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A FORWARD LOOKING MASON.

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When a topic such as the above is considered, there is a question of what type of introduction if any would be most appropriate? For guidance and direction the historic fortunes of masonry might be as good a place as any to start.

Charles Ferguson, in his book "FIFTY MILLION BROTHERS" looks closely at the ritual of all or nearly all service lodges as distinct from trade lodges in the United States. The scope of his work is very wide. He includes The Blue Lodges, and their concordant bodies; the semi-concordant bodies; the pseudo-lodges and some societies. His main thrust seems to be their ritual and the reasons for their existence. For the latter, he names companionship, mutuality of support, protection and the preservation of "the good old times" or the ritual of yesteryear; the members are uniting in a common cause, repelling a common adversity. In passing, he looks at their financial fortunes or strengths in the social environment. In times of social stress, he notes, an increase in membership results.- Providing that the subject lodge is financial stable and well run. By social stress he means, war or the threat of war, depression or other social upheavals, disasters of nature, - earthquakes, famine, floods and, it is suggested cosmic disasters.

To assess the future trends or strengths of masonry, we must look to the future and make a forecast. However, inadequate the forecast might be. If it is said that things will continue as they are and that forecasters are always wrong. Especially the forecasters of weather. Then, an implicit forecast is being made. The forecast is that society won't change. - It will remain the same. This is wrong, because society is constantly changing, and will continue to do so.

Masons in general have devoted all their talents to looking into the past. They search for the origins of masonry. They write biographies on the principal actors. Their searches have been directed to archaeological findings, records of historical events the year 2000 A.D. then a look at the disturbing factors of society must be made. John Naisbitt and Patricia Aburdene in their book "MEGATRENDS 2000" say

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that they have found real evidence in society of its desire to put its affairs of political and economic stability in order before the year 2000 A.D. This paper then will look at a disturbing factor of society - A cosmic disturbance.

In southern Burma, on the west bank of the Sittang River, at the head of the Gulf of Martaban stands the ancient Shrine of Minwya. This ancient Shrine was built by the Brahmins; and, after a very chequered history, rebuilt and or renovated a number of times: It is now a Buddhist Pagoda. It has one very interesting feature. At some time in the past, a picture of the heavens was painted on the ceiling.

Looking up at the ceiling, above the Buddha's head, was a personification of the sun. Close to the sun was a planet, gray and silver, representing the planet Mercury. Next, came a blue and green planet representing Earth. The Earth had one horse pulling it around the heavens. Further out, there was a red and brown planet being pulled by two horses, or what appeared to be horses, and represented the planet Mars. Then there was a gray spotted ring, right around

the sun, which can be assumed to be the asteroid belt. Then came a red, brown and white planet being pulled by some half dozen horses, this represented the planet Jupiter. Further out, and personified was the multicolored planet Saturn, again pulled by some half dozen horses. Something was wrong with the pictorial art work on the ceiling, very wrong; there was no planet Venus. Immanuel Velikovsky had said in his book "WORLDS IN COLLISION"; that before about 600 BC. Venus was not in its present position. Velikovsky then made certain inferences concerning Venus, some of which have now been proved wrong. The main point is: It is now generally agreed that the planet Venus is a relatively new arrival to its present position in the solar system. When it arrived, and from whence it came, is not known. There are however, a number of fairly unique facts that individually mean very little, but may mean a great deal when taken collectively. Venus appears to have shifting tectonic plates like the earth's moving continental and oceanic plates. It has a retrograde orbit, its spin like Uranus' is reversed. It is one of the densest of the planets - comparable with earth and Mercury. Its temperature does not appear to be completely explained by the greenhouse effect of its atmosphere. In fact the most recent pictures of Venus returning from the satellite Magellan reveal a number of geographical features that cannot as yet be explained by scientists. Perhaps, as larger pictures are examined, scientists will be able to make better sense of the planet's system of rifts and faults.nts and interpreting the work of others in the light of more recent information. Their work is superlative. If however, there is a desire to put our Masonic houses in good financial and administrative order before

In 1961, a Brahmin announced that the world would end on February 5th. 1962. He announced that on that day a conjunction (a lining up) of all the planets in Capricorn would destroy the earth. There were outbreaks of panic not only in India, but all over the world. Brahmin holy men led prayer sessions for many days before the event. The Priests were especially fervent during the nine days immediately preceding the event - leading nonstop prayer sessions. At least half a million more of the faithful hastened to take their last purification rights in the sacred Ganges River at Benares. In England's Lake District a little gathering, bundled up in windbreakers against the winter storms, climbed to the top of Mount Coniston to pray that the disaster be averted. Various groups in Europe and the United States had similar gatherings. After the event, it was found that the earth had in fact moved in its orbit around the sun. The apogee (furthest distance from the sun) of the earth was some eight million miles further from the sun than normal, and the perigee was some seven million miles closer to the sun. Less than a 1% change in the solar radius: Not enough to cause any damage; or cause the earth to cross the orbit of any other body; or disturb the harmonic balance of the planets. Slowly the earth's orbit returned to normal as the planets moved out of conjunction or alignment.

There are more predictions about catastrophes for the coming decade encompassing the year 2000 A.D. than, in any other period in the history of mankind. This would including the decade in the neighbourhood of the year 1000 A.D. For this period, the second coming of Christ and the battle at Armageddon that would be the end of the world was forecasted by many, especially the Church.

The first catastrophic prediction for the year 2000 A.D. was made by a priest named Joseph, in ancient

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Egypt. In about 1,600 B.C., Joseph predicted that in 3,600 years, a body hitting the earth would cause wide spread famine for a number of years. The famine would be so severe that whole nations would be extinguished. Other predictions forecast floods, earthquakes, ice ages and pestilence. Close to the year 2000 A.D. , the earth enters a dangerous area of the heavens where it could

be accelerated by each of the outer planets in turn, sling shot effect, into an orbit initially closer to Mars. It is not known what the result will be. It has not been put into the computers as yet. Thus, there might be a grain of truth or possibility in the predictions for the year 2000 A.D. by the forecasters of Doom and Gloom. The excuse seems to be lack of money, bodies and time. There will be further evidence of this later on in this paper.

Taking a tour through space and time and on the Earth's surface, the following points will be noted as being unusual. In Alaska, at Point Hope, an ancient city of some eight hundred stone houses set in a temperate zone climate was discovered by E. Stefansson and R. G. Rainey and their colleagues under the sponsorship of the American Museum of Natural History in New York. The inhabitants of this ancient city had reached quite an advanced stage of civilization or development. Some of the dead were buried with ivory eyes and showed evidence of successful brain surgery (about 80% success) Success is measured from the number skulls that showed signs of bone healing as compared to the total number of skulls showing signs of surgery.

In central Alaska, northwest of Fairbanks where the ground has been frozen for many millions of years, animals with flesh still attached to their bones as well as some with fresh food in their stomachs, and in an excellent state of preservation have been found deep frozen in the ice. The animals were from a temperate climate. Both large and small, ranging all the way from the great Mastodons to the lowly lizards and snakes. The time span of the snap deep freeze must have been very short. The catastrophic terrestrial event could have taken a number of years, but it only needed a local cold snap taking place over a day or so in the fall, to deep freeze the animals. The deep freeze would not thaw out the following spring or for millions of years. Just after the discovery of the Mastodons, members of the Explorers Club in the year 1900 were served grilled Mastodon steaks at some function of the society in New York. These particular steaks were imported from Siberian finds.

Looking at the ice ages in general it is found that in Labrador, the land has been denuded of all soil, down to bedrock, by the action of glaciers. In Fiji on the north-west side of Mount Monavatu on Yiti Lavu (the larger round island), there is the track of a past glacier with its terminal moraine - the debris transported by the down hill end of the glacier. The Singatoka and Ba Rivers drain the area between the old glacier track or scar and the terminal moraine. This feature is clearly visible from Nadi Airport. Then again there are numerous examples in Northern Europe of an ice age. It is this fact amongst others, that some scientists claim that, the axis of the earth has changed. In fact more than once. One such claim, placed the South Pole between Iceland and Greenland; and, the North Pole between Macquarie and Belleny Islands south of Australia and New Zealand. (This would satisfy some of the myths and legends that the sun rose in the west and set in the east. In fact in ancient Egypt the Priests worshipped the sun that 'rose from the desert and rested or slept in the sea'. Perhaps it is wishful thinking that the Sahara was 'the desert' and the Red Sea 'the sea'). Immanuel Velikovsky in giving credence to the Exodus where it is reported that 'the sun stood still' points out that: That if 'the sun stood still' there must have been a prolonged day at that time in Egypt. And if that is so; then there must have been a prolonged night on the other side of the world. This he confirmed from the myths and legends from China and the Incas and Aztecs in the Americas.

At the other extreme, there is physical evidence of lush tropical or subtropical vegetation in the Sahara and Arabian Deserts. Anyone can see, the tracks of great rivers and signs of what must have been very fertile areas when flying

over the Sahara and Saudi Arabian Deserts. Over the Arabian Desert the beds of these rivers or Wadis seem to follow a direction to the northeast. Two of these wadis are clearly discernible from both the ground and the air. The most important, politically, starts roughly near the village of Buraydah and runs northeast forming part of the border between Kuwait and Iraq. The other starts from a point near Madina and runs some 240 miles northeast, towards Er Ras north east of Riyadh.

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The greatest concentration of small wadis appear in Jordan and in the Syrian Deserts. The evidence is a great deal weaker in the Sahara - the rivers are not so well defined due to the shifting desert sands. On the ground, or just under the surface there are large petrified trees. While well below the surface, in the Arabian Desert, is oil of a biological origin. All pointing to the lush growth that must have existed in the area at some time in the past.

There is evidence, recorded by Immanuel Velikovsky and others, in the myths, legends or records of various cultures around the world of a 39 day lunar month, then a 30 day month, before the present approximately 27- day lunar month. Then again, first there was a year of ten months; ending in September, October, November and December. -The seventh, eight, ninth and tenth month of the year, which became the ninth, tenth, eleventh and twelfth months - a two month discrepancy. There is evidence in the ancient calendars that suddenly there a period that the ancients had to insert an 'unnamed period' or an 'uncounted period' or a 'holiday period' at the end of each year to bring the calendar back into line with the reality of the seasons. Later February and August were inserted into the calendar. August being inserted by the Emperor Octavian Augustus. Further, there is evidence that a 365-day year existed before the present 365.25-day year. It is interesting to note, while on the subject of time, that the Egyptian water clocks as exhibited in the museum in Cairo, did not measure a twenty-four hour day. Some of the clocks, which were from an ancient era gave one time, while a second group from another era gave a different rendition of the duration of the day. Both groups of clocks were within one hour of the present 23 hrs.. 56 mins.. day of solar time or 24 hrs.. of sidereal time. The difference in time within each group was within a few minutes. The viscosity of water has not changed. Thus the times given by these clocks would appear to be true. It should be noted that the earth's axis has at the present time a pronounced 'wobble' in relation to the stars. Perhaps caused by the uneven ice accumulation over Greenland, where the ice is over 10,000 ft. thick in some places. Further, at the present time the earth is slowing down in its daily rotation. It is caused by the action of the Moon and tides. It is only a matter of a few seconds per century.

The next point to be considered are the isogonal lines on the present day nautical charts. That is the lines that join all points of equal magnetic variation (the difference between true geographical north and magnetic north). There are numerous aberrations in these lines. At some local places on the earth's surface, the magnetic compass reverses itself. (The compass points south instead of north.) Danger Island a small island, south of New Zealand is one such place. One theory concerning these aberrations is: When the local iron ore deposits were being formed in the earth's magnetic field, they took up and aligned themselves with that field; later when the magnetic field changed, the iron ore deposit did not, thus producing the local aberrations in the earth's magnetic field. When these ore deposits are dated, there must have been numerous changes in the earth's magnetic field; since the dates vary by a considerable amount. This could indicate that perhaps some other force was also at work.

Turning now to the extraterrestrial sphere; it is found that the asteroid

belt is composed of literally hundreds of thousands or millions of rock like bits circulating around the Sun in general outside the orbit of Mars. These rock like bits range all the way from small pebbles or lumps of ice to large boulders, the largest being about 480 miles by about 1200 miles, and is named Ceres. Twenty four have been named so far. It is known that a large number of meteors, asteroids and other cosmic debris hit the earth annually. It is now accepted in the scientific world that the extinction of the dinosaurs was very probably caused by an asteroid, about 10 kilometers in diameter, striking the earth some 65 million years ago. The asteroid was very rich in the element iridium. Iridium on earth is a relatively rare element, but high concentrations were found in the same era of geological strata as the fossil remains. Thus dating those remains.

The last of the cataclysmic events that disturbed the earth, that will be considered, are earthquakes. The largest that occurred in recent times was in 1883 when Krakatoa erupted. Krakatoa was a small island of eighteen square miles in the strait of Salat Sunda, between Java and Sumatra. Twelve square miles of this island disintegrated in a very violent eruption. Very great local damage was done. The associated tsunami wave was estimated to be between 50 ft.. and 400 ft. high, depending upon the report

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considered. The word 'tsunami is a Japanese word meaning a large harbour wave, it is now applied to a large earthquake generated wave. This tsunami wave washed or surged a distance inland creating havoc on both Java and Sumatra. There is a report that a ship of about 500 tons was carried inland by the tsunami and deposited on the main street of Bogora small town about 50 miles inland. However, as far as the Earth Gaea was concerned: (Gaea is the guiding supreme intelligence of the earth's destiny. The word Gacea comes from Greek mythology and is the name given to "The Mother God Earth".) There was a cooling of the atmosphere of a few tenths of a degree. This was caused by the of dust and dirt injected into the upper atmosphere. The temperature was monitored for about two years after the eruption. Glorious sunsets and a blue moon was observed just after the eruption.

It is very difficult to measure the height of a tsunami wave. It is impossible to get close enough to measure. The estimates are usually made by the average citizen, who does not know how to measure a wave. He does not make any allowance for the type of wave: Is it a free moving (trochoidal) wave? That is one found out in the ocean or, a cresting (cycloidal) wave? That is one that is subject to bottom or sea floor effect. Seen breaking on the sea shore usually, the smaller wave estimate is given credence by the news media, because 'the larger wave is - just impossible' ' Thus, after considering all of the wave's resulting effects on the coastline at the time; an estimate of 250 ft.. for a free (trochoidal) wave, crest to trough, near the coast of Java, would be fair estimate.

A far more devastating eruption was Mount Agung on Bali in 1963. The eruption was far less violent, but caused greater climatic effect and killed a great deal of vegetation from acid rain, due to the very large amount of sulphur dioxide released. Sulphur dioxide is also one of the greenhouse gases.

By far the greatest volcanic eruption whose effects can be easily seen to-day occurred some 65 million years ago. They are the Deccan Traps in north west India and Pakistan. The Traps are in some places 3,000 ft. thick of layered flows of basaltic lava, and cover thousands of square miles. The eruption that caused these deposits was probably triggered by the asteroid that eliminated the dinosaurs.

Before, the feasibility of the old catastrophic predictions concerning the year 2000 A.D. are considered, there is a newspaper article from the Nanaimo Free Press - Saturday 16 th., June, 1990, that reads

ASTROID ONSLAUGHT PREDICTED.

Washington (Reuter's International News Service) -

American Vice-President Dan Quale and some astronomers think there is not enough concern about the possibility of Earth being struck by a giant asteroid like the one blamed for snuffing out the dinosaurs 65 million years ago.

If the past is truly prologue, they say, an asteroid could come hurtling down at any moment at any point on the globe.

If it were big enough and landed close enough to a large city, it could kill millions of people on contact. Clouds of dust could block out the sun and make the world a cold and life-threatening place for generations, scientific experts say.

"It could certainly benefit all nations to know when such an event might occur, warn those who could be affected and maybe some day even affect whether and where such an event might happen." Quale said in a recent speech to the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronauts. Mr. Quale is chairman of the National Space Council, which advises the American President on space policy.

The Aeronautics Institute has been pressing the U. S. government to set up a program to identify asteroids that might threaten to crash into Earth and look for ways to push them off course. (. . . reference has already been made to the lack of funds, bodies and time.)

"Despite the low probability that a life-destroying asteroid impact will occur, the fact is that the probability of such an event is finite and should it occur, the resulting disaster is likely to be without

6. precedent." The Aeronautics Institute said in a report.

While no human has ever been killed by a falling asteroid - at least as far as scientists know - a dog was killed by one in Nakh1, in Egypt, in 1906.

In March 1989, an asteroid bigger than an aircraft carrier and traveling at 74,000 kilometers an hour "just missed" the Earth, crossing its orbit just six hours before the planet reached the same point in space. The asteroid wasn't detected until after it passed the vicinity of Earth. "Had it struck the Earth, the energy released would have been equivalent to that of 1,000 to 2,500 one-megaton hydrogen bombs," the Institute said. "In an area of high population density, such as the northeast corridor of the United States, Los Angeles or Tokyo, millions of people would have died instantly."

There are a number of other earth shattering evidences that could be considered. In fact if it was not for climatic erosion, the earth would look like the moon or other planets. It is felt that it is easy to relate to the ones that have been mentioned, and leave the others for further study or other papers.

Now it would be beneficial at this time to consider the physical implications of the above news clipping. The asteroid was travelling at 74,000 kilometers per hour, or 12.7 miles per second. By comparison, it is about 100 times faster than a revolver bullet; 20 times faster than a high powered rifle bullet. Some rifle bullets melt on impact on non-penetrable targets. In the case of asteroids much the same thing happens. It is the size of the asteroid that is important. They all travel at enormous speeds, thus, speed is not usually a critical factor. Therefore, depending upon size, they will do one of four things, when they hit

the earth. Burn up in the earth's atmosphere. Melt on impact, creating a small crater with or without glass melt, that is the melting of the earth displaced from the crater into a glass like substance. Create a large crater, and melt, creating glass melt, vaporize some of the ejecta, that is the earth displaced from the crater created, and fracture the underlying bedrock. Or, lastly pierce the earth's crust making glass melt on the way, enter the mantle and melt, creating a very 'hot spot' in the mantle which will take a very long time to stabilize, eons in fact.

The asteroid travelling at the noted speed has a critical velocity and size, it might or might not pierce the earth's crust. But, considerable damage would be done. Some of the ejecta thrown up would vaporize and depending upon its composition could be lethal to all living things in the area. It would activate the seismographs around the world. If it landed in the ocean, it would punch a hole to the ocean floor. It might puncture the earth's crust forcing sea water into the mantle, perhaps explode. It would throw up a vast quantity of salt water some of which would be vaporized. This would produce a salt rain over most of the world.

A tsunami of initially about 1,000 ft. would be created by the asteroid. Initially the wave would be travelling at about 400 miles per hour, it would quickly decrease in size, but travel much faster, about 1,000 miles an hour. As the wave length increases so does its speed. The power of the wave slowly changes from one of potential energy, that is energy of position to one of kinetic energy, that is energy of motion. A tsunami originating in Chile would arrive in Japan 22 hours later, carrying its energy with it. The rest of this paper will try and portray as realistically as possible in the light of current knowledge, or scientific reference data found to date, the results that might be expected if an average sized asteroid was to strike the earth in an oceanic area. There is more ocean than land.

The asteroid selected, a little less than average size, is numbered 744 and named 'Hidalgo' after the Mexican revolutionary priest, who tried to liberate Mexico from Spanish rule in 1811. This asteroid will be travelling 63,000 miles per hour. It is a lump of rock about 18 kilometers or 11.1 miles a side. Our selected asteroid is projected to hit the earth at 40° north 150° west in the Gulf of Alaska.

During the descent through the earth's atmosphere, an enormous amount of nitrous oxide would be formed from the nitrogen and oxygen in the earth's atmosphere by the tremendous heat and pressure caused by the asteroid's descent. The nitrous oxide so formed would, with the water in the atmosphere, form nitric acid. A particular violent and corrosive sort of acid rain would be formed.

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Not satisfied with this acid rain nature would; with the help of ultra violet light from the sun, and the enormous temperatures and pressures caused by the asteroid; act on the salt in the sea water and on any sulphur deposits in the earth's crust, or on the asteroid, to together with the oxygen in the earth's atmosphere create both hydrochloric acid, broken down from the sea water; and sulphuric (battery) acid. These acids would form a very corrosive acid rain. This is what happened, in a small way, at Mount Agung in Bali in 1963. This acid rain cocktail would circle the globe killing all vegetation in its path.

The asteroid on reaching the ocean would punch a hole down to the ocean floor, driving the water and itself through the earth's crust into the hot mantle. An enormous explosion caused by the immediate vaporization of the trapped sea water. - Not by the heat of the earth's mantle; but the asteroid, whose surface had already been vaporized by the earth's atmosphere. And, like the rifle bullet

melted upon impact'.

The tsunami formed by the sea water rushing in to fill the 12,000 ft. deep by 11 miles diameter void, created by the asteroid, would rebound and form initially a 4,000 to 6,000 ft. wave. This wave would quickly decrease in height but increase in velocity. By the time it reached the south pole, it would be about 3,000 ft. travelling about 1,000 miles per hour. Incidentally the asteroid, of this size, could crack the earth's crust or the Pacific Plate. The cracks would run from the point of impact towards Seattle and Dutch Harbour in the Aleutian chain, both on or near the 'ring of fire'. The tipping of the north-east section of the Pacific Plate would create another tsunami. Tremendous earthquakes would be centered at Seattle and Dutch Harbour, the nearby Island of Unalaska of about 1,250 square miles could easily, just disappear ejecting far more dust dirt and debris into the atmosphere than Krakatoa, and would in the process create an earth winter. (The point of impact was carefully selected). Thus, the ice ages predicted by the forecasters of doom, would be a reality. Similarly, the predictors of floods would also be correct

The sea in the vicinity of the point of impact would boil for some time, keeping the earth's atmosphere charged with water vapour. The ensuing rain would help to wash out the acid in the atmosphere. However, the acid rain would have killed all the world's vegetation. The famines thus created would confirm the predictions of famine by the forecasters of gloom. Numerous earthquakes would be triggered all around the Pacific's 'Ring of Fire', and the rest of the world.

The tsunamis, when they reached the Washington coast would denude the coastal area; washout Hoquiam and Aberdeen and drive into the Puget Sound area. Perhaps even cresting Mount Baker. This scenario would be repeated right on down the coast; right down to South America and the Antarctic. The tsunami, when it hit the Hawaiian Islands would cause untold damage. It would wash right over the Pali onto Honolulu. The Big Island would be wiped clean! - But, the top of Mount Mauna Kea would be untouched. All the Islands of the Pacific would be wiped clean. Consider for a moment standing on top of a cliff on the sea shore looking down at the waves washing over the rocks below. The waves seem to be able to reach the top of the rocks that are at least twice as high as the waves themselves. The lower rocks are just washed over. The same would happen to all the low lying Pacific Islands. The wave would crest and break over some of them.

When the tsunamis arrived at the Antarctic they would have sufficient power to pick up the Ross Ice Shelf and the Sea Ice and deposit them on the South Polar Ice Cap.

A very interesting observation was made by the space satellite Mariner of the planet Mercury. It seems that an asteroid like body about the size of the one that nearly hit us in the news clipping hit Mercury. The shock waves from the impact traveled through the planet and created a fractured mountain on the other side of the planet. Antipodal to the Caloris Basin.

The shock waves from the projected point of impact of Hidalgo, would travel through the earth and create a huge bulge on the other side of the globe. - The resulting earthquake would lift the ocean floor in the vicinity of the Prince Edward Islands, creating new islands in the process. These

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Islands are south-east of Capetown. Another large tsunami would be created. The south-bound section of this tsunami would lift the Weddell Sea Ice Shelf and the Sea Ice and deposit it all onto the Polar Ice Cap. The increase in ice, together with the added precipitation in the form of snow from the now water laden

atmosphere would be heavy enough to unbalance the earth and cause the earth to slowly start to topple on its axis. The northern bound section of the tsunami would travel across the Indian Ocean and cause enormous damage to India and the countries surrounding the Indian Ocean. It should be noted that the sea level around the world would drop by about 16 ft. The water would be locked, - frozen on the polar ice caps.

It would be an interesting thought to consider how man would get rid of the Ice on the South Pole and, thus save the earth from toppling. By means of Hydrogen Bombs...? The alternative would be....

A benefit cost analysis indicates, very little would be lost; but the remaining life on earth might be gained. - There are enough Hydrogen Bombs to do the job!. Just imagine the uproar of the environmentalists, the survivalists, the politicians and the anti-nuclear groups!. To prevent a reoccurrence of Ice Cap Imbalance; the South Pole could be the repository for nuclear waste! If this was done, ice would never form there again! But then we would be faced with radio active water or would we?

To get a better idea of the extent of the damage caused by an asteroid, take a look at the full moon some time. Near the center of the moons disk there is a conspicuous crater named Copernicus, it is not the largest. It is near the centre of the clear high reflecting areas or seas as they are called. The particular sea that is being referred to is Mare Imbrium. One report has it that Copernicus, a hundred mile diameter crater AND the surrounding sea was caused by an asteroid like body about 2 or 3 miles in diameter hitting the moon The only reason that the earth does not look like the moon is that nearly all the evidence of cratering on earth has been eroded away by wind, ice, snow and rain.

In conclusion, it can be said that the earth has experienced some cataclysmic catastrophes in the past. And, will very likely experience more in the future. If the above such catastrophe were to occur then all the predictions of the forecasters of Doom and Gloom would be correct. There would be a tremendous social upheaval. The survivors, an estimated 20%, assuming that there were no survivors from the washed out areas, would naturally turn to Religion and Masonry and/or the other service and trade lodges for mutual protection, companionship, and the preservation of the good old days. It only remains for the survivors or mankind to get their houses in order so that they can accommodate new members. To complete the project, papers should be prepared on the other social disturbances of war, depression etc. Perhaps then the social goals will be clearer.

It seems that Mother Gaea has already taken steps to preserve her predetermined social goals in the light of the present crisis in the Persian Gulf and, the little published conflict between Libya and the U.S. backed Chad. Gaea may also be cognizant of the latent or pending cosmic disaster. The latest Paris fashions, with their raised skirts, seem to show that there is a willing desire to preserve or augment the present gene pool with the seed of the strong and the brave.

It is now within MAN and WOMANS' power to unite, world wide; co-operate; communicate; co-ordinate our efforts; to replan, re-program, redirect our I.C.B.M.s to save humanity. To unite, so that ALL the world's I.C.B.M.s arrive at the target Asteroid at precisely the same time and thus destroy it in space. We will only have a few hours at the most to make the decision and do it. World or U.N. approval must be obtained NOW. Yesterday would be even better!
