and fidelity he has shown in preparing the material and recommendations for our approval.

RECOGNITION

Considerable correspondence has been exchanged over the past several years with the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of West Germany.

After due deliberation and with the Advisory Council's full co-operation, I now recommend that we exchange representatives, and enter into fraternal correspondence with the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of West Germany.

Grand Representatives—From the Gr. Chap. of Can. in the Prov. of Ont.:


FLORIDA—Comp. Richard I. Lanier, 4044 Green St., Jacksonville 32205.


NEW ZEALAND—R. Ex. Comp. Percival Charles Betts, 11 Palmer Ave., Palmerston N.


GRAND REPRESENTATIVES AT THE GRAND CHAPTER OF CANADA IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

Being a firm believer in placing our personnel to the best possible advantage, I have sought and received approval from the Grand Chapters involved to exchange areas as follows:

Rt. Ex. Comp. Milton Gottlieb being involved in business which frequently takes him to Providence, Rhode Island, I felt he would therefore be in a position to give personal representation.
to the Grand Chapter of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations.

Accordingly I have transferred Rt. Ex. Comp. Gottlieb as our representative to that grand body.

Rt. Ex. Comp Brennan will assume the duties as the representative of the Grand Chapter R.A.M. of the State of Kansas.

Commissions confirming these changes have been, or will very shortly be placed in the hands of these Companions.

We are presently without the services of a representative near our Grand Chapter for the Supreme Grand Chapter of India.

We have submitted to the Supreme Grand Chapter of India the name of one of our Companions who spent some twenty-five years of service to his fellowmen in the great country of India, and are now awaiting the commission for Rev. Comp. Chas. D. Donald as the representative for that grand body.

It saddens me to report that our beloved Most Ex. Comp. John M. Burden, Q.C., has asked to be relieved of his duties as representative for the Grand Chapter of the State of New York, Royal Arch Masons.

Most Ex. Comp. Burden is the dean of our Past Grand First Principals. He has rendered many years of unselfish service to our capitular craft. His wisdom and guidance in the Advisory Council has been of inestimable value to us and we were indeed sorry to learn of his decision to curtail his activities in this area of endeavour. We know his many friends in the Grand Chapter of the State of New York, Royal Arch Masons will also be saddened by his decision.

In the light of the foregoing we have made the following adjustments which will enable us to maintain close contact with the New York State Companions.

Most Ex. Comp. Maurice A. Searle, who is also well known in the Grand Chapter of New York, has been requested to change from the representative of the Grand Chapter of Quebec, to represent the Grand Chapter of the State of New York R.A.M. and has concurred in this regard.

We thank him wholeheartedly for his co-operation, and we also thank Most Ex. Comp. Chas. W. Emmett who has transferred from the Grand Chapter of Alberta to that of Quebec, for his co-operation.

Rt. Ex. Comp. Eldridge K. Hogaboom has been appointed to represent the Grand Chapter of Alberta.

The Most Ex. Comps. and Rt. Ex. Comp. Hogaboom are now awaiting their new commissions.

It is a singular honour to have the privilege of being a representative of a Grand Jurisdiction near our Grand Chapter and one not to be taken lightly.
We are all aware that with honour goes responsibility, and it is the responsibility of each of our Grand Representatives to hold regular communications with the Grand Jurisdiction they represent. Then and then only can we fulfill the true Masonic tradition of brotherly love and assistance one towards the other.

ROYAL ARCH WELFARE COMMITTEE

It is perhaps characteristic of this committee that one of their members was presented with the Distinguished Service Award. The distinguished service they are providing to our Companions who are sick or confined is a bright and shining example we should all seek to emulate.

On your behalf it is once again my privilege to congratulate these worthy Companions on their dedication and service to others.

We would be remiss if we did not mention the outstanding contribution the members of the Welfare Committee of Mount Sinai Chapter No. 212 are making in their work with retarded children.

These Companions have received two citations this year for their untiring and compassionate efforts from the Metropolitan Toronto Association For Retarded Children.

Unless we participate with the Companions of these two committees we do not fully appreciate nor comprehend the time, effort, and money involved in their work.

In tribute to all the Companions of these two committees may I quote in part the great prayer of St. Francis.

Lord make me an instrument of Thy peace; where there is despair
Let me sow hope; where there is darkness, light; and where there is sadness, joy.
O Divine Master grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled,
As to console; to be understood, as to understand; to be loved, as to love; for it is in giving that we truly receive.

SCHOLARSHIP AND BURSARY FUND

This committee under the chairmanship of Most Ex. Comp. Maurice Searle has continued its tremendous effort to firmly establish this fund as a really significant contribution to present day society.

Each year more of our young folks are being assisted in their endeavours to obtain a higher education.

No doubt there are those among our Companions who, in the light of present day activities at some of our universities, are wondering if this is a worthwhile project for our noble institution.

Let me assure you that it is my Companions for every re-
actionary dissenter there are literally hundreds of intelligent, industrious, enthusiastic young students, and these are the students our fund is designed to assist.

We would like to correct one phrase that is continually appearing on the summonses from different Chapters—"Grand Chapter is asking for a donation of one dollar from every member for the Scholarship and Bursary Fund".

My Companions, nothing could be farther from the truth. It has been suggested, as an example, (and the important words are: "as an example") that if every member gave a dollar per year the fund would be in a very strong position. In short, Companions, the phrase was used as an illustration and as an illustration only.

This fund was originally suggested as a worthwhile project, in which each Chapter could participate as befits the circumstances of the particular Chapter.

Each Chapter, whether large or small, should be planning some type of creative activity within the Chapter; to arouse interest, and to give the membership a feeling of involvement and participation.

We urge you to set up plans in your Chapter to make the Scholarship and Bursary Fund come alive; and not be just another fund to which we must dutifully contribute. While you are working together for this fund, it will be working for you, by creating greater interest for all members within your Chapter. What could typify the true spirit of Masonry more?

Our report on this project would not be complete if we failed to inform you that through the efforts of the committee, and particularly its dedicated chairman, Most Ex. Comp. Searle, we now have the privilege of receiving receipts for our personal contributions which will now be recognized as a charitable donation by the Department of Internal Revenue.

We are going to ask your co-operation in lightening the work load on the committee by requesting your approval that receipts be limited to donations of $5.00 and upwards.

We repeat, this is only to assist those involved with the tremendous amount of paper work necessary for the efficient operation of the Scholarship and Bursary Fund Committee.

MASONIC INSTRUCTION COMMITTEE

In our remarks on this committee last year we urged the Chapters to make use of the material the committee was willing and able to supply. We were happy to see many districts took advantage of our suggestion.

Most Ex. Comp. Chas. Emmett is to be congratulated on the zealous and dedicated leadership he has shown in his work with the Masonic Instruction Committee and on his close and har-
monious co-operation with the Education Committee which must pass on each phase of the developing program.

We understand that some district chairmen were of the impression that their appointments were perpetual. To correct this we must point out that all committees are appointed for the ensuing Masonic year except those with specific time limits.

This enables the Grand Council and Advisory Committee to assess the work being done and its general effectiveness.

**COMMITTEE FOR THE STUDY OF ASSISTANCE TO CHAPTERS**

This committee has been very active, particularly in sending out questionnaires and other material to the constituent Chapters.

We might point out in this regard that when your Chapter receives a questionnaire, a letter of reply should be returned to the committee immediately after the items in question have been discussed by your Chapter.

Your answers help immeasurably by enabling the committees to draw plans for the future benefit of all our Chapters.

**COMMITTEE FOR THE STUDY OF GRAND CHAPTER CONVOCATION**

Most Ex. Comp. James E. Girven who is chairman of this committee, as well as the Committee For The Study Of Assistance To Chapters has been busy compiling material for discussion with his committees.

We are most anxious to hear their suggestions and recommendations; and we urge as many Companions as possible to hear these reports as they could have a bearing on our future convocations and our methods of procedure.

Knowing the amount of work and effort put forth by both Committees we hasten to offer our sincere thanks to Most Ex. Comp. Girven and the committee members for a difficult job well done.

**COMMITTEE FOR THE STUDY OF THE WORK**

As can be seen from the amount of ground covered by this address, it has been a very active year in Grand Chapter. Of necessity one committee has not received the attention from your Grand Z. that it should have.

This committee is charged with a responsibility of utmost importance. It therefore will require more time to complete its deliberations and bring back recommendations to us.

We wish to offer our thanks to Most Ex. Comp. Bruce Smith and his committee for an excellent effort under difficult circumstances.

It is our recommendation that this committee be re-appointed for the next year, to enable the members to complete their work.
MEMBERSHIP

It is with great regret that I must advise you of a continued decline in membership, and at the same time draw your attention once again to the important area of withdrawals and suspensions. These two items were responsible for a decrease of 480 members this year; and had we been able to stop the losses in these two categories, we would have had a gain in 1969.

My Companions, as one studies the summons from the various Chapters, it becomes apparent that not all Chapters are in the doldrums.

Some are strong and aggressive with a goodly number of new candidates presenting themselves for exaltation.

If we are to achieve success in this area of our endeavours then we must think success. We must clear from our minds the lethargy that has overtaken us, sapping our energies and causing doubt and confusion in our minds.

We are mature men and we know that the correct approach to this challenge can be the means of solving it. It is a known fact that we tend to be what we think we are. Therefore, if we think success, we can become successful in any endeavour. God has given man the power to think; to reason, and by his gift, and with his help we will achieve those goals that at present seem to be eluding us.

I am firmly convinced that the solution to the membership problem lies within the heart and mind of each one of us as individuals. When we accept this fact and resolve to take positive action, then and then only will our membership increase and our beloved institution flourish.

I would like to cite a case in point that has recently come to my attention. In one Chapter a member became delinquent in his dues. The usual impersonal letters of appeal failed to bring results. Finally a registered letter was forwarded with the information that the member was about to be suspended for non-payment of dues. The Secretary for some reason or another was moved to attempt a personal contact. Imagine his surprise and the embarrassment of the membership when it was revealed that the member had been sick and bed-ridden for over two years.

No one had taken the few minutes of time or expanded the small amount of effort necessary to find out why a member had stopped coming out to Chapter.

Think about it Companions, how many of the suspended and withdrawn members might we have saved by just a little Masonic endeavour backed up by some real brotherly love.

Companions, I exhort you to ask yourselves, "What have I
really done to help membership in our Royal Craft?” Some of us are going to be a little embarrassed at the answer we receive.

We recommend each Chapter form a committee of three to investigate why a specific member or members are not attending Chapter regularly, not only with a view towards keeping membership current, but more importantly to see if help or assistance may be required. This would be true Masonry brotherly love in action.

**FINANCES**

The inflationary spiral of costs is still with us and as a result our finances must be watched very carefully.

For the year ending Feb. 28, 1969, your Finance Committee estimated a surplus of $529.00. The actual surplus at the end of the period was $473.99 a mere $55.00 off the target figure.

We can report again this year that maturing investments were re-invested at higher interest rates and will therefore produce more income for the General Fund.

This happy state of affairs notwithstanding, we must be aware of the necessity of keeping a careful watch on all expenditures and make a real effort to cut costs wherever and whenever possible.

To that end, our Committee For The Study Of Our Grand Chapter Convocation will have a report of considerable interest to all Companions. We urge you to give this report careful attention as you will in all probability be asked to vote on some of its recommendations.

**PAST RANK**

We have received a petition from Waterloo Chapter No. 32 requesting that we recommend to this body that permission be given to permit Waterloo Chapter to install Ex. Comp. W. E. Knill as a Past Principal.

Ex. Comp. Knill has been a faithful Comp. of the Chapter, fulfilling all the offices up to and including second principal. After his installation as First Principal he conducted the meeting up to the time of the summer recess when ill health overtook him. It is under Doctor’s orders, that he refrain from any outside activities for the immediate future at least.

In a similar vein we have received a request from St. Mark’s Chapter No. 26, Trenton. Their First Principal John Coles was stricken suddenly midway through the year and was taken from them, leaving the Chapter deeply saddened by their loss.

We have carefully considered these requests and now recommend they be granted by the concurrence of this Grand Chapter.
CONSTITUTIONAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

There are probably not more than a half dozen Comps. in this entire assembly who would be aware of the tremendous amount of work required to review and update our Constitution. This is the task that has been facing our Grand Second Principal ever since he assumed chairmanship of this committee last year.

He has zealously dedicated every spare minute of time at his disposal, to ready a draft of a New Constitution for us. He and his committee have met on several occasions to peruse the material as it was gathered. From their efforts one or two items will be voted on as Notices of Motion preparatory to a presentation of the New Constitution for the general study of all our constituent Chapters. Then a final draft will be drawn and a vote taken at next year’s Convocation as to the adoption of the New Constitution.

In the light of this information I now recommend that the Constitutional Review Committee be re-appointed and authorized by this grand body to proceed with their researches, and directed to take the necessary steps to keep our membership informed so that one year hence (April, 1970) at our Grand Convocation we will be in a position to take the aforementioned vote.

I would be remiss if I did not take this opportunity to express my deep appreciation for the outstanding work done by this entire committee. They are indeed dedicated Royal Arch Masons.

GRAND CHAPTER OFFICE

We mention our Grand Chapter office only to keep you informed that we must still consider these accommodations as temporary. The position has not changed materially since last year. The area in which Grand Chapter office is located is still considered as part of the City Hall Area Urban Renewal Plan and sooner or later we will have to find new quarters.

This task has been placed in the capable hands of M. Ex. Comp. Chas. W. Emmett who is continually on the outlook for suitable quarters for us.

We express our thanks to M. Ex. Comp. Emmett for his efforts in this regard.

PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Again this year our Public Relations Committee have endeavoured to secure the right type of publicity during all our “Special Events”.

It is our firm conviction that a public informed as to our Masonic functions, will quickly see the high principled character of our institution, and as a result our public image will be enhanced.

Good public relations have a very necessary place in our
world today, and Rt. Ex. Comp. W. S. Thomson and his committee have left no stone unturned in an endeavour to see that our news media coverage was of the finest and as complete as the nature of our institution would permit.

Rt. Ex. Comp. Thompson has also found time in a very busy work schedule to compile and edit the second edition of our Royal Arch "Keystone". This edition ran a much heavier printing than the first one and it is understood sufficient copies were forwarded to all Scribe E.'s to enable them to enclose a copy in each Companion's summons at the time of the second issue.

Companions, we urge you to use the services of this committee when planning a special event. Not only can they assist you with publicity but they will be happy to assist in every phase of the event by working together with other committees involved.

You know Companions, we have a lot of real talent in our organization and it's a shame to let it go to waste. Why not put the various committees to work for your Chapter?

We thank Rt. Ex. Comp. Thomson for the work of his committee and look forward to their annual report.

APPRECIATION

The office of Grand First Principal, while most rewarding in a sense of accomplishment is nonetheless very demanding. It would be impossible to carry the work load without the dedicated services of a great many Companions.

In thanking these Companions I would first refer to our Advisory Council, those tireless workers for the Royal Craft who have preceded me through this office. I am afraid that at times in my headlining enthusiasm I taxed their restraint. Yet at no time did they falter or swerve from the duties laid upon them. To each of them I now convey my heartfelt gratitude for their assistance, and offer my sincere affection as I prepare to join their ranks. May the fine Masonic example these great Companions have exhibited in their endeavours be the guiding light that will lift all of us to greater achievements for the Royal Craft.

We express our appreciation from a thankful heart for the privilege of working with:

Most Ex. Comp. John M. Burden, Q.C.
Most Ex. Comp. Frederick W. Dean
Most Ex. Comp. Alex G. N. Bradshaw
Most Ex. Comp. John L. House
Most Ex. Comp. Maurice A. Searle
Most Ex. Comp. Bruce H. Smith
Most Ex. Comp. Chas. W. Emmett
Most Ex. Comp. Fraser Hay, M.D.
Most Ex. Comp. James E. Girven
To my Grand Second and Grand Third Principals Rt. Ex. Comp. Shannon and Rt. Ex. Comp Welham I pledge my continued support even as they have given me their constant support during my term of office.

Not once did they fail in their duties when called upon to act for Grand Chapter.

Rt. Ex. Comp. Shannon of necessity, working long hours on the constitution as he was, found it impossible to undertake the number of visitations he would have liked to make. We have previously acknowledged the work load he carried this past year and again commend him for his effort.

Rt. Ex. Comp. Welham on the other hand was extremely active in visitations, making trips from one end of our great jurisdiction to the other in an untiring effort to take Grand Chapter into the constituent Chapters on every possible occasion. Rt. Ex. Comp. Welham has indeed exhibited the zeal and fidelity which should ever characterize every Royal Arch Mason. We thank him most sincerely for his warm and loyal support.

Each Grand First Principal in his turn is blest with some particularly close associates who have usually worked with him through the Chapter, through the District, and finally through Grand Chapter. I am not going to attempt to name all such Companions but there are two who have worked most closely with me through the years, and particularly throughout the two years of my sojourn as your Grand First Principal. They have rendered tremendous service to our ancient and honourable institution.

Their particularly fine efforts in not only heading up the organizational team for the Grand Convocation but their actual participation in it, have pointed them out as Companions worthy of our esteem.

It is with humble thanks for their friendship and assistance down through the years that I acknowledge the efforts of Rt. Ex. Comp. Gordon Brown and Rt. Ex. Comp. Ed. Marshall two real Royal Arch stalwarts.

It would not be right to close these remarks on appreciation without a word of thanks to our Grand Scribe E. He has been working under trying circumstances what with the possibility of moving being an ever present day-to-day threat.

Yet those who find it necessary to visit or call Grand Chapter office are always cordially received and offered as much assistance as it is possible to give.

I acknowledge his fine help and assistance to my office these past two years with grateful thanks.
HONOURARY MEMBERSHIPS

It was my very great privilege to be accepted as an Honourary Member in the following Chapters:

Ancient Frontenac & Sataraqui No. 1, Kingston
The Hiram No. 2, Hamilton
Occident No. 77, Toronto
The St. Patrick No. 145, Toronto
Beaver No. 225, Toronto
Hiawatha No. 252, Sarnia.

The honour these Chapters have given me are deeply appreciated. I shall always cherish the memory of the occasions when these presentations were made and will endeavour to assist the Chapters to the best of my ability when called upon to do so.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The passing of our beloved friend Most Wor. Bro. and Rt. Ex. Comp. Joseph A. Hearn has created a vacancy on our Honourary Grand Executive.

Because of long and outstanding service and dedication to this Grand Chapter I recommend Rt. Ex. Comp. James W. woodland for confirmation as an honorary member of our Grand Ex. in accordance with section 65(1) of our Constitution, and request Grand Chapter concur in this recommendation.

CONCLUSION

My tenure of office is rapidly drawing to a close. May I again express my thanks to you, my Companions, for making it possible for me to be your Grand First Principal, it is an experience I shall cherish and remember as long as I live.

You who have been so gracious and kind to me, will I am sure permit me to leave one last thought or two with you.

As individuals we sometimes become confused and frustrated with life. Within ourselves we wonder what life really is all about. We even get a little panicky sometimes and fear sets in the way.

My Companions, these confusions, frustrations, and fears need have no place in our lives. Man, throughout all recorded history, has had his doubts, and God who is man’s Creator and Judge has ever stood ready to help him. We have just recently celebrated the greatest event known to man. Nearly 2,000 years ago in his infinite wisdom he sent his Son to us, that we might believe, and find eternal salvation for our souls. Perhaps there are some present whose belief does not coincide with these remarks. I respect them for their beliefs and hasten to point out that the event that some of us do believe took place 2,000 years ago should strengthen all of us because it stems from the eternal Jehovah whom we all adore.
No other movement or event in history has had the impact on man that Christ's life has given us. We, who falter, should never forget that for 2,000 years this Great Light has maintained, even in the face of unbelievable catastrophe.

To-day with the winds of change sweeping across the world we think things couldn't get much worse but things have been worse on many occasions as history tells us.

Life travels in cycles even as Daniel prophesied to the Egyptian Pharoahs.

Notwithstanding this cyclical effect, God has given us His Divine Promises as contained in our S.V. We as children of the Divine Father, created in His image have but one thing we must do, and that is maintain our faith with a positive and knowledgeable understanding, being fully aware of the power of our own thinking, of our own minds when they are linked with the Great Jehovah's. It is thus we will prevail, it is thus His kingdom shall be established on this earth.

Never doubt it, never falter, never fear — God is with us, who then can prevail against us.

Sincerely and fraternally,

Stanley W. Portch,

Grand Z.

Moved by the Grand Second Principal, seconded by the Grand Third Principal, and—

Resolved—That the address of the M. Ex. the Grand Z. be referred to the Committee on the Grand Z's. Address to report thereon during the present Convocation of Grand Chapter.
GRAND SUPERINTENDENTS’ REPORTS

The reports of the seventeen Grand Superintendents were presented and on motion were received and the Grand Scribe E. was directed to have them printed in the 1969 Proceedings.

The report of every Grand Superintendent is addressed to “Most Excellent the Grand Z., Officers and Companions of the Grand Chapter of the Royal Arch Masons of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.” Each begins, “Most Excellent Sir and Companions,” and everyone ends “Respectfully and fraternally submitted.” To save space these formalities have been omitted from each Report.

ST. CLAIR DISTRICT No. 1
Rt. Ex. Comp. George A. Lauzon

It is with sincere pleasure and a privilege as the representative of our Grand First Principal, re St. Clair District No. 1 to submit my annual report. My first official duty was a pleasure to appoint Ex. Comp. T. R. Kenny as District Secretary, a very outstanding, hardworking Ex. Comp. of Royal Craft Masonry.

I made all my official visits of inspection throughout the District, was received with dignity and respect by all Chapters. This year has been one of pleasure, and of learning. Sombra Chapter was host Chapter for the reception of our Grand First Principal, held at Wallaceburg, Ont., Nov. 9, 1968. The Royal Arch Degree was conferred on two candidates, by a degree team of P.G.S. of St. Clair District, under the chairmanship of Rt. Ex. Comp. F. Yardley of Ridgetown. The ladies were entertained by a bus tour of the St. Clair Parkway Drive and to a shopping centre in Sarnia, after which they returned in time to have a wonderful dinner with their husbands, followed by a well delivered speech from our Grand First Principal. The event was well attended and a success.

I should mention our Church Services. The eastern section under dispensation Sombra Chapter 153, and western section under dispensation Arch Chapter 80 Windsor. The attendance was fair at both services. I must congratulate the old faithfuls for keeping the attendance at these services, and would suggest luring some new blood to these events in future.

My good wife and I attended the reception for the Grand H., Rt. Ex. Comp. Shannon, sponsored by Hiawatha and Preston Chapters, held in Kitchener, Ont., which was well attended, and a good time enjoyed by all. We also traveled to Wiarton, Ont., Saturday, Nov. 16, where it was a pleasure for me, in the ceremony of Amabel Chapter 131, dedicating their Chapter room. The ceremony was well attended by members, and a great reception of Grand Chapter Officers in attendance.

I have made reservation to attend the International Day in Sarnia, Ont. A reception of our Grand First Principal, Grand High Priest of State of Michigan, and Grand High Priest of the State of Ohio, under the joint sponsors of Hiawatha Chapter 252 Sarnia, and Huron Chapter 27, Port Huron, Mich., U.S.A. to be held at the Village Inn, Sarnia, Ont., on March 8, 1969.

I have reserved all Chapters’ installation nights in the District and will be in attendance to all Chapters. In closing Most Ex. Sir I would comment that the future of R.A.M. in St. Clair District is very good in the western section, good in the central section and fair in the eastern section, however the eastern section will need an injection or a booster to recover attendance and interest of R.A.M.
LONDON DISTRICT No. 2
R. Ex. Comp. Hugh Ernest Fackrell

The following report of the undersigned relating to the activities of the Chapters of London District No. 2 during the period April, 1968 to February, 1969, is herewith respectfully submitted.

All fourteen subordinate Chapters in the District received an official visitation as scheduled between May 21st and November 11th, 1969 and I am indebted to our District Chaplain — Comp. The Rev. Russell Gordon for the efficient manner in which he handled his own particular commitment on our behalf. He ‘saw to it’ that the weather remained excellent for all our visitations and this consideration was much appreciated. At each of these visitations I was duly received with the warmth and dignity due to office of the representative of The Grand Z. Detailed reports of these visits and the conditions encountered are of course a matter of record in the appropriate reports submitted on each.

I would like to express my appreciation to those active Royal Arch Masons, who in ever increasing numbers saw fit to attend these visitations and particularly the lively participation of many Past and Present Grand Chapter Officers. It was heart warming to have their unselfish support and I am indeed indebted to them all. It was notable that an enviable condition of good fellowship was displayed by all the Principals and active Officers who attended our meetings and again I am most grateful for their many kindesses and personal support. I believe we all benefited from our experience together.

Our Chapter of Instruction was held at Strathroy with approximately 43 in attendance. This year we were fortunate to have the assistance of Rt. Ex. Comp. James Turnbull — Grand Reviewer of Toronto who with Rt. Ex. Comp. Leo J. Gent and Rt. Ex. Comp. J. Hessey formed a knowledgeable panel with the Grand Supt. acting as Moderator. All phases of Ritual Work and Administration were broached and the consensus of opinion seems to indicate that this type of operation is very popular and readily acceptable to those taking part. It was unfortunate that three of our Chapters, notably those most in need of assistance, made no effort to have any representation present. We were indebted to the Host Chapter—Beaver No. 74 for their kindness in making the necessary arrangements for our accommodation and refreshment.

We are, in London District No. 2, as I am sure are all the other Districts in the jurisdiction fortunate in having several well managed, aggressive Chapters who are showing startling results both in attendance and added membership together with a popular programme of other activities. We are likewise unfortunate in having several Chapters who are literally struggling to stay alive. These are of course located in the isolated rural areas and make little or no effort to actively participate in District activities which I believe is to their own detriment. The results are again noticeable in declining membership, poor attendance, poor fiscal administration and over extended leadership. Two such Chapters have not been able to attract new membership for at least two years, consequently degree work in negligible and the situation in respect of outstanding dues is chronic. Those dedicated Masons who continue to serve these Chapters are to be warmly commended for their continued efforts. Without them these Chapters would of necessity die.

The majority of our Chapters fall comfortably somewhere in between these two extremes and we are grateful for the manner in which their Officers apply themselves to their duties — labouring to complete their allotted tasks.
The Social activities in our District have once again been heavy. These have included inter Chapter visitations both locally and to such centres as Detroit, Belleville, Toronto and Preston, all of which were unqualified successes, a District reception for the Grand First Principal, sponsored by the Past Principals’ Association, the District Divine Service, the Annual Royal Arch Ball, several Ladies’ Nights and other related functions. At many of these events we were blessed by the presence of many Grand Chapter Officers in particular the Members of Grand Council and we are grateful for their support, interest and encouragement. I was honoured to be warmly received by my colleagues in office at courtesy visitations to all surrounding Districts and our personal relationships prospered accordingly.

I wish to make particular mention of my mother Chapter—Palestine No. 54 of St. Thomas who I believe made a noteworthy effort this past year to enhance their image during my term of office as Grand Superintendent. They made a terrific effort to attract membership, a total of 25 applications having been received up to the early part of February. This Chapter now has (in the District) the highest membership, the highest attendance record, the most candidates, the highest assets and the least amount owing in dues, coupled with a low dues structure. These results are, I believe, directly related to the far-sightedness of the Chapter leaders who in 1963 saw fit to institute a programme of Life Membership for all candidates for Exaltation. This has proved to be a major factor in the Chapter’s successful operation and I believe this Chapter deserves our commendation and congratulations.

In conclusion may I express my thanks to The M. Ex. the Grand Z. for confirming my election and to those Worthy Companions of the District who assisted me so well and were instrumental in making my tenure of office both beneficial and rewarding. Notably among the many were Rt. Ex. Comps. L. C. Ewener, Hallett Banks, Leo J. Gent, Ernie Moran, Joe Hessey, Ralph Neeley, Art Ayres and Les Davies. To my very close friend and Companion Ex. Comp. Herb Evans who served as my Secretary I extend my thanks for his kindness and for the manner in which he carried out his duties.

WILSON DISTRICT No. 3
R. Ex. Comp. Claude Wilfred Spicer

May I first extend my thanks to the Officers, Past Principals and Companions of my own Chapter, Brant No. 115 Paris, for sponsoring me for the office of Grand Superintendent.

To the Principals and Past Principals of District No. 3 who elected me to this important office and my sincere thanks also to the Grand First Principal Most Ex. Comp. Stanley Portch for his confirmation of my election.

I was fortunate to have the assistance of Ex. Comp. Robert G. Sasse as my secretary. His advice and support has been greatly appreciated.

On May 11th Wilson District was honored by a visit from Most Ex. Comp. Stanley Portch, Grand First Principal, accompanied by Rt. Ex. Comp. G. H. Shannon, Rt. Ex. Comp. F. W. D. Welham, Most Ex. Comp. A. G. N. Bradshaw and a number of other present and past Grand Chapter Officers. At this Convocation, held at Oxford Chapter No. 18 Woodstock the H.R.A. was conferred on two candidates by the Present and Past Principals of the District. The Mystical Lecture was given by Most Ex. Comp. Bradshaw. I have never heard it done as impressively.

This was followed by a banquet at which Most Ex. Comp. Portch was the principal speaker. This in turn was followed by a musical program. An enjoyable time was had by all and I would again like to convey my appreciation to the officers and members of Oxford Chapter who arranged this event.

As of Feb. 1st I have made 24 visits to Chapters in my own juris-
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diction and two outside my district. I have seen 6 M.M.M., 5 M.E.M.,
and 7 H.R.A. Degrees conferred and have found the ritual adhered to
and the work well done.
The following is a list of my official visits and the degrees con-
ferred:
Sept. 16th—Brant No. 115 Paris—H.R.A.
Oct. 9th—Regal No. 253 Port Dover—H.R.A.
Oct. 17th—Mount Horeb No. 20 Brantford—M.M.M.
Oct. 25th—Oxford No. 18 Woodstock—M.E.M.
Oct. 28th—Harris No. 41 Ingersoll—M.E.M.
Nov. 14th—Ezra No. 23 Simcoe—H.R.A.
Nov. 19th—Tillsonburg No. 255 Tillsonburg—M.M.M.
At all my visits I was received with the respect and dignity befitting
the representative of the Grand First Principal.
I regret to report a drop in membership for the district due mainly
to an increase in the deaths of members. Despite this there is some
encouragement to be derived from an increase in the applications for
membership which are more than double that of the previous year.
I hereby offer my congratulations to my successor and can only
wish for him that he receives the same courtesy and fellowship that I
have received in my year.
I hope my efforts this year have made some small contribution to
Capitular Masonry. It has been a wonderful experience for me and I
can only regret it's drawing to a close.

WELLINGTON DISTRICT No. 4
R. Ex. Comp. Donald Lloyd Attridge

In presenting my report may I convey to the Principals past and
present my sincere thanks and appreciation for the honour they con-
ferred upon me and through me upon Waterloo Chapter No. 32 by elect-
ing me to this high office of Grand Superintendent. I would like to
express my thanks to Most Excellent Comp. Stanley Portch and R. Ex.
Comp. Robt. Hamilton and other Grand Chapter officers for their
assistance and guidance during my year in office.

One of my first duties was to appoint Ex. Comp. Gordon J. Johnson
as my secretary and he accompanied me on all my official visits as well
as many other fraternal visits and celebrations. I found him to be very
efficient and his guidance on various occasions were invaluable.

On all my official visits I was received in a most dignified manner.
I would like to express my appreciation to all the Chapters in Wellin-
ton District for being present at the official visits. There were at least
3 or 4 of Waterloo Chapter members who were present and travelled
with me on all visitations official and fraternal. I have visited all
Chapters in Wellington District at least twice and many Chapters 3 to
5 times. At my official visits there was an average of 41 present.

It was my privilege to be present at a number of receptions held
in honour of Most Excellent Comp. Stanley Portch. I attended the
dedication of the Chapter Room in Wairton. During my term of office
the Preston Chapter along with Hiawatha Chapter of Sarnia held a
reception in honour of the Grand Second Principal Harold G. Shannon.
A divine church service was part of this week-end celebration.

Also on October 4th, 1968, Waterloo Chapter No. 32 celebrated its
Centennial Year by having a banquet at which Most Excellent Companion
Portch was the guest speaker. There were 34 Grand Chapter members
present. It was also my pleasure to be able to attend five District
Divine Church Services and was pleased to take part in three.

It was my privilege to present five 25-Year Past Principal Jewels,
three to Prince Edward Chapter in Shelburne, one to Kitchener Chapter
and one to Waterloo Chapter in Galt.

The District Divine Church Service was held on the evening of
October 27th, 1968, at First United Church in Galt and was very well attended by members of Wellington District and outside districts.

During my visits throughout the District I endeavoured to promote the Bursary Fund for educational purposes as well as Masonry by visitation — my motto for my term of office was "Visitation Breeds Friendship". Visitation in Wellington District for the most part is on the increase and this I am most pleased with.

Wellington District has a very active Past Principals' Association and is well supported by the Past Principals of the District and at the Fall Meeting we were honoured by having as a guest speaker Rt. Ex. Comp. Leo Gent.

To my successor I pledge my fullest support and I am sure Wellington District will be ready to greet and support him as they have me in the past.

HAMILTON DISTRICT No. 5

R. Ex. Comp. George Benjamin Cowman

Before commencing my report, I wish to express my thanks to the Principals and Past Principals of Hamilton District No. 5, for the honour conferred upon Keystone Chapter No. 224 and and myself, on my election to the office of Grand Superintendent, and my special thanks to Most Excellent Companions S. W. Portch for confirming my election to this high office.

Excellent Companion J. H. Williams kindly consented to act as my secretary, and his assistance and support is much appreciated.

I was unable to be present at the inspection of McKay Chapter and wish to express my appreciation to Rt. Ex. Comp. Gordon Brown, who acted as my representative on that occasion. On all my visits, inspection and otherwise, the work of the evening, conferred or exemplified, was worthy of commendation, and in each instance I was received with dignity and cordiality.

On September 20, 1968, the Masonic Temple in Hamilton was destroyed by fire, and three Chapters lost all their equipment and paraphernalia, including their Warrants. Aside from the losses sustained there was considerable disruption in the activities of the Chapters affected, but they were able to relocate with minimal delay, and are working with, I believe, greater enthusiasm than before.

On Sunday, September 29, 1968, the Annual Divine Service of District No. 5 was held in the Anglican Church of the Ascension, Hamilton, with a good attendance of Companions. We were fortunate to have the three members of Grand Council present to take part in the service, and to have several ruling Grand Superintendents to assist with the offertory.

It has been my privilege to present, on behalf of the M. Ex. the Grand First Principal, the following Grand Chapter jewels: V. Ex. Comp. G. Hewitt, 50 years a Royal Arch Mason; Ex. Comp. J. A. Emerson, 25 years a Past Principal; Ex. Comp. F. R. Davey, 25 years a Past Principal; Ex. Comp. J. Baird, 50 years a Royal Arch Mason; Comp. L. McKinnon, 50 years a Royal Arch Mason; Comp. A. D. Davies, 50 years a Royal Arch Mason.

On Monday, November 11, 1968, a very successful "Grand Chapter Night" was held by Keystone Chapter. We were honoured with the presence of the Grand First, Second and Third Principals, and a large number of Present and Past Officers of Grand Chapter. The degree of the Holy Royal Arch was conferred by Grand Chapter Officers, after which, an enjoyable reception was held in the Banquet Room.

In conclusion, I take this opportunity to thank all the companions of the District, for their support and encouragement. There is a spirit of good fellowship throughout the entire District, and although the numerical increase is small, I believe that, with the enthusiasm of the
younger officers combined with the dedication of the older members, this situation will improve significantly.

To my successor I offer my congratulations and support and wish for him a happy and rewarding year in office.

HURON DISTRICT No. 6
R. Ex. Comp. Wm. Elmer Johnston

It has been a real privilege and honour for me to have been the Grand Superintendent of Huron District No. 6. I sincerely thank the Companions of Bernard Chapter No. 146 for my nomination and for their whole hearted support at Grand Chapter and to all Principals and Past Principals of the district for their confidence and to Most Excellent Stanley Portch for his confirmation of my appointment.

To Ex. Comp. Wm. M. Henderson for his acceptance of the office of my secretary and his efficient efforts during the past year, I am most grateful.

I was received with the proper respect and dignity on all my official visitations. The presence of Past Grand Superintendents of the district portrayed their continued active Masonic interest, they were an inspiration to the officers of the various chapters and was deeply appreciated by me. I was particularly pleased to have Rt. Ex. Comp. Hallett Banks, Grand Principal Sojourner, in attendance on two of my official visitations. On each occasion I endeavoured to convey to the companions the need and worthwhileness of the Scholarship and Bursary fund.

It was my privilege to inspect degree work by the officers of the chapters on six visitations. I can not stress too strongly that only by adequate practise sessions supervised by past principals can efficient degree work be done in an interested and impressive manner. In several chapters some of the chairs of the officers are occupied by past principals. Their loyalty and devotion has been an inspiration. The junior officers may well follow their example in order to insure the future well being of Capitular Masonry. The fellowship and companionship, I found so evident, contributed to very enjoyable evenings.

Divine service for Huron District No. 6 was held at Donegal United Church on Sunday, Sept. 15th at 2:30 p.m. conducted by Rev. J. R. Wareham, pastor of the church. The address was delivered by Rev. Rt. Ex. Comp. Cliff Britton, our Grand Chaplain. There was an excellent attendance of companions and their ladies who later assembled for a social hour. I was pleased to welcome Rt. Ex. Comp. Harold Shannon, Grand H., and all companions.

During my term of office I had the honour and privilege of presenting two 25 year Past Principal Jewels to Ex. Comp. W. H. Collier of Tecumseh Chapter No. 24 and V. Ex. Comp. Ogle Miller of Huron Chapter No. 30.

Before the close of my year I expect to have visited all chapters on two or more occasions. It was my intention to attend as many chapter installations as possible. I deeply regretted that adverse weather conditions curtailed my plans.

Amendments to the By-Laws of Havelock Chapter No. 63 were approved.

Huron district is fortunate in having an active Principals’ Association. Two dinner meetings are held each year. At the fall meeting Rt. Ex. Comp. W. R. Bradford, Past Grand Superintendent, returned to give a very inspiring address as our guest speaker. Plans are incomplete for the spring meeting when the business will include the election of officers. Inter-chapter visitations are arranged by this organization.

Some especial highlights of the year were when we attended a reception for Rt. Ex. Comp. Harold Shannon jointly sponsored by Preston Chapter No. 245 and Hiawatha Chapter No. 252, when we attended a reception for M. Ex. Comp. Stanley Portch at Wallaceburg Temple, sponsored by Sombra Chapter No. 153, and when we journeyed to
Wiarton and attended a banquet after which the very beautiful chapter room of Amabel Chapter No. 131 was dedicated. The companions are justly proud of their outstanding accomplishment. These were occasions which afforded us the opportunities of making new friends as well as renewing former friendships and enjoying their hospitality.

During the year I was afforded the opportunity to visit Kitchener Chapter No. 117 and Preston Chapter No. 245 accompanied by companions of Bernard Chapter No. 146 several times. There is a real fraternal relationship existing between these chapters which I trust will be continued in the years ahead.

It is very gratifying to note that one chapter which appeared to be one of grave concern to us a year ago now seems to be firmly re-established and has excellent prospects for continued progress.

In conclusion I thank all companions for a very pleasant year. It has been a most rewarding experience. I trust that my successor will be given the same kindly support.

NIAGARA DISTRICT No. 7
R. Ex. Comp. Lloyd Frederick Deamude

In submitting my report, may I say that it has been an honour and a privilege to serve as Grand Superintendent of Niagara District No. 7. To the Principals and Past Principals of this District for electing me to this high and important office and to Most Excellent Companion Stanley Portch for confirming my election, I express my sincere thanks. Immediately following my election, I had the pleasure of appointing Ex. Comp. Roy B. Miller as my secretary and for his untiring efforts and cooperation through the year, I will be ever grateful.

My first duty as Grand Superintendent was to present a Distinguished Service medal to Companion W. Fairbrother of Grimsby Chapter No. 69 for his outstanding work as their Scribe “E”. It was a very pleasant event.

On my official visits of inspection throughout the District I was received with the dignity which becomes a representative of the Grand First Principal. The work of the various degrees was conferred in a very efficient manner. My secretary examined the books and reported on the work done by the Scribes “E.” They are to be congratulated for the manner in which the records have been kept.

I must report that some of the Chapters in this District have not had very many candidates and I have pointed out that a strong membership campaign be put in force. It also seems that most Chapters have a problem of keeping some of their new members interested. I believe that inter-Chapter visits is one way to keep the members active and to stimulate their interest.

In closing, I would like to again thank the Principals and Companions of the District for their support and also those who accompanied me on my visits. Also to my successor, I extend best wishes and pledge my support and may his year in office be as rewarding to him as this one has been to me.

TORONTO EAST No. 8
R. Ex. Comp. John Edmund Richardson

To be elected as the representative of the Grand First Principal in your respective district is a high honour, and for this privilege I wish to express my sincere thanks to the Principals and Past Principals of Toronto East District No. 8. I would also be very remiss if I did not thank M. Ex. Comp. Stanley Portch for his confirmation of my election.

As my term of office rapidly draws to a close, I could wish that I had the knowledge and the ingenuity possessed by many of our Companions who have come and gone before; as well as the many who yet remain amongst us — those who have done and continue to offer so much to Royal Arch Masonry in particular and mankind in general.
The past months have been rich and rewarding with much enjoyment, and I can only feel that I have been the beneficiary of this experience. While it was necessary to contain a large proportion of time to District No. 8 in particular, it was also a privilege to attend at various functions on a number of occasions in other parts of the Grand Jurisdiction, when M. Ex. Comp. Stanley Portch as well as many of the present and past Grand Chapter Officers were present. Notably amongst these occasions was the evening of October 8th, 1968, when our Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother and Very Excellent Companion Donald J. Gunn was installed as an Honourary Past Principal of Shekinah Chapter R.A.M. No. 138, as well as being invested with his regalia of office as a Grand Sword Bearer.

As has been the custom, the two Toronto Districts, East No. 8 and West No. 8A participated jointly in two events during the year. The first of these was the annual combined Church Service held at St. Clement’s (Riverdale) Anglican Church of Canada, Jones Avenue, with Rev. G. R. Stanley, a craft mason delivering the sermon. We were honoured on this occasion to have M. Ex. Comp. Maurice A. Searle, M. Ex. Comp. Charles W. Emmett and R. Ex. Comp. F. W. D. Welham present. The second event was the bi-annual occasion of the companions gathering together to pay honour and all due homage to our Grand First Principal, in this instance, M. Ex. Comp. Stanley Portch. There was a goodly representation of the two districts on both occasions.

There have been many pleasing duties of office, the first of which immediately following my election was to appoint Ex. Comp. William David Sturch of Beaver Chapter R.A.M. No. 225, as my secretary. I am thankful to him for the ready co-operation and assistance provided throughout our term of office. I am also reminded of the opportunity that is not often at hand, and that is to present on behalf of he Grand First Principal and The Grand Chapter, a 50 year Royal Arch Masons’ Jewel to Ex. Comp. G. Topper of Victoria Chapter R.A.M. No. 205. It was also my pleasure to present a number of 25 year Past Principal Jewels throughout the district.

It is now my pleasing duty to submit my report on the condition of Royal Arch Masonry in our district:

On April 28th, 1968, I met with many of the Excellent Principals of the respective chapters in the district, at which time arrangements for the most part were made for my official visits. All Chapters were subsequently visited in this capacity, and without exception I am pleased to report that the reception extended was warm and with the dignity that becomes the representative of the Most Excellent, the Grand First Principal.

All three degrees were conferred by the various Chapters and the quality of work with few exceptions was very well done. It is also noted that in a number of the Chapters, the young members including non-officer companions are actively encouraged to participate in the work of the ritual. If we are to create more enthusiasm and interest in these members, this is a point that is earnestly solicited for the consideration of all Chapters.

In reviewing the statistics from my reports and from discussions with the respective First Principals of the district, I must regretfully advise that our membership as well as attendance has somewhat declined. This factor continues to be largely attributed to deaths, demits and suspensions, as well as the very important fact that applications from prospective candidates are not coming forward in sufficient numbers.

An instruction night was held on February 5th, with the assistance of the District Masonic Education Committee composed of R. Ex. Comp. C. Platten, Chairman, R. Ex. Comp. O. R. Roberts and V. Ex. Comp. L. Wolgar. My sincere thanks go to these companions for the co-operation they have extended. A further instruction night is to follow on March
I feel that these meetings can and should be constructive as well as informative, but it is unfortunate that a higher percentage of the young officers and companions do not take advantage of these occasions.

Inter-visitation amongst the Chapters has been rather disappointing on some occasions, however I was pleased to submit a suggestion for instituting a workable schedule for this purpose at a meeting of the ruling principals. Every indication would indicate that it will be tried, and hopefully create additional interest throughout the district which will filter back into each individual Chapter.

It has been my pleasure to recommend a number of amendments on behalf of the respective Chapters to the Grand First Principal for his consideration. One of particular note, and I am aware that at least one other Chapter in the district may be contemplating a similar move, is the change to five regular convocations through the year as compared to the average of 8 or 9 previously at hand. My initial feeling is that it may be somewhat difficult to contain a workable and satisfying year into a short space of time. It will be interesting to follow the results here, and to see if such a change offers some solution towards more interest as well as better attendance.

On the various visits throughout the district, I have endeavoured to stress the importance of strong committees, especially in the areas of Attendance, Membership, Scholarship and Bursary, and with a few exceptions, I believe that the Chapters have workable committees which are making efforts to function well.

The team work and co-operative spirit of the Chapters in the District is generally considered to be good, although a few of the Chapters are experiencing some difficulty in maintaining a regular and full line of officers. This of course can be at least partially related to the decline in membership and attendance as well as the availability of new candidates. The district is certainly not without its problems, but these are not insurmountable, and I am confident that with all our support, we will prosper, for there is yet much interest and enthusiasm for Royal Arch Masonry.

In conclusion, I would say that if there has been any measure of success during my term of office, then a great debt of thanks is owing to my companions of the district for their support. I would also extend my sincere thanks to R. Ex. Comp. F. W. D. Welham and the many other companions of Grand Chapter Rank for their words of encouragement and counsel.

TORONTO WEST DISTRICT No. 8A
R. Ex. Comp. William Charles Arch

It is with much pleasure and gratification that I submit to you my report on Capitular Masonry in Toronto district 8A.

I would like to thank my fellow officers and companions of Centennial Chapter #260 for the great effort they made in promoting me to the office which I have sincerely and humbly tried to fill, also, I wish to extend my appreciation and best wishes to all the chapters in district 8A, for the outstanding support I have received in my visitsations.

To the Grand Chapter Officers whom I have had the pleasure of meeting and who have conveyed to me the inspiration and knowledge to help make this my banner year, I say thank you.

I chose as my secretary Ex. Com., Len. Stroud who has proved a very sincere and efficient help and has attended all of my official visits to the various chapters.

My calendar of visitation was set up early in the year and distributed to the various chapters.

A district meeting of ruling principals was held at Weston Temple
on Sunday, April 28, at which time the council voted to conduct the
schools of instruction and at that time a list of proposed official
instructions was discussed and dates set.

The official visits were all well attended and I was quite impressed
with the cordial and sincere manner in which my secretary and I were
received into each chapter and also, the very warm and fraternal
companionship at the Banquet table. I am pleased to say the work was
very efficiently put on by the various officers in each chapter. The
Scribes E. of the various chapters had very good financial reports but
I do think that the financial burden on some chapters has got to the
place where a very serious look and relief must be found.

The Divine service was held at St. Clements Riverdale Anglican
Church, 175 Jones Ave., on Sunday Nov. 17, for the two Toronto dis-
tricts of 8 and 8A, at which time Most Ex. Com., Stanley Portch and
other Grand Chapter officers took part. There was a very good turnout
of Companions and their ladies.

I am happy to report that although we have had quite a loss in
our district of members, 37 by withdrawals, 27 by suspension and 42 by
deaths, we still finished the year by an increase of 3 members in the
district. It speaks well for the officers and members of each chapter
who by their efforts, good work and exemplification of capitular mason-
ry in its finest form.

In conclusion, may I take a few words to thank the most Excellent
Grand First Principal, Stanley Portch for the leadership, fraternal
friendship and guidance that he has inspired this district 8A in the
achievements of this year.

GEORGIAN DISTRICT No. 9
R. Ex. Comp. Gordon Stanley Matthias

In submitting my report on Capitular Masonry in Georgian District
No. 9, I would first like to pay tribute to Most Ex. Comp. Stanley
Portch, our Grand First Principal, for his untiring patience, good
humour, and his extremely high calibre of leadership, which has been
a great source of inspiration to his lieutenants in the field. I would
also like to thank my Secretary, Ex. Comp, Rennie Garen, R. Ex. Comp.
Gordon Cruickshank, District Chaplain, and R. Ex. Comp. Gerald O.
Smith, Chairman of Masonic Education for the capable manner in
which they performed their respective duties; the faithful Companions
of Georgian Chapter who accompanied me on all my visits, official and
otherwise, and the carload of Companions from Signet Chapter in Bar-
rrie who never missed a meeting, whatever the distance or weather.

It would be nice if all the remarks could be encouraging at this
time, but one of our first admonishments was to be truthful. I must
therefore regret that our District membership has taken a drop of 17,
although one or two Chapters managed to show a gain. Also our re-
sponse to the appeal for the Bursary Fund has been most disappointing.
Many suggestions have been made for checking the loss in members,
but I would like to mention just three — meeting personally with de-
linquents, more careful screening of candidates, and also of officer
material.

On May 13 I had the pleasure of participating at Kitchikewana
Chapter along with M. Ex. Comp. Stanley Portch, Grand Z., R. Ex.
Comp. G. H. Shannon, Gr. H., R. Ex. Comp. Fred W. D. Welham, Gr.
J., and several other Grand Chapter officers in the portrayal of the
Royal Arch Degree.

At all official visits I was received in a cordial and dignified man-
ner, and the degree work, on the whole, was very well done. Several
Chapters had the support of a good reed or electric organ for the musi-
cal parts of the degree.
During the year the following 25 Year Past Principal's Jewels were presented: Ex. Comp. A. R. Whitney and R. Ex. Comp. Gordon G. Sinclair (posthumously) of Amabel Chapter; R. Ex. Comps. G. O. Smith and H. E. McCullough of Signet Chapter; R. Ex. Comp. Alfred W. J. Sherman of Mt. Horeb Chapter No. 20, presented in Collingwood; Ex. Comp. M. W. Brown of Chantry Chapter presented by the Grand Z. on the occasion of the Dedication of Amabel Chapter in Wiarton; Ex. Comp. C. H. Dobson, Couchiching Chapter; Ex. Comp. R. S. Cameron, Manitou Chapter.

50 Year Jewels were also presented to: Comps. A. F. MacLennan, D. R. Campbell, C. J. White and R. Ex. Comp. R. R. Wilson on Kitchikewana Chapter; Comp. N. E. Ruppert and R. Ex. Comp. W. C. Gorsline, Manitou Chapter.

I managed to visit each Chapter twice during my term, excepting Seguin at Parry Sound, which is almost 150 miles distant, one way. Although the top five officers in my own Chapter hold correspondingly high positions in their Craft Lodge, I was well-attended on all my visits.

At our organizational meeting of the District in May, it was found necessary to increase the levy owing to increased costs. It was felt that we would not be able to manage a District Divine Service this year, although I feel we should continue to work toward this worthy project.

On June 14th, I had the pleasure of attending Couchiching Chapter #198, Orillia, when the Companions of Mt. Sinai Chapter No. 212, Toronto, who had been visiting and entertaining the children at the Ontario Hospital, were also honored guests. We enjoyed a most interesting message brought by Major A. McCorquodale of the Salvation Army House of Concord, an institution proud of its record of reclamation of youthful offenders to a productive and law-abiding life.

Nov. 16th. was the most beautiful and impressive ceremony to be witnessed in Georgian District for several years past. Responding to the toast to Grand Chapter, our Grand First Principal, M. Ex. Comp. Stanley Portch thrilled the large assembly with a stirring challenge on the place Royal Arch Masons ought to be filling in their respective communities and churches today.

On Nov. 27, a well-planned Chapter of Instruction for the District was conducted in Manitou Chapter No. 27, Collingwood, by R. Ex. Comp. G. O. Smith, District Chairman of Masonic Education. Each Chapter was assigned and portrayed part of the work for criticism.

To the Most Ex. Comp. Stanley Portch, Grand First Principal, I would offer my deepest thanks for the privilege of representing him this year, and for his leadership and inspiration; to the other Grand Chapter officers, my appreciation for their fellowship; to my faithful Companions who accompanied me on all my visits, my everlasting gratitude; and to my successor my wish that he may enjoy the full support, co-operation and loyalty, in his term, of the Companions of Georgian District No. 9.

ONTARIO DISTRICT No. 10
R. Ex. Comp. Reninald Kenneth Burns

It is with a great deal of pleasure that I submit my report on the conditions of Capitular Masonry in Ontario District No. 10, but first I would like to take the opportunity to thank the Principals, and Past Principals of this District for the honour they bestowed on me and through me to Corinthian Chapter No. 36 for having elected me to the high office of Grand Superintendent and would also like to express my sincere thanks to Most Ex. Companion Stanley Portch for his confirmation of my appointment.

My first duty was to appoint Ex. Companion John W. Morrison, of my own Chapter, as my Secretary and I thank him for the co-operation
and assistance he has given me during my term of Office. He was most efficient and accompanied me on all my visits throughout the District. I would be remiss if I did not take this opportunity to express my thanks to V. Ex. Comp. David Miller Scribe E. of Corinthian Chapter No. 36 who also accompanied me on every visit.

A school of instruction was held on Wednesday June 26th at Corinthian Chapter No. 36, Peterborough. Most Ex. Companion C. W. Emmott, Chairman of the Masonic Instruction Committee addressed the gathering and answered a number of questions from the floor. Unfortunately there were a number of Chapters from the District not represented, this was regrettable because the school was held for Chapter Officers and it is they who would derive the most benefits from it.

All but one Chapter conferred or exemplified Degrees on my Official Visits. I was pleased to find the books of the Scribes E. of all Chapters in proper order, neatly kept and up to date. Some Chapters are extremely fortunate in having most efficient Scribes E. doing an excellent job.

I visited all Chapters at least twice and some more often I received the most cordial and fraternal welcome as the Representative of the Most Excellent The Grand First Principal. The Travelling Keystone accompanied me on all my Official Visits and was returned to my keeping by Ex. Comp. Wragg of Warkworth Chapter on December 17th at the regular Convocation of Corinthian Chapter No. 36.

On Sunday September 29th a District Divine Service was held at All Saint's Anglican Church, Peterborough. In attendance were Most Ex. Companion J. E. Girven, P. G. Z. and V. Ex. Companion T. R. Tompkins Grand Jr. Sojourner along with a number of Past Grand Chapter Officers and a goodly turnout of Companions from the District. Companions of Corinthian Chapter who are members of this Church acted as sidesmen for the Service. I had the pleasure of reading the lesson and an inspiring address was delivered by the Rector Rev. R. Keith McKean. Following the Service a social hour took place in the Church Parlours for the Companions and their families.

During my term in office I had the pleasure on behalf of the Most Excellent The Grand First Principal of presenting 50 year jewels to Companions Harcroft and Burnham of Victoria Chapter No. 37 Port Hope, at the same time I was to present Companion Pugh with his 50 year jewel but he was confined to the Hospital in Cobourg. V. Ex. Comp. C. P. McElroy and Ex. Comp. John Roy knowing the nature of his illness made the presentation to him at the Hospital on behalf of the Grand First Principal and myself. To these Ex. Companions I extend our sincere thanks as Companion Pugh has since passed away and the presentation may have in some way expressed our regard for this Companion. I also had the pleasure of presenting 25 Year Past Principals jewels to Rt. Ex. Comp. Harold Ferguson of Palestine Chapter No. 249 Bowmanville and Rt. Ex. Comp. A. G. Coppin of Pentalpha Chapter No. 28 Oshawa two Companions who have contributed a great deal to the success of their respective Chapters.

A summary from the reports received from the Chapters in the District show that there will be a loss in membership for 1968 generally speaking most Chapters in the District are not too badly off but there are a couple for whom the future outlook is not good. Unfortunately I have only been able to offer suggestions to overcome the decline in attendance and the loss in membership.

A unique situation will take place in our District in 1969 in as much as three Chapters namely Keystone Chapter No. 35 Whitby, Corinthian Chapter No. 36 Peterborough, and Victoria Chapter No. 37 Port Hope will be celebrating their Centennial. I have had, and will have, the pleasure in taking part in the events planned by Keystone
Chapter. As the other two Chapters are planning their receptions for later in the year the happy lot of attending these officially will fall to my successor.

In conclusion I would like to extend my thanks to the Officers and Companions in the District for the courtesies extended to me. The past year is one I will long remember because it has afforded me the opportunity of renewing many old friendships and making many new ones.

To my successor I extend my heartiest congratulations and trust that to him may be directed the full support and co-operation of the Companions that I have enjoyed.

PRINCE EDWARD DISTRICT No. 11

R. Ex. Comp. Lyle Byers Hagerman

It is a pleasure for me to submit my report as Grand Superintendent of Prince Edward District No. 11, to the Most Excellent, the Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

May I first of all, express thanks to the Companions of Prince Edward Chapter No. 31 in particular, and in general to the Companions of Prince Edward District No. 11 for electing me to this high office of Grand Superintendent. Also for confirmation given my election by Most Excellent Companion Stanley E. Portch, Grand First Principal.

My first pleasant duty was to appoint Excellent Companion J. Frank Root as my Secretary. This proved to be a happy and profitable choice, because of his faithfulness, and efficiency in his line of duty. His advice and assistance have been invaluable to me. My sincere thanks to Excellent Companion Root for his untiring efforts.

A reasonably good attendance was recorded at all of my official visits, and at each visit in the District. Upon inspection of the books and records of each Chapter, Excellent Companion Root reports that these are in order, — neat and well kept. On all of my official visits, I was received in a manner be fitting the representative of the Grand First Principal. Degree work was conferred at all of these meetings, and is uniform throughout the District.

Among my first pleasant duties as Grand Superintendent, was to present four Fifty-year jewels to two Companions in Trenton, and later to two others in Stirling Chapter. In Each case a pleasant hour was spent visiting with the Companions in their own homes.

Among the highlights of District events, was the conferring of the Royal Arch Degree, on June 8th, upon Fred Smith, son of Most Excellent Companion Bruce H. Smith, at Quinte Friendship Chapter in Belleville. Most Excellent Companion Portch and several other Grand Chapter officers were in attendance. The degree was conferred by St. George’s Chapter of London, in a capable and fitting manner.

The greatest joy to me in this year of office, was to see the Royal Arch Masons of the District file into the Bloomfield United Church, on the afternoon of September 29, for the District Divine Service. Each First Principal of the various chapters took an active part in the service, with the message being delivered by the Reverend Nathan Bowering, B.A.,B.D, Th.M. This was the first record of any history, — and as a result was well attended by members of the congregation. A major part of the offering was given to the Bursary Fund, and we were informed by Most Excellent Companion Searles, that this was the first donation to the fund from this source, — another first for Prince Edward District.

The One Hundred Year celebrations of Prince Edward Chapter No. 31 was held on November the 2nd, in the Eastern Star Hall with a capacity crowd attending the banquet. It was an honour to have Most Excellent Companion Portch as the guest speaker for the evening, who
gave an inspiring and lasting message. During the programme, Most Excellent Companion Portch presented a twenty-five year Past Principal's jewel to Right Excellent Companion Charles E. Goodwin, a member of Prince Edward Chapter No. 31. It was my pleasant duty to make a presentation of a gift to Most Excellent Companion Portch, on behalf of my Chapter, and for my wife to present Mrs. Portch with a sheaf of roses. On the following day, Mr. and Mrs. Portch, Mr. and Mrs. Root (District Sec'y) and Mr. and Mrs. York (First Principal of Prince Edward Chapter No. 31), accompanied me and my family to church in Bloomfield, afterward visiting the 150-year-old Masonic Temple in Picton, which is soon to be torn down.

Of the eight Chapters in the District, I was able to attend each of their installation ceremonies, and there took a small part in the investitures of the officers. These ceremonies were conducted in a capable manner, by the Past Principals of each Chapter, and I wish to offer my congratulations to them.

A schedule of inter-Chapter visits was drawn up in the early part of this term, and at the time of writing, these visits have been well received, and attendance has been beyond my expectations. Plans have been laid out for a school of instruction in the Royal Arch Degree, to be held in Belleville on March 29th, with officers from each Chapter taking part. The Companions also look forward to this event. All of which leads me to believe that capitulo Masonry in Prince Edward District No. 11, is still as strong as in years past.

In conclusion, may I say that Excellent Companion Root, and I have attended nearly one hundred meetings in the past year, and at each we have been cordially received, and have made many lasting friendships. May I take this opportunity to thank the Companions and all past officers of the District for the kindness and co-operation shown to me at all times. I do appreciate this and have enjoyed the fellowship very much.

To my successor, I extend my best wishes. I trust that the same support will be given to him as was given to me. With this same interest and co-operation. This District will continue in strength, and profit and pleasure will be the result.

ST. LAWRENCE DISTRICT No. 12
R. Ex. Comp. Ernest Bancroft Dangerfield

It is with pleasure that I respectfully submit my report on Capitular Masonry during my term of office as Grand Superintendent of St. Lawrence District No. 12.

I would like to take this opportunity to express my most sincere and humble thanks to all Companions of St. Lawrence District in providing me with the privilege of occupying this high and important office, and to Most Excellent Companion Stanley Portch for confirming my election.

It was my pleasure to appoint Excellent Companion Lorne Dool, Immediate Past Principal of Maitland Chapter No. 68 as my secretary, and I am most grateful to him for the very efficient and capable manner in performing his duties.

Official visits were made to the seven Chapters of the District between September 10th and December 20th 1968. On all occasions I was properly received. Degrees which were either conferred or exemplified were performed in prescribed manner. Companions in office were generally proficient in the duties of their respective offices. I am especially pleased to report that fellowship and co-operation between Chapter members and Companions in office are most favourable throughout the District.

I regret to report that there has been a decrease in attendance at
Chapter Convocations. I have endeavoured to impress on Chapter Attendance Committees that this is becoming a serious problem, not only to the individual Chapters, but reflects very definitely on the future of Grand Chapter as well.

Why attendance is decreasing causes considerable concern, when those faithful members who do attend are so enriched. One of the main causes may be due to communities being over-organized socially.

I suggest that individual Chapters as well as supporting worthy projects implemented by Grand Chapter should strive to sponsor or assist in worthy projects within their own locality. I am glad to report that some Chapters of this District are already involved, hereby demonstrating a noble expression of the brotherhood of man under the Fatherhood of God.

On January 15th, 1969, I had the honour and pleasure in presenting on behalf of the Grand First Principal and Grand Chapter 25 year Past Principal Jewels to worthy Companions of Covenant Chapter No. 113, Cornwall, in the persons of Excellent Companions C. E. Lagden and G. R. M. Stidwell.

Sussex-St. Lawrence Chapter No. 59 will host a Chapter of Instruction on February 22nd, 1969. The R. A. Degree will be exemplified in part by officers and members of Ancient-Frontenac and Cataraqui Chapter No. 1, Kingston, and by officers and members of Maitland Chapter No. 68, Kemptville. Rt. Ex. Companion W. H. Gummer and committee members have made arrangements to have Most Ex. Companion Charles W. Emmett present on this occasion, and we are looking forward to a most enjoyable and instructive meeting. This meeting should be well attended.

To my successor may I offer my support and co-operation and wish him the same loyal support I enjoyed during my term of office.

**OTTAWA DISTRICT No. 13**

R. Ex. Comp. Cedric Cecil Dale

In presenting the report on the condition of Royal Arch Masonry in the Ottawa District No. 13, may I take this opportunity to thank the Principals and Past Principals for the high honour they have conferred upon me by electing me to the office of Grand Superintendent and to Most Excellent Companion Stanley Portch, the Grand First Principal for confirming my election.

My first duty was to appoint Ex. Comp. F. F. Horton as District Secretary. He accompanied me on all of my official visits and I wish to thank him for the valuable assistance he rendered during the term.

A District meeting was held in Ottawa on May 30th, 1968 to discuss the work of the district and set up committees and arrange for the official visits in the fall. The Instruction committee is composed of R. Ex. H. T. C. Humphries, chairman, R. Ex. Comp. M. P. Morris and Ex. Comp. G. H. Patterson. Ex. Comp. W. L. Byers was appointed chairman of the Bursary Fund.

On all my visits I was received most cordially as the representative of the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal. There was a very fine feeling of friendship displayed throughout the district and the ritual work was done in a very creditable manner by all the chapters.

I am indeed sorry that the time at my disposal was so limited for giving assistance to the chapters and their officers in the district. After the general meeting is held, the summer recess is upon us and nothing can be accomplished until the fall season but the next three months are required to complete the official visits and then the months of December and January are required for elections and installations
when a new set of officers is placed in charge and you look forward to meeting of Grand Chapter.

I believe much more could be accomplished if the term of the Grand Superintendent began at the same time the First Principals of the chapters are installed. He could direct the committee on Masonic Instruction to visit each chapter before the summer recess and assist the officers in the ritual work and when the official visit is made in the fall term, they can be well prepared. Also I am sure the results for the Bursary Fund and other commitments made by the Grand Superintendent would have a better opportunity to be successful.

We are hoping that through the School of Instruction on Mar. 29th. 1969 many of the problems relating to our ritual work will be clarified and that to a greater extent there will be more uniformity throughout the district.

During the year, one 50 year Royal Arch Mason Jewel was presented to Comp. C. Proudfoot and the following received their 25 year Past Principals Jewel — Ex. Companions Molson, Purcell, Tario and Brown, and Ex. Comp. E. Clayton Smith on behalf of St. Andrews Chapter No. 228.

On June 2nd, 1968 I attended Divine Service sponsored by St. Francis Chapter No. 133, Smiths Falls Ontario at Trinity United Church, which was well attended by the companions.

On October 26th and 27th the Grand First Principal, M. Ex. Comp. S. Portch, with a large delegation from Toronto and Hamilton assisted the officers of Ottawa Chapter No. 222 when they welcomed the companions of Central City Chapter No. 70 of Syracuse, New York. This fraternal visit was the annual interchange of visits between these chapters and has strengthened the motto "Brotherhood across the Border." The afternoon session, after the exemplification of a M.E.M. was the inspiring addresses given by M. Ex. George Mason, Grand High Priest of the State of New York and our own Grand First Principal, M. Ex. Comp. Stanley Portch.

A very successful dinner dance completed the proceedings. On Sunday a District church service was held at Wesley United Church with R. Ex. Comp. Dr. H. W. Pointen, Past Grand Chaplain delivering a very inspiring sermon.

On Saturday Feb. 1st, 1969 at the seventy-fifth anniversary of Maple Chapter No. 116 at Carleton Place Ontario, we were privileged to have the Grand First and Third Principals present. The Most Ex. Comp. Stanley Portch, Grand First Principal, addressed the large gathering at the completion of the M.E.M. degree and also at the Birthday banquet which was attended by companions and their ladies.

The church service the following morning was well attended.

On Saturday March 29th, 1969 a School of Instruction is to be held at Carleton Place when M. Ex. Comp. C. Emmett, the Grand Lecturer will be in charge. The M.M.M. degree will be exemplified by Prince of Wales Chapter No. 226 Perth Ontario and the M.E.M. degree by Maple Chapter No. 116 Carleton Place Ontario. After the dinner Carleton Chapter No. 16 of Ottawa will exemplify the H.R.A. degree. We sincerely hope that by having this school of instruction there will be more uniformity in the ritual work throughout the district.

Dochert Chapter No. 248 Arnprior Ontario are planning to have the chapter room in their new Masonic Temple dedicated and are making plans accordingly.

In serving as the Grand Superintendent of the district. I have been enriched by the wealth of affectionate friendship that has come to me. I have met the responsibilities and discharged the duties to the best of my ability. I sincerely trust that my efforts have met with the approval of the companions of the district.
On my official visits through Algoma District, I found the Chapters in good condition, but all having the same problem, poor attendance.

I spoke about this in all my addresses to the different Chapters, and invited Suggestions, but no one came up with any.

We in Golden Chapter have tried Masonic education, where I have had different members (not Officers) read a paper on Masonic education, which has increased the attendance some but not as much as I would like. We have also put on entertainment at lunch.

Rainy River as you will see by my Report is gradually losing membership as they have only their own Blue Lodge to get Members from, however percentage wise, it was the best attended of all my visits. 45% of resident members were at the meeting.

I have been at all Golden Chapter meetings during the last year, but will not make my official visit till Feb. 26th, as The first principal was moved to Wisconsin last May, and my secretary Ex. Comp. F. O. Alcock acted as 1st. Principal at all the meetings till the installation of officers in January at which both he and I had to take an active part.

I attended when the board of Examiners, Examined Ex. Comp. D. Argent, and Found Him Well Skilled, also my Secretary was the auditor for Golden Chapter.

NEW ONTARIO DISTRICT No. 15
R. Ex. Comp. Alexander Finnie Killah

It is with much pleasure I submit my report on Royal Arch Masonry in new Ontario District No. 15.

My first official and pleasant duty was to appoint Ex. Companion T. Gillespie as my district secretary, the help he gave me during the year was deeply appreciated.

With the help of Rt. Ex. Comp. K. Shore I arranged a district Chapter of Instruction at Espanola Chapter No. 257 on September 28th, 1968 and in spite of the distance and travel involved, I am greatly enthused over the results of this meeting. Representation was present from each of the four district Chapters, and I feel that each of the twenty five Companions in attendance felt that it was a very profitable and worthwhile effort.

My official visits were arranged and fulfilled as follows:
St. John’s Chapter No. 103 North Bay: October 3rd, 1968
Tuscan Chapter No. 95 Sudbury: October 8th, 1968
Algonquin Chapter No. 102 Sault Ste. Marie: October 11th, 1968
Espanola Chapter No. 257 Espanola: October 15th, 1968

In all these visits we were very properly and graciously received, degrees were conferred at each meeting with the exception of Algonquin Chapter, where unfortunately the candidate was unable to attend, here they very kindly exemplified the M.E.M. degree. In every case the work was presented with dignity and precision and I was very happy with the attendance and the atmosphere apparent in each of the Chapters. I endeavoured during my visits to stress the importance of real live committees, Masonic education and tried to encourage participation in the Bursary and scholarship fund.

I had the honour during my term of office to present two twenty five years Past Principal Jewels on behalf of the Most Excellent Grand Z. and Grand Chapter, to Rt. Ex. Comp. J. G. Maroosis of St. John’s Chapter and Rt. Ex. Comp. P. A. Coates of Tuscan Chapter.

On December 13th, 1968 I had the pleasure of attending a very special meeting of Algonquin Chapter No. 102. This meeting was organized as a dinner meeting to honour those members who had been Royal Arch Masons for twenty five years or more.
This was indeed a very pleasant and enjoyable evening, with fifty eight members sitting down to dinner, twenty five of them Twenty Five year members, the true spirit of Masonry was truly exemplified. With so many distinguished Royal Arch Masons present I felt very humble although highly honoured to be the guest speaker on this very special occasion. The theme of my address was Friendship and the need for true Masons in the world of today, I trust and hope that my remarks were worthy and appropriate to this august gathering.

In January with the help of several Past Principals of the respective Chapters I installed the newly elected and appointed officers of Tuscan Chapter No. 95 and Espanola Chapter No. 257.

I wish to take this opportunity to extend sincere thanks to Grand Chapter and the Benevolent Committee for the help extended to Comp. M. D. — of Algonquin Chapter, this assistance is deeply appreciated by the family, the members of Algonquin Chapter and New Ontario District No. 15 in general.

Two devoted Royal Arch Masons have been lost in the district during the year, in the passing of Rt. Ex. Comp. E. Smith (member of Grand executive) and Rt. Ex. Comp. W. L. Brown (Scribe E. of St. John's Chapter, North Bay for many years). Their untimely deaths is a sad blow to Royal Arch Masonry and they will be sorely missed.

The general overall picture of Capitular Masonry in this district is reasonably good, there is still the problem of location and distance of travel by the members of Espanola Chapter, but I do strongly believe that the new slate of Officers in this Chapter are capable with a little help, of reviving the enthusiasm in this Chapter.

In conclusion I wish to extend sincere thanks to the Past First Principals of New Ontario District in electing me as the District Superintendent and to the Grand Z. for having approved of their choice. To me it has been a very gratifying year, and while I feel that so much more could have been done I trust that in some small way I was able to be worthy of the trust placed in me.

To my successor may I extend congratulations and the wish that he may receive the same co-operation and support which I have enjoyed.

TEMISKAMING DISTRICT No. 16

R. Ex. Comp. Robert G. Childs

It is with a great deal of pleasure that I submit my report for Temiskaming District No. 16 for the year 1968-1969.

I was accompanied on all my visits by Ex. Companion William J. Cock who assisted me in a great many ways as my Secretary. His devotion to Royal Arch Masonry was an inspiration to all members with whom he came in contact.

On Friday evening, May 17th, 1969 I had the privilege of meeting the Grand First Principal and the Grand Council in Haileybury Ont., for the purpose of dedicating a new Chapter Room for Temiskaming Chapter No. 169.

On Saturday May 18th, 1968 the Grand First Principal and Grand Chapter members visited Northern Lights Chapter on the occasion of that Chapters Fiftieth Anniversary. A banquet was held in their honour in the evening and was attended by local and area Chapter and Blue Lodge members.

On Sunday morning the Grand Chapter Members accompanied the Members of Northern Lights Chapter No. 213 and their visiting Chapter members to a Divine Service at St. Mathews Anglican Cathedral.

Both of these events helped create a renewed interest in Royal Arch Masonry in the District.

The 23rd of October, 1968 was my official visit to Kirkland Lake Chapter No. 251. The members conferred the M.E.M. degree in a most
efficient manner. The visit with the members after the closing of the Chapter was a most enjoyable one.

On the 14th of November, 1968 I visited Temiskaming Chapter No. 169 at Haileybury. The M.E.M. degree was conducted in a capable manner. The new Chapter Room appears to have stimulated Royal Arch Masonry in this jurisdiction and their future prospects look very promising. Their members are loyal and efficient.

The 20th November, 1968 was the night of my official visit to Northern Lights Chapter No. 213. This is my home Chapter and I have a great deal of affection for its officers and members. The R.A.M. degree was conferred in a dignified and efficient manner.

On the 28th of November, 1968 I made my visit to Abitibi Chapter No. 223. This Chapter meets in the Masonic Hall in Timmins as they still do not have a chapter room of their own in Iroquois Falls. They are functioning under difficult circumstances and it is only the grim determination of their own membership that is keeping the Chapter together. It is sincerely hoped that in the very near future they will come into possession of a chapter room of their own and that Royal Arch Masonry in the Iroquois Falls district will once more prosper and flourish.

The condition of capitular masonry looks much brighter in Temiskaming District No. 16 than it has for years.

I would like to extend my grateful thanks to the members of all the Chapters in the district for electing me to this very high office and for the courtesy shown to me and Ex. Comp. William J. Cock during our visits.

GRAND TREASURER'S STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS

To the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Muset Excellent Grand Z. and Companions:

I submit herewith Statement of Receipts and Disbursements for the period March 1, 1968, to February 28, 1969.

GENERAL ACCOUNT

RECEIPTS

Balance—February 29, 1968 ........................................ $ 5,121.08

Received from Grand Scribe "E":

Receipts from Chapters ........................................... $26,870.09

Transfer from Life Membership Fund .................................. 1,640.10

Transfer from Chapters Life Membership Fund .................... 71.99

Transfer from Scholarships and Bursaries Fund ................. 69.76

Interest on Investments ........................................... 2,362.50

Sales to other Grand Chapters ..................................... 457.50

Credit to Capital Expenditures ................................... 200.00

Sales of Histories .................................................. 571.25

Sundry Sales .......................................................... 4.60

Sale of Canada Permanent Mortgage Corp. G.I.C. - 61/2%, Nov. 1, 1968 .................................................. 2,000.00

.......................................................................................... 34,247.79

...................................................................................... $39,368.87

DISBURSEMENTS

Grand Scribe "E" Office:

Compensation ............................................................ $6,100.00

Assistants ................................................................. 4,520.61

Rent ............................................................................ 2,688.00

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Canada Pension Plan and G.S.E.
Annuity ........................................ 644.02
Miscellaneous .................................. 1,207.98
Printing:
Proceedings .................................. 2,286.29
General ......................................... 533.93
Travelling:
Grand "Z." ................................... 2,000.00
General ......................................... 159.35
Expenses:
Grand Convocation ............................. 3,987.77
Grand Executive ................................. 2,067.73
Grand Historian and Reviewer ............... 323.38
Audit Fee ....................................... 600.00
Jewels, Medals and Engraving ............... 729.68
Education and Instruction ...................... 621.38
Masonic Library ................................ 125.00
Supplies for resale ............................. 1,866.37
Insurance ...................................... 10.00
Charged to Capital Expenditures ............. 352.39
Scholarship and Bursaries Fund Expenses .... 133.54
Bank Service Charges ......................... 9.85
Overdraft Interest ............................ 13.50
Safety Deposit Box Rental ..................... 10.00
Purchase of Canada Permanent
Mortgage Corp G.I.C., Oct. 18, 1971 ........ 2,000.00
L.M. Fund Cheque charged back ............... 20.00

Balance, February 28, 1969 .................. 33,010.77

$39,368.87

VICTORY THANKSGIVING BENEVOLENT FUND RECEIPTS

Balance—February 29, 1968 .................. $2,702.49

Received from Grand Scribe "E":
Interest on Investments ....................... $3,898.26
Bank Interest .................................. 86.95
Sale of Sterling Trust Corp, G.I.C.
5%%, Jan. 2, 1969 ............................ 3,000.00
Sale of Govt. of Canada, 2 3/4%,
June 15, 1968 ................................. 8,000.00
Sale of Province of Ontario, 2 3/4%,
July 15, 1968 ................................ 1,000.00
Sale of Canada Permanent
Mortgage Corp., 5 1/2%,
Aug. 15, 1968 ................................ 21,000.00
Sale of Canada Permanent
Mortgage Corp., 6 1/2%,
Nov. 1, 1968 ................................. 6,500.00
Sale of Canada Permanent
Mortgage Corp., 6 1/2%,
Nov. 27, 1968 ................................ 2,000.00

$45,485.21

DISBURSEMENTS

Benevolent Grants ............................ $1,840.00
Purchase of Canada Permanent
Mortgage Corp. Debentures:
7 1/2%—June 15, 1971 ......................... 8,000.00

$48,187.70
7½%—July 15, 1971 ..................... 1,000.00
7½%—Aug. 15, 1971 ..................... 21,000.00
7½%—Nov. 1, 1971 ..................... 6,500.00
7½%—Nov. 27, 1971 ..................... 2,000.00
7½%—Jan. 9, 1972 ..................... 3,000.00
Miscellaneous ..................... .18

$48,187.70

GRAND CHAPTER LIFE MEMBERSHIP FUND
RECEIPTS
Balance—February 29, 1968 ..................... $3,221.33
Received from Grand Scribe “E”: 
Commutations ................................ $1,480.00
Interest on Investments ..................... 770.00
Bank Interest ................................ 87.43

2,337.43

$5,558.76

DISBURSEMENTS
Transferred to General Fund ..................... $1,640.10
Balance—February 28, 1969 ..................... 3,918.66

$5,558.76

CHAPTERS’ LIFE MEMBERSHIP FUND
RECEIPTS
Balance—February 29, 1968 ..................... $249.64
Received from Grand Scribe “E.”: 
Bank Interest ................................ 8.18

8.18

$257.82

DISBURSEMENTS
Transferred to General Fund ..................... $ 71.99
Balance—February 28, 1969 ..................... 185.83

$257.82

SCHOLARSHIPS AND BURSARIES FUND
RECEIPTS
Balance—February 29, 1968 ..................... $5,051.46
Received from Grand Scribe “E.”: 
From Chapters ................................ 5,995.80
Interest on Investments ..................... 358.50
Bank Interest ................................ 120.79

6,475.09

$11,526.55

DISBURSEMENTS
Bursaries and Scholarships (14) ..................... $4,750.00
Miscellaneous Expenses ..................... 69.76

$4,819.76

Balance—February 28, 1969 ..................... 6,706.79

$11,526.55

Respectfully submitted,

FRED W. DEAN, P.G.Z.,
Grand Treasurer.

Examined and verified—John D. Lewars, C.A., Auditor.

Moved by M. Ex. Comp. F. Dean, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. Harold Shannon and—

Resolved—That the report of the Grand Treasurer be received and adopted.
REPORT OF THE GRAND SCRIBE E.

To the Most Excellent the Grand Z., Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

I present herewith my eighth Annual Report as Grand Scribe E. covering a detail of the Receipts, Special Credits and the Ledger Balances of the Constituent Chapters as of February 28, 1969. The Annual Returns of the 156 Chapters have been received, reviewed and tabulated. All have been examined and verified by Grand Chapter Auditor, Bro. John D. Lewars, C.A.

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Examined and Verified; (Signed) John D. Lewars, C.A. 40,392.22

GRAND SCRIBE E. REMARKS

In presenting to you this my eighth annual Report I do so somewhat reluctantly and with a certain amount of sadness. There are basically two things uppermost in my mind, firstly the well being of our beloved Order and secondly, as your Grand Scribe E., the working of Grand Chapter office.

Since my last reporting Lorne Chapter No. 164 is considered inactive. Unhappily I must also duplicate my remarks of a year ago respecting membership with exaltations being down 19%, affiliations down 68% and restorations with a reduction of 27%. Although, withdrawals for the year was reduced 35% from previously and suspensions were also reduced 29%, the deaths were increased by 3%, resulting in a net loss of 420 members for the 1968 period.

As in former years the late receiving of the Chapter Annual Returns presented many problems for Grand Chapter office in their endeavour to have everything compiled in time for the Auditors and for use of the various committees. It took numerous telegrams and several letters to obtain the late Reports, necessitating extra work when the office could ill afford it and placing added unnecessary expenses on our already strained budget. Physically 43 Reports were received during the month of February and the last received in March. It is sincerely hoped that the Notice of Motion being placed before Grand Chapter will
maternally assist in having Reports received at Grand Chapter office according to the Constitutional requirements. Also as in past years it required many hours of overtime in order to have all the material checked and correlated so as I could again present to you a full accurate membership report. Your Grand Scribe E. has been working well over sixty hours per week, due mainly to the late Reports and having an inexperienced secretary in Grand Chapter office. There is no excuse for the many delinquent Reports, received annually at this time of year. There being but one girl in Grand Chapter office and if she does not, or is unable to do certain work then your Grand Scribe E. must of necessity do this unfinished work. The revising of the office procedures, in use for over one hundred years, had resulted in a far more accurate control of the membership statistics and now permits your Grand Scribe E. to check the figures prior to Grand Chapter as in previous years the checking was usually done in the summer recess which made it impossible to then correct the figures for the Proceedings. I feel sure you will concur with me in feeling that this revision has enabled Grand Chapter office to more quickly answer Chapter questions concerning membership records. It is very gratifying to note the great deal of effort being done on the revision of the Constitution which should produce regulations in keeping with the changes in the mode of present day requirements. As an illustration may I point out that constitutionally it is vitally impossible for the Grand Scribe E. to have a cheque issued on Grand Chapter should one of the signing officers be absent or seriously ill, and only then after it has been approved by the Chairman of Finance.

In the past criticism has been levelled at the Grand Treasurer and the Auditor reports inasmuch as they do not agree one with another however, you realize that one report is a bookkeeping account and the other is an audit statement and it is impossible for these to agree and in not agreeing they could both be correct.

With the heavy load of normal work at Grand Chapter office, including numerous Committee requirements it is not surprising when the secretary is now expected to follow the Grand Chapter procedures becomes frustrated or finds she can not do all the “Girl Friday” demands and takes a lesser position with some other concern who offers better remuneration plus the usual extra benefits.

My present secretary, Miss Wright, came into Grand Chapter office at the beginning of the very rush period and I would be remiss indeed if I did not express my appreciation to her for the sincere effort she is waging to learn the work and to generally make herself helpful to Grand Chapter. She is always endeavouring to keep up with the day's mailings and does not hesitate to stay until that particular part is completed. Her cheerful co-operation is indeed appreciated.

In closing I would also like to extend my appreciation to all of the Scribes E. of the constituent Chapters and to the Grand Superintendents who have assisted me through the year and to their successors in office pledge to them my support and assistance whenever needed.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert John Hamilton,
Grand Scribe E.

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. R. J. Hamilton, seconded by the Grand H., and—

Resolved—That the report as presented be received and adopted.
AUDITOR’S FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Most Excellent Companion, Stanley Portch, Grand First Principal, Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario. Most Excellent Sir:

I have made my regular examination of the books of account and supporting records of the Grand Scribe E. and the Grand Treasurer of the Grand Chapter of the Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario for the fiscal year ended February 28, 1969. From this examination, I have prepared the statements listed below and I now present them together with my comments thereon:

Exhibit “A”—Balance Sheet as at February 28, 1969.
Exhibit “B”—Comparative Revenue and Expenditure Account for the year ended February 28, 1969.
Schedule “1”—The Victory Thanksgiving Benevolent Fund as at February 28, 1969.
Schedule “3”—The Chapters’ Life Membership Fund as at February 28, 1969.
Schedule “4”—The Scholarships and Bursaries Fund as at February 28, 1969.

COMMENTS

The Petty Cash Fund was counted at the time of my examination and found to be in order. Vouchers were examined in support of all disbursements from this fund. The several bank balances, shown in Exhibit “A” and Schedules “1”, “2”, “3” and “4” were verified as at February 28, 1969 and all the bank transactions in the several funds for the year then ended were examined.

The Accounts Receivable from the various Chapters were reviewed in detail and appear to be proper charges and collectible. I am pleased to note, that as at the time of my examination, all Annual Returns had been received from the constituent Chapters.

The inventories of supplies for resale and Jewels were furnished to me by your Grand Scribe E. without further verification by me.

The investments of the several funds are set out in detail in Exhibit “A” and Schedules “1”, “2” and “4”. These investments are held in a safe-deposit box the City Hall Branch of The Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce in the joint custody of any two of the Grand Scribe E., the Grand Treasurer, the Grand First Principal and the President of the Executive Committee. These investments were counted on March 21, 1969 and found to be in order.

So far as I was able to ascertain, from due inquiry of the officials concerned and from the information presently available, all known liabilities of the various funds were taken up in the books of account as at February 28, 1969 and are reflected in the attached statements. During the fiscal year under review, proceeds from the disposal of equipment were credited to the Reserve for Capital Expenditure and expenditures for equipment were charged to this Reserve.

Details of operations of the General Fund for the fiscal year ended February 28, 1969, as shown by the books of account of the Grand Scribe E., are set out in Exhibit “B” and compared with the budget for the fiscal year under review, as approved by Grand Chapter.

I note that during 1967 the annual dues were increased to $1.30 per member. At the same time, the commutation fee for life members was increased from $10.00 to $20.00. I should like to point out, again, that at the time the $10.00 was established, it was only expected to produce $0.50 per annum. Using this reasoning, a commutation fee of $20.00
should only be expected to produce $1.00 per annum. I realize that when
the commutation fees were originally established, it was only expected
that the Life Membership Fund or Commuted Membership Fund would
earn an average of 3% per annum, and now it is earning in excess of
this rate. I would also point out that the average life-expectancy of
your members has probably increased in accordance with national
averages, which would mean that members may be out-living their con-
tribution to the fund. I would also point out that the creation of a life-
member status means that Grand Chapter and also the constituent Chap-
ters, if they adhere to Section 246 of the Constitution, are committing
themselves to a fixed annual income from these members in the face of
steadily rising costs and consequently rising dues. I recommend that
this Fund be reviewed by a competent Actuary to determine whether or
not it is in sound financial position. I would also recommend that con-
sideration be given to deletion or reduction of the life-member category,
both insofar as the individual Chapters and Grand Chapter are con-
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During the fiscal year ended February 28, 1969, the following
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As in preceding years, interim examinations were made of the books of account of the Grand Scribe E. and the Grand Treasurer and tentative interim reports were submitted as of August 31, 1968 and November 30, 1968.

My examination included a general review of the accounting procedures and such tests of the accounting records and other supporting evidence as I considered necessary under the circumstances. I have obtained all the information and explanations which I have required.

In my opinion, subject to the foregoing comments, the attached Balance Sheet and related statements are drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the financial affairs of the Grand Chapter of the Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario as at February 28, 1969 and the results of its operations for the year then ended, according to the best of my information and the explanations afforded to me and as shown by the books of the Grand Chapter.

All of which is fraternally submitted,

JOHN D. LEWARS, C.A.

BALANCE SHEET AS AT FEBRUARY 28, 1969

"Exhibit "A"

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SPECIAL FUNDS:
The Victory Thanksgiving Benevolent Fund
(Schedule “1”) ........................................ 73,503.60
The Commuted Membership Fund
(Schedule “2”) ........................................ 25,382.90
The Chapters’ Life Membership Fund
(Schedule “3”) ........................................ 185.83
The Scholarship and Bursaries Fund
(Schedule “4”) ........................................ 17,394.25

116,466.58

$195,810.92

LIABILITIES
CURRENT LIABILITIES:
Due to Victory Thanksgiving Benevolent Fund $2,999.82
Accounts Payable .................................... 2.20
Reserve for Capital Expenditure .................. 13.71
Reserve for Special Funds .......................... 116,466.58

GENERAL RESERVE:
Balance—March 1, 1968 ............................ 75,854.62
Add: Excess of Revenue over Expenditure
(Exhibit “B”) ........................................ 473.99
76,328.61

$195,810.92

COMPARATIVE REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT
For The Year Ended February 28, 1969

REVENUE

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Estimated Surplus for the year ended February 28, 1969 $ 529.00
Excess of Revenue over Expenditure for the Year ended February 28, 1969 $ 473.99 $ 55.01

EXPENDITURE

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**ANNUAL CONVOCATION, TORONTO, 1969**

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**PRINTING:**

Proceedings 2,400.00 2,309.67 90.33
General 533.93 
“Keystone” Bulletin 1,100.00 583.12 *17.05

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**TRAVELLING:**

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General 159.35 

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**EXPENSES:**

Convocation 3,700.00 3,987.77 *287.77
Executive Committee 2,100.00 2,054.21 45.79

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**OTHER:**

Jewels and Engraving 1,100.00 627.65 472.35
Grant to Masonic Library 125.00 125.00
Liability Insurance 963.00 947.12 15.88
Education & Instruction 300.00 38.26 261.74
Supplies for Resale 1,000.00 1,152.66 *152.66
Regalia Repairs 75.00 

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**TOTAL EXPENDITURES** 31,021.00 30,613.43 407.57

Schedule “1”

**THE VICTORY THANKSGIVING BENEVOLENT FUND**

As at February 28, 1969

**BALANCE—MARCH 1, 1968**

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**BALANCE—FEBRUARY 28, 1969**

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| **Total** | **$73,503.60** |
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Deduct: Unamortized Discount                      | 383.04  |

**Balance—February 28, 1969**                     | **$73,503.60**|

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## THE COMMUTED MEMBERSHIP FUND — GRAND CHAPTER

### As at February 28, 1969

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### ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

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LIABILITIES:
Due to General Fund ........................................ 852.43
Deposits received from Chapters re Honorary or Commuted Memberships to be accepted when provisions of the Constitution have been adhered to ........................................ 40.00 892.43

Balance—February 28, 1969 ..................................... $25,382.90

THE CHAPTERS' LIFE MEMBERSHIP FUND
As at February 28, 1969

Balance—March 1, 1968 ........................................ $212.15
Add—Bank Interest ........................................ 8.18

Less—1968 Dues Transferrable to General Account for Credit to the Chapters’ Accounts ......................... 34.50

Balance—February 28, 1969 ..................................... $185.83
Cash in Bank .................................................. $185.83

THE SCHOLARSHIPS AND BURSARIES FUND
As at February 28, 1969

Balance—March 1, 1968 ........................................ $15,784.70
Add:
Donations ................................................... $5,995.80
Interest on Investments ..................................... 376.50
Bank Interest ................................................ 120.79 6,493.09

Deduct:
Scholarships and Bursaries ................................ 4,750.00
Sundry Expenses ............................................ 133.54 4,883.54

Balance—February 28, 1969 ..................................... $17,394.25

Cash in Bank .................................................. 6,706.79
Accrued Interest .............................................. 213.00 6,919.79

Investments:
State of Israel—December 1, 1976 ...................... 300.00
Province of Ontario—3%—Oct. 15, 1977 ............ 7,000.00
Government of Canada—4½%—Sept. 1, 1983 ........ 3,300.00 10,600.00

17,519.79
Due to General Fund ..........................................................  125.54
Balance—February 28, 1969 ............................................  $17,394.25

This report was presented by the Grand Treasurer, and on motion of M. Ex. Comp. F. Dean, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. H. Shannon, it was received and adopted.

REPORT OF THE PRINTING COMMITTEE

To the Most Excellent Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Your Committee on Printing has received the expenditures for the year ending February 28th, 1969, and submits the following analysis in support thereof:

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It is respectfully requested that the following monies be placed at the disposal of the Printing Committee for the fiscal year 1969-70:

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Fraternally submitted,

R. Ex. Comp. E. K. Hogaboom, Chairman.
R. Ex. Comp. C. W. Spicer
R. Ex. Comp. H. E. Fackrell

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. Hogahoon, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. Spicer, and—
Resolved—That the Report of the Printing Committee be received and adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON INVESTMENTS

To the Most Excellent, the Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario, 1968-69.

Your committee reports the following investments:

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VICTORY THANKSGIVING BENEVOLENT FUND

Province of Ontario, 3%, Oct. 15, 1977 ..................................  $1,000.00
Hydro Electric Power Comm., 3½%, Oct. 18, 1979 ......................  2,000.00
National Trust Co. Ltd. G.I.C. 6%, Nov. 16, 1970 .....................  9,000.00
Dominion of Canada, 4½%, Sept. 1, 1983 ...............................  11,700.00
Royal Trust Co. G.G.I.R., 6½%, Nov. 30, 1971 .........................  3,000.00
Canada Perm. Mortg. Corp., 7½%, June 14, 1971 .......................  8,000.00
Canada Perm. Mortg. Corp., 7½%, July 15, 1971 .......................  1,000.00
Canada Perm. Mortg. Corp., 7½%, Aug. 15, 1971 .......................  21,000.00
Canada Perm. Mortg. Corp., 7%, Nov. 1, 1971 .........................  6,500.00
Canada Perm. Mortg. Corp., 7%, Nov. 27, 1971 .......................  2,000.00
Canada Perm. Mortg. Corp., 7½%, Jan. 9, 1972 .......................  3,000.00

Total ................................................................. $68,200.00

LIFE MEMBERSHIP FUND
City of Metro Toronto, 3½%, May 2, 1975 ................................  $22,000.00

SCHOLARSHIP AND BURSARY FUND
Province of Ontario, 3%, Oct. 15, 1977 ................................  7,000.00
Dominion of Canada, 4½%, Sept. 1, 1983 ...............................  3,300.00
State of Israel Savings Bonds, Dec. 1, 1976, Face Value ..........  300.00
(Maturity Value—$480.00)

Total ................................................................. $10,600.00

In the General Fund the $2,000.00 invested with Canada Permanent Mortgage Corp., at 6½% was re-invested for three years at 7¼%.

The big change occurred in the Victory Thanksgiving Benevolent Fund where $41,500.00 of investments matured, including some of our low interest bearing bonds, and this money was all invested or re-invested with Canada Permanent Mortgage Corp. at the rates prevailing at the time of the transactions.

It is the studied opinion of your present chairman that our present investment portfolio is particularly sound and any conversion to a better interest bearing group, would be too costly.

I acknowledge with grateful thanks the assistance and guidance of the Grand Council, the Grand Treasurer and the Grand Scribe E., on whose behalf this report is presented.

Fraternally submitted,

R. Ex. Comp. FRED SCOTT,
Chairman of Investments

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. F. Scott, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. Harold Shannon, and—

Resolved—That the report of the Investment Committee be received and adopted.

REPORT ON WARRANTS AND DISPENSATIONS

We beg to report, there has been no requests submitted to this Committee for our consideration.

Sincerely and fraternally submitted,

R. EX. COMP. GEORGE A. LAUZON, Chairman.

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. Lauzon, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. John Milloy, and—

Resolved—That the report on Warrants and Dispensations be received and adopted.
REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON GRIEVANCES AND APPEALS

To the Most Excellent Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of Grand Chapter.

Most Excellent Sir:

Your Committee on Grievances and Appeals submits the following report:

We would first direct attention to the Report of the Committee on Grievances and Appeals which will be found on pages 74 and 75 of the 1968 Grand Chapter Proceedings so far as it relates to the appeal entered by Rt. Ex. Comp. Dickenson against a judgment rendered by a Commission appointed by the then Grand Z. Most Ex. Comp. J. E. Girven. After considering carefully the representations made by Mr. Jackson, legal counsel for Rt. Ex. Comp. Dickenson, the Grievances and Appeals Committee dismissed the appeal and recommended that Rt. Ex. Comp. Dickenson be suspended and be instructed to appear before the Grand Chapter Executive Committee to show cause why he should not be expelled. This judgment was in due course forwarded to Mr. Jackson, legal counsel for Rt. Ex. Comp. Dickenson, who subsequently advised the Grand Scribe E. that he was entering an appeal. The Grand Chapter Advisory Committee then decided that Rt. Ex. Comp Dickenson and his legal counsel, Mr. Jackson, should be afforded an opportunity of pleading an appeal before the Grand Chapter Executive Committee any time during the afternoon of April 28th. Mr. Jackson was advised of this decision by letter sent to him by the G.S.E.

Your committee has been advised by the G.S.E. that no acknowledgment has been received by him from Mr. Jackson and as Dr. Dickenson or his legal counsel did not appear before the Grand Executive on April 28th you recommend to Grand Chapter as follows:

Following a review of all the evidence we agree with the verdict of guilty as charged decided by the Commission appointed by Most Ex. Comp. Girven and which consisted of Most Ex. Comp. A. G. N. Bradshaw (chairman), Rt. Ex. Comp. Leo Gent and Rt. Ex. Comp. J. Lloyd Gillespie. Likewise we have considered carefully the report of the Grievances and Appeals Committee comprised of Most Ex. Comp. M. A. Searle (chairman), Most Ex. Comp. Dean and Rt. Ex. Comp. G. Harold Shannon and the judgment submitted by them and approved by the Grand Chapter Executive Committee and Grand Chapter without a dissenting vote.

Your committee now recommends to this Grand Chapter that it affirms the previous judgments of guilty as charged and that as Rt. Ex. Comp. Dickenson or his counsel did not appear before the Grand Chapter Executive Committee he stands expelled from this Grand Chapter and be barred from any Royal Arch Masonic privileges.

R. EX. COMP. D. S. STEPHENS,
EX. COMP. R. CHANDLER.
M. EX. COMP. B. SMITH, Chairman.

Moved by M. Ex. Comp. B. Smith, seconded by M. Ex. Comp. M. Searle, and—

Resolved—That the report of the Committee on Grievances and Appeals be received and adopted.

REPORT ON THE GRAND Z.'s ADDRESS

To the Most Excellent The Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

The Committee on the Grand Z.'s Address has reviewed the same and make their report herewith.

We endorse the cordial welcome he gave the distinguished visitors
from other Grand Jurisdiction of Canada and the U.S.A., and join with him in acknowledging the wonderful hospitality and companionship shown this Grand Chapter by other Grand Jurisdictions.

His special reference to the Grand Master, A.F. & A.M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario, Most Wor. Bro. and Very Ex. Comp. Donald J. Gunn and his Grand Secretary Most Wor. Bro. and Ex. Comp. E. G. Dixon is endorsed by this committee.

His recognition of the representatives of the various branches of the Masonic Family is most fitting and receives the approval of this Committee.

We join with our Grand Z. in tribute and silent memory to all from this Grand Body who have been summoned to the Supreme Grand Chapter Above since we last met.

We join with the Grand Z. in his words of appreciation to the Principals Association of Toronto Districts 8 and 8A for the work they contributed to make this 111th Annual Convocation such a success. They are most proficient in planning and conducting these Grand Chapter sessions.

As we review the visitations our Grand Z. has made during the past year, we not only congratulate him on giving of his energies, time and voice for the cause of Royal Arch Masonry, we also give humble thanks to the Great Jehovah for giving him health and strength to perform his heavy schedule, for the wisdom He endowed him with to rule on the many questions and requests made to him.

We are grateful to him for the dignity and fidelity he exhibited in representing this Grand Jurisdiction of Ontario in his visits to other Grand Chapter Sessions and Constituent Chapters.

We note with pleasure, the reference our Grand Z. makes to those veterans of 50 and 60 years service, and being presented with their long service jewels, and those Past Principals of 25 years. We congratulate them on reaching these milestones in the Craft, and join with him in wishing them continued health so that we can draw on their knowledge and wisdom.

Honours for service is the just reward for those our Grand First Principal recommends for Distinguished Service Award. We can only add, that we hope that all Chapters are advising the Committee of any Companion whose devotion to the Royal Craft is deserving of this award.

We commend our Grand Z. for his reference to 100th Anniversaries of Chapters, as a time for thanksgiving and celebration.

Every Chapter should take advantage of any anniversary to create special activities in their Chapters. We are of the opinion and agree with our Grand Z. that the lack of the social side of our Chapters has been one of the main causes of the lethargy that has befallen our Order. Some Chapters have found out that dances, parties and ladies’ night has been a stimulant to attendance and interest in their Chapters, and we strongly recommend all Chapters give more attention to this side of our Chaper life.

Bursary and Scholarship Fund — We commend the reference made regarding this fund and his correction to the error that has appeared in notices, that, ‘Grand Chanter expects a $1.00 donation from each Mem- ber” — this should read, ‘If each Companion were to give $1.00 per year, what a healthy state the fund would be in and what a great work Most Ex. Comp. Searle and his Committee could do”.

We feel if all Scribes were to present the need of personal donation, to the Membership in a more forceful and intelligent manner in the monthly notice, a bigger response would be forthcoming.

Our Grand Z.’s words of appreciation to the various Committees of Grand Chapter are endorsed by your Committee, and we also concur with him in calling special attention to our Grand H. for his work on revising the Constitution, after 50 years.
Your Committee, after carefully considering the circumstances, approve the recommendation of the Grand Principal to award the rank of Past Principal on Ex. Comp. W. E. Knill of Waterloo Chapter, and, on Ex. Comp. John Coles of St. Marks Chapter, and urge this Grand Body to sanction same.

Your Committee is most pleased with the recommendation of the Grand Z. in his appointment of Rt. Ex. James L. Woodland to honorary membership to the Grand Chapter Executive Committee. Your committee is unanimously of opinion that this appointment is a most worthy recognition of some fifty years outstanding service to our Grand Chapter, and approves accordingly.

We feel sure, that in making the changes in Grand Representatives at the Grand Chapter of Canada in the Province of Ontario, our Grand Z. has given careful thought and consideration to this, and we recommend that these be confirmed, and our approval is given re entering into fraternal correspondence with West Germany.

Most Ex. Comp. Portch's expression of gratitude to his 2nd and 3rd Principal, Grand Chapter Officers and Committees is recognized by your Committee, and we acknowledge with gratitude his appreciation of their services as assisting in a great way to the success of the Royal Craft.

In conclusion your Committee goes on record in saying, that our Grand Z. Most Ex. Comp. Stanley Portch, during his term of office, gave freely of his time and personal talents, and, has been dedicated and untiring in promoting Royal Arch Masonry wherever he travelled.

We can only reward him with those old simple words:
"Well done, thou true and trusty servant."

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

FRED W. DEAN,
M. A. SEARLE,
C. W. EMMETT,
FRASER HAY, M.D.,
J. L. HOUSE,
B. H. SMITH, Chairman.

Moved by M. Ex. Comp. B. Smith, seconded by M. Ex. Comp. F. Dean, and—

Resolved—That the report on the Committee on the Grand Z.'s Address be received and adopted.

THE REPORT OF THE ARCHIVES COMMITTEE

To the Most Excellent, The Grand First Principal, Officers and Companions of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

The report of the Archives Committee for the year 1968-69 will be brief. In the Archives are found the History of the Chapters of Royal Arch Masons of Canada. The records of our membership is fairly complete in very large bulky volumes, whose pages, due to age and have become separated from the backing of their time. To repair and rebind is not a simple task and will be very expensive. To replace and recopy would not be as expensive but would be a tedious and time-consuming task. In the latter case due to the difference in handwriting the records held by the various Chapters and Grand Chapters would have to be closely checked to avoid errors in spelling of the names. Nevertheless for the historical importance to our Grand Chapter something should be done. One suggestion might be that annually a sum of money be set aside for either the repair or replacement of the volumes, at the time that the necessary funds are accumulated. Grand Chapter could not be expected to do the whole job at one step but spread it over a period of years.
Thanks should be extended to our Grand Scribe E. for trying to reduce the using of these volumes by copying the names of the present members into a supplementary file or folio. This, however, does not mean that these older volumes will not be used. Many of our Chapters are reaching their 50th, 75th, and 100th anniversary and their historian will be anxious to investigate the records. Folio 5 is an enormous one and records the years just before the great Depression, in other words forty to fifty years ago. It has become a real collection of about 500 loose leaves or sheets.

We happily report that the Grand Chapter membership index or cross reference for these folios has been rewritten, the first of the necessary replacement. This no doubt saved time with the annual returns. The Grand Scribe E. and his assistant would not have to worry about the misplacement of the loose pages.

This report is respectfully and fraternally submitted.

ROBERT J. HAMILTON,
W. ELMER JOHNSTON,
OLIVER T. FLINT, Chairman.

Moved by M. Ex. Comp. B. Smith, seconded by M. Ex. Comp. Fred Dean, and—
Resolved—That the report of the Archive Committee be received and adopted.

ARCHIVE COMMITTEE ELECTED

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. H. Shannon, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. W. W. D. Welham, and—
Resolved—That R. Ex. Comp. John Richardson (Toronto) be Grand Archivist.

MASSONIC INSTRUCTION COMMITTEE

To the Most Excellent, The Grand First Principal, Officers and members of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

In presenting this, the report of the Masonic Instruction Committee’s work during the past year, may I first express our appreciation to our Grand First Principal for the confidence he has placed in the Members of this Committee by their appointment, and take this opportunity, as Chairman, to express my appreciation to the Members of the Committee for their dedication and interest in their work.

During the Instruction period of the newly elected Grand Superintendents, we emphasized most emphatically the absolute importance of making their report to Grand Chapter a serious and frank document and with all due respect, eliminate the superfluous flowery observations that over the past few years have represented, in the main, the entire reports of the various Grand Superintendents.

With this feeling in mind, we are firmly convinced we have no alternative but to be perfectly frank in the observations we must make in this, our Annual Report. Consequently, we are respectfully submitting the following observations and sincerely trust they will not only be taken in the vain which they are submitted, but that they will be thoroughly studied and discussed and appropriate action taken to correct at least some of the main ills plaguing our Great Order.

We would acknowledge and express our appreciation to the Grand Superintendents who arranged for Masonic Instruction Meetings and invited the Members of Grand Chapter Committee to be in attendance. On each and every occasion, Members of our Committee were graciously received and the meetings were not only well attended, but a great deal was accomplished during the question and answer period, which will result in greater uniformity of the work throughout the jurisdiction.
In our report to Grand Chapter last year, we expressed our concern at the lack of interest so many Chapters and Grand Superintendents were showing towards the efforts of this Committee and appealed to the several Chapters to make greater use of our service.

Last September, the Chairman of this Committee, wrote to the several Grand Superintendents and the Chairman of the District Committee, requesting that they fill out an attached questionnaire, which was drawn up in order that we may, after studying the answers to the several questions, take whatever appropriate action would be deemed necessary to increase the effectiveness of this committee. We must now report our complete bewilderment and disillusionment in the response to our request.

The two questionnaires were mailed out in September, 1968. By February 1, 1969, only ten of the 17 Superintendents extended our Committee the courtesy of acknowledging the questionnaire and only five of the 17 District Chairman returned the questionnaire.

Following another request, our Committee received two additional questionnaires from seven of the delinquent Grand Superintendents and three from the twelve delinquent District Chairmen.

This type of co-operation, I am sure you will agree, is most discouraging to the Members of the Grand Chapter Committee and is tangible proof of the lackadaisical and nonchalant attitudes so many of our Members are taking in the discharge of their duties.

We must as duly obligated Members of the Great Masonic Fraternity, remember that with honor goes responsibility and if a Companion accepts an elected or an appointed position to Grand Chapter, this signal honor is given on the understanding they will discharge the duties of their respective offices to the best of their ability.

In 1961 the framework and very being of this important Committee was born and accepted by all Companions, as a great step forward in the building of a more knowledgeable and uniform Order.

We are at a complete loss to understand how, after eight years of existence, with the names of the District Chairmen appearing in every Proceeding of Grand Chapter, we can be told by a present Grand Superintendent, in acknowledging the questionnaire referred to above, that he did not know there was a committee in his District.

The two questionnaires mailed out are as follows:

**QUESTIONNAIRE RE DISTRICT MASONIC EDUCATION AND INSTRUCTION COMMITTEE**

1. Have you found the Committee helpful during your term of Office?
2. In what way have they been able to assist you?
3. If they have not assisted you whatsoever, please state the reason why?
4. To your knowledge, has any Chapter called upon the Masonic Instruction Committee for assistance?
5. Are the Chapters in your District aware this service is available?
6. What recommendations do you have with respect to improving the personnel structure of the Committee?
7. If the present Chairman were to resign as a result of personal health or pressure of business, would you be prepared, upon request, to recommend the name of a Companion who you feel would have the qualifications to fill this important position?
8. Under remarks, may we please have your frank and honest opinion, as to how we can improve the work of the Grand Lecturer and the Committee of Masonic Education and Instruction.

Questions to District Chairmen:
QUESTIONNAIRE RE WORK OF DISTRICT COMMITTEE

1. The name and addresses of the Members of your Committee.
2. How often has the Grand Superintendent called upon your Committee during the past year for assistance or advice?
3. How often during the past year has a Chapter in your District called upon you for assistance or advice?
4. Have you participated in organizing any Masonic Degree Teams, either Chapter or Blue Lodge? If so, was it recognized as Masonic Education and Instruction Team, part of a Chapter Programme, or a District Programme.
5. Are all the members of your Committee vitally interested in our work?
6. What can you suggest as to improving our contribution in your particular district?
7. Are you personally interested in continuing on as Chairman?
8. Would you be prepared to carry on the next year if requested by the new Grand First Principal?
9. If the answer to Question 8 is negative, and is a result of conditions beyond your control, are you prepared to submit the name of a Companion, who in your opinion, has the time and the ability to do justice to the Committee as Chairman.
10. Would you please let us have an inventory of all the material you have on hand regarding the Committee.

A few of the disturbing observations taken from the Questionnaire are as follows:

1) From a Grand Superintendent’s Questionnaire:
   “Nothing much heard of this Committee at Chapter level. Personally, I only know the name of the Chairman.”

2) From a District Chairman’s Questionnaire:
   Question: How often has a Grand Superintendent called upon your committee during the past year for assistance or advice?
   Answer: Nil.
   Question: How often has the Chapter in your District called upon you for assistance or advice?
   Answer: Nil.
   Question: Are all of the Members of your Committee vitally interested in our work?
   Answer: Nil.
   Question: What can you suggest as to improving our contribution in your particular District?
   Answer: Nothing at present.

A summary of the Questionnaires returned show that six of the Grand Superintendents reported they found the Committee most active and very helpful during their term of office. Four reported they were not aware of the Committees exisitance or felt they had no need to call upon the Committee for service. Seven Superintendents to date, have not returned the questionnaire.

With respect to the completed questionnaire received from the District Chairmen, four reported their committee had been very active during the year, and four had either not been called upon or their services were used only once or twice during the year. The remaining nine District Chairmen to date, have not returned the questionnaire.

During the last three weeks, a letter was sent out by the Chairman of this Committee to all present Grand Superintendents advising that the term of office of the Chairman and personnel of the District Instruction Committee, automatically expires upon the completion of the Grand First Principal’s term of office. Consequently, he should discuss this vacancy with the Companions of his District and inform his successor that he will be required to submit to Grand Chapter, shortly
after assuming office, the name of a nominee for the position of Chairman for his District.

A letter was also sent to the present District Chairmen, expressing the appreciation of Grand Chapter for their service, reminding them that their appointment as District Chairman terminates at this Grand Chapter, that the new Grand Superintendent would be instructed to forward to Grand Chapter, shortly after his elevation, the name of a nominee from his District, and we earnestly solicited their support in accomplishing this important task.

In conclusion, we stress once again, to the Ruling Principals of our various Chapters, Members of Principals’ Associations, present and past Grand Chapter Officers, that they exert themselves to learn more of the aims and objects of this important Committee, strive to assist the Members of this Committee in helping to not only attain a greater measure of uniformity in our ritualistic work, but to be put in a position where we can make a marked contribution to so many of the Chapters who if we are honest with ourselves, need assistance and guidance.

Fraternally submitted,

J. TURNBULL,
CLAIRE HOWES,
L. C. EWENER,
J. E. RICHARDSON,
C. W. EMMETT, Chairman.

Moved by M. Ex. Comp. Emmett, seconded by the Grand H., and—
Resolved—That the report of the Masonic Instruction Committee be received and adopted.

GRAND REVIEWER ELECTED

Moved by the Grand Second Principal, seconded by the Grand Third Principal, and—
Resolved—That V. Ex. Comp. David Miller be elected Grand Reviewer.

COMMITTEE ON THE REVISION OF THE CONSTITUTION

To the Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons of Canada, in the Province of Ontario.

This is the report of the Committee on the Revision of the Constitution, which was duly appointed by Most Excellent Companion James E. Girven during his term of office as our Grand First Principal.

We have now a complete draft of the entire Constitution, with one or two exceptions.

One of these exceptions is the matter of Life Membership in the constituent Chapters. This is proving quite a problem and we are exhausting all possible avenues to deal with it. As Section 246 now stands, it becomes rather expensive for a Companion who has been a member of a Chapter for years, to pay up his life membership. In fact, there is little or no inducement for him to do so for the reason that he gets no credit for his many years of faithful service to his Chapter. Two Companions aged 50 apply for life membership and both have to pay the same amount, notwithstanding the fact that one of them may be just a new Companion and the other may have been a Companion for many years and may have exerted a great deal of effort during those years for the benefit of Royal Arch Masonry. Our present section is based entirely on actuarial calculations. We know that there are other ideas, one of which is that every Master Mason coming into a Chapter should pay a given amount in addition to his Exaltation Fee, which would pay his dues for life. We are looking rather carefully at this idea, because it seems to be working rather successfully where it is being used.
The second exception is that we still have a little editing to do, which we are sure to get done within a couple of weeks. Then, we will have the drafted new Constitution complete and ready for your considera-

tion.

Perhaps a remark or two about some of the changes that we are suggesting, might not be amiss.

97 Chapters of the 157 Chapters in the jurisdiction are out-and-out advocates of concurrent jurisdiction. 31 are out-and-out opposed. There are 15 Chapters who could care less and are prepared to go along whichever way the final decision might go. There are 12 Chapters who are interested in concurrent jurisdiction, but only within their own dis-

tricts. Your Committee was of the opinion that we could not ignore the wishes of the 97 Chapters, so you will find in our new draft Consti-

tution provisions covering concurrent jurisdiction across the Province.

It might be interesting to note that there is only one Chapter from which we did not get a reply.

Another change is that your Committee feels that once a man has become a Master Mason, he should have time to digest what he has acquired up to that time, so we have taken a leaf out of the Constitution of our Brethren of the Scottish Rite, and we have provided that no application for exaltation can be received from a Master Mason unless he has been a Master Mason for at least twelve months.

A highlight is that we propose to rescind the Grand First Principal's Rulings that a Chapter cannot be closed before appendant degrees are conferred. We have provided that a Royal Arch Chapter can meet, conduct its business and close down; then, the appendant degrees can be conferred or exemplified.

We have discovered some rather interesting facts about the single transferable votes which is in force in two of the western Provinces and where it seems to work very well. You will find when you get the draft Constitution, a note explaining how it works. If we adopt it, it will do away with several elections in which one candidate must get a clear majority, and it will also save the hard-working scrutineers some considerable amount of work. They are usually working, under our present system, until one or two o'clock in the morning after the ballots have been taken.

We want to know that what we have drafted is open for your think-

ing, your suggestions and/or your criticisms. No member of the Com-

mittee is going to feel the slightest bit annoyed if you come up with something which is different to what we have suggested. You will find that any ideas along these lines will be most welcome, and we urge you to give the whole matter your deepest consideration and let us know what your views are. Your Committee will continue to function through-

out the year to deal with any criticisms or suggestions, and we hope that you will not be the slightest bit backward in letting us have them as soon as they come to your minds, so that we can give them mature consideration in the light of the information which we have been able to receive up to the present time and upon which we have based our suggestions. Please do not leave them until next April. We would like to have them not later than next October.

We suggest that you instruct us to continue on the work which we have been doing over the last two or three years, and that you will authorize us to have either printed or mimeographed, sufficient copies so that we can send them out to the Chapters for consideration.
We do not expect to have enough copies for every member of our Grand Chapter, and we strongly urge that when you receive them, you give them your most serious and prompt consideration.

All of which is fraternally submitted.

M. Ex. Comp. MAURICE A. SEARLE,
M. Ex. Comp. JAMES E. GIRVEN,
R. Ex. Comp. LEO J. GENT,
R. Ex. Comp. G. H. SHANNON, Chairman.

Moved by the Grand Second Principal, seconded by the Grand Third Principal, and—

Resolved—That the report on the Revision of the Constitution be received and adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE FOR THE STUDY OF ASSISTANCE TO CHAPTERS

To the Most Excellent The Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

The great concern of your Grand Council and Grand Executive about our continuing high losses in membership led to the approval by Grand Chapter last year of the appointment of a Committee to study ways of assisting and stimulating our Constituent Chapters to reverse this loss of membership trend.

Your Committee felt, that to be effective we needed to enlist the help of the Executive Committee of the Constituent Chapters and in this way find out the problems they were facing, along with their suggestions for overcoming them.

A letter sent to each First Principal listing a number of questions asked that he discuss them with his Executive Committee any reply giving answers to the questions and any recommendations his Chapter felt would contribute to greater interest and stimulation in Royal Arch Masonry.

Even though we have received replies from slightly less than one-third of our Constituent Chapters your Committee has been greatly heartened by the depth of thought and recommendations in the replies. Many of the replies have been three to four pages in length and added to this, some dedicated and extremely interested Companions have sent in personal letters through their Excellent First Principals.

While it is extremely difficult to summarize the recommendations, I will report on the major ones. I should point out though that quite a number of the recommendations if adopted would require changes to our Grand Chapter Constitution and as you know changes to our Constitution requires a notice of motion to be submitted to the Grand Scribe E. before the 31st day of January preceding the Convocation at which the Motion is to be considered. Consequently these recommendations cannot be brought before Grand Chapter until 1969.

A number of other suggestions and recommendations had to do with matters which are beyond our jurisdiction and are matters over which Grand Lodge has authority.
It was evident from the replies that practically all Constituent Chapters felt the number of meetings per year should remain as covered by our present Constitution and By-laws.

There was practically unanimous opinion that the amalgamation of smaller Chapters would do little to overcome our problems.

Again, practically all Chapters recommended that our Scholarship and Bursary Fund should be our major Charitable work and that all Chapters should give this Fund their full support.

I believe without exception all replies agreed that the social side of our programs should be stimulated with new ideas and approaches.

A large number of Chapters recommended that what has become a tradition in some districts, of superintendents being elected in rotation, should be discouraged in favour of a nomination of a Candidate from each Chapter and an election of the most qualified Companion.

Another strong recommendation from several Chapters was a request that whatever changes are necessary be instituted to permit Chapters to be closed down rather than calling off, when the two degrees of M.M.M. and M.E.M. are being conferred.

This, Most Excellent Sir and Companions can only be a progress report and it is our hope that the other two-thirds of our Chapters will reply to our letter with further recommendations. In the meantime careful study will be given to the proposals by your Advisory Committee for appropriate action prior to our next Convocation of Grand Chapter in 1969.

We would, however, be remiss if we did not express our appreciation to the Chapters that have replied and to indicate that it is quite evident that the study has brought forth considerable discussion at Chapter level and stimulated them to greater efforts to work harder to interest their present membership in attendance and to seek additional new members.

In conclusion Most Excellent Sir, your Committee would like to express our appreciation for this opportunity to serve this Grand Chapter and look forward to your new Committee being able to bring forward appropriate action to enable some of the recommendations to be put into use.

All of which is respectively and fraternally submitted.

R. EX. COMP. G. E. TURNER,
R. EX. COMP. G. H. SHANNON,
M. EX. COMP. J. E. GIRVEN, Chairman.

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. Gordon Brown, seconded by the Grand H., and—

Resolved—That this report be received as a Progress Report.

COMMITTEE FOR THE STUDY OF GRAND CHAPTER CONVOCATION

To the most Excellent the Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapters of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

Your Committee appointed to study our Grand Chapter Convoca-
tion has given consideration to the two areas of greatest concern to your Grand Council and Grand Executive.

(a) The ever increasing expenses incurred in holding our annual Grand Convocation.

(b) Proposals of how our Grand Convocation can provide greater benefit to our Constituent Chapters.

Grand Convocation Expenses

A Review of our Grand Convocation expense shows that in spite of the most careful control and continuing search for ways of reducing costs, our expenses have risen by $700 during the past three years.

The recent increase in Hotel Room Rates, cost of meals and new Government taxes would indicate our 1969 expenses will increase by at least $400 to $500.

We recognize these increased costs can only add to the burden of Constituent Chapters which they can ill afford.

This then requires that we consider some alternatives to our present arrangement for our annual Grand Convocation.

Proposals for Grand Chapter Convocation to Provide Benefit to Constituent Chapters.

Our annual Grand Convocation has been held in the City of Toronto for some 20 years. The main reasons for this being that during the early '50's it was difficult to find Hotel accommodation with sufficient facilities to meet our needs, and the City of Toronto was considered the centre of our Grand Chapter Jurisdiction.

Hotel accommodation has changed considerably during the past few years and there are now numerous locations with capacity to meet our needs. Consequently your Committee recommends we again consider holding our Annual Grand Convocation in other centres of our Grand Jurisdiction. We believe there could be several benefits such as greater participation by the district chapters in the area where our meeting is held resulting in stimulation to the Constituent Chapters. We also believe there is the opportunity to reduce our Convocation costs.

Your Committee has investigated various locations such as Ottawa, Hamilton, Niagara Falls and Kitchener. Our studies substantiates that there are facilities available and at reduced costs. We estimate that some of these locations would enable us to realize a saving of $500 per year.

Recommendations

In view of the increasing cost of our Grand Convocation your Committee recommends to this Grand Executive and then to Grand Chapter that approval be given your Grand Council to plan an agenda for a Grand Convocation which could be carried out in one day instead of one and one half days and commencing on Monday evening and closing Tuesday night.

We also recommend that your Grand Council be authorized to plan for our 1970 or 1971 Grand Convocation to be held outside the City of Toronto.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

M. Ex. Comp. Bruce Smith
R. Ex. Comp. G. H. Shannon,
R. Ex. Comp. G. K. Brown
M. Ex. Comp. J. E. Girven

This report was presented to Grand Chapter and received as a Progress Report of the Committee.
REPORT GRAND CHAPTER COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC RELATIONS, 29th APRIL, 1969

Your Committee has continued to seek publicity for Grand Chapter visitations, the itinerary of the Grand First Principal, etc. We have endeavoured, where possible, to get notices in the public press of Chapter events. For example, we have visited all of the Toronto papers and spoken with the new editors with respect to this Grand Chapter so that we could attain press coverage. We have also sought and obtained considerable publicity in local papers with respect to Grand Chapter Bursaries. Clippings have been sent to us indicating that local knowledge of these bursaries was very much appreciated. Of course, the granting of these bursaries in itself is a first class exercise in public relations for Grand Chapter and the programme should be encouraged and supported by all of us.

We have in recent months published another edition of The Keystone. There is evidently a very great interest in the bulletin, as shown by the amount of correspondence which we receive, particularly that which offers material for inclusion. We are severely handicapped by the fact that such a long time elapses between editions. Many of the items submitted to us have lost their news value by the time we can use them. The reason, of course is, as in so many things, financial. Grand Chapter simply hasn't been able to allocate the necessary funds to publish more often. I must say, however, that unless we can see our way clear to budget for at least one edition every quarter (perhaps leaving out the summer period), the publication will have minimum value. I hope that serious attention will be paid to this need in discussing future budgets.

We are dealing here, however, only with the purely technical aspects of what is known as “public relations”. In fact, the subject is much broader. Your Committee should be expected only to provide leadership in public relations, while every Royal Arch Mason should be a practitioner of public relations. We are all agreed that this very disturbed world needs our message. The central theme of our belief — the existence of God — and the central fact of our doctrine — the need to be subservient to His Will — is not something to be repeated to each other behind closed doors. In the early days of the Christian Church, the followers met behind closed doors. They shared their beliefs, and tried to strengthen each other in the faith. But they made no converts. The movement showed no growth. The fledgling Church would have atrophied and disappeared it remained there. But we are told that after the “Holy Spirit” came, they moved out from behind closed doors, spread their message, recruited new leaders, and flourished through all persecution. In a day when an uncertain people are questioning the faith of their fathers, and when those who should provide leadership are faltering uncertainly themselves, our order must move out from behind closed doors, and spread our message. People must know that a Mason is not someone who meets secretly with his cronies, to engage in certain mysterious rites, plot how to defeat the Catholics (a common error) and go home again. They must know what he believes, and why he believes it.

There was an occasion when each of us was faced with “a Brother M.M.M. so entirely destitute that he was unable to comply with part of his obligation”. We rushed to his assistance. This was not just allegory. It was to “exemplify the true spirit of Masonry”. If we look around us today, in all our communities, we see Masons for whom the the secrets are still lost. They have not completed their Masonic education. They have not yet been received within the veils, to “feel that friendship, that union, that zeal, and that purity of heart which should actuate everyone who is exalted to the Supreme Degree”. It is therefore the responsibility of every Royal Arch Mason to make known to his
Brethren in his Blue Lodge what awaits them. It is his responsibility to recruit those Brethren. This is true public relations on behalf of Royal Arch Masonry. Your Committee can only give leadership in this campaign. By securing local publicity for Chapter activities; by generating local interest in its affairs; by whetting the appetites of other Masons; most of all by living in the community the principles of our Order, we practice true public relations. This is the hope and true aim of your committee. The rest of our work is supplementary and secondary.

Respectfully submitted,

W. S. THOMSON,
Chairman, Grand Chapter Committee on Public Relations.

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. W. S. Thomson, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. H. S. Biggs, and—

Resolved—That the report of the Public Relations Committee be received and adopted.

COMMITTEE ON BENEVOLENCE

Moved by M. Ex. Comp. F. W. Dean, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. G. H. Shannon, and—

Resolved—That the following Companions comprise the Committee on Benevolence and are members of the Executive Committee of Grand Chapter for the respective years:


REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BENEVOLENCE


Most Excellent Grand "Z," and Companions:

Your Committee on Benevolence has considered the Applications for Relief submitted by the various Chapters and we recommend that Grants be authorized, from the Victory Thanksgiving Benevolent Fund, to the following for the present Grand Chapter year:

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We further recommend that an amount of $800.00 be provided for Interim Relief, if it be needed before the next Annual Convocation of Grand Chapter.

We further recommend that the Executive Committee authorize the investment of up to $2,000.00 of cash available in the V.T.B. Fund.

The attention of all Chapters is directed to the "Rules Respecting Grants for Benevolence, as set forth in our Constitution. One of the basic principles of Freemasonry is dispensing of Relief and Assistance in case of need and the First Principal of every Chapter is charged with the responsibility of seeing that the requirements of the Constitution
are complied with in every case, including the necessity of a new Application each year, to be in the hands of the Grand Scribe "E." not later than January 31.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

COMMITTEE ON BENEVOLENCE,
B. H. SMITH, P.G.Z.,
F. W. D. WELHAM, G.J.,
W. F. DEAN, P.G.Z., Chairman.

Moved by M. Ex. Comp. F. Dean, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. H. Shannon, and—

Resolved—That the report of the Committee on Benevolence be received and adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SCHOLARSHIPS AND BURSARIES

To the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

Again it is my privilege to submit a report of this very important Grand Chapter Committee, and I do so with pride and a most rewarding feeling of achievement and satisfaction, which is shared by my colleagues.

You will be gratified to learn that the Committee has set for itself an objective or policy, namely, that no eligible child of a Royal Arch Mason will be denied the opportunity of achievement in any field of higher education because of financial need; this equally applies to any eligible Royal Arch Mason. However, all will appreciate that the success of this objective is contingent upon the practical support the Bursary Fund receives from the companions of the constituent chapters of our jurisdiction. Your Committee is pleased to report that during the past year there has been increased enthusiasm at all levels of Grand Chapter towards the Bursary Fund, and it will be seen from the Auditors' Report that at the end of the Grand Chapter financial year, namely, February 28, 1969, the Fund had a bank balance of $6,706.79, and many donations from Chapters and individual companions have been received since then.

Your Committee would be most ungrateful if it failed to express its marked appreciation to all those companions who have applied themselves with diligence and industry to the great purpose of the Bursary Fund, and thus brought about a greater financial response. However, we should ever be aware of the dangers of complacency, but our achievements since the inception of the Bursary Fund, and particularly those of the past year, should stimulate and encourage our future endeavours. It will be seen from the Auditors' Report that during a period ending February 28th last, the Fund received by way of donations a total of $5,995.80, interest on investments $376.50 and bank interest of $120.70, a total of $6,493.09.

Your Committee is aware that you are anxious to learn of its accomplishments and achievements of the past year. It is most proud to report that in all phases of its administration it had the most successful year since Grand Chapter, in its wisdom, created a Scholarship and Bursary Fund. Early last September a full meeting of the Committee was held and carefully considered eighteen applications. Of these, four were found to be not within our terms of reference authorized by Grand Chapter and consequently had to be denied. Your Committee did, however, award bursaries to the remaining fourteen applicants at varying amounts decided upon on the apparent financial need of each individual, commensurate with the information given by the First Principal and Scribe E. of the constituent chapters on the Grand Chapter Application Form. The fourteen successful applications brought about an expenditure from the Grand Chapter Bursary Fund of $4,750.00. The only
other expenditures is a total of $133.54 because of postage — stationery — and printing of Official Receipts for income tax purpose, namely $52.92.

Your Committee has, from time to time, kept all chapters acquainted with its progress and a circular letter was sent advising that fourteen awards of bursaries had been made and, at the same time, urging that this achievement should inspire chapters to renewed and greater efforts in a concrete support of the Grand Chapter Bursary Fund.

It should be mentioned that Chapters which submitted applications were advised of decisions reached by your Committee. Moreover, in accordance with the policy decided upon by your Committee the applicants were advised accordingly and informed that a cheque covering the Bursary award had been sent to the Bursar or Awards Officer of the university or other institution of higher learning to which their application for admission had been accepted, or where they had been enrolled for further terms. It will be of interest to the companions to learn that applications have been received from students who need financial assistance to continue in second, third or further years, and the terms of reference decided upon by Grand Chapter give authority to your Committee to make bursary awards in this category.

Your Committee has been gravely concerned because of information it has received that an award of a bursary has been made in one or two cases where it is questionable that financial need exists. We have, therefore, strongly emphasized to First Principals and Scribes E. of all constituent chapters that it is their responsibility to determine, by thorough investigation, that there is financial need, before completing an application and forwarding it to your Committee for consideration and decision. Application forms have already been forwarded to all chapters and advice given that a deadline, namely, August 15th next, has been set; moreover, applications received after that date will not be dealt with.

Your Committee desires to repeat that there is no limit on the number of applications a chapter may submit.

Your Committee is also concerned because past experience has indicated that some companions are reluctant to request that application for a bursary for a son or a daughter be submitted because it becomes common knowledge among their companions and, consequently, they become, and rightfully so, embarrassed because of a primary requisite, namely, financial need. All First Principals and Scribes E. have, therefore, been advised by your Committee that all applications submitted must be considered of a confidential nature. This, likewise, applies to letters of appreciation received from a companion whose son or daughter has received a Bursary award.

Your Committee is pleased to report that, after careful and lengthy negotiation, the Taxation Division of the Department of National Revenue has granted authorization for income tax deduction for donations made to the Bursary Fund, and this was made effective January 1st, 1967. All chapters were advised accordingly and Scribes E. were requested to send to the Grand Chapter Office a list of companions, together with their addresses, who required Grand Chapter Official Receipt Forms for donations made, and henceforth to forward lists for such, preferably on June 30th and December 31st, thus making the work of the Chairman of your Committee, who is responsible for issuing Official Receipts, perhaps less demanding. All requests for Official Receipts for the period ending December 31st, 1968, have been forwarded to the chapters concerned.

The Grand First Principal, in his address, has recommended that no official receipt be issued for a donation less than five dollars, and your Committee is unanimously in accord with this recommendation.

Your Committee is most grateful to the Grand Chapter Public Relations Committee for its great contribution in the field of publicity,
not only through the Keystone or Grand Chapter Bulletin, but in all avenues of news media.

However, your Committee is again constrained to state that the best form of publicity is at chapter level. A strong active chapter Bursary Committee, we believe, can accomplish so much, not only by informing all companions of Grand Chapter's achievements in the field of bursaries, but also seeking their financial support, and also renewing in them the importance of Royal Arch Masonry in the Masonic Family and thus stimulating attendance at all chapter convocations.

We do note, with appreciation, that during the past year more chapters have given publicity to the Bursary Fund in their monthly circulars.

Your Committee did, in the early part of the Fall Chapter sessions, forward to all Grand Superintendents papers covering the Committee's activities and objects, suggesting that these be used on their visitations to the chapters in their respective districts.

Likewise, in March last, a further letter was sent requesting them to submit the names of any companions who would be willing at some future time to serve on the Bursary Committee.

The response was excellent and consequently we have what may be termed an eligible list and, therefore, there will be no difficulty in finding replacements to the Committee as vacancies occur. Your Committee also suggested to Grand Superintendents that a district chairman of the Bursary Fund should be appointed, to be charged with the responsibility of a concerted effort at chapter level in behalf of the Grand Chapter Bursary Fund. Some Grand Superintendents advised that this policy was in effect in their districts.

However, your Committee would urge that the incoming Grand Superintendents do appoint a District Chairman, who, we believe, will undoubtedly be able to arouse added enthusiasm and greater financial support, both at chapter and individual levels.

That the stature and reputation of our Grand Chapter has been enhanced by its achievements in the field of higher education has been again borne out by the letters of commendation and appreciation received from universities and other institutions of higher learning.

Your Committee expresses its deep sense of gratitude and appreciation to the following chapters which have supported your Bursary Fund: (See appended list.)

It will be seen, therefore, from this list, that of the 156 active chapters within our jurisdiction only 80 have recognized a responsibility to actively support and provide finances for your Committee to continue with the great Grand Chapter project of bursaries, which has already proven its need and worthwhileness, but from indications through lessered student summer employment and other economic conditions will be more needed in the years that lie ahead. Thus you will observe that only approximately 50% of our chapters have shown any form of interest in one of the greatest projects Grand Chapter has embarked upon.

Your Committee finds it difficult to understand why so many chapters have failed to make even the slightest endeavour to support a project which is most consistent with the greatest of our Ancient Landmarks and Masonic ideals.

It must, of course, be borne in mind that the St. Clair District, with its ten chapters, has put forth a district effort with splendid results, under the Chairmanship of Rt. Ex. Comp. R. A. Willett.

Your Committee has recommended to the Grand Z. that Rt. Ex. Comp. Willett be appointed to the Committee to replace Most Ex. Comp. J. L. House, who retires this year.

Your Committee is most pleased to observe that many more chapters have adopted the policy of sending a donation to the Fund in lieu of
flowers in respect to the memory of companions called to the Grand Chapter above. "In Memoriam" cards, both at Chapter and Grand Chapter level, continue to be sent to the next-of-kin. Chapter "In Memoriam" cards may be obtained through the Grand Chapter office.

It is well established that scholarships are awarded by reason of academic standing and not because of financial need. Your Committee is of opinion that at no time should Grand Chapter enter the field of scholarships because of the many opportunities which exist in this area.

Indeed, our authorization for income tax deduction was only given on the assurance that awards were in the nature of bursaries given because of financial need. Your Committee, therefore, recommends that henceforth the Committee be named The Grand Chapter Bursary Committee, and the Fund changed accordingly.

Most Excellent Companion John L. House retires this year as a member of the Committee.

The remaining members of the Committee, and particularly the Chairman, would be most negligent if they did not express to him their deep sense of gratitude and marked appreciation for his contribution to all phases of your Committee's activities since its inception. His counsel, direction and guidance have been of inestimable value to the Committee and, in particular, to its Chairman. His fidelity, zeal and industry for this Grand Chapter, and in many other branches of Masonry have been outstanding, and is a challenge for all of us to emulate. We pray that, with the blessing of the Great Jehovah, for many years we may continue to be the beneficiaries of his long and wide masonic experience, his kindliness and warm and sincere friendship.

The Chairman of this Committee also tenders his deep appreciation to his colleagues on the Committee, all of whom have applied themselves to their responsibilities with zeal and fidelity.

In conclusion, may I quote the following:

"Give me work to do, a job where I can 'be glad of life because it gives me the chance to love and to work and to play and to look up at the stars; to be satisfied with my possessions, but not contented with myself until I have made the best of them, to despise nothing in the world except falsehood and meanness, and to fear nothing except cowardice; to covet nothing that is my neighbour's except his kindness of heart and gentleness of manners, to think seldom of my enemies, often of my friends, and every day of my opportunity to serve'.

"And at last give me the courage to take that job and do it well for only in so doing can I expect to find my own un tarnished happiness."

"I am only one, but I am one;
I cannot do everything, but I can do something;
What I can do, I ought to do;
And what I ought to do, by God's grace I will do."

The foregoing is the challenge which your Committee has accepted and especially requests that all companions of our time honoured institution do likewise in a most practical manner, thus ensuring the fulfillment of its determination that no child of a Royal Arch Mason will be denied the opportunity of university education, or training in other spheres of higher learning because of financial need.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

J. L. HOUSE,
C. W. EMMETT,
JOHN R. BROWN, M.D.,
AUBE WEISMAN,
M. A. SEARLE, Chairman.

Moved by M. Ex. Comp. M. Searle, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. H. Shannon, and—

Resolved—That the report on Scholarship and Bursaries be received and adopted.
The Hiram Chapter No. 2
St. George Chapter No. 5
King Solomon Chapter No. 8
Moira Chapter No. 7
St. John Chapter No. 6
Oxford Chapter No. 18
Wawanash Chapter No. 15
Craleton Chapter No. 16
Mt. Moriah Chapter No. 19
Tecumseh Chapter No. 24
St. Mark’s Chapter No. 26
Pentalpha Chapter No. 28
Manitou Chapter No. 27
Keystone Chapter No. 35
Waterloo Chapter No. 32
Guelph Chapter No. 40
Prince Edward Chapter No. 31
Signet Chapter No. 34
Corinthian Chapter No. 36
Victoria Chapter No. 37
Wellington Chapter No. 47
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Occident Chapter No. 77
Minnewawa Chapter No. 78
Ark Chapter No. 80
Keystone Chapter No. 72
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Shuniah Chapter No. 82
Toronto-Antiquity Chapter No. 91
Midland Chapter No. 94
White Oak Chapter No. 104
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King Cyrus Chapter No. 119
Maple Chapter No. 116
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King Darius Chapter No. 134
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Fort William Chapter No. 140
Glengarry Chapter No. 143
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Alberton Chapter No. 152
Sombra Chapter No. 153
Ionic Chapter No. 168
Madoc Chapter No. 161
The Hamilton Chapter No. 175
Hugh Murray Chapter No. 184
Couchiching Chapter No. 198
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Kitchener Chapter No. 210
Vimy Chapter No. 214
Victoria Chapter No. 205
Quinte Friendship Chapter No. 227
Mount Sinai Chapter No. 212
Beaver Chapter No. 225
Lebanon Chapter No. 220
Ottawa Chapter No. 222
The St. Andrew Chapter No. 238
Halton Chapter No. 234
Palestine Chapter No. 249
St. Paul’s Chapter No. 242
Thomas Peters Chapter No. 250
Nilestown Chapter No. 247
University Chapter No. 241
Centennial Chapter No. 260
Golden Chapter No. 254
Quetico Chapter No. 259
King David Chapter No. 262
The Scarborough Chapter No. 263

SPECIAL DONATIONS
Rhodes Preceptory, Fort Arthur
Conestoga Conclave, Red Cross of Constantine
St. Clair District, No. 1
Prince Edward District, No. 11
London District, No. 2
Dr. Weber, Oxford Chapter
The Toronto Districts’ Welfare Committee
Districts 8 & 8A (Grand Z.’s Reception Surplus)
Hamilton Principals’ Association
District No. 13, Ottawa

COMMITTEE ON SCHOLARSHIP AND BURSARIES
Moved by M. Ex. Comp. M. A. Searle, seconded by R. Ex. Comp.
G. Harold Shannon, and—
Resolved—that the following Companions comprise the Committee
on Scholarship and Bursaries for the respective years:
COMMITTEE ON AWARDS FOR DISTINGUISHED SERVICE MEDAL

To the Most Excellent, the Grand Z., Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

The Committee on Awards for the Distinguished Service Medal beg leave to report that applications for this award have been submitted for consideration during the past year and were approved.

I would like to point out however, that this is a very special recognition afforded for outstanding distinguished Masonic service. In order to qualify a preliminary application setting for IN DETAIL all the facts about the individual, including his full Masonic activities, should be forwarded to the Grand Scribe E. before the application is presented formally to the Chapter. This will prevent embarrassment if the application fails. It must be pointed out that the Committee makes the award on the information presented by the Chapter, and sufficient facts and evidence should be presented to support the recommendation.

Fraternally submitted,

FRASER MAY, M.D., P.G.Z., Chairman.
ALEX BRADSHAW, P.G.Z.,
CHARLES W. EMMETT, P.G.Z.

Moved by M. Ex. Comp. Dr. Hay, seconded by R. Ex. Comp Harold Shannon, and—

Resolved—That the report of the Committee on Awards for Distinguished Service Medal be received and adopted.

Resolved—That the following Companions comprise the Committee on Awards for Distinguished Service Medals for their respective terms:
M. Ex. Comp. A. G. N. Bradshaw—retires 1971

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE CONDITION OF CAPITULAR MASONRY

To the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

On behalf of the Committee on the Condition of Capitular Masonry it is a privilege for me as its chairman to present this report at this the 111th Annual Convocation of Grand Chapter. The Committee consider it a great honour to be asked to perform this very important duty which, in the past, has been carried out by very outstanding and dedicated Royal Arch Masons.

This report will be an attempt to review the facts of our Masonic well-being during the past year, to take stock of where we stand in the light of those events and to probe what we may or ought to be doing in the months ahead in those areas where there is concern or even weak spots. Much of the information contained in this report comes from the Reports of the Grand Superintendents and the constituent Chapters. This does not mean that other sources are being overlooked.

Our Grand First Principal has shown almost an endless amount of energy during the past year, in carrying out those duties which he considers are so essential to uphold the honour and dignity of his high and important office. Wherever and whenever he had the opportunity he left with Companions a deep impression of his dedication to the ideals of the Royal Craft and his messages were always thought provoking and inspiring. He is ably supported by a group of devoted and dedicated officers who are not unmindful of the great responsibility they assume when accepting the various offices to which they were elected or appointed. Your Committee extends its sympathy to Most Excellent Com-
panion Portch on the loss of his Mother a short time ago.

Your Committee feels that the Grand Superintendents, the representatives of the Grand First Principal, are to be commended in their work during the past year in providing leadership and encouragement to the constituent Chapters in their endeavours to promote the ideals of Royal Arch Masonry in a world which is filled with unrest, mistrust and violence.

Most Districts are fortunate in having active Principals Associations. Many projects such as Inter-Chapter Visits, Ladies Nights, Masonic Education, Receptions for Grand Chapter Officers and Divine Services are initiated and carried out by the members of these organizations assisted by the Constituent Chapters. This work increases the interest in Capitular Masonry and should be encouraged.

Recognition of our veteran members has always been a happy occasion and cause for celebration. These members present to us a link with the past. By using their experience and our energies we should be able to keep abreast with modern development without losing sight of those principles and landmarks which have guided us through difficult as well as prosperous years. The Committee congratulates these members on their long period of association with the Order and wishes for them many years of happy associations with their Companions.

The need for improved accommodations is still a topic of concern for many Chapters. Each year Chapter dedications continue to be interesting and impressive occasions when we can honour those who by their vision and energy have contributed to the comfort and welfare of their Companions. Your Committee is happy to note other Chapters whose quarters have much to be desired are taking active steps to improve the situation by making renovations or acquiring new quarters.

Once again we suffered a net loss in membership of 420 Royal Arch Masons. This loss is quite serious although not as great as last year. The number of demits and suspensions has declined from last year's figure but so too, has the number of new members and affiliations. This situation can be remedied by a little more effort to attract new members and well planned meetings with enthusiastic leaders which will encourage existing members to participate in our activities instead of being drop-outs. Losses by death are inevitable but replacements are necessary.

Chapter finances are also being overhauled to meet the ever increasing costs of operation. Dues are being increased but there are still some Chapters with dues of $5. per annum. In this day and age this figure appears to be unrealistic and those Chapters that are having difficulty with their finances should be encouraged to increase them. Likewise many Chapters have very low joining fees — as low as $30. This figure was adequate thirty years ago but to-day it is just not enough. Your Committee would suggest that steps be taken to remedy this situation as it is feared that at these low figures the Chapter's future is in jeopardy.

In reviewing the Reports submitted by the Superintendents it is noted that there are around 20 Chapters who do not carry any insurance whatever. Since fire is no respecter of institutions and fire insurance is so reasonable and easily obtainable it is shuttering to think how easily a Chapter could be wiped out financially with no resources to turn to in order to operate again. Your Committee would remind all Chapters that adequate insurance coverage should be maintained on both building and contents and that this should be renewed annually.

Attendance also is always a lively topic of discussion for Royal Arch Masons. Many suggestions have been offered and put to work but, as yet, we have not found the universal answer. Since we are competing with many forms of activity so it is imperative that we make our
meetings so interesting and attractive that members will hate to miss them. The beautiful degrees of our Order should be conferred in the most accurate, dignified and impressive manner possible so that the members as well as the candidates will learn something new each time they see them. If not, we cannot be surprised if our candidates and members attach little value to them and fail to return for further instruction.

Masonic Education throughout the Jurisdiction appears to be increasing in importance and much credit is due Most Excellent Companion C. W. Emmett for his leadership and guidance as head of the Masonic Instruction Committee. All phases of this Committee's activities will be outlined in its report.

All the Districts report that, in spite of the loss in membership and decline in attendance, there is every indication of much optimism and sincere attempts to improve the conditions of the Royal Craft in this jurisdiction. Chapters are maintaining basic activities while others are trying to find something new to hold the interest of their members while still keeping within the landmarks and guidelines of our Constitution. We congratulate these Chapters for their vision in looking ahead and feel sure that with the co-operation of their members they will succeed. On the whole your Committee feels that in spite of some grave concern in some activities Capitular Masonry in the Province of Ontario will advance slowly but steadily upward.

In conclusion your Committee wishes to thank the Grand Scribe E. for his assistance and advice and to you Most Excellent Sir for the honour and privilege of serving Grand Chapter on this Committee.

Rt. Ex. C. Donald L. Attridge
Rt. Ex. C. George B. Cowman
Rt. Ex. C. Lloyd F. Deamude
Rt. Ex. C. Lyle B. Hagerman
Rt. Ex. C. William H. Gummer (Chairman)

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. Gummer, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. Hagerman, and—

Resolved—That the report of the Committee and the conditions of Capitular Masonry be received and adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTE ON FINANCE

To The Most Excellent Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

The Committee of Finance submits the following report for the year ending February 28, 1969.

The reports of the Grand Treasurer, the Auditor and the Grand Scribe E., for the year ending February 28, 1969 have been received by this Committee are now being submitted to Grand Chapter for consideration.

We find these reports fully and accurately set out details and transactions of the financial position of this Grand Chapter for the fiscal year. All items of receipts and disbursements in respect of the General Funds, the Victory Thanksgiving Benevolent Fund, the Life Membership Fund, the Chapter's Life Membership Fund and the Scholarship and Bursaries Fund are properly detailed and these reports contain schedules of the securities in which these funds are now invested.

Exhibit “A” is a balance sheet showing all the assets and liabilities of Grand Chapter. It includes the funds entrusted to and over which Grand Chapter has control.

The securities have been examined by the Auditor. They are held
in a place and custody authorized by Grand Chapter. The present par value of all securities is $161,300.00. During the year several of our securities matured, these were re-invested at a higher rate of interest. The Committee on Investments will present a detailed report on our securities.

The amount owing by the Constituent Chapters is $889.67. We are pleased to see it is considerably less than a year ago, let us make a further effort in this regard so that next year we can report a nil balance owing by the Chapters.

The amount owing Grand Chapter by the Scholarship and Bursary Fund and the Commuted Life Membership fund is $977.97. Your Committee recommends that as soon as funds are available in these accounts that transfers be made to the General Account for the amount owing.

Your Committee notes that we are reporting a loss of membership of 420, this compares with last year's total of 425. Based on the per capita tax this represents a financial loss of approximately $1000.00 during the past two years. While we are speaking in a monetary vein, we should not overlook the loss of 845 Companions. Surely this situation is cause for concern, for there must be plenty of material for the Chapters which has been harvested.

Last year we budgeted for a surplus of $529.00 and are pleased to report that we show a surplus of $473.99 for 1st year's operation. In preparing our budget for 1969-1970 we find ourselves faced with rising costs. Every effort has been made to keep our expenditures at a minimum, however we still find that we are faced with a deficit budget of $238.00.

Your Committee commends the Grand Scribe E., and his assistant for the efficient manner in which the duties of their office are being carried out.

Your Committee wishes to express to the Grand Z., their appreciation for his guidance during the year to the Grand Treasurer and the Grand Scribe E., their thanks for help also given.

All of which is fraternally and respectively submitted by the Committee.

F. C. Ackert, Chairman.

ESTIMATE OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 28, 1970

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**REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 28, 1969**

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Grand Z. ...........................................$ 2,000.00 $ 2,000.00 $ 2,000.00
General ............................................... 200.00 159.35 200.00

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Expenses
Grand Convocation ..................................... $ 3,700.00 $ 3,987.77 $ 4,000.00
Executive Committee .................................. 2,100.00 2,054.21 2,100.00

$ 5,800.00 $ 6,041.98 $ 6,100.00

Jewels and Engraving ................................. $ 1,100.00 $ 627.65 $ 600.00
Grant to Masonic Library ............................. 125.00 125.00 125.00
Liability Insurance .................................. 963.00 947.12 950.00
Education and Instruction ............................ 300.00 38.26 200.00
Supplies for Resale .................................. 1,000.00 1,152.66 1,500.00
Regalia Repairs ..................................... 75.00 75.00
Regalia — Grand Z. .................................. 250.00
Testimonial — Grand Z. ............................... 350.00

$ 3,563.00 $ 2,890.69 $ 4,050.00

Total Expenditures ..................................$31,021.00 $31,613.43 $31,188.00
Surplus — Deficit .................................. $ 529.00 $ 473.99 $ 238.00

Moved by the Grand Second Principal, seconded by R. Ex. Comp.
Ackert, and—
Resolved—That the report of the Committee on Finance be received
and adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FRATERNAL DEAD, 1969

To the Most Excellent Grand First Principal, Officers and Companions of the Grand Chapter of Canada in the Province of Ontario.
Most Excellent Sir and Companions:
During the past year many Members and Companions of this Grand Chapter and also of sister Grand Jurisdictions have passed to the Grand Chapter Above. There they will receive the wages of a life well spent, and a spiritual temple carefully built and finally completed. Today, as we pause in the deliberations of Grand Chapter to contemplate the passing of these beloved Companions, let us offer thanks to the Almighty for the blessings we have received from them as they so-journed amongst us.
In the year just past, 531 Companions have entered into eternal rest. While we quite naturally mourn their passing, and will miss many of them sorely, yet we rejoice in our Masonic faith of the immortality of the soul.
"The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and no torment shall touch them.
In the eyes of the foolish they seemed to die, and their departure was accounted for their hurt.
And their going from us was taken to be their ruin; but they are in peace.
For though in the sight of men they be punished, yet is their hope full of immortality.
And having borne a little chastening, they shall receive great good, because God made trial of them, and found them worthy for himself.
They that trust in him shall understand truth, and the faithful shall abide with him in love.
Therefore shall they receive a glorious kingdom, and a crown of beauty from the Lord’s own hand! (Wisdom III:5)
While we mourn our own departed Companions, let us remember also those of our sister Grand Jurisdictions. Many of their departed Companions were also distinguished and accomplished Craftsmen. A listing of their Fraternal Dead will be included in the Grand Chapter Proceedings.

Possibly one of the greatest losses which could be sustained in any Grand Chapter in Canada was the passing last August of M. Ex. Comp. Reginald Vanderbilt Harris, Q.C., G.H.P. 1926-1928, of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Nova Scotia. He was well known across our great Dominion for his contribution of a wealth of Masonic history in all branches of Masonry, his distinguished career in law, and a life of service to the Anglican Church.

As we remember those who have departed this earthly scene, let us re-dedicate ourselves to the task which they have passed on to us. Their admonition to us has been expressed in many ways, but none more aptly than in the immortal “Thanatopsis” by William Cullen Bryant:

“So live, that when thy summons comes to join
The innumerable caravan, which moves
To that mysterious realm, where each shall take
His chamber in the silent halls of death,
Thou go, not like the quarry slave at night
Scourged to his dungeon, but, sustained and soothed
By an unaltering trust, approach thy grave
Like one who wraps the drapery of his couch
About him, and lies down to pleasant dreams.”

I would now ask you all to rise and pay silent tribute to their memory. May the love of God enfold them forevermore, and comfort those left behind.

The names of our departed Companions are appended hereto, and will appear in our Proceedings.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted on behalf of the committee.

W. C. Arch
R. G. Childs
Rev. J. C. Britton (Vice-Chairman)
Gordon S. Matthias (Chairman)

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. G. Matthias, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. H. Shannon, and—

Resolved—That the report of the Committee in Fraternal Dead be received and adopted.

Of the 531 of our Companions who answered the call to higher
Service the following 45 held Grand Chapter Rank:

1 V. Ex. Comp. Frederick Farley, R. Ex. Comp. Wm. Charles Crozier.
4 V. Ex. Comp. Harry B. Pickrell.
5 V. Ex. Comp. Charles Edward Ticknor.
8 R. Ex. Comp. Albert Carwithen.
18 R. Ex. Comp. Wm. J. Ratz.
32 V. Ex. Comp. Walter Dryden.
34 V. Ex. Comp. Lemuel John Laver.
40 R. Ex. Comp. William Giles Kitchen.
69 V. Ex. Comp. Herbert Vernon Betzner.
76 R. Ex. Comp. Charles L. Leys.
82 V. Ex. Comp. Christopher Seal.
84 R. Ex. Comp. K. Murray McLennan.
91 V. Ex. Comp. Alfred Geary.
104 M. Ex. Comp. Fred Grose.
168 R. Ex. Comp. Louis Blake Glover.
184 R. Ex. Comp. Herman Winkworth.
195 R. Ex. Comp. O. T. Walker.
205 R. Ex. Comp. Carl E. Hill.
212 V. Ex. Comp. Alfred Geary.
213 V. Ex. Comp. Ronald Dewar.
215 V. Ex. Comp. Herbert Jones, V. Ex. Comp. Alfred Geary
217 V. Ex. Comp. Harold E. Walker.
222 R. Ex. Comp. George A. MacLeod.
223 V. Ex. Comp. Samuel E. Farrell.
225 V. Ex. Comp. John Broadfoot.
226 V. Ex. Comp. Leslie V. Wood.

To our Sister Jurisdictions in the Dominion of Canada, the British Commonwealth of Nations and the United States of America, we extend sincere sympathy for the loss of their distinguished Companions:

GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONs OF ALABAMA
James Thomas McRae, M.E.G.H.P. — 1959

GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONs OF ALBERTA
M. Ex. Comp. William Hudson Scott. G.F.P. — 1940-1941

GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONs OF ARIZONA
Thomas J. Rosser, M.E.G.H.P. — 1964

GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONs OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

THE MOST EXCELLENT GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONs OF COLORADO
Harold E. Hedlund, M.E.G.H.P. — 1931-1932
Walter G. Sackett, M.E.G.H.P. — 1939-1940
Wilfred Fullerton, M.E.G.H.P. — 1944-1945
Francis J. Knauss, M.E.G.H.P. — 1952-1953

MOST EXCELLENT GRAND CHAPTER, ROYAL ARCH MASONs OF CONNECTICUT
M. E. Bliss Watson Clark, Grand Secretary Emeritus — 1968

GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONs OF LOUISIANA
Robert Lawrence Clayton, Grand Chaplain — 1962-1968

GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OF MAINE

GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONs OF MANITOBA
M. Ex. Comp. Edwin Thomas Johnson, G.F.P. — 1937
M. Ex. Comp. Frederick Clark Nixon, G.F.P. — 1960

THE GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OF MASSACHUSETTS
Harry Gilmore Pollard, M.E.G.H.P. — 1925-1927

GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONs OF THE STATE OF MONTANA
John Sydney Carkeet, M.E.G.H.P. — 1944-1945
DEATHS — 1968

Chapter

1 L. Roger Morse, Frederick R. Farley, Wm. Charles Crozier, Raymond S. Walker, Alber Horsfall, Fred J. Reid, Harvey Preston, Wm. McAdam Nickle, Orval Clair Taite.
2 James Stewart, John Campbell.
7 Georg Brickman, Carl Doxsee Sills, John Smith McKenzie.
9 Gilbert McLaughlin, William Thomas Mulligan.
20 Arthur Charles Barnett, William George Seago, Frederick C. Bodley, Alfred James Cox, William Thornburn Sills, Frank Ellsworth Hicks, John McIlhinney.
22 Douglas Beamish Hill, William Flannigan, Milton Elliott.
23 George Mottashed, Wallace Shaw, Norman McClung.
26 George Arthur Lumsden, Mark Tripp, William James Moffat, John Coles.
27 Andrew Montague Dunford, Louis Prosper Dique, Robert Mirrless, Fred Andrew Stuckum.
29 Gordon Duff, Basil Caughell.
30 Gordon W. MacDonald, William Percival Johnston.
31 Lance Nethery.
32 Walter Dryden, Wm. J. Hillings, Alexander Greig, C.T. Patient
37 Robert Adrian Pugh.
40 Nathan Alfred Tovell, Gus Mano, Kenneth P. Zeller, Thomas Henry Gibson, David Henderson, William Giles Kitchen, Alexander William Howden.
41 Kenneth Donald McLeod.
45 Andrew Wolfraim, G. B. Barnes.
46 Charles Harold Salvadge.
47 Ashley C. Mills, S. E. Grachos, C. Morley James.
48 William Franklin Davis.
55 Charles Haines.
57 Robert Childs, Lehman L. Davis, James Henderson.
61 Robert McCaughan.
65 William MacNachtan Hargraft, Harry Hayworth Holland.
66 John C. MacLennan.
68 George Wm. Davis, John M. Ludlow.
69 Herbert Vernon Betzner, George William Zimmerman.
71 Ambrose Shipway, John Harrington Whealan, Marshall Sadler.
72 Gilbert B. Bedford.
GRAND CHAPTER OF CANADA PROCEEDINGS

73 Archie Warwick, James Yule.
74 Hiram Zavitiz, George Richardson, Earl Gibson, John D. Burger.
76 Charles L. Leys.
78 Herman M. Gill, George A. Ronson.
79 Wm. Chester Dies, Joseph Alonzo Hearn, Jas. Farrance Scuse.
82 Fred Sharples Dewhurst, Henry Paul Strange, Frederick George Lovelady, Christopher Seal, Henry D. Barnes, Harold W. Walton, Thomas James Kernahan, Bernard W. Zale, Gotfrid Person.
83 J. E. L. Keyes, Walter Gardiner.
84 K. Murray McLennan, Wilfred King, Howard Sherbondy, Charles Deyell.
88 Frank C. Abrahams, Earl Johnston, Elmer R. Paling.
94 Frederick George Perrin, Hallie Ernest McMullen.
95 Earl Alexander Martin, Frank George Noble, Ernest Smith, Robert Thomson McAndrew, Alphues Shute, John Bernard Sutton, Alfred Oscar Stromberg.
103 Gordon Alexander VanOstrom, William Lester Brown, George Digory Stevens.
104 Murray Deans, Frederick Grose, Rev. James Terry.
112 Walter Plantz.
116 George Studden, Wm. Henry Vicker Hooper.
129 John James, Oscar W. Martyn.
130 Allan Eby.
132 Wm. E. Austin, Edward Fred Huck, William Meggs.
133 Wilfred L. Wilson, Carl Rathwell Johnson.
140 Thomas Derrick, Malcolm Fraser, Roy Wilfred French, Joseph M. Gadowksi, Kelso D. Campbell, Frank Legassick, Stanley E. Stanfield, Lawrence R. Watkins Sr., Edward Weighill, Archibald Bruce.
143 William A. Buell.
146 L. Warner Payne.
147 W. W. Hill, Durnin Phillips.
149 Carl Hjalmr Anderson.
150 James Edward Worrall, William Cyril Kendall.
155 William Goodbrand, Kenneth Guthrie, Idris Morris, Jack Ferguson.
161 R. A. Harris, Gordon Stout, Thomas Swift.
175 Ernest Greenhalgh, Harry Mallion, James Wallace.
184 Ralph A. Butler, Russell M. Harvey, Herman Winkworth, Gal Bevan.
205 John Morgan Boyle, Alexander Budge, Carl English Hill.
210 Graham E. Durant, Henry H. Shepperd, Wm. Albert Servage.
214 James George Little, Terry Cameron Smith.
217 Harry M. Coates, Harold E. Walker, H. William King.
218 John Orr Irwin.
219 John Ross.
222 George Alexander MacLeod. Samuel Knight, Bryson Clark Patterson, Sidney William Power, Gordon Alexander Currie, Oscar Milburn Stanzel.
223 Rufus Williams, Samuel Edmund Farrell, Nick Morns.
224 William Dickson. William George Warden.
225 Albert Tollett, John A. McDonald, John Broadfoot.
227 A. Evan Barlow, Wm. James Shepherd, Stuart Hibbard.
230 Peter Davidson, Kenneth G. Scott.
231 James Middler.
233 Robert W. Grainger, James E. Joyce, Norman H. Walmsley.
234 George C. Brown, John O. Kelley, Clifford Burt, Lewis McKibbon.
235 Hugh A. F. Bowman, John F. Willis.
236 Wellington Bruce Mason, Lloyd James Rosell, Wilfred Robert McMaster.
238 Sydney A. Belmont, Frank B. Baker, Richard P. Dewars.
239 Charles Cleveland.
241 Hyndman Irvin, Alexander Logan Kerr.
GRAND CHAPTER "CALLED OFF"

Grand Chapter was "Called Off" at 4:40 p.m. to permit the delegates to select their Grand Superintendents and elect the officers of Grand Chapter for the ensuing year and the next place of meeting.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 30, 1969

Grand Chapter was 'Called On' at 9:30 a.m.

ELECTION REPORT

At the One Hundred and Eleventh Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario, held in the Royal York Hotel, City of Toronto, Ontario, on April 29th and 30th. the following officers and committees were elected and appointed:


R. Ex. Comp. F. W. D. Welham ........................................ Grand H. 60 Stewart Smith Dr., Toronto 15, Ontario.

R. Ex. Comp. Leo J. Gent ................................................. Grand J. Box 78, 21 Catharine St. E., Dorchester, Ontario.

GRAND CHAPTER OFFICERS, 1969


R. Ex. Comp. Gordon A. Braby ........................................... Grand Principal Sojourner 50 Van Camp Avenue, Kitchener, Ontario.


EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—Elected


R. Ex. Comp. Morley H. Hancock, 195 John Street, Belleville, Ontario.

GRAND SUPERINTENDENTS

St. Clair District No. 1 .......................... R. Ex. Comp. Hubert F. Mills, 109 Sunnyside Ave., Chatham, Ontario
London District No. 2 .......................... R. Ex. Comp. Ray Edson Moore, 15 Chestnut St., Box 1011, Aylmer, Ontario
Wilson District No. 3 .......................... R. Ex. Comp. Bruce Eugene Reid, 616 St. Andrew St., Box Dover, Ont.
Wellington District No. 4 .......................... R. Ex. Comp. Roy Edward Robinson, 310 Main St. W., Palmerston, Ontario
Hamilton District No. 5 .......................... R. Ex. Comp. Alexander John Wilson, 114 Clarendon Ave., Hamilton, Ontario
Huron District No. 6 .......................... R. Ex. Comp. George Albert Stewart, R.R. #2, Ripley, Ontario
Niagara District No. 7 .......................... R. Ex. Comp. James C. L. McKean, 5 Birchmount Dr., Welland, Ontario
Toronto East No. 8 .......................... R. Ex. Comp. Robert Harold Foote, 62 Dunning Ave., Aurora, Ont.
Toronto West District No. 8A .......................... R. Ex. Comp. William Harold Sproule, 4 Elizabeth St. S., Brampton, Ontario
Georgian District No. 9 .......................... R. Ex. Comp. Edwin John Myers, 3 Highland Ave., Box 27, Barrie, Ontario
Prince Edward District No. 11 .......................... R. Ex. Comp. Angus McDonald, R.R. #4, Trenton, Ontario
St. Lawrence District No. 12 .......................... R. Ex. Comp. Harry Trueman, Box 82, Lansdowne, Ontario
Ottawa District No. 13 .......................... R. Ex. Comp. William Louis Byers, 314 Queen Street S., Renfrew, Ontario
Temiskaming District No. 16 .......................... R. Ex. Comp. Horace Arnold Jones, Box 284, Arsonville, Ontario

NEXT PLACE OF MEETING

By Special Resolution of Grand Chapter the One Hundred and Twelfth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario will be held in the City of Toronto, Ontario. Place and time to be announced later.

COMMUNICATIONS AND GREETINGS

Letters were received conveying greetings and expressing regrets for non-attendance from:—

THE GRAND CHAPTER OF KENTUCKY ROYAL ARCH MASONSMost Excellent General Grand High Priest Supreme Carter
GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONSON MANITOBA
Most Excellent Companion James Russell, Grand Z.
THE GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONSON MINNESOTAMost Excellent Companion Andrew F. Remington, Grand High Priest
GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OF THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY
Most Excellent Harold A. Peterson, Grand High Priest
GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONSON NOVA SCOTIAMost Excellent Grand High Priest Dr. R. A. P. Fleming
REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTION, LAWS AND JURISPRUDENCE

To The Most Excellent, the Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons of Canada, in the Province of Ontario:
Most Excellent Sir and Companions:
Your Committee on Constitution, Laws and Jurisprudence is privileged to present its report for the year 1968-69.

One new set of Chapter By-laws was received, reviewed and recommended for the approval of the Grand First Principal.

Up to April 1, 1969, Twenty-eight sets of amendments to Chapter By-laws were received and approved by the Grand First Principal.

Since April 1, 1969, five sets of Chapter By-laws were received, reviewed, and four have been recommended for the approval of the Grand First Principal.

I still find that Scribe E.'s of many Chapters, and even some Grand Superintendents, are still experiencing difficulty in determining what is required to enable the Grand First Principal to approve amendments to Chapter By-laws. Again, this year, I prepared a letter of instruction, dated March 31, 1969, and have forwarded a copy to the Scribe E. of every chapter in our Grand Jurisdiction. The letter sets out the procedure to be followed when submitting amendments to Chapter By-laws for the approval of the Grand First Principal. This letter of instruction had precedents attached to it, that may be followed by the Scribe E. in submitting the proposed amendments to his Chapter By-laws, including the proposed Certificate to be signed by the Grand Superintendent, by which Certificate, the Grand Superintendent certifies to the Grand First Principal that the Chapter has followed the procedure set out in the Constitution.

Our opinion was sought as to whether the affiliation of a Companion was constitutional where the Companion had received his Holy Royal degree in a Chapter in Gibraltar. This Companion had applied, had been received and favourably voted on by a chapter in our Grand Jurisdiction, and his affiliation forwarded for registration. We are not on fraternal relations with Gibraltar.

Section 225 of the Constitution read, in part;
"... and he must be a Master Mason and a member of a lodge owing allegiance to a Grand Lodge recognized by the Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario ..."

and Section 227 of the Constitution reads, in part;
"... If the applicant hails from a jurisdiction outside the British Commonwealth of Nations and the United States of America, the application committee report and, any other relevant information, shall be forwarded to the Grand Scribe E., etc ...." The questions seems to be — do we read these two sections together, or do we meet the requirements of only one of the sections?

I was of the opinion that the intent was that the applicant must, both be within the Commonwealth, or the United States, and his Lodge recognized by our Grand Lodge, and that his application would be acceptable if the man was acceptable and the ballot favourable.

However, it was our opinion that, since the applicant did hail from within the British Commonwealth of Nations, this Chapter was justified in proceeding with the application without first referring it to the Grand Scribe E. for approval of the Grand First Principal, prior to it being placed on the regular Chapter summons for notification of Ballot.

Notwithstanding our opinion in respect to this one particular incident, since law is a progressive science, we recommended that a direc-
tive be sent out to all Chapters indicating the actual intent of Sections 225 & 227 of the Constitution that, in future, the intent shall be followed. I further recommended that these two sections be amended in the new Constitution to avoid any similar misinterpretation in future by any Chapter.

Your Committee on Constitution, Laws and Jurisprudence has enjoyed working with Rt. Ex. Comp. G. Harold Shannon, Q.C., Grand Second Principal, Chairman of the Committee, and the other members of his Committee charged with re-drafting our Constitution. In the opinion of this Committee, Rt. Ex. Comp. Shannon has done an outstanding job in organizing the material for the re-draft of the Constitution in that he has read and taken notes from almost all the Constitutions in Canada, as well as Constitutions from beyond the Grand Chapters of Canada. His work, and the keen insight of Most Ex. Comp. Searle and Girven, has made the work of this Committee rather easy. Rt. Ex. Comp. Shannon not only did all the drafting of each section in the Constitution, but all drafts were typed in his office, at his expense, and each member of his committee and this Committee were supplied with copies of the material for review and comments.

This, my Companions, is a summary of our services during the last year, and our recommendations.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Leo J. Gent
Chairman,
Committee on Constitution, Laws and Jurisprudence

Moved by R. Ex. Comp. Gent, seconded by the Grand J., and—
Resolved—That the report of the Committee on Constitution, Laws and Jurisprudence be received and adopted.

CONSIDERING NOTICES OF MOTION

NOTICE OF MOTIONS

Moved by M. Ex. Comp. Emmett, seconded by the Grand H., that an addition immediately succeeding Section 287, giving permission to Chapters which have been in continuous existence and operation for a period of 100 years, the right to wear a gold cord of suitable material for the purpose of securing the apron to the person, instead of the strap and cord now in existence.

Carried.

Moved by M. Ex. Comp. Emmett, seconded by the Grand H., to rescind the Grand First Principal’s rulings dealing with the calling off of a Chapter without closing the Chapter for the purpose of conferring the M.M.M. and/or the M.E.M. Degrees.

Carried.

Moved by M. Ex. Comp. Emmett, seconded by the Grand H., to amend Section 173 of the Constitution, so that Section 173 shall read:

Every Chapter shall annually elect by separate written ballot by the vote of a majority of all of the Members present and voting the Z., H., and J., the Treasurer, the Scribes E. and N., the Principal Sojourner; and by open vote an Examining Board of three past Z.’s of whom the Z. may be one, two Auditors and the Outer Guard. and at the Regular or Emergent Convocation following such election, after the minutes shall have been read and approved, they shall be duly installed and invested by a Companion not below the rank of Z. No Companion shall be elected to office in a Constituent Chapter unless he be at the time in attendance at the Chapter, or unless he shall have given his consent to acceptance of office, if elected.

Carried.
I hereby move, seconded by the Grand H., that Articles 86, 141, 192 and the Second (2nd) Paragraph on Page 90 of the Constitution be deleted, and the following substituted therefore:—

“(a)—The Financial Year of Grand Chapter closes on the 28th day of February in each year and that of the Constituent Chapters close on the 31st day of December in each year.

“(b)—Each Chapter shall forward its Financial Returns, semi-annually, to the Grand Scribe E. on or before the 31st day of July and the 31st day of January in each year.

“(c)—All Chapters MUST forward their Annual Returns to the Grand Scribe E. on or before the 10th day of February each year. Chapters failing to comply with the foregoing Regulations, shall, (including P. Z's), be deprived of the privilege of Voting at the next annual session of Grand Chapter, and the Grand Z. may, at his discretion, summon the Chapter to show cause why its Warrant should not be suspended until such time as the Dues and Annual Returns are paid.”

M. Ex. Comp. C. W. Emmett

Carried.

Moved by M. Ex. Comp. Emmett, seconded by M. Ex. Comp. Searle, that the $2000.00 allotted to defray the costs of the probable moving of Grand Chapter Office from the temple building be considered a capital expenditure.

Carried.

OFFICERS INSTALLED AND INVESTED

M. Ex. Comp. C. W. Emmett installed and invested the newly elected officers of Grand Chapter, including the Grand Superintendents of the several Districts, and they were proclaimed and saluted according to ancient custom.

M. Ex. Comp. Stanley Portch, Grand Z., extended his congratulations to the newly invested Grand Superintendents, reminding them of their duties in connection with their office and wished for them all the pleasure their work in office will afford them, impressing upon them the responsibility they carry on their shoulders as the representatives of the Grand First Principal and of Grand Chapter, wishing them health and all the help of the Most High.

VOTE OF THANKS

M. Ex. Comp. G. Harold Shannon made special mention of the Freemason Magazine's subscription campaign, for the second year, from which the proceeds would be turned over to the Grand Chapter Scholarship and Bursary Fund and that this noble gesture on the part of Bro. M. F. Beach. Managing Editor, should be recognized and carried in the Proceedings.

NOTE: A cheque for $200.00 was subsequently received at Grand Chapter Office.

It was moved by M. Ex. Comp. G. Harold Shannon, seconded by R. Ex. Comp. F. W. D. Welham, and—

Resolved—that the thanks of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons in Canada in the Province of Ontario be extended to:

The Credential Committee, under the direction of R. Ex. Comp. J. W. Woodland, for the efficient manner in which they carried out their duties;

The Scrutineers, under the direction of V. Ex. Comp. E. Jenkins, for their services in taking charge of the election of officers;

General Chairmen and sub-committees who looked after the arrangements and for their untiring assistance, including the reception and entertainment of the delegates and their ladies;
INe AGURAL SPEECH

I have this day reached the pinnacle of Royal Arch Masonry in the Province of Ontario, and I wish to thank from the bottom of my heart, all those who gave me their help and support during my progress up to this position. I am very sincere in that, which I hope you will all realize.

I would like to pay a particular tribute to my immediate predecessor, Most Excellent Companion Stanley Portch. His untiring energy and his help, assistance and advice have been beyond measure. I doubt very much whether two years hence, I can say that I have filled his footsteps adequately.

I have read over a number of the inaugural addresses made by my predecessors, and they all contain some wonderful thoughts. All of these I reiterate to you now, because I feel that they are strongly worth a renewal in thought, word and deed. I look forward with great anticipation to a rejuvenation of our Order, whether it be by amalgamation of Chapters or otherwise.

I could not let this opportunity pass without telling you how proud I feel every time I hear or read a report of the Bursary Committee. It does one's heart good to realize that we are making it possible for the children of Royal Arch Masons to get higher education when they would not be otherwise able to do it because of lack of finances. All of these students whom we have helped are, as one can expect, dedicated young men and young women who are taking full advantage of their opportunities and will in due course, add to the solid substantial group of citizens who are the background of this beloved country of ours. Most Excellent Comp. Maurice Searle and his Committee cannot be lauded too highly for the work which they have done in this regard.

We have just experienced another Masonic election at which some of our members have failed to acquire the necessary number of votes to be declared elected. To those who have done so, I extend my heartiest and sincere congratulations, and I look forward to a year of very close co-operation and companionship throughout. To those who did not make the grade, may I express my condolences and may I say to you that you should never feel that you have been let down. The fact that a Companion does not get elected, does not necessarily mean that he is not thought worthy and capable of the office that he seeks. Masonic elections are funny things, and I strongly urge that you will not feel disappointed but will live to fight another day. Royal Arch Masonry is going to continue on, and those of us who are in office now are not Mathusalahs. Please realize that new and better material will be required for its advancement in the years that lie ahead.

This year is going to be rather a strenuous one, and I hope that you will bear with me if I am not able to be present at all the functions that you would like to have me as your Grand First Principal. You have heard a great deal about the revision of the Constitution, and I am not going to say any more about it now, except that I want to finish up that task and get it out of the way at the 1970 Convocation. It wouldn't be fair for me to pass over the task to anyone else at this time. Most Excellent Companion Jim Girven, during his term as Grand First Principal, saw fit to appoint me as Chairman of a Committee which he
created for the revision of the Constitution, and the Committee that has been appointed to assist me has been working with me, and to bring in some new members at the present time, just would not be fair to them or to the other members of such Committee. I propose therefore, to finish up this task and the members of the Committee and myself are pledged to keep ourselves available so as to consider any suggestions or amendments that you might care to offer during the year.

Since I regretfully have to say what I have just said about visitations, I will, of course, look after with pleasure, such events as special celebrations, but I propose to give my Grand Second Principal and my Grand Third Principal some extra duties to do, namely, to visit all the Chapters that they possibly can during the year and report back to me just how Royal Arch Masonry is functioning at the grass roots level. There is a feeling that we are not aware of some of the real problems that we think must be facing some of our Chapters. We are most anxious to find out what these are so that we can suggest remedies which will reflect in the advancement and the strengthening of our Royal Craft.

Advancing time brings the necessity for change, and while old and tried ideas are worthy of a great deal of respect, they must at times give way to what we are pleased to call progress today. You will find that the Grand Council will be very much concerned with those Chapters who are having problems.

All of this I submit fraternally, this 30th day of April, 1969.

G. Harold Shannon,
Grand First Principal

APPOINTED TO OFFICE

The following appointments have been made by Mest Ex. Comp. G. Harold Shannon:

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—Appointed

R. Ex. Comp. H. S. Biggs, 463 Hillsdale Ave. E., Toronto 7, Ont.
R. Ex. Comp. D. L. Attridge, 4 Alexander Ave., Galt, Ont.

ASSISTANT OFFICERS—Appointed

M. Ex. Comp. Charles W. Emmett Grand Lecturer

27 Colwood Road, Islington, Ont.


82 Dundas Street E., Trenton, Ont.

V. Ex. Comp. James Bacon Grand Sr. Sojourner

Unionville, Ont.


New Dundee, Ont.

V. Ex. Comp. Lorne Avis Grand Sword Bearer

625 Elgin St., Port Elgin, Ont.

V. Ex. Comp. Roderick A. Stewart Grand Master 4th Veil

Church St., Maxville, Ont.

V. Ex. Comp. William Meredith Henderson Grand Master 3rd Veil

144 Davidson S. Box 563, Listowel, Ont.

V. Ex. Comp. Donald Bowman Filsinger Grand Master 2nd Veil

38 Shediac Rd., Scarborough, Ont.

V. Ex. Comp. William J. Bain Grand Master 1st Veil


V. Ex. Comp. Harold C. Fleming Grand Standard Bearer

75 Elm Street, London, Ont.
V. Ex. Comp. Herbert C. Evans .......................... Grand Director of Ceremonies
7 Wabbun Street, St. Thomas, Ont.
V. Ex. Comp. Gordon James Johnson ................. Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies
55 Lansdowne Road S., Galt, Ont.
V. Ex. Comp. Arthur William Cox ...................... Grand Organist
R.R. No. 4, Brantford, Ont.
V. Ex. Comp. Frederick Lampole .......................... Grand Pursuivant
12 McDonald St., Arnprior, Ont.
V. Ex. Comp. John William Morrison ..................... Grand Stewart
13 Cricket Place, Peterborough, Ont.
V. Ex. Comp. Henry Thomas Barker ........................ Grand Stewart
158 Hincks Street, Goderich, Ont.
V. Ex. Comp. William David Sturch ...................... Grand Stewart
Apt. 107, 365 Eglinton Ave. E., Toronto 12, Ont.
V. Ex. Comp. Thomas Randal Kenny ........................ Grand Stewart
R.R. No. 1, Wallaceburg, Ont.
V. Ex. Comp. Robert Gordon Sasse ........................ Grand Stewart
36 Lyons Ave., Brantford, Ont.
V. Ex. Comp. James Harvey Williams ...................... Grand Stewart
20 Searle Street, Hamilton, Ont.
V. Ex. Comp. Leonard Stroud .............................. Grand Stewart
38 Ellesboro Drive, Streetsville, Ont.
V. Ex. Comp. John Rennie Garen .......................... Grand Stewart
953-2nd Avenue E., Owen Sound, Ont.
V. Ex. Comp. John Franklin Root .......................... Grand Stewart
R.R. No. 2, Consecon, Ont.
V. Ex. Comp. Lorne Malcolm Dool ........................ Grand Stewart
104 VanBuren Street, Box 445, Kemptville, Ont.
V. Ex. Comp. Herbert Watson Moorby ..................... Grand Stewart
Gormley, Ont.
V. Ex. Comp. Frederick Price Wratten ...................... Grand Stewart
275 Shuter Street, Toronto, Ont.
V. Ex. Comp. Roy B. Miller .............................. Grand Stewart
433 Alder W., Dunnville, Ont.
V. Ex. Comp. John Hewat ................................ Grand Stewart
11 Walder Ave., Toronto, Ont.
V. Ex. Comp. Frederick Pallas Horton .................... Grand Stewart
2434 Thorson, Ottawa 5, Ont.
V. Ex. Comp. Frederick Orlando Alcock .................. Grand Stewart
d Apt. A., 1047 Park St., Kenora, Ont.
V. Ex. Comp. Thomas Gillespie .......................... Grand Stewart
McKerrow, Ont.
V. Ex. Comp. William John Cock .......................... Grand Stewart
37 Second Ave., Box 589, Schumacher, Ont.
V. Ex. Comp. William J. Raeburn .......................... Grand Stewart
11 Grandview Ave., Willowdale, Ont.
V. Ex. Comp. D. S. MacLachlan .......................... Grand Outer Guard
1460 Bayview Avenue, Apt. 302, Toronto 352, Ont.

The labors of the Annual Convocation being ended, Grand Chapter was closed in Ample Form at 12:20 p.m., Toronto, Ontario, Wednesday, April 30, 1969.

Robert John Hamilton
Grand Scribe E.
Monday evening, April 28, 1969, the Grand Z., M. Ex. Comp. Stanley Portch, invited his Council, P.G.Z.’s and Executive Committee to a dinner in the Tudor Room, Royal York Hotel, Toronto, to assist him in doing honors to his distinguished guests. At the same time Mrs. Portch and her committee entertained the wives and ladies of our distinguished guests with a dinner, etc., in the Algonquin Room, Royal York Hotel, Toronto.

Tuesday evening, April 29, 1969, the annual banquet was held in the Concert Hall of the Royal York Hotel, approximately 560 Companions and their ladies being present, under the chairmanship of our Grand Z., and he again provided a most interesting program.

The guest speaker was the Hon., C. F. MacNaughton. Treasurer and Minister of Economics, who gave a most interesting address on present day Canada. The evening was brought to a close with vocal selections by the Sweet Adalines.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—President
R. Ex. Comp. F. W. D. Welham ........................................ Grand H.
(By Virtue of Office)

M. Ex. Comp. G. Harold Shannon ....................................... Grand Z.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
(By Virtue of Office)

M. Ex. Comp. John M. Burden, Q.C. .................................. Grand Z. 1943-44
126 Old Orchard Grove, Toronto 12, Ont.

M. Ex. Comp. R. V. Conover, O.B.E. .................................. Grand Z. 1945-46
R.R. No. 6, Brampton, Ont.

M. Ex. Comp. Fred W. Dean ........................................... Grand Z. 1947-48
244 Holton Ave. South, Hamilton, Ont.

M. Ex. Comp. Alexander G. N. Bradshaw ............................... Grand Z. 1951-52
655 Waterloo St., London, Ont.

14 Pearson Ave., Toronto 3, Ont.

M. Ex. Comp. Maurice A. Searle ..................................... Grand Z. 1957-58
Apt. 211, 24 Shallmar Blvd., Toronto 10, Ont.

M. Ex. Comp. Bruce H. Smith ........................................ Grand Z. 1959-60
169 Dufferin Ave., Belleville, Ont.

27 Colwood Rd., Islington, Ont.

M. Ex. Comp. Fraser Hay, M.D. ...................................... Grand Z. 1963-64
165 Victoria Ave. N., Listowel, Ont.

M. Ex. Comp. James E. Girven ........................................ Grand Z. 1965-66
581 Weller St., Peterborough. Ont.

M. Ex. Comp. Stanley Portch .......................................... Grand Z. 1967-68
R.R. No. 2, 5059 Walker’s Line, Malton, Ont.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—Honorary

R. Ex. Comp. F. Carl Ackert, 1 Lincoln Ave., Galt, Ont.
R. Ex. Comp. Lloyd B. Gillespie, 410 Eden Ave., Ottawa, Ont.
R. Ex. Comp. James W. Woodland, Apt. 1501, 111 Raglan Ave., Toronto
10, Ont.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—Elected

R. Ex. Comp. L. C. Ewener, 961 Toro St., Sarnia, Ont.
R. Ex. Comp. Frederick Scott, 41 Fairfield Ave. N., Hamilton, Ont.
R. Ex. Comp. George E. Turner, M.D., 2881 Victoria Ave., Windsor, Ont.
R. Ex. Comp. Morley H. Hancock, 195 John Street, Belleville, Ont.
R. Ex. Comp. W. H. Cheetham, 374 Morse St., Port Arthur, Ont.
SUB-COMMITTEES OF GRAND CHAPTER EXECUTIVE

WARRANTS AND DISPENSATIONS

PRINTING AND SUPPLIES

FINANCE
R. Ex. Comp. Carl Ackert (Chairman), Grand Council, Past Grand Z’s, Grand Treasurer, Chairman of Investments and Grand Scribe E.

INVESTMENTS
R. Ex. Comp. Fred Scott (Chairman), Grand Council, Grand Treasurer, Grand Scribe E.

GRIEVANCES AND APPEALS

CONSTITUTION, LAWS AND JURISPRUDENCE

CONDITIONS OF CAPITULAR MASONRY

FRATERNAL DEAD
R. Ex. Comp’s. Rev. J. C. Britton (Chairman), Ray Edson Moore, George Albert Stewart.

FRATERNAL CORRESPONDENCE AND REVIEWER
V. Ex. Comp. David Miller.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES OF GRAND CHAPTER

GRAND Z’s ADDRESS

MILEAGE AND PER DIEM
R. Ex. Comp’s. L. B. Gillespie (Chairman), Bruce Eugene Reid, Gordon Evan Karle.

EDUCATION
M. Ex. Comp. F. Hay, M.D. (Chairman), Grand Council, Past Grand Z’s. Chairman of Masonic Instruction Committee, Grand Lecturer, Grand Scribe E.

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARDS
M. Ex. Comp’s. Fraser Hay, M.D. (Chairman), A. G. N. Bradshaw, C. W. Emmett.

ARCHIVE COMMITTEE
R. Ex. Comp. John Richardson (Chairman) — (to be assisted by the Grand Scribe E.)

MASONIC INSTRUCTION COMMITTEE
SCHOLARSHIP & BURSARY COMMITTEE

PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE
R. Ex. Comp's. W. S. Thomson (Chairman), M. H. Hancock, H. S. Biggs, Hubert F. Mills.

CONSTITUTION REVIEW COMMITTEE
M. Ex. Comp's. G. Harold Shannon (Chairman), M. A. Searle, J. E. Girven, R. Ex. Comp. L. J. Gent.

COMMITTEE FOR THE STUDY OF ASSISTANCE TO CHAPTERS

COMMITTEE FOR THE STUDY OF GRAND CHAPTER CONVOCATION
M. Ex. Comp's. J. E. Girvan (Chairman), Bruce H. Smith, R. Ex. Comp. Edwin John Myers.

COMMITTEE FOR THE STUDY OF THE WORK
M. Ex. Comp's. Bruce H. Smith (Chairman), Charles W. Emmett, Fred W. Dean.
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- **New Members**
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  - Herbert W. Powell
  - Ivan Brown
  - E. A. Coates
  - W. G. Taylor
  - R. A. Young
  - H. J. Brounchon
  - A. J. Hinde
  - H. W. Horn
  - J. G. Crook
  - J. A. Bailey
  - R. P. Graham
  - G. E. McIver

- **Became Full Members**
  - Douglas Argent
  - Edward J. Johnson
  - W. B. Brounchon
  - G. F. MacAulay
  - W. J. Gillhooly
  - W. A. Forbes
  - J. W. Warren
  - W. R. Marneys
  - J. L. Wheeler
  - C. A. Findlay
  - E. J. Ewing
  - R. C. Whalley
  - L. M. Grant
  - J. C. Macleod
  - E. H. Sargent

- **Became Associate Members**
  - D. J. Johnson
  - W. J. Gillhooly
  - W. A. Forbes
  - J. W. Warren
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**Regular Convocation**

- **4th December**
  - Golden, Kenora
  - Toronto-Antiquity, Toronto
  - Lucknow, Lucknow

- **19th December**
  - St. John's, London

- **21st December**
  - London, London

- **23rd December**
  - Toronto-Antiquity, Toronto

**Notes**

- No. 90, Golden, Kenora
- No. 91, Toronto-Antiquity, Toronto
- No. 92, Lucknow, Lucknow
- No. 93, St. John's, London

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47 Wellington .......... Chatham
71 Prince of Wales .... Essex
73 Erie ................. Ridgetown
80 Ark .................. Windsor
88 MacNabb ............. Dresden

119 King Cyrus .......... Leamington
153 Somba ............... Wallaceburg
164 Lorne ............... West Lorne
239 Blenheim .......... Blenheim
250 Thomas Peters ...... Windsor

LONDON DISTRICT No. 2

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3 St. John's ............ London
5 St. George's .......... London
15 Wawanosh .......... Sarnia
53 Bruce ................. Petrolia
54 Palestine ............. St. Thomas
74 Beavdr ............... Strathroy
78 Minnewawa .......... Parkhill

81 Aylmer ............... Aylmer
150 London .............. London
214 Vimy ............... Inwood
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252 Hiawatha .......... Sarnia

WILSON DISTRICT No. 3

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