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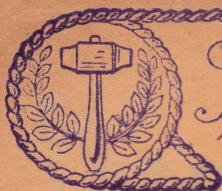
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Most Wor. Bro. S. M. Austin  
Grand Master



# The Grand Master's Message



## The Aims of Freemasonry\*

I SHOULD BE LACKING in the finer qualities of human nature should I permit this occasion to pass without expressing to my brethren my sincere thanks and heartfelt sentiments of appreciation that, in spite of my well known limitations, you have conferred on me the highest honor that it is within your power to bestow upon any human being and I take this opportunity of assuring you that I will do my utmost to justify the confidence that you have reposed in me.

I am fully aware of the very great responsibilities that are coupled with the office of Grand Master and I intend to do my best to discharge those responsibilities without fear or favor and I trust that I shall continue to enjoy your wholehearted co-operation so that I shall be enabled to live up to the great expectations that you are justified in requiring from your Grand Master.

However, I fully realize that without your help and co-operation I would be unable to do justice to the high office to which you have elevated me but with your kind assistance I shall strive to discharge my duties in such a manner that the result will justify the choice you have made and will reflect credit upon our Noble Brotherhood.

Brethren, I do not believe it necessary to have to remind you that we, as Masons, have a great work to accomplish. All around us we can notice the dark clouds of ignorance, despotism and such like evil forces surround us and tend to encroach upon our democratic way of life and it behooves us to do our utmost to keep those evil forces at a distance and eventually to banish them from the surface of our planet.

Individually we can do nothing but be united and with a firm resolve to live up to the tenets of our great Fraternity we should be able to accomplish much good for the ultimate benefit of mankind.

If we were required to describe our Fraternity by making use of one word only, I suppose that the most appropriate word to use would be "Light."

The great objective of our Brotherhood is to bring the light of GOD into the hearts of men. All our work is done under the all-seeing eye of our GREAT CREATOR and every Masonic Lodge may be deemed a House of Light.

When the light is bright, our duty may be very clearly seen and that is to accomplish the best and highest service to mankind by leading them out of the dark paths of evil into the glowing light of moral law and spiritual faith.

The greatest need in the world to-day is more light, more brotherly love, more purity of mind and more charity of heart and that is what our benevolent Fraternity is striving to give us if we but heed the lessons we are taught.

Once we have mastered that lesson it will make it easy for us to forget self and it will cause us to seek the good in our fellowmen and to be able to see and to these things is the joy of being a Mason.

Masonry does not make any attempt to conceal the fact that its tenets are built upon a firm and sincere faith in GOD; it exists in HIS NAME and it tends to cause its votaries to have an implicit faith in the marks of the GREAT CREATOR of us all.

You have all learnt that Masonry is a very serious undertaking and that it contrives to dispel the darkness of ignorance from men's minds thus tending to make them wiser and happier; it is a constant force for good in that it tends to bind mankind into a universal brotherhood, a brotherhood that inspires in its votaries an urge to practice the moral and decent principles of life.

Its tenets and teachings are built up from those eternal truths that have, from the beginning of life itself, controlled and developed human progress.

All Masonic doctrines and principles are built up from our most important land-

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\*Inaugural Address delivered by Most Wor. Bro. Sidney M. Austin, at the Plaridel Masonic Temple, Manila, January 24, 1952.

# THE CABLETOW

## Editorials

### M. W. BRO. AUSTIN

AT THE THIRTY-SIXTH ANNUAL COMMUNICATION of the Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands, M. W. Bro. Sidney M. Austin was elected Grand Master for the year 1952. His election to the Grand Oriental Chair came as a fitting climax to twenty-four years of Masonic labors. For here indeed, is a man and brother who not only knows his Masonry but lives it well.

Like other brethren, our Most Worshipful Brother started life the hard way. London is his native city where he was born more than sixty years ago—July 26, 1891. Soon after obtaining the degree of Bachelor of Science in Engineering (1913), in the University of London, he traveled abroad and worked as Assistant Engineer of the parent company of his present employee, Findlay Millar Timber Co. He returned to London in March, 1920, after an absence of six years. Again he left the great City and this time for the United States where he increased his knowledge of engineering and made many friends. The next country he visited was Macedonia the scene of many a battle. Here he spent four years and back to London again but the urge to travel was strong that he decided to leave home once more, this time to the Philippines which he calls his second home.

Not until 1928 was he initiated, passed, and raised to the Sublime Degree of Masonry in Tupas Lodge No. 26, Cebu City. Ten years later he became worshipful master of Maranaw Lodge No. 11 at Iligan, Lanao of which lodge he is a founder; the following year (1939), he was appointed Grand Lodge Inspector of Maguindanao Lodge No. 40 (City of Cagayan de Oro). In 1948 he became worshipful master of Service Lodge No. 95 (Manila). He was as active in the subordinate lodges as in the Grand Lodge where he has held the following elective positions: Junior Grand Warden (1949), Senior Grand Warden (1950), Deputy Grand Master (1951), and Grand Master (1952). He is a member in good standing of both the Scottish Rite of Freemasonry and of Royal Arch Freemasonry.

A brother who meets the Grand Master for the first time may have the impression that the latter is reserved, even indifferent. However, the longer you know him the better you appreciate his company; while he may not be an eloquent speaker, he works silently but effectively. He would go out of his way to help not only members of the Fraternity, their widows and orphans but, in the words of Brother Jose Rizal, the Grand Master-elect does not forget "those who, worthily, have come to want;" this trait he richly expressed during the dark and terrible days of World War II, when the Japanese Forces overran the Philippines. His acts of charity though not known to many, have resulted in the training of youth for better citizenship in our country.

### BROTHER LAUREL ON THE MASONIC IDEAL

THE PUBLIC RECEPTION of Brother Jose P. Laurel at the opening of the Thirty-Sixth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands (Manila, January 22, 1952) was one of the most impressive ever accorded by Masons in this Grand Jurisdiction. M. W. Bro. Francisco A. Delgado, P.G.M., in introducing Bro. Laurel as guest speaker referred to the well known jurist and tested leader not only as a man of culture and achievement but a patriot and statesman.

Throughout his lengthy but meaningful and challenging address, Bro. Laurel held his audience spellbound. Every point he emphasized was interrupted with prolonged applause. In referring to the Masonic ideal, the speaker said:

*"... We Filipinos and Masons in this Grand Jurisdiction have what I may say two vital obligations; since this is our country and our government, we must pull together to help make the Philippines truly prosperous and the government ever-responsive to the will of the people. This is not an easy undertaking but as members of an Ancient and Venerable Institution, every effort we exert for the common good is certainly a wise investment in nation-building. But while we are citizens of this young Republic, we will be, in the years to come, citizens of one world. Our obligations therefore, are not limited; they are not intended to make our land relatively happy and our people contented; as important as these is the fact that we must share in the serious task now being done in many parts of the world—to bring about a lasting era of universal brotherhood and universal peace. This goal was set almost two thousand years ago; it is likewise the ideal of our own Fraternity. May I express the hope and offer a prayer that as Masons we shall become effective instruments toward the realization of closer fellowship and better understanding among men and nations throughout the world!"*

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Lest we forget, it is Fanny Austin, the benignant wife of the Grand Master who plays an important part in making the heavy burdens of our brother more bearable and in constantly inspiring him to achieve no matter how difficult the problems and how trying the circumstances.

The young engineer who set out to construct forts and roads here and there has at long last embraced another building profession—that of helping good men to become better Masons so that sooner than later real world brotherhood may be hastened in an era of lasting peace.

—Mauro Baradi, D.G.M.



## From Past Grand Master Cervantes To Bro.' Jose P. Laurel

M. W. Bro. Cenon S. Cervantes, outgoing Grand Master of the Grand Lodge wrote a letter to Bro. Jose P. Laurel expressing the gratitude of the brethren in this Grand Jurisdiction for the inspiring and challenging address he (Bro. Laurel) delivered at the Thirty-Sixth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge last month.

The letter states:

"Dear Bro. Laurel:

"The pressure of work arising from the activities of the Thirty-Sixth Annual Communication has delayed me from thanking you for the inspiring speech which you delivered before the brethren of this Grand Jurisdiction.

"We are deeply grateful not only for the valuable portion of time which you have so generously spared, despite a physical indisposition, but also for the abundant sharing of the inner riches of your thoughts.

"It is my sincere belief that Masonry in this Grand Jurisdiction will need more of your fellowship and wise counsel as time goes by.

"Ever thankful of your graciousness and with kind personal regards, believe me to be as ever

"Very sincerely and fraternally yours,

(Sgd.) CENON S. CERVANTES  
(Outgoing Grand Master)

## Joint Visitation Of M. W. Bro. Cenon S. Cervantes

ON January 5, 1952, M. W. Bro. Cenon S. Cervantes made an official visitation to Isagani Lodge No. 96 and Victory Lodge No. 116, at Tarlac, Tarlac. The Grand Master was accompanied by officers and members of the Grand Lodge. In connection with the visitation, the officers of Isagani Lodge No. 96 were publicly installed with the Grand Master as installing officer and M. W. Bro. Antonio Gonzalez, P.G.M. as master of ceremonies. Included as numbers in the program for the occasion were: reception of the Grand Master and party, overture; invocation by Bro. Rev. Pedro C. Lusung; National Anthem; welcome address by Wor. J. D. Banaga, worshipful master, Victory Lodge No. 116; vocal duet by Mrs. Elena D. Saludez and Miss Flordelis Villa; INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS; speech by Wor. Bro. Luis G. Dikitanan, worshipful master, Isagani Lodge No. 96; piano selection by Miss Fe Dikitanan; remarks by Wor. Bro. Cornelio Reyes, P.M.; violin solo by Bro. Guillermo T. Sison with Mr. Rodrigo Villa,

Jr. at the piano; remarks by M. W. Bro. Antonio Gonzalez; Speech by M. W. Bro. Cenon S. Cervantes; piano selection by Mr. Rodrigo Villa, Jr.

The Grand Master spoke on the need of harmony within the lodge and unity outside the lodge. "We who advocate world brotherhood should be the first to live harmoniously among our neighbors in the community. We should practice this not only once in a while but every day of our lives", the speaker concluded.

After the program and at the request of friends and visitors, Rt. Wor. Bro. Mauro Baradi spoke on the subject "The Mason as a Builder" saying among other things: "The Mason builds with stones and also assists in building character among men. His mission in life is not to hate and destroy but love and build. It is only by building what is good and helpful that we can expect to live in peace with our brethren and with men and nations the world over."

## Masonic Literature For Master Masons

RIGHT Worshipful Mauro Baradi, Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands recently received a communication from the Editor of Oregon Mason, Portland, Oregon in connection with books for brethren in this Grand Jurisdiction. The letter follows:

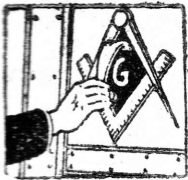
"Dear Brother Baradi:

"At the annual meeting of Research Lodge of

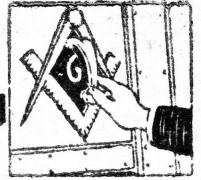
Oregon, in response to a letter from you, a motion prevailed that a committee be named to gather up a number of books to be forwarded to you. I presume the new Master will appoint this committee shortly . . ."

"(Sgd.) Elbert Bede, Editor."

As soon as these materials are received, the brethren will be informed accordingly.



# WHAT OUR LODGES ARE DOING



## BAGUMBAYAN LODGE No. 4 Manila

## PINAGSABITAN LODGE No. 26 Santa Cruz, Laguna

THE JOSE ABAD SANTOS HALL, Plaridel Masonic Temple, Manila was the scene of the public installation of the officers of this lodge for 1952 on January 9, 1952, with M. W. Bro. Francisco A. Delgado, P.G.M., as installing officer and W. Bro. Camilo Osias, P.M., as master of ceremonies. The following was the brief program prepared for the occasion:

### PROGRAMME

- I. Reception of the Most Worshipful Brother Cenon S. Cervantes, Grand Master of Masons in the Philippines, accompanied by the Officers and Members of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge.
- II. Installation of the Officers —  
M. W. Bro. FRANCISCO A. DELGADO  
P.M., P.G.M. *Installing Officer, assisted by*  
W. Bro. CAMILO OSIAS, P.M.  
*Master of Ceremonies*
- III. Address — W. Bro. MATIAS P. PEREZ,  
*Master Elect, Bagumbayan Lodge No. 4, F. & A.M.*

### MUSIC

- IV. Presentation of the Past Master's Jewel to W. Bro. PEDRO LICUANAN —  
W. Bro. CECILIO PUTONG, P.M.

### MUSIC

- V. Address — W. Bro. CAMILO OSIAS, P.M.
- VI. Proclamation of the Brethren elected to Life Membership for having been active members of Bagumbayan Lodge No. 4, F. & A.M., continuously for thirty years: — W. Bro. A. B. AQUINO, P.M.  
*Secretary, Bagumbayan Lodge No. 4, F. & A.M.*

### MUSIC

- VII. Closing Remarks — M. W. Bro. CENON S. CERVANTES, *Grand Master of Masons in the Philippines*

### REFRESHMENTS

Wor. Bro. Matias P. Perez, in his speech appealed to the brethren for cooperation and support emphasizing the need for united action in any successful undertaking. Wor. Bro. Camilo Osias on the other hand, apprised the brethren of the many problems confronting our subordinate lodges as well as Freemasonry in general. "We cannot remain indifferent to these problems. We must act and act now in order to attain progress and get nearer our goal," Bro. Osias continued.

The closing remarks given by M. W. Bro. Cenon S. Cervantes, Grand Master, was thought-provoking. "We must keep pace with human progress. To do this, every Mason should do his part willingly and accept his responsibilities cheerfully", the Grand Master concluded.

### PUBLIC INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

THIS LODGE held its installation of officers on January 5, 1951 at the Masonic Temple, Santa Cruz, Laguna, in public. Wor. Bro. Cecilio M. Bituin (P.M.) acted as Installing Officer and assisted by Wor. Bro. Hermodenes P. Oliveros (P.M.) as Master of Ceremonies. The following Officers were duly installed:

Wor. Bro. Rustico de los Reyes	.....	<i>Worshipful Master</i>
" Nicasio K. Galipot	.....	<i>Senior Warden</i>
" Eliseo Alampay	.....	<i>Junior Warden</i>
" Democrito Santos	.....	<i>Treasurer</i>
" Fidel T. Magana	.....	<i>Secretary</i>
" Valentin G. Ramos	.....	<i>Chaplain</i>
" Diosdado G. Jimenez	.....	<i>Marshal</i>
" Primo Empederado	.....	<i>Senior Deacon</i>
" Tirso Caballero	.....	<i>Junior Deacon</i>
" Serafin R. Panggat	.....	<i>Senior Steward</i>
" Deogracias P. Reyes	.....	<i>Junior Steward</i>
" Fernando Pecaña	.....	<i>Tyler</i>
Wor. Bro. Juan Calcetas	.....	<i>Auditor</i>
" Isidoro Corpus	.....	<i>Orator</i>
" Raymundo Elchico	.....	<i>Lecturer</i>
" Jose Montenegro	.....	<i>Organist</i>
" Miguel R. Victoria	.....	<i>Master of Banquet</i>
" Dalmacio Matienzo	.....	<i>Almoner</i>

In his inaugural address, Wor. Bro. de los Reyes extended his appreciation and thanks to the brethren of the Lodge for re-electing him as worshipful master. He pictured in bold relief the meaning and purpose of Freemasonry. Among other things he said, "Masonry is a society of select friends and brothers among whom the building of

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character and the development of clean morality in man receive primary consideration. As a rule, Masons shun publicity. We prefer our conduct and actions to speak for ourselves rather than the plaudits and fanfares of newspapers. We judge our progress not by excessive material possessions and idolatry of the masses, but by the number of people in whose hearts we have built the temple of love, charity and good conscience."

Wor. Bro. Zcsimo Fernandez (P.M.) presented a Past Master's Jewel to Wor. Bro. Augusto P. Arenas, the out-going Master of the Lodge. The recipient, vividly impressed by the presentation, thanked the members of the Lodge and said that he would cherish and value the Jewel as a precious legacy until time shall be no more. Wor. Bro. Hilario Zalameda, as Toastmaster delivered fitting remarks in introducing the speakers. Dance followed the installation. Music was furnished by the Gay Cabalier Orchestra. Prices were awarded for: The most active Mason. After the dance, refreshments were served and the Lodge, not opened to the public, was closed.

**PINATUBO LODGE No. 52**  
San Narciso, Zambalez

AT the North Central School Hall, this town, the public installation of the officers for 1952 of this lodge took place on January 5, 1952, with the following program:

1. Music .... SAN NARCISO BAND
2. *Opening Remarks*....Wor. Bro. S. F. Fontilea, P. M.,  
Master of Ceremonies
3. *Vocal Solo* .... Miss Cecilia Dumlao, Accompanist, Miss Mona Dumlao
4. *Speech* .... Wor. Bro. Jose P. Buenaventura  
Outgoing Master,  
Pinatubo Lodge No. 52
5. *Installation of Officers* —  
Wor. Bro. Antonio Fogata, P. M., Pinatubo Lodge No. 52, Installing Officer.  
Wor. Bro. Quirico F. Abrajano, P. M., Lincoln Lodge No. 34, Master of Ceremonies.
6. *Address* .... Wor. Bro. Benjamin Fuertes,  
Wor. Master-Elect, Pinatubo Lodge No. 52.
7. *Folk Dance* .... NC.HS. Students
8. *Installation of Officers, Ladies Auxiliary*—  
Wor. Bro. Casiano Ladoray, P. M.  
Pinatubo Lodge No. 52.
9. *Presentation of Certificates for Life Memberships*—  
Wor. Bro. Leon Afiner, P. M.  
Pinatubo Lodge No. 52.
10. *Vocal Solo* .... Miss Cecilia Dumlao, Accompanist, Miss Mona Dumlao
11. *Music* .... San Narciso Band

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**REFRESHMENTS AND DANCE**

Featuring the program was the installation of officers of the Ladies Auxiliary by Wor. Bro. Ladoray, P.M. The ladies installed were: Mrs. C. P. Academia, president; Mrs. I Aquino, vice-president; Mrs. E. L. Valente, secretary; Mrs. I. V. Febre, treasurer; Mrs. R. L. Alvarez, Mrs. P. L. Battad, and Mrs. P. M. Farrales, vice-presidents; Mrs. F. B. Villanueva, auditor; Mrs. M. R. Buenaventura, busi-

ness manager, and Mrs. V. C. Aranas, peace and order officer.

Wor. Bro. Fuertes, master-elect spoke of team-work citing examples to prove his theme. "No work no matter how difficult", said Bro. Fuertes, "could discourage us if we deterine to pull together and lift our load as one man."

**CABANATUAN LODGE No. 53**  
City of Cabanatuan

IN CONNECTION with the private installation of officers of this lodge held on January 5, 1952, the following program was rendered:

1. Opening of the Lodge
2. Stated Meeting
3. Conferring of Past Master's Degree upon Bro. Felipe M. Sinaguinan, Worshipful Master-elect.
4. Reception of Most Wor. Cenon S. Cervantes, Grand Master of Masons within the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands, Grand Officers, and Members of the Grand Lodge.
5. INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS
6. Opening Remarks ... Bro. Ambrosio A. Grospe
7. Address of Acceptance ... Bro. Felipe M. Sinaguinan
8. Awarding of TWENTY-FIVE YEAR DIPLOMAS AND BUTTONS ... Rt. Wor. Bro. Mauro Baradi, Senior Grand Warden,  
To Wor. Bro. Juan O. Chiocq; Wor. Bro. Mariano Sta. Romana; Bro. Pascual P. Ulip.
9. Response ... Wor. Bro. Juan O. Chiocq
10. Awarding of PAST MASTER'S JEWELS ... Rt. Wor. Bro. W. Schetelig, Junior Grand Warden,  
To Wor. Bro. Romualdo F. Vijandre; Wor. Bro. Antonio B. Manalo; Wor. Bro. Mariano Sta. Romana; Wor. Bro. Miguel Jardiel; Wor. Bro. Lazaro Francisco; Wor. Bro. Cesar E. Vergara.
11. Response ... Wor. Bro. Lazaro Francisco
12. ADDRESS ... Most Wor. Bro. Cenon S. Cervantes.

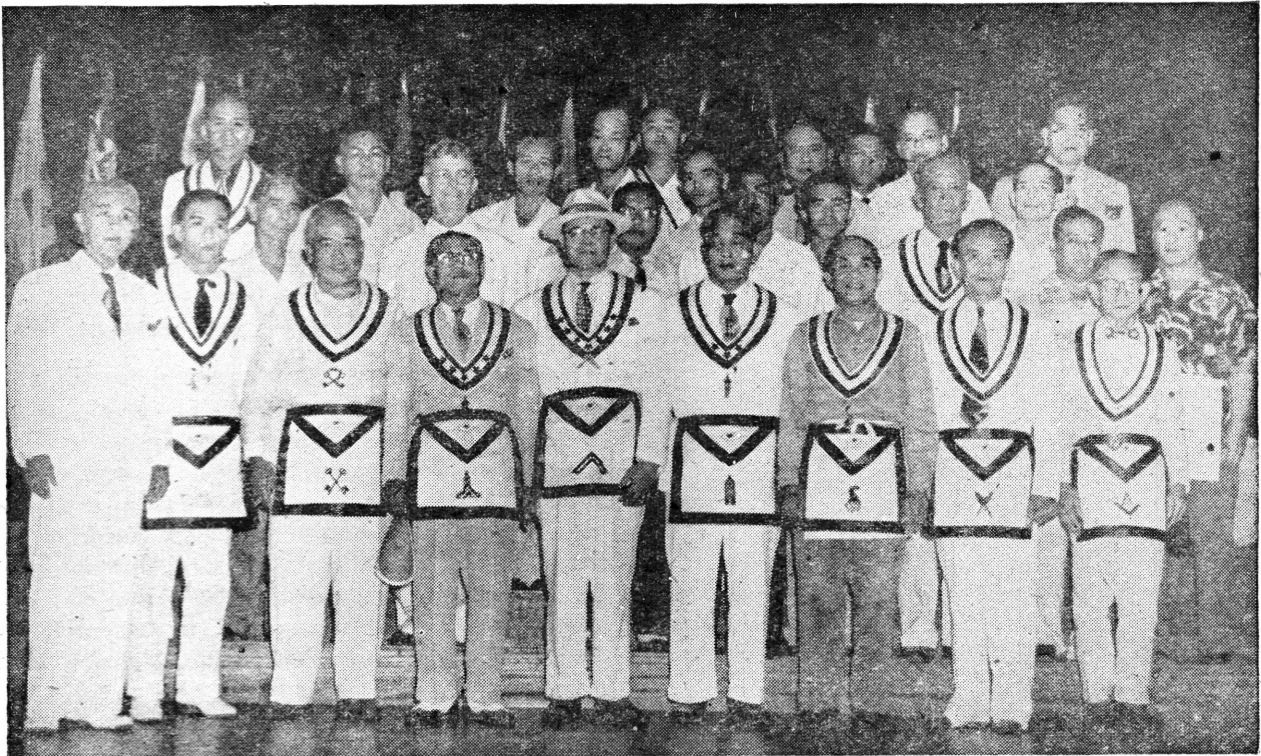
The installing officer was Most Wor. Bro. Cervantes and the master of ceremonies was Wor. Bro. Pedro Medina.

The highlight of the occasion was the address of the Grand Master. He dwelt on the true mission of Freemasonry emphasizing the term "service" to fellow men and to our country. "A good man can become a better Mason by learning and practising the tenets of our Venerable Institution," the speaker stated. "We need today brethren not in name but in deeds. What we say today may be forgotten tomorrow but the things we do will be remembered in days to come", he concluded.

**"F. D. ROOSEVELT MEMORIAL" LODGE No. 81**  
Manila

ON January 19, 1952, the officers of this lodge for 1952 were installed privately at the Plaridel Masonic Temple, Manila. The brief program was:

1. Installation of Officers of "F. D. Roosevelt Memorial" Lodge No. 81, F. & A. M.
2. Address by the Master-elect Wor. Bro. Estanislao Gaborada.
3. Presentation of Past Master Jewel to Wor. Bro. Hermogenes Sotto by Our Grand Lodge Inspector, Wor. Bro. Theodore L. Hall, Past Master of Corregidor-Southern Cross Lodge No. 3.



Officers and some members of F. D. Roosevelt Memorial Lodge No. 81 taken during the Installation Ceremonies, Plaridel Masonic Temple, Manila, January 19, 1952

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- 4. Response by Wor. Bro. Hermogenes Sotto, P. M.
- 5. Closing of the Lodge.

Installing Officer:

Wor. Brother Abundio del Rosario, P. M. of Lodge No. 95.

Master of Ceremonies:

Wor. Brother Genaro Pestana, P. M. of Lodge No. 82.

**REFRESHMENTS**

Wor. Bro. Gabarda stated the members must work harder with the officers if they expect to achieve good results. "Action should be our motto and guide", he concluded.

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**BROTHER LAUREL . . . .**

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This message which is at once an appeal might as well be directed to every Filipino. The work for the promotion of better understanding on a worldwide scale begins first at the home, then in the neighborhood, community, and country. In our day and generation men are more inclined to increase personal and material possessions rather than acquire moral and spiritual values which make life worthwhile. It is for our benefit that we should ever remember Bro. Laurel's sound advice. Our bounden duty as Masons is not to divide our people but to unite them; not to foster hate but espouse brotherliness; not to preach charity repeatedly but to practice it often.

— Mauro Baradi, D.G.M.

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**MOUNT KALADIAS LODGE No. 91**  
Dumaguete City

THE PUBLIC INSTALLATION of officers of this lodge for 1952 was held in the Mason's Hall, Dumaguete City, on January 19, 1952. The new temple of the lodge was occupied October 1, 1951. Brethren from other subordinate lodges and families of Masons and non-Masons alike attended the ceremonies. The occasion was featured with the following:

**PROGRAM**

1. Opening of the Lodge at 6:00 P.M. (Master Masons only)
2. Invocation --- Wor. Bro. L. B. Bernardez, P.M. Chaplain
3. Installation of Officers  
Installing Officer: Wor. Bro. R. Ponce de Leon, P. M.  
Master of Ceremonies: Wor. Bro. Francisco Somera, P. M.
4. Presentation of the Past  
Master's Jewel --- Wor. Bro. C. V. Powers, P. M.
5. Response --- Wor. Bro. Pablo Corsino  
Outgoing Master

6. Violin Solo --- Bro. Zoe Lopez  
Miss Mutya Lopez on the piano
7. Inaugural Address --- Wor. Bro. Eduardo F. Montana  
Master
8. Vocal Solo --- Bro. Jose T. Espinosa  
Miss L. Nazareno on the piano
9. Address --- Wor. Bro. R. Ponce de Leon, P. M.  
Lodge Lecturer
10. String Quarttete --- Bros. P. Dimaya & Z. Lopez  
Messrs. R. Bernardez & J. Jacinto
12. Closing of the Lodge (Master Masons only)

The officers installed are: worshipful master, Eduardo F. Montana; senior warden, Vicente Q. Colina; junior warden, Demetrio Navarro; treasurer, Efen Quial; secretary, Pablo Corsino, P. M.; marshal, Arsenio Cuevas, P.M.; senior deacon, Jose T. Espinosa; junior deacon, Federico Florendo, Jr.; senior steward, Zoe Lopez; junior steward, Benjamin Corsino; organist, Venancio Aldecoa; chaplain, L. B. Bernardez, P.M.; lecturer, R. Ponce de Leon, P.M.; orator, Pedro O. Dimaya; tyler, H. Roy Bell, P.M.; almoner, Filemon Bobon; and editor, Rodrigo T. Feria.



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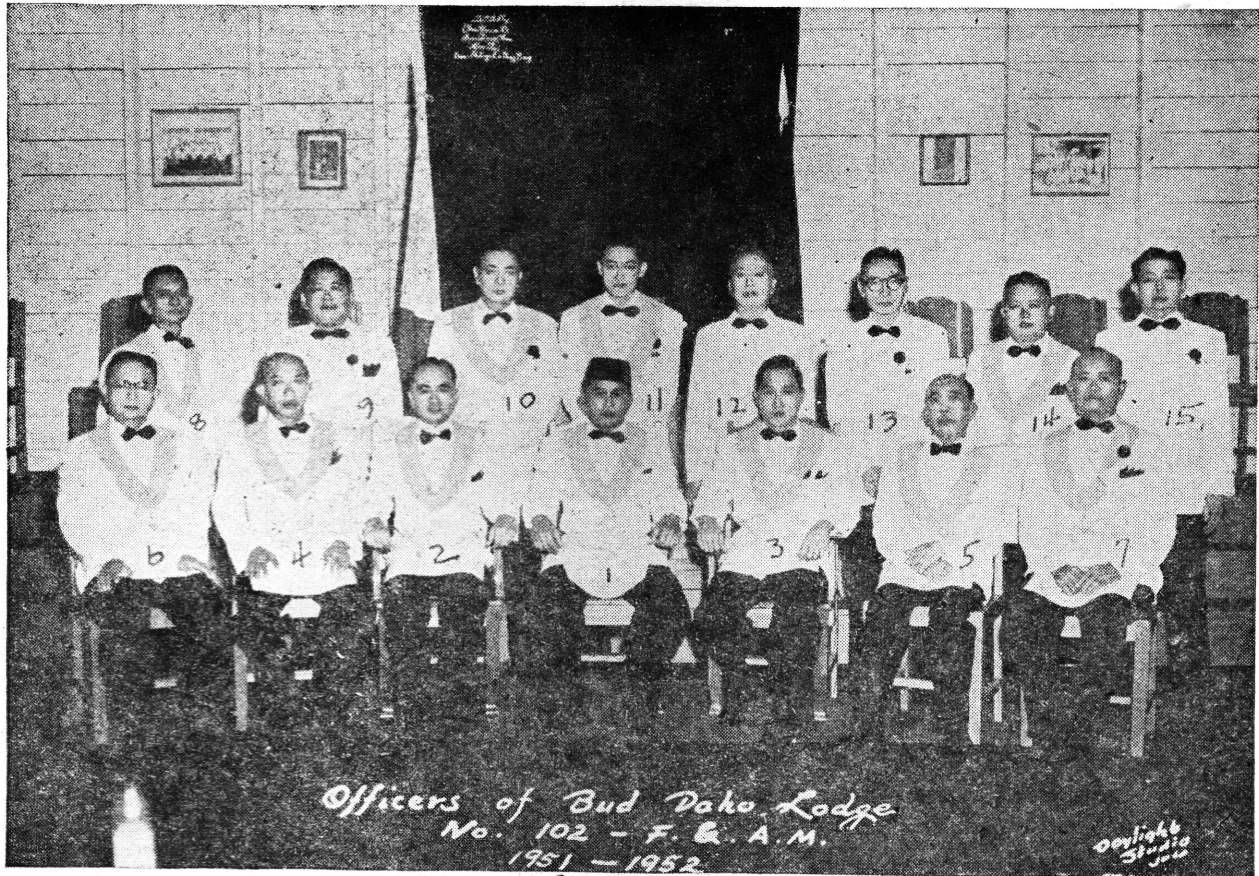
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**BUD DAHO LODGE No. 102**  
Jolo, Sulu

THIS LODGE installed its officers for 1952 and celebrated its silver anniversary foundation on January 12, 1952 at the South Seas Club. Wor. Bro. Roman Padilla acted as installing officer. Among the numbers of the program were: address by Wor. Bro. Tating Sangkula; presentation of Tyler's apron to Bro. Benigno S. Viray; song by Miss Nasang Sariol; history of Bud Daho Lodge No. 102 by Wor. Bro. Ant. B. Oria, and speech by Wor. Bro. Roman Padilla who took the place of Wor. Bro. Ni-

casio Valderrosa due to the latter's attendance at the Governors-Mayors' Convention in Manila.

Wor. Bro. Sangkula dealt with the significance of being a Mason in his speech. "It is not what we wish to do but what we actually accomplish that counts in the last analysis", the Brother said. The roster shows 41 members, each one endeavoring to make this year's administration in the lodge fruitful. The other elected officers are: senior warden, Felix Casimiro; junior warden, Tuchay Tan; treasurer, Ahmad Abubakar, and secretary, Rufo Navarrete.



*Officers of Bud Daho Lodge  
No. 102 - F. & A. M.  
1951 - 1952*

**Seated:** (1) Dr. Tating Sangkula, Master (2) Felix Casimiro, Sr. Warden (3) Tuchay Tan, Jr. Warden (4) Ahmad R. Abubakar, Treasurer (5) Rufo Navarrete, Secretary (6) Roman Estrella, Sr. Deacon (7) Miguel R. Abogaa, Jr. Deacon.

**Standing:** (8) Benigno S. Viray, Tyler (9) Alfredo B. Ortiz, Ex-Auditor (10) Lee Ching Teck, Sr. Steward (11) Hu Siock Boon, Auditor (12) Tan Ting Lik, Ex-Steward (13) Patricio T. Santos, Member (14) Antonio M. Tan, Jr. Steward (15) Datu Daniel, Member.

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Camiling, Tarlac



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SATURDAY, December 29, 1951, at four o'clock in the afternoon till seven thirty in the evening was the First Family Reunion of Victory Lodge No. 116 at the Chinese Chamber of Commerce, at Camiling, Tarlac. The Worshipful Master addressed the brethren and members of their families. It was followed by songs and recitations

rendered by children in the group. Each child picked to sing or recite did his or her part well and good. The short program was concluded by a Christmas Carol by the six children of Bro. Nicolas G. Lim. Worshipful Master. W. Bro. John D. Bañaga, acted as Sta. Claus and distributed gifts to all the children. Later, refreshments were served.

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# Fraternal Reviews



By **MAURO BARADI, S. G. W.**

WESTERN AUSTRALIA—1950  
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THE GRAND LODGE of Western Australia of Antient, Free and Accepted Masons held its annual communication in the Y.A.L. Hall, Perth on Thursday, 24th May, 1951.

M. W. Bro. Dr. J. S. Battye, Grand Master addressed the brethren and at the same time rendered a report of his administration. He made mention of official visitations of lodges, dispensations, and stated that since the last Communication three new lodges have been consecrated. He also conferred Past Grand Rank to 41 brethren from that of Past Junior Grand Warden to that of Past Master. In thanking his brethren he said:

"... I want to thank you personally for the assistance given to me as Grand Master during the year. I have had a happy year. It was one, not only in the interests of Freemasonry, but the State as a whole. From Freemasonry there has developed a type of man who has gone out through the length and breadth of this country and, wherever such are found, they have taken part in all those things that are for the betterment of the community, apart from Masonic affairs. Through the length and breadth of the State, you find that people at the head of communal affairs are people attached to the local lodge. It is only by that means they have spread Freemasonry and have raised the tone of the Craft. As long as we work together as earnestly and well in future as we have in the past we need no fear of the position the Craft occupies in the community in general."

One of the active officers of this Grand Lodge is the Grand Inspector of Workings. He looks over reports furnished him by District Grand Inspectors. "The information gathered from these reports," says the Grand Inspector, "indicates that lodges generally have had a very busy year. It is pleasing to note that a high standard of ceremonial

work is being maintained by Worshipful Masters and Directors of Ceremonies, and that good material is being brought into our lodges. Every real Freemason should be concerned lest we make the mistake of admitting a misfit while passing through this cycle of increasing membership."

The Board of Management of the W. A. Widows, Orphans and Aged Freemasons' reported that its fund contributed to the support of 27 children, 25 aged Freemasons and 74 widows of Freemasons, requiring an annual expenditure of L5,784 as compared with L5,212 for the previous year.

Of interest to the brethren of the Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands is the "Review of Symbolic Freemasonry in other Grand Jurisdictions" by M. W. Bro. J. A. Klein, M. A., Past Grand Master. Reviewing the Proceedings of the "Philippines (1950)", he says:

"Judging from the report of the Grand Lecturers, Masonry should be taken more seriously whilst at Lodge meetings. They recommend:

(a) observance by the brethren of our Lodges of better behaviour and attentiveness during our meetings, particularly in the conferring of our different degrees;

(b) improvement of our ritualistic works by constant practice and formation of permanent teams in each degree;

(c) more rigid supervision by our Grand Inspectors over the affairs and business of the Lodges assigned to them."

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# Pitak Ng WIKANG PAMBANSA

## Ang Tunay Na Mason

KAYLAN ma't ang Diyos

Ay taglay ng tao

Sa puso't damdamin sa bawat sandali'y

Lalong lumilinis ang sariling budhi;

Sa kilos at gawa'y nagiging matimpi;

Sa pananalita, sa layo't sa mithi'y

Walang pagiimbot

Ni panggingimbulo.

May pagtitiwala

Sa sariling lakas:

Buong kasiyaha't buong pagtitiis

Na sa kanyang kaya'y nakikipagtalik;

Sa palad ng iba'y hindi nangiinggit

Nguni't nagsisikap na kanyang makamit

Ang dakilang nasang

Mabuhay sa galak.

Ang katiwasayan

Ng kanyang kapuwa'y

Laging nasa puso, diwa't guniguni:

Kung hingan ng tulong ay di tumatanggi't

Handang makiramay sa duhagi't api;

Kapakanan niya ay laging panghuli

Sapagkat ang banal

Ay mapagparaya.

Mapagpaumanhi't

Sanay na magtiis:

Upasalain ma'y hindi nababakla't

Sa dagsa ng luha'y sanay na magbata;

Sa kanya ang pula ay walang halaga

Pagkat udyok lamang ng diwang bulag pa

Na pinangulimlim

Ng masidhing inggit.

Mapagpaumanhi't

Mahabaging loob:

Sa kanyang dalangi'y hindi nawawala

Ang kapanutuhan ng kanyang kapuwa;

Bukas ang tahanan sa mga salanta,

Bukas din ang dibdib sa sawi at dukha

Pagkat kanyang aliw

Ang makapaglingkod.

Ayan ang larawan

Ng tunay na Mason:

May loob sa baya't may loob sa Diyos,

Pusong maawai't mahabaging lubos,

Mapagkawanggawa't mapagbigay lugod;

Ang tanging panata'y ang maipaglingkod

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# SECCION CASTELLANA

# NOTAS EDITORIALES

## LA TRIGESIMA SEXTA CONVENCION DE LA GRAN LOGIA DE LAS ISLAS FILIPINAS

EN LOS días 22 al 24 de los corrientes se celebró la convención de la Gran Logia de las Islas Filipinas. Fue su trigésima sexta. Una fuerte representación de Logias y miembros dio realce y empuje a la Gran Reunión.

Uno de los números mas conspicuos de su agenda fue la presencia del senador Her. José P. Laurel que pronunció uno de los discursos mas interesantes y sobresalientes que se hayan oído en nuestra Gran Logia. Fue presentado por nuestro M. I. Ex-Gran Maestro Hermano Francisco Delgado, que tuvo frases inspiradas y graciosas en su presentación. Publicaremos el discurso íntegro del Hermano Laurel en número siguiente de esta revista.

Como siempre, los delegados fueron fraternalmente recibidos, y el Muy Ilustre Gran Maestro Her. Cenón Cervantes tuvo palabras de encomio para todos ellos. El Ven. Her. Chiooco hizo una feliz contestación que gustó por su sencillez y atinadas observaciones.

Grandes representantes de Jurisdicciones hermanas fueron llamados a Oriente y allí presentados por el Gran Marshal. El Gran Maestro les envió su entusiasta mensaje de buena voluntad, y fue contestado por el Ven. Hermano Ivor Butler.

Se leyeron los mensajes del Gran Maestro, Gran Tesorero, Gran Secretario y Gran Lecturer y se aprobaron substanciales resoluciones en bien de la orden en esta Gran Jurisdicción.

Los informes de los diferentes comités fueron luminosos y de mucha trascendencia. Iremos publicando poco a poco en esta revista. Se hizo una peregrinación al monumento del Hermano José Rizal en la Luneta en donde se depósito una corona de flores y se pronunció un bonito discurso por el Gran Maestro.

El resultado de las elecciones para el siguiente año masónico es el siguiente:

M. I. Her Sydney M. Austin ..	<i>Gran Maestro</i>
I. Her Mauro Baradi .....	<i>Gran Maestro Delegado</i>
I. Hermano Werner Schetelig ....	<i>Gran Primer Vigilante</i>
I. Hermano Camilo Osias .....	<i>Gran Segundo Vigilante</i>
I. Her. Eduardo del Rosario	
Tan Kiang .....	<i>Gran Tesorero</i>
M. I. Her. Antonio Gonzalez ....	<i>Gran Secretario</i>

Los indicados oficiales con los nombrados fueron instalados en la noche del 25 de los corrientes con ceremonias públicas. El Muy Ilustre Gran Maestro pronunció su discurso inaugural que gustó mucho y satisfizo a la concurrencia. Los números musicales preparados por la respetada dama la Sra. del Hermano Macario Ofilada, Gran Orador, fueron acogidos con grandes muestras de aprobación.

El Ven. Her. Earl E. Dusenberry, por medio del Capítulo Manila No. 2, de la Royal Arch, donó a la Gran Logia una bonita bandera americana que fue presentada a la Gran Logia por el Gran Secretario

## EL MUY ILUSTRE GRAN MAESTRO SIDNEY M. AUSTIN

EN LA trigésima sexta convención de la Gran Logia de las Islas filipinas que tuvo lugar en los días 22 al 24 de los corrientes, el Muy Ilustre Hermano Sydney M. Austin fue elegido Gran Maestro. La elección fue casi unánime. Una rotuda y entusiasta ovación siguió a la acertada elección.

El Muy Ilustre Hermano Austin es muy bien conocido en el mundo comercial en Filipinas. Por muchos años atendiendo los intereses de la firma comercial FINDLAY MILLAR TIMBER CO. en Filipinas, ha tenido que estar en íntimo contacto con los proceres del comercio en nuestro país. En Mindanao y las Visayas su nombre es tan popular como el del político mas conspicuo en aquellas regiones. Por sus obras de caridad, se ha hecho conocer como uno de los filántropos mas amados en toda nuestra jurisdicción. No tiene nada de ostentaciones; sus obras tienen el encantador perfume de la violeta.

De hablar suave, de natural callado, de lógica inflexible, de mucho donaire es su empaque, de gestos elocuentes y persuasivos, su trato tiene la encantadora virtud de la atracción. Todo en él respira sinceridad y nada de artificiales caricaturas. Amigo de todos, enemigo de nadie, ha subido a la alta magistratura masónica impedido por la fuerza atractiva de su personalidad un tanto patriarcal.

Ha empleado los mejores años de su vida en nuestra patria en donde ha vertido el tesoro de su corazón y de su fuerte mentalidad. Nuestra Gran Logia se felicita en su elección, y a él le felicitamos por su esperado triunfo.

(Antonio González, P.G.M.—F.P.S.)

con adecuadas ceremonias. Se recibió ante el ara con el himno nacional americano estando toda la concurrencia de pie. Fue colocada en Oriente en donde el Ilustre Hermano Mauro Baradi, Gran Maestro Delegado, pronunció un elocuente tributo. El M. I. Her. Dusenberry fue el General Grand High Priest de la General Grand Chapter de la Royal Arch que recomendó la concesión de cartas permanentes para varios capítulos en Filipinas y Guam, y también un Gran Capítulo para Filipinas.

Se hicieron ofrendas florales a algunas damas que vinieron del Japón, como también la actual Worthy Matron del capítulo ROSARIO VILLARUEL No. 2, O.E.S. presentó un bouquet de flores al Gran Maestro para su señora y un botón de flores para él.

A los Ven. Hermanos Tañafraña, Mana'o, Eichorn, Nelson, y Applegate se presentaron DIPLOMAS DE MERITO por servicios conspicuos a la fraternidad. Enviamos a todos nuestras felicitaciones.

Es nuestro ferviente deseo que el Gran Arquitecto del Universo guíe a nuestra Logia en sus futuras actividades como en el pasado.

(Antonio Gonzalez, P.G.M.—F.P.S.)

**THE AIMS OF FREEMASONRY**

(Continued from inside back cover)

If we carry in our minds the knowledge that as Masons we have domestic and civic duties to perform and strive to accomplish those duties to the best of our abilities then we shall, by our very acts, be refuting the insidious propaganda that is being so constantly spread against our good name and we shall be thrusting down their very throats the malicious aspersions that a certain sect are directing against the good name of our beloved Fraternity.

My Brethren, I believe that you will agree with me when I suggest that world conditions are such that we cannot permit complacency to become one of our characteristics. We cannot be passive, we must not shirk from our duty. The duty that Freemasons have to perform is urgent. The world is in dire need of the applications of Masonic principles. Therefore, let us do our best to apply them to our every day problems and you will find, I am sure, that this old planet of ours will be a better place to all mankind.

Freemasonry has always stood for free and compulsory education because education is the chief factor in producing good and useful citizens. Therefore we have a duty to make that those who teach our children are, besides duly qualified to teach, cognizant of their responsibilities and also that they are free from political and religious restrictions and that bigotry and intolerance are not characteristic of their personalities.

A fundamental requirement of every Mason is a wholehearted respect for the law of the land and it therefore becomes a Mason's duty to obey the laws of the country in which he resides and yet we are frequently referred to as "would-be rebels against the state".

Never before in the whole history of the world has this planet of ours been in such urgent need of brotherly love than it is to-day. Therefore the opportunities for putting the teachings and principles of Freemasonry into actual practice are many and varied and it is hoped my brethren that each one of you will do his best to take advantage of every opportunity that comes his way in order to apply those principles to the every-day problems of life.

In this way we can make the light of Masonry shine brightly enough to dispel the black fogs of ignorance, religious bigotry and intolerance that surround us and with which certain groups of persons are attempting to suffocate us. Brethren, let us do our part and Masonry will continue to expand and prosper and to spread its beneficial influence to the Glory of GOD and for the benefit of our fellow creatures.

*J. O. Austin*

Grand Master

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## THE AIMS OF FREEMASONRY

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mark, that is of course, the firm belief in the *FATHERHOOD OF GOD*; that is the great and outstanding tenet of our Craft and it forms a lasting and unbreakable tie that unites men of every country, sect and opinion into one common band who have faith in the power of good.

However, due to a malicious misconception that has been fostered by certain groups concerning our teachings regarding religion, we should exert every effort in order to teach non-masons that Masonry does not attempt to limit one's conception of our *GREAT CREATOR* nor does it ever strive to alter one's interpretation of *GOD* or *HIS* works. Masonry leaves these to one's own conscience and intelligence.

Our next landmark in the order of importance is that of the *BROTHERHOOD OF MAN* and this is followed by a third landmark which is a consequence of the application of the two previous ones and that is the hope of a "Glorious Immortality."

Masonry's teachings and practices follow those three landmarks and beyond them no Mason is obligated to go with regards to his religious creed.

Masonry is universal because it is broad and tolerant in its teachings and any man of any church who professes a sincere belief in those three landmarks is able to enter the doors of Masonry that is with respect to his religious beliefs.

We should be very proud of the fact that in our Beloved Order the rituals, landmarks, and teachings have stood unchanged for well over two centuries and they have stood up to the severe test of time in their practical application to the problems of humanity under all conditions and they stand at the present time just as sound, just as true and just as practical as they did when they were first compiled.

Freemasonry to-day finds her teachings of the *FATHERHOOD OF GOD* and the *BROTHERHOOD OF MAN* just as needful, just as necessary, just as vital and certainly just as practical in the correction of human ills and just as safe and sure a guide to human conduct as they were well over two hundred years ago.

My Brethren, no one can say that Masonry is not worthy because it is old, rather it is old because it is both worthy and true.

We have every reason to be proud of what Masonry has done in the past, the record of its beneficial influence in the field of human endeavour makes splendid reading and it should be our serious concern to endeavour to keep that record clean and good.

The aims of Masonry concern themselves with the individual. There is nothing in our teachings that tend to encourage organized participation by the Fraternity in community, state or national affairs involving politics or religion.

Masonry strives to impress upon the mind of the individual those moral truths that can be, if properly applied, his faithful and beneficial guide throughout life.

Masonry, by inculcating in the individual a knowledge of the fundamentals, shows him how to lay down his own rules governing his conduct, rules that will tend to develop sound judgment, integrity of purpose and lofty ideals.

I would ask my brethren always to bear in mind that when they entered the doors of our Institution, that they accepted certain responsibilities; you associated yourselves, of our own free will and accord, with a fraternity that stands four square for certain well-defined ideals and which recognizes certain duties that it owes to mankind.

From the time when we entered the Fraternity we were known as *Masons* and whether we realize it or not the outside world does, to a very great extent, judge our Beloved Fraternity by the manner in which we deport ourselves and by the service we render to our fellow creatures and this feature should never be forgotten. Therefore up to each and every one of us to keep this fact ever in mind and to govern our accordingly.

We must always endeavour to uphold the reputation and traditions established by our ancient brethren so that the world may still know that when it is said to be a member of our Craft, that he must be a person of undoubted integrity, purpose and a man of benign influence in his particular community.

We should make it our aim to be of service to the community in general and at all times exert every effort to create a favourable impression with the general public by our acts so that non-masons may realize that Freemasons are men who actually accomplish good deeds that tend to benefit mankind in general and generally exert a beneficial influence upon their respective localities.

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