

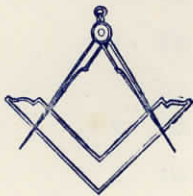
# Mercia Lodge,

No. 3995.

Held at the Masonic Hall, Walsall.

**BRO. G. H. BAYLISS,**

*Worshipful Master*



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TELEPHONE:  
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29th November, 1952

Dear Sir and Bro.,

By the desire of the Worshipful Master, you are hereby summoned to attend a regular meeting of your Lodge to be held at the **MASONIC HALL, HIGH STREET, WALSALL,** on **TUESDAY, DECEMBER 16th, 1952, at 5-30 p.m. prompt.**

Yours fraternally,

M. J. SOMERFIELD, P. M.

Secretary

Dark Morning Dress with White Collar, Black Tie and Shoes, or Uniform.

**NOTE :— KINDLY RETURN POSTCARD EARLY.**

## Past Masters

1919. C. A. LOXTON, P.A.G.D.C., P.P.G.W.
1920. T. JONES, P.P.G.P.
1921. E. J. PARKES, P.P.G.W.
1922. Rev. A. T. S. TALBOT, P.G.Chap., P.P.G.W.
1923. C. L. HODGKINSON, P.P.G.D.
1924. Rev. W. C. VAUGHAN, P.P.G.Chap.
1925. W. HALL KEYS, P.G.D., P.P.G.W.
1926. C. F. NIGHTINGALE, P.P.G.W.
- 1927 & 1928. C. A. LOXTON, P.A.G.D.C. P.P.G.W.
1929. A. J. LEWELLEN, P.G.Std.B., P.P.G.W.
1930. R. S. HARVEY, P.P.G.Swd.B.
1931. P. C. MARSHALL, P.P.C.D.C.
1932. C. A. BELCHER, P.P.G.D.
1933. F. W. SYDENHAM, P.P.A.G.D.C. (Warwick).
1934. E. E. BROWN, P.C.R., P.P.C.W.
1935. S. W. SMITH, P.P.G.D.
1936. Rev. A. T. S. TALBOT, P.G.Chap., P.P.G.W.
1937. Rev. W. H. HALLSWORTH, P.A.G.Swd.B., P.P.G.W.
1938. A. E. VATE.
1939. A. WHITFIELD, P.P.G.D.
1940. S. G. WHEWAY, P.P.G.Org.
1941. G. B. NICHOLS, P.P.A.G.D.C.
1942. S. F. JAGGER, P.P.G.D.
1943. J. A. FURNER, P.P.G.D.
1944. M. J. SOMERFIELD.
1945. J. S. HICKENBOTTOM.
1946. H. W. BAYLISS.
1947. R. E. BECKETT.
1948. E. J. DUDSON.
1949. H. G. TALBOT.
1950. F. E. TOWE.
1951. G. E. PUGH.

**PREAMBLE TO BY-LAWS.**—The Lodge being formed for the instruction and improvement of the brethren in Freemasonry, its members are expected to give special attention to this and to the study of the meaning and symbolism of the Craft. Regard should be paid to this in all proceedings and business of the Lodge, and in the election of every candidate, whether for initiation or as a joining member.

## Agenda.

1. To open the Lodge at 5-30 p.m. precisely.
2. To read the Summons convening the Meeting.
3. To read, and if approved, confirm the Minutes of the last regular Meeting of the Lodge, held October 28th, 1952.
4. To Invest Officers not present at Installation.
5. To receive the Report of the Audit Committee.
6. To Ballot for Initiation into Freemasonry, and for membership of this Lodge:—  
Mr. CYRIL BRINDLEY KILBY, aged 46 years, Chartered Auctioneer, residing at No. 31, Mellish Road, Walsall and in business at Pinfold Street, Darlaston, and Darwall Street, Walsall.  
Proposed in Open Lodge on the 28th October, 1952, by W. Bro. Ernest E. Brown, P.A.G. Reg., P.P.G.W., and seconded by W. Bro. S. W. Smith, P.P.G.D.
7. To Initiate (if elected) Mr. CYRIL BRINDLEY KILBY.
8. A Paper will be read by Wor. Bro. A. T. PARKER, Prov. D.G. Reg. (Warwickshire), P.M. Lodge of Hope No. 4436, entitled—  
“AN EXPLANATION OF THE FIRST CEREMONY.”
9. To report Communications from Grand Lodge.
10. To receive Propositions.  
W. Bro. R. P. Beckett will Propose (in accordance with notice given at the Meeting on the 28th October, 1952)—  
“That the annual subscription be raised from 3 guineas to 4 guineas, with effect from 1st October, 1952, and that Lodge Bye-law No. 6 be amended accordingly.”
11. To Close the Lodge.

To Collect Alms.

### DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

The Next Meeting of the Lodge will be on the 24th FEBRUARY, 1953.  
A PRACTICE MEETING will be held on MONDAY, 15th DECEMBER, 1952,  
at 6-30 p.m. (Tea 6-0 p.m.) ALL BRETHREN ARE INVITED.

BRO. G. H. BAYLISS - - - - - W.M.  
 W. BRO. G. E. PUGH - - - - - I.P.M.

### Officers

W. BRO. N. J. E. BOARDMAN - - - - - S.W.  
 BRO. L. J. CORBY - - - - - J.W.  
 BRO. REV. A. R. ENNIS, M.A., B.D. - - - - - Chaplain.  
 W. BRO. R. E. BECKETT - - - - - Treasurer.  
 W. BRO. M. J. SOMERFIELD - - - - - Secretary.  
 W. BRO. E. E. BROWN, P.A.G.R., P.A.G.W. - - - - - U.C.  
 BRO. F. R. BATESON - - - - - S.D.  
 BRO. REV. G. R. GARMAN, P.A. - - - - - J.D.  
 W. BRO. D. A. TURNER, P.F.G.D. - - - - - Almoner.  
 W. BRO. J. S. HOCKIS SOTTOM - - - - - Organist.  
 BRO. P. S. G. HOPE - - - - - Assistant Secretary.  
 L.O.J. J. E. H. TANSLEY - - - - - I.G.  
 BRO. E. H. HAY VARD - - - - - Steward.  
 BRO. H. DONALL - - - - -  
 BRO. E. C. FIELDING - - - - - "  
 BRO. J. B. PRISCOTT - - - - - "  
 BRO. A. G. HANDLEY - - - - - Tyler.  
 W. BRO. S. B. JAGGER, P.P.G.D. - - - - - Librarian.  
 Charity Representative - W. BRO. D. A. TURNER, P.P.G.D.