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Grand Z's Message:

I hope everyone has had a great summer. M Ex Comp Patrick Davis and I were at the annual Masonic Youth Leadership Camp along with R Ex Comp Chris Beebe and (V Ex) Comp Jeff Young to help co-ordinate and counsel this years 30 young adults. whom made the hard work behind the scenes all worth it. Thank you to the York Rite Bodies of Saskatchewan who make this camp possible with your donations and support to the camp.



How quickly the summer has flown by. We soon will be returning to our chapters and some I see have candidates for the fall. Exciting times ahead. Thank you to the members of Estevan and Orient Chapters for the warm welcome during my official visits and I am looking forward to seeing the companions in the upcoming visitations.

Visitations for September:

Sept 5th, 2023- Prince of Wales No. 27

Sept 12th, 2023- Eagle Lake No 20

Sept 19th, 2023- Battleford No. 9

Sept 20th, 2023-Saskatoon No. 4

Chapter Focus;

Prince Albert Chapter No. 2

Was the second chapter to be opened in the Province of Saskatchewan, firstly know as Prince Albert Chapter, No. 160 under the Grand Chapter of Canada in the Province of Ontario. It was formed under dispensation in 1908 and consecrated in 1909. Their first sitting principal was V Ex Comp George Will. This year marks their 115 year in operation.

They have had six members serve the jurisdiction as Grand 1st Principal.

1934 M. Ex. Comp. E.J. Coster

1945 M. Ex. Comp. Dr. R.W. Kirkby

1948 M. Ex. Comp. Walter E. Bristowe

1954 M. Ex. Comp. Richmond Mayson

1962 M. Ex. Comp. Leslie Payne

1969 M. Ex. Comp. James F. Buchanan

Our 10th Grand Principal 1932-1933



Born in London, Ontario, in 1877, he received his early education in that city. He engaged in the barbering business there until 1905, when he sold out and moved to Detroit. In 1906, he came West and located in Saskatoon, operating two barbershops and beauty parlors from that date until the present. His kindly disposition and geniality soon made for him a high place in the estimation of his associates. He is recognized as an outstanding artist in his profession, being accepted as such by his fellows, who made him General President of the United Master Barbers and Beauticians of Canada.

His short stay in Detroit had a tremendous influence on his future life, as he returned there in February, 1914, and married Miss Alice McVean Ritchie, of that city, and has been glad ever since.

A member of the Third Avenue United Church, a Rotarian, a patron of clean sport, and all-around good citizen, he has gained for himself an enviable eminence in the estimation of his fellow citizens.

He was raised in St. George lodge No. 42, London, Ontario, on November 3rd, 1904, became a Charter member of Imperial lodge No. 60, Saskatoon, on February 23rd, 1909, and is now a member of a life member of the same. He was exalted in London Chapter R.A.M. No. 150, on September 19th, 1905, became a Charter member of Saskatoon No. 4. on February 23rd. 1909. of which he is a life member. He was admitted to Prince Albert Preceptory No. 53, on January 6th 1910, becoming a Charter member of Saskatoon Preceptory No. 55, on January 16th, 1911, and since a life member of that Preceptory. He joined Khartoum Temple of Mystic Shrine, Winnipeg, on November 25th, 1910, and affiliated with Wa Wa Temple, Regina, in 1923. He is an active member of the Board of Managers of the Saskatoon Masonic Temple Company, devoting much time to it, and to his untiring energy and tact much of the success of that organization is due. He was the First Principal of Saskatoon Chapter in 1912, Grand Principal Sojourner of the Grand Chapter of Canada in 1914. Grand Superintendent of Saskatchewan North District in 1917. Was Grand Scribe N of the Grand Chapter of Saskatchewan in 1928 and advance through the various chairs becoming the Grand First Principal for 1932.

The most important part of a successful Masonic life is made up those little unrecorded acts of kindness, those meetings after which a wearied brother walks

on with quickened step and lightened heart, those Masonic benevolences bringing cheer and comfort to the needy, known but to the few, and that only by chance. Such is Companion Orme. It was a pleasure for the companions to meet him on Chapter work, and the meetings he held throughout the jurisdiction brought inspiration and encouragement to those fortunate enough to be present. -F.B.R.

Taken from the 1933 Proceedings

Tidbits and Trivia:

1933 was the worst year of the depression with unemployment peaking at 25.2% with (1 in 4 people unemployed). Adolf Hitler became the chancellor of Germany and opened the first concentration camp at Dachau. 10's of thousands travelled the road and rail in America looking for work, and the US banking system which was under great strain was propped up by the US government (US banking act of 1933) to try and stop the panic of people withdrawing their money from the banks. the continuing drought in the Midwest made even more of the land into dust bowls

- 1. 1933 was the one of the worst years during the great depression
- 2. <u>Strong winds strip the topsoil from the drought affected farms in Midwest creating Dust Bowls</u>
- 3. Repeal of prohibition in United States allowing 3.2% beer and wine sales when the 21st Amendment is passed
- 4. Machine gun is demonstrated by Japanese Scientist firing 1,000 shot per minute
- 5. Construction of San Francisco's Golden Gate Bridge began
- 6. The Civil Works Administration creates temporary construction jobs as a part of the New Deal.
- 7. Albert Einstein emigrates to the United States from Germany
- 8. Wiley Post becomes the first person to fly solo around the world
- 9. The first drive-in movie theater is opened in New Jersey.

Born This Year

Joan Collins May 23rd Larry King November 19th Yoko Ono February 18th Michael Caine March 14th -- London, England

Willie Nelson April 30th -- Abbott, Texas, U.S.

Notable Canadian Death: November 30th, 1933- Sir Arthur Currie, World War I General command of the Canadian Corps (b. 1875)

The film King Kong premieres during March

Saskatchewan tidbits

<u>Lieutenant Governor of Saskatchewan – Hugh Edwin Munroe</u>

<u>Premier of Saskatchewan – James Thomas Milton Anderson</u>





The Regina Manifesto was the founding policy document of the Co-operative Commonwealth Federation (CCF). Written in 1933 and released at the party's convention in Regina, the 14-point policy statement called for eradicating capitalism and adopting socialist economic and social policies in a democratic state. In 1956, the CCF replaced the Regina Manifesto with the Winnipeg Declaration.

Excerpt from Proceedings of the
GRAND CHAPTER of ROYAL ARCH MASONS of CANADA
at the Sixty-sixth Annual Convocation 1924
Grand Chapters of Manitoba and Saskatchewan Organized.

The Grand Chapters of Manitoba and Saskatchewan have become regularly constituted Bodies. The Grand Chapter of Manitoba was organized in the month of April 1923, and I had the pleasure of attending on June 11th, 1923, and installing and investing the officers of the newly organized Grand Chapter of Saskatchewan. Both of these Grand bodies have adopted our ritualistic work, so that now all the Grand bodies in the Western Provinces use the same Ritual. This should be most gratifying to the Grand Chapter of Canada.

In closing if any chapter has any thing they would like to submit for the information of the membership please email articles or pictures to Grand Scribe E and I will try to add them to the next issue.