



Grand York Rite of Idaho Newsletter



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To better serve the Idaho York Rite Bodies, this newsletter will be used for local activities and newsworthy items to share. If you have items to share, please send them to the Grand Recorder, grndyrii@gmail.com.



June Happenings

<u>When</u>	<u>What</u>	<u>Where</u>
10 June	REGC Official Visit	Idaho Falls Commandery #6
13 June	REGC Official Visit	Idaho Commandery #1 Boise
19 June	REGC Official Visit	Salmon Commandery #9
24 June	MEM Degree	Twin Falls Chapter #16

LONG RANGE PLANNING Step 3 – Develop a Timeline

After you've outlined your goals and strategies, you can develop a schedule or timeline. A timeline determines when you want to start different tasks and when you want to complete certain goals. Be realistic with your timeline so you have plenty of time to achieve your goals. While it's important to meet your deadlines,

the timeline can also be flexible. You can adapt or revise it to suit your business's needs. Collaborate with your team to create a timeline that everyone thinks is doable and agreeable.

Having a timeline can help hold you and your team accountable when implementing your strategy. It may help you get the work done to complete a task on time.

A MOMENT IN THE HISTORY OF IDAHO YORK RITE

The following is an excerpt from the Grand Commandery Proceedings of 1925 held at
Nampa Idaho:

GRAND LECTURER'S REPORT

Companion Henry Leimberger presented his report as Grand Lecturer, which, on motion duly made, seconded and carried, was referred to the Committee on Doings of Grand Officers:

May 12, 1925

To the Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Officers and Representatives of the Most Excellent Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons of Idaho.

ESTEEMED COMPANIONS:

I again take pleasure in presenting to you my report for the past year. Our Most Excellent Grand High Priest Mattes Mattson suggested that we should make our official visits to Chapters together. Accordingly, on October 6 we started to make our official visits up in north Idaho. On October 9, 1925 we visited Grangeville Chapter No. 13. This Chapter has not been active for a number of years; officers unable to open and close without the Ritual. Companions inclined to surrender the chapter. But after our Grand High Priest had addressed them and pointed out the result of such a step, they decided to make another effort, and from reports received from there later on, the Chapter is making good.

On October 10 we went to Lewiston. Unable to have a meeting. High Priest and officers met us. Officers can confer all Degrees. Paraphernalia in good shape.

October 12 visited Moscow Chapter No. 7. Chapter was opened in the Royal Arch. Work followed and very well done.

Our next stop was at Coeur d'Alene, but as no meeting could be arranged we went on to St. Maries. Visited this Chapter on October 13. No work as most of the officers were out of town.

October 14 visited Sandpoint Chapter No. 17. No work.

October 15 visited Bonners Ferry Chapter No. 25. No work.

October 16 we visited Kellogg Chapter No. 20. The Most Excellent Degree was put on and very well rendered by all officers.

October 17 visited Wallace Chapter No. 9. The work was in the Mark Master's Degree and same was very worthily presented.

Our next stop was at Salmon Chapter No. 14. To reach Salmon City we were obliged to travel through Montana to Missoula, and from there down the Bitter Root Valley, over the Continental Divide and over Gibbonsville Pass, a hard road to travel by night, and we did not reach Salmon City until 10:30 the night of the 20th. Visited Salmon Chapter October 21. Regular meeting but no work on hand.

October 22 visited Idaho Falls Chapter No. 10, and a very pleasant meeting was had. At that meeting we had the pleasure of meeting Past Grand High Priest J. R. Mason.

October 23, visited Blackfoot Chapter No. 23. Here also a good meeting was had.

Our next step was at Pocatello, but could not arrange for a meeting.

February 22 we visited Pocatello Chapter No. 6, and witnessed the work of Mark Master, Past Master, Most Excellent Master and Royal Arch and never have I seen work better done. I take pleasure in extending my congratulations to the officers participating in the presentation of the several Degrees.

In February we visited Buhl Chapter No 21. No work outlined on the Trestle Board.

April 19 visited King Solomon Chapter No. 16. Work in the Mark Master Degree, and same was very well done. This is the home Chapter of our Most Excellent Grand High Priest, so of course good work was to be expected.

April 20 we visited Twin Falls Chapter No 15. Work was had in the Mark Master and same was very well done.

April 21 Mountain Home Chapter No. 24 was visited. Regular convocation was held.

April 22 Keystone Chapter was visited. Work was had in the Most Excellent Degree. Have visited this Chapter three times during the year.

April 23 visited Caldwell Chapter No. 19. Work in the Royal Arch and same was well done. This Chapter was visited three times during the year.

May 3 visited Weiser Chapter No. 11. Chapter was opened on the Royal Arch. Labor was suspended and a Lodge of Mark Masters opened for work, and same was presented in a very creditable manner.

Boise Chapter No. 3 received a number of visits from me during the past year, and I am pleased to say that the work of my home Chapter is ably and well done at all times under the skilled leadership of the Excellent High Priest, Ralph York.

In conclusion, I feel that I would be derelict in my duty did I not again call the attention

Of this Grand Chapter to the fact that in some of our Chapters there is a lack of preparation, not only in the presentation of the various Degrees, but also in the opening and closing of the different bodies. However, in view of the attitude taken at our last Grand Convocation, it would be useless for me to make any further recommendation that would require preparation on the part of the High Priest-elect. The duties of the Capitular Degree cannot be impressed on the candidate and such an impression made unless presented to them in a dignified manner by the Presiding Officer, followed by the delivery of the lecture.

A few words of my appreciation for the zeal and enthusiasm of our Most Excellent Grand High priest, Mattes Mattson, in the discharge of his duties as such. When we started out in his automobile on October 6 it took us more than a month to visit the Chapters in the Idaho Jurisdiction, and I assure you it is no small matter to leave your business and travel more than 3,000 miles of mountains and plains through Oregon, Washington and Montana. When we left Wallace, Idaho, we had to go to Missoula, Montana; from there we had to cross the Continental Divide to get to Salmon City, Idaho and often had to travel nights and Sundays to reach our destination. But through it all he was all a Grand High priest should be – courageous and faithful to the end – and he deserves well at the hands of the Craft, and we can say of him, “Well done, good and faithful servant.” I am sure he will join with me in thanks to the Officers and Companions for the many courtesies we received at their hands during our visits to their Chapters. My thanks are hereby tendered to our Right Excellent Companion Edward H. Way, our very efficient Grand Secretary, for his valuable assistance during the past year; also to our Grand King, George O. Buhn, and the Grand Sentinel, John W. Shore, and to our Grand Chaplain, George Taggart, whose prayers for our benefit may have been equaled, but never excelled, by any Grand Chaplain.

Companions, let us not forget that we all have a part in the noble and glorious work in which we are engaged. Let us all remember we are here to give that which we cannot sell or buy, and that is service in behalf of suffering humanity.

“What do we care for caste or creed?

It is the deed, it is the deed.

What for class, or what for clan?

It is the man, it is the man.

It is of love and joy and woe

Or who is high and who is low.

Mountains, Valley, Sky and Sea

Are all for humanity.

What care we for robe or stole?

It is the soul, it is the soul.
What for the crown or what for the crest?
It is the soul within the breast.
It is the Faith, it is the Hope.
It is the struggle up the slope;
It is the brain and the eye to see
One God and one Humanity.”

Fraternally submitted,

HENRY LEIMBERGER,
Grand Lecturer

Meet your new Grand York Rite Presiding Officers:



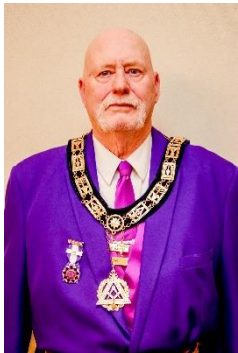
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MOST EXCELLENT GRAND HIGH PRIEST

Clinton A. 'Bud' Wethered

Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons

Member of Cyrus Chapter #2 and Boise Chapter #3



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MOST ILLUSTRIOUS GRAND MASTER

William F. Cook

Grand Council of Cryptic Masons

Member of Idaho Council #1



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RIGHT EMINENT GRAND COMMANDER

Barry E. Newell

Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Idaho

Member of Idaho Commandery #1 and Twin Falls Commandery #10