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MASTER'S MESSAGE



My Brethren:

Summer vacations are over and Las Palmas is beginning a full Fall schedule. Will you be attending our meetings? I hope so. How many times have you met a brother who has not attended lodge for some time and heard him say, "I don't attend lodge anymore; I attended for a while after receiving my degrees, but after a time the degrees got kind of old and boring, etc."

What this brother probably means, brethren, though he may not realize it, is that he doesn't care to put forth the effort necessary to absorb and practice the great verities contained in Masonry.

For example, consider some of the lessons taught in the First Degree:

That we should devote a part of each day to the service of God and a distressed brother.

That we should divest our hearts and minds of the vices and superfluities of life

That purity of life and conduct is essentially necessary to our gaining admission into the Celestial Lodge above.

That all great and important undertakings should have for their foundation, the supports of Wisdom, Strength and Beauty.

That Charity - Love, for all mankind, is the principal round in the theological ladder which reaches from earth to Heaven.

That we should strive to keep our passions and desires within due bounds.

That we should live in accordance with the rules laid down in the Holy Bible - - and that if we do so, we cannot materially err.

That we should see our fellowmen as children of one Almighty Parent and exercise Brotherly Love toward all.

That we should endeavor to relieve the distressed, sympathize with their misfortunes, compassionate their miseries and restore peace to troubled minds.

That we should endeavor to regulate our conduct by Truth, the foundation of every virtue.

How can such lessons as these "get old or be boring?" These things are here in Masonry for all to learn and use.

Dewey H. Wollstein, Past Grand Master of Georgia, perhaps had the answer as to why some Masons do not attend

lodge. He wrote, "Men may be morally qualified to become Masons, and yet fail utterly to improve themselves in the art of Masonry. The failures are those who believe that the ultimate attainment of some degree of spiritual improvement is not worth the steady application that is required to achieve it."

Attend lodge regularly this fall brethren, and when you do, listen closely - as you did when you were a candidate. Masonry will begin to glow anew in your hearts and shine forth in your lives!

Fraternally, Len Gottner, W.M.

DINNER WITH OUR DATES

Plan now to attend and enjoy a fine CHICKEN DINNER and the fellowship of your fellow members and their wives.

Please make your reservations by noon, Wednesday, Sept. 18 with any of the following ladies:

Margaret Ahlenslager	229-1328
Frances Gottner	222-1310
Mary Beth Kalstrom	266-9373
Charlotte Shelly	264-2779

The chairman for this dinner is Kathryn Carlson. We'll see YOU there! 6:30 p.m. September 19

TRESTLEBOARD

Thurs. Sept. 5 - Third Degree - James Richard Buckles
 Thurs. Sept. 12 - First Degree - Bernard Wayne Mitchell
 William Stanley Wong
 Denver Graham Benson
 Robert C. Tennyson

Friday Sept. 13 - Second Degree
 Thurs. Sept. 19 - Stated Meeting, - Dinner with our Dates, 6:30 p.m.
 CONSTITUTION OBSERVANCE - See notice below.

Sunday Sept. 22 - 29th Annual Breakfast - GRAND MASTER'S VISIT - 8:15 a.m. Fresno Masonic Temple, Shields Ave. Tickets now available from the officers, \$2.50.

Thurs. Sept. 26 - Third Degree - David Lewis James

CONSTITUTION OBSERVANCE

Brother Ken Potter will speak on "The Constitutional Basis of Certain Recent Supreme Court Decisions." Don't miss this opportunity to learn the real basis for these decisions, which so vitally affect our lives and our Country, on Thursday, Sept. 19, following our Dinner With Our Dates.

KNOW YOUR OFFICERS YOUR JUNIOR DEACON



JAMES J. KALSTROM - Jim came into the world in Chula Vista in 1914. After high school he obtained a degree in zoology from San Diego State College and followed it up with a graduate year in biological sciences at the University of California. World War II saw him serving as a Lieutenant on a Sub-Chaser in the Atlantic and Mediterranean areas.

In 1939 he married Marybeth Langworthy, daughter of a Mason and a registered nurse. Mrs. Kalstrom is a member of Ft. Miller-ton Chapter O.E.S. and Guardian Secretary of Bethel 197, Job's Daughters.

His children: Kathleen (Mrs. Kenneth Callahan) also a registered nurse has given Jim two grandchildren, a boy and a girl. She too is an Eastern Star and is a past Honored Queen of Job's Daughters. David has a degree in electrical engineering from the University of California and is employed by Lenkurt Electric Co. of San Carlos. Philip, past Master Councilor of DeMolay is employed by Campbell Soup Co. and is completing the college course he started at Fresno State in Sacramento State.

Jim, Field Supervisor of Agricultural Pest Control with the California Department of Agriculture, is in charge of the Fresno office for the enforcement of laws and regulations concerning pesticides and residues. He has been employed by the Department for 29 years.

NEW SECOND DEGREE OFFICERS COACH

The elevation of P.M. Pavlovich to Inspector left a significant vacancy. Supervision of the second degree is an important responsibility. To whom do you suppose the Master turned in an emergency? You guessed it — that old work horse, P.M. Robert W. Reynolds. Brother Bob is a capable ritualist and can be counted on to render a fine service.

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W. LEE JACKSON retired June 1 as manager of California Raisin Advisory Board. By an unfortunate coincidence, his wife Pearl fell and broke her hip on May 4. She will not be fully ambulatory for 6 months. So Lee graduated from manager to nurse, cook and dishwasher. The best of luck to both.

ANOTHER LOSS



WILCOX RESIGNS

Our Senior Steward George Wilcox officially resigned on June 6. Brother George has been transferred to Medford, Oregon by Greyhound Lines, for whom he drives. He has been a good and conscientious officer and will be greatly missed. Las Palmas wishes him every success for the future.

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RALPH SAROYAN'S son, Ralph, has been graduated from Officers' Training School at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas. He is commissioned a Second Lieutenant.

PRICE ROBINSON and BIRRE GIPE chose a unique method of fraternal meeting when they brought their cars together at an intersection. Bro. Gipe cracked some ribs and the Robinson auto got the full 10 count.

JOHN E. BARKER is home and recovering from back surgery.

ROBERT REYNOLDS, P.M., ruptured a leg artery while driving out of town on company business. He is on enforced vacation while the damage mends.

In Memoriam

FRANK FRY, age 67

Masonic committal service was conducted on June 20 at Belmont Memorial Park by our officers for this former member.

Raised in Las Palmas

Demitted to San Simeon Lodge which he served as Master and secretary.

Last home was in Cambria.

ED F. FITZGERALD

Born in Yolo County in 1879. Moved to Fresno 1888.

Raised in Las Palmas April 3, 1924

Ed was long a Fresno County employee as Courthouse engineer, constable and welfare department supervisor.

Member Odd Fellows

N. S. G. W.

Elks

Fresno High Twelve Club

THE HIGH TWELVE CLUB

This great movement was born in 1921 in Sioux Falls, Iowa by Edward C. Wolcott. Wally felt that Masons were hungry for Masonic fellowship and furthermore many were ineligible under the rigid classification system of the commercial luncheon clubs. From its inception High Twelve has added to its hour of happy fellowship the concept that Masons should put the tenets of the order into practical effect in the civic affairs of the community. High Twelve strictly conforms to all the requirements of each grand lodge under which it operates. There are many activities permitted to the clubs which are prohibited to chartered lodges. The chief emphasis of the organization is youth work. The Wolcott Foundation has already put 47 young people (mostly from Masonic families) through the graduate year at the George Washington University of Wash., D.C. in the school of government. These people are now serving the United States in the foreign service in countries all over the world. To detail its many Masonic services would take more space than is available in this article.

The Fresno Club was chartered in March 1927. In its 41 years of existence, the many projects it has completed have reflected great credit upon Masonry. Currently each year a senior local DeMolay officer is sent (expenses paid) to the summer DeMolay Officers Training School. Of the 120 California boys attending last year's school at Asilomar, 82 were sent by the 74 California High Twelve Clubs.

The Fresno Club has never had the wholehearted support from local Masons that it richly deserves. Its influence would be magnified manyfold by doubling its membership. Many Masons could devote a noon hour a week to make Masonry a more vital force in the life of this city and at the same time as a free bonus enjoy good programs, good meals and relaxation with some choice men.

The dues are reasonable, \$12 a year. Compare with \$50-\$72 in other clubs. No classifications. All Master Masons are welcomed. Come to the Fresno Hotel on a Tuesday noon at 12:10 and inform President Havrilla that you'd like to be a Masonic booster.



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GEORGE C HOLSTEIN, P.M., has been elected principal conductor of the work for the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of California. This is a four year succession to the top of the heap. Anyone who wants a top worker calls on George.

MASONIC BIBLE PRESENTATION

I would like to call to your attention to some of the things pertaining to the book that lies open upon the altar, The Holy Bible.

It is open when the Lodge is open and closed when the Lodge is closed and no Masonic Lodge, of Christian faith, can perform any work unless it is in the Lodge room and in its proper place. It is one of the Three Great Lights in Masonry and the rule and guide of our faith. Faith in God, Faith in Mankind, and Faith in ourselves. Upon its sacred pages rests the foundation of our fraternity and no Mason need be told of the important part it has in the teaching of our craft.

From the altar it sheds its light upon the East, the West and the South. It lies open for all to read and for each one to interpret for himself. In it may be found the moral principles for the building of a righteous life and, to Masonry, The Holy Bible is supreme.

While Masonry is not a religion, it teaches religion. It believes that each man should worship God as he sees fit, and that he should grant to every other person the same privilege. It is tolerant toward every religious faith; it does not antagonize the one who has no Deity and no Book to guide him. But Masonry believes in God and he who does not must remain outside its doors.

Through the Brotherly Love of Las Palmas Lodge, No. 366, I have been asked to present to you this sacred volume of Masonic Law. It is the Christian world's supreme record of man's experience in faith and the Masonic trestleboard to character building, that important work to which you have dedicated yourself. Take it, my brother, it is yours, yours to study and to learn. Let it be your teacher and your guide. And as the years come and go it will be an inspiration in the building of your faith toward God and in man.

Nothing should be more binding than the vows you have taken upon it. Learn what it means to be a man and a true Mason. And may its teachings guide your footsteps through the remainder of your life, protect you from the evil influence of this world, and so inspire you, that when your work on earth is finished, you will be prepared to enter that Grand Lodge on High, from whose bourne no traveler returns.

Submitted by A. D. Dadmun, P.M.

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SAM M. PAVLOVICH, P.M., and his wife Presida were saddened by the death of the latter's brother, Major Robert Kurilith, U.S.M.C. He was killed by enemy action in Viet Nam.

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JAMES J. KALSTROM - Jim's son, Philip, has announced his engagement to Miss Sharon Harts of Sacramento. The wedding is planned for December. Philip is a past Master Councilor and Chevalier, Fresno Chapter, DeMolay.

FRED SWARTZ, P.M. - His grandson, Frederic "Mike" Hardy has been granted a 12 month graduate traineeship by the National Science Foundation. Mike holds a B.S. degree in enology from F.S.C. and is a graduate student at U.C. Davis.

LADISLAUS KLOHS - Laddie lost a long game battle against the infection which was eating away his leg and it became necessary to amputate it on June 11.

In Memoriam

JACK W. HELM

Born in Hartley, Iowa Jan. 2, 1903

Died at sea June 2, 1968

Raised in Las Palmas Dec. 6, 1945

Jack was manager for S. E. Rykoff Co., wholesale grocers, after that firm bought out the Buy-Rite Wholesale Grocery Co. of which he was president.

Director Fresno Kiwanis Club

Past president Fresno High Twelve Club

He is survived by his widow Katherine and two daughters.

PAUL J. THIELE

Born in Beatrice, Nebraska Sept. 7, 1888

Died in Dos Palos June 12, 1968

Raised in Stanislaus Lodge, No. 206, Feb. 11, 1920

21 years a teacher in Fresno City Schools

Member Scottish Rite Bodies, First Presbyterian Church

HENRY J. BUSICK

Born in Russia Nov. 11, 1899

Died in Fresno June 11, 1968

Husband of Molly and father of Bert

Owner with his wife of Molean's Gift and Dress Shop following 30 years with Henry Dermer's Clothing Store

Raised in Las Palmas Sept. 13, 1945

Member Scottish Rite Bodies

Teheran Temple

La Sierra Chapter No. 555, O.E.S.

A CURIOUS LITERARY PRODUCTION

Printed on the opposite page is one of the most remarkable compositions ever written. It evinces an ingenuity peculiarly its own. The initial letters spell, "My Boast Is In The Glorious Cross of Christ." The words in capitals, when read on the left hand side from top to bottom, and on the right hand side from bottom to top, form the Lord's Prayer.

HOW DO YOU RATE?

He who knows not and knows not he knows not
is ignorant, pity him!

He who knows not and knows he knows not
is a fool, shun him!

He who knows and knows not he knows
is asleep, wake him!

He who knows and knows he knows
is wise, follow him!

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LADISLAUS KLOHS - Installment 2 - After a game fight, Laddie had to have leg No. 2 amputated. Brother WES TOSTRUP, our inspiring and cheerful refreshment chairman, who suffered the same misfortune several years ago, is counseling with him. If you've never even seen Laddie, it is requested that you pay him a visit. It is in such dire circumstances as this that Masonry can take on real meaning and Brotherly Love can be transferred from ritual to real life. See him at the Veterans' Hospital.

NEW STRENGTH

FRANCIS M. L. DAKE, a native of Fresno, first greeted his parents on July 3, 1924. His progress through the Fresno schools was climaxed by his graduation from Technical H.S.

An early marriage to Dorothy produced one daughter, Pam, already 19. Francis (he's called several names) has been employed by Fresno County for 18 years in park maintenance. Almost six years were spent in the U.S. Navy from 1941 to 1947.

This man's interest in youth is demonstrated by his coaching Spartan League football for 3 years and is Parent Club Treasurer for "Sing Out Fresno." For filling the leisure hours he enjoys fishing, golf and gardening.

Magic in Words

Make known the Gospel truth, **OUR** Father King;
Yield up Thy grace dear **FATHER**, from above;
Bless us with hearts, **WHICH** feelingly can sing;
"Our life Thou **ART** for **EVER**, God of Love."
Assuage our grief **IN** love **FOR** Christ, we pray,
Since the Prince of **HEAVEN** and **GLORY** died,
Took all sins and **HALLOWED** **THE** display,
Infinite **BE**ing, first man, **AND** then was crucified,
Stupendous God! **THY** grace and **POWER** make known;
In Jesus' **NAME** let all **THE** world rejoice,
Now labor in **THY** Heavenly **KINGDOM** own,
That blessed **KINGDOM**, for Thy saints **THE** choice
How vile to **COME** to Thee **IS** all our cry;
Enemies to **THY**self and all that's **THINE**!
Graceless our **WILL**, we live **FOR** vanity;
Loathing the very **BE**ing, **EVIL** in design —
O God, Thy will be **DONE** **FROM** earth to **Heaven**;
Reclining **ON** the Gospel let **US** Live,
In **EARTH** from sin **DELIVERED** and forgiven.
Oh! **AS** Thyself, **BUT** teach us to forgive;
Unless **IT**'s power **TEMPTATION** doth destroy,
Sure **IS** our fall **INTO** the depths of woe.
Carnal **IN** mind, we have **NOT** a glimpse of joy
Raised against **HEAVEN**; in **US** no hope we know.
O **GIVE** us grace, and **LEAD** us on the way;
Shine on **US** with Thy love, and give **US** peace.
Self, and **THIS** sin that rises **AGAINST** us, slay.
Oh, grant each **DAY** our **TRESPASSES** may cease;
Forgive **OUR** evil deeds, **THAT** oft we do;
Convince us **DAILY** of **THEM**, to our shame;
Help us with Heavenly **BREAD**, **FORGIVE** us, too.
Recurrent lusts; **AND** **WE**'ll adore Thy name.
In Thy **FORGIVENESS** we **AS** saints can die,
Since for-**US**, and our **TRESPASSES** so high,
Thy Son, **OUR** Saviour, died on Calvary.