



Antient Free and Accepted Masons

**R.W.Bro. EDWARD F. HANSON, J.P., LL.D.(Hon.),
Provincial Grand Master**



Consecration of

Edward Frederick Hanson Lodge No. 9463

at the
MOSELEY MASONIC HALL, ALCESTER ROAD SOUTH,
KINGS HEATH, BIRMINGHAM

on

**TUESDAY, 24th MARCH, 1992
at 3.00 p.m.**

All Brethren are requested to be seated by 2.45 p.m.

**MORNING DRESS or DARK SUITS
FULL MASONIC DRESS CLOTHING**

EDWARD FREDERICK HANSON, JP, LLD(Hon).

The formation of the Edward Frederick Hanson Lodge is to honour the service to Freemasonry given by the Provincial Grand Master of Worcestershire.

Having served the office of Provincial Senior Grand Warden in 1968, W.Bro. E.F. Hanson was awarded Grand Rank, as PAGDC, in 1975 and was appointed Assistant Provincial Grand Master for the Province in 1981. W.Bro. E.F. Hanson was Installed as Provincial Grand Master of the Province of Worcestershire on 21st April 1983.

He was Installed as Second Provincial Grand Principal in 1975, Deputy Grand Superintendent in 1978 and to M.E. Grand Superintendent in and over the Province of Worcestershire in April 1983.

The appointment of V.III. Bro. E.F. Hanson, 32nd Deg., as Inspector General of the District of Worcestershire, Ancient and Accepted Rite, on 28th June 1991, was the last of the long list of exalted offices to which he has been appointed and has fulfilled with distinction.

He also holds high office in other Degrees of Freemasonry.

Perhaps the greatest service that our Provincial Grand Master has bequeathed to the Province of Worcestershire is the Masonic Homes at Bromsgrove which took in its first residents in September 1988. The whole project from concept to completion took but two years. A great feat presented to the Province as a project and completed through the determination and leadership of the Provincial Grand Master.

Such meritorious service to Freemasonry is thus recognised in the Province by the Consecration of the "Edward Frederick Hanson Lodge No. 9463". The headquarters will be at Rainbow Hill, Worcester.

The motto on the Lodge Badge - "Exemplar Fidelitatis et Humanitatis" which can be translated "A model of Fidelity and Kindliness" - is aptly chosen.

PROVINCIAL GRAND LODGE OF WORCESTERSHIRE

Consecration of

Edward Frederick Hanson Lodge No. 9463

by

R.W.Bro. E.F. HANSON, *J.P., LL.D.(Hon.)*
Provincial Grand Master

assisted by

W.Bro. Dr. H.J. White, *J.P., PGSwdB*
Deputy Provincial Grand Master

W.Bro. R.E. Whitlock, **PSGD**, Assistant Provincial Grand Master

W.Bro. H.W. King, *F.R.I.C.S.*, **PSGD**, Assistant Provincial Grand Master

and by

W.Bro. K.A. Hawcard, ProvSGW	as Senior Warden
W.Bro. A.J. Yeates, ProvJGW	as Junior Warden
W.Bro. Rev. Canon A. Webb, <i>A.K.C.</i> , PAGChp. , ProvGC Chap.	as Chaplain
W.Bro. M.A. Bendall, PAGLC. , ProvAsstGSec	as Secretary
W.Bro. R.H. Wakeman, PAGDC. , ProvGDC	as Director of Ceremonies
W.Bro. N.J. Robins, ProvGSwdB	as Sword Bearer
W.Bro. D. Lewis, <i>M.Sc.</i> , PAGDC. , ProvDepGDC	as Deputy D.C.
W.Bro. W. Cooper, PProvCReg	as Assistant D. C.
W.Bro. P.C. Griffiths, ProvSGD	as Senior Deacon
W.Bro. J.D. Pountney, ProvJGD	as Junior Deacon
W.Bro. T. Banham, PProvJGW	as Organist
W.Bro. C. Wilde, ProvGStdB	as Standard Bearer
W.Bro. J. McGann, ProvGStdB	as Standard Bearer
W.Bro. J.A. Benton, ProvGPurs	as Inner Guard
W.Bro. F.J. Bradley, PPSGW	as Tyler

Ceremonial Music by the Provincial Choir
under the direction of

W.Bro. A.T. Morris, ProvGStwd

with W.Bro. T. Banham, PProvJGW as Organist

Consecration Ceremony

The Brethren assemble in the Lodge Room.

The Presiding Officer, V.W.Bro. Dr. H.J. White, **PGSwdB**, Deputy Provincial Grand Master, having entered in procession, takes the Chair and appoints the Officers.

OPENING HYMN

Hail Eternal, by whose aid	May our work, begun in Thee,
All created things were made,	Ever blest with order be;
Heaven and earth Thy vast design,	And may we, when labours cease,
Hear us, Architect Divine.	Part in harmon, 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.

A Lodge of Antient, Free and Accepted Masons is opened in the Three Degrees.

The Consecrating Officer, R.W.Bro. E.F. Hanson, J.P., LL.D.(Hon.), Provincial Grand Master, enters in procession and takes the Chair.

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

THE OPENING PRAYER

Chant (*Omnes*) "So mote it be".

The Director of Ceremonies addresses the Consecrating Officer.

The Consecrating Officer replies and gives directions.

The Petitioners of the New Lodge are arranged in order.

The Provincial Grand Secretary reads the Warrant.

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

The Brethren signify their approval in Masonic Form.

AN ORATION BY THE CHAPLAIN
on the Nature and Principles of the Institution.

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 for evermore.

DEDICATION PRAYER

(First Portion)

Chant (*Omnes*) "So mote it be".

Musical Response (*Choir only*): "Glory be to Thee, O God"

The Brethren turn towards the East, whilst the Consecrating Officer
pronounces

THE INVOCATION

Chant (*Omnes*) "So mote it be".

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

The Consecrating Officer directs that the Lodge Board 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 blessings on them fell
In showers of Corn, and Wine, and Oil.

The Consecrating Officer scatters Corn - the symbol of Plenty and
Abundance.

Musical Response (*Omnes*): "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 (*Omnes*): "Glory be to God on high".

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

The Brethren sing:-

And we have come, fraternal hands,
With joy, and pride, and prosperous food,
To honour Him with votive hands,
With streams of Corn, and Wine, and Oil.

The Consecrating Officer pours Oil - the symbol of Peace and Unanimity.

Musical Response (*Omnes*): "Glory be to God on high".

The Petitioners are arranged around 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 (*Omnes*): "Glory be to God on high".

THE CONSECRATING OFFICER DEDICATES THE LODGE

Chant (*Omnes*) "So mote it be"

ANTHEM

O how amiable are Thy dwellings, Thou Lord of Hosts.
My soul hath a desire and longing to enter the courts 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*)

Chant (*Omnes*): "So mote it be".

The Petitioners are arranged in the West, facing East.

THE CONSECRATING OFFICER CONSTITUTES THE LODGE

Chant (*Omnes*): "So mote it be".

ANTHEM

Psalm 150

HYMN

Now thank we all our God, With hearts and hands and voices, Who wondrous things hath done, In whom His world rejoices, Who from our mother's arms Hath blessed us on our way, With countless gifts of love, And still is ours today.	O may this bounteous God, Through all our life be near us, With ever joyful hearts, And blessed peace to cheer us; And keep us in His grace, And guide us when perplexed, And free us from all ills, In this world and the next.
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All praise and thanks to God,
The Father now be given,
The Son and Him who reigns
With them in highest heaven,
The one Eternal God,
Whom earth and heaven adore,
For thus it was, is now,
And shall be evermore.

So mote it be.

PATRIARCHAL BENEDICTION

Chant (*Omnes*): "So mote it be".

Founding Brethren are arranged in the east, facing east, and are presented with their Commemorative Jewels.

NATIONAL ANTHEM

Lodge Business

1. Installation of W.Bro. C. Lawrence Thomas, **PAGDC**, Prov. Grand Secretary, as Worshipful Master by W.Bro. R.E. Whitlock, **PSCD**, Assistant Provincial Grand Master.
2. Investiture of Wardens Designate.
3. Election of Treasurer.
4. Election of Tyler.
5. Appointment and Investiture of Officers.
6. To appoint a Representative to serve on the Library and Museum Committee.
To appoint Two Representatives to the Provincial Charity Organisation.
To elect two Auditors.
7. To adopt the Lodge By-Laws
8. To elect an Honorary Member.
9. To receive Propositions for Initiation and Joining Members.
10. To transact any other business.
11. To close the Lodge.

CLOSING HYMN

Now the evening shadows closing,
Worn from toil to peaceful rest,
Mystic arts and rites reposing,
Sacred in each faithful breast.

God of Light, whose love unceasing,
Doth to all Thy works extend,
Crown our Order with Thy blessing,
Build sustain us to the end.

Humbly now we bow before Thee,
Grateful for Thine aid Divine,
Everlasting power and glory,
Mighty Architect, be Thine.

So mote it be.

W.Bro. C. Lawrence Thomas, **PAGDC** - Worshipful Master
W.Bro. G. Owen Evans, PProvGReg. - I.P.M.

OFFICERS 1992 - 93

W.Bro. R.C. Vaughan, PProvJGW	Senior Warden
W.Bro. F. Byatt	Junior Warden
W.Bro. F.G. Buck, PProvJGW	Chaplain
W.Bro. D.A. King, PProvJGW	Treasurer
W.Bro. D.V.F. Thompson	Secretary
W.Bro. J.G.H. Seale, PProvSGW	Director of Ceremonies
W.Bro. C.B. Dodge	Almoner
W.Bro. K.V. Baylis, PProvGStdB	Charity Steward
Bro. D.E. Smith	Senior Deacon
Bro. F.E. Ursell	Junior Deacon
W.Bro. D.H. Bradnock, J.P., ProvDepGDC	Asst. Director of Ceremonies
W.Bro. A.C. Hutt	Organist
W.Bro. R.N. Wetton	Asst. Secretary
Bro. B.W. Cunningham	Inner Guard
W.Bro. R.T. Padden	Steward
Bro. M.E.J. McFarland	Steward
Bro. D.H. Cottrell	Steward
Bro. J.L. Potter	Steward
Bro. R.I. Mitchell	Steward
Bro. J.E. Davies, ProvGTyler	Tyler

Proposed by W.Bro. F. Byatt, Junior Warden

Proposed by Bro. J.E. Davies, ProvGTyler

Menu

Cream of Asparagus Soup
Crusty Roll and Butter

Poached Fillet of Cod Mornay

Roast Forerib of Beef
Yorkshire Pudding, Horseradish Sauce
Roast and New Potatoes
Cauliflower Mornay
Peas Flamande

blackcurrant Souffle
Whipped Cream

Cheese Selection

Fresh Coffee and Cream

Selected Wines included

Toasts

The Queen and the Craft

Proposed by the Worshipful Master

The Most Worshipful the Grand Master, His Royal Highness the Duke of Kent

Proposed by the Worshipful Master

The Most Worshipful Pro Grand Master, The Right Honourable Lord Farnham The Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master, Iain R. Bryce, TD, DL The Right Worshipful Assistant Grand Master, The Right Honourable The Earl of Eglinton and Winton and the rest of the Grand Officers Present and Past

Proposed by the Worshipful Master

The Consecrating Officers

Proposed by W.Bro. D.A. King, PProvJGW

Response by The Right Worshipful Provincial Grand Master

Edward Frederick Hanson Lodge No. 9463

Proposed by The Very Worshipful Deputy Provincial Grand Master

Response by the Worshipful Master

The Visiting Brethren

Proposed by W.Bro. F. Byatt, Junior Warden

The Tyler's Toast

Proposed by Bro. J.E. Davies, ProvGTyler

Founders

- W.Bro. C. Lawrence Thomas, **PAGDC**, ProvGrand Sec.
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W.Bro. F. Byatt
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 Bro. B.W. Cunningham
W.Bro. J.G.H. Seale, PProvSGW
W.Bro. J.L. Vickers, ProvGStwd
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W.Bro. R.N. Wetton
 Bro. D.E. Smith
W.Bro. G. Owen Evans, PProvGReg
W.Bro. E.W. Daley, T.D., PProvJGW (S.Wales E.Div.)
W.Bro. M.N.R. Verduyn, PProvGStwd (Warks.)
W.Bro. C.B. Dodge
W.Bro. G.L. Jinks
W.Bro. H.W. Day, PProvSGW
W.Bro. M.A. Bendall, **PAGDC**, ProvAsstGrandSec
W.Bro. J.C. Hackett, PProvJGW
W.Bro. T.E. Barnsdall
 Bro. R.H. Mitchell
W.Bro. J.E. Lamb, ProvGStwd
W.Bro. D. Morgan, PProvGReg
W.Bro. R.J. Hollins, **PGStdB**
 Bro. J.E. Davies, ProvGTyler
W.Bro. W.V. Shorto, PProvSGD
W.Bro. D. Jones, PProvGSuptWorks
 Bro. J. Potter
W.Bro. P.B. Parry, PProvJGW
W.Bro. M.D. Wagstaff
W.Bro. Mason, *J.P.*, D.F.M., PProvAGStdB, ProvSGD (Staffs.)
W.Bro. R.D. Jones