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The popular 36-page pocket Questions and Answers booklet is still available for purchase.

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A member of a Masonic Lodge in Pennsylvania, who has been suspended for non-payment of dues, can be restored to good Masonic standing and membership.

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Annual Election Results

MASON SHARES BIRTHDAYS
A Philadelphia Mason has a very unique way of celebrating his Masonic birthdays.

Each year Brother Abraham Pearlstein, a member of Athelstan Lodge No. 482, sends a check to Grand Lodge amounting to one dollar for each year of Masonic service.

The check this year was for $17.

Brother Pearlstein, of R. D. 1, Collingdale, Pa., was made a Mason on October 31, 1905. His checks are placed in the Hospital Reserve Fund of the Masonic Homes.

Grand Master Names
New District Deputies

Right new District Deputy Grand Masters have been appointed by the Grand Master. They include:


In This Issue
This issue of The Pennsylvania Freemason is largely devoted to the farms at the Masonic Homes at Elizabethtown.

Visitors to the Masonic Homes have an opportunity to purchase surplus farm products.
Annual Election
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he is continuing the following Brethren as his appointed officers for the second year:
Bro. Fred Pierce Corson, Lodge No. 197.
Bro. G. Mason Cochran, Lodge No. 552.

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Rosh Hashonoh
Services Conducted
At Masonic Homes

For the first time in the history of the Masonic Homes at Elizabethtown, High Holiday services were conducted for Jewish Guests at the Homes.

This made possible through the direction of Bro. W. LeRoy McKinley, Grand Master.

40 Persons Attend
On Saturday, October 27, the services for Jewish Guests were conducted in the Israel Memorial Chapel at the Homes. Approximately 40 Jews and Christians attended.

The service marked the start of the High Jewish Holidays—Rosh Hashonoh—the opening of the Jewish year 5723.

Rabbi Hillel Fine, pastor of Ohev Sholom Temple in Harrisburg, conducted the service. He was assisted by Bro. Arthur Lehrman and Bro. Kurt Moses.

Regular Services Planned
Bro. McKinley, who was in attendance, announced that arrangements have been made to conduct regular Sabbath services for the Jewish community of the Masonic Homes. He said:

"We must provide religious services for all our Guests, regardless of their religious beliefs."

"As Masons, we profess the belief in God. How we worship God is a personal choice."

"Therefore, it is our Masonic responsibility to provide religious services for all our Guests."

Transportation Provided
Bro. Paul S. Shank, superintendent of the Masonic Homes, also provides transportation to Guests in the Masonic Homes.

Bro. McKinley invited the Jewish community of Elizabethtown to worship with Guests at Sabbath services.
Apples by the bushel, all choice and neatly stored in a controlled temperature room, are ready for visitors to purchase.

For instance, there is a surplus supply of gallon cans of peaches, green beans and tomatoes. Visitors to the Homes can purchase 12 one-gallon cans of peaches for $8.00, or 80 cents a gallon for a single can. Green beans and tomatoes can be purchased for $7.00 for 12 one-gallon cans, or 70 cents for a single can. Apple cider, made from the best apples, can be purchased for 75 cents a gallon.

Apples can be purchased, year around, by the bag, half bushel or bushel. The price depends on the type of apple selected. Apple butter can be purchased in pint and quart jars. Fresh vegetables of all kinds can be purchased in season.

For the past years, approximately 95 per cent of all the food consumed at the Masonic Homes has been raised on the 1,500 acres that make up the Masonic Homes. The production of the vegetable garden, alone, shows the following:

- Asparagus, 9,280 pounds
- Broccoli, 307 bushels
- Beans, 1,000 bushels
- Cauliflower, 618 bushels
- Carrots, 254 bushels
- Celery, 177 bushels
- Sweet corn, 2,366 dozen
- Cantaloupes, 166 bushels
- Eggplants, 85 bushels
- Lettuce, 110 bushels
- Rhubarb, 246 bushels
- Sweet potatoes, 340 bushels
- 638 gallons of sauerkraut

This is only an example. Practically all known types of vegetables are raised in the gardens. The value of the garden produce has been set at approximately $21,000.

The cannery at the Masonic Homes processed approximately 15,000 gallons of asparagus, sweet cherries, red beets, tomatoes, plums, pears, spiced crab apples, green beans and peaches.

There also are processed more than 15,000 gallons of frozen fruits and vegetables. Each year the orchards produce approximately 14,000 bushels of apples, 160 bushels of pears, 50 bushels of crab apples, 5,000 quarts of plums, 9,000 quarts of strawberries, 800 quarts of raspberries, 12,000 quarts of cherries, 8,500 bushels of peaches, 50 quarts of blueberries and 500 gallons of cider.

The vineyard produces nearly 12,000 pounds of grapes. The poultry production includes approximately 60,000 dozen eggs and nearly 50,000 pounds of fowl for the tables of the Homes.

The cows on the farms produced nearly 450,000 quarts of milk, of which 180,000 quarts were consumed by the Homes for table use and cooking.

There isn't adequate space to list all the production of the farms, but a visit to the Homes to see first-hand the tremendous undertaking is recommended.
**Pittsburgh Civic and Industrial Leader Was Made Mason at Sight**

Bro. W. LeRoy McKinley, Grand Master, married Corudas Snyder, Jr., president of Blaw Knox Company, was made a Mason at Sight. This honor was bestowed by Bro. Snyder at a Special Communication of Grand Lodge on November 2, in Masonic Temple, Pittsburgh. Bro. Snyder received all three degrees in Freemasonry.

More than 400 Pittsburgh District Masons along with other Grand Lodge Officers, attended the Special Communication.

Bro. McKinley said he selected Bro. Snyder for this Masonic honor because of his leadership in the fields of industry and service.

Bro. Snyder was born June 12, 1903, at Snow Shoe in central Pennsylvania. While studying mining and metallurgical engineering at Lehigh University, he spent his summer months working in coal mines and surveying and as a laborer at Wheeling Mold and Foundry Company.

After finishing college, he began working full time at the foundry, first as a laborer at Wheeling Mold and Foundry Company.

Following school, he worked as a laborer at Blaw Knox and Machine Company of Pittsburgh as a metal-armor specialist.

At the age of 32 he became president of Lewis Foundry, which in the meantime had become part of Blaw Knox. He was also elected Vice President of the parent company.

In 1945 he left Blaw Knox to become President of Continental Foundry and Machine Company. Two years later he joined Koppers Company as vice president in charge of engineering and construction and internal operations of a steel plant in Chile.

In 1951 he left Koppers Company and returned to Blaw Knox as president, which position he now holds. Bro. Snyder is a director of the

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**Masonic Hall Under Construction Before Valley Lodge No. 797 Was Constituted**

Five years of dedicated Masonic interest were highlighted on December 1 when Valley Lodge No. 797 was constituted at Valley View, Schuylkill County.

Approximately 80 Brethren, living in the Hegins and Mahanontock Valleys, the foothills of the Appalachian range, became Warrant Members of the Lodge.

While new Lodges are constituted every year, it is seldom that new Lodges start to build a beautiful Masonic Hall before the Lodge is actually in existence. This happened at Valley View.

While many of the Brethren dug deep to provide the necessary funds, others contributed their time and skills to make the new Lodge and Masonic Hall a reality.

In the past five years the Brethren were not given much hope of forming a new Lodge. However, last March Bro. W. LeRoy McKinley, Grand Master, approved.

Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland; Pittsburgh and Lake Erie Railroad; Wheeling Steel Corporation; the National Industrial Conference Board; Tri-State Industrial Association; and the Pittsburgh Chamber of Commerce.

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**Bus at Masonic Homes Kept Busy**

The bus for the Masonic Homes at Elizabethtown—a gift from Pennsylvania Masons—has proved to be one of the best investments ever made for the Homes.

Purchased last summer, the bus has been in constant service since its delivery.

It has been used daily to take Guests into Elizabethtown.

Once a week makes a regular run to a shopping center in the Lancaster area. This gives the Guests a touch of home and an opportunity to spend their $8 a month allowance, provided by Pennsylvania Masons through the Christmas, Entertainment, and Recreational Fund.

During the canteen season, the bus also provided needed transportation to Guests who volunteered to work in the canteen.

It has taken the children of the Masonic Homes on several educational trips to such places as Gettysburg. Church authorities were pleased with the tour by the President, James Buchanan in Lancaster and other points of historical and educational interest.

The bus was used to take the children to see a major league baseball game in Philadelphia when guests of the Philadelphia Phillies management, and to University Park to see the Penn State-Maryland football game.

Paston Masonic School also uses the bus for various functions, including transportation for its athletic teams.

With all its need, probably the greatest need of all is to benefit the Guests at the Philadelphia Pennsylvania Masonic Memorial Hospital.

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Today it is the sixth and fourth Masonic Lodge in Pennsylvania.

In its new Lodge room, will be ready for stated meetings in March.

This appears to be just the start of Masonic interest in the Valley View area. The Lodge already has received many petitions for initiation and membership.

Following the Grand Lodge architectural specifications for a Modified Colonial building, ground was broken for the building in September.

The building is 40 by 100 feet, which will allow approximately 100 permanent seats in the Lodge Room.

The construction material is cinder block, with brick veneering. It will have a full basement for a large social room.

The 120 by 80 lot slopes away from the street, making it possible to have ground level access to the social room and the Lodge Room.

It is estimated that the construction cost will be approximately $30,000.

The selected officers of Valley Lodge No. 797 include: Bro. Albert D. Boyer, Worshipful Master; Bro. Paul T. Mass, Senior Warden; Bro. Murlin Spotts, Junior Warden; Bro. Horace Segman, Treasurer; and Bro. Harry A. Spotts, Secretary.

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**Centenarian Guest for Five Years**

A 101-year-old Guest at the Masonic Homes, Elizabethtown, is the "darling" of the Pennsylvania Masonic Memorial Hospital.

Mrs. Alverda Kawel was born on July 8, 1861, in Cincinnati, Ohio. She became a Guest at the Masonic Homes on December 6, 1957, at the age of 96. Although she is very deaf, she enjoys conversation and company. In fact, advanced years have not dulled her wit.

Her husband, Bro. William Franklin Kawel, died in 1933. They had no children.

Mrs. Kawel is sponsored by Cumberland Lodge No. 197, Carlisle. She has a sister who is 92 years old and a niece, living in Harrisburg.

Mrs. Kawel's father fought in the Civil War with Company K of the 83rd Pennsylvania Infantry.

Her grandfather fought in the Revolutionary War and also in the War of 1812. He was a drummer boy in the Revolutionary War. He also was a member of the Masonic Fraternity.

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**Reminder**

If you have not sent your yearly contribution to the Christmas, Entertainment and Recreational Fund for Guests at the Masonic Homes at Elizabethtown, there is still time to be included.

Send your contribution to Masonic Homes, Elizabethtown, Pa.

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**Letter Tells the Story**

Brother W. LeRoy McKinley, Grand Master, wrote many letters, especially from Blaw Knox about the Christ- mas, Entertainment and Recreational Fund for Guests at the Masonic Homes at Elizabethtown. He also wrote letters about the Masonic Fraternity.

Probably the most unusual letter came from a Pennsylvania Mason who is a Guest at the Masonic Memorial Hospital in Lancaster, Pennsylvania. This Brother wrote:

"R. W. Grand Master, I see in the Picture Movie which has appeared in your paper a story about the Masonic Homes at Elizabethtown.

I wish I could make it more. I am now 85 years old and am sorry I cannot give more.

"May the good work you are doing continue for my Masonic Brethren."

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**‘Darling’ of the Homes**

A rocking chair and the Bible help Mrs. Alverda Kawel pass her leisure hours.