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## PROCLAMATION

By virtue of the power and authority in me vested by the Supreme Forest, Tall Cedars of Lebanon of the United States, I hereby call a meeting of Montgomery Forest No. 134, to be held in the Masonic Temple at Kensington, Maryland, on Saturday, October 28, 1950, at 8:00 p.m., for the purpose of transacting such business as may come before the Forest.

Given under my Hand and Seal this third day of October, nineteen hundred and fifty.

Attest:

DON A. SMITH  
*Scribe*

WM. HOMER CARROLL, SR.  
*Grand Tall Cedar*

JAMES G. REESE, P.G.T.C., No. 104,  
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MESSAGE

Words fail me in endeavoring to express my heartfelt appreciation to those members of our Forest, who attended the religious service at Kensington; the regular meeting of our Forest on September 23rd; and the Special Communication of Silver Spring Lodge No. 215, A.F. & A.M. on September 25th. Also to District Representatives James Reese and his wife, Grand Tall Cedar Smoot Lee of Prince Georges Forest and his wife, the Senior and Junior Deputies of Prince Georges, and other members of that Forest who worshipped with us at Kensington.

Our meeting on the 23rd was one of the finest ever held in the history of Montgomery Forest, and those who attended were verbose in their praise, and inspired by the real Cedarlike spirit which predominated the entire evening. Seventy six Cedars were present, which number included our beloved Past Supreme Tall Cedar Tom Havel, our amiable District Representative Jimmie Reese, the officers and ten other members of Prince Georges Forest, Past Grand Tall Cedar Larry Wedding of Capitol Forest No. 104, and Brother Roy Kilgore of 104, who is the father of our own Roy Kilgore. The refreshments served by our efficient Refreshment Committee, under the leadership of our Chief Steward Harold Dillenbeck, were truly tops. At the close of this truly harmonious evening the following came to me, "Time, patience and perseverance accomplisheth all things." Brethern we have had a hard pull, but I feel that we have broken through the nebulous augury, and that the sunlight of better days beams brightly upon our Forest.

It is with deepest regret that the sad intelligence of the death of our congenial brother Achilles Persion who possessed a most cheery smile, a willingness to work for the Forest when and where he could, and endeared himself to all by his ingratiating personality. Funeral service was conducted at the Hines Funeral Home, on October 3rd, at 11 a.m. Masonic service was conducted by Silver Spring Lodge No. 215. Thus, Brethern, another member of our Forest has been called to rest in the shade of the Celestial Forest above. Let each of us live so that we may welcome the Grim Tyrant Death, and receive him as a kind messenger, sent to translate us from this Earthly Forest to that Celestial Forest above, where we can dwell with our Creator while the years of eternity roll.

For lo from our our bourn of time and place,  
The flood may bear me far,  
I hope to see my Pilot face to face,  
When I have crossed the bar.

Cedarly  
HOMER

## Agenda

- October 15th—8 p.m. Join with Capitol Forest No. 104 in the holding of their religious service. Those desiring to attend will kindly assemble at the Masonic Temple 8th and F Streets, N.E. at 7 p.m.
- October 20th—8 p.m. Executive Meeting, Stone House Inn. All welcome.
- October 21st—Institution of a new forest at New Castle, Pa. More anon re this.
- October 28th—Regular Forest Meeting at the Masonic Temple, Kensington.
- November 4th—Participate in institution of new Forest at Portsmouth, Va.
- November 11th—Annual Corn Husking at Bonnie Blink. If you desire to go with members of Silver Spring Lodge call John Nutter, Sr. W. at SH 1421 for bus reservation.
- November 12th—District 20 religious service at the Methodist Church, Hyattsville,

Call a Brother Cedar and ask him to accompany you to these events. BE A BOOSTER for Cedarism.

## Grand Tall Medal

We will have our Grand Tall's Medal within the next two weeks—perhaps at our next meeting.

## Petitions

May I urge you to put forth your every effort to secure petitions in order that we may have a large class for our next Ceremonial.

## Our Visit to Silver Spring Lodge

Thirty-five of our members attended the special communication of Silver Spring Lodge on September 25th. We were most graciously and cordially received by the Worshipful Master, Brother Russ Weaver. Our beloved Past Supreme Tall Cedar Tom Havel delivered an impromptu talk on the important part which Masonry played in the development of this beloved country of ours; in his little talk he presented facts which were new to the majority of us, and truly of historical value.

Past Master Martin Kinsinger, a member of the Board of Managers of the Grand Lodge of Maryland, spoke of the fine work being done by Cedars—that they had been the instigators of the Blood Donor Bank now administered by the Grand Lorge—handled the serving of food at the Annual Corn Husking at the Masonic Home, at Bonnie Blink—had always supported the Grand Masters wholeheartedly in recent years — and never been weighed in the balances and found wanting.

After the meeting a real get-together was had on the second floor of the Temple, and refreshments were served. Several petitions were secured and these Saps will be included in the class to be initiated at the Ceremonial to be held by Prince Georges Forest at the Masonic Temple, Hyattsville, Maryland, on October 7th. Our cast will exemplify the Prolog and Royal Court at this Ceremonial, while our Chief Sidonian Myron Jones and his Stunt Corps will put on the Sidonian Degree.

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E. O. Persion -----	1
J. Myron Jones -----	2
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Paul L. Miley, Sr. -----	1

First Cedars, let your name get on this list and then have the number after your name increase each month. To get your name on this list, all you have to do is procure one (1) SAP. Let's go and see who will top the list at the end of this year.

## Dues Are Due

### By-Laws

At long last our amended and approved By-Laws have been mimeographed and are ready for distribution. Your Grand Tall, assisted by his daughter Brearly, accomplished this Herculean Task, notwithstanding the hot and humid weather. It necessitated the cutting of twenty stencils and the turning of the handle of the old mimeograph machine many times. Thanks Brearly Enstone for giving up so much of your vacation time.

That date will be a memorable one in the history of Montgomery Forest. Why? Because aside from having one of the largest turn outs we ever had, true peace and harmony prevailed and the real and sincere spirit of Cedarism was manifested throughout the entire evening. In fact, we had such a fine meeting that those who attended were verbose in their praise and are still talking about it. No wonder they said "This is Cedarism". To you Cedars who are not attending the meetings and other activities of your Forest, I say, brethren you are truly missing something. Look at the agenda and make our meetings A MUST. Remember, you only get out of an organization what you put into it.

It was great to have members of our Color Guard and Rangers on hand in uniform. We need new members for both of these uniformed bodies. Volunteer and take an active part in your Forest. We must have members who can attend regularly, otherwise the funds which were expended for uniforms have been wasted and inure no benefit to Montgomery Forest.

## Our Forest Honored

Our Forest has been requested by the Supreme Forest to exemplify the Prolog and Royal Court at Portsmouth, Virginia, on November 4th, in connection with the

## BOOSTER LIST

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If you want to help your Forest, please send a "buck" to Scribe Don Smith and have your name added to the above Booster List for remainder of the year 1950. Don't wait to be solicited, just volunteer.

institution of a new forest at that place. Our Senior Deputy George Heilman, our Lieutenant Buddy Hindman, and our Chief Sidonian Myron Jones, are working on plans to transport our scenery to Portsmouth in order that we may exemplify the degrees of Cedarism in fine form. Another Forest will be instituted at New Castle, Pennsylvania, on October 21st. It looks as though our good friend Tom Havell, who is chairman of the Supreme Forest Extension Committee is truly doing a fine job. That's what we want to see—Cedarism spreading and growing. Try and join the motor caravan going to Portsmouth on the 4th of November. We will be back in time to vote—something we should not fail to do.

### Our Sick

If you know of any member who is ill, please call Dick Harries, SH 2267, and your Grand Tall. We are happy to report that Rex Giles, who was ill unbeknown to us, is well, and was present at our last meeting. "Be not slow to visit the sick, for that shall make the beloved."

### We Went to Church

On Sunday, September 17th, thirty-three of us attended the morning service at Kensington M. E. Church, and heard a wonderful sermon by Brother Porter

on Loyalty—loyalty to God, Church, Country, Lodge, organization, etc. None of us will forget his pointed remarks relative to those who take solemn obligations to do certain things, and then do not do them. I am sure that the good ladies of his Church will long remember the current tune hit "If I Knew You Were Coming I Would Have Baked a Cake." Do not believe that the Reverend will be short on cakes in futuro. It was nice to have the members of other Forests and their wives worship with us.

### Crab Feast

At long last, our hard-working and enthusiastic Chief Frolicer Chick Harrison, through no fault of his, made his final report. We came out without losing a cent. Most fortunate, for other organizations who held Crab Feasts on the same date as ours, in the venacular of the street—lost their shirts. Hats off to Chick and his loyal corps of workers who accomplished the apparent impossible and brought us out of the red. That is the kind of loyalty and service that causes an organization to go forward. Keep up the good work Cedars for your Alma Mater, No. 134.

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### Wear Your Pyramid

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## SPECTEMUR AGENDO

Let us be judged by our deeds. Have just returned from the funeral service of our late Brother Achilles Persion. The funeral home, large as it was, was filled to over-flowing; men of every creed, race and color; the rich and the poor; those who had catered to Achilles's needs in life; those who had worked with him, rubbed shoulders with him. More flowers than I have seen at any funeral. Truly a tribute to a real man, a humble man, who loved his fellow-man, who saw only the good things in people, not the bad; whose heart was filled with sympathy and understanding; who endeared himself to all.

One does not have to proclaim their attributes; for, actions speak louder than words—one can readily glean from the last tributes paid to a departed brother, the type of person he was in life. We can truly say that Achilles fought a good fight in running his course, he kept the faith and fulfilled his obligations to God, Country and Man. He lived a life worthy of emulation. In departing he has left foot prints on the sands of time, foot prints that perhaps another; seeing, shall take heart again. Well done good and faithful servant.

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