

Ill. Sir James W. Davis, Deputy of the Far East. Ill. Sir Joseph Wilson as Overseer of Prince Hall Consistory No. 67.

In the Shriners, Sons of Harmony have made a notable contribution. Many Sons of Harmony proudly wear the title of Past Potentate. They have also served at the Imperial Potentate as a Son of Harmony. The present Imperial Deputy of the Desert of Washington Leland Hailey, a son of Harmony.

Sons of Harmony have always been at the forefront in service to this, our Grand Lodge.

Howard D. Brown, a P.M. of Harmony was elected to the office of M.W.G.M. of Washington and its jurisdiction in 1925. The first Son of Harmony to be elected to that office. At this time, no less than six Sons of Harmony have earned the title P.G.M.. Today we find no less than eight Sons of Harmony serving our Grand Lodge as Grand Lodge Officers. Should there be an office in our Grand Lodge where a Son of Harmony has not served, I dare say it must be of recent origin.

Somewhere in the pages of Harmony's and the Grand Lodge's history there should be recorded that the Sons of Harmony were part of the action that led to the great moves made by the Prince Hall family in this state, particularly in this city. Sons of Harmony were there in the procurement and maintenance of the facilities you have and are now enjoying.

We cannot forget the important part the women of the Harmony No. 2 family have contributed and are continuing to contribute. To those who have no further ties in the Masonic family, we thank you for your patience, indulgence and support of the brothers' activities. To those who have other ties in the Masonic family, all of the above, and we are proud of your contributions to the Herions, the Eastern Stars, Golden Circle, and Daughters of Isis. We are proud of all that the women have accomplished in and out of the Order.

In the family of Harmony No. 2, as in all other families, we find that some of the Sons will leave the fold. We look with great pride at those Sons of Harmony that have left home and made invaluable contributions in other Lodges. At present, a Son of Harmony is serving as S.W. in another lodge. May I remind him that the eyes of Harmony are upon him and that we stand ready to assist him in any of his worthy endeavors.

As Longfellow said in his "Rainy Day", "Be still sad heart and cease repining, for behind the clouds is the sun still shining. Thy fate is the common fate of all. Into each life some rain must fall. Some days must be dark and dreary." Harmony's history will show that all of her days have not been filled with sunshine. A period of dark days I refer to at this time is in the mid 1940's. Could it have been here assembled is evidence that the sun did shine through for Harmony No. 2.

In closing, I request all of you to join me in a sincere

prayer, wish, or dream if you may. That being, "In all of the tomorrows to be Harmony No. 2's history can be truthfully recorded that Harmony No. 2 has endeavored to and succeeded in living up to its name."

Thank You,
Aaron D. Ruth
Senior Warden

THIS IS TRUE

It happened in the City of Destiny, Tacoma, Washington, on Saturday afternoon October 2, 1982, at 1:30 p.m., on the sight of the \$44 million Sports-Convention Center, known as the TACOMA MINIDOME. Right before the eyes of those in attendance, under a partly clouded sky, through which the sun sprinkled its rays of sunlight, enabling those of us who did not wear our long-john's to withstand the antagonizing winds that swept from Mt. Rainier. For over two hours, we stood eight abreast, with a depth of some two blocks, clothed with dark suits, white shirts, shod with shoes of black and proudly wrapped with lamb's skin aprons. Not one of us dared break rank, for this was truly not only an auspicious, but an historical occasion. An occasion where upon, the most worshipful Grand Master, George Brodewick of the Grand Lodge, Free and accepted Masons of Washington (White Masons) had invited their Black brothers, the most Worshipful Grand Master, Johnny Allen, of the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge of Washington and jurisdiction to participate with laying the Dome's cornerstone.

Never before in the history of Prince Hall Masonry in America has there been such recognition and fraternization accorded us. Having received orders from our Grand Marshal, Berry Carter, to proceed toward the speakers platform, and as we approached we were greeted along the way with spontaneous applause that caused many of our elder Brothers to "straighten up and fly right." You should have been there to have seen our Brothers "strut their stuff". They really put on the dog, and rightly so, for to them this was the dawning of a new day in Masonry. A day where in all men of our order shall here after not by their race, or color, but by their deeds, predicated upon truth and justice, for all men are but God's divinity, wrapped in human flesh, and we are our brothers keepers. Having arrived just in front of the speakers platform, we could clearly observe the platform's dignitaries. The Mayor of Tacoma, Doug Southerland, Master of Ceremonies, who had requested the Grand Lodge, Free and Accepted, Masons of Washington, to lay the cornerstone. Sharing the platform with him were the most Worshipful Grand Master George Bordewick and his officialdom. The