

United Lodge #93

It occurred to me that the name of our Lodge must have been given a considerable amount of thought by the Brothers who petitioned the Grand Lodge of Washington for a charter to form a Lodge in Woolley, Sedro will come later. There are many names that could have been selected, but they chose "UNITED". Turning to Webster for a definition I find the word United to mean 1. "to become or seem to become joined, formed or combined into a unit. 2. To join and act together in a common purpose or endeavor". United Lodge was first conceived in 1892 by those Brothers who in their wisdom sought a means of meeting to practice the precepts of Masonry.

United Lodge #93 was granted a Dispensation from the Grand Lodge of Washington by the then Grand Master Alfred Augustus Plummer of The Grand Lodge of Washington on December 16, 1892 and The Charter was granted on June 1 1893 and dated June 14, 1893.

Transportation made attending the nearest Lodge, Mount Baker #36, in Mount Vernon, almost an overnight chore. Travel was by train, logging train, riverboat, canoe or horseback some even walked. In the rural communities Lodges met mostly on Saturday afternoon to accommodate those brothers who worked in the logging camps or owned and operated farms adjacent to the two towns of Sedro and Woolley. One of our early Brother Masons owned a Cranberry farm on Highway 9 north of Sedro-Woolley others came from as far away as Pilchuck, a community near the present town of Arlington. They came in by train. It is said that conductors would hold the southbound train until Lodge was closed. A visitation to Bellingham was made by renting the Galloping Goose (an electric train) which ran from Seattle/Everett to Bellingham via Sedro-woolley it gave way to buses in the mid-thirties.

The following is the Petition submitted to the Grand Lodge of Washington by the Brothers Living in the towns of Woolley and Sedro being desirous of forming a new Lodge. Quote "The undersigned petitioners , being Free and Accepted Masons, and having the prosperity of the fraternity at heart, and willing to exert their best endeavors to promote and diffuse the genuine principles of Free Masonry, respectfully represent that they are desirous of forming a new Lodge in the town of Woolley, to be named United Lodge. They therefore pray for letters of dispensation, to empower them to assemble as a regular Lodge, to discharge the duties of Masonry in a regular and constitutional manner, according to the original forms of the Fraternity, and the regulations of the Grand Lodge. They have nominated and do recommend Brother Ira J. Stiles to be the first Master, Brother O. B. Millett to be the first Senior Warden and Brother Adam W. Davison to be the first Junior Warden of said Lodge. If the prayer of this petition shall be granted they promise a conformity to the edicts of the Grand Master, and Constitution, Laws and Regulations of the Grand Lodge Dated this 5th day of November 1892 The following are the signers

Name	Lodge	Residence
Ira J. Stiles	General #9 Tower City, No. Dak.	Woolley, Wash.
Adam W. Davison	Clam Lake #331 Cadillac. Michigan	Woolley, Wash.
O. B. Millett	Clarke #61 Chester, Nova Scotia	Woolley, Wash.
William Doherty	Occidental #27 Hope, North Dakota	Woolley, Wash.
W. E. Hightower	Benona #289 Shelby, Michigan	Woolley, Wash.
A. E. Holland	Mount Baker #36 Mount Vernon, Wash.	Sedro, Wash.
G. T. Gregory	Perryville, #236 Perryville, Arkansas	Woolley, Wash.
G. L. Cuddy	Charity #134	Sedro, Wash.

Charity, Maryland

W. D. Elliott Barron #220 Sedro, Wash.

United Lodge # 93 was Sponsored and assisted by Mt Baker Lodge #36 in Mount Vernon, Washington. The following is the petition sent to Grand Lodge By Mount Baker Lodge #36 recommending and requesting a Dispensation to form a Lodge in Woolley. Quote "At a stated communication of Mount Baker Lodge #36 held at Mount Vernon In Skagit County Washington on the 3rd day of December 1892 the following resolutions were adopted

Resolved: That this Lodge do recommend the petition of Brothers Ira J. Stiles, Adam W. Davison, O. B. Millett, William Doherty, W. E. Hightower, A. E. Holland, G. T. Gregory, G. L. Cuddy, and W. D. Elliott Praying for a dispensation to establish a new Lodge at Woolley, Washington, by the name of United Lodge and do vouch for said petitioners as being Master Masons in good standing; and being the nearest Lodge thereto do recommend that the prayer of the petitioners be granted.

Resolved: That in the judgment of this Lodge, each of the Brethren named in said petition as officers of said new Lodge is competent to properly confer the three degrees and impart the lectures thereunto appertaining. In witness whereof we have caused our Lodge seal to be affixed hereunto and our Secretary to attest the same this 3rd day of December 1892 John T. Mason, Secretary" Unquote.

All meetings were to be on the Second and Fourth Saturday, except funerals, in most instances the service was conducted within two days.

All the minutes and records of the Lodge from the beginning until August 14th 1901 were lost in a fire about April 1907.

ON October 26, 1901 Hall rent was paid (\$25.00) to the I.O.O.F.. It is presumed that United #93 was renting from the Odd Fellows Lodge.

November 23, 1901 A bill for insurance for .63 cents was paid to C. E. Bingham.

Our early Brothers had been renting from the Odd Fellows. The location was changed in January 1902 when they rented a hall from a local businessman, (Dave Donnelly), for \$7.00 a month. This hall was four bare walls and everything inside had to be furnished by the Lodge, even the heating stove. One step at a time the Brethren purchased and accumulated furniture and other regalia. All was not peace and harmony during the first years as the membership started growing. The Lodge continued to use this hall until around 1905 at which time they rented the use of the Knights of Pythias hall.

On June 14, 1902 A committee was appointed to pursue the installation of an Eastern Star Chapter. An attempt was made at this time to change the meeting night and time, However it was voted down

Commencing on August 23, 1902, as with all organizations times were difficult and desention was growing as a result the Worshipful Master instructed the Secretary to correspond with grand lodge relative to the conditions at United #93 to ascertain what steps should be taken.

On September 6, 1902 For what ever reason the The Most Worshipful Grand Master declared the office of Master and Senior Warden vacant. Brother M. B. Mattice was appointed Master and Bro. E. S. Howard was appointed Senior Warden Pro tem until an election should be held and new officers duly elected and installed. Bro. Mattice was presented with the Charter. This action resulted in special dispensation being granted by Grand Lodge for the purpose of electing and installing a Master and Senior Warden. Brothers Mattice and Howard were elected as WM and SW respectively. Bro. C. E. Bingham was installed as treasurer.

Authors comment The period September 6th through December 31st were very difficult times for United #93 in that many trials and problems occurred that without some strong leadership among the Brethren United #93 may have vanished. However, great minds prevailed and those problems were overcome.

A committee was appointed to see if the hall was available any other evening for meeting purposes. The committee on the meeting night change was instructed to ascertain if the Second and fourth Wednesday was available.

It was noted that Pilchuck where numerous petitions were coming from was in the jurisdiction of Camanio Lodge. It was suggested that Camanio Lodge be notified and a waiver of jurisdiction requested. Pilchuck was a community near Arlington.

Masonic Charities are numerous however in these early days of non government supported social and economic programs the one charity that stands out is how the masons took care of the Widows and children of deceased brothers. At this time a brother had died and left a wife and several children. The Lodge assumed responsibility for this family and gave a sum of money each month to the mother and at Christmas time the children were given gifts of clothing and toys. This style of charity will appear several times through out this writing.

The officers for 1902 were returned to office for 1903 with the exception of Secretary. Brother LaPlant was elected however at the insistence of the Grandmaster he was not allowed to take office. Using this as a dispensation the Worshipful master called a special election and H. H. Shrewsbury was elected to the office of Secretary and served the Lodge for many years in that position. The officers were installed at a public installation.

The lodge was notified of the death of Bro. R.S. Bingham on March 28, 1903. The secretary was instructed to notify Brother Bingham's home lodge Favton Lodge, Utica, New York of his demise. The fellowcraft degree was conferred on EA William Jenkins and Oliver Paridis. It was discovered that Brother Jenkins was under the influence of alcohol, he was conducted from the lodge room and instructed that he could go no further until he proved himself worthy. That evening a special meeting was called for the purpose of attending the Funeral of Bro. R.S. Bingham. The Lodge was opened and the Brothers then proceeded to the home of Brother C.E. Bingham where services were held. The body was taken to the Union Cemetery where it was given a Masonic burial in due form . The Brothers returned to the lodgeroom and closed lodge peace and harmony prevailing.

The Resolution for a change in meeting from 2nd and 4th Saturday to 2nd and 4th Tuesday was read on August 22, 1903 and the vote was unanimous in favor of the change. However, on the first meeting night after the change the meeting was adjourned for want of a quorum.

On September 20, 1903 a special meeting was called for the purpose of conducting a funeral service for Bro. William Doherty. The lodge marched to the decedent's residence and escorted the body to the opera house where the service was read, thence to the grave where the usual Masonic honors were given and the body was buried in due form.

During this time United Lodge was having financial difficulties, so on October 13, 1903 the lodge trustees were authorized to make a loan from the bank of C.E. Bingham for sufficient funds to meet our indebtedness. There is no record of the amount of the is loan.

It was customary that a committee be appointed to prepare a resolution for the death of a departed brother. A committee of three (Bros. Caskey, Bingham and Shrewsbury) was appointed to draft a resolution of the death of Brother Doherty.

On Halloween night United Lodge was favored with a visitation by Mount Baker #36. Those Brothers from Mount Baker lodge in attendance were as follows:

E. W. Ferris Worshipful Master, J. W. McCreary Senior Warden, Fred Blumberg Junior Warden, T. B. West Secretary, August Brawley Senior Deacon, N. P. Nelson Junior Deacon and Charles Syder Tiler.

It was November 10, 1903 when petitions for the degrees of masonry from Doctors C. C. Harbaugh, and J. S. Baldrige were read and referred to investigating committees. These two Masons served Sedro-Woolley and vicinity as Physician and Dentist for many years.

On December 22, 1903 Brother E. S. Howard was elected as Worshipful Master for the year 1904

If you were to walk down Main Street Sedro-Woolley you can't help but see the contribution to our City by Horace Condy, Jeweler and Mason who petitioned United Lodge for membership by affiliation on November 24, 1903 and served our Lodge for many years as Master and Secretary.

January 12, 1904 Petition from Carter Webb for affiliation was read and referred to committee. A petition for affiliation from Ira J. Webb was read and referred to committee. Brother Chauncy Ingham was appointed to look after and care for the lodge paraphernalia for a salary of 50 cents per month. A Resolution changing the initiation fee from \$35.00 to \$50.00 and the dues from \$3.00 to \$6.00 with a discount of one dollar for each year paid in advance was read and accepted. Brothers Condy and Bingham were installed as Junior steward and Treasurer respectively.

The secretary was instructed on March 8th to purchase a sword for the Tyler. The secretary was also instructed to contact the landlord relative to carpeting of the ante room.

In the evening of April 21, 1904 a special meeting was called for the purpose of attending the funeral of Bro. J. E. Hubbell. The Lodge having been opened in due form the lodge formed a procession and marched to the residence of the deceased, where they took charge of the body, proceeded to the Methodist Episcopal Church, where the burial service was rendered and then marched to the cemetery where the Grand Honors were given and the body buried in due form. A collection was taken to defray the expense of the floral offering.

April 26, 1904 There was no meeting as the lodge went to Annacortes to attend lodge. It is assumed that the Brethren made this trip by passenger train. However, Logging trains were travelling in that direction.

As the custom of dark lodge during June, July and August did not become effective until much later it is presumed that the Brethren worked much longer hours and were unable to take the time away from usual vocations to attend Lodge meetings it was not uncommon to have a meeting and no quorum

July 26, 1904 through September 27, 1904 the meetings were adjourned for want of quorum.

November 4, 1904 A Special meeting was called for the purpose of attending the funeral of Brother J. A. Cannon of Dillsboro Lodge #459 Dillsboro, North Carolina. Brother Cannon was killed in a logging accident at Hamilton, WA. on November 2, 1904. The lodge convened at 9:50 AM and marched to the Great Northern Depot, where they took charge of the remains of Brother Cannon, Thence to the cemetery where the sad rites were conferred.

By a special request on December 11, 1904 Brother David Prescott of the Grand lodge met with members of the lodge at the usual meeting place to review the EA degree. They met again on Monday at the IOOF hall to review the FC and MM degrees.

December 13, 1904 The order of business was to elect the Worshipful Master for the year 1905. Brother E. S. Howard was elected.

The lodge was called from labor to refreshment until Dec 27, at 8:00.

As I was looking through the Lodge proceeding the entry February 28, 1905 becomes significant as the Committee on a Temple was increased to five Consisting of Brothers Davison, Shrewsbury, Frazee, Mattice and Condy with instructions to furnish an estimate on a Masonic building.

March 28, 1905 Petitions for the degrees were received from three very prominent Lyman residents who would be leaders of that community for many years Thomas Trueman, John Hightower, and Frank Hoehn . Petitions for affiliation were read from Brother Hiram Hammer. Brother H. Condy was appointed to be floor director in third degree.

On September 12, 1905 a Communication was received from Wm. Jenkins, Brother Jenkins had received his EA degree and then appeared to be intoxicated at the time of his Fellowcraft the Lodge recommended that he not seek further instructions until he had corrected his habits. In view of this the Secretary was instructed to write to Wm. Jenkins for recommendations as to habits and etc.

The Lodge was dark from September 26 through November 13.

A committee had been active seeking a new place to have meetings on December 12, 1905 the committee on meeting location was instructed to contact the Knights of Pythias relative to using the Bingham and Holland hall as a meeting place.

At the January 9, 1906 meeting the committee for the K of P hall reported that the hall could be secured for \$10.00 per month. The KP hall would be at the lodges disposal every Tuesday night. The trustees were instructed to rent the KP hall.

Horace Condy was installed as Worshipful Master for 1906.

A resolution was passed fixing the dues at 50 cents per month payable annually.

A petition for affiliation from T. J. Morrow was read and referred to the investigating committee on February 27, 1906 Brother Morrow was a member of Norfolk Lodge #55 Norfolk, Nebraska. Brother Morrow was a Presbyterian minister and eventually became a past master of United #93.

In keeping with Masonic tradition for secrecy a committee was appointed to see if the Knights of Pythias building could be made sound proof. At this same time a committee was appointed to see if the I.O.O.F. hall could be secured to hold lodge meetings. The feelings of the Brethren of United Lodge was closer to having their own building as they were looking around for a better place to meet.

April 10,1906 Mr. Frank Ries petitioned the Lodge for the degrees. He is the father of Herbert Ries a future past master of United #93

May 8, 1906 In the early years of the Lodge it was customary for members to smoke during lodge meetings and it seems that cigars were the in thing as the record shows the Lodge paid a bill for 100 cigars and three months rent was ordered paid. This custom was laid aside later on.

The last meeting of the year fell on Christmas day so on December 25, 1906 Brother T. J. Morrow was elected Worshipful Master for the year 1907.,

On February 12,1907 The Worshipful Master appointed a committee to see if a lot could be obtained for a Masonic Temple. Brothers Condy, Harbaugh and Neidrum were appointed to this task.

February 26, 1907 A resolution of respect on the death of Brother H. H. LaGrand was read and accepted. Brother H. H. Lagrand was made a member of United lodge by affiliation on April 25, 1905. In these days it customary for a lodge to support a Brother's family upon his demise if it was deemed to be necessary. In this respect a committee was appointed to investigate the need to continue the \$10.00 per month to Mrs. Eva Gregory. The committee on the matter of Mrs. Gregory reported and it was decided to continue the \$10.00 monthly Payment.

The committee on the reinstatement of Ira J. Stiles reported favorable and he was reinstated July 9, 1907.

On August 27, 1907 The Trustees were instructed to deposit the Lodge's current funds into an interest bearing investment.

After considerable discussion it was agreed to have the trustees purchase a 30 foot lot 120 feet East of Metcalf Street, on the North side of Woodworth Street, for \$600.00 on October 22, 1907 .

December 24, 1907 . A donation was made to the children of Deceased Brother LaGrand.

It was approved to have a public installation of officers. Brother T. J. Morrow was elected Worshipful Master for 1908.

The lodge was assessed a fine of \$10.00, which was duly paid on January 28, 1908, by the Grand Master and Grand Secretary for conferring the E A degree on Bro. R. L. Davison out of time.

Fellowcraft Brother William Thomsen was raised to the sublime degree of a Master Mason On March 24, 1908. Brother Thomsen served united Lodge for many years as a Past Master and Secretary. He also served the city of Sedro-Woolley as treasurer for many years.

On May 12, 1908 A communication from The Grand Lodge Finance Committee relative to buying land for a Masonic Home. It was hoped that the matter would be approved at the next grand lodge session.

June 23, 1908 A communication from Fredricksburg Lodge #4 of Fredricksburg Virginia asking for a donation to assist in the erecting a Masonic memorial in honor of Bro. George Washington. The Secretary was instructed to send a warrant for \$5.00 to Fredricksburg Lodge with compliments from United Lodge #93.

With the exception of the usual degree work nothing significant occurred.

Brother A. C. Seidell was elected as Master December 22, 1908 for the year 1909

January 5, 1909 Brothers Kirby, Caskey, and Baldrige were appointed to a committee to investigate the feasibility of building a Masonic Temple.

January 9, 1909 As of this date United Lodge 93 lost all lodge furnishings by fire. See minutes of April 13, 1909 no mention of this was made previous to the April date, except that in 1907 The lodge was negotiating with the Knights of Pythias for meeting space. Suddenly they were again making rent payments to Dave Donnelly (not a mason). There is a hint that the K of P was also looking for a building lot at about this time.

An (interest free) loan of \$50.00 to the Eastern Star was approved.

The Grand Master and other Grand Lodge brothers were invited to meet with United Lodge at the next regular meeting. A committee was appointed to entertain the Grand Master and his entourage this same committee would also arrange for a banquet. Due to the distance these Brothers traveled it was necessary to find lodging for them. Many times they were guests of members.

The report of the building committee as to costs, etc. of a brick and cement building was read and after much discussion and remarks from grand Master Gove, Past Grand Master Atkins and Grand Orator Lawler it was decided that the building committee should solicit subscriptions to a building fund. It was further decided that the building committee be incorporated and issue bonds at 6 percent interest. The report was accepted and the committee discharged. A motion was moved and seconded that the building committee, consisting of the five elected officers, incorporate as a building association and proceed with the construction of a building. The name

of the building association is to be Sedro-Woolley Masonic Temple Association. The books of the association were opened at the Secretary's desk and the lodge was at ease for the purpose of taking subscriptions.

Due to the amount of degree work that occurred in the latter half of 1908 some of the routine matters that came before the Lodge were delayed until the first meeting in January of 1909. \$25.00 was given to the LaGrand and Gregory children for Christmas presents. A telegram from then Grand Master, Royal Gove, giving permission to install officers was read, however, due to the absence of several officers it was decided to postpone installation until January 26th.

A committee was appointed to purchase regalia to replace that which had been lost in the fire.

January 26, 1909 A loan of \$50.00 to the Eastern Star was approved (interest free).

At the first meeting in February (February 9, 1909) a committee was appointed to secure a building lot.

April 13, 1909 A communication was read from Grand Master Gove, instructing the Worshipful Master and secretary that the notification of the fire loss must be included in the minutes. All paraphernalia and Charter were lost, nothing was saved except the Secretary's books (the secretary's books happened to be at his place of business). Permission was granted by the Grand Master to meet and install officers.

The Then Grand Secretary, Horace W. Tyler sent a duplicate charter with the certification as to its authenticity. (ED. Note the charter with the certifying inscription may be seen on the charter). United Lodge asked for a loan of \$4000.00 from the Grand Lodge for the building fund. However, this was denied as the Grand Lodge funds were allocated to the library fund as the building was to be built this year (1909). Authorization was given the Masonic Temple Association to purchase a lot from Wm. Thomsen for \$1800.00.

April 27, 1909 A new rough and perfect ashlar were purchased to replace those lost in fire for \$3.50.

On June 22, 1909 A communication was sent to the Grand Master inviting him to lay the cornerstone of the Masonic Temple on July 8th. A committee consisting of Brothers Devon, Gable and Harbaugh was appointed to entertain the Grand Master on the evening of the laying of the cornerstone. The building committee was instructed to use their discretion in acquiring a heating plant for the new building.

A special meeting was called July 8, 1909 for the purpose of laying the cornerstone of the Masonic Temple and the conferring of a third degree of masonry. The following Grand Lodge officers, Past Masters and Bros. of United Lodge were present and officiated at the corner stone laying.

MWGM Royal A Gove (Tacoma)

DDGM WB A. C. Seidell (United)

GSW WB E. S. Howard (United)

GJW WB T. J. Morrow (United)

G CHAP. WB C. Y. Smyth (Everett)

G TRES. WB C. E. Bingham (United)

G SEC. WB Horace Condy (United)

G MARSHALL PGM C. D. Atkins (Everett)

GSD F. R. Faller (United)

GJD J. S. Baldridge (United)

GSS H. H. Shrewsbury (United)

GJS C. C. Harbaugh (United)

Tyler C. H. Webb (United)

Supt. of Const S. B. Cogshall (United)

Bible Bearer C. Ingham (United)

After completion the laying of the cornerstone Brother Fellowcraft J. H. Howell was raised to the sublime degree of a Master Mason in due and ancient form with following Brothers officiating. WM Grand Lecturer C. D. Atkins, SW PGM Royal a Gove, JW A. C. Seidell, SD C. D. Smyth of Peninsular Lodge #95 and JD F. R.. Faller.

Most Worshipful Bro. Gove (PGM) offered, on July 13, 1909, a loan of \$500.00 (Interest free) if other brothers who had subscribed to bonds would set aside the interest. Later on July 27, 1909 The Secretary received a letter from PGM Gove announcing that he would have to withdraw his offer of \$500.00 due to other business matters pending.

A committee was appointed August 24, 1909 to purchase Lodge furniture. A committee was appointed to work in conjunction with the Eastern Star to provide entertainment upon the completion of the new temple.

Permission was received from Grand Master to move into the new temple September 14, 1909 . A communication was sent to the Grand Master asking to Officiate at dedication ceremony of the new temple. A petition for the degrees of masonry submitted by Samuel E. Layne was read and referred to the investigating committee. A committee was appointed to arrange a ball to raise funds for the building committee.

September 28, 1909 Most Worshipful Grand Master Baker advised he would not take part in dedication ceremony until the building was paid for. It was decided that moving to the new temple would take place on October 1, 1909.

The first stated meeting in the new building was October 12, 1909. The committee on the petition of Samuel E. Layne reported favorably, he was duly elected and initiated in the Entered Apprentice degree.
ED. NOTE THIS WAS THE FIRST DEGREE CONFERRED IN THE NEW TEMPLE.

Fellowcraft Bro. L. Hankins was raised to the sublime degree of a Master Mason in due and ancient form.
ED. NOTE THIS WAS THE FIRST MASTER MASON DEGREE PERFORMED IN THE NEW BUILDING.

On October 26, 1909 The Temple Association requested and was granted a no interest loan of \$200.00. The Eastern Star advised they could pay \$5.00 per month rent. this amount was accepted by the Lodge.

Grand Master Baker sent on November 9, 1909 regrets that he could not accept our invitation to the opening grand ball. The receipts from the Eastern Star Dinner was \$25.55. Entered Apprentice Brother S. E. Layne was passed to the degree of a Fellowcraft Mason. The first such degree in the new temple.

Brother S. B. Cogshall was elected Worshipful Master December 14, 1909 for the year 1910

THIS WAS THE FIRST ELECTION IN THE NEW BUILDING.

It was decided to have a public installation ceremony at the next regular meeting. The Temple association was authorized to borrow money to meet their obligations.

At the Meeting on January 11, 1910 It was decided to ask all resident masons not affiliated with United #93 to do so. The worshipful master appointed an auditing committee to audit all bills prior to being submitted for payment.

January 25, 1910 Entered Apprentice Brother R. R. Kinne requested a partial refund of his initiation fee as he no longer lived in this jurisdiction and the jurisdiction of Pennsylvania refused degrees by courtesy. The matter was referred to the Grand secretary. C. E. Bingham was installed as treasurer. The renting of the Lodge to the Knights of Pythias was discussed and it was decided not to rent to them. The Secretary and Brother Gable was appointed to install a light at the front of the Temple.

An invitation from Bellingham Lodges #44, 73 and 151 to visit on April 16th was received to see the third degree exemplified by Tyee Lodge 115. A communication was received from the Grand Master warning the lodge against the American Masonic Federation.

A Petition for affiliation by John C. Wixson was read and referred to the investigating committee April 26, 1910. Brother Wixson was the owner and operator of the Wixson Hotel and Sports Club which is currently known as the Gateway Cafe.

A communication was received May 24, 1910 from the Grand Master advising it was permissible to attend church clothed as masons providing that the lodge was opened in due form. The Grand Master also advised that he would discuss the matter of courtesy degrees with the Grand Master of Ohio. The Temple association requested a loan to cover their shortage of funds to pay note due in June. The Loan was granted.

December 13, 1910 T. J. Morrow was elected as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year.

The Janitorial service bill previously submitted by Brother Milo Watts was approved and paid. February 28, 1911 it was decided to change service and Mrs. Grande was awarded the contract for \$4.00 per month. Watts was getting \$5.00.

March 28, 1911 A communication from the Grand Master requesting an opinion of the District Deputy Grand Master system. After much discussion it was agreed that it was a very good system.

Brother G. H. T. Sparling, District Deputy to the Grand Master, was present and given the Grand Honors April 25, 1911 . Brother Sparling gave instructions in some of the degree work. He was the first Deputy appointed in District #9.

According to the records June 27, 1911 The Secretary of the Masonic Temple association requested a Loan of \$775.00. The Loan was granted. A committee was appointed to work with the Eastern Star to hold a picnic sometime in July this would be the first of an annual event.

On July 24, 1911 a fire destroyed two blocks of business houses on Metcalf Street among them that of the Secretary, and he having the books of Lodge in his store that day the books were destroyed. This is the second occurrence of fire for United #93

August 22, 1911 Note: For quite sometime a bill submitted by Josh Davison for lunch is read and paid it seems he was granted lunch fees on the days that he attended lodge there is no mention of the reason anywhere in the books. A request from Eastern Star that United Lodge Supply Ice Cream and Coffee for up-coming picnic was granted.

September 26, 1911 The current bills were approved including the inflated price for wood. It went from \$1.50, in February, to \$2.00 a load.

October 10, 1911 The Lodge bought some china from Sedro-Woolley, Hardware for \$.65 (doesn't say what it was).

November 14, 1911 A communication from the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Brother D. S. Prescott announcing the death of the Grand Chaplain Rev. William Pellan and requesting that we drape the lodge for a period of sixty days.

December 12, 1911 Brother Bishop Keaton was invited to deliver an address to United Lodge, masons and Families on Dec. 27th with refreshments and entertainment after the lecture. Bishop Keaton was pastor of the Episcopal Church.

A Special meeting was called December 20, 1911 for the purpose of attending the funeral of our deceased Brother Alex Burris. A memorial resolution will be found elsewhere in this document.

December 26, 1911 A communication from The Masonic Home informing us of the status of the affairs of the home etc. was read for the information of the brethren.

Wm. Thomsen was elected as Worshipful Master to serve the lodge for the ensuing year.

It was announced that installation of Officers would be private. The installation would be at 8:00 PM. January 5th 1912.

January 19, 1912 A special meeting was called for the purpose of a memorial service for our deceased Brother. Alexander (Alex) Birrs. In the form of a motion it was moved and seconded that the eulogy be spread upon the minutes and certified copies be sent to the relatives of the deceased Brother. Even though the eulogy is lengthy, the author with a feeling of humility is including it as a memorial to all masons who have passed or may pass this way again, the original Author is unknown.

"For the holding of memorial services and the pronouncing of eulogies on departed brothers, we have precedents both honorable and ancient. It is peculiarly fitting that at intervals Masons should pause in daily occupations of life and contemplate and, when worthy, emulate the careers of brothers who have gone before.

Some men are cut off early in manhood with a few battles to their credit and some victories won and an unthinking world has proclaimed the life a success. Others are cut off in the prime of manhood with many battles won and many victories to their credit and the world has proclaimed "Well done thou good and faithful servant" but no station in life is fixed, and no laurels won, except there be from the cradle to the grave the allotted threescore and ten it is proclaimed by both God and man "well done thou good and faithful servant" . Where the life was cut off by early manhood, almost a life time remained in which he might have slipped and fallen. Where a man is cut off in his prime, half of his time yet remains un-lived, but where he lives to pass his eightieth year and has triumphed to the end, he has passed successfully thru all that nature and the God of whom all Masons are taught to revere, designed that man should bear.

Of such a man I would offer a few words tonight, our Brother Alexander Birrs, who was born in far off Scotland and in early manhood severed all family ties, left behind his parents, brothers and sisters, set his face resolutely toward the setting sun with a determination to wrest from the, to him, unknown new world, honors and a competence. How well he has succeeded it seems idle to mention in this assembly where every brother has known him for years.

His shrewd native ability, his power to plan and execute, his painstaking attention to detail and his untiring and unparalleled patience in the execution of any task to which he set himself, is well illustrated by the difficulties he overcome in establishing the Birrs Cranberry Marsh, which marked him as a pioneer in that line and gained for him the title of the Cranberry King of the Northwest.

The vanity and mutability of human achievement was strikingly illustrated in the ruin and decay of the cranberry field which, quickly following loss of the masters hand (when our brother a few years ago stricken with paralysis) reverted back to the state of nature leaving today scarcely a trace to advise the uninformed that on that field there once bloomed the fairest and most fruitful field that the industry of man had created in this locality.

But we are proud to know that brother Birrs left behind other things not subject to ruin and decay, he left a remembrance in our hearts of a strong, vigorous and kindly nature that will bear fruit in the field of human mind, for higher thoughts and nobler achievements.

The success that he achieved was his alone and unaided. After severing the ties of kinship in his native land he formed no domestic relations which might have aided in his development and happiness but apparently alone in the seclusion of his forest home unsupported by the tender associations of domestic ties and companionship, he

built for himself a character and a disposition both commendable and lovable, finding in his solitude and the opportunity for communion with nature and nature's God, that food for thought which elevated, where with weaker men it would have depressed and exhausted.

In his departure from this world he left as evidence of his financial success and as token of his affection for home ties in Scotland, a small fortune; which we hope will lighten the burden and cheer the departing years of those that he loved in his youth, and as we here mourn his departure let us each and all be mindful of his loved ones in old Scotland and trust that they for consolation will, together with all good Masons, look to the God we adore, and that they, each and all, when called by the grim reaper, will be at the Master's right hand re-united after a lapse of many years, with our departed and lamented Brother Birrs. May his ashes rest in peace." So Mote It Be.

A resolution submitted on September 10, 1912 to amend article IX of the by-laws to read that a joint social session at an early date between United #93 and the Eastern Star be held. It was dully passed. A committee from each group would work together to get it up. With its receipt, September 24, 1912, A communication from the Grand Lodge regarding the amending of article IX of the by-laws our attention was directed to article 313 of the code and after much discussion it was moved that we reconsider our action to amend article IX. On motion the amendment was defeated. Brothers Q. P. Cady, W. H. Norlock and Chan Ingham was placed on our honorary list.

October 22, 1912 A committee was appointed to work with the Eastern Star to provide a social night between the two organizations to include all members of United Lodge and visiting brethren. This social to be held the first Thursday or Friday in November. United Lodge as an expression of their appreciation to the Eastern Star placed a piano in the lodge room.

A special meeting was called on November 8, 1912 for the purpose of entertaining the Grand Master. A banquet that was served at 7:30 had a good attendance. Most Worshipful Grand Master McCandless gave a very inspiring and appreciated talk, other Brothers made remarks and the evening was profitable to all present.

November 12, 1912 A communication was sent to the Grand Master asking for a dispensation to elect officers at the first meeting in December.

December 10, 1912 Brother C. P. Gable was elected as Worshipful Master to serve the lodge for the ensuing year.

On January 2, 1913 a special meeting was called for the purpose of attending the funeral of our deceased Brother L. F. Crandall of Langley who was a member of Columbia Lodge 152, Columbia Wisconsin and the brother of H. L. Crandall SW. Seven Brothers made the trip, they were C. P. Gable, T. J. Morrow, S. S. Gay, H. L. Devin, Theo. Bergman, and Horace Condy. Lodge was closed on Jan. 14th at 7:45 PM.

In the early years there being a limited means of entertainment, parties were given to bring together various groups. In keeping with this on January 14, 1913 An invitation from The Eastern Star to United Lodge to attend a social was read. The Social was to be January 17th.

April 8, 1913 A petition for affiliation signed by Brother John Guddall was read and referred to the investigating committee. Brother Guddall would serve the community and United Lodge # 93 for the next thirty years. Brother Guddall died August 2, 1943.

On June 24, 1913 the first communication from The Snohomish county Masters and Wardens Association inviting united Lodge to their meeting on June 28th was received. The Masonic Temple Association requested a loan of \$360.00 to help make payment of \$1240.00 due on the temple.

As this was the last meeting of the year, December 23, 1913. H. L. Crandall was elected to serve as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year.

The Worshipful master advised that the Eastern Star would like to have a joint installation. The master elect advised he would like to confer with his other officers before he committed. After a conference with the other officers it was decided that there would be no joint installation.

An appeal for help from the Children's Home Society of Seattle resulted in a free will offering, \$7.55 was collected.

On January 13, 1914 A petition for the degrees of masonry signed by Mr. John Henry Batey was read and referred to the investigating committee. A petition for affiliation signed by Bro. L. D. Pickering was read and referred to the investigating committee.

July 14, 1914 There is Good news Tonight. The secretary of the Masonic temple association reported that the mortgage on the building had been paid by obtaining a loan for \$500.00 from the First national Bank. It was suggested that at some future time that a mortgage burning ceremony be held. A vote of thanks was extended to the officers of the temple association for the manner in which they had handled the finances up to this time.

On August 25, 1914 The secretary was instructed to communicate with the Grand Master to ascertain the date he could be present to dedicate the temple.

Two things happened on September 8, 1914 A committee was appointed to purchase a heating stove for the temple. A committee was appointed to act in conjunction with one from Eastern Star to purchase chairs.

The committees from the Eastern Star and United Lodge purchased thirty chairs November 24, 1914 from Fritsche's Hardware at a cost of \$79.50.

December 22, 1914 Brother C. H. Webb was elected to serve the lodge as Worshipful Master for 1915

On February 9, 1915 The Grand Master sent a request for donations from our lodge for the relief of distressed brothers and their families in the European war zone. It was moved and seconded that each brother contribute whatever he desired and a copy of the Grand Master's letter be sent each brother not present that he may have the opportunity to subscribe to the Grand Master's plea.

In a communication from the Grand Master, April 27, 1915, advising that he would be in our part of the state the latter part of May and that he would be happy to dedicate our temple at that time if we so desired. After some discussion the secretary was instructed to advise the Grand Master of the indebtedness on the building and asking him if he would perform the dedication service if the building was encumbered.

May 25, 1915 Most Worshipful Grand Master William J. Sutton of Cheney paid United Lodge an official visit, instituted the Grand Lodge and dedicated our temple in ample form with the following participants

Grand Master William J. Sutton

Deputy Grand Master Eugene L. McCallister

Grand Senior Warden E. C. H. Squire Fidalgo #77

Grand Junior Warden E. S. Howard United #93

Grand Chaplain H. M. Painter Ark #126

Grand Senior Deacon William F. Coulson Fidalgo #77

Grand Junior Deacon W. S. Packard Mount Baker #36

Grand Marshall D. Lew Paramore Centennial #25

Grand Senior Steward Josias George Fidalgo #77

Grand Junior Steward William F. Odlin Fidalgo #77

Grand Treasure J. S. Church Garfield #41

Grand Secretary Horace Condy United #93

Grand Tyler Emerson Hammer United #93

The Grand Lecturer Bro John Gifford of Spokane was also in attendance. Communications from the following Brothers expressing their inability to attend were read, Governor E. Lister, PGM Royal A. Gove Tacoma, PGM John Arthur Seattle, PGM A. H. Hankerson Seattle, PGM C. D. Atkins Tacoma, George Lawler Junior Grand Warden, Tacoma. Also a communication from Bellingham Bay #44 inviting us to visit them Friday May 28th At which time they expect a visit from Grand Master Sutton. There being no further business the Grand Lodge was closed in due and ancient form peace and harmony prevailing.

September 14, 1915 Is the first mention of a Masters and Wardens Club of Skagit County.

On October 7, 1915 at a special meeting called for the purpose of conferring the third degree we were honored by a visit from our Most Worshipful Grand Master R. L. Sebastian and Grand Custodian of the work Brother E. D. Biggs. Fellowcraft Brother Garnet A. Thompson was raised to the sublime degree of a Master Mason in due and ancient form with the assistance of the following selected Brothers

Worshipful Master E. D. Briggs Grand Custodian
Senior Warden J. W. Hastie Mt Baker #36
Junior Warden B. M. Richards Everett #137
Senior Deacon W. F. Coulson Fidalgo #77
Junior Deacon A. E. Holland
Senior Steward J. H. Batey
Junior Steward F. D. Pickering
Treasure E. S. Howard
Secretary Horace Condy
Tyler H. H. Shrewsbury
Chaplain Rev. F. C. Taylor Fidalgo #77

At The November 9, 1915 meeting the secretary was instructed to write a letter to each mason living in this jurisdiction inviting them to affiliate with us.

November 23, 1915 Communications from Grand Master R. L. Sebastian calling our attention to asking for instruction in the work, this communication was placed on file. The secretary of Masonic temple association was granted a loan of \$80.00 from United Lodge.

December 14, 1915 John Guddall was elected to serve the lodge as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year. John Guddall was paid \$.75 for cleaning the lodge room.

On September 27, 1916 at a special meeting called for the purpose of attending the funeral of Bro. James Norman. Brother Norman a member of Sojourners Lodge, Canal Zone died September 23, 1916 at the Northern State Hospital Sedro-Woolley. The Funeral was given at the request of his widow through the Vancouver B. C. relief board.

December 26, 1916 Brother H. C Crumpacker was elected to serve the Lodge as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year.

A bill of \$30.45 for a special train to Lyman was paid. This is presumed to be for the purpose of attending a funeral service.

A committee of Brothers Douglas, Guddall and Hoehn was appointed and empowered to purchase and install a flag on the top of the temple.

The Masonic Temple Association requested a loan of \$400.00 to assist in retiring some of the bonds. The Loan was granted.

November 13, 1917 A committee was appointed to investigate the cost of a carpet for the Lodge room.

The janitor was allowed \$1.00 extra for cleaning up after one of our lunches.

An O"cedar mop was purchased for \$1.25.

December 11, 1917 James H. Batey was elected to serve the Lodge as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year.

On January 22, 1918 The secretary was instructed to make payments on our Liberty bond as funds were available.

It was agreed to accept brother Shrewsbury's offer to supply an honor roll to be displayed in the Lodge room. It was moved and passed that Photos of Past Masters be displayed in the Lodge room.

March 12, 1918 A communication from Elma Lodge #65 asking our support at next Grand Lodge meeting to pass a resolution making it impossible to bar returning Soldiers from membership in our order because of physical defects received in the war. Our membership is unanimously in favor of this change and have instructed our officers to vote for the change. The secretary was instructed to inform Elma Lodge of our decision. The committee on the petition of Brother E. J. Attwell and C. W. Howey for affiliation reported favorably and they were duly elected. Brother Shrewsbury reported he had the roll of honor of the members of our lodge who were in the service of the United States made and framed and ready to hang up in the lodge room.

The secretary of the Masonic Temple Association requested a loan \$100.00, it was granted.

It was decided that here after we would meet at 8:00 PM.

It was moved and passed May 28, 1918 that the Lodge accept the gift of the "Encyclopedia of Masonry" provided by Brother Albert G. Mackey. The secretary was instructed to write a thank you note to Brother Mackey.

Brother Crumpacker was asked to have pictures of Washington and Lafayette framed, suitable for display in the Lodge Room.

December 10, 1918 A communication from The Grand Master and W. L. Briskey, County Chairman of Fraternal Organizations Division of U.S. Food Administration, Enclosing a message from Herbert Hoover to be read to the Lodge and asking us to appoint a committee from our Lodge. The committee appointed was Guddall, Mescher and Pickering.

The committee on relief reported the widow of Brother R. K. Johnson would appreciate a gift. The lodge sent her a barrel of flour. It agreed that the Secretary be paid \$25.00 and dues per year for opening up lodge, building fires etc. It was approved.

Brother L. D. Pickering was elected to serve the Lodge as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year.

In March 1919 petitions were received from four men who would serve United lodge for many years. January 28, 1919 A petition for the degrees of masonry signed by Mr. Sidney S. McIntyre was read and referred to the investigating committee. On March 11, 1919 A petition for the degrees of masonry signed by Mr. Christopher J Sheik, William T. West and Harry Griffin was read and referred to the investigating committee.

May 13, 1919 Fellowcraft Brother S. S. McIntyre and H. W. Woodin was raised to the sublime degree of a Master Mason in due and ancient form.

June 4, 1919 A committee was appointed to work with Eastern Star to celebrate our anniversaries jointly.

June 24, 1919 A committee was appointed to prepare for a joint picnic with Eastern Star. Fellowcraft Bro. William T. West was raised to the sublime degree of a Master Mason in due and ancient form.

July 8, 1919 Fellowcraft C. J. Shiek was raised to the sublime degree of a Master Mason in due and ancient form.

August 26, 1919 A petition for the degrees of masonry signed by Mr. J. R. Leeper, C. I. Brown and D. G. McIntyre was read and referred to the investigating committee

There is no formal record of the invitation sent to Abbotsford Lodge but the following statement seems to be appropriate.

As transportation systems grew and improved, the Brethren of United Lodge felt it was necessary to go further to find other Masonic brothers to visit and fellowship with. So on September 17, A communication was read from Worshipful Master Salt of Abbotsford Lodge #70 Abbotsford, B. C. informing us that they would be glad to visit us any time preferably some Saturday night. Saturday October 4th was set as the time

September 23, 1919 A communication from Worshipful Master A. C. Salt of Abbotsford Lodge accepting our invitation to visit us October 4th was read. A committee on refreshments for our October 4th meeting was appointed.

October 4, 1919 (Special) This meeting was called for the purpose of conferring the third degree and entertaining visiting Brothers from Abbotsford B.C.. Fellowcraft Brother Charles Reese was raised to the sublime degree of a Master Mason in due and ancient form. We were favored with a visit from some of our Canadian Brethren from British Columbia. (Note this seems to be the first of many such visits)

December 9, 1919 Brother C. T. Mescher was elected to serve the Lodge as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year.

April 27, 1920 In certain places it is necessary to simulate darkness to meet this need a light rheostat was installed for \$22.50.

A petition for the degrees of masonry signed by Mr. Herbert S. Reis and Robert F. Austin was read and referred to the investigating committee.

The resolution to raise the Initiation fee to \$75.00 was reread and tabled until the next meeting for action. Brother Crandall reported he had secured a car to leave Bellingham at 12:45 PM Thursday night at regular fare (Gallopig Goose).

May 11, 1920 The resolution to raise the initiation fee to \$75.00 was passed.

August 19, 1920 (Special) We were favored with visitors from Abbotsford Lodge Abbotsford, B. C., Mount Baker #36 and other visitors.

September 28, 1920 A committee was appointed to purchase aprons for the officers.

December 14, 1920 Dean Fitzgarrald was elected to serve the Lodge as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year.

January 11, 1921 The Masonic Temple association reported purchasing on contract the property adjoining the Thompson Building for \$7,000.00. \$1,000.00 down and \$1,000.00 per year with interest at 7%.

During the late teens and early twenties there was much activity on the upper Skagit River at the Seattle City Light camp. A number of the workers were Masons and were desirous of participating in the activities of United Lodge # 93. As a result on May 24, 1921 a communication from Brother Thompson from Marblemount was read

suggesting that PMs from Seattle who are at the Power Site would be pleased to come down and confer the MM degree on Brother Newby when he was ready to be raised. The brothers were invited to attend and do the work.

United Lodge would continue to grow and prosper for the next forty years at a very fast rate.

Another milestone was reached July 26, 1921 when a petition for the degrees of masonry signed by Mr. A. J. (Jack) Davis, William Ridenhour and Wesley Howard was read and referred to the investigating committee. In a recent interview, Brother Jack advised that he was born in a logging camp where his mother and father both worked. He also advised that to the best of his recollection his parents went for a honeymoon and because of the lack of roads and cars a logging train was backed all the way to Hamilton to pick them up and transport them to Mount Vernon.

(more later)

A resolution was offered to amend article 8 section 1 Fees to read "the table of fees for this Lodge shall be as follows: For Degrees of EA, FC, and MM which will be payable in advance and must accompany the application of the petitioner, the sum of \$65.00 Sixty-Five Dollars.

On August 22, 1921 This meeting was called for the purpose of attending the funeral of Brother Past Master T. J. Morrow Bro. Morrow Died August 20,1921. The Mt Vernon Commandery #16 to the number of 25 were in attendance as escort and acting as Marshall for the parade. After instructions from acting Master Mescher and Marshall Aaron Light the service was performed and the Lodge closed.

The Bible was draped for a period of 30 days in honor of Brother Past Master Morrow.

September 7, 1921 This meeting was called for the purpose of attending the funeral of Brother H. H. Shrewsbury. Brother Shrewsbury's Services were held from the Episcopal Church.

November 14, 1921 (Special) This meeting was called for the purpose of conferring the third degree. Fellowcraft Brother Arver Davis and Wesley Howard was raised to the sublime degree of a Master Mason in due and ancient form.

November 19, 1921 (Special) This meeting was called for the purpose of conferring the third degree. Fellowcraft Brother William C. Newby was raised to the sublime degree of a Master Mason in due and ancient form with the following visiting Brethren in the chairs A. S. Eason of Reardon Lodge #116 WM, T. J. Judd Spokane # 34 JW, J. S. Clark of Roosevelt #229 SD, from the The Skagit power site of the City of Seattle, They called the following Brothers who were sojourners at Newhalem, Grant Sickie of Dewitt #292 Michigan JD, W. R. Tomkins St. John #9 and Aaron Evan Whatcom #151 SS & JS with Brothers W. P. Kersie of Puyallup, C. M . Larson Ark #126 Seattle, John A. Miller Arcana #87, and Roy Brieding of Seattle #164. The work was performed in a very creditable manner the lecture was delivered by PM Mescher with about 150 in attendance. This was the first of many degrees performed by the Brothers of City Light.

December 13, 1921 Brother W. T. West was elected to serve the Lodge as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year.

February 28, 1922 A petition for affiliation signed by Brother George E. Bryson of Blue Ridge Lodge #434 North Carolina was read and referred to the investigating committee. Brother Bryson is best remembered by many as the Custodian at the Central Grade School. This building was just recently refurbished and rededicated.

March 28, 1922 A petition for the degrees of masonry signed by Mr. Frank S Evans (Owner and Editor of the Courier Times) was read and referred to the investigating committee.

July 11, 1922 Communication from Abottsford Lodge #70 inviting us to visit them at our convenience was read, and it was ordered by the Worshipful Master that Saturday Evening July 22nd should be the time. The secretary was instructed to notify them and all members are urged to attend.

July 25, 1922 The Worshipful Master announced work in the EA degree July 27th and Abottsford is invited on August 12th.

August 26, 1922 (Special) This meeting was called for the purpose of conferring the third degree and entertaining our Canadian Brothers. Fellowcraft Brother Harold E. Thompson was raised to the sublime degree of a Master Mason in due and ancient form by members of Abottsford Lodge #70 in a very creditable manner after which there was a splendid banquet and fraternal visiting.

J. W. (Dutch) Miller reported an Organization of Boy Scouts under his and several Masons direction and asked for Masonic aid. A sum of up to \$50.00 was made available to be used during the year without further requests. The roster of Past Masters of United Lodge contains several names which were scouts in that Troop.

November 28, A petition for the degrees of masonry signed by Mr. Archibald McDonald, Lewis Percy and Earnest Otis Eaton was read and referred to the investigating committee.

December 12, 1922 Communications from White Shield and Burlington Lodge UD was read and filed. A petition for the degrees of masonry signed by Mr. Frank S. Evans was read and referred to the investigating committee, his first petition was rejected.

Brother E. J. Attwell was elected to serve the Lodge as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year.

January 9, 1922 A committee was appointed to revise and publish the lodge by-laws for use by the several hundred members.

By now United Lodge is feeling cramped in their current quarters so on February 13, 1923 a motion was made and passed that a new Masonic Building be erected. A committee consisting of Brothers Guddall Mescher and Condy was appointed and given full power to arrange funds and erect a building.

On March 13, 1923 The building Committee reported that it was necessary to issue bonds at 6% instead of 7% interest, in order to have margin to reduce principal. It also would be necessary to either raise dues or attach building assessments to each member which was agreed to by the members present almost unanimously. More time was requested by the committee as only \$3600.00 had been subscribed to at 6%.

May 22, 1923 The building committee reported progress and had made plans to go ahead with buying a lot and building the first story and basement on a basis of rentals carrying all Interest, Taxes and Insurance on the entire investment. Owing to the limited authority of the Masonic temple association the following resolution was offered and passed

Resolution

WHEREAS: this corporation was organized for the purpose of financing, building and equipping a home and meeting place for United Lodge #93 Free and Accepted Masons, in the city of Sedro-Woolley, Skagit County, State of Washington;

AND WHEREAS: the full purpose of its organization has been consummated by the construction of a building on Lots Two (2) and Three (3) of Block Seventy-nine (79) of the Second Addition to Sedro, in the City of Sedro-Woolley, Skagit County, State of Washington, and United Lodge #93 Free and Accepted Masons of Sedro-woolley, Washington, is the equitable owner and entitled to receive title thereto.

BE IT RESOLVED: That the President and Secretary of this corporation be and are hereby authorized and instructed, for and in consideration of the facts herein before set forth, to make conveyance of:

Lots Two (2) and Three (3) of block Seventy-nine (79) of the Second Additions to Sedro, in the City of Sedro-Woolley, Skagit County, State of Washington, and all other real estate standing in the name of this corporation, to United Lodge #93, Free and Accepted Masons of Sedro-Woolley, Washington.

The resolution to incorporate United Lodge #93 was read and adopted.

At the time Diablo Dam was constructed there was a goodly number of Masons which brought a great increase in the membership rolls of United #93. A "Builders Club" was formed. With the formation of this club many good times were had by the membership at Newhalem.

July 10, 1923 A communication from the "Builders Club" of Newhalem inviting United Lodge to come up in body and camp with them for Barbecue, Ballgame and Dance. They asked to be advised of when and how many.

On August 28, 1928 The Secretary sent an invitation to Abbotsford and Mission City Lodges to visit us during September.

United Lodge made a donation to the Episcopal Church for a screen in memory of Bishop Keaton. Brother Keaton was very active in Masonic circles.

At the meeting of September 25, 1928 The Worshipful Master announced September 27, as the evening to entertain Abbotsford and Mission City Lodges.

At a Special meeting September 27, 1928 called for the purpose of conferring the third degree and entertaining our brothers from Abbotsford Lodge #70 and Pacific Lodge #16 Fellowcraft Brother Stanley J. Front was raised to the sublime degree of a Master Mason in due and ancient form.

October 9, 1928 The Assembly of Rainbow for girls was granted permission to use the temple as a meeting place.

November 12, 1928 Fellowcraft Brother Hollie E. Atterberry was raised to the sublime degree of a Master Mason in due and ancient form. Brother Atterberry demitted from United Lodge and became active in Kirkland # 150 where he became a Past Master

The treasurer was empowered to borrow \$500.00 in December to make up the sum necessary to pay off two bonds.

December 11, 1928 Brother E. O. Eaton was elected to serve the Lodge as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year.

January 17, 1929 This meeting was called for the purpose of attending the funeral of Brother Chauncey Ingham. Bro. Ingham's services were held at the Temple then members marched to the chapel where a public service was held, thence to the cemetery where the body was laid to rest with Masonic services.

Another hard working person joined with United #93, February 12, 1929, when a petition for the degrees of masonry signed by Charles Junior Lederle was read and referred to the investigating committee.

May 14, 1929 A petition for the degrees of masonry signed by Mr. Edward Everett Scott was read and referred to the investigating committee.

October 12, 1929 (Special) This meeting was called for the purpose of conferring the third degree, entertaining our Brothers from Burlington Lodge #254 and our Past Masters. Fellowcraft Brother Edward E. Scott was raised

to the sublime degree of a Master Mason in due and ancient form with the Past Masters assuming the Stations. A delightful banquet was enjoyed following the degree work.

Things were made easier for the Stewards when on November 1929 A new ELECTRIC STOVE was procured for the kitchen.

December 10, 1929 Brother A. J. Davis was elected to serve the Lodge as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year.

Worshipful Brother Jack Davis tells the story about when United Lodge was visiting Abbotsford Lodge, upon returning home they were accosted by some rather shady looking characters that turned out to be Revenue agents looking for people carrying illegal alcohol into the US from Canada. After several minutes of conversation and proper identification the agents were found to be masons from the several lodges in Whatcom County. A very nice evening was spent together and the Boys from Sedro-Woolley were sent on their merry way. This all took place rather late at night.

For his services to the Lodge during the previous year, December 24, 1929, A Christmas gift of \$25.00 was presented to our Chaplain.

January 14, 1930 The committee on the petition of Victor LeRoy Barr reported favorably and he was elected to receive the degrees of masonry.

In keeping with the First president's Birthday February 22, A very interesting lecture on the Life of George Washington, The Mason, was delivered by Senior Warden Forest Atterberry on February 25, 1930.

May 27, 1930 Communication from George Baldrige Post #43 inviting the Lodge to join them in Memorial Day exercises on May 30th was read. The Worshipful Master asked that all Masons be there.

August 26, 1930 Communication from Abbotsford Lodge inviting us to visit on September 9th was accepted by the lodge.

A communication from Bellingham Masonic Lodge stating that Grand Lodge would be in Bellingham in 1931 and soliciting the cooperation of all Lodges in Skagit County.

The Senior Warden was appointed as a member of the committee from United Lodge.

At a Special meeting on September 25, 1930 for the purpose of conferring the first degree and entertaining the Brothers of Abbotsford Lodge #70 Mr. Arthur LeRoy Cox was made an Entered Apprentice Mason in due and Ancient form. The Past Masters of United Lodge Assumed the chairs.

October 14, 1930 The Temple association was requested to investigate the cost of converting the rooms in front to kitchen and dinning room.

December 23, 1930 A gift of \$25.00 was presented to the Chaplain. This being Past Masters night Brother Shiek took charge of the meeting and introduced PM Brothers West and Shangle who gave very interesting talks.

Brother F. J. Atterberry was elected to serve the Lodge as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year.

January 28, 1931 The worshipful master appointed Brothers A. A. McRae, C. Paine Shangle, and H. J. Nibbelink to the Masonic Research and Education committee.

November 24, 1931 United Lodge #93 had the pleasure of greeting the Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Brother Charles D. Atkins and Right Worshipful Brother Loomis Baldry they were escorted to the East and accorded the Grand Honors. This being past Masters Night Worshipful Brother Nobbelink assumed the East Fellowcraft Brother Frank Cingmars was raised to the sublime degree of a Master Mason in due and ancient form with past masters in the chairs the charge being read by Right Worshipful Brother Loomis Baldry Grand Junior Warden. The membership enjoyed a very fine talk given by Past Grand Master Atkins.

December 22, 1931 Ben Weaver was elected to serve the Lodge as Worshipful Master for 1932

Chaplain A. A. McRae was presented with a gift of \$20.00

January 26, 1932 A bill for \$17.00 was paid to Motor Service Co. for Mr. Lewis's car. It is presumed that the car was used for transportation to one of our neighboring Lodges.

February 9, 1932 A communication Was received from Jesse R. Griffith inviting the Brothers to attend Divine Services in Concrete on the evening of February 21.

February 23, 1932 Communication from the Grand master giving the life history of the lately deceased MW Brother Stephen J. Chadwick and ordering the Lodges to observe mourning for 30 days.

Brother Frank Evans delivered a very fine talk on the life of Brother George Washington.

June 14, 1932 Communication from Abbotsford Lodge thanking us for the invitation to visit.

It was announced that the Masonic picnic would be held at Bay View Thursday June 16th.

June 28, 1932 Communication from Abbotsford Lodge stating that they would visit us sometime in September.

September 13, 1932 A resolution was introduced by C. W. Lederle to amend the by-laws reducing the initiation fee from \$75.00 to \$50.00. It was duly passed.

December 13, 1932 Resolution changing the dues to \$8.00 per year was read for the second time and filed.

Brother C. W. Lederle was elected to serve the Lodge as Worshipful Master for 1933

Mr. John R. Jones was made an Entered Apprentice Mason in due and Ancient form.

December 27, 1932 Resolution to amend Section 1 Article 9 reducing the dues to \$8.00 was read for the third time and upon voting was passed without a desenting vote.

Brother McLeod reported that Brother Atterberry was holding his own.

February 28, 1933 The Worshipful Master Announced that the Demolay was waiting to give their degree.

March 14, 1933 The following resolution was submitted by brothers Stendal And Thompsen.

Resolved: that we change article 3 section 1 to read as follows: Stated meetings will be held on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month except during the months of June, July and August.

On May 9, 1933 The matter of having a Masonic picnic some time in June was discussed among the Brethren. Brothers Shiek, Steen, and Barr are the committee.

At a Special meeting on May 22, 1933 called for the purpose of conducting the funeral of Worshipful Brother Arthur C. Siedell. Brother Siedell was born in Templeton, Germany March 31, 1845. Joined Masonic Lodge #32 at Hillsdale Michigan in 1866. Transferred his membership to Arcadia #106 California demitted from arcadia lodge to United Lodge #93 March 10, 1908. Which he was a member of at the time of his death Friday May 19th 1933.

May 23, 1933 The Worshipful Master was authorized to have the Lodge Room calcimined.

Brothers Stendal and Lederle were appointed to the picnic entertainment committee.

An Invitation was extended to united #93 from Garfield Lodge to celebrate their 50th anniversary. The invitation was accepted.

IN COMPLIANCE TO RECENT BY-LAWS CHANGE THE LODGE IS DARK JUNE JULY AND AUGUST.

A Special meeting July 2, 1933 was called for the funeral of Worshipful Brother Carter H. Webb. Brother Webb was Born at Rockford, Illinois admitted to membership in United Lodge #93 From Lincoln Lodge, Lincoln, Kansas February 23, 1904 died at Seattle June 30, 1933 The service was conducted by United Lodge #93 July 2, 1933.

On September 12, 1933 Communication from Abbotsford Lodge #70 inviting the United Lodge #93 to a fraternal visit on September 23, 1933.

September 26, 1933 Brothers Griffith, Guddall and Stendal were appointed as the Father and Son banquet committee.

Brother Holbrook suggested as an annual event, a meeting between the three lodges Abbotsford, Adoniram and United.

On November 28, 1933 The Past Masters of United Lodge #93 was introduced and accorded the Grand Honors.

The Worshipful Master of Abbotsford Lodge #70 was presented, at the altar, escorted to the East and accorded the Public Grand Honors. Fellowcraft Brother Alfred H. Johnson was raised to the sublime degree of a Master Mason in due and ancient form with the Past Masters in the Chairs.

An invitation, December 12, 1933, from Eastern Star to participate in a joint installation January 2, 1934 was read. The invitation was accepted.

December 26, 1933 A demit was granted to Brother C. Paine Shangle.

Brother J. W. Jones was elected to serve the Lodge as Worshipful Master for 1934

A committee was appointed to arrange for a door at the entrance to the hall.

January 23, 1934 The worshipful master appointed a committee to ascertain the cost of making a partition in the lower building and fixing it up for a kitchen and store room.

February 13, 1934, Brother Shiek was authorized to purchase a toilet stool for the Lavatory. The committee to build a stairway was assigned the duty to build a ladies lavatory and new paraphernalia rooms.

April 24, 1934 Brother Roberts, Master Camanio #19, Brother Weir, Master Abbotsford #70 were presented at the altar escorted to the East and accorded the Public Grand Honors. Fellowcraft Brother Oscar Sidney Johnson was raised to the sublime degree of a Master Mason in due and ancient form.

Brothers Shiek, Guddall and Weaver were appointed May 8, 1934 as a committee to arrange with the Eastern Star for a joint excursion to Diablo Dam.

It was announced October 23, 1934, that a Father and Son banquet was set for November 15th. Brothers Griffith, Shiek, Guddall, Stendal, West and Weaver were appointed to the committee.

November 27, 1934 The Lodge was honored by a visit by RW Brother Aaron Light District Deputy to the Grand Master. He was introduced by the Senior Deacon, escorted to the East and accorded the Public Grand Honors. A Communication from The Grand Master, Loomis Baldry regretting his inability to be present at PM night was read and filed.

December 11, 1934 Neil McLeod was elected to serve the Lodge as Worshipful Master for 1935

The Secretary was instructed to attempt to find information as to when Brother A.C. Siedell was first made a Mason.

On January 8, 1935 the Worshipful Master of Mount Baker Lodge #36 was introduced and escorted to the East.

For some time it had considered to carpet the Lodge room. So on January 22, 1935 a committee was appointed to confer with the Eastern Star regarding the acquisition of a carpet for the Lodge Room.

The WM appointed Brothers Condy, West and Thomsen as Historians

April 23, 1935 DDGM Aaron Light and Grand Tyler Johanson was presented at the altar, conducted to the East and Accorded Public Grand Honors. Most Worshipful Grand Master Brother Loomis Baldry was introduced to the lodge by Worshipful Brother W. T. West escorted to the East and accorded the Private Grand Honors. Brother Percy Banks WM Mount Baker Lodge #36 was introduced and escorted to the East.

There seems to be a gap in the records at this point

August 22, 1935 until April 22, 1942.

Brother F. W Boede was elected to serve as Worshipful Master for the year 1942.

Brother O. W. Jeffery announced June 20, 1942 that Brother William T. West had been appointed DDGM District #9 by the Most Worshipful Grand Master.

A former member, Hallet Fiser wrote on August 11, 1942 asking for a copy of his application to use as a birth certificate.

Worshipful Brother's Shiek, Jeffery and Banks were appointed as a committee to collect Photographs of all past Masters for framing and placing on the wall.

September 22, 1942 The following Worshipful Masters were presented at the alter, escorted to the east and accorded the Public Grand Honors.

Brother Charles Webb Damascus #199

Brother Arthur Pease Camanio #19

Brother Arthur Pollom Fidalgo #77

Brother Robert Miller Whidbey Island #15

Brother Charles Porter Whatcom #151

RW Brother Fred Ellison escorted: RW Brother Norman Thurston District #6, RW Brother Sims District #4 to the alter where they were introduced and accorded the Public Grand Honors. RW brother Ford Elvidge was introduced at the alter, escorted to East and was accorded the Private Grand Honors. Worshipful Brother William T. West was escorted to the Alter and Duly installed as DDGM district #9 in due form. (a copy of the proceedings are attached to the minutes).

A Special meeting is to be held on December 16th to celebrate the Lodge's 50th anniversary.

October 27, 1942 A letter was read from RW Brother Ford Elvidge acknowledging his sending minutes of the Grand Lodge Held in Sedro-Woolley September 22, 1942 to MW brother J. W. J. Stedman Grand Master of Masons of Washington.

A letter from the Red Cross of Skagit County requesting a donation was read.

Very Worshipful Brother West read a letter in which the Grand Master accepted his invitation to attend the United #93 Golden Anniversary

The WM appointed the following Committees for the Golden anniversary celebration:

Entertainment

WB John Guddall
RWB Bill West
Bro. Ted Muncaster

Decoration

WB Percy Stendal
Bro. Walter Stephan
WB George Robinson

Refreshment

WB Percy Stendal
WB Percy Banks
Bro. Jack Livie
Bro. Gilbert Richardson

Toastmaster

Ted Muncaster

WB Shiek suggested a scroll containing the members names who are now serving in the present World War II to be hung in the Lodge room for all to see. WB Guddall and Rev. Brother Walker discussed a memorial service for the Lodge.

December 8, 1942 This evening being dedicated to the Past Masters the secretary called the roll and the following answered.

1912 William Thomsen	1932 B. N. Weaver
1916 John Guddall	1933 C. W. Lederle
1922 William T. West	1936 P. A. Stendal
1926 O. W. Jeffery	1937 C. J. Lederle
1929 E. O. Eaton	1940 G. F. Robinson
1930 A. J. Davis	1941 C. P. Kloke

Other Past Masters present were

Otto Jensen Mount Baker #36
Percy Banks Mount Baker #36

H. S. Patten Opportunity #200
Henry Fellows Everett #151

December 16, 1942 (Special) This meeting was called for the purpose of honoring the fiftieth anniversary of United Lodge #93. The Worshipful Masters of the visiting Lodges were caused to stand and were given a hearty welcome. RW Brother W. T. West DDGM #9 was presented at the alter escorted to the East and accorded the Public Grand honors. RW Brother West introduced the following Grand Lodge Officers at the Alter.

RW Brother Marion McIntosh DDGM District #5

RW Brother Edward Hofley DDGM District #7

RW Brother Jay L. French DDGM District #8

W Brother Gus Schultz Grand Lecturer

W Brother Henry C. Heal Grand Orator

MW Brother Loomis Baldry PGM was presented at the alter escorted to the east and accorded the Private Grand Honors.

RW Brothers West and McIntosh introduced MW Brother J. W. J. Stedman at the alter escorted him to the East and accorded the Private Grand Honors. After brief talks by several Grand Lodge Officers the meeting was closed in due and ancient form Peace and harmony prevailing.

December 22, 1942 A letter from Brother Roy Barclay, who is in the Armed Services, serving foreign duty, was read thanking the Lodge for his dues card. Note: Brother Barclay was presented his fifty year pin by the author on April 12, 1992 at the request of Worshipful Master Dale Allen.

The MWGM Stedman in a letter urged Masons as individuals and as a Lodge to support the war effort by buying bonds to the limit of his ability. Worshipful Brother Guddall suggested that the Lodge remit \$16.00 back dues to Worshipful Brother P. A. Stendal for his services as Chef during our 50th anniversary celebration.

Brother T. H. Muncaster was elected to serve the Lodge as Worshipful Master for 1943

Mrs. Strand of Cyrene Chapter Eastern Star presented United #93 a gift in honor of the 50th Anniversary. Worshipful Brother Boede was presented with a Past Masters pin.

February 23, 1943 A petition for affiliation signed by Brother Orville C. Shiek was read and referred to the investigating committee.

Brother Peters spoke to the Lodge suggesting and asking for support to establish a service men's club in Sedro-Woolley. Brother Frank Evans stated that the Eagles hall was available if financial arrangements were made and properly managed. A musical interlude ending with the singing of God Bless America was enjoyed by the Brothers.

March 9, 1943 Worshipful Brother John Guddall presented the Lodge with a scroll enshrined with the names of those members serving in the armed services.

Due to the War efforts and a shortage of gas it was thought advisable to form a Masonic Club for the Brothers living in the upper reaches of the Skagit River above Concrete. Through the efforts of Brother Jack Livie the Concrete Club was formed.

Brother Jack Livie reported that the Concrete Club is being organized with a meeting Wednesday night.

On March 23, 1943 Brother Jack Livie reported that the Concrete Masonic club would meet the first and third Mondays and all were invited to attend.

April 13, 1943 A letter was read from MWGM J. W. J. Stedman announcing he would be unable to attend to his regular Grand Lodge duties due to the war effort position he had accepted in Wash. DC.

April 27, 1943 Worshipful Master appointed Brothers Guddall and Walker as a committee to have the hall renovated.

May 11, 1943 The Worshipful Master and Sec were authorized to borrow sufficient funds on July 1st to enable the Lodge to call two bonds on that date.

July 13, 1943 The treasurer reported that the Lodge had retired two bonds and paid the interest on the rest and still had a balance of \$112.69. Much discussion arose regards to the Past Masters pictures for the ante room, all past masters were urged to have their pictures taken soon.

August 4, 1943 This meeting was called for the purpose of conducting the funeral of Worshipful Brother John Guddall. Brother Guddall was Born in Norway February 4, 1872. He was made a Mason in ST. Clair Lodge, Norway, Iowa being admitted to membership in United Lodge #93 May 13, 1913. Worshipful Brother John Guddall served as Master of United Lodge, later becoming Secretary and Treasurer until the time of his death August 2, 1943. The service was conducted by United Lodge #93. Brother Guddall besides being a dedicated Mason served his community as a member and Chairman of the Public School system.

August 10, 1943 Worshipful Brother Percy Banks was appointed chairman of a committee to prepare a memorial resolution on the passing of Worshipful Brother John Guddall and present it at the next Stated communication. The Secretary was instructed to notify the membership of the election of a treasurer

September 28, 1943 The Worshipful Master announced the members of United 93 would ballot for the office of treasurer to succeed our departed brother John Guddall. The result of the ballot elected RWB William T. West to be treasurer for the remaining term.

The following resolution was read to the Lodge " Whereas, we the members of United Lodge #93 of the Free and Accepted Masons have very deeply appreciated the labors of our Brother Past Master, John Guddall, not only in the ritualistic work in which he was proficient, but also in his other labors for the Lodge, in his extreme faithful visitation of Brothers in sickness or distress, in his care of our physical properties & buildings and his wise administration of the financial affairs of the Lodge. Therefore be it resolved that we convey a message to Mrs. Guddall and family assuring them of our sympathy in their time of sorrow.

October 26, 1943 The Worshipful Master announced that the Past Masters would be honored at the meeting December 11th at the same time the Eastern Star and their husbands would be entertained.

December 4, 1943 RWB William T. West District Deputy of District #9 to the Grand Lodge of Washington and Worshipful Brother O. W. Jeffery Grand Sword Bearer was presented at the alter, escorted to the East and accorded the Public Grand Honors. RWB Ford Q. Elvidge Deputy Grand Master and RWB Gus Schultz Grand Senior Warden of the Grand Lodge of Washington was presented at the alter, escorted to the East and accorded the Public Grand Honors. After Lodge closed a public meeting was held to honor the Past Masters, E.O.S., other Masonic organizations and Grand Lodge Officers.

December 14, 1943 Brother Percy Banks was elected to serve the Lodge as Worshipful Master for 1944

December 28, 1943 Worshipful Brother Charles J. Lederle presented his resignation as Secretary and it was accepted by the Worshipful Master. Brother William T. West was elected as Secretary for the ensuing year. WB Charles Lederle was given a vote of thanks for his work as Secretary to United Lodge. The Election of a new Treasurer will take place at the next regular meeting.

At the Stated meeting of January 25, 1944 Worshipful Brother C. W. Lederle was installed as Treasurer, and Charles M. Dwelley was installed as Senior Steward.

July 11, 1944 A petition for the degrees of masonry signed by Mr. Russell G. Howlett was read and referred to the investigating committee.

September 12, A petition for affiliation signed by Brother Arthur James Buckley was read and referred to the investigating committee.

At a called meeting on October 21, 1944 The Very Worshipful W. T. West D. of GM Dist #9 Was presented at the Altar, escorted to the East and accorded Public Grand Honors then tendered the gavel which he accepted. This being District Meeting for District #9. Very Worshipful Brother Glen Kenniston Deputy District #10 was presented at the Altar, escorted to the East and accorded the Public Grand Honors. V W Glen Kenniston retired and presented Most Worshipful Grand Master Ford Q. Elvidge at the Altar, escorted him to the East and he was accorded the Private Grand Honors. The following Masters were introduced to the Grand Master WB Swanlund Burlington #254, WB Sharkley Mount Baker #36, WB Butts Camanio #19, WB Lynn Vane Whidbey Island #15 and WB P. R. Banks United #93. After a most inspiring talk of the aims and purposes of Masonry by the Grand Master the Lodge was closed in due and ancient form.

At the Stated meeting October 24, 1944 The Past masters were honored and the following Worshipful Brothers were present and answered the Roll Call: W. Thomsen, W. West, C. Shiek, M. Holbrook, E. Eaton, A. Davis, C. Lederle, G. Robinson, C. Kloke, F. Boede, and also the visiting Past Masters, B. Huggins, Delavan #375 Kansas, S. Laubscher Westgate #128, H. Patton Orchard #200, B.F. Richardson, Connaught #69 Alberta.

On December 12, 1944 A petition for the degrees of masonry signed by Mr. Lewis A. Nelson was read and referred to the investigating committee.

December 26, 1944 A petition for the degrees of masonry signed by Mr. William J. O'Brien was read and referred to the investigating committee.

Brother Herbert Ries was elected to serve the Lodge as Worshipful Master for 1945.

A new committee was appointed to investigate Life memberships.

February 13, 1945 at the Stated meeting Brother Lyle Henderson of Steadfast Lodge #216 Manette was introduced and given a hearty welcome.

At a called meeting on June 26, 1945 the Play "He that Believeth" was presented by Everett Lodge #137.

During the stated meeting on October 9, 1945 the resumption of visitations to Abbotsford Lodge #70 was discussed.

December 11, 1945 Brother John S. Livie was elected to serve the Lodge as Worshipful Master for 1946.

57 Degrees were conferred in 1946.

This was also the time when the Past Masters were honored and in keeping with tradition they conferred the EA degree on Harry Durwood Shiek. His father Worshpful Brother C. J. Shiek was acting as Master.

During the War years of 1941 through 1945 the annual visitations to Brothers in Abbotsford B.C. was suspended and resumed again on January 22, 1946. On this evening Worshipful Brother Percy Banks retired to the ante room where he found a goodly number of visiting Brothers they were escorted to the alter introduced and

accorded the Grand Honors . The Brothers introduced to the Worshipful Master were WB Gordon Gosling Master Abbotford Lodge #70, WB C. W. Daniels, Master of Mt. Zion Lodge #120 Chiliwack B.C. and RWB J. M. Rowley District Deputy to The MW Grand Lodge of Masons District #18 of British Columbia.

At the stated meeting of February 12, 1946 a petition for the degrees of masonry signed by Mr. Chester Clifford Barr and John Sidney Evans was read and referred to the investigating committee.

A resolution was regularly introduced and passed making it a practice in the future to hold the apron after its presentation in the EA degree, delivering it duly lettered and signed when the candidate passes his examination in the third degree.

During the stated meeting of May 28, 1946 a resolution amending article 1 of the by-laws changing the initiation fee from \$50.00 to \$75.00 was read for the first time. This resolution was adopted at a stated meeting on July 9, 1946.

August 27, 1946 Fellowcraft Brother John James Guddall was raised to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason By the Secretary William T. West who considered it a privilege to confer the degree on the son of one of our most beloved Brothers John S. Guddall.

The first reading of the proposed Life membership resolution occurred on October 7, 1946. The second reading on November 12, 1946 and adopted on November 12, 1946.

December 10, 1946 Brother Orville C. Shiek was elected to serve the Lodge as Worshipful Master for the year 1947

January 28, 1947 A petition for the degrees of masonry signed by Mr. Joseph L. Baun was read and referred to the investigating committee.

On the occasion of the annual visit from our Canadian Brothers VW Brother O. W. Jeffery escorted WB Allan E. Crouter WM of Abbotsford Lodge #70 together with several visiting Brothers to the Altar. Introduced at the altar was RW Brother Eric T. Wier, Past District Deputy of the Grand Master District 18 of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of British Columbia. RW Brothers J. M. Rowley and L Caldecott Past Masters of Abbotsford Lodge #70 and Aaron Light Past District Deputy of The Grand Master of Washington who were conducted to the East and accorded the Public Grand Honors. Louis P. Larsen Deputy of District #9 of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Washington was then escorted to the East and accorded the Public Grand Honors. After much Fraternal visiting and good fellowship the Lodge was closed in due and ancient form.

On February 25, 1947 a resolution proposed at the last Grand Lodge session providing for those Brothers wishing to do so could pay a sum equivalent to ten years dues would receive a paid up dues card for twelve years. The vote taken was favorable to its adoption.

March 25, 1947 The worshipful Master welcomed a goodly number of the "Builders Club" from the upper Skagit.

Author's note: "The Builder's Club was made up of Brother Masons who were employed by Seattle City Light and it's contractors and who were members of United #93 or Lodges in other communities and Jurisdictions.

Brother Gil Bonner gave an interesting story as to his visiting the Lodge in Chiliwack B. C. Brother C. J. Shiek offered some interesting remarks also.

May 10, 1947 This meeting was called for the purpose of conducting the funeral of Brother George Henry Curnutt. Brother Curnutt was Born July 21, 1898 at Wetch, Oklahoma elected to membership in United Lodge #93 March 14, 1922 he was made an Entered Apprentice Mason April 8th passed to the Degree of a fellowcraft April 29, and raised to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason on May 22, 1922.

He was elected December 10, 1946 and installed as Junior Warden on January 14, 1947.

Brother Curnutt was one of our most highly regarded active members, and his loss will be felt most keenly, especially by those who worked with and knew him best, and saw in him a real mason, in every sense of the word. Service was conducted by United Lodge #93 at Lemeley mortuary May 10, 1947. " His work was not done, yet his column is broken and his Brethren mourn. A large attendance at the services in the chapel and the largest group clothed as Masons ever turned out by United Lodge #93 for a similar occasion, was a fitting tribute of the high regard in which Brother Curnutt held by his associates, both in and out of the Lodge.

At the Stated meeting on September 23, 1947 the Past Masters were honored. The worshipful Master caused the names of our departed Worshipful Brothers to be called after which there was a moment of silence. Following this moment the names of the living Past Masters was read and those present formed semi-circle west of the alter along with other visiting Past Masters where they were greeted by the Worshipful Master. Worshipful Master Orville Shiek delivered an appropriate message thanking these worshipful Brothers for the aid given, present and past. Brother William R. Marine presented the Lodge with a beautiful set of door knockers, which had been previously installed and they were gratefully accepted for the Lodge by the Secretary.

At a Special meeting held on December 13, 1947 for the purpose of receiving the Grand Master and other Grand Lodge officers. VW Brother Louis P. Larsen Deputy to the Grand master in District #9 was escorted to the East and introduced to the Brethren and accorded the Public Grand Honors and presented with the gavel, to preside over the District Meeting.

Worshipful Brother Orville Shiek retired and escorted Very Worshipful Brothers Walter T. Higgins, Earle L. McKinney and Amos Buker, deputies to the Grand Master from Districts 8, 10 and 18 respectively, W. Brothers J. Warren Smith Grand Tyler, Lester E. Hitt, Grand Junior Steward, John H. Bunn Grand Marshall, and Eugene A. White Grand Orator, and W Lemuel W. Sims, Grand Lecturer, who were escorted to the East and accorded the Public Grand Honors. Again Worshipful Brother Orville Shiek retired and introduced RW Brother Henry C. Heal, Grand Senior Warden of the Grand Lodge of Washington, MW Brother Loomis Baldry and Most Worshipful Brother John I Priesner, Grand Secretary who were also escorted to the East and accorded the Public Grand Honors.

VW Brother Otis W. Jeffery then introduced Most Worshipful Brother Stewart E. Perry, Grand Master of Masons of the Grand Lodge of Washington.

VW Lemuel Sims, Grand Lecturer who favored us with some very interesting and instructive remarks relative to the code and cipher recently authorized by Grand Lodge, at the same time clearing up some things the brethren were interested in.

VW brother Loomis Baldry gave a very interesting discourse on the subject of Negro Masonry.

The Grand Master next addressed the brethren, his remarks touching on a number of matters all of which held the interest of all assembled, particularly was this true in regards to decisions and also the new regulation regarding candidates requirements prior to full membership.

December 23, 1947 Brother C. T. Richmeyer elected to serve the lodge as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year.

At the stated meeting of April 13, 1948 A life membership was awarded to Worshipful Brother William A. Thomsen for his many years of faithful service to the Lodge and the Craft. In his response Worshipful Brother Thomsen suggested all Past Masters be awarded a Life Membership.

A very large number of visitors was greeted by the Worshipful Master on April 27, 1948 on the occasion of a visitation by our Canadian Brothers from Mission B. C., there were 40 in number. Members of Pacific Lodge #16

assumed the chairs and exemplified the Canadian form of the Third degree using one of their own as a candidate. This was a very interesting time as some of the Brothers had never witnessed this form. They also exemplified the closing ceremony.

An examination of the Tyler's register revealed that 244 Brethren had signed the roll.

Due to the continuous number of Canadian Brothers that visit our Lodge it was decided to be appropriate to purchase a Canadian flag for display in the Lodge room on these occasions.

May 25, 1948 On the Occasion of the annual visitation by our Canadian brothers from Abbotsford B. C. the Worshipful Master greeted Worshipful Master Steen and a goodly number of his Brothers of Abbotsford Lodge #70. Also present was RW Brothers Eric Wier and Les Caldecott Past District Deputies of District #18 GRBC and VW Brother Louis P. Larsen Deputy to the Grand Master District #9.

August 4, 1948 This meeting was called for the purpose of conducting the funeral of Brother Fred Boede. Brother Boede was Born May 22 1891, at West Sound Washington raised to the Sublime of a Master Mason in United Lodge #93 May 26, 1936 and served as Master in 1942, he died August 1, 1948. The service was conducted by United Lodge #93 August 4, 1948.

On October 12, 1948 a bus was chartered and departed for Abbotsford B. C. at 6:15 PM to pay a fraternal visit to our Brothers at Abbotsford Lodge #70.

The Worshipful Master declared that the stated meeting of October 26, 1948 was to be designated as "Roll Call Night". The Worshipful Master greeted with pleasure a great number of our Brothers, some of whom had not been to Lodge for some time. The Roll of the twenty-five year members was called with a response by a goodly number.

December 14, 1948 Brother A. J. Buckley was elected to serve the Lodge as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year.

January 25, 1949 A committee was appointed to confer with Cyrene Chapter of Eastern Star to purchase a new range for the kitchen.

On the occasion of past Masters Night April 26, 1949 the Past masters assumed the Chairs and conferred the third Degree on Fellowcraft Brother Ross Heater Hiddleston.

At a called communication to entertain our Canadian Brothers from Abbotsford B. C. the third degree was conferred on fellowcraft Brother Earl Rapelje.

June 8, 1949 This meeting was called for the purpose of conducting the funeral of Worshipful Brother Marcelus Bruce Holbrook. Brother Holbrook was Born February 2, 1882, at Onawa, Iowa raised to the Sublime of a Master Mason in United Lodge #93 February 10, 1920 and served as Master in 1927, he died June 5, 1949. The service was conducted by United Lodge #93 June 5, 1949.

June 14, 1949 it was unanimously approved to submit all projects for repairs, maintenance and improvement involving an expenditure of more than \$100.00 to persons interested, calling for bids.

August 9, 1949 Fellowcraft Brother Walter Dudley Ross was raised to the sublime degree of a Master Mason in due and ancient form. This was a memorable occasion, the new Master Mason's father and Grandfather, both members of this Lodge were present marking the first time three generations of the same family are represented among the membership of this Lodge.

October 25, 1949 the following resolution was presented and unanimously adopted by the Brethren.

"Resolution for life membership for WB O. W. Jeffery, WB C. J. Shiek and VWB W. T. West: Whereas the above mentioned Brethren have for many years rendered good and faithful service to United #93 and to the Masonic order in general.

Therefore be it resolved, that United Lodge #93 hereby ask each of them to accept a Life Membership in United Lodge as a token of our appreciation of their efforts, and the hope that they may long continue in active participation in our rites."

A set of lights was presented to the Lodge by J.L. Baun in behalf of his brother J. R. Baun of Moses Lake.

JW Russell Howlett, on behalf of the Master, Senior Warden and himself presented the Lodge with a suitable picture neatly framed.

The Secretary was instructed to enter in to negotiations for 75 more metal folding chairs.

November 22, 1949 This meeting though being a stated meeting was devoted to honoring our newly crowned life members and twenty-five year members. The lodge was called to labor early in the evening and then called to refreshment so all present could enjoy a delicious dinner prepared by the Mothers of the Rainbow Girls. In the absence of the Worshipful Master and the Senior Warden, Junior Warden Russ Howlett took charge and asked WB Percy Banks in his usual manner to be the Master of Ceremonies. Brother Percy performed in his usual gracious manner. After dinner labor was resumed and the Past Masters conferred the fellowcraft degree on EA Brothers Allan Currie and Donald McLennon.

Twenty-five year certificates were presented to Brothers Edson G. Abbot, Edward Cook Holland, Ray Rhines, William H. Schoen and Norman Stender. Worshipful Brothers Harry S. Patton, Neil McCleod, Neil Richmeyer, and Percy A. Stendal also received their twenty-five year certificates.

A petition for the degrees of masonry signed by Mr. Charles Elmon Lamm was read and referred to the investigating committee.

December 13, 1949 Brother E. E. Scott was elected to serve the Lodge as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year.

December 27, 1949 A petition for the degrees of masonry signed by Mr. Raymond C. "Carl" Atterbury was read and referred to the investigating committee.

January 12, 1950 This meeting was called for the purpose of conducting the funeral of Brother Evelyn J. Attwell. Brother Attwell became a member of United Lodge #93 by affiliation on March 12, 1918 from McMillan Lodge #400, Newbury, Michigan. He served as Master of United Lodge in 1923, later demitting to Pearl Lake Lodge #324 Sheridan Michigan. He died January 8, 1950 The service was conducted by United Lodge #93 January 12, 1950.

At a called communication on April 12, 1950 the Worshipful Master greeted a goodly number of our Canadian Brothers from Pacific Lodge #16 AF&AM Mission City B.C. The visiting Brothers were entertained by the conferring of the Entered apprentice degree on Richard N. Hoag and Charles J. Wicker.

June 13, 1950 Worshipful Brother George F. Robinson was presented with a Life membership for his long and devoted service to United Lodge.

July 11, 1950 A petition for affiliation signed by Brother Werner A. Klien was read and referred to the investigating committee.

October 6, 1950 There was a burning of the Mortgage ceremony and no meeting called to order and no minutes recorded. The minutes of the meeting of October 10 states there was ceremony and it was a great success.

On October 21, 1950 The occasion of the annual visitation of our Brothers from Abbotsford Lodge #70 AF&AM the Worshipful Master, George Black, along with a number of his Brothers was greeted by the Worshipful Master of United Lodge #93. After the usual fraternal greetings Mr. Condon Barclay was made an entered apprentice Mason in due and ancient form.

December 26, 1950 Brother R. G. Howlett was elected to serve the Lodge as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year.

September 11, 1951 A petition for the degrees of masonry signed by Mr. Earl W. Holt and Richard Henry Melvin Baldwin was read and referred to the investigating committee.

At the stated meeting of October 23, 1951 the Worshipful Master greeted Worshipful Brother F. R. Gough the Senior and Junior Wardens and twenty Brothers from Abbotsford Lodge #70. The conferring of the Third Degree on Fellowcraft Brother Robert Allen was enjoyed by all the Visiting Brothers.

On the occasion of Past Masters Night November 13, 1951 at the roll call 14 Past Masters presented themselves at the alter where they were presented a floral tribute. A floral tribute was placed on the alter in memory of those not answering the call. The Brethren were entertained by the Third Degree conferred on Fellowcraft Brother Lon Harrison.

December 7, 1951 This meeting was called for the purpose of conducting the funeral of Worshipful Brother Oliver B. Millett. Bro. Millett was Born in Nova Scotia in 1854, coming to the Northwest in 1887

He was one of the charter member of United Lodge serving as its first Senior Warden and Serving as Master in 1895. The name of the Lodge that he demitted from was lost when the records of United Lodge were destroyed in a fire in 1907. Brother Millett demitted from united Lodge and became a charter member of Valdez Lodge #168 Bristol Bay of which he was a member at the time of his death December 4, 1951.

December 11, 1951 W. J. O'Brien was elected to serve the Lodge as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year.

September 23, 1952 This being the annual visitation from our Canadian Brothers of Abbotsford Lodge #70. The Worshipful Master greeted Worshipful Master Roy Gosling and 30 Brothers of that Lodge plus a goodly number from United Lodge. The Fellowcraft Degree was conferred on EA Brother John Sandifer.

October 14, 1952 This meeting was called for the purpose of conducting the funeral of our Secretary Very Worshipful Brother William T. West. Brother West was Born May 24 1884, at LaCrosse Wisconsin. He was raised to the Sublime of a Master Mason in United Lodge #93 June 24, 1919 and served as Master in 1922, he served this lodge in many capacities prior to becoming Secretary in 1943 and was serving his ninth term at the time of his death. He was appointed District Deputy in 1943 by the then Grand Master J. W. J. Stedman and was reappointed in 1944 and 1945. He was appointed on the credentials committee in 1950 and 1951. He passed away on October 11, 1952 at the age of 68 years. 4mo. and 11 days.

His term was completed by Worshipful Brother Orville Shiek.

At the stated meeting of October 28, 1952 The Worshipful Master greeted a goodly number of Brothers. It was noted that 19 out 23 past Masters were present. As this was Past Master's night the chairs were filled by the Past Masters and they proceeded to confer the third Degree on Fellowcraft Brother John Sandifer.

November 11, 1952 This being the sixtieth anniversary of United Lodge it was designated "Fun Night" by the Worshipful Master. The meeting was preceded by a banquet dinner cooked and served by the Ladies of Cyrene Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star.

A series K Bond was purchased for \$3600.00

December 9, 1952 Brother J. L. Baun was elected to serve the Lodge as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year.

September 18, 1953 on the occasion of honoring the Past Masters Dinner was served at 6:30 by The Ladies of the Eastern Star assisted by the Rainbow Girls. At roll Call the following Past Masters presented themselves to the East: William Thomsen, Chris Shiek, Neil McCleod, Percy Stendal, George Robinson, Percy Banks, John Livie, Russell Howlett, and William O'Brien. Affiliated Past Masters Bert Huggins, Ernest Rappeto, and Henry Fellows. Visiting Past Masters E. T. Wier, J. M. Rowley R.E. Gosling, F. Mathews, J. M. Nanerelo, L. Kowensky, and Allen Crouter all of Abbotsford Lodge #70,. And many other visiting Masters and Grand Lodge officers

December 8, 1953 Brother L. A. Nelson was elected to serve the Lodge as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year.

Because of the potential need it was decided that the Lodge would establish a credit at the Local Blood Bank. The Worshipful Master suggested that a building board be established. A committee was appointed to review the need for a building board.

April 13, 1954 A committee was appointed to obtain a price and bid for theatre seats.

September 14, 1954 A petition for the degrees of masonry signed by Mr. Benjamin Francis Wilson was read and referred to the investigating committee.

September 28, 1954 This being the annual visitation to United Lodge by Abbotsford Lodge #70 Worshipful Master P. C. Swift was accompanied by the following officers: Senior Warden Thomas Anderson, Junior Warden C. R. Grinstad, Secretary W Brother Allan E. Crouter, Chaplain David Brownlee, Director of Ceremonies W. Brother Dan Stein, Senior Deacon Art Taylor, Inner Guard H.W. Hill-Tout, Stewards W. E. Code and S. W. Gardener they being accompanied by a large delegation of Brothers.

November 6, 1954 This meeting was called for the purpose of receiving the Grand Master. Very Worshipful Brother Lee Baun District Deputy to the Grand Master of District #9 was presented at the altar, escorted to the East, accorded the Public Grand Honors. He was then presented with the gavel to preside over the District Meeting. Worshipful Brother Ernest H. Bleek of Arlington Lodge #129 was introduced and welcomed. Very Worshipful Brother Ray Micheau Past District Deputy of District #9 was escorted to the East and accorded the Public Grand Honors.

Very Worshipful Brother Evans James District Deputy of District #10 was presented at the Altar escorted to the East and accorded the Public Grand Honors.

Very Worshipful Brother James retired and presented and introduced Right Worshipful Brother Walter D. Higgins, Junior Grand Warden, Most Worshipful Brother John I. Priesner Grand Secretary, Most Worshipful Brother Gus Schultz Past Grand Master, Very Worshipful Brother P. R. Brewer District Deputy of District #8, Worshipful Brother Robert Guthrie Grand Lecturer and escorted them to the East where they were accorded the public Grand Honors.

Very Worshipful Brother James again retired and escorted Most Worshipful Brother Lester Hitt Most Worshipful Grand Master Of the Grand Lodge of Washington to the altar where he was presented escorted to the East and accorded the Private Grand Honors.

On the Occasion of Past Masters Night November 23, 1954 the Following Past Masters answered the Roll Call: William Thomsen, Chris. Shiek, Jack Davis, Charles Lederle, Percy Stendal, Charles J. Lederle, George Robinson, Carl Kloke, Percy Banks, John Livie, Orville Shiek, Russell Howlett, Lee Baun, Henry Fellows, T. A. Reppeto, Otis Laubsher. As the Past Masters were introduced they formed a semi-circle west of the altar where they were warmly greeted and presented with the traditional flower. The Brethren were entertained by the DeMolay Chapter exemplifying their degree work by initiating a candidate.

December 14, 1954 Brother D. G. Robinson was elected to serve the Lodge as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year.

January 25, 1955 A petition for the degrees of masonry signed by The Rev. Vern Carlos Shafer was read and referred to the investigating committee.

March 19, 1955 This meeting was called for the purpose of conducting the funeral of Worshipful Brother Percy R. Banks. Bro. Banks was Born November 27 1881, in Bradford, England raised to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason in Mount Baker Lodge #36 February 8, 1929 and served as Master in 1935.

Worshipful Brother Banks affiliated with United #93 January 9, 1940 and served as Master in the year 1944.

Worshipful Brother Banks passed away March 17, 1955 at the age of 73 years 3 months 18 days. The service was conducted by United Lodge #93 March 19, 1955.

March 22, 1955 A Communication from the Sedro-Woolley Chamber of Commerce regarding the installation of mercury vapor street lights was read and explained by the Worshipful Master and advised that our share would be \$431.31 it was unanimously agreed that we should join the rest of the property owners and make it 100%.

May 10, 1955 Worshipful Brother Russell Howlett was elected to fill the office of Treasurer vacated by the passing of Brother Banks.

April 12, 1955 A petition for the degrees of masonry signed by Mr. Albert S. Harris was read and referred to the investigating committee.

April 26, 1955 This being a stated meeting the Lodge was darkened for the purpose of making our annual visitation to Abbotsford Lodge #70.

June 27, 1955 This meeting was called for the purpose of conducting the funeral of Worshipful Brother Lewis A. Nelson. Brother Nelson was Born August 30 1907, at Sedro-Woolley, Washington raised to the Sublime of a Master Mason in United Lodge #93 February 13, 1945 and served as Master in 1954, he died June 23, 1955 at the age of 47 years 9 months and 22 days. The service was conducted by United Lodge #93 June 27, 1955.

October 25, 1955 Brother George Bryson was escorted to the Altar and presented with his 50 year certificate and lapel pin.

The following Past Masters answered the Roll Call November 22 1955 and presented themselves west of the altar: C. J. Shiek, George F. Robinson, Orville C. Shiek, C. T. Richmeyer, A. J. Buckley, Russell G. Howlett, William J. O'Brien and the following Past masters from visiting Lodges Bert Huggins, E.S Reppeto and Roy Pease. With Chris Shiek and Roy Pease responding.

December 13, 1955 Brother E. C. Sanford was elected to serve the Lodge as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year.

December 27, 1955 A committee consisting of the elective officers and Worshipful Brother C. J. Shiek were to meet with an Architect to consider putting a second story on the J. C. Penny Building.

It was decided that \$50.00 would be given to each Past Master toward the Purchase of A Past Masters ring.

The Secretary's salary was doubled to \$30.00 with a rider that an address-o-graph be purchased by the incoming Master for the secretary's use.

Out Going Master Doug Robinson was conducted to the East and presented with a Past Masters ring.

February 29, 1956 This meeting was called for the purpose of conducting the funeral of Worshipful Brother George F. Robinson.

Worshipful Brother George Robinson was initiated as an Entered Apprentice Mason May 14, 1923 Passed to the degree of a Fellowcraft July 10, 1923 and raised to the degree of a Master Mason July 10, 1923.

Brother Robinson was elected and served as Master of United #93 for the year 1940.

Worshipful Brother George passed away suddenly Sunday February 26, 1956. Prior to His death he had served the Lodge as Chaplain for 12 years.

A petition for the degrees of masonry signed by Mr. William Ray Stendal and Ralph Arthur Stendal was read and referred to the investigating committee.

A request was made by the Worshipful Master to donate seven pints of blood to erase the indebtedness of our Deceased Worshipful Brother George Robinson.

April 10, 1956 Worshipful Brother Russ Howlett, chairman of the planning committee gave the following report on the committee's recommendations;

We, the planning committee appointed by the Worshipful Master to study the advisability of a building consulting committee to assist the regular officers in handling the Lodge properties, met on March 21, 1956 and again on April 5th and wish to submit the following suggestions.

1. That the worshipful Master appoint a committee of three Past-Masters to serve as follows : one for three years , one for two years and one for one year.
2. The one year member be the Chairman of this committee.
3. Each succeeding Master to appoint a new committee member or members to fill vacancies during his term of office.
4. This committee to consult with the Worshipful Master on all major problems or projects.
5. The committee to hold meetings when requested by the chairman.
6. The members are eligible for reappointment.
7. This committee will appoint the building custodian.

This plan was accepted and adopted by the membership

The Worshipful Master appointed the following Past Masters to serve on the property consulting committee. One year C. J. Shiek, two years P. A. Stendal, three years Russ Howlett.

May 2, 1956 This meeting was called for the purpose of conducting the funeral of Worshipful Brother Charles W. Lederle.

Worshipful Brother Charles Lederle was initiated as an Entered Apprentice Mason on April 14, 1919 Passed to the degree of a fellowcraft June 18, 1919 and raised to the degree of a Master Mason on July 30, 1919.

Brother Lederle was elected and served as Master of United #93 for the year 1933. and Later served as Treasurer for several years.

Worshipful Brother Charles passed away suddenly Sunday April 26, 1956 at the age of 80 years 9 months and 17 days.

November 13, 1956 At the stated meeting the following Past Masters answered the roll call and placed themselves west of the altar William Thomsen , C. J. Shiek, E. O Eaton, A. J. Davis, Neil Mcleod, P. A Stendal, Carl Kloke, Herbert Reis, John Livie, Orville Shiek, A. J Buckley, William O'Brien, J. L. Baun, G. D. Robinson and the following Past Masters of other Lodges E. A. Reppeto, Oscar Mock, George Peth, Ray Rainwater.

December 11, 1956 Brother R. C. Atterbury was elected to serve the Lodge as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year.

Worshipful Brother Gene Sanford was presented with his Past Masters Pin.

January 10, 1957 This meeting was called for the purpose of conducting the funeral of Worshipful Brother Henry H. Fellows.

Worshipful Brother Henry Fellows was initiated as an Entered Apprentice Mason February 11, 1911, Passed to the degree of a Fellowcraft February 22, 1911 and raised to the degree of a Master Mason March 22, 1911 by Everett Lodge 137 and later served as their Worshipful Master.

Worshipful Brother Henry passed away Sunday January 6, 1957. Worshipful Brother Fellows served as Dad advisor to the Rainbow Girls for many years.

The Worshipful Master appointed two committees One for the purpose of putting a second story on the J. C. Penney building and one to study the acquisition of a place for meeting on the ground floor. The committees were J. C. Penny Building Worshipful Brother C. J. Shiek, Worshipful Brother Gene Sanford, and Brother Walter Bradford; New location Brothers Werner Klien, Charles Wicker and George G. Johnson.

October 22, 1957 This being the annual visit from Abbotsford Lodge #70 G.R.B.C. . The worshipful master extended a very cordial welcome to a goodly number of members and visitors. Worshipful Brother Art Taylor Master of Abbotsford Lodge was introduced at the altar, escorted to the East and accorded the Public Grand Honors and seated in the East. Very worshipful Brother Tom Forsythe and Right Worshipful brother George A. Black District Deputies to the grand Lodge of Washington and British Columbia were introduced at the Altar escorted to the East and Accorded the public Grand Honors and seated in the East.

Right Worshipful Brothers M. M. Shore and Eric T. Wier, Past D.D.G.M. of District #18 of British Columbia were asked to rise and were given a hearty welcome. Fifty year members W. B. Billy Roberts and Fred Mathews of Abbotsford Lodge and Brother George Bryson of United Lodge were recognized and given a hearty welcome by the Brethren. The visiting Brothers were entertained by the exemplification of the Second degree.

November 12 1957 At the roll call of the Past masters the following Brothers presented themselves west of the Altar William thomsen, C. J. Shiek, Neil M. Mcleod, Charles J. Lederle, Carl P. Kloke, Herbert S. Ries, Orville C. Shiek, C. T. Richmyer, A. J. Buckley, and E. C. Sanford. and Visiting Past Masters Brother Mock of Lynden #56, and Worshipful Brother J. S. Brogan of Fidelity Lodge #105. Each was presented with a red carnation and received a very special welcome by the Worshipful Master. Thanking each one for the help given him this year as acting Worshipful Master. The roll of those who answered their call to greater Labor was read and a white carnation was placed on the altar in their memory.

November 26, 1957. With a few very well chosen words about the Bible the Reverend Brother Carlos Shafer dedicated a new set of Great Lights. As the Senior Deacon opened the new set Worshipful Brother Chris Shiek closed the old set that had been in use since 1903.

December 10, 1957 Brother B. F. Wilson was elected to serve the as Lodge Worshipful Master for the ensuing year.

May 22, 1958 This meeting was called for the purpose of conducting the funeral of Worshipful Brother William Thomsen.

Worshipful Brother William Thomsen was initiated as an Entered Apprentice Mason Feb. 28, 1908 Passed to the degree of a Fellowcraft March 8, 1908 and raised to the sublime degree of a Master Mason March 25, 1908.

Brother Thomsen was elected and served as Master of United #93 for the year 1912. He served his Lodge as Secretary during the years 1930-1937. Until his later years he was always mindful of attendance at all meetings and took an active part

Worshipful Brother Thomsen was a 50 year member of this Lodge He was born May 27, 1873 In Denmark. He Came to this country and City in 1903. He passed away very suddenly on May 19, 1958 at the age of 84 years, 11 months and 22 days.

September 13 1958 This meeting was called for the purpose of conducting the funeral of Worshipful Brother William J. O'Brien

Worshipful Brother William O'Brien was initiated as an Entered Apprentice Mason Jan. 30, 1945 Passed to the degree of a Fellowcraft March 13, 1945 and raised to the degree of a Master Mason April 10, 1945.

Brother O'Brien was elected and served as Master of United #93 for the year 1952. He served his Lodge as Secretary during the years 1953-1957 until ill health forced him to resign

He was born November 4, 1898 in Oswego, New York. He passed away on September 10, 1958 at the age of 59 years, 10 months and 6 days.

October 28, 1958 On the occasion of the 39th visitation from our Canadian Brothers of Abbotsford # 70 the Worshipful Master greeted Worshipful Brother David Brownlee in the East with the public Grand Honors. Right Worshipful Brother Eric Weir PDD and Worshipful Brothers Swift, Code, Steen, Taylor, and Weir Past Masters of Abbotsford Lodge were given a special welcome by the Worshipful Master.

December 9, 1958, Brother W. A. Klien was elected to serve the Lodge as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year.

February 24, 1959 A petition for the degrees of masonry signed by Mr. Jim Henry Stover was read and referred to the investigating committee.

October 27, 1959 On the 40th visit to United Lodge by Abbotsford #70 The Worshipful Master welcomed Worshipful Brother Harry Beetlestone and a goodly number of his Brothers

November 10th The Senior and Junior Wardens were presented gavels by Brother Lauren Deuranceau of Mount Baker Lodge #36.

December 8, 1959 Worshipful Brother P. A. Stendal told us the story about the apron belonging to doctor Simpsons Great, Great, Great Grandfather which was presented to the Lodge by Dr. Simpson as a keepsake

Brother R. M. Baldwin was elected to serve the Lodge as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year.

October 25, 1960 On the 41st visit from our Canadian Brothers the Worshipful Master greeted Worshipful Brother Stan Gardener and a number of his Brothers. The brothers were entertained by the First degree.

December 13, 1960 E. S. Sanders was elected to serve the Lodge Worshipful Master for the ensuing year.

December 27, 1960 Brother Elsworth Buchanan was conducted to the East and presented with his fifty year certificate, pin and Life membership.

On Saturday afternoon January 28, 1961 Fellowcraft Brothers Leonard Hagin, Wilson Crawford, Albert E. Merritt and Dale Allen were raised to the sublime degree of a Master Mason in due and ancient form.

February 21, 1961 This meeting was called for the purpose of conducting the funeral of Worshipful Brother Herbert S. Ries.

Worshipful Brother Herbert Ries was initiated as an Entered Apprentice Mason August 10, 1920 Passed to the degree of a Fellowcraft November 6, 1920 and raised to the degree of a Master Mason November 20, 1920.

Brother Reis was elected and served as Master of United #93 for the year 1945.

Worshipful Brother Herbert passed away February 17, 1961 at the age of 70 years, 2 months and 29 days

He was born November 18, 1890 at Lyman Washington where he had lived all his life.

September 26, 1961 The building Committee was given the power to proceed with the plans for the new building.

October 24, 1961 On the forty second visitation from our Abbotsford Brothers they were piped in to the Lodge by Brother McClure of Anacortes with his bagpipe. The following Past Masters from Abbotsford were present A. E. Crouter, T. B. Skillem, J. M. Rowley, S. W. Gardiner, F. W. Addison, D. F. Brownlee, J. M. Code, G. A. Taylor, W. J. Hammond, L. Kowensky Dan Stein, and A. Horne. To compliment the Abbotsford Past Masters Twelve Past Masters answered the Roll Call.

December 12, 1961 Brother A. S. Harris was elected to serve the Lodge as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year.

It was announced that installation would be at 8:00 PM Saturday evening but there is no record of it taking place and assumption is made that it did occur.

February 27, 1962 Worshipful Brother Warren Gilbert, a future Grand Master , was introduced at the Altar, escorted to the east and accorded the Public Grand Honors.

May 22, 1962 Due to serious accident the Worshipful Master was absent from Lodge along with the Junior Deacon so the scheduled Degree work was cancelled.

Several questions were asked about the new Temple and suggestions made about financing it.

At a Special meeting July 13, 1962 called for the purpose the building board explaining the new building plans and specifications. The building Committee was empowered to have the Architect call for bids.

August 14, 1962 Worshipful Brother P. A. Stendal gave a complete resume of the action of the building board up to the present time in regards to the new building

Several questions were asked about the building, and air conditioning systems. Prices and financing were discussed quite thoroughly.

A committee was appointed to ascertain the best means of financing the new structure.

All action was suspended until the financing was established. A special meeting was called for August 28, 1962 for the purpose of hearing from the finance committee.

August 28, 1962 The Treasurer made his report about the income and expenses of the Lodge and it was recommended that we wait awhile before going ahead. The recommendation of the finance committee was accepted.

A work group was formed to clean up the lot. The building committee was authorized to take care of the lot permanently.

December 11, 1962 Reverend Brother V. C. Shafer was elected to serve the Lodge as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year.

March 13, 1963 A petition for the degrees of masonry signed by Mr. Cecil F. Henderson was read and referred to the investigating committee.

April 9, 1963 It was reported that gas heat was already in the Temple and that a new furnace would have to be purchased for the Penny building.

June 8, 1963 At this special luncheon meeting Brother Wyman McClintock was presented with his 50 year certificate and pin.

September 28, 1963 At this called communication for the purpose of receiving the Grand Master on his visit to district #9. The Lodge was called to order at 5:30 PM and then called from labor to refreshment. The Brethren repaired to the dining room for a delightful repast presented by the Ladies of Eastern Star assisted by the Rainbow Girls. The Lodge was then called from refreshment to labor by the Worshipful Master. The worshipful Masters of the Lodges of District #9 were introduced at the altar, and extended the public Grand Honors. Very Worshipful Brother Lorraine Duranceau was presented at the altar escorted to the East, introduced and accorded the Public Grand Honors and seated in the East. Very Worshipful Brother Lorraine was presented the gavel, welcomed all members, visitors and then called for the Grand Lodge Officers.

Worshipful Brother Lloyd Ivey presented the Committee members and district Deputies at the Altar, conducted them to the East where they were introduced and accorded the Public Grand Honors and seated in the east. Worshipful Brother Ed Erick presented the appointed Grand officers at the Altar, escorted them to east, accorded them the Public Grand Honors, and seated them in the East. Worshipful Brother Orville Shiek presented the Past Grand Masters and Deputy Grand Master at the Altar, escorted them to the East, introduced and accorded the Public Grand Honors and seated in the East.

Very Worshipful Brother Fred Ovenell presented Most Worshipful Brother Albert N. Bradford at the Altar Very Worshipful Brother Lorraine met him, escorted him to the east, accorded him the private Grand Honors and seated him in the East.

Very Worshipful Brother Lorraine appraised the Grand Master of The condition of the Lodges in this District. Our District deputy then introduced the several Masters of Lodges, who introduced his corp of officers to the Grand Master. Worshipful Brother Warren (Bud) Gilbert delivered the address of welcome to the Grand Master in his usual good form. The response was delivered by worshipful Brother Stanley Walker.

Worshipful Brother Hank Hawkins spoke on the Masonic Home endowment fund. Very Worshipful Brother Wally Tonstad spoke on behalf of the district deputies. Worshipful Brother James Doak was called to speak for the appointed officers. Very worshipful Brother Lorraine called on Most Worshipful Brother Walter Higgins for a few words. Our Junior Past Grand Master was called upon for his words of wisdom. Our Deputy Grand Master Raymond Peel was called on to say a few words on behalf of the Elected Grand Officers, and in turn presented the Grand Master. Most Worshipful Brother Albert N. Bradford then delivered his message to the Lodges of District #9. Very worshipful Brother Lorraine then thanked all the Brethren for coming and thanked the Brothers that helped with this meeting. The Lodge was closed in due form.

October 3 1963 This meeting was called for the purpose of conducting the funeral of Worshipful Brother Chris Shiek.

Worshipful Brother Chris Shiek was Born September 19, 1884 In Grand Rapids North Dakota.

Brother Shiek was elected and served as Master of United #93 for the year 1925.

Worshipful Brother Chris passed away suddenly Tuesday October 1, 1963.

November 26, 1963 Ten past Masters answered the Roll Call

December 10, 1963 Brother C. E. Lamm was elected to serve the Lodge as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year.

January 14, 1964 It was reported that the Eastern Star wanted to buy some kitchen equipment it was accepted and the Lodge agreed to pay for installation.

September 8, 1964 For the information of the Brotherhood The Worshipful Master read the rules and regulations of the building committee.

Purpose: To take care of United Lodge #93 physical Properties

Members: Three Master Masons of whom two will be Past Masters. Each to serve alternate terms oldest member to be chairman. If when the Lodge decides to go ahead with a new building, three temporary members to be appointed to serve with the regular members on this aspect. Each member to have one vote.

Meetings: To be held once every two months, more if needed, held in Lodge Hall, open to all members. Complete minutes to be kept and presented at next regular communication with announcement of next meeting date.

Business: On regular items can spend up to \$250.00. Committee empowered to handle any emergency due to physical damage. Amounts over \$250.00, including all insurance must ask for competitive bids of two or more, and these presented to the Lodge with committee recommendations. This set of rules were adopted.

October 27, 1964 This being the forty-fourth visitation by our friends and Brothers of Abbotsford Lodge #70 the Worshipful Master greeted Worshipful Brother Herman Keyes and other members of His Lodge. Worshipful Brother Keyes was conducted to the East and accorded the Public Grand Honors and seated in the East.

November 24 1964 Nineteen Past Masters answered the Roll Call

December 8, 1964 A petition for the degrees of masonry signed by Mr. William Lewis Arney was read and referred to the investigating committee.

Brother W. R. Stendal was elected to serve the Lodge as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year.

October 26, 1965 On this the forty-fifth visitation from our Brothers in Abbotsford Lodge #70 the Worshipful Master greeted 12 Past Masters from United Lodge and 7 from Abbotsford. Worshipful Brother Walt Lynch was presented at the Altar escorted to the East, accorded the public Grand Honors and seated in the East.

December 14, 1965 Brother D. C. Peterson was elected to serve the Lodge as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year.

January 25, 1966 The building committee gave a final report on the sale of the old Temple and the drug store building.

February 22, 1966 The sale of the Lodge hall and the Drug store was approved by the majority of the Brothers present. It was then decided to sell the lots on Gibson and Metcalf and purchase the lots from Brother George Johnson for the new temple.

April 12, 1966 Brother Roland Munsel was conducted to the Altar and presented with twenty five year pin. Brother Munsel is a member of Sedgewick Lodge In Sedgewick Kansas. The following Brothers from United Lodge were recognized for their twenty five or more years of service to United Lodge E. O Eaton, P. A Stendal, Frank S Evans, Scotty Daw, Charles Lederle, Oscar Mock, Charles Trainer, and Ray Jordan.

Brother Elsworth Buchanan and Earl Webster were introduced at the Altar. Brother Buchanan was honored for his 56 years in masonry and Brother Webster was presented with his fifty year pin.

July 12, 1966 A thorough discussion was made of the plans for the new building. All changes were accepted and it was decided to let the plans out for bids as soon as possible.

August 9, 1966 Progress report was made by the temple board and a committee was appointed to get prices of a carpet.

October 25, 1966 On this the Forty-sixth visitation of our Canadian Brothers at Abbotsford the worshipful Master was pleased to greet Worshipful Brother David Brownlee. He was introduced at the Altar, escorted to the East and accorded the Public Grand Honors.

December 13, 1966 Brother William Pease was elected to serve the Lodge as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year.

December 27, 1966 The worshipful Master reported about meeting with Grand Lodge on the new temple. The District deputy suggested that United Lodge form a Temple Corporation. The Worshipful Master obtained the forms and checked with our attorney about filling them out. The worshipful master read the papers in full and also the By-laws of the Temple Corporation.

January 10, 1967 The worshipful Master stated that this is the second reading of the articles of incorporation. He read these and explained the By-laws and asked for questions. The articles were accepted and the following board

members were elected. Worshipful Brother Russell Howlett, Worshipful Brother Douglas G. Robinson, Worshipful Brother Ben Wilson, And Worshipful Brother Earl Sanders.

January 24, 1967 A petition for the degrees of masonry signed by Mr. Theodore J. Palmer was read and referred to the investigating committee.

February 14, 1967 The Officers of the Lodge was authorized to make a loan of \$42,000.00 the proceeds to be used for construction of a new Temple.

This being the last meeting in the old Temple it was called to order by Worshipful Brother P. A. Stendal. Very Worshipful Brother Robert King Deputy of the Grand Master for district #9 of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Washington was presented at the Altar escorted to the East, accorded the Public Grand Honors and seated in the East. The dedication ceremony was postponed and explained by the Building committee. A change in meeting place was requested from the Grand Master so that we could move to the new Temple. A resolution was read to revise the By-laws changing our dues to \$12.00 per year.

September 22, 1967 For the very first time in our new building the worshipful master extended a hearty welcome to all members and visitors.

October 24, 1967 On the occasion of the 48th visitation from Abbotsford Lodge #70 the Worshipful Master greeted Worshipful Brother Jim Sharp and his entourage of Brothers. Worshipful Brother Sharp presented the Worshipful Master with Centennial coin set. Very Worshipful Brothers Stein presented the Lodge with a Plaque to commemorate the 48 years of visitations.

December 12, 1967 Brother Roy Stidham was elected to serve the Lodge as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year.

March 12, 1968 The Worshipful Master announced plans for a 75th anniversary party for United Lodge June 11. George Dickinson reported that a cornerstone of granite as called for in the Grand Lodge rules would cost \$50.00.

It was noted that Brother George Bryson was a member of the lodge 64 years.

May 14, 1968 The building board was authorized to make a loan to finish the payment of the Temple.

May 18, 1968 The Following are the minutes of a Special called communication of the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted masons of Washington At Sedro-Woolley May 18, 1968.

Minutes of The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masonsof Washington

In Special Communication

Saturday May 18, 1968

A special communication of The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Washington convened in the Masonic Temple of United Lodge #93 F & AM, In Sedro-Woolley, Washington, The 18th day of May, A. D. 1968 A. L. 5968, and was called to order by the Most Worshipful Grand Master at the hour of 1:30 PM, Daylight Time, with the following Grand Lodge Officers and acting Grand Officers present and in their respective places.

M. W. B. Audley F. Mahaffey (160-238) Grand Master

R. W. B. Robert L. Gilmore (38) Deputy Grand Master

R. W. B. Frank E. Ulin (112)	Senior Grand Warden
R. W. B. Wayne J. Deming (44)	Junior Grand Warden
R. W. B. Edward L. Bennett (68)	Grand Secretary
W. B. Rev. Louis F. Martin (272)	Grand Chaplain
W. B. Daniel C. Peterson (93)	Actg Grand Lecturer
W. B. John L. Hendricks (1)	Grand Orator
V. W. B. Fred L. McGuire (162)	Actg Grand Historian
W. B. Toby Johnson (72)	Grand Marshall
W. B. Donald D, McCune (229)	Senior Grand Deacon
W. B. Clayton Hanson (149)	Junior Grand Deacon
V. W. B. Milton V. Pope (4)	Grand Standard Bearer
W. B. Percy W. Velle (263)	Grand Sword Bearer
W. B. Albert S. Harris (93)	Actg Grand Bible Bearer
W. B. Hugh C. Steffey (141)	Senior Grand Steward
V. W. B. Ben Wood (21)	Actg Junior Grand Steward
V. W. B. Albert R. McIntyre (175)	Actg Grand Tyler
W. B. Percy A. Stendal (93)	Master Architect

The Grand Master, Assisted by his officers, opened the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Washington on the Third degree of masonry in ample form and announced the special communication was called for the purpose of laying the cornerstone of the Temple of United Lodge #93

By order of the Grand Master and under the direction of the Grand Marshall, The Grand Lodge was formed in procession and marched to the place where the cornerstone ceremony was to take place.

To open the ceremony Worshipful Master Stidham welcomed all those in attendance, then introduced Mayor Pearson who also gave a brief speech of welcome on behalf of the city of Sedro-Woolley.

Very Worshipful Robert E. King introduced the Grand Lodge Officers, Past Grand Master Walter H. Seffey and the Deputies of the Grand Master who were in attendance.

The Cornerstone was found to be square, level and plumb, and a sealed box was placed within which contained memorial material as follows

Roster of Lodges of the most worshipful Grand lodge of F & AM of Washington containing the names of: Grand Lodge Officers, Elective and Appointive, Deputies of the Grand Master, Standing committees; Numerical roster of the Lodges, number of members, District, Meeting Place, Meeting Dates, Name and address of the worshipful Master and Secretary; Alphabetical; list of Lodges, Past Grand Masters.

Roster of members and Past Masters of United #93.

Newspaper containing story of Cornerstone laying ceremony

Roster of members and Past Patrons and Matrons of the Cyrene Chapter #110 of Order Eastern Star

Roster of members of The city Council of Sdero-Woolley.

Copy of Summons of Abbotsford Lodge #70 B.C.R. with list of Officers and Past Masters.

Coins and Stamps of current issue.

Architects description of Temple.

Copy of this List.

After which the cornerstone was laid according to the ancient Masonic customs and usages.

The oration for the occasion was delivered by W. B. John L. Hendricks (1) Grand Orator.

A representative of the Order of DeMolay presented a check in the amount of \$392.41 to be used for carpeting in the Temple. Worshipful Master Stidham expressed the gratitude of the Lodge to the members of the Order of DeMolay.

The Grand Master expressed the appreciation of the Grand Lodge for the privilege of laying the cornerstone. The Worshipful Master thanked Grand Lodge Officers for their work.

The purpose for which this Special Communication was called having been accomplished, The Grand Lodge was closed in ample form at he hour of 3:00 PM. Peace and Harmony prevailing.

This document was signed by the then Grand Master Audley Mahaffey and Grand Secretary Edward L. Bennett.

June 11, 1968 The following Past Masters answered the Roll Call Russ Howlett, Ben Wilson, Doug Robinson, Earl Sanders, Carlos Shafer, Al Harris, Puss Stendal, Jack Livie, William Stendal and Dan Peterson.

October 22, 1968 this being the 49th visitation from Abbotsford Lodge #70 the worshipful master greeted a goodly number of Members and Visitors on this the 75th anniversary of United #93.

Worshipful Brother Percy Stendal related many incidents in the history of Sedro-Woolley and United Lodge in particular.

The Grand Orator Very Worshipful Brother Thomas Craig was introduced and gave very inspiring talk.

December 10, 1968 Brother Cecil F. Henderson was elected to serve the Lodge Worshipful Master for the ensuing year.

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Minutes of The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Washington

In Special Communication

Saturday May 31, 1969

A special communication of The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Washington convened in the Masonic Temple In the city of Sedro-woolley, Washington, on Saturday the 31st day of May, A. D. 1969 A. L. 5969, and was opened on the Third degree of Masonry in ample form at the hour of 1:13 PM by the Most Worshipful Grand Master, with the following Grand Lodge Officers and acting Grand Lodge Officers present and in their respective places.

M. W. B. Robert L. Gilmore (38)	Grand Master
R. W. B. Frank E. Ulin (112)	Deputy Grand Master
R. W. B. Wayne J. Deming (44)	Senior Grand Warden
R. W. B. Milton V. Poe (4)	Junior Grand Warden
R. W. B. Edward L. Bennett (68)	Grand Secretary
W. B. Rev. Randall W. Larson (38)	Grand Chaplain
V. W. B. William P. Horn (82)	Grand Lecturer
W. B. Alden H. Jones (62)	Grand Orator
W. B. Mark E. Anway (44)	Grand Historian
V. W. B. Harold E. Tucker (272)	Grand Marshall
W. B. Toby Johnson (72)	Senior Grand Deacon
V. W. B. Robert King (149)	Junior Grand Deacon
V. W. B. J. Ross Ace (91)	Grand Standard Bearer
W. C. B. William Campbell (59)	Grand Sword Bearer

W. B. Charles A. Baldwin (38) Grand Bible Bearer
V. W. B. James O. Wood (35) Actg Senior Grand Steward
V. W. B. James C. Bannerman (105) Junior Grand Steward
W. B. Percy N. Veile (263) Grand Tyler

W. B. Percy A. Stendal (93) Master Architect

W. B. Douglas G. Robinson Messenger

Also present were M. W. Robert P. Guthrie, PGM member of the Committee on Jurisprudence; V. W. Brother James P. Dennis , Robert E. King, Gordon D. Hubbard, James O. Wood and William C. Harm. District Deputies of the Grand Master in Districts 5,9,10, 13 and 15, W. B. Harry Dial, Chairman, Committee on credentials; V. W. B. C. Stanley Maple, Committee on Credentials, W. B. Richard A. Flett Committee on Masonic Research and Education; W. B. Joseph W. Jackson, committee on Public Schools and W. B. Edward Young Committee on Home Endowment.

The Grand Master announced this Special Communication of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Washington had been called for the purpose of dedicating the new Temple of United Lodge #93 F & AM.

The Grand officers then retired to the entrance hall where upon the messenger, W. B. Douglas G. Robinson (93) Requested The Grand Master to solemnly dedicate, for Masonic purposes, the meeting place of the Lodge agreeable to ancient forms and Usages.

After proper precautions being exercised and under the direction of the Grand Marshall the Grand Lodge was formed in procession and marched into the lodge room .

Worshipful Brother Percy Stendal (93), as architect, surrendered the implements committed to his care, and the Grand Master assisted by his officers, with dignity and impressiveness, then dedicated the Temple in ample form to the purposes of Free Masonry.

The proclamation a was made by the Grand Master.

The oration for the occasion was Delivered by W. B. Alden H. Jones Grand Orator.

The Benediction which followed was given by the Grand Chaplain.

At this point the public was invited to leave the Lodge room.

The Great Lights were opened and the lesser lights lighted so as to resume labor on the third degree for the purpose of conducting the closing ceremony.

The Grand master thanked Fred Root for his fine music during this ceremony. The Grand Master thanked the Lodge for the privilege of performing this dedication. He also thanked the Grand Lodge Officers, Past Grand Masters, Deputies of the Grand Master, and Committeemen for their attendance.

V. W. Robert E. King Deputy of the Grand Master in district #9 presented three year certificates of proficiency to Brothers Wilfred J. Perry and James E. Smith both members of Whidbey Island Lodge #15. They were given a round of Applause by the Brethren present.

With no further business to be considered or performed, this Special Communication of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Washington, after solemn prayer by the grand Chaplain, was closed in ample form at the hour of 2:50 PM Peace and Harmony prevailing. These minutes were signed by the Grand Master and Grand Secretary..

October 28, 1969 On The fiftieth visitation from Abbotsford Lodge #70. The worshipful Master greeted worshipful Brother Clarkson and a goodly number of his Brothers. He was conducted west of the altar where the worshipful Master presented him with the Trowel used in the cornerstone laying ceremony of United Lodge #93 suitably engraved to commemorate this the 50th visitation by Abbotsford.

December 9, 1969 By resolution the building board was restructured to include the Master and Wardens.

Brother John S. Evans was elected to serve the Lodge as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year.

February 6, 1970 The Worshipful Master greeted 6 sitting Masters, 3 visiting Past Masters, 4 Standing Committeemen, 7 District Deputies, 8 Appointive Grand Lodge Officers. 4 Elective officers, 3 Past Grand Masters and The Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons of Washington Frank E. Ulin on his official visit to District #9.

October 13, 1970 The worshipful Master and Brothers honored the following fifty year members Samuel M. Lewis, Harry Hemenover, William A. Hegg, Stanley Cottingham, Arthur H. Ward and Worshipful Brother P. A. Stendal. Brother Ward was presented his fifty year pin and certificate by Brother Warren Gilbert.

On the 51st visitation by Abbostford Lodge #70 on October 27, 1970 the Worshipful Master greeted a goodly number of visiting Brothers and members of United Lodge. Worshipful Brother Riddle was conducted to the East introduced, and seated in the East.

December 8, 1970 The By-laws were amended to raise the initiation fees to \$75.00 and dues from \$12.00 to 10.00. Also the amount allowed by the charity committee was changed from \$10.00 to \$25.00.

January 26, 1971 Worshipful Brother P. A Stendal presented brother Charles E. Trainer his fifty year pin.

March 9, 1971 The worshipful Master recognized Worshipful Brother Warren Gilbert and Brother Vern Sims for their assistance in negotiating the J. C. Penny contract.

March 31, 1971 This meeting was called for the purpose of conducting the funeral of Worshipful Brother Charles J. Lederle.

Brother Lederle was born in Sedro-Woolley, on February 7, 1908

Worshipful Brother Charles Lederle was initiated as an Entered Apprentice Mason April 9, 1929 Passed to the degree of a fellowcraft August 10, 1929 and raised to the degree of a Master Mason June 24, 1930.

Brother Lederle was elected and served as Master of United #93 for the year 1937.

Worshipful Brother Charles passed away suddenly Monday March 29, 1971 Prior to His death he had served the Lodge as Secretary for several years.

April 13, 1971 Brothers Jim Stover, William Clark and Harlan Martin were installed as Senior, Junior Deacons and Marshall. These changes were necessary as the result of the recent death of Brother Munsell.

October 12, 1971 Worshipful Brother Carlos Shafer presented the Lodge with a desk lamp to be used at the tyler's desk on behalf of the Don Jones family in memory of Worshipful Brother Don Jones.

Brother Robert Joyner presented the Lodge with an Altar Bible in memory of Brother Roland Munsell on behalf of Mrs Davis and himself.

October 26, 1971 This being the Fifty-second visit from Abbotsford Lodge #70 the worshipful Master greeted a goodly number of Brother. Worshipful Master Dickinson called upon Worshipful Brother Warren J. "Bud" Gilbert Grand Orator who gave his speech presented at the Cornerstone laying of Diamond Lodge #83

December 14, 1971 Brother Carroll Dillon was elected to serve the Lodge as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year.

October 24, 1972 This being the 53rd annual visit from Abbotsford Lodge #70 The worshipful Master greeted Worshipful Master Bill Davis and a goodly number of his Brothers.

December 12, 1972 Brother Ted Palmer was elected to serve the Lodge as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year.

January 23, 1973 A petition for the degrees of masonry signed by Mr. Tilman Melvin Loney was read and referred to the investigating committee.

October 23, 1973 On this the 54th visit from Abbotsford Lodge #70 the Worshipful Master greeted Worshipful Brother Lou Simoine and goodly number of his Brothers.

December 11, 1973 Brother Jim Stover was elected to serve the Lodge as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year.

January 8, 1974 United Lodge #93 joined the Masonic Service bureau of Seattle.

February 26, 1974 Lodge dues were changed from \$10.00 to \$15.00. The meeting days was changed to read 2nd and 4th Tuesdays except 2nd Tuesday only in June, July, August and December.

The Temple was rented to the World Wide Church of God commencing on March 16th.

October 8, 1974 12 Past Masters answered Roll Call on Past Master's Night.

October 22, 1974 On the occasion of the 55th visit from Abbotsford Lodge #70 the Worshipful Master greeted Worshipful Brother Blair McMinn and RW Brother James O. Wood Grand Junior Warden of The Grand Lodge of Washington.

December 10, 1974 Brother Chester C. Barr was elected to serve the Lodge as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year.

September 9, 1975 The death of Worshipful Brother Victor L. Barr. Brother Barr was Master of United Lodge in 1938. There was no service.

October 28, 1975 This being the 56th visit from Abbotsford Lodge #70 the Worshipful Master greeted 33 Officers Past Officers Past Grand Lodge Officers and Worshipful Master John C. Cooper. RW Brother James O. Wood, Grand Senior Warden was the guest Speaker.

November 25, 1975 15 Past masters led by Worshipful Brother Jack Davis (1930) answered the Roll Call.

December 9, 1975 A petition for affiliation signed by Brother Lyle Rafael Henderson was read and referred to the investigating committee.

Brother Willard F. Evans was elected to serve the Lodge as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year.

March 23, 1976 Worshipful Brother Warren J. Gilbert Jr. and Brother Vern Sims assisted the Lodge in negotiating a new rental agreement with J. C. Penny Co. Brother Warren Gilbert was granted an honorary membership for his services.

October 26, 1976 on the occasion of the 57th visitation of Abbotsford Lodge #70 Worshipful Brother Warren Gilbert was presented with an honorary membership for his services to United Lodge #93 and masonry in general.

December 14, 1976 Brother David Franklin Jay was elected to serve the Lodge as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year.

October 11, 1977 A proposal to change the by-laws pertaining to our meeting dates was presented for action. The proposal provides that our stated meeting will be the second Tuesday at 8:00 P.M. every month except for the months of July and August and December it was duly adopted. Seventeen Past Masters answered the call of the Worshipful Master this evening.

October 25, 1977 this is the 58th visitation to United #93 by Abbotsford Lodge #70. The worshipful master greeted a goodly number of visitors and Brothers. The Entered Apprentice degree was exemplified for the visiting brothers the candidate being Mr. Clyde LeRoy Martin

December 13, 1977 Brother Louis Armev was elected to serve the Lodge as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year.

January 10, 1978 A petition for Dual membership signed by Brother Sidney Stewart McIntyre was read and referred to the investigating committee.

February 14, 1978 A petition for the degrees of masonry signed by Mr. Lloyd John Armev was read and referred to the investigating committee.

Worshipful Brother Ted H. Muncaster was presented his fifty year certificate and Pin by Alpha Lodge #212 October 10, 1978. W. B. Muncaster was master of United Lodge #93 in 1943 during his tenure as Superintendent of the Sedro-Woolley Schools.

October 24, 1978 This is the 58th visit from Abbotsford Lodge #70. The worshipful Master greeted a goodly number of visiting Brothers from Abbotsford as well as other Lodges in District #9 and #10. The entered apprentice degree was conferred on Mr. Ted William Anderson.

November 14, 1978 Brother Tilman Loney was elected to serve the Lodge as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year.

March 27, 1979 Worshipful Brothers John Sansom (United #93 1939) and Edward Rapetto (Ryewood Lodge #270) were presented with their 50 year certificates and Pins

October 23, 1979 On the 60th visitation from Abbotsford Lodge #70 the Worshipful Master greeted many visiting Brothers from Abbotsford and the lodges in Districts 9 and 10.

November 13, 1979 Brother William C. Munsell was elected to serve the Lodge as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year.

November 26, 1979 (Special) This meeting was called for the purpose of Honoring Worshipful Brother P. A. "Puss" Stendal for his many years of service to United Lodge #93 and the community. It was at this meeting that Very Worshipful Brother Warren J. Gilbert and Worshipful Brother Ted Palmer announced the Sedro-Woolley High School awards program. It was subsequently named the P.A. Stendal Awards Program.

January 8, 1980 The Secretary reported to Grand Lodge 226 members with 11-50 year members.

March 25, 1980 Twenty Past Masters answered the Masters call.

April 12, 1980 This meeting was called for the purpose of conducting the funeral of Worshipful Brother William Lewis Arney

Worshipful Brother Lewis Arney was initiated as an Entered Apprentice Mason Jan. 26, 1965 Passed to the degree of a fellowcraft March 22, 1965 and raised to the degree of a Master Mason May 25, 1965.

Brother Arney was elected and served as Master of United #93 for the year 1978.

Worshipful Brother William passed away suddenly April 9, 1980

September 20, 1980 This meeting was called for the purpose of conducting the funeral of Worshipful Brother George D. Dickinson.

Worshipful Brother George Dickinson was initiated as an Entered Apprentice Mason Oct. 12, 1954 Passed to the degree of a Fellowcraft Dec. 27, 1954 and raised to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason March 22, 1955.

Brother Dickinson was elected and served as Master of United #93 for the year 1971.

Worshipful Brother George passed away suddenly September 16, 1980

September 30, 1980 On the 61st visitation from Abbotsford Lodge #70 The worshipful master greeted Worshipful Brother Earl Megersall and a goodly number of visitors and Brothers.

October 14, 1980 Garfield #41 claimed the Traveling Gavel.

November 11, 1980 Brother E. James Belles was elected to serve the Lodge as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year.

December 9, 1980 This is the night that United was to entertain their ladies however, the surprise was on the Secretary as he was honored by his Brothers Sisters and Family upon his retirement. Retirement is finding out you have more to do than time to do it.

January 13, 1981 Secretaries report indicated 218 Members 1 indigent and 11-50 year members.

March 24, 1981 A goodly number of Past masters answered the Master's Call to the Alter where they were greeted by the Master and Very Worshipful Brother Warren Gilbert.

June 9, 1981 United Lodge #93 was favored by a visit from King David Lodge #93 in West Vancouver British Columbia.

June 23, 1981 United lodge #93 was favored by visit from The District Deputy of District #9 Ted Palmer.

January 12, 1982 Worshipful Brother George Murphy was granted dual Membership in United Lodge #93. VWB Ted Palmer, WB Al Harris, WB Bill Stendal and Brother Stan Smith were appointed to the School Awards Committee.

February 9, 1982 A petition for the degrees of masonry signed by Mr. Dale L. Allen was read and referred to the investigating committee.

October 26, 1982 The worshipful Master greeted several Brothers from Abbotsford Lodge #70 including Worshipful Master Con Neudorf on this the 63rd visitation of Abbotsford Lodge.

November 9, 1982 Brother Earl W. Holt was elected to serve the Lodge as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year.

January 25, 1983 The Worshipful Master announced the death of Worshipful Brother Arthur J. Buckley. With a memorial on 1-29-83

March 8, 1983 Brother Bernard Davis was made an Honorary Past Master by resolution and vote of the Membership.

May 6, 1983 Mr. Carl Siedell was made an Entered Apprentice Mason in due and Ancient form.

May 24, 1983 on the Thirteenth visitation by Fairhaven Lodge #73 the worshipful Master greeted Worshipful Brother Walter Hardy and His Brothers. It was noted that these visitations were started in 1970 By then Masters John Evans and Walter Hardy.

June 14, 1983 The Worshipful Master announced the resignation of Worshipful Brother Munsell as Secretary and the appointment of Worshipful Brother John Livie to fill balance of the term.

June 28, 1983 It was announced that Very Worshipful Brother Ted Palmer had been appointed to the office of Grand Chaplain.

October 25, 1983 This being the 64th visitation from Abbotsford Lodge #70. Brothers from Abbotsford and other B.C. Lodges made the trek to Sedro-Woolley. Worshipful Brother Kenneth Freisen was escorted to the East and accorded the public Grand Honors. M. W. Brothers Ted Clarke and Douglas Phelps PGMs of British Columbia were escorted to the East and accorded the public Grand Honors. The entered Apprentice Degree was exemplified for the Brethren.

November 8, 1983 Brother Lloyd Armev was elected to serve the Lodge as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year.

November 22, 1983 This being step up night the chairs were taken by the newly elected and appointed officers.

The following Grand Lodge Officers were introduced and accorded the Public Grand Honors:

RWB Warren Gilbert Grand Senior Warden
WB James Vannice Grand Lecturer
VWB Ted Palmer Grand Chaplain
WB Dick Olson Grand Lodge Research & Education

The Fellowcraft Degree Was exemplified.

December 13, 1983 After the close of business this evening the Lodge had the pleasure of witnessing the Marriage vows of Brother John and Wife Barbara McKechnie in honor of their 25th Anniversary.

January 24, 1984 RW Brother Warren J. Gilbert presented seven brothers with their 25 year certificates and pins. MW. Brother Toby Johnson presented 60 year pins to Worshipful Brother Jack Davis and Brother Stanley Cottingham.

March 13, 1984 The worshipful master met 15 Past Masters west of the alter where he greeted each one separately.

April 10, 1984 By vote of the membership present the initiation fees were raised to \$100.00. Dues were raised to \$20.00 per year payable in advance.

September 11, 1984 After many years as a tenant the J. C. Penny Co. gave notice that they would vacate the building on the corner of State and Metcalf.

October 23, 1984 This being the 65th visitation of Abbotsford Lodge #70. The Worshipful Master greeted Worshipful Brother Richard Fish Worshipful Master of Abbotsford Lodge along with a number of Grand Lodge Officers from British Columbia and the Grand Lodge of Washington.

November 13, 1984 Brother Jerry Smith was elected to serve the Lodge as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year.

December 11, 1984 A petition for the degrees of masonry signed by Mr. Christopher Leland Siedell was read and referred to the investigating committee.

February 21, 1985 Word was received during this meeting of the passing of Our Senior Warden John McKechnie.

February 26, 1985 This meeting was called for the purpose of conducting the funeral of Brother John Stanley McKechnie.

Brother John was initiated as an Entered Apprentice Mason Jan 14, 1965. Passed to the degree of a Fellowcraft Mar. 18, 1965. Raised to the degree of a Master Mason May 22, 1965. All in Fidelity Lodge #120 San Francisco, California. He was elected to dual membership in United Lodge #93 on November 13, 1979.

Brother McKechnie was elected and serving as Senior Warden of United #93 for the year 1985 at the time of his death.

Worshipful Brother John passed away suddenly Sunday February 21, 1985 in Depot Bay Oregon.

March 28, 1985 This meeting was called for the purpose of conducting the funeral of Worshipful Brother Werner Arthur Klien.

Worshipful Brother Werner Klien was initiated as an Entered Apprentice Mason Nov 21, 1939. Passed to the degree of a Fellowcraft December 14, 1939. Raised to the degree of a Master Mason January 3, 1940 all in Lynden Lodge #56. He was admitted to United Lodge #93 August 8, 1950.

Worshipful Brother Werner was elected and served as Master of United #93 for the year 1959.

Worshipful Brother Werner passed away suddenly March 22, 1985

September 10, 1985 This being Past Masters night 12 Past Masters answered the roll call West of the alter and were greeted by the Worshipful Master and District Deputy James Vannice.

October 29, 1985 On the occasion of the 66th visitation by Abbotsford Lodge #70 the Worshipful Master greeted Worshipful Brother Roy Kelso and a contingent of his Brothers.

November 12, 1985 Brother Carl Siedell was elected to serve the Lodge as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year.

December 10, 1985 United Lodge was honored by a visit by Most Worshipful Brother Warren J "Bud" Gilbert Grand Master of Masons of Washington.

January 14, 1986 The committee on the petition of Richard Greenfield reported favorably and he was elected to receive the degrees of masonry.

March 11, 1986 A surprise visit was paid to United Lodge #93 by the Most Worshipful Grand Master and his entourage.

April 8, 1986 WB John S. Livie was elected to Secretary Emeritus.

April 29, 1986 On this the official visit of the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Washington the Worshipful Master greeted a large delegation of Grand Lodge officers and Brothers of every Lodge in district #9.

May 13, 1986 Worshipful Brother John S. Livie was presented with a name plate and pin declaring him Secretary emeritus.

October 14, 1986 A petition for affiliation signed by Brother James Rouse was read and referred to the investigating committee.

October 28, 1986 This is the 67th visit from our Brothers in Abbotsford B.C. The Worshipful Master greeted Worshipful Master Gill Monte and his Brethren.

November 11, 1986 Worshipful Brother Carl Siedell was elected to serve the Lodge as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year.

November 26, 1986 A report from the Temple Board advised that the cornerstone for the new addition to the Temple had been laid with Brothers Sidney McIntyre and John Evans participating.

February 10, 1987 Worshipful Brothers Jack Davis and Percy Stendal were escorted to the East and presented with their 65 year certificate and pin. DR. Joe McCann was presented with his 50 year pin.

October 27, 1987 WM Bob Gould of Abbotsford Lodge #70 was Presented at the Altar and escorted to the East and accorded the Public Grand Honors.

November 10, 1987 Brother James Rouse was elected to serve the Lodge as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year.

Through the generosity of Very Worshipful Brother Tom Forsythe The outside grounds were landscaped. Very Worshipful Brother Tom donated all the Rhodedendrons. Very Worshipful Brother Ted Palmer donated the top soil.

May 20, 1988 On this the 20th Anniversary of the new Masonic Temple All visiting Masters and Grand Lodge Officers were recognized. Stanley Cottingham was escorted to the East and presented with his 70 year pin. WB P.A. Stendal was presented with an honorary membership to Abbotsford Lodge. Mrs. Roland Munsell was

presented with a Grand Lodge Life Membership Certificate in memory of Her Husband. The burning of the mortgage by Worshipful Master James Rouse assisted by VWB Tom Prater, VWB Bob King, MWB Bud Gilbert, RWB Harold Tucker and WB Roy Stidham.

During this year the Lodge was given a dispensation from Grand Lodge to attend Church services clothed as Masons. This is a revival of custom first instituted in 1910.

October 25, 1988 This is the 69th visitation by Abbotsford Lodge # 70 there were about 25 brothers from Abbotsford present.

November 14, 1989 WB Jim Stover was elected to serve the Lodge as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year.

May 18, 1990 Every Lodge in the Grand Jurisdiction of Washington has, or has had, a hard working Brother who manages to find the time to do just a little bit more than is asked or required to promote the precepts of Masonry. They seem to have an endless amount of energy also. If all of these Brothers were placed together in a room I believe you would feel the walls breathing with the excitement. This gathering happens once a year at the Grand Lodge session.

United Lodge has been privileged to have several of these people as members and Brothers Adam Davison, Horace Condy, William West, John Guddall, Chris Shiek, Percy (Puss) Stendal, John Livie and Jim Stover. The most celebrated of these individuals is Percy Stendal and John Livie. On This date, May 18, The Brethren Of United Lodge, other Lodges of the State and the Grand Lodge of Washington along with other notable citizens gathered at The Masonic Temple in Sedro-Woolley to honor these two Brothers and Gentlemen.

At 6:00 PM United Lodge was opened by Worshipful Master Jim Stover. Worshipful Master Stover invited WB Percy Stendal to join him in the East and Worshipful Brother Livie to act as Secretary for the opening ceremony. At 6:10 the Lodge was called from Labor to Refreshment. A bountiful dinner was served to about 150 Masons, families, and friends. At 7:15 WB Stover greeted the assembly in the Temple and extended thanks to WB William Stendal and his Wife Eloise for their Preparation of the dinner.

The following Grand Lodge Officers were introduced and extended the Public Grand Honors of Masonry:

RWB James Vannice, SGW
MWB Harold Tucker, GM 88/89
MWB Edward Clarke, PGM British Columbia
RWB Kenneth Elliott, DGM of Oregon
VWB Preston Stedman, Grand Chaplain
VWB Christian Olsen, D of GM Dist. #9
VWB Chet Ecklegarger D of GM Dist. #27
VWB John Harris Chm Masonic Home End. Fund
VWB Thomas McKirdy Sec. Abbotsford Lodge #70

Worshipful Master Stover introduced the Honorees, Worsahipful Brother Stendal and his wife Martha, along with Worshipful Brother John Livie and his wife Jean. The Worshiful Master then paid a personal tribute to Worshipful Brother Livie for his many years of valuable service to the Lodge as Secretary and the additional special work he provided as a dependable hard working member of the Lodge Temple Board. He noted that Worshipful Brother Livie had served through a period of tough financial times.

Worshipful Brother Jim Rouse was then introduced as the Master of ceremonies, he first asked all the members of the Livie Family to stand and be recognized and then asked the same of the Stendal Family. Worshipful Brother Rouse made note of several historical events of the Lodge and especially that while Worshipful Brother Stendal had served the Lodge as Master in 1936 Worshipful Brother Livie had served the Lodge as Master in 1946.

Worshipful Brother Rouse then Introduced the Honorable Donald "Spud" Walley, mayor of Sedro-Woolley who in his reminiscing told of his dislike for a certain draft board chairman who had caused him much discomfort while marching through the hot California desert as a Soldier during WW2. Worshipful Brother Puss made Soldiers, Sailors, and Marines out of a good many of us in those days. The Honorable Mayor then made note of the many accomplishments of Brother Stendal during his years as Mayor of Sedro-Woolley. The Week of May 18 had been proclaimed as "Stendal Week" in recognition of His many services to the Community.

Norman Curtis President of the Rotary Club extended congratulations to "Puss" for his many years of service to the Roatary Club.

Pinky Robinson a long time merchant in Sedro-woolley, congratulated both Livie and Stendal and related how he had received his selective service number from Skagit County Draft Board back in 1940. He then displayed his selective service number, the board with house numbers nailed to it, which was his number and sent to him by "Puss". The evening was then returned to Masonry.

Worshipful Brother Tom McKirdy, Abbotsford B.C. brought congratulations and a letter to both Jack and "Puss" from Abbotsford Lodge #70. He also stated his personal warm feelings and respect for both of these distinguished Past Masters and reported the good Masonic relations their Lodge has enjoyed with United Lodge #93 and especially with Brothers Livie and Stendal.

At this point Worhsipful Brother Rouse presented albums to both Livie and Stendal to contain their many letters, photos and guest list of this event. He also read letters addressed to each from Grand Master, William Miller, and from Howard Olsen, Potentate of Nile Temple of the Shrine.

Brother Russ Gran of Valley of Bellingham Scottish rite brought Letters and congratulations for each.

Worshipful Brother Marshall Dalrymple, Historian for the Masonic Tribune in Tacoma presented Stendal with a special award expressing his respect and congratulations for his outstanding achievements.

Additional remarks from Mr. Bob Penney, Principal of Sedro-Woolley High School, Andy Thompson Of Concrete, Mabel Onkels of Concrete, were well received by Brothers Stendal and Livie.

Following these personal tributes Worshipful Master Stover and RWB Vannice joined the two sons (George and John Jr.) for the presentation of their fathers 50 year pin and reading of the resolution from North Hill Lodge #210 and gave his father the red Tie. The Public Grand Honors were accorded to Brothers Stendal and Livie. After the Benediction by Brother Chaplain Victor Lewis the assembly was lead in the singing of "God Bless America" by RWB Elliott of Oregon. The Lodge was closed in due and Ancient form.

May 22, 1990 Plans were announced for our Centennial in 1993.

June 12, 1990 As a matter of determining the anniversary date for United Lodge #93 The Worshipful master reviewed the charter and determined that June 14, 1893 was the date the grand Master had Signed the Charter.

September 11, 1990 By a vote of the members present the Grand Lodge resolution to allow hard Liquor in the Dining Area of the Lodge was set aside and liquor will not be allowed in United Lodge #93.

October 9, 1990 The worshipful Master accompanied by VWB Tom Prater and VWB Chris Olsen greeted 16 Past Masters West of the altar. Those present were :

Jack Davis (30) Jack Livie (46)
Russell Howlett (51) Carl Atterbury (57)
Dan Peterson (66) John Evans (70)
Carroll Dillon (72) Ted Palmer (73)

Jim Stover (74) Frank Jay (77)
Lyle Henderson (82 89) Earl Holt (83)
Lloyd Armey (84) Jerry Smith (85)
Carl Siedell (86 87) Jim Rouse (88)

Worshipful Brother Jack Davis Master 1930 was escorted to the East to join the Master for the rest of the evening.

Worshipful Brother Jack Davis is noted for the many stories he has told over the years. I think that one of the most humorous was about Brother Joe Lederle's dog. It seems that everywhere Joe went the dog went also. On Lodge nights the dog always followed Joe to the temple and waited outside until Joe came out and they both went home. On one of our very cold stormy nights the dog got real cold and went in search of Joe. The dog slipped by the Tyler and got inside the Lodge room. The Worshipful Master asked the meaning of the interruption and was the dog qualified to be there. After a careful examination by the Senior Warden the dog was declared to have the proper credentials and was allowed to remain until the meeting had been adjourned.

October 23, 1990 on the 71st visitation to United #93 by Abbotsford Lodge #70 the Worshipful Master greeted Worshipful Brother Peter B. Davey, Master, of Abbotsford Lodge and 27 of his Brothers

November 13, 1990 Worshipful Master Jim Stover presented the Lodge with a new Life Member Plaque. At the time of Presentation there were six living Life Members, the other five members are Chester Barr, Elcondido Galli, Ralph Hindergardener, Forrest Jones and Gerald Pease.

Brother John McNab was elected to serve the Lodge as Worshipful Master for the ensuing year.

January 22, 1991 Brother George McIntyre was raised to the Sublime degree of a Master Mason. This marks the fourth generation of the McIntyre family to have belonged to United Lodge #93. D. G.. McIntyre father of WB S. S. McIntyre father of WB Sidney McIntyre father of Brothers George and Peter McIntyre.

The Worshipful Master assisted by the DDGM Chris Olsen presented WB Carl Atterbury with his life Membership certificate.

Brother J. B. Norris was presented with his 25 year pin on February 12, 1991.

A resolution to amend the by-laws raising the dues to \$25.00 was read by the Worshipful Master. This is the first reading of this resolution.

The following Brothers were presented for honorary membership to United #93: VWB Al Christiansen, VWB Tom Prater, WB Julian Yearsley and WB Harold Menges.

Very Worshipful Brother Ted Palmer reported on the progress of the School awards program scheduled for April 13, 1991

February 26, 1991 Brother Robert Charlton of Yerba Buena Lodge #403 a sojourner was presented with his 50 year pin by the DDGM Chris Olsen assisted by the worshipful Master.

By a majority vote the by-laws were amended to raise the dues to \$25.00 per year payable in advance.

March 26, 1991 The Lodge was pleased by a visit from Junior Warden George Livie of North Hill Lodge #210 Spokane. Also making a surprise visit was our Grand Master Hiram Abiff as portrayed by WB Robert C. Miliken of Damascus Lodge #199 Granite Falls, his message was very inspiring.

Worshipful Brother Carlos Shafer and Brother John Steen were presented with their Life Membership certificates.

On Saturday morning at 9:00 AM United Lodge # 93 was called to order for the purpose of receiving the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Washington, Sidney Kaase, on his official visit to District #9. Eight Masters from the various Lodges of district #9 #10 and British Columbia. All were introduced and accorded the public Grand Honors.

Twenty-two Grand Lodge officers were present, introduced and accorded the public Grand Honors.

The DDGM Christian Olsen then introduced the Grand Master, Sidney Kaase, who was accorded the Private Grand Honors. VWB Olsen then made his district report.

Six Past District Deputies to the Grand Master were present and were given congratulations by the Grand Master for their many years of service.

Worshipful Brother Howard Olsen was presented with a special certificate in honor of his year as potentate of the Nile Temple of the Shrine.

May 14, 1991 Five Brothers present were honored on their Masonic Birthdays. It was noted that Worshipful Brother P. A. Stendal was celebrating his seventy-first.

Worshipful Brother Ted Palmer tendered his resignation from the School Awards Committee.

May 28, 1991 was a Surprise to Worshipful Brother Jim Stover as he was honored for his many years of service to United Lodge and the Building Board. Worshipful Brother Jim gave his very special thanks for this special evening.

June 11, 1991 In the absence of the Worshipful Master, who was attending the Installation of Officers at Abbotsford Lodge #70 the Senior Warden used this opportunity for step-up night. All officers moved up one station.

August 27, 1991. Every community has a person who by civic mindedness plays a very important part of the development of the city and its people. Such a person is Robert E "Pinky" Robinson. Pinky Robinson, a Non-Mason, was honored by his peers friends and Masons when they gathered at the Gateway Cafe for a Special luncheon. During the festivities he was presented with the "Outstanding Public Service Award" by the Most Worshipful Grand Master, James Vannice, Of the Grand Lodge Of Washington.

September 10, 1991 The Worshipful Master lead a memorial service for Our departed Brothers, Worshipful Brother Chester Barr and Brother Oscar Kulseth. Worshipful Brother Chet Barr was elected Master of United Lodge #93 1975 and joined the celestial Lodge on July 13, 1991. Brother Kulseth joined the Celestial Lodge on August 4, 1991.

October 22, 1991. On this the annual visit from Abbotsford Lodge #70 the usual degree work was dispensed with and the evening devoted to fellowship.

November 11, 1991 Senior Warden Dale Allen was elected to serve the Lodge as Master for the year 1992.

January 8, 1992 by vote of the membership Brother Sidney S. McIntyre was made an honorary Past master in recognition of his many years of service to United Lodge 93.

Brother Dale Allen was installed to serve the Lodge as Master for 1992.

On January 14, 1992 The Worshipful Master conducted a memorial service for Worshipful Brother Percy A. "Puss" Stendal. Worshipful Brother Stendal was elected to serve the United Lodge as Master in 1936.

February 11, 1992 Worshipful Brother John Livie was escorted to the altar and there presented a 25 year pin to be further presented to his son John Jr. who had completed 25 years of masonry and was unable to attend.

Brother Lyle Buchanan was escorted to the altar and there presented with his 50 year pin and certificate by the Worshipful Master assisted by the Most Worshipful Grand Master.

Worshipful Brother Jack Davis was escorted to the altar and there presented with his 70 year pin and certificate. The Following Letter written by Most Worshipful Grand Master James Vannice best sums up Worshipful Brother Jack's Masonic Life. Quote Dear worshipful Brother Jack:

I was pleased to learn that you were to be honored by your Masonic Brethren and many friends on this particular night. It is indeed a privilege to be able to recognize a person who has long served this fraternity such as you have. I am honored to be a part of this well deserved recognition.

Not only are we here as Brother Masons and friends to pay tribute for your contributions and service as a Freemason, but we join in recognition of your long and distinguished career in the world of business. As a Banker you have been privileged to assist numerous individuals, families, and businesses in management of their affairs. There are throughout the Skagit Valley and this immediate community those who have prospered by reason of your caring counsel.

Seventy years of active Masonic membership is a milestone very few will be privileged to enjoy. Throughout the years, many great friendships have been formed and many memorable events have been experienced by you. These now give cause for pleasant and enjoyable reflections. Perhaps one of your most memorable time was the year you served as Worshipful Master of this Lodge, United Lodge No. 93. The members of this Lodge are indeed fortunate to have had the benefit of your many years of leadership and service to the Fraternity.

I wish to extend to you congratulations on the occasion of achieving this important landmark in your life. On behalf of the members of United Lodge No. 93 and all Masons wheresoever dispersed, we wish you well and thank you for your contributions to your fellow man. Our hope and prayer is that you might enjoy many more years of good health, great happiness and rich Masonic fellowship with your Brothers. Unquote.

A memorial service was held for Worshipful Brother Reverend Vern Carlos Shafer who passed away on March 28,.

Worshipful Brother Shafer served United Lodge #93 as Master in 1963. He also served this community form many years as Pastor of the First Presbyterian Church.

September 17, 1992 Brother Carl Axel Lindall was escorted to he altar and presented with his 50 year pin and certificate by the Worshipful Master.

On this the 73rd annual visitation by Abbotsford Lodge #70 19 brothers from Abbotsford Lodge were welcomed by the Worshipful Master along with others from the various Lodges in District #9 and #10.

Worshipful Brother Carl Atterbury was escorted to the East where the Worshipful Master announced his appointment as the Lodge Historian.

As part of the centennial Program at Nooksack Valley Lodge #105 a box containing Masonic memorabilia was presented to the Worshipful Master to start its southern journey around the globe. it was explained that a like box had started its trip North, East and West making a total of four.

On this the 100th Election at United Lodge #93 November 10, 1992 Worshipful Brother John McNab was elected serve the Lodge for the year 1993.

Once again United Lodge #93 meets to install their newly elected officers who in their wisdom will direct the fortunes of this Lodge. United Lodge has grown and prospered in the century just past and will continue to grow and prosper in the years to come. At this the 100th Installation, January 8, 1993, The following officers elected and appointed were installed to serve the lodge for the year 1993.

Worshipful Master WB John D. McNab
Senior Warden Christopher L. Seidel
Junior Warden Richard A. Greenfield
Treasure WB George R. Murphy
Secretary WB James S. Rouse
Marshall WB Carl E. Seidel Jr.
Chaplain VWB Thomas G. Forsyth
Senior Deacon Charles M. Tewalt
Junior Deacon Peter S. McIntyre
Senior Steward Louis A. Harding
Junior Steward George S. McIntyre
Tyler Victor L. Lewis

The Installing officers for this historical event were:

MWB James Vannice, VWB Allen I. Christiansen,
VWB Thomas G. Forsyth, VWB Thomas G. McKirdy,
WB John S. Livie, VWB Theodore J. Palmer,
VWB Thomas A. Prater, B John A Steen,
WB Robert L. Ellis.

The Grand march was Lead by, Scottish Piper John S. McNab, son of the Worshipful Master.

The success of any organization is measured by those who choose to work in the back ground and in many cases are never known or receive the tribute they deserve. A debt of respect is owed to our many wives without whose support we have had, many of these events would not have been accomplished and recorded.

The Sisters of the Eastern Star have supported the events of United 93 in every step it has taken.

As this is the last of the historical events in this first 100 years Of United Lodge #93 it has been a great pleasure for me to be able to compile the events as they occurred. Their accuracy is a tribute to those brothers who served the lodge as Secretary these many years.

I wish to acknowledge the cooperation of Worshipful Brother Julian Yearsley who made it possible to review the records of Mount Baker Lodge to establish dates.

A thank you to the Brethren of United Lodge and other Lodges for their input.

Respectfully Yours

WB Carl Atterbury, Historian