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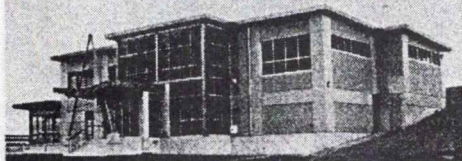
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GRAND MASTER

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The Masonic Stamp Club of New York was organized in 1934 for the purpose of encouraging research and study in Masonic Philately, and to establish bonds of good fellowship among Masons who are stamp collectors. The need for the organization has proved itself through the years with its ever-increasing membership and the formation of other Masonic stamp clubs in the United States.

The Editor invites all members to submit items of information and articles on the subject of Masonic Philately. Typewritten copy and/or camera ready items will result in the best possible presentation of your material if it is selected for use.

## **Foreign Masonic Postcards**

**By Howard Lasker - Wadsworth Lodge #417**

**114 Eileen Street  
Albany, New York 12203**

In previous articles I have written about the pleasures of Masonic postcard collecting. There is no end to the various fields that this hobby can lead you through. I have written about cards picturing Masonic buildings such as Temples, Hospitals, Homes, Shrine Mosques, etc. in all fifty states.

In addition, I have written about various categories that you find within the field of Masonic postcards, such as humorous cards, Masonic Service Association cards that were printed during World War II showing Masonic Temples that opened their doors to service men and women, providing food, game rooms and recreational facilities, and cards printed by the McCoy Publishing Company of New York City during the period of 1895 to 1913. Searching for these cards and especially when finding one is not only exciting but thrilling as well.

However, Masonic postcards are not limited to various Masonic items of interest throughout the United States. They are available depicting Masonic buildings and topics from all over the world.

Any Brother interested in the international scope of Freemasonry can purchase, for \$10.00 Per Copy Postpaid, a copy of the annual publication, *List of Lodges Masonic*, published by the Pantagraph Printing and Stationery Company, Post Office Box 1406, Bloomington, Illinois 61702-1406.

This 340-page book lists Regular Masonic Lodges throughout the world, arranged by jurisdiction, from Argentina to Yugoslavia. A great deal of useful information is found in this annual publication made possible by the Grand Secretaries who edit their listings and distribute copies of the book to their constituent lodges. One hundred and sixty seven Grand Jurisdictions are listed, as are the listings of their subsidiary lodges.

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In addition to the to the mailing address of the Grand Master and Grand Secretary of each jurisdiction (also the telephone and Email address is listed) a great deal of valuable information concerning the annual dues, dual and plural membership and age and residence requirement, minimum and maximum time required to elapse between successive degrees, law and practices of other Grand Jurisdictions is included.

Writing to brothers overseas and swapping Masonic postcards with them will provide hours of pleasure. It is quite exciting when your mail arrives and you see an envelope with some foreign stamps on it!

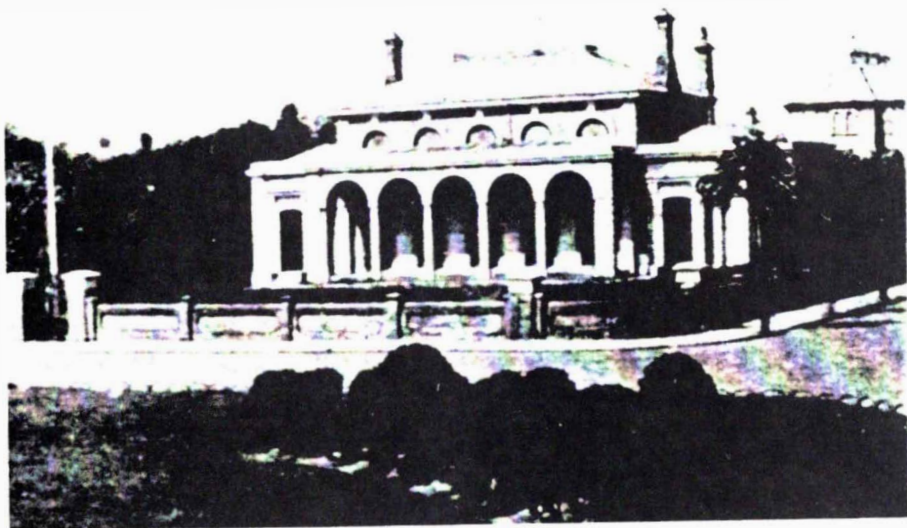
From my Masonic postcard collecting, I have developed friendships with brothers in many countries, England, France, Italy, Spain, Ireland, Australia, South Africa, and elsewhere. I have learned about Masonry in these countries, the similarities and the differences from ours. In turn I have described Masonry here to them. Not only has all of this activity been educational but it has also been very enjoyable.

After corresponding with several English Brothers, I decided I had to meet with them. I visited England and not only did I meet with them, I went to Lodge with them. To my delight, I ended up as an Honorary Member of New Silver Jubilee Lodge #8823 in London. This was an experience I shall never forget. They treated me royally. It could not have been more pleasurable. Since then it has been my honor and privilege to lecture on English Masonry, what it is like to be in an English Lodge. The experience enriched me greatly.

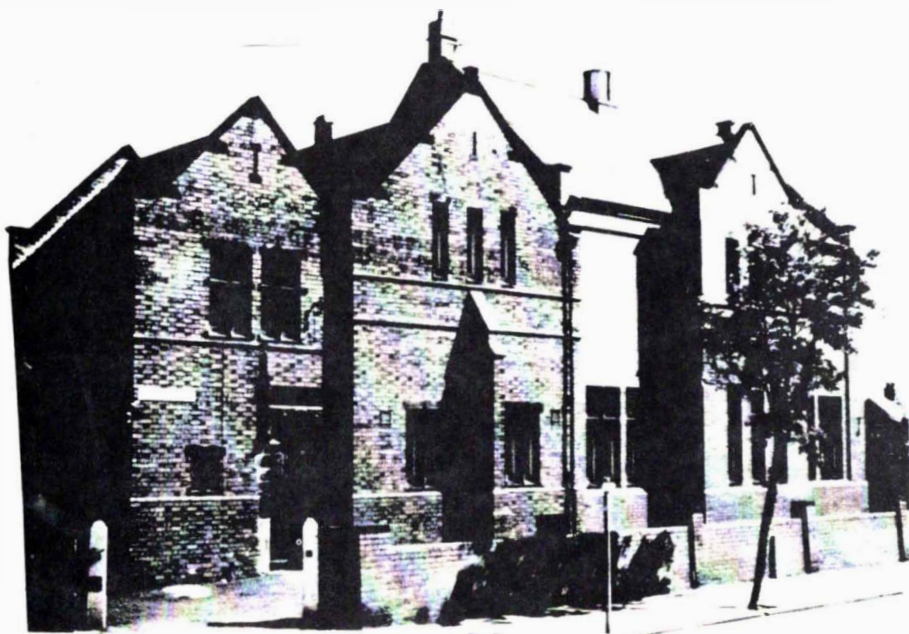
I am presenting here some cards from my collection of Temples from all around the globe. Unfortunately due to space limitations I was not able to include all of the postcards in my collection that I am proud of. You will see, just as with Temples here in the United States, there are buildings of all sizes. Some are large stately edifices. Others are small nondescript buildings. For the most part, the great Masonic buildings with their magnificent Lodge rooms are found in major cities. The smaller Temples as one might expect, are located in smaller cities and towns.

I hope that seeing some of these postcards depicting Masonic buildings throughout the world will open another field for you, for your enjoyment.

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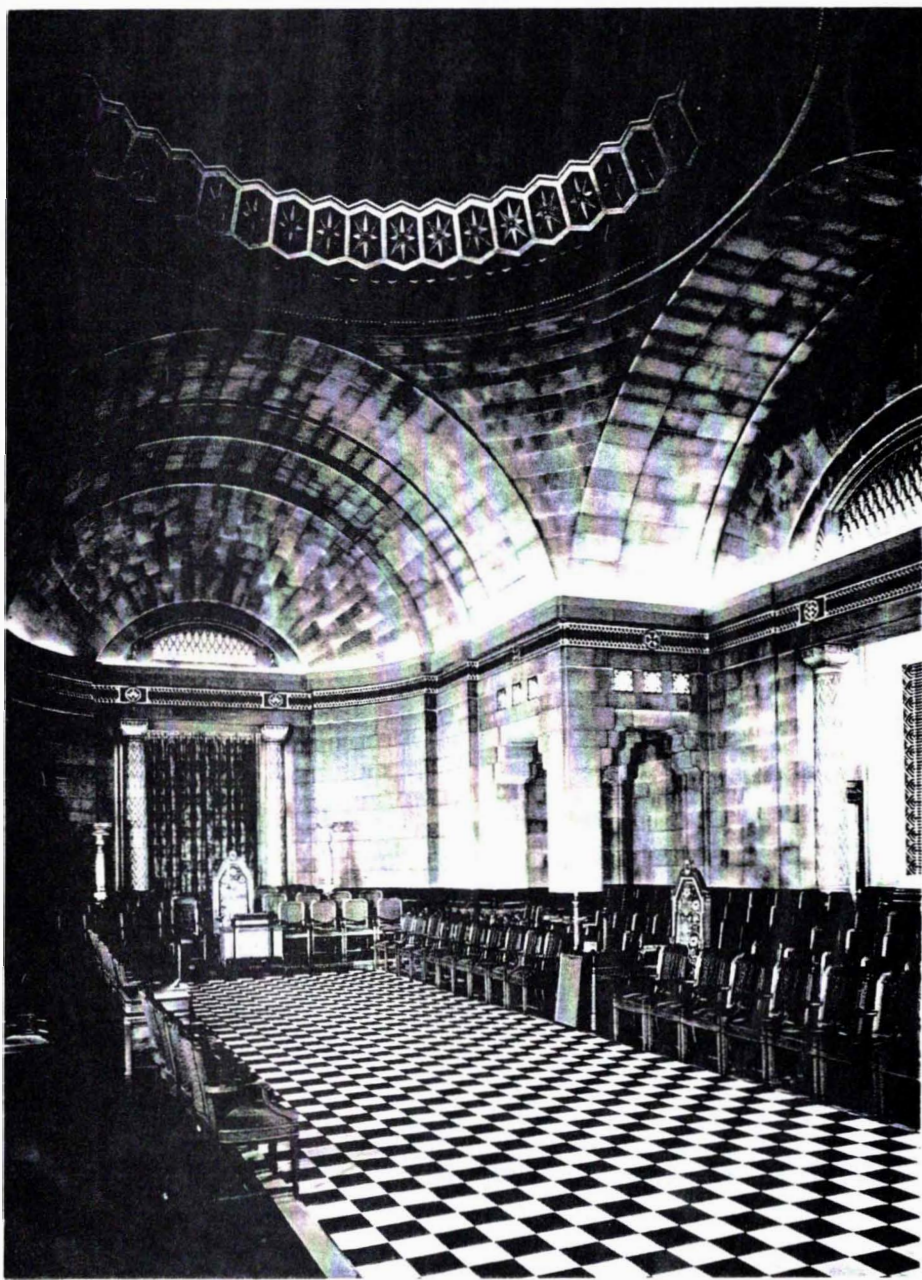
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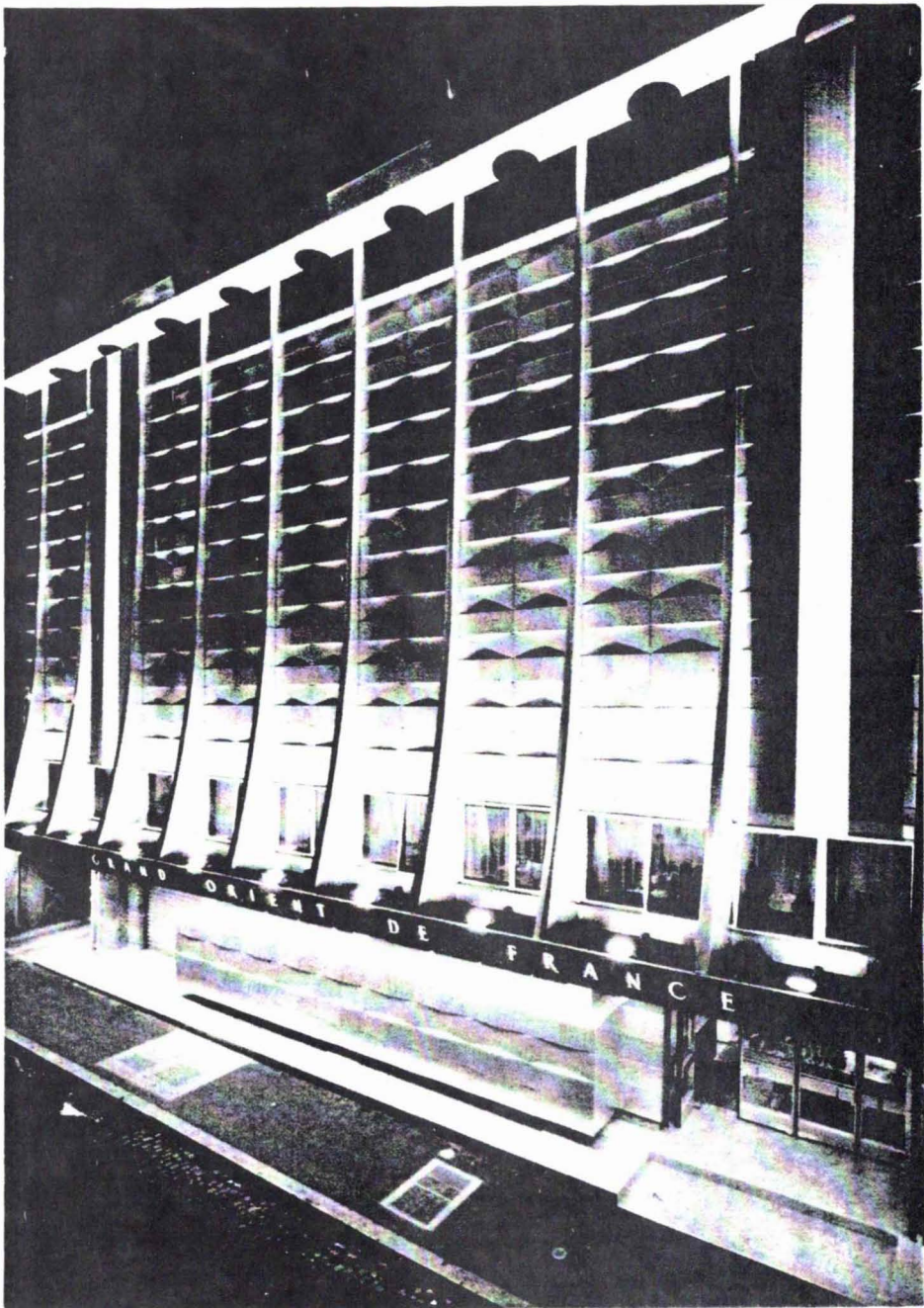
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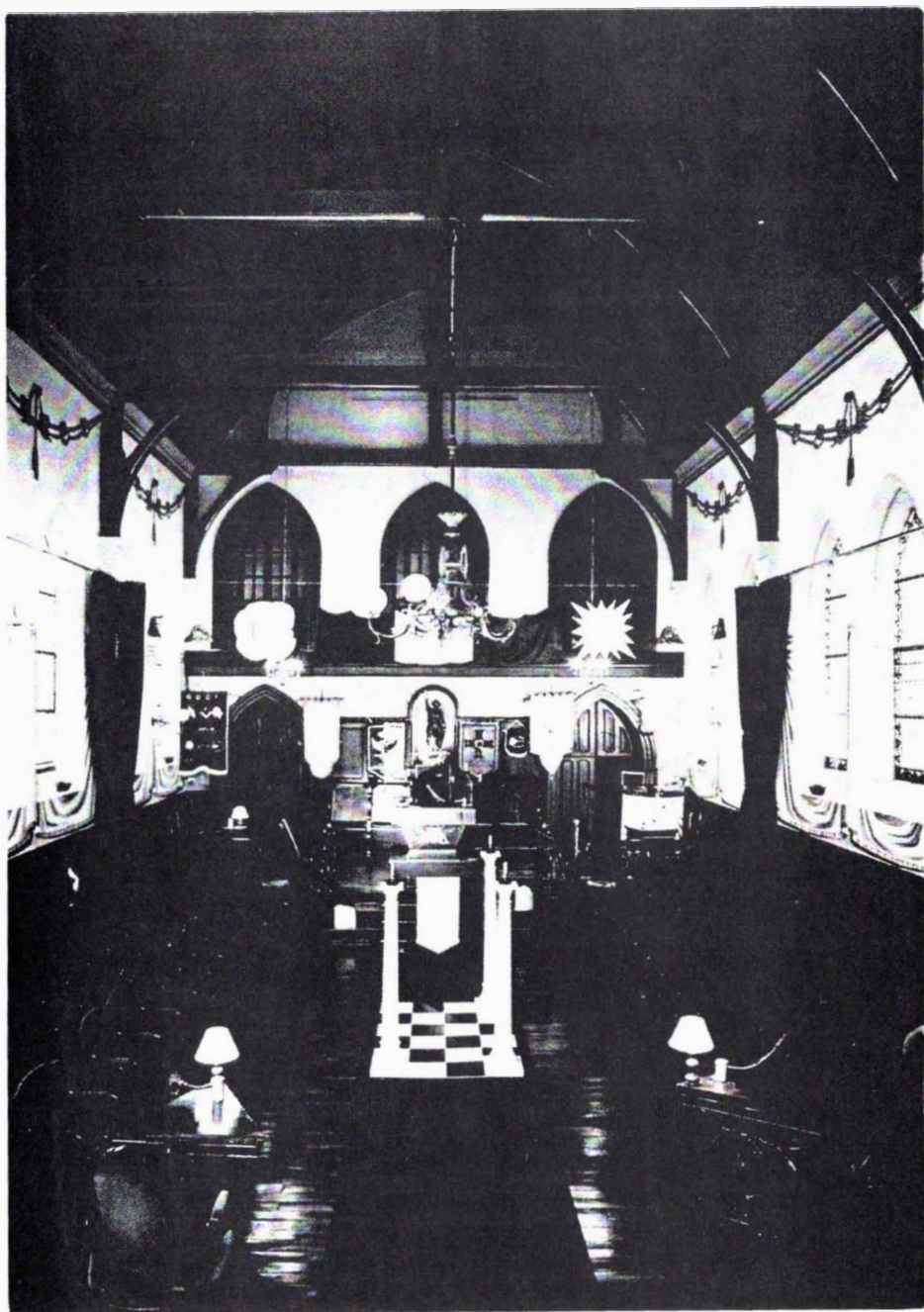
**United Grand Lodge England, Exterior**



**United Grand Lodge England, Room #10**



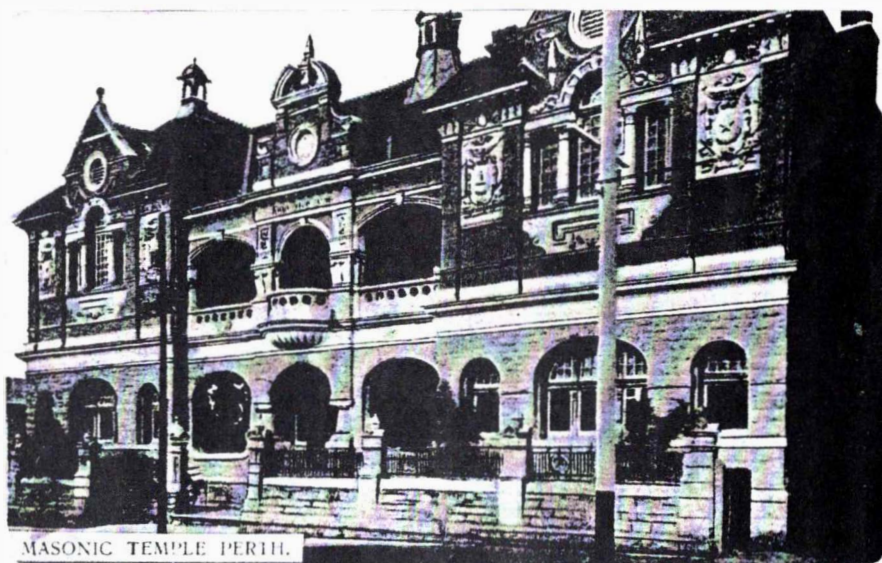
Grand Orient France, Exterior



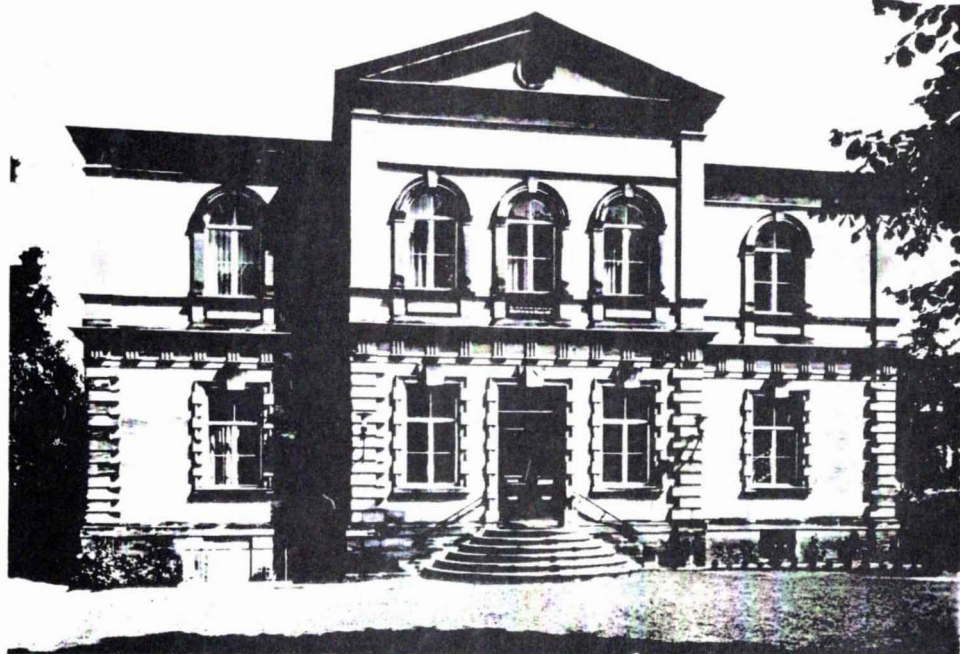
Tours, France, Interior



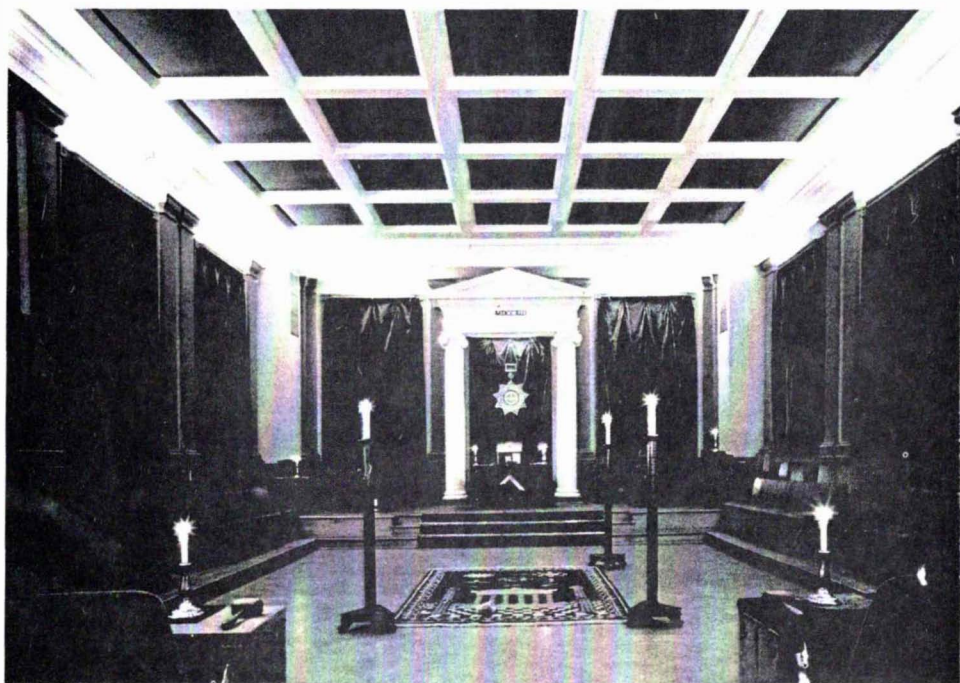
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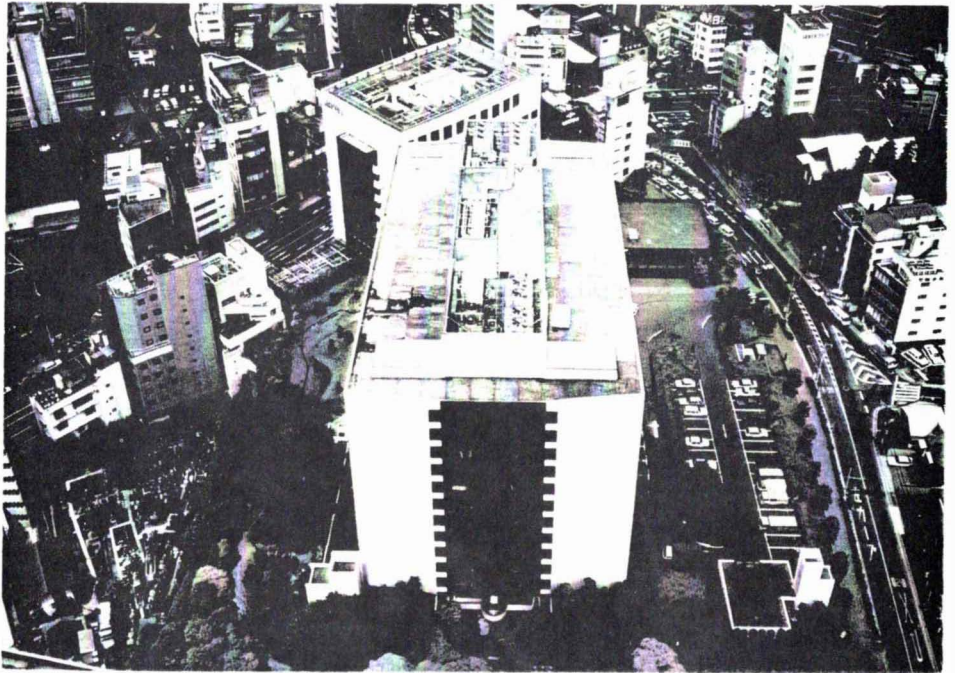
**Perth, Western Australia**



Bayreuth, Germany



Frankfurt-on-Main, Germany



**Site of the Tokyo Masonic Association property in Tokyo, completed in 1981. The commercial buildings, The Masonic Building and the lovely park combine to make a very comfortable setting.**

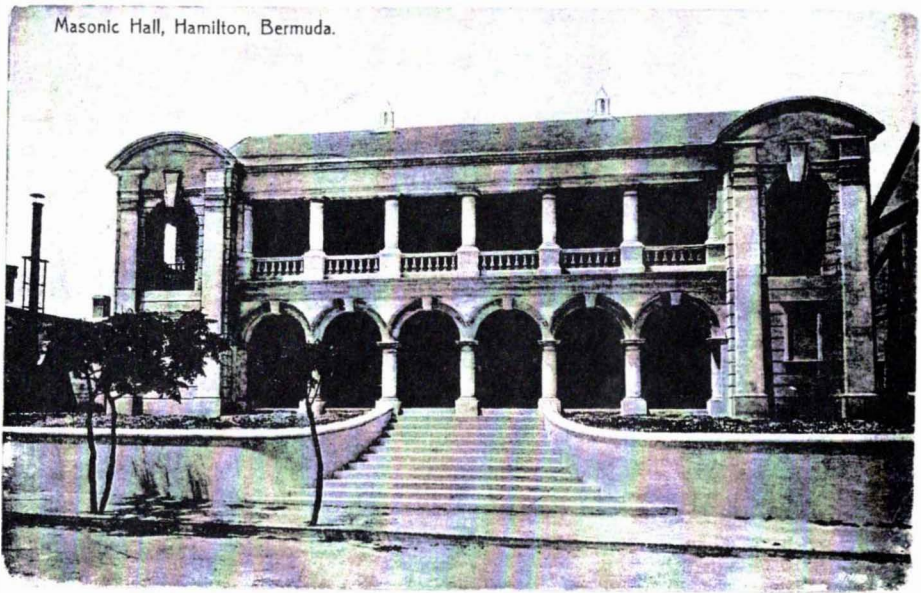
1981年に完成した、東京都内の東京メソニック協会所有ビル群の全貌。商業用ビルディングとメソニックビルディング、それに美しい公園も配して非常に心地よい環境が形成されています。

In 1950, the present site of the Tokyo Masonic Association was purchased by what is now Tokyo Masonic Lodge #2 to be its meeting place, and the center for Masonry in the Tokyo area. The Tokyo Scottish Rite Bodies soon joined them and together they developed the property making it available for others of like persuasion. Soon it was determined that the principles of Masonry would be better served if the property were operated as a charitable foundation. The Zaidan Hojin Tokyo Masonic Association was formed as a non-profit charitable foundation in 1955. The object of the T.M.A. is to promote charity, learning, and the love of God.



The beautifully appointed Blue Lodge hall seats 125, and was especially constructed to illustrate the teachings of Symbolic Blue Lodge Masonry.

美しい装いを凝らしたブルー・ロッジ・ホール。125席のこのホールは、象徴的ブルー・ロッジ・メイスンリーの教えをよく表すよう特別に留意して造られました。



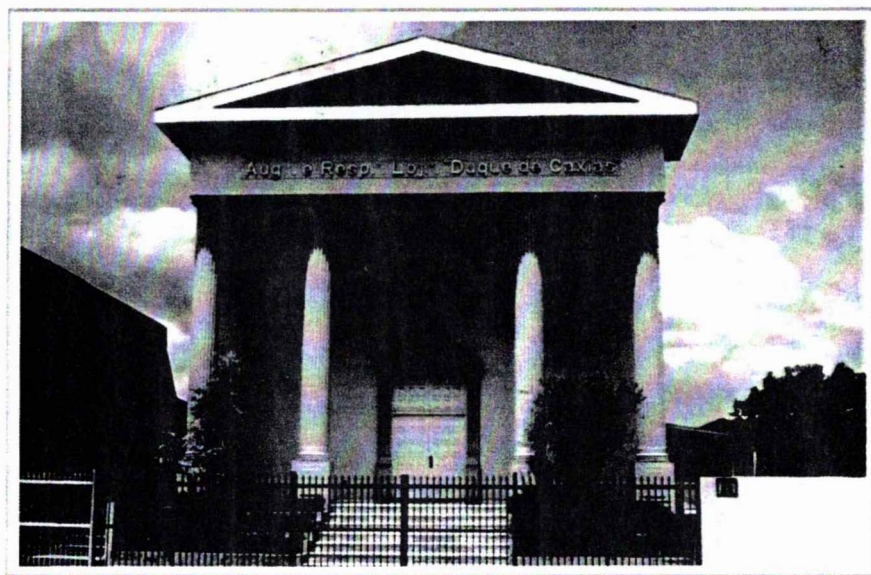
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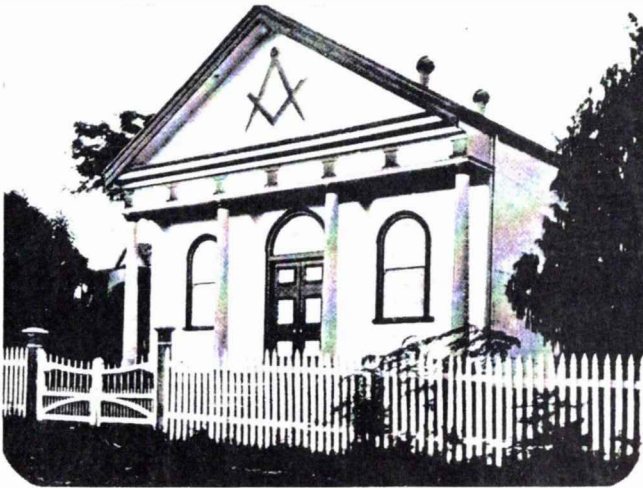
**Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada**



**Quetta, Pakistan**



**Loja Maconica Duque de Caxias 70  
Sao Vicente, Sao Paulo Brazil**



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## Suva, Viti Levu, Fiji (UGLE)

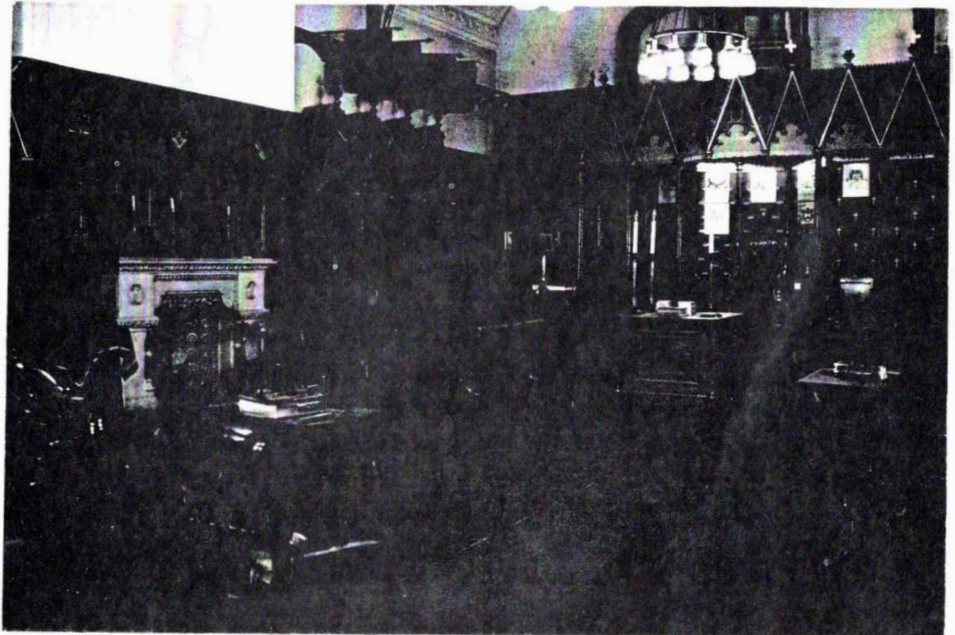


## Cristobal, Panama



LOURENÇO MARQUES (P. E. A.) — Palácio Maçónico — The Masonic Hall

### **Lourenco Marques, Mozambique**



### **Prince Masons' Room Freemasons' Hall, Dublin The Grand Lodge of Freemasons of Ireland**

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Milwaukee, Wisconsin, June 17-19, 2005

Complete and mail no later than May 27, 2005, with check  
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#3	Milwaukee City Tour Thursday, June 16, 2005 11:15 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.	_____ x \$ 22.00* =	_____
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# ATA Membership Application

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8 Northgrove Ave  
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Auckland 1309  
New Zealand

17 April 2005

Dear Bro Allan,

On North Shore City in Auckland the Freemasons of the district combined their finances and expertise to build a new lodge building that is specifically designed for their purposes with the future in mind.

This complex has an income generating element. The top floor of the building is divided into two offices and they command a great view towards the city.

The lower floor has two lodge rooms and a professionally appointed kitchen to serve the large dining room that can accommodate 80 people in comfort.

There is also a committee meeting room-library, an office for the building's administration purposes and storage area for the Masonic lodges and chapters. This building is fully air-conditioned and carpeted with the latest fire, smoke and electronic security fittings.

The Dedication ceremony of the lodge building followed by the placing of a time capsule in the wall was held on 16 April 2005 and was conducted by the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of New Zealand.

The Ceremonial Team consisted of 20 Grand Lodge officers, among them four Past Grand Masters and myself as Grand Lecturer to give the Oration.

This new building will be the home of six Craft lodges and 14 other Masonic orders.

The FDC has the set of the first pure New Zealand Masonic stamps.

They are available for US\$ 5 which includes postage, from the address above.

Fraternally yours,



Vic Fabian

The first Masonic building on the North Shore of Auckland was completed one hundred years ago in 1905 and was built by the Brethren of Albion Lodge No 45.

This present new building was possible with the combined effort of lodges: Belmont Albion 45, Takapuna 202, Browns Bay 346, Milford Trinity 372, Rangitoto 404 and Albany 442.

It was designed and built for Masonic use and reflects the changes of times.

The complex includes the latest building technology, with central electronic controls and air conditioning. It contains two lodge rooms, supper room, professionally appointed kitchen and other Masonic utility areas with rentable office space on the top floor.

Many Brethren applied their expertise to make this building possible. Among them:

VW Bro MGE Morrissey, PDist GM. W Bro CP Burrows, PGStdB. VW Bro EA Smith, Dist GM. W Bro I Miller, PGBB. RW Bro H Wyatt, PDiv GM. Bro G Brown, MM. Bro M Darwin, MM. Bro G Denley, MM. Bro BJ Jackson, PGS. Bro R Malone, MM. W Bro B Martin, PGStdB. and Mr Michael Broadfoot.

The Dedication Ceremony was conducted by MW Bro David W Mace, Grand Master and a time capsule made by Bro J Watt was placed in the wall on 16 April 2005.

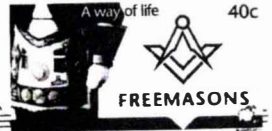
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Program & Calendar of Events  
Social Hour at 5:00 PM - Exhibits Open 6:00 PM  
Meeting 6:30 PM - Dinner Nearby 8:00 PM

June 1, 2005

**The Royal Philatelic Society London Presentation**  
(Meeting starts at 2 P.M.)

June 9, 2005

Exchange Visit and Display by Club Members at  
The Royal Philatelic Society, London  
41 Devonshire Place, London, England

June 15, 2005

Lincoln Vignettes on 19<sup>th</sup> Century U. S. Stamps;  
Essays, Proofs, Stamps and Postal History  
**William J. Ainsworth, Roswell, GA**

July – August - **Summer Recess**

September 7, 2005

Half Lengths: The First Issues of  
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**John H. Barwis, Holland MI**

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September 21, 2005

**The United Nations 1-½¢ Precancel 1952-1958**

**Anthony F. Dewey, Hartford, CT**

October 5, 2005

**Classic Portugal: Issues of 1853-1882**

**Stephen S. Washburne, Philadelphia, PA**

October 19, 2005

**The German Presence in China; Stamps and Postal History  
Of the German Post Offices in China and Klautschou**

**Martin Elchele, Basel, Switzerland**

November 2, 2005

**The Colon Heads of Chile**

**Joseph D. Hackmey, London, England**

November 16, 2005

**U. S. Independent Mails of 1844-45**

**Carmen A. Puliafito, M.D., Pinecrest, FL**

December 7, 2005

**One Frame Competition**

December 14, 2005

**Board of Governors' – Open House**

January 11, 2006

**Annual Meeting**

**Elections**

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## *The Masonic Philatelist*

### **George Washington Masonic Stamp Club**

#### **Upcoming Meeting**

**Saturday, September 3, 2005.**

**2005 BALPEX Meeting:**

*(Baltimore Philatelic Exhibition).*

**Date: Saturday, September 3, 2005**

**Labor Day weekend.**

**2:00 PM - 2:30 PM: Assemble, Trade Covers, & socialize.**

**2:30 PM: Meeting ("Call to Order")**

**Location:**

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**See Map and Link to BALPEX web site below.**

**BALPEX Show - Three Day Admission: \$4.00**

**Friday, September 3: 10 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.**

**Saturday, September 4: 10 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.**

**Sunday, September 5: 10 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.**

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**Membership Applications will be balloted upon at each meeting, and require a completed application, payment of the \$10.00 fee, and evidence of current membership in a recognized blue lodge (photocopy of 2005 dues card, or letter from the Lodge Secretary**

**On Lodge letterhead from a recognized Lodge).**

**Questions: Contact [jrallen@erols.com](mailto:jrallen@erols.com)**

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