

Watertown Lodge No. 666 Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks

50TH ANNIVERSARY



THURSDAY, MARCH 22, 1951
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N THIS Golden Anniversary Booklet, it is hoped to recall the pleasures of the past; to cause the reflecting mind to pause a few moments in serious consideration of the depth and meaning there is to be found in the early days of Watertown Lodge No. 666 Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

This Fiftieth milestone in our Lodge would never have been reached for commemoration except for the vision and faith and courage of it's founders; nor except for the fidelity to duty, devotion to obligations, and the steadfastness of purpose of those who followed.

Much of the material in this booklet deals with the past. The chief aim is to acquaint the membership with the history of your Lodge, with the thought that this booklet may be retained by you as a memorial of what has been done in organizing the Watertown Lodge of Elks, and the efforts that have been expended to keep and preserve the fraternity upon the standards set by those who have gone before.

It is a proud, triumphant accomplishment. It typifies the community of interest, the unity of purpose and the continuity of action that bound and motivated it's membership throughout the years.

May this event inspire our successors in this Lodge, faithfully to guide it on the second lap of it's glorious journey toward a century of progress in the betterment of the standards of the social, fraternal, and civic life of it's members.



Joseph B. Kyle GRAND EXALTED RULER GARY, INDIANA LODGE No. 1152



OUR PRESENT HOME

Fifty Years Have Passed

HE ORDER of ELKS, an organization of American citizens who loved their country and desired to preserve it's cherished institutions, was well established nationally when Watertown, Wisconsin, joined it's ranks.

The organization originated in New York city on February 16, 1886, by a group of men headed by Charles Vivian.

The declared purposes of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks are to practice it's four cardinal virtues, Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love, and Fidelity.

Associated with these, are the promotion of the welfare and happiness of it's members, to quicken the spirit of American Patriotism, and to cultivate good fellowship among men.

With these objectives in mind, on March 22, 1901, the thirty-eight charter members of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks No. 666 built what has come to be a lasting organization in Watertown, Wisconsin, one that has shunned the public eye concerning it's innumerable achievements.

Under the date of March 23, the Watertown Daily Times carried the following story:

ELKS HAVE GALA DAY

A local Lodge of Elks was established yesterday with thirty-eight charter members.

At 3:30 yesterday afternoon the Grand Lodge was organized by Thomas B. Mills of Superior who is the District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler for Wisconsin. The following officers assisted him, George W. Levis, G. H. Stanchfield, J. C. Fehlandt, E. Hartman, George Joachim, S. W. Chambers, P. H. Cass, James Nevins, John Simon and George Dower.

The initiation ceremonies were performed with great pomp and circumstance by this body of Grand Lodge officers at the Knights of Pythias Hall.

The new Lodge will be known as Watertown Lodge 666 Benevolent & Protective Order of Elks. There are also fifteen applications for membership on file. These applications will be considered and the candidates will be initiated at a later date.

The charter members are:-

Jesse Stone	Wm. C. Stone
W. H. Woodard	H. C. Block
C. A. Skinner	J. H. Smith
F. C. Werner	Eugene Meyer
G. H. Stanchfield	A. G. Knaak
D. H. Beurhaus	L. H. Cordes
A. Solliday	A. F. Solliday
C. J. Habhegger	A. J. Hilgendorf
A. R. Vaughn	Chas. Mulberger
John W. Schempf	Edw. L. Schempf
George W. Webb	Robert Dent
Herman Wertheimer	O. C. Wertheimer
Fred G. Keck	John Chapman
W. D. Sproesser	Wm. Sproesser
Wm. F. Brandt	Wm. E. Brandt
Max G. Kusel	H. A. Long
E. W. Schultz	Henry Schultz
Julius Wiggenhorn	C. H. Jacobi
Carl Manz	A. Holmes

After the initiation ceremonies, the followofficers were elected:-

Exalted Ruler .		. Jesse Stone
Est. Leading Knight		G. H. Stanchfield
Est. Loyal Knight		. John Chapman
Est. Lect. Knight		Charles Mulberger
Secretary		. C. A. Skinner
Treasurer		. Carl Manz
Tiler		. Fred G. Keck
Trustee 1 year .		. C. H. Jacobi
Truste 2 years .		W. H. Woodard
Truste 3 years .		. A. Solliday

Exalted Ruler Jesse Stone made the following appointments:-

Inner Guard		. Eugene Meyer
Esquire .		Herman Wertheimer
Chaplain .		 . Robert Dent
Organist .		 William Sproesser
nmittee on rule	s:-	

G. H. Stanchfield, G. W. Webb, Jul. Wiggenhorn

ADISON LODGE No. 410 was the sponsoring Lodge and the following other Lodges were represented at the meeting, Waukesha No. 400, Fargo, S. D. No. 260, Janesville No. 254, Hudson No. 640, Fond du Lac No. 57, and Milwaukee No. 46.

The meeting adjourned after the installation of officers and the members visited about the city until the hour of 11 P. M. when they sat down to a banquet at the Concordia Opera

The decorations in the banquet room were excellent, the prevailing color being purple, the color of the order, entwined with white.

The tables were also handsomely decorated for the occasion, covers being laid for 115.

Blaesius' Orchestra furnished the music during the course of the banquet which was furnished by Landlord Smith of the New Commercial Hotel, the menu being as follows:-

First meetings of the Lodge were held on third floor of this building



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New York Counts

Olives Lettuce

Roast Turkey, Cranberry Sauce

Baked Ham Roast Beef Pork and Beans

Chicken Salad, Mayonnaise Dressing

Potato Salad, Cream Dressing

Milk

Sweet Pickles

Onions

Celery

Fruits, all kinds

Assorted Cakes Coffee

Tea

Wines

Cigars

Thomas B. Mills was the toastmaster. He spoke on the growth of the Order, what it intended to accomplish and advocated the giving of charity unostentatiously in worldly goods as well as in kindness shown others in distress.

He stated that the Order, purely American has been in existence for thirty-three years and has 80,000 members. There are now 666 Lodges, and seven of them have been established in Wisconsin in the past six months.

A number of guests responded to invitations and delivered short talks and interesting sketches, both of a humorous and instructive nature. Local members who responded with a few remarks included A. Solliday, Herman Wertheimer and W. H. Woodard.

A baritone solo was rendered by William Sproesser and was much enjoyed by all.

The members dispersed at 2:30 A. M. after having enjoyed a pleasant evening.

Watertown Lodge No. 666, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks was granted it's dispensation on the date of the institution of the Lodge, on March 22, 1901.

The charter was granted when the Grand Lodge met on July 25, 1901.

The first meetings of the Lodge were held in the Knights of Pythias Hall, 103-105 Main Street (third floor of the building now occupied by the Main Cafe and Bar.)

In 1902, quarters were established on the third floor of the Daub Building, 10 Main Street (west of the Bank of Watertown.)

In 1907, the Lodge moved to the third floor of the new Masonic Temple. This was one of the two buildings in the city that had a passenger elevator. This feature was greatly appreciated by the members who had been climbing two flights of stairs to their quarters in the other buildings. While occupying these quarters, many members expressed the desire to have a home of their own, resulting in the incorporation of the Watertown Elks Realty Company and the sale of stock to members.

On January 5, 1916, the directors of the Elk's Realty Company purchased the building at the south-east corner of North First and Madison Streets, the old Concordia Opera House (scene of the banquet on March 22, 1901.)

The Masonic Temple was gutted by fire on February 18, 1916. All of the property and records of the Lodge were destroyed.

Temporary quarters were established on the third floor of the Farmers and Citizens Bank Building on February 19, the day after the fire and once again the members started climbing two flights of stairs.

At this time plans for the immediate alteration of the Concordia Opera House were made. Brothers Herman Wertheimer, Frank P. McAdams, Max G. Kusel, Edw. L. Schempf, and Wm. E. Brandt, took an active part looking after the many details which made our present Home possible.

The small space east of card room served as the tap room at which only members were served. Ladies were served in the Grill Room east of the pool room at that time.

The remodeling program was completed and all furnishings in place when the new Elk's Home was officially opened to the membership on December 31, 1916.

The exalted rulers and their officers have gone through periods of good and bad years. Sometimes it seemed almost impossible to meet current expenses and pay the rent to the Realty Company, so it in turn could pay the interest and reduce the principle on the mortgage.

Through the cooperation of the several committees which had funds, the Lodge's obligation to the Realty Company was met, sometimes on the day it was due.

About ten years ago, when the Lodge was financially able, it was decided that the Lodge should satisfy the mortgage, thus eliminating the interest charges. Through this arrangement, the Lodge received credit for several years advance payment in rent.

The officers of the Lodge held a meeting at a later date with the directors of the Realty Company and decided to take steps to legally dissolve the Elks Realty Company. This proved to be a long drawn out process, and took much more time than had been originally anticipated.

As secretary of the Elks Realty Company, F. P. McAdams undertook the task of locating and recalling the stock. This took considerable time as many shares had passed into other hands after the death of the members who had subscribed for the stock when the Elk's Realty Company was incorporated.

Most of the members who were living, turned in their stock gratis, or for the sum of \$1.00. A few thought that they should get the approximate value of the stock in the form of advance payment of dues. Several cases were handled in this manner.

The third floor of this building was the Elks' Home from 1902 to 1907



HEN the affairs of the Realty Company were in proper shape so that it could be legally dissolved, the officers and directors of the Realty Company made that recommendation to the Lodge and it was accepted.

The mortgage was burned at a fitting ceremony on March 9, 1946, when the Lodge honored the returned veterans of World War II.

Two of the Lodge's charter members, Brothers William Sproesser and O. C. Wertheimer assisted Exalted Ruler F. W. Koenig in the burning of the mortgage ceremony.

Past Exalted Ruler L. M. Bickett provided all the turkeys gratis for the banquet that night.

Nineteen members have served as Exalted Ruler, and with the exception of Brother C. A. Comstock, who only served a few months, we were fortunate in securing pictures of the Past Exalted Rulers, most of them taken at the time that these members served. Every effort was made to contact Brother Comstock who served a portion of the 1911-1912 year, but we were not successful.

Since the first secretary, Brother C. A. Skinner, those elected to that office include Brothers A. J. Hilgendorf, O. C. Hahn, A. D. Platz, J. E. McAdams, Albert Frattinger, A. N. Thauer, Frank P. McAdams, A. A. Ullrich, Max Melzer, E. J. Terwedow, E. J. Byrne, Gerald W. Kehr, and R. V. Harte. Although elected, Brother Terwedow declined the office and never served.

Ruins of the Masonic Temple



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Two of the members have been honored by being appointed District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler of the southern district of Wisconsin. They are Brothers F. P. McAdams and F. W. Koenig, and both members also hold Honorary Life Membership cards in our Lodge.

Brother McAdams' card is dated since April 12, 1916, and Brother Koenig's card is dated since January 8, 1947.

To help balance the budget, many former officers found it necessary to sponsor some money-making affair. One of the old standbys was to 'put on' a Minstrel Show. Most of these were conceived and directed by members of the Lodge. Besides bringing in a neat sum at the box office, they also promoted goodfellowship among the members taking part in the show.

One of the features of these shows was the Elk's Quartette which included Brothers E. L. Schempf, O. E. Meyer, Wm. Sproesser, and Max Rohr.

In October 1920, the Lodge presented the big "Elk's Round-up". It was Brother Harry Krier's idea, copied after one he had seen out west. It ran for several days and the members sold thousands of tickets—good for admission to Turner Hall and a chance on the grand prize. Games and concessions dotted all available space in the hall with members in stands dressed in western style. Concessions also lined both sides of 4th street. It proved to be a 'life-saver' as over \$4000 was cleared on the venture, coming at one of the times when the Lodge needed it most to meet current expenses.

In 1925 an Elk's Chorus was organized with Brother Edw. L. Schempf as director. Brother William Sproesser took over the job when Brother Schempf left town. The chorus sang at several Memorial Services, banquets and Inter-Fraternal Community Service programs. Due to lack of interest, it disbanded at a later date.

The Lodge observed it's 25th Anniversary on March 22, 1926 with a banquet and appropriate program which included music by the Elk's Trio, Elk's Chorus and Elk's Quartette.

6 HE ADDRESS of welcome was given by Exalted Ruler F. W. Koenig and Brother J. E. McAdams was the toastmaster. Responses were given by Sidney Jones, D. D. G. E. R., Judge John C. Karel, Otto R. Roenius, Wm. F. Schad, Burt Arnold, Frank L. Fawcett, Herman Wertheimer and F. P. McAdams.

Grand Exalted Ruler Charles H. Grakelow of Philadelphia, Pa. visited our Lodge on February 6, 1927. The banquet was served in the Lodge room and a capacity crowd greeted Brother Grakelow. His address was a masterpiece, one that those who were present, are still talking about.

On October 18, 1928, the Lodge sponsored the local appearance of the United States Navy Band.

For many years, especially in the 'twenties', the card room was a place of great activity, especially the large round table. Much credit can be given to the 'gang' that sat there. Lodge funds were low and a 'rake' was taken out of every pot. They bought their own cards, the ceiling fan in the card room, a vacuum cleaner and each player was given 50c in trade checks at each sitting.

On March 19, 1930, Past Grand Exalted Ruler Thomas B. Mills who had been elected to that high office in 1912, died in Clearwater, Fla. Funeral services were held at Blackriver Falls, Wisconsin on March 22, the 29th anniversary of the date of the institution of Watertown Lodge No. 666, at which Brother Mills presided. Several Past Grand Exalted Rulers and other prominent Elks including Brother F. P. McAdams, Chairman of the Grand Lodge Auditing Committee were present for the last rites.

Watertown Lodge No. 666 was the sponsoring Lodge when Beaver Dam Lodge No. 1540 was instituted on June 3, 1928, and a large delegation of Watertown Elks were present. Past Grand Exalted Ruler James R. Nicholson of Springfield, Mass. Lodge No. 61 represented the Grand Lodge.

On April 10, 1930, Past Grand Exalted Ruler James R. Nicholson attended our Lodge meeting and installed the new officers.

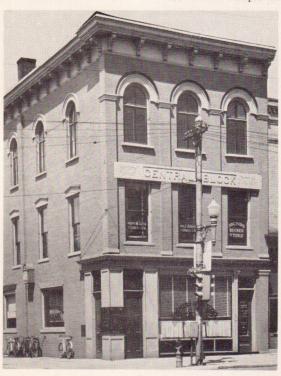
A bowling team known as the Bickett Rubber Mats with Brothers Harry B. O'Brien, Jos. T. Lange, L. M. Bickett, Fred Maerzke and Wm. Hartzheim on it's roster, rolled into first place in the Elk's National Tournament at Detroit, Michigan, in 1931 with a score of 3166. Up to the present time, this is the only team from Wisconsin to accomplish this fete.

Grand Exalted Ruler John R. Coen, of Denver, Colorado Lodge No. 1336 was officially welcomed to our Lodge on May 4, 1932.

In January 1935, the House Committee presented a plan to move the original tap room to the Grill Room. The plan was tabled.

On February 9, 1937, the same proposition was presented at the meeting. A special committee was appointed to investigate the plan, the entire cost of which was not to exceed the sum of \$300.00.

Temporary quarters were established in this building after the Masonic Temple fire



At the next Lodge meeting, when the committee reported that it could stay within the specified limit in making the change, it was authorized to proceed with the plan. The original tap room was then converted to the present stock room.

In the fall of 1940 a more modern bar replaced this one. It served our purposes to May 19, 1950 when it was moved to the north anteroom on the second floor.

On December 8, 1941, the day after the attack on Pearl Harbor, the Lodge offered the entire Ladies room and the north-west anti-room on the second floor to the local chapter of the Red Cross for their war program. These rooms were used for over three years, when they moved to larger quarters.

During the war our Lodge was active in supporting War Bond drives, sponsoring the "Keep 'Em Flying" program in procuring young men for the Air Cadets, and at the request of the Maritime Service, our Lodge collected several hundred books for their library.

At the request of several District Deputies in the early 'forties', your officers participated in several State Ritualistic Contests, placing 2nd and 3rd, but in 1945 they appeared at the Spring Conference at Menasha and came home with the first place trophy and a check for \$100.00.

Members of this team were: Exalted Ruler, F. W. Koenig; Est. Leading Knight, C. A. Wallman; Est. Loyal Knight, L. J. Kiefer; Est. Lect. Knight, J. R. Casanova; Esquire, Paul G. Fischer; Chaplain, H. F. Schatz; Inner Guard, A. A. Beyer; candidate, S. F. Eberle.

Brother P. H. Lindeman who has contributed liberally to the program, our Lodge has sponsored an annual visit of Santa Claus. A week before Christmas Santa rides through the business district on a float and stops at the Elk's Home to greet the kiddies. The attendance varies with weather conditions, but on occasions as many as 1300 bags of candy and nuts have been distributed. The Lodge pays for the balance in cost of the program.

Watertown Lodge No. 666 entertained the delegates and their ladies at the Fall Conference of the Wisconsin State Elks Association on October 23-24, 1948.

The 39th Annual Elks Association Bowling Tournament was held in Watertown February 18 through May 7, 1950. While plans were being made to temporarily increase our bar facilities, many thought that a permanent change should be made. A special committee was appointed to get facts and figures on same.

At the November 23, 1949 meeting, a request from the committee for funds to remove two walls of the pool room and purchase new bar equipment was defeated.

When the proposed budget which did not include an amount for this expenditure was read at the April 12, 1950 meeting, a motion carried to include \$13,000.00 in the budget. The Grand Lodge Trustees approval was received April 19, 1950 and the Lodge trustees provided the funds. The old bar was moved to the northwest antiroom on the second floor on May 20, 1950 and the remodeling work which included the elimination of the pool room was started, providing a room 28 by 39 feet. All work was completed and new equipment installed for the grand opening on September 9, 1950.

Watertown Lodge No. 666 has subscribed to and holds a paid-up \$1,000.00 Founders Certificate in the Grand Lodge Foundation.

Through the years, from donations received from our membership, the Lodge has provided baskets of provisions to the less fortunate in the community at Christmas time.

When the Christmas basket committee met about twenty-five years ago, a medical case which would require all the committee's funds came to it's attention. Brother Arthur Mueller suggested that we ask several organizations to join in handling such cases. Letters were sent to a number of organizations requesting a donation of \$100.00 and the promise that they would never be asked for further financial assistance.

The Masons, Catholic Knights of Wisconsin, Knights of Pythias, Knights of Columbus and Elks responsed and chose the name Inter-Fraternal Community Service for the organization.

Each organization is represented by two directors and events such as Fireman's Tournaments, Food Shows, Expositions and Fourth of July Celebrations have raised funds to carry on their charitable work. Inter-Fraternal Community Service is a unique organization, for we in Watertown have a large group consisting of several faiths and creeds, working as one in a very humanitarian cause.

The Lodge has been a regular contributor to such fund raising campaigns as the Watertown Family Welfare Association, Red Cross, Salvation Army, Spastic, Polio, Cancer, Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts and recently the Community Chest, and each year has sponsored a junior high school boy to the American Legion Badger Boys' State program.

On several occasions, our Lodge has sent groups of underprivileged boys to summer camp.

In respect to the memory and to pay honor to our departed brothers, our Lodge holds Memorial Services in our auditorium on the first Sunday of each December.

Our Lodge has supported the State Elk's Crippled Childrens program with a substantial annual donation, and a few years ago, procured artificial limbs for a young man.

Our Lodge has and shall continue to contribute to the Hospitalized Veterans Entertainment fund as long as these veterans are confined to hospitals in the state.

Each year with the assistance of the high school faculty, our Lodge conducts the local and district Scholarship Contest based on the Constitution of the United States. The Lodge awards cash prizes for the four top-ranking contestants and provides transportation to the state contest for the first place contestant.

A few years ago, our entry, Catherine Wallman, placed second in the state contest and won a prize of \$200.00.

Although our Lodge has not had entries in the Most Valuable Student Contest every year, there have been several occasions when a high school senior has had the necessary qualifications to enter the contest.

Several years ago, our Lodge received a telegram stating that our entry had placed second in the national contest and we were asked to make arrangements for her appearance at the National Convention in Omaha, Neb., to receive the award in person. Exalted Ruler F. W. Koenig and wife accompanied Viola Boeder to

Omaha where she received a check for several hundred dollars.

For a number of years the Lodge has sponsored the annual football banquet. The coaches and members of the high school and their wives and the high school football squad have been the guests of the Lodge. Most of the banquets have been open to the public and some of the largest attended affairs were those when such prominent guests as Harry Stuhldreher, Don Hutson, John Lujack appeared on the program.

An invitation to visit Watertown Lodge was sent to Grand Exalted Ruler Joseph B. Kyle on the date that he was elected to office in Miami, Florida in July 1950. He accepted the invitation, setting the date of February 7, 1951 for his visit. A large number of visiting and local Elks attended the program.

Practically every civic or patriotic program in Watertown has held it's organization meeting in the Elk's Home. It shall continue to be the policy of the Lodge to offer it's facilities to any worthwhile undertaking.

Through the years, besides being active in Elkdom, many of our members have taken an active part in civic and county affairs and have served with distinction in various capacities in many local organizations.

These are some of the contributions which the local Elks have brought to their Order, to our city and to this country. Their devotion is nourished by high ideals, love of country and the sense of obligation to their fellow men.

The growing influence and material prosperity of the local Lodge is the natural sequence to the adherence of these lofty principles. In no small degree are we indebted to the small group who builded so devoutedly and well in 1901.

And so, fifty years have passed, with words being inadequate to describe the real meaning and function, as well as the spirit exemplified by Watertown Lodge No. 666, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

It is hoped that the Supreme Ruler of all will help charter the course of Watertown Lodge No. 666 as it heads on toward the century mark, still continuing to make history.

PAST EXALTED RULERS



JESSE STONE 1901 Died 1902



G. H. STANCHFIELD 1901-1903 Living, but not a member



W. H. WOODARD 1903-1905



ARTHUR MULBERGER 1905-1907 Died 1932



OTTO C. HAHN 1907-1908 Died 1939



J. E. McADAMS 1908-1909—1911-1912



O. C. WERTHEIMER 1909-1911—1916-1918 Died 1947



F. P. McADAMS 1912-1916—1918-1924



F. W. KOENIG 1924-1928—1941-1947

With reverence, we salute those who have answered the final roll, $_{\mbox{\scriptsize Page Twelve}}$

PAST EXALTED RULERS



L. M. BICKETT 1928-1929



W. P. SCHLUETER 1929-1932



A. E. BENTZIN 1932-1934



J. T. LANGE 1934-1935



C. E. KADING 1935-1937



W. C. ROEDER 1937-1939 Trans. to Racine Lodge No. 252



F. J. KAERCHER 1939-1941

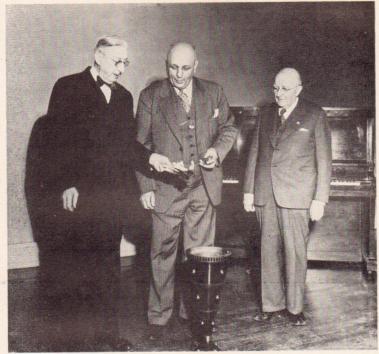


J. R. CASANOVA 1947-1949



A. A. BEYER 1949-1951

With sincere appreciation, we acclaim those who remain with us today $$_{\mbox{\scriptsize Page Thirteen}}$$



O. C. Wertheimer

F. W. Koenig

Wm. Sproesser

Burning of Mortgage

Charter Members and still members of Watertown Lodge



Wm. Sproesser

Wm. H. Woodard

CHARTER MEMBERS STILL LIVING BUT NOT ON MEMBERSHIP ROLL NOW

A. F. Solliday Watertown George H. Stanchfield Fond du Lac A. G. Knaak Watertown

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Members of Watertown Lodge No. 666 who served our country in time of war



WORLD WAR I



WORLD WAR II

MEMBERS IN SERVICE SINCE KOREAN SITUATION

Jos. R. Donahue

Ronald C. Moser David G. Jansky Harry D. Snyder

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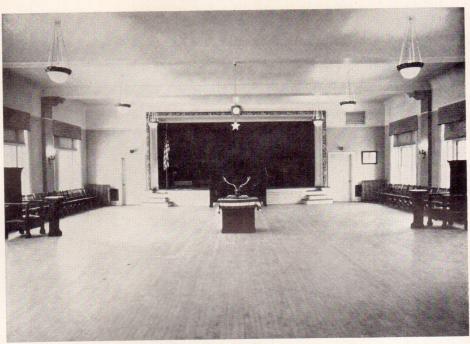
Membership in Watertown Lodge No. 666, B. P. O. Elks as reported to the Grand Lodge through the years

March	31,	1901 — 38	March	31,	1926 - 264
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"	31,	1903 — 72	"	31,	1928 — 243
"	31,	1904 — 85	"	31,	1929 — 246
"		1905 — 84	, ,,	31,	1930 — 254
"		1906 — 111	"	31,	1931 — 247
"		1907 — 111	"		1932 — 244
"		1908 — 111	"		1933 — 212
"		1909 — 124	"		1934 — 218
"		1910 — 127	"		1935 — 187
"		1911 — 133	"		1936 — 187
"		1912 — 136	"		1937 — 178
"		1913 — 137	"		1938 — 178
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"		1915 — 154	"		1940 — 168
"		1916 — 166	"		1941 — 172
"		1917 — 194	"		1942 — 179
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"		1919 — 224	"		1944 — 204
"		1920 — 235	"		1945 — 240
"		1921 — 243	"		1946 — 304
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,,		1924 — 237	"		1949 — 417
	31,	1925 — 262		31,	1950 — 422

Our membership as of March 14, 1951, 466

LODGE OFFICERS 1950-1951

Exalted Ruler Alfred A. Beyer
Esteemed Leading Knight . C. A. Wallman
Esteemed Loyal Knight . Kenneth W. Kolberg
Esteemed Lecturing Knight . Charles O. Payant
Secretary Dr. R. V Harte
Treasurer R. J. Hoge
Tiler Harold H. Nolte
Inner Guard Gordon D. Scott
Chaplain H. F. Schatz
Esquire Floyd S. Bordsen
Trustee for 1 year C. E. Kading
Trustee for 2 years C. J. McKeigue
Trustee for 3 years W. P. Schlueter
Organist John W. Keck
Electrician Karl F. Lange



LODGE ROOM



COCKTAIL LOUNGE



OLD TIMERS MAY 8, 1940

Front Row—P. H. Grube, H. F. Schatz, G. H. Lehrkind, W. H. Woodard, F. P. McAdams, A. F. Solliday, F. W. Koenig, B. H. Thauer, A. G. Krebs, E. B. Parsons, W. P. Schlueter

Second Row-J. E. Salick, A. J. Bickner, E. F. Lemmerhirt, R. J. Hoge, C. A. Kading, F. S. Weber, O. L. Gaston, S. W. Casey, F. J. Ruesch, Max Rohr

Third Row-A. H. Stallman, H. M. Dakin, J. T. Lange, H. K. Wieman, E. R. Sell, H. C. Whitmore, R. E. Schmedel

Fourth Row—S. F. Eberle, H. Mulberger, J. W. Keck, K. F. Lange, L. J. Lange, O. E. Meyer, R. W. Reichardt, R. A. Cebell, Carl Semrich, O. E. Schmutzler, R. J. McAdams



OLD TIMERS AND PAST EXALTED RULERS, MARCH 8, 1950

Front Row—A. A. Ullrich, C. E. Kading, P. E. R., J. T. Lange, P. E. R., W. H. Woodard, P. E. R., F. P. McAdams, P. E. R., W. P. Schlueter, P. E. R., F. W. Koenig, P. E. R., A. E. Bentzin, P. E. R., F. J. Kaercher, P. E. R., J. R. Casanova, P. E. R., Arthur Kuenzi, R. C. Thauer, A. J. Bickner.

Second Row—Max Rohr, A. D. Platz, H. A. Beurhaus, A. W. Breithaupt, G. D. Weber, J. W. Sproesser, F. S. Weber, K. F. Lange, R. W. Reichardt, H. F. Schatz, W. V. Resneck, C. A. Kading, C. A. Wallman

Third Row—C. T. Donahue, H. G. Reichardt, O. L. Uehling, J. E. Salick, R. M. Hahn, A. R. Setz, H. K. Wieman, W. C. Becker, E. Brinkman, L. J. Lange, A. A. Schiferl, S. W. Casey, E. F. Lemmerhirt

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FRANK BEHLKE	EDWARD MAY	HERBERT KYLE
B-1880 I-1904 D-1907	B-1879 I-1908 D-1911	B-1873 I-1916 D-1916
EMIL SCHULTZ	EUGENE WIGGENHORN	W. P. BINGHAM
B-1865 I-1901 D-1916	B-1862 I-1901 D-1916	B-1870 I-1910 D-1916
JOHN RYAN	WM. F. BRANDT	ROBERT DENT
B-1860 I-1905 D-1918	B-1855 I-1901 D-1918	B-1874 I-1901 D-1919
WM. DAVENPORT	WM. ROHR	GEORGE KOENIG
B-1874 I-1914 D-1919	B-1842 I-1916 D-1919	B-1864 I-1902 D-1919
WM. D. SPROESSER	FRED WITTENWYLER	MAX GAEBLER
B-1842 I-1901 D-1920	B-1877 I-1916 D-1920	B-1851 I-1901 D-1920
J. H. SMITH	WM. F. VOSS	LOUIS H. CORDES
B-1850 I-1901 D-1920	B-1848 I-1919 D-1921	B-1852 I-1901 D-1922
JOHN CLIFFORD	KARL KECK	U. N. BARBER
B-1873 I-1919 D-1922	B-1898 I-1920 D-1922	B-1873 I-1904 D-1923
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B-1873 I-1909 D-1924	B-1857 I-1901 D-1924	B-1841 I-1901 D-1924
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B-1856 I-1901 D-1925	B-1872 I-1901 D-1925	B-1890 I-1918 D-1925
JOHN THAUER	E. C. WOLFRAM	F. C. HARTWIG
B-1858 I-1905 D-1927	B-1868 I-1914 D-1927	B-1861 I-1907 D-1927
B. T. MARKS	ADAM MOHR	WM. WRIGHT
B-1876 I-1908 D-1927	B-1889 I-1921 D-1927	B-1854 I-1906 D-1928
	C. E. FREY B-1864 I-1906 D-1929	
H. G. FISCHER	HARRY KRIER	F. W. VOSS
B-1895 I-1923 D-1929	B-1880 I-1918 D-1929	B-1895 I-1923 D-1929
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B-1861 I-1924 D-1930	.B-1855 I-1919 D-1931	B-1868 I-1924 D-1932
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B-1876 I-1903 D-1932	B-1906 I-1930 D-1932	B-1869 I-1901 D-1933
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