

Provincial Grand Lodge of Warwickshire

Provincial Grand Master
R W Bro Stanley A Lates



Consecration and Installation Meeting

of

STANLEY LATES LODGE, No 9683

on Saturday, 5th December 1998
at the Warwickshire Masonic Temple, The Claradon Suites,
2 Stirling Road, Edgbaston, Birmingham

at 10.00 am

by

RW Bro Stanley A Lates, Provincial Grand Master

assisted by

- W Bro W Stephen Ellison, **PSGD**, Assistant Provincial Grand Master
W Bro Derrick C Hobson, **PSGD**, Assistant Provincial Grand Master
W Bro Victor W Keene, **PSGD**, Assistant Provincial Grand Master
W Bro Michael J Price, CBE, **SCD**, Assistant Provincial Grand Master
W Bro Rodney Pitham, Provincial Senior Grand Warden, Provincial Assistant Grand Secretary as SW
W Bro Russell M Starr, Provincial Junior Grand Warden as JW
W Bro Roland Diamond, Provincial Deputy Grand Chaplain as Chaplain
W Bro Robert G Swain, **PAGLC**, Provincial Grand Secretary as Secretary
W Bro Allan D Morris, **PAGDC**, Provincial Grand Director of Ceremonies as DC
W Bro Donald A Reynolds, Provincial Senior Grand Deacon as SD
W Bro Ronald L Eastbury, Provincial Junior Grand Deacon as JD
W Bro Michael A Kennedy, Provincial Deputy Grand Director of Ceremonies as ADC
W Bro David Huband, Provincial Deputy Grand Director of Ceremonies as ADC
W Bro Tony N Marshall, **Jr PGStB**, Provincial Grand Organist Organist
W Bro Maurice F Round, Past Provincial Junior Grand Warden as Assistant Organist
W Bro Stephen P Lewis, Provincial Grand Pursuivant as IG
W Bro Leonard C Bowden, **PProvGSwdB**, Provincial Grand Tyler as Tyler
- W Bro Robert W Boots Provincial Grand Sword Bearer
W Bro Brian G Beech Provincial Grand Standard Bearer
W Bro Ronald C E Drury Provincial Grand Standard Bearer
- VW Bro Richard V Wallis, **JP, PGSwdB**, Deputy Provincial Grand Master Master Designate
W Bro Robert G Russell, **PJGD**, Past Provincial Senior Grand Warden SW Designate
W Bro Peter Waring, **PAGDC**, Past Provincial Senior Grand Warden JW Designate

Order of Procedure

The Brethren assemble in the Lodge Room.

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

The National Anthem

God save our gracious Queen,
Long live our noble Queen,
God save the Queen!
Send her victorious,
Happy and glorious,
Long to reign over us;
God save the Queen!

Opening Hymn

May our work begun in Thee
Ever blest 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.

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

So mote it be.

The Lodge is opened in the Three Degrees.

The Consecrating Officer addresses the Brethren on the motive 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 Petitioners if they approve of the Officers named in the Warrant.

The Petitioners signify their approval in Masonic form.

The Petitioners resume their places.

An Oration

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

Choir:

Anthem

Composed in 1936 for the Consecration of the University of Birmingham Lodge by J C Parson, ProvGORG (Warks)

Behold, Brethren! How good and joyful a thing it is to dwell together in unity. Jerusalem is builded as a city that is at unity in itself. For my Brethren and Companions' sakes we will wish thee prosperity. Yea, because of the House of our God, we will seek thy good. The Lord preserve thy going out, and coming in from this time forth for evermore. How good and joyful to dwell together in unity.

Dedication Prayer (First Portion)

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

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

The Invocation

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

The Chaplain reads II 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 rise and 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 Brethren sit.*

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

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

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

The Brethren rise and 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.
Brethren sit.*

The Consecrating Officer pours Wine - the symbol of Joy and Cheerfulness.

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

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

The Brethren rise and sing:-

*And we have come, fraternal bands, With joy and pride, and prosperous spoil
To honour Him by votive hands. With streams of Corn, and Wine, and Oil.
Brethren sit.*

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

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

The Petitioners form round the Lodge Board.

The Chaplain reads Leviticus Chap, ii, verse 13.

The Brethren rise and 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.
Brethren sit.*

The Consecrating Officer sprinkles Salt - the symbol of Friendship and Fidelity

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

The Consecrating Officer Dedicates the Lodge.

The Petitioners resume their places.

Choir:

Anthem

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

The Chaplain takes the Censer round the Lodge.

Dedication Prayer (Second Portion)

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

The Petitioners stand in the West, facing East.

The Brethren rise.

The Consecrating Officer Constitutes the Lodge

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

The Brethren sit.

Choir:

Anthem (S S Wesley)

Lead me Lord, Lead me in Thy righteousness. Make Thy way plain before my face.
For it is Thou Lord, Thou Lord only. That makest me dwell in safety.

The Brethren rise.

Patriarchal Benediction

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

Now thank we all our God
With heart, 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.

All Praise and Thanks to God
Great Architect, be given,
Whose love and power direct,
All things in Earth and Heaven,
The One Eternal God,
Whom Earth and Heaven adore,
For thus it was, is now,
And shall be evermore.

So mote it be.

The Petitioners resume their places.

LODGE BUSINESS

Installation of Master Designate.

Investiture of Wardens Designate.

Election and Investiture of Treasurer.

Appointment and Investiture of the other Officers.

Election and Investiture of Tyler.

Adoption of the By-Laws approved by the Founders.

Propositions for Joining Membership.

Collection of Alms.

The Provincial Grand Master, accompanied by Grand Officers and Officers of Provincial Grand Lodge, will retire.

Closing of the Lodge.

FOUNDERS

VW Bro Richard V Wallis, JP, PGSwdB, DepPGM	.....	PM4011, PM4538, PM5743, PM 9253; 2706, 6889, 9142, 9319
W Bro Robert G Russell, PJGD, PProvSGW	.....	PM 4032, WM4538
W Bro Peter Waring, PAGDC, PProvSGW	.....	PM7601; 1069, 4538
VW Bro Dr H John White, JP, PGSwdB, PartDepPGM (Worcs)	.....	PM4807; 70, 6734, 6889, 7938
W Bro W Stephen Ellson, PSGD, AsstPGM	.....	PM3484, PM4538, PM9420
W Bro Spencer TE Fenn, PProvAGDC (Essex)	.....	PM6738, PM9003; 2706, 3256, 4538, 9319
W Bro Michael J Price, CBE, SC/D, AsstPGM	.....	PM 1431; 3850, 4538, 7115, 9253, 9421
W Bro Robert G Swain, PAGDC, ProvGSec	.....	PM5660; 4538, 9003, 9648
W Bro G David Crosby, PAGDC, PProvSGW	.....	PM 1431, PM9169; 4538, 6889
W Bro Victor W Keeble, PSGD, AsstPGM	.....	PM254; 4538, 9253
W Bro E James Goddard, PAGDC, PProvSGW	.....	PM 725; 9253, 9418, 9620
W Bro Ronald E Albutt, PProvSGW	.....	PM 5844, PM 9319; 4538, 9253
W Bro David R Boston, PProvSGW	.....	PM 3857, PM6323, PM9319; 4538, 8960, 9253
W Bro David C Hooker, PAGDC, PProvJGW, PProvJGW (Worcs)	.....	PM 1644, PM 8323; 2706, 4538, 5544, 6889, 9142, 9253, 9319, 9320
W Bro Derrick C Hosson, PSGD, AsstPGM	.....	PM4538, PM5890, PM9253; 1413, 2333, 3857, 6888, 9228
W Bro Geoffrey C Hooker, PAGDC, PProvSGW	.....	PM 1644; 4538
W Bro Kenneth J Rider	.....	PM 726
W Bro Ronald E Woolley, PAGDC, PProvSGW (Worcs)	.....	PM 5546, PM9319; 6889, 8878
W Bro Michael W Guest, PProvSGD, PProvGReg (Worcs)	.....	PM6606, PM8807; 4538, 6889
W Bro Richard H Toon, PProvSGD, PProvSGD (Staffs)	.....	PM4011, PM9319, PM9329; 2706, 4538, 6081, 9253, 9312
W Bro William J Whittall, PSGD, AsstPGM (Staffs)	.....	PM 482, PM2706, PM5682; 4538, 9077, 9319
W Bro Michael D Arnold, PJGD, PProvSGW, PProvJGW (Staffs)	.....	PM 5846, PM 7706, PM9321; 4538, 6889, 8873, 9320
W Bro Raymond Rooke, PAGDC, PProvJGW, PProvJGW (Worcs)	.....	PM 1874, PM8878, PM8990; 4538, 6889, 9142, 9253, 9319, 9320
W Bro Robert W Tebbett, PProvSGW	.....	PM 7630, PM9319; 4538, 8807