

Antient and Honourable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons

Provincial Grand Lodge of Worcestershire

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Assistant Provincial Grand Master

Consecration of

WEATHEROAK LODGE

No. 7214

at the

Masonic Hall, Alcester Road South, Kings Heath

on

Wednesday, 17th December, 1952, at 2.30 p.m.

by

R.W. Bro. BEN MARSH, J.P.

Provincial Grand Master

THE DEPUTY PROVINCIAL GRAND MASTER

THE ASSISTANT PROVINCIAL GRAND MASTER

W. Bro. JOHN E. TALBOT, Prov.S.G.W.	...	...	as S.W.
W. Bro. C. B. BARRADELL, Prov.J.G.W.	...	...	as J.W.
Bro. Rev. CANON R. B. JOLLY, M.A., R.D., Prov.G.Chap.	...	...	as Chaplain
W. Bro. H. V. STANTON, P.G.D., Prov.G Sec.	...	...	as Secretary
W. Bro. H. E. HEARNE, P.A.G.D.C., Prov.G.D.C.	...	...	as D.C.
W. Bro. J. A. NAYLER, Prov.S.G.D.	...	...	as S.D.
W. Bro. J. WYSE, Prov.J.G.D.	...	...	as J.D.
W. Bro. H. G. MICHIE, Dep.Prov.G.D.C.	...	...	as Assistant D.C.
W. Bro. F. W. MANNING, Prov.G.Org.	as Organist
W. Bro. A. F. TAYLOR, Prov.G.Purs.	as Inner Guard
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W. Bro. JOHN H. LEWIS, P.P.G.D.	Master Designate
W. Bro. A. C. HODSON, P.P.G.D.	S.W. Designate
W. Bro. C. H. HILLS	J.W. Designate

Order of Procedure

The Brethren assemble in the Lodge Room.

The Consecrating Officer, having entered in procession with the Officers of Grand Lodge and Provincial Grand Lodge, takes the Chair and appoints his Officers.

The Lodge is opened in the Three Degrees.

OPENING HYMN.

Hail Eternal, by whose aid,
All created things were made ;
Heaven and earth Thy vast design,
Hear us, Architect Divine.

May our work, begun in Thee,
Ever blessed with order be,
And may we, when labours cease,
Part in harmony and peace.

By Thy glorious majesty
By the trust we place in Thee ;
By the badge and mystic sign,
Hear us, Architect Divine.
So mote it be.

The Consecrating Officer addresses the Brethren on the object of the meeting and calls upon the Chaplain to give the

OPENING PRAYER.

Response—"So mote it be."

The Director of Ceremonies addresses the Consecrating Officer.

The Consecrating Officer replies and gives directions.

The Brethren of the new Lodge are arranged in order.

The Provincial Grand Secretary reads the Warrant.

The Consecrating Officer enquires of the Brethren if they approve of the Officers named in the Warrant.

The Brethren signify their approval in Masonic form.

AN ORATION.

On the Nature and Principles of the Institution, by the Chaplain.

ANTHEM.

Behold how good and joyful a thing it is, Brethren, to dwell together in unity. It is like the precious ointment upon the head, that ran down unto the beard, even unto Aaron's beard, and went down to the skirts of his clothing. It is like the dew of Hermon which fell upon the hill of Zion. For there the Lord promised His blessing and life evermore.—So mote it be.

DEDICATION PRAYER (First Portion).

Response—"So mote it be."

Musical Response—Glory be to Thee, O God.

The Brethren turn toward the East while the Consecrating Officer pronounces

THE INVOCATION.

Response—"So mote it be."

The Chaplain reads Chron., chap. ii, verses 1 to 16.

The Consecrating Officer directs the Lodge Board to be uncovered.

THE CONSECRATION.

During which the Elements of Consecration are carried round the Lodge.

The Chaplain reads Psalm lxxii, verse 16.

The Brethren sing :

When once of old, in Israel,
Our early Brethren wrought with toil,
Jehovah's blessing on them fell,
In showers of corn, and wine, and oil.

Lodge Business

INSTALLATION OF MASTER DESIGNATE.

Investiture of Wardens Designate.

Election and Investiture of Treasurer.

Election of Charity Steward.

Election of Tyler.

Appointment and Investiture of Officers.

Election of Representatives on the Provincial Charity Organisation and Library and Museum Committees.

To adopt the By-Laws recommended by the Founders.

To receive Propositions of Honorary Membership, Joining Brethren and Candidates for Initiation.

To collect Alms.

The R.W. Provincial Grand Master, Deputy Provincial Grand Master, Assistant Provincial Grand Master and Officers of Grand Lodge will retire.

To close the Lodge.

CLOSING HYMN

Founders

W. Bro. JOHN H. LEWIS, 5544, 6889, P.M. 5035, P.P.G.D.

W. Bro. A. C. HODSON, P.M. 5035, P.P.G.D.

W. Bro. C. M. HILLS, 6889, P.M. 5035

W. Bro. D. R. COUNSELL, 103, 6889, P.M. 2034, 5035, P.P.G.W.

W. Bro. G. MAWSON, 6889, P.M. 2034, P.P.G.D.

W. Bro. N. W. GILBERT, P.M. 4772, 5035, P.P.A.G.D.C.

W. Bro. A. L. GYDE, 6889, P.M. 2034, P.P.A.G.D.C.

W. Bro. J. C. COPELAND, 6889, P.M. 2034, 5368, Prov.A.G.D.C.

W. Bro. A. V. GREEN, P.M. 5035, P.P.G.D.

W. Bro. B. WALKER, P.M. 5094

W. Bro. H. H. EVANS, P.M. 5035

W. Bro. K. G. PALMER, 7115, W.M. 5035

Bro. A. J. LEWIS, 1136, 2034

Bro. L. L'ESTRANGE, T.D., 4565

Bro. C. G. WHITEHEAD, 3604, 5035

Bro. E. J. TOY, 5035

Bro. F. H. LEACH, 5035

Bro. H. P. GIBBS, 5544

Bro. A. M. LLOYD-JAMES, 5035, 7007

Bro. W. R. HARVEY, 2034

Bro. F. C. SHELLEY, 5035

The Consecrating Officer scatters Corn : the Symbol of Plenty and Abundance.

Musical Response—Glory be to God on high.

The Chaplain reads Nehemiah, chap. x, verse 39.

The Brethren sing :

When there a shrine to Him alone
They built with worship sin to foil
On threshold and on corner-stone
They poured out corn, and wine, and oil.

The Consecrating Officer pours Wine : the Symbol of Joy and Cheerfulness.

Musical Response—Glory be to God on high.

The Chaplain reads Exodus, chap. xxx, verses 25 and 26.

The Brethren sing :

And we have come fraternal bands,
With joy, and pride, and prosperous spot
To honour Him by votive hands,
With streams of corn, and wine, and oil.

The Consecrating Officer pours Oil : the Symbol of Peace and Unanimity.

Musical Response—Glory be to God on high.

The Brethren are arranged round the Lodge Board facing outwards.

The Chaplain reads Leviticus, chap. ii, verse 13.

The Brethren sing :

Now o'er our work this salt we shower,
Emblem of Thy conservant power ;
And may Thy Presence, Lord, we pray
Keep this our Temple from decay.

The Consecrating Officer sprinkles Salt : the Symbol of Fidelity and Friendship.

Musical Response—Glory be to God on high.

THE CONSECRATING OFFICER DEDICATES THE LODGE.

ANTHEM

O how amiable are Thy dwellings, Thou Lord of Hosts. My soul hath a desire and longing to enter the court of the Lord ; my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God. Blessed are they that dwell in Thy house ; they shall always be praising Thee. Hallelujah !

The Chaplain takes the Censer round the Lodge.

DEDICATION PRAYER (Second Portion).

Response—" So mote it be."

The Brethren stand in the West, all facing East.

THE CONSECRATING OFFICER CONSTITUTES THE LODGE.

Response—" So mote it be."

ANTHEM.

PATRIARCHAL BENEDICTION.

Response—" So mote it be."

NATIONAL ANTHEM.