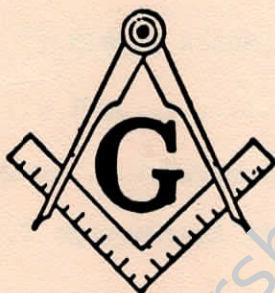


ST. JOHN'S TABLE LODGE

MOSAIC LODGE No. 125, A.F. & A.M.



MASONIC TEMPLE

1155 Locust Street

Dubuque, Iowa

TUESDAY, JUNE 14, 1977

6:30 p.m.

P R O G R A M

Invocation Edwin Blinks, PM

Dinner 6:30 P.M.

Open Master Mason Degree 7:30 P.M.

Business Meeting

Close Master Mason Degree

Open Table Lodge 8:00 P.M.

Toastmaster Mike Pratt

W.M.'s Charge to the Brethren .. D. Keith Robertson WM

Toasts:

To Our Country D. Keith Robertson WM
Response - Pledge of Allegiance

To Our Grand Lodge Raymond Edgar, PM
Response - Warren McCaw, PM
Metropolitan Lodge No. 49

To Mosaic Lodge C. George Biasi
Response - Donald Giesemann, PM

To Our Visiting Brethren Donald Kolsrud
Response - Ernest Puls, WM
Dubuque Lodge No. 3

To Our Public Schools Edwin Blinks, PM
Response - Robert Happ

To Our New Members Melvin Reynolds, PM
Response - Kenneth Pease

Tyler's Toast Lester Hedrick

Speaker R. Harry Muellich, PM

Close Table Lodge

OFFICERS OF TABLE LODGE

W.M. D. Keith Robertson
S.W. Donald Kolstrud
J.W. C. George Biasi

M E N U

Ham

Scalloped Potatoes Cabbage Salad

Corn Rolls Butter

Pie

Coffee

One of the curious things about a French Table
Lodge was the vocabulary used.

Table	Tracing Board
Plates	Tiles
Spoons	Trowels
Knives	Swords
Forks	Pick Axes
Glasses	Cannons
Lights	Stars
Chairs	Stalls
Water	Weak Powder
Red Wine	Strong Red Powder
Coffee	Black Powder

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TABLE LODGE

While the ceremonies of a Table Lodge are unfamiliar to Iowa Masons, generally, they may be traced back over two centuries in English Masonry, and detailed records exist of their observance in France at an even earlier period. According to custom, Table Lodges were held in the Entered Apprentice's Degree. The French Masons have prescribed a very formal system of rules for it which was long and elaborate. We have abbreviated it greatly and yet have tried to retain all the significance of former times.

A long table was extended in the form of a horseshoe. The semi-circle covered to half a year, the two points of summer and winter or the great festivals of the order in June and December when the most important Table Lodges were held.

THE CEREMONY OF THE SEVEN TOASTS

(This is the procedure we shall use tonight)

After the cannons are charged and aligned (glasses filled and lined up one knife-length from the edge of the table), the toast is proposed (all rise.) The brother proposing the toast, on finishing commands:

"RIGHT HAND TO ARMS!" (The right hand touches the glass.)

"READY" (The glass is raised, the arm extended to the height of the breast.)

"AIM" (The glass is brought to the lips.)

"FIRE! GOOD FIRE! FIRE ALL." (All drink)

"PRESENT ARMS!" (The glass is brought to the second position.)

"ORDER ARMS!" (The glass is brought audibly to the table.)

THE BATTERY THREE TIMES THREE IS THEN GIVEN AND THE EXCLAMATION "VIVAT" IS GIVEN THRICE. The foregoing should be done with exactness and evenness so that the whole company may execute the same movements, at the same time and that the glasses shall strike with one blow. This procedure is then repeated for each of the six remaining obligatory toasts.