This is a list of notable Freemasons.

- **John Aasen** (1890–1938), American silent film actor. Highland Park Lodge No. 382 Los Angeles, California.

- **José Abad Santos** (1886–1942), fifth Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the Philippines and Acting President of the Philippines during World War II.

- **Leon Abbett** (1835–1894), American politician, served as Governor of New Jersey, from 1884 to 1887 and from 1890 to 1893. Member Mystic Tie Lodge 272 (New York City) and several others.


- **Joseph Palmer Abbott** (1842–1901), Australian politician, Grand Master of New South Wales from 1895 to 1899.


- **Abdelkader El Djezairi** (1808-1883), Algerian Islamic scholar, Sufi, political and military leader who led a struggle against the French colonial invasion in the mid-19th century.


- **Ralph Abercromby** (1734–1801), Scottish soldier (Lieutenant-general in the British Army) and politician (MP 1774–1780, 1784–1786).

- **Thomas Abernethy** (May 16, 1903 – June 11, 1998), member of the United States House of Representatives from Mississippi. Received degrees in Eupora Lodge No. 423, Europa, and Mississippi.

- **Edmond François Valentin About** (14 February 1828 – 16 January 1885), was a French novelist, publicist and journalist.


- **Franz Abt** (22 December 1819 – 31 March 1885), was a German composer and choral conductor. Initiated in Brunswick Lodge in 1853.


- **Major General Sir Allan Adair, 6th Baronet, GCVO, CB, DSO, MC & Bar, JP, DL** (3 November 1897—4 August 1988), was a British Army general who served in both World Wars. Household Brigade Lodge No. 2614 and appointed Assistant Grand Master of the G.L. of England in 1953.

- **E. Ross Adair** (December 14, 1907 – May 5, 1983), a U.S. Representative from Indiana. Rose in Albion Lodge No. 97, Albion, Indiana.

- **Alva Adams** (May 14, 1850 – November 1, 1922), three time governor of Colorado. Member of the Supreme Council of the Scottish Rite (Southern Jurisdiction).

- **Alva B. Adams** (October 29, 1875 – December 1, 1941), United States Senator Colorado.

Charles Adams (October 18, 1876 – October 2, 1947) was an American businessman and sports promoter. Was a Knight Templar and Shriner

Frank R. Adams (July 7, 1883 – October 8, 1963), American author, screenwriter, composer, and newspaper reporter.

Jasper Adams (August 27, 1793 – October 25, 1841) American clergyman, college professor, and college president. Rose in Mt. Vernon Lodge No. 4, Providence, Rhode Island.

Sherman Adams (1899–1986), American politician (Elected to U.S. Congress and as Governor of New Hampshire).

Samuel Adams (June 5, 1805 – February 27, 1850), third governor of Arkansas. Junior Warden pro-tem of the Grand Lodge of Arkansas in 1844.

Wilbur L. Adams (October 23, 1884 – December 4, 1937), American lawyer and politician from Delaware. Served as U.S. Representative from Delaware.

Henry Adamson (1581–1639), was a Scottish poet and historian. Wrote one of the earliest known references to the Mason's Word.

Michael Adeane, Baron Adeane, Lieutenant-Colonel, GCB, GCVO, PC (30 September 1910 – 30 April 1984), was Private Secretary to Queen Elizabeth II during the first twenty years of her reign and to her father, King George VI prior. Served as Senior Grand Deacon of the Grand Lodge of England in 1946.

Charles Adkins (February 7, 1863 – March 31, 1941) U.S. Representative from Illinois.


Julius Ochs Adler (December 3, 1892 – October 3, 1955) was an American publisher, journalist, and United States Army general. Member of Justice Lodge No. 753 of New York City.

Adolphus Frederick IV, Duke of Mecklenburg-Strelitz (5 May 1738 – 2 June 1794), was a Duke of Mecklenburg-Strelitz. Member of the Lodge at New-Brandenburg.

Adolf Frederick (14 July 1710 – 12 February 1771) King of Sweden from 1751 until his death. Master of a Stockholm lodge and received the title of Protector of Swedish Freemasonry in 1762.

Ignacio Agramonte (1841—1873) was a Cuban revolutionary, who played an important part in the Ten Years' War (1868–1878).

Gregorio Aglipay (1860–1940), Supreme Bishop of the Philippine Independent Church.

Emilio Aguinaldo (1869–1964), President of the Philippines. Pilar Lodge No. 203 (now Pilar Lodge No. 15) at Imus Cavite and was founder of Magdalo Lodge No. 31 (renamed Emilio Aguinaldo Lodge No. 31 in his honor).

Agustín I of Mexico (1783–1824), Emperor of Mexico

William David Blakeslee Ainey (April 8, 1864 – September 4, 1932), was a Republican member of the U.S. House of Representatives from Pennsylvania.

John C. Ainsworth (June 6, 1822 – December 30, 1893), American pioneer businessman and steamboat owner in Oregon. Helped organize the Grand Lodge of Oregon and served as grand master 1854-55.

Milburn Akers (1900 – 1970), Chicago journalist, chairman of the Board of Trustees of McKendree College, and the ninth president of Shimer College.

George Edward Akerson (1889-1937), American journalist, and the first official White House Press Secretary. Received 32° in Minneapolis Feb. 27, 1929.

Adeyemo Alakija KBE (May 25, 1884 – 1952) was a Nigerian lawyer, politician and businessman. Co-founded the Daily Times of Nigeria. Member Star of Nigeria Chapter No. 255, R.A.M. 23° AASR.

Miguel Ricardo de Álava y Esquivel Order of Santiago, Order of Charles III, KCB, MWO (7 July 1770 – 14 July 1843) was a Spanish general and statesman. Imprisoned in 1814 for being a Freemason.
Juan Bautista Alberdi (August 29, 1810 – June 19, 1884), Argentine political theorist and diplomat.

Prince Albert Victor, Duke of Clarence and Avondale (8 January 1864 – 14 January 1892), was the eldest son of King Edward VII.


Elizabeth Aldworth (1693/95 -1773/1775), Noted female Mason. Entered Apprentice and Fellow craft Degree in 1712.

Vasile Alecsandri (1821–1890), Romanian Poet, playwright, politician and diplomat.

Horace M. Albright (January 6, 1890 – March 28, 1987), American conservationist.

James L. Alcorn (November 4, 1816 – December 19, 1894) Leading southern white Republican during Reconstruction in Mississippi, where he served as governor and U.S. Senator.

Chester Hardy Aldrich (November 10, 1862 – March 10, 1924) American politician. 16th governor of Nebraska and justice of the Nebraska Supreme Court.


Miguel Alemán Valdés (29 September 1900 – 14 May 1983) President of Mexico from 1946 to 1952. Initiated, Passed, and Raised in Antiquités Lodge No. 9 of Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico. Later demitted to City of Mexico Lodge No. 35

Alexander I of Russia (1777-1825) Czar of Russia from 1801-1825. Banned all secret societies in 1801, but rescinded the prohibition in 1803. He banned Freemasonry in Russia in 1822 due to concerns of political power of some lodges

Alexander I of Yugoslavia (1888–1934), Last king of the Kingdom of Serbs, Croats and Slovenes (1921–29) and first king of the Kingdom of Yugoslavia (1929–34).

George Forrest Alexander (April 10, 1882 – May 16, 1948), was a judge of the United States territorial court for the Alaska Territory from 1933 to 1947. President of the Juneau Shrine Club 1934-39.


Nathaniel Alexander (March 5, 1756 – March 7, 1808) 13th Governor of North Carolina. Officer of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina in 1802, 1803, 1806, 1807 and was senior grand deacon at his death in 1808.

Alexander, Prince of Orange (25 August 1851 – 21 June 1884), Heir apparent of King William III of the Netherlands from 11 June 1879 until his death. Grand Master of the Netherlands.

Bernardo Soto Alfaro (1854-1931), President of Costa Rica from 1885-1889. Member of Esperanza Lodge.

Eloy Alfaro (June 25, 1842 – January 28, 1912) served as President of Ecuador from 1895 to 1901 and from 1906 to 1911.

Bruce Alger (June 12, 1918-), Member of the U.S. House of Representatives from Texas.
Russell A. Alger (February 27, 1836 – January 24, 1907), 20th Governor and U.S. Senator from Michigan. U.S. Secretary of War during the Presidential administration of William McKinley. Major General in the Union Army during the American Civil War. Rose in 1895 in Corinthian Lodge No. 241 in Detroit.

Sir Archibald Alison, 1st Baronet GCB FRSE (29 December 1792 – 23 May 1867) Scottish Historian.

Alfred G. Allen (July 23, 1867 - December 9,1932), U.S. Representative from Ohio.

Charles Herbert Allen (April 15, 1848 – April 20, 1934) American politician and businessman. Served in the Massachusetts state legislature and senate, and in the United States House of Representatives. First United States-appointed civilian governor of Puerto Rico. Assistant Secretary of the Navy during the administration of William McKinley. Member of William North Lodge of Lowell, Massachusetts.


Frank G. Allen (October 6, 1874 – October 9, 1950), 51st Governor of Massachusetts. Rose in Orient Lodge, Norwood, Massachusetts.


John Allen, 3rd Viscount Allen (11 June 1713 – 25 May 1745) was an Irish peer and politician. Grandmaster of the Grand Lodge of Ireland.

Oscar K. Allen (August 8, 1882 – January 28, 1936), 42nd Governor of Louisiana. Member of Eastern Star Lodge No. 151, Winnfield, Louisiana.


Roger Allin (December 18, 1848 – January 1, 1936), Fourth Governor of North Dakota. Golden Valley Lodge No. 6, Park River, North Dakota.


Edward B. Almon (April 18, 1860 - June 22, 1933) United States Representative from Alabama.

James Lindsay Almond, Jr. (June 15, 1898 – April 15, 1986), 58th Governor of Virginia. United States federal judge.

Alfred S. Alschuler (1876 – 11 June 1940) Prolific Chicago architect.


Paul Althouse (December 2, 1889 – February 6, 1954), American opera singer. Member of St. John's Lodge No. 435, Reading, Pennsylvania.


Leo Amery (1873–1955), British journalist and politician.

Albert Alonzo "Doc" Ames (1842 – 1911) mayor of Minneapolis whose corruption was exposed by muckraking journalist Lincoln Steffens in the 1903 article, The Shame of Minneapolis. His obituary in the Minneapolis Morning Tribune described him as a 33rd degree Freemason and the Knights Templar.

Ezra Ames (1768–1836), American portrait painter

Oliver Ames (February 4, 1831 – October 22, 1895), 35th Governor of Massachusetts. Primary lodge membership unknown, but made honorary member of Columbian Lodge of Boston.

William Amherst, 3rd Earl Amherst (1836–1910), British nobleman and politician.
Roald Amundsen (1872-1928), Norwegian polar explorer and discoverer of South Pole.

Clinton Presba Anderson (October 23, 1895 – November 11, 1975) U.S. Representative from New Mexico, the U.S. Secretary of Agriculture, and a U.S. Senator from New Mexico. Raised in Albuquerque Lodge No. 60 in 1917.

George T. Anderson (February 3, 1824 – April 4, 1901) General of the Confederate States Army during the American Civil War.


James Anderson (ca. 1679/1680-1739), Presbyterian minister best known for his influence on the early development of Freemasonry. Author of “The Constitutions of the Free-Masons” (1723) and The New Book of Constitutions of the Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons (1738). Joseph Anderson (November 5, 1757 – April 17, 1837) United States Senator from Tennessee and first Comptroller of the United States Treasury. Military Lodge No. 19 of Pennsylvania and Lodge No. 36 in the New Jersey Brigade during the American Revolution. After the war was a member of Princeton Lodge No. 38 of New Jersey.

Robert Anderson (June 14, 1805 – October 26, 1871) Union Army officer in the American Civil War, known for being the commander of Fort Sumpter at the beginning of the war. Raised in Mercer Lodge No. 50, Trenton, New Jersey in 1858. Honorary member of Pacific Lodge No. 233 of New York City.

Robert B. Anderson (June 4, 1910 – August 14, 1989) United States Secretary of the Navy and later Secretary of the Treasury during the Eisenhower Administration. Member of Vernon Lodge No. 655 Vernon, Texas and was later an officer of the Grand Lodge of Texas.

Robert H. Anderson (October 1, 1835 – February 8, 1888) Cavalry and artillery officer in the Confederate States Army during the American Civil War. Attained the rank of Brigadier General. Commander of Palestine Commandery, Knights Templar No. 7 at Savannah, Georgia in the 1880s.

Rudolph Martin Anderson (June 30, 1876 – June 21, 1961) was a Canadian zoologist and explorer.

Sigurd Anderson (January 22, 1904 – December 21, 1990), 19th Governor of South Dakota. Rose in Coteau Lodge No. 54 at Webster, South Dakota in 1943.


William F. Anderson (1860-1944), American Methodist pastor, writer, and educator who served as Bishop of Chattanooga, Cincinnati, and Boston and was Acting President of Boston University from January 1, 1925 to May 15, 1926.

William Hamilton Anderson (1874 - c. 1959), American Prohibitionist.

Charles Anderson-Pelham (1749–1823), British Politician, Member of Parliament (1768–1794).

Edward Andrade (1887–1971), English physicist. Initiated into Lodge Progresso No. 4 in 1935.

Ignacio Andrade (31 July 1839 – 17 February 1925), President of Venezuela from 1898–1899.

Johannes Valentinus Andreae (August 17, 1586 – June 27, 1654), Protestant theologian, alchemist, satirical writer and early Rosicrucian. Believed to have been a Mason.

Louis André (1838–1913), French soldier, Minister of War from 1900 until 1904.


Frank Andrews (June 15, 1864 – December 7, 1936) First Assistant Attorney General of Texas.

Robert Andrews (c. 1750 – 1804), Chaplain of the 2nd Virginia regiment in the Continental Army during the American Revolution. Early Grand Master of Virginia. Member of Williamsburg Lodge No. 6.

Ivo Andrić (1892–1975), Yugoslav writer and Nobel Prize laureate.

Levi Ankeny (August 1, 1844 – March 29, 1921) United States Senator from the state of Washington. Became a member of Willamette Lodge No. 2 of Portland in 1866, affiliating with Walla Lodge No. 7 in 1878, as master in 1881.

Martin Frederick Ansel (December 12, 1850 – August 23, 1945) 89th Governor of South Carolina.


Jules Ansprech (1829–1879), Belgian politician.

Galician Apacible (1864–1949), Filipino politician.

Raymond Apple (1935–), Chief Rabbi, Great Synagogue (Sydney), Australia, (1972–2005).

T. Frank Appleby (October 10, 1864 – December 15, 1924) United States Representative from New Jersey.


Matthew Arbuckle (1778–1851) Career soldier in the U.S. Army closely identified with the Indian Territory.

John Arbuthnot (1667–1735), British Physician and Satirist.


Dennis Archer (1942–), US Politician. Geometry Lodge #49 (Prince Hall), Detroit.

Leslie C. Arends (September 27, 1895 – July 17, 1985), United States Representative from Illinois.

Constantin Argetoianu (1871–1955), Prime Minister of Romania.

Richard Arlen (September 1, 1899 – March 28, 1976), American actor of film and television. Member Utopia Lodge No. 537, Los Angeles, California.


Sir Richard Armstrong (c. 1782 – 3 March 1854), British Army officer. Commander of the British forces in Canada West from 1842 to 1848.


Ellis Arnall (March 20, 1907 – December 13, 1992) 69th Governor of the U.S. state of Georgia from 1943 to 1947. Member of Cowetta Lodge No. 60 at Newnan, Georgia.

Thomas Arne (1710–1778), British Composer of Rule Britannia.

Benedict Arnold (1741–1801), American general and traitor, Hiram Lodge No. 1, New Haven, Connecticut.

Eddy Arnold (1918–2008), American country music singer. East Nashville Lodge 560 F& A.M. East Nashville, TN.

Henry H. Arnold (1886–1950), American general, only person to hold five-star rank in two branches of service. Union Lodge No. 7, KS.

Samuel W. Arnold (September 21, 1879 – December 18, 1961) was a U.S. Representative from Missouri. Member of Adair Lodge No. 366, Kirksville, Missouri.

∴ J. Hugo Aronson (September 1, 1891 – February 25, 1978), 14th Governor of the U.S. State of Montana. Received degrees in Shelby Lodge No. 143, in 1924 and later demitted to Cut Bank Lodge No. 82 in Cut Bank, both in Montana. King Gustav VI Adolf q.v. of Sweden appointed him as representative of the G.L. of Sweden to the G.L. of Montana.

∴ François-Marie Arouet See Voltaire.


∴ Jacob Arvey (November 3, 1895 – August 25, 1977), Influential Chicago political leader from the Depression era until the mid-1950s.

∴ Gheorghe Asachi (1788–1869), Romanian writer, poet, painter, historian, dramatist and translator.

∴ Frank G. Ashbrook (October 20, 1892 – September 15, 1966), American mammalogist.

∴ William A. Ashbrook (July 1.1867 - January 1, 1940) U.S. Representative from Ohio.

∴ Turner Ashby (October 23, 1828 - June 6, 1862) Confederate cavalry commander in the American Civil War. He had achieved prominence as Thomas J. "Stonewall" Jackson's cavalry commander. Member of Equality Lodge No. 44, Martinsburg, West Virginia.

∴ Bowman Foster Ashe (April 3, 1885 – December 16, 1952), U.S. educator who served as the first president of the University of Miami.

∴ James Mitchell Ashley (November 14, 1824 – September 16, 1896) was a U.S. congressman, territorial governor of Montana and railroad president. Rose in 1853 in Toledo Lodge No. 144, Toledo, Ohio.

∴ Elias Ashmole (1617–1692), English antiquary and politician, Warrington Lodge, Lancashire.


∴ John Jacob Astor (1763–1848), American financier, The Holland Lodge No. 8, New York, 1790

∴ Mustafa Kemal Ataturk (1881-1938), National hero and founder of the modern Republic of Turkey.

∴ David Rice Atchison (August 11, 1807 - January 26, 1886) U.S. Senator from Missouri. Known for the claim that for one day (March 4, 1849) he may have been Acting President of the United States. Member of Platte Lodge No. 56, Platte City, Missouri.

∴ John Jacob Astor (1763–1848), American financier, The Holland Lodge No. 8, New York, 1790

∴ King Æthelstan (c. 893/895. 27 October 939) King of the West Saxons from 924 to 927, and King of the English from 927 to 939. It is claimed that he brought Masonry to England in the Regius Poem.


∴ Smith D. Atkins (June 9, 1836 – March 27, 1913), American newspaper editor, lawyer, and a Union Army colonel during the American Civil War.

∴ Arthur K. Atkinson (19 October 1891-?), President of the Wabash Railroad in the mid-20th century. Member of University City Lodge No. 649, Missouri.

∴ George W. Atkinson (June 29, 1845 – April 4, 1925) Tenth Governor of West Virginia. Rose in Kanawha Lodge No. 20, Charleston, West Virginia October 12, 1866. Grand master of West Virginia in 1876 and Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of West Virginia from 1897 to 1901.

∴ William Yates Atkinson (November 11, 1854 – August 8, 1899) 55th Governor of Georgia.

• John James Audubon (1785–1851), American Ornithologist and Artist
• Red Auerbach.
• John Auldjo (1805–1886), British Explorer, Alpinist, Engraver and Author
• Moses Austin (October 4, 1761 – June 10, 1821) secured a grant of 200,000 acres in the province of Texas (under New Spain) on Jan. 17, 1821, but died on his return trip to home in Missouri. His son Stephen F. Austin carried out the colonization of Texas.
• Stephen F. Austin (1793–1836), Secretary of State for the Republic of Texas. Louisiana Lodge No. 109, Missouri.
• Gene Autry (1907–1998), Movie and television star, Catoosa Lodge No. 185, Oklahoma.
• William H. Avery (August 11, 1911 - November 4, 2009) 37th Governor of Kansas. Received degrees in Wakefield Lodge No. 396, Wakefield, Kansas.
• Samuel Beach Axtell (October 14, 1819 - August 7, 1891). Notable for being the most controversial Chief Justice of the New Mexico Territorial Supreme Court; corrupted administration as Governor of New Mexico; brief tenure as Governor of Utah; and two term Congressman from California. Member of Amador Lodge No. 65, Jackson, California.
• Charles Brantley Aycoc (November 11, 1859- April 4, 1912) 50th Governor of the State of North Carolina. He served as grand orator of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina in 1897.
• William Augustus Ayres (April 19, 1867-February 17, 1952) Member of the U.S. House of Representatives from Kansas.
• Allen Bristol Aylesworth (1854–1952), Canadian politician.
• William Edmondstoun Aytoun (21 June 1813 – 4 August 1865) Scottish lawyer and poet. Active member the Scottish grand lodge and representative there of the Grand Lodge Royal York of Germany.
• Miguel de Azcuénaga (June 4, 1754 - December 19, 1833) was an Argentine patriot.
• Nahum J. Bachelder (September 3, 1854 – April 22, 1934), 49th governor of New Hampshire.
• Irving Bacheller (September 26, 1859 - February 24, 1950), American journalist and writer. Rose Dec. 5, 1899 in Kane Lodge No. 454, New York.
• Augustus Octavius Bacon (October 20, 1839 – February 14, 1914), U.S. Senator from Georgia.
• Robert L. Bacon (July 23, 1884 * September 12, 1938), American banker, Lieutenant Colonel, and congressman from New York.
• Robert Baddeley (1733–1794), English actor of the Drury Lane Theatre in London. Member of St. Alban's Lodge No. 29, London.
• Arthur P. Bagby (1794 – September 21, 1858), Tenth Governor of the State of Alabama. Served as grand orator of the Grand Lodge of Alabama.
• John J. Bagley (July 24, 1832 – July 27, 1881), 16th Governor of Michigan. Member of Charity Lodge No. 94, Detroit, Michigan.
• Karl Friedrich Bahrdt (August 25, 1741 - April 23, 1792), German theologian and adventurer. Freemason, who with other Freemasons founded the "German Union" or the "Two and Twenty" society at Halle,

Carl Edward Bailey (October 8, 1894- October 23, 1948), 31st Governor of Arkansas. Received 32° at Little Rock, May 25, 1928.

James E. Bailey (August 15, 1822 - December 29, 1885), United States Senator from Tennessee. Member of Clarksville Lodge No. 89, Clarksville, Tennessee. John O. Bailey (September 26, 1880 – February 16, 1959), American judge and politician in the state of Oregon. He was 27th Chief Justice of the Oregon Supreme Court. Rose in Doric Lodge No. 132, Portland, Oregon about 1920.

Theodorus Bailey (April 12, 1805 – February 14, 1877), United States Navy officer during the American Civil War. Rose in Washington Lodge No. 21, New York City on March 3, 1829.

Thomas L. Bailey (January 6, 1888 – November 2, 1946), 48th Governor of Mississippi.


Howard Baker, Sr. (January 12, 1902 – January 7, 1964), United States Representative from Tennessee.

James Marion Baker (18 August 1861 – 1940), American political figure. Held the position of Secretary of the United States Senate from 1913–1919.

Nathaniel B. Baker (September 29, 1818–September 11, 1876), 24th Governor of New Hampshire. A member of Western Star Lodge No. 100, Clinton, Iowa.

Phil Baker (August 26, 1896 – November 30, 1963), American comedian and emcee on radio. Also a vaudeville actor, composer, songwriter, accordionist and author. Rose in Keystone Lodge No. 235, New York City.

Samuel Aaron Baker (November 7, 1874– September 16, 1933) 36th Governor Missouri. Member of Jefferson Lodge No. 43, Jefferson City, Missouri.


Walter Ransom Gail Baker (November 30, 1892 – October 30, 1960), American electrical engineer. Founded the National Television System Committee, or NTSC, in 1940.


Antonio González de Balcarce (June 24, 1774 – August 15, 1819), Argentine military commander in the early 19th century.

Nicolae Bălcescu (1819–1852), Romanian historian, journalist and 1848 revolutionary.

Bernt Balchen (23 October 1899 – 17 October 1973), Pioneer polar aviator, navigator, aircraft mechanical engineer and military leader. Member of Norseman Lodge No. 878 of Brooklyn, New York. With Admiral Byrd they dropped Masonic flags over the two poles, and dropped his Kismet Temple Shrine fez over the South Pole.


Henry Baldwin (1780–1844), Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States. Master of Lodge No. 45 in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania in 1805.

Harold Ballard (1903–1990), National Hockey League team owner (*Toronto Maple Leafs*). Corinthian No. 481, GRC, Toronto, ON.

Hosea Ballou (April 30, 1771 – June 7, 1852) was an American Universalist clergyman and theological writer. Member of Warren Lodge No. 23 at Woodstock, Vermont and served as master in 1807.
Robert C. Baltzell (August 15, 1879 – October 18, 1950), United States federal judge.


Fred B. Balzar (June 15, 1880 – March 21, 1934), 15th Governor of Nevada. Raised Aug. 28, 1908 in Inyo Lodge No. 221 at Independence, California and later affiliated with Carson Lodge No. 1, Carson City, Nevada.

Simon Bamberger (February 27, 1846 – October 6, 1926), Fourth Governor of Utah.

Harry Hill Bandholtz (1864 – May 11, 1925), United States Army Major General during World War I. Known for preventing Romanian soldiers from removing Transylvanian treasures from the National Museum of Hungary in Budapest during the Romanian occupation of the city in 1919.


Joseph Banks (1743–1820), English botanist Inverness Lodge, No. 4367

Nathaniel P. Banks (January 30, 1816 – September 1, 1894), 24th Governor of Massachusetts, Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives and Union general during the United States Civil War. Member of Monitor Lodge, Waltham, Massachusetts.

William V. Banks, Founder of the first black-owned and black-operated television station in the United States

Parke M. Banta (November 21, 1891 – May 12, 1970), U.S. Representative from Missouri. Raised in Potosi Lodge No. 131 at Potosi, Missouri about 1916, served as master in 1923.


Clarence Barbour (April 21, 1867 – January 16, 1937), American Baptist clergyman and educator most notable for having served as the president of Brown University. Served as Grand Chaplain of the Grand Lodges of both New York and Rhode Island.

James Barbour (June 10, 1775 – June 7, 1842), 18th Governor of Virginia, a U.S. Senator from 1814–1825, and the United States Secretary of War from 1825-1828. Member of Stephensburg Lodge No. 40, Stephensburg, Virginia.

McClelland Barclay (1891–1942) American painter of pin-up art and war propaganda posters.


Thomas R. Bard (December 8, 1841 – March 5, 1915), United States Senator from California. Member of Hueneme Lodge No. 311, California.


Clinton L. Bardo (1868 – 1937) American industrialist whose career included stints as general manager of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad and president of New York Shipbuilding Corporation.


William Julius Barker (June 25, 1886 – April 13,1968), United States federal judge.

Elmer E. Barlow (May 18, 1887 – June 26, 1948), American jurist from Wisconsin.

Joel Barlow (March 24, 1754 – December 26, 1812), American poet, diplomat, and politician. Member of St. Johns Lodge No 4., Hartford, Connecticut.
Francis Stillman Barnard (1856–1936), Canadian politician and Lieutenant Governor of British Columbia. Rose: Victoria Columbia No. 1. April 17, 1887

Isaac D. Barnard (July 18, 1791 – February 28, 1834), United States Senator from Pennsylvania.

Thomas John Barnardo (1845–1905), British philanthropist

Cassius McDonald Barnes American Civil War soldier, lawyer and politician who served as the 4th Governor of Oklahoma Territory. Master of Guthrie Lodge No. 35, Guthrie Oklahoma in 1902.

James M. Barnes (January 9, 1899 - June 8, 1958), United States Representative from Illinois. Member of Jacksonville Lodge No. 570, Jacksonville, Illinois.

Will C. Barnes (June 21, 1858 – December 17, 1936), American author, rancher, and state legislator in Arizona and New Mexico. Received the Medal of honor for bravery at the Battle of Fort Apache.

Joshua Barney (6 July 1759 – 1 December 1818), American naval officer. Served in the Continental Navy during the Revolutionary War and would later achieve the rank of commodore in the United States Navy. Also served in the War of 1812. He was made a Freemason in the Lodge of the Nine Sisters, Paris, France in 1799 (although other sources state that he was raised in Lodge No. 3, Philadelphia, Pa. on May 17, 1777, and still another lists him as a member of No. 3 on May 1, 1777). He was a visitor of Lodge No. 2, Philadelphia on June 16, 1780.


Simion Băruňtiu (1808–1864), Romanian philosopher and politician.

Henry A. Barnum (September 24, 1833 – January 29, 1892), United States Army officer during the American Civil War and a recipient of the Medal of Honor. Member of Syracuse Lodge No. 102, Syracuse, New York.

William Henry Barnum (September 17, 1818 – April 30, 1889) U.S. Senator from Connecticut. Member of Montgomery Lodge No. 13 at Lakeville, Connecticut.

Diego Martinez Barrio (1883–1962), Prime minister of Spain and founder of the Republican Union Party.

Samuel Barrett (1879-1965), American anthropologist and linguist who studied Native American peoples. Lewis O. Barrows (June 7, 1893 – January 30, 1967), 57th Governor of Maine.


William T. Barry (February 5, 1784 – August 30, 1835), United States Postmaster General during the Jackson Administration. United States Senator from Kentucky. Member of Lexington Lodge No. 1, Lexington, Ky. and later of Davies Lodge No. 22 of Lexington. Was elected an honorary member of Federal Lodge No. 1, Washington, D.C on Jan. 4, 1830.

John L. Barstow (February 21, 1832 – June 28, 1913), 57th Governor of Vermont.


Harold Roe Bartle (June 25, 1901 – May 9, 1974) American businessman, philanthropist, Boy Scout executive and professional public speaker. Served two terms as mayor of Kansas City, Missouri. Member of Lebanon Lodge No. 87 in Kentucky plus the Ararat Shriners of Kansas City, Missouri.

John H. Bartlett (March 15, 1869 – March 19, 1952), 57th Governor of New Hampshire.

Josiah Bartlett (November 21, 1729 – May 19, 1795) American physician and statesman, delegate to the Continental Congress for New Hampshire and signatory of the Declaration of Independence. He was later Chief Justice of the New Hampshire Superior Court of Judicature and Governor of the state. Although his lodge is not known, his great grandson, Levi S. Bartlett, has the letter written by Josiah to his son Ezra saying, "I attended a Mason meeting last night, and as soon as you can I wish you would join the Masons.”


William Barton (1748–1831), Officer in the Continental Army during the American War of Independence who retired with the rank of colonel. Became a member of St. John's Lodge, Providence, Rhode Island in 1779.

William "Count" Basie (1904–1984), Jazz orchestra leader and composer. Wisdom Lodge No. 102 (Prince Hall), Chicago.

Charles Baskerville (1870-1922), American chemist.


Richard Napoleon Batchelder (July 27, 1832 – January 4, 1901), United States Army Officer and the 18th Quartermaster General of the United States Army. Awarded the Medal of Honor in 1891. Member of Lafayette Lodge No. 41 at Manchester, New Hampshire.

William B. Bate (October 7, 1826 – March 9, 1905), American soldier and politician. Governor of Tennessee from 1883 to 1887, and United States Senator from 1887 until his death. Major general in the Confederate Army during the American Civil War. Member of King Solomon Lodge No. 94, Gallatin, Tennessee.

Edward Bates (September 4, 1793 – March 25, 1869) United States lawyer and statesman. First attorney general of Missouri after it was admitted as a state. United States Attorney General under Lincoln from 1861 to 1864. Was a member of Missouri Lodge No. 12, under Tennessee charter (later Missouri No. 1). Was active in the formation of the Grand Lodge of Missouri. Served four terms as grand master, 1825-26-27-31.

Frederick Bates (1777–1825), Governor of Missouri.

Isaac C. Bates (January 23, 1779 – March 16, 1845) American politician from Massachusetts serving in both houses of the U.S. Legislature. Member of Jerusalem Lodge Northampton, Massachusetts.

John L. Bates (September 18, 1859 – June 8, 1946), 41st Governor of Massachusetts. Member Baalbek Lodge, Boston.

Joe B. Bates (October 29, 1893 – September 10, 1965), United States Representative from Kentucky.

Thomas Bath (1875–1956), Australian politician, former Western Australian Leader of the Opposition, involved in founding of Lodge Bonnie Doon 839, S.C.

Charles Bathurst (1867–1958), Governor-General of New Zealand, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of New Zealand John S. Battle (July 11, 1890 – April 9, 1972), 56th Governor of Virginia. Member of Charlottesville Lodge No. 5 Charlottesville, Virginia.

Laurie C. Battle (May 10, 1912 – May 2, 2000), United States Representative from Alabama. Member of Docena Lodge No. 815, Docena, Alabama as well as the Zamora Shrines and Order of the Eastern Star Chapter 118 in Birmingham.

Warner Baxter (March 29, 1889 – May 7, 1951), American film actor of the silent and early talkie period. Second person to win the Academy Award for Best Actor. Member Cahuenga Lodge No. 513 Hollywood, California.


Francis Baylies (October 16, 1783 – October 28, 1852), United States Representative from Massachusetts. Original lodge not known, but made honorary member of Mount Lebanon Lodge, Boston, Massachusetts on Jan. 26, 1835.
George Lafayette Beal (May 21, 1825 – December 11, 1896) American politician from Maine who served in the Federal forces during the American Civil War. Member of Oxford Lodge No. 18, Norway, Maine.

John V. Beamer (November 17, 1896 – September 8, 1964), United States Representative from Indiana. Member of Hanna Lodge No. 61, Wabash, Indiana.


John Beatty (December 10, 1749 – May 30, 1826), American physician and statesman. An officer of the Continental Army, he was appointed Commissary General for Prisoners with the rank of colonel. Was a member of the Continental Congress in 1784 and 1785? Was a member of the United States House of Representatives from New Jersey during the Third Congress? Rose in Trenton Lodge No. 5, Trenton, New Jersey. A past master of that lodge, he was elected Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of New Jersey in 1791. In 1792 he transferred his membership to Solomon's Lodge No. 1.


Honoré Beaugrand (1848–1906), Politician, journalist, Fall River, MA Lodge 1873; assisted in founding Montreal Emancipation Lodge in 1897.

Eugène de Beauharnais (3 September 1781 – 21 February 1824), Viceroy of Italy under Napoleon.


Campbell Eben Beaumont (August 27, 1883 – November 19, 1954) was a United States federal judge from Kentucky.

William Beaumont (November 21, 1785 – April 25, 1853), Surgeon in the U.S. Army who became known as the "Father of Gastric Physiology" following his research on human digestion. Rose in Harmony Lodge, Champlain, New York April 11, 1820.

P. G. T. Beauregard (May 28, 1818 – February 20, 1893) American military officer, politician, inventor, writer, civil servant, and the first prominent general of the Confederate States Army during the American Civil War.

Charles Bebb (10 April 1856 – 21 June 1942) British-American architect who designed the Washington State Capitol building.

Stephen David Bechtel, Sr. (September 24, 1900 – March 14, 1989) Founder of the Bechtel Corporation and the president of the company from 1933 through 1960. Rose June 30, 1923 in Oakland Lodge No. 188 Oakland, California.


Rudolph Zacharias Becker (9 April 1752 - 28 March 1822) German educator and author, and active Freemason of Gotha. Published an historical essay in 1786 on the Bavarian Illuminati titled Grundsätze Verfassung und Schicksale des Illuminates Order in Baiern.

J. C. W. Beckham (August 5, 1869 – January 9, 1940) 35th Governor of Kentucky. Member of Duvall Lodge No. 6, Bardstown, Kentucky.

John J. Beckley (August 4, 1757 – April 8, 1807) First Librarian of Congress as well as First and fourth Clerk of the United States House of Representatives. Member of Williamsburg Lodge No. 6, Williamsburg, Virginia.

Johann Beckmann (1739-1811), German scientific author and coiner of the word technology, to mean the science of trades. He was the first man to teach technology and write about it as an academic subject.

Thomas Taylor, Earl of Bective, Grand Sovereign of the Red Cross of Constantine 1886.
・Gunning Bedford, Jr. (1747–1812), Signer of the US Constitution, first Grand Master of Masons in Delaware.

・Joseph D. Bedle (January 5, 1821 – October 21, 1894), 23rd Governor of New Jersey. Rose in Olive Branch Lodge No. 16, Freehold, New Jersey on April 24, 1857.

・Hamilton P. Bee (July 22, 1822 – October 3, 1897) American politician in early Texas who served one term as Speaker of the Texas House of Representatives and later was a Confederate States Army general during the American Civil War. Member of Austin Lodge No. 12, Texas.

・Robert Livingston Beeckman (April 15, 1866 – January 21, 1935) 52nd Governor of Rhode Island.


・Wallace Beery (April 1, 1885 – April 15, 1949) American actor. Won the Academy Award for Best Actor for the 1931 film The Champ. Member of Blaney Lodge No. 271 of Chicago, Illinois.

・Lyall T. Beggs (November 9, 1899 – May 14, 1973), Wisconsin lawyer and politician. Past commander in chief of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and a member of the Wisconsin State Assembly.

・Josiah Begole (January 20, 1815 – June 5, 1896), U.S. Representative and the 19th Governor of Michigan. Member of Flint Lodge No. 23, Flint, MI.[1]


・Jonathan Belcher (8 January 1681/2 – 31 August 1757), American Colonial merchant, businessman, and politician from the Province of Massachusetts Bay during the American colonial period. Served simultaneously for over a decade as colonial governor of the British colonies of New Hampshire (1729–1741) and Massachusetts (1730–1741) and later for ten years as governor of New Jersey (1747–1757). Rose in an old "Guild Lodge" in England in 1704-13 years before the founding of the G.L. of England. Reported as having been on the rolls of the craft in Nova Scotia at an early date. Was affiliated with St. John's Lodge in Boston.

・Manuel Belgrano (3 June 1770 – 20 June 1820), Argentine economist, lawyer, politician, and military leader. He took part in the Argentine Wars of Independence and created the Flag of Argentina. He is regarded as one of the main Libertadores of the country.

・Andrew Bell (1726–1809), Scottish printer, founder of the Encyclopedia Britannica.

・Charles J. Bell (1858-1929), Scotch-Irish American businessman. He was a cousin of Alexander Graham Bell and as such was an early executive of Bell Telephone. Co-founder of the National Geographic Society, and was its first treasurer.


・Francis Bell (1851–1936), Prime Minister of New Zealand.

・Frank Bell (January 28, 1840 – February 13, 1927) Sixth Governor of Nevada. Member of Reno Lodge No. 13, and served as Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Nevada.

・John Bell (New Hampshire) (July 20, 1765 – March 22, 1836), Governor of New Hampshire for one year (1828 to 1829). Member of St. John's Lodge No. 1, Portsmouth, New Hampshire.

・John Bell (Tennessee) (February 18, 1796 – September 10, 1869), Tennessee Politician. Served in the U.S. House of Representatives from 1827 to 1841, and in the U.S. Senate from 1847 to 1859. Speaker of the House for the 23rd Congress (1834–1835), and briefly served as Secretary of War during the administration of William Henry Harrison (1841). In 1860, he ran for president as the candidate for the Constitutional Union Party. Member of King Solomon Lodge No. 6 at Gallatin, Tennessee.

・Lawrence Dale Bell (April 5, 1894 – October 20, 1956), Founder of Bell Aircraft Corporation.

・Francis Bellamy (May 18, 1855 – August 28, 1931), Author of the U.S. Pledge of Allegiance. Member of Little Falls Lodge No. 181, Little Falls, New York.

・Johann Joachim Bellermann (September 23, 1754 – October 25, 1842), German Hebraist and professor of theology at Berlin University.

・Harry H. Belt American educator, lawyer, and judge in the state of Oregon. 28th Chief Justice of the Oregon Supreme Court.
Giovanni Battista Belzoni (5 November 1778 – 3 December 1823), Also known as The Great Belzoni, was a prolific Italian explorer and pioneer archaeologist of Egyptian antiquities.

Charles Albert "Chief" Bender (May 5, 1884 – May 22, 1954), Major League Baseball pitcher during the first two decades of the 20th century. Elected to the Baseball Hall of Fame in 1953. Petitioned Robert A. Lamberton Lodge No. 487 of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania when 27 years of age and was raised on April 4, 1911. He was suspended for non-payment of dues in 1938, but reinstated in 1943.


Alexander von Benckendorff (4 July 1781 or 1783 – 5 October 1844), Russian Cavalry General and statesman. Member of the Lodge of United Friends in Petersburg.

Augustus W. Bennet (October 7, 1897 – June 5, 1983), United States Representative from New York. Member of Hudson River Lodge No. 607, Newburgh, New York, serving as master in 1930.


Caleb P. Bennett (November 11, 1758 – May 9, 1836), American soldier and politician from Delaware. He was a veteran of the American Revolution and the War of 1812, and served as Governor of Delaware. Rose in Lodge No. 14 at Christina Ferry, Delaware on 16 January 1781.


Henry G. Bennett (December 14, 1886 – December 22, 1951), prominent educational figure from Oklahoma. Served as the president of both Southeastern Oklahoma State University and Oklahoma State University. He was appointed by Harry S. Truman as an Assistant Secretary of State.


Thomas Bennett, Jr. (August 14, 1781 – January 30, 1865), 48th Governor of South Carolina. Member of Solomons Lodge No. 1, Charleston.

Henry Arthur Benning (born August 8, 1879 - April 14, 1962), Vice president and general manager of the Amalgamated Sugar Company.

Camillo Benso, Count of Cavour (1810–1861), Italian politician.

Carville Benson (August 24, 1872 – February 8, 1929), U.S. Representative from Maryland.

Elmer Austin Benson (September 22, 1895 – March 13, 1985) 24th Governor of Minnesota. Rose in Appleton Lodge No. 137, Appleton, Minnesota on January 3, 1917.

William Benswanger (February 22, 1892 – January 15, 1972), President and chief executive of the Pittsburgh Pirates Major League Baseball franchise 1932 through 1946. Member of Lodge No. 45 of Pittsburgh.

Charles Bent (November 11, 1799 – January 19, 1847) First civilian Governor of the New Mexico Territory in September 1846.

Alvin Morell Bentley (August 30, 1918 – April 10, 1969) U.S. Representative from Michigan, Was one of the victims of the 1954 U.S. Capitol shootings. Member of Owosso Lodge No. 81, Owosso, Michigan.

William Plummer Benton (December 25, 1828 – March 14, 1867) American lawyer and soldier who served in both the Mexican-American War and the American Civil War. Member of Webb Lodge No. 24 at Richmond, Indiana.


George Bergstrom (March 12, 1876 – 1955) American architect of Norwegian heritage noted for his design work on the Pentagon.
Randolph C. Berkeley (January 9, 1875 – January 31, 1960) U.S. Marine Corps major general who received the Medal of Honor for his actions during the United States occupation of Veracruz.

Irving Berlin (1888–1989), Composer. Munn Lodge No.190, New York.[1][91][92]

Silvio Berlusconi (1936–), Italian media tycoon and politician, Prime Minister of Italy. Initiated in Lodge Propaganda Due – Expelled in 1981 (some say 1976) by the Grand Orient of Italy

Remigio Morales Bermúdez (September 30, 1836 – April 1, 1894), President of Peru from 1890 to 1894.

Alain Bernheim (1931–), musician and Masonic researcher. Loge Les Amis Discrets n° 26, Grande Loge Suisse Alpina

Ben Bernie (May 30, 1891 – October 23, 1943), American jazz violinist an radio personality.

Arnaud Berquin (September 1747 – 21 December 1791) French children's author.

George L. Berry (September 12, 1882 – December 4, 1948) U.S. Senator from Tennessee from 1937 to 1938. One of the founders of the American Legion.

Hiram Gregory Berry (August 27, 1824 – May 2, 1863), American politician and general in the Army of the Potomac during the American Civil War. Member of Aurora Lodge No. 50, Rockland, Maine.


Tom Berry (April 23, 1879 – October 30, 1951) 14th Governor of South Dakota.


Paul Bert (17 October 1833 – 11 November 1886) French zoologist, physiologist and politician.

Francisco Bertrand (1866–1926), Twice President of Honduras.

Jöns Jacob Berzelius (20 August 1779 – 7 August 1848), Swedish chemist. Initiated in 1805 in St. John's Lodge St. Erik, at Stockholm.

Walter Besant (14 August 1836 – 9 June 1901), Novelist and historian. Raised in Mauritius Lodge in 1862 and became master of Marquis of Dalhousie Lodge No. 1159, London, in 1873. Conceived the idea of establishing a lodge of research and as a result became one of the founders of the famous Quatuor Coronati Lodge No. 2076 of London, serving as its treasurer at one time.

William Thomas Best (August 13, 1826 – May 10, 1897), English organist.


Jackson Edward Betts (May 26, 1904 – August 13, 1993), Member of the U.S. House of Representatives from Ohio. Raised in Findlay Lodge No. 227, Findlay, Ohio in 1931.

Albert J. Beveridge (October 6, 1862 – April 27, 1927), American historian and United States Senator from Indiana. Member of Oriental Lodge No. 500, Indianapolis, Indiana.

James R. Beverley (June 15, 1894- June 17, 1967), U.S. lawyer and Attorney General of Puerto Rico. While serving as Attorney General, also served twice as acting governor of Puerto Rico.

Howard Landis Bevis (November 19, 1885 – April 24, 1968), 7th President of The Ohio State University. Raised in McMakin Lodge No. 120, Mt. Healthy, Ohio in 1911 and served as master of same in 1916.

George Valentin Bibescu (1880–1941), Romanian aviation pioneer, Grand Master of Romanian Grand Lodge from 1911 to 1916.

George M. Bibb (October 30, 1776 – April 14, 1859), 17th United States Secretary of the Treasury and two-term member of the U.S. Senate. Was the first master of Russellville Lodge No. 17, Russellville, Kentucky? And was master of Hiram Lodge No. 4, Frankfort, Kentucky. He was also past master of Lexington Lodge No. 1 at Lexington, and served as secretary in 1804. In 1804 he was grand master of Kentucky.

Thomas Bibb (May 8, 1783 – September 20, 1839) Second Governor of Alabama from 1820 to 1821. Member of George Lodge No. 32, Warminster, Virginia.
Dana X. Bible (October 8, 1891 – January 19, 1980), American football player, coach of football, basketball, and baseball, and college athletics administrator. Member of Mossy Creek Lodge No. 353, Jefferson City, Tennessee.

Thomas Walter Bickett (February 28, 1869 – December 28, 1921), 54th Governor of North Carolina. Raised in Louisburg Lodge No. 413, Louisburg, North Carolina on October 2, 1901, demitting to William G. Hill Lodge No. 218 at Raleigh in 1921. In 1917 he was grand orator of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina.


Benjamin Alden Bidlack (September 8, 1804 – February 6, 1849), Member of the U.S. House of Representatives from Pennsylvania. Raised in Lodge No. 61, Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania on May 1, 1826.

John Bidwell (August 5, 1819 – April 4, 1900), California pioneer and politician. Raised in San Jose Lodge No. 10 in 1851 and later affiliated with Chico Lodge No. 111.

Albert Bierstadt (1830–1902) German-American painter known for landscapes of the American West. Member of Holland Lodge No. 8, New York City.

Timothy Bigelow (April 30, 1767 – May 18, 1821) was an American lawyer. Grand master of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts two terms, 1806-08 and 1811-13.

Benjamin T. Biggs (October 1, 1821 – December 25, 1893), 46th Governor of Delaware. Member of Union Lodge No. 5, Middletown, Delaware.


Stanislav Binički (1872–1942), Serbian musician.


Henry Bishop, English composer of Home! Sweet Home!


John Blair, Jr. (1732–1800), Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States (1789–96), and Grand Master of Virginia from 1778 to 1784.

Mel Blanc (1908–1989), American voice actor. Mid Day Lodge No. 188, Oregon.

Samuel Blatchford (1820–1893), Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States (1882–1893)

Moses Bloom (1833–1893), Iowa politician.

Dimitrie Bolintineanu (1819–1872), Romanian poet, politician, 1848 revolutionary.

Simón Bolívar (1783–1830), Leader of South American independence. (Initiated: Cádiz, Spain) Founding brother of Lodge Order and Liberty No. 2, Peru, 1824.

Cezar Bolliac (1813–1881), Romanian politician, amateur archaeologist, journalist and Romantic poet.

Shadrach Bond (1773–1832), American politician, first Governor of Illinois.

Omar Bongo (1935–2009), President of Gabon.

Andrés Bonifacio (1863–1897), Leader during Philippine Revolution from Spain. Taliba Lodge No. 165 under Gran Oriente Español (Spanish Grand Lodge).

Edward Bootle-Wilbraham, 1st Earl of Lathom (1837–1898), British politician.

Gutzon Borglum (1867–1941), American sculptor, planned and started sculpture on Mount Rushmore. Rose in Howard Lodge No. 35.[106]

Lincoln Borglum (1912–1986), Son of Gutzon Borglum, completed the Mount Rushmore project; rose in Battle River Lodge No. 92.

Ernest Borgnine (1917–2012), American Actor. Abingdon Lodge No. 48; however another source indicates Melrose Lodge No. 63, California.

James Boswell (1740–1795), British Biographer, raised in Canon gate Kilwinning Lodge at Edinburgh, 1759.

Pik Botha (1932–), South African politician.

Mackenzie Bowell (1823–1917), Prime Minister of Canada from 1894–1896.


Charles Bradlaugh (1833–1891), 19th century Atheist and Republican MP, Grand Lodge des Philadelphes, London (resigned his affiliation with English Freemasonry in 1874, but maintained an affiliation with a French Lodge).


Donald Bradman (1908–2001), Australian Cricketer. Initiated Lodge Arcadia No 177 UGLNSW on 11 June 1920.

Johannes Brahms (1833–1897), German Composer.

Christoffel Brand (1797–1875), First Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of the Cape Colony.

Joseph Brant (1743–1807), Principal Chief of the Six Nations Indians. Initiated in Lodge No. 417, 1776. First Master of Lodge No. 11, Mohawk Village (near Brantford) in 1798.

Dimitrie Brătianu (1818–1892), Prime Minister of Romania (1881).‡

Ion C. Brătianu (1821–1891), Romanian politician, three-time Prime Minister of Romania.

David Brearley (1745–1790), Signer of the U.S. Constitution on behalf of New Jersey, the first Grand Master of Masons for the State of New Jersey.

Anders Behring Breivik, Arrested for 2011 Norway attacks. Was a member of Lodge St. Olaus T.D. Tre Søiler No. 8 in Oslo, Formally excluded (expelled) from Freemasonry in 2011.

Christopher Brennan Jr. Master Mason Punta Gorda Lodge 115 F&AM. 32 Degree Ancient and Accepted Scottish rite Southern Jurisdiction The Supreme Council, 33°.

Walter Breuning, World's oldest man at the time of his death of natural causes on April 14, 2011, aged 114 years, six months, twenty-five days. Member of Great Falls Lodge No. 118, Great Falls Montana for over 85 years..

Geraldo Bright, English bandleader known as "Geraldo"


William A. Brodie, Laid the foundation stone of the Statue of Liberty on August 5, 1884 as Grand Master of New York.


Ringling Brothers (all seven of them), American circus promoters[130]

Henry Brougham, Scottish abolitionist and founder of Edinburgh Review. Raised in Fortrose Lodge, Stornway, Scotland.
Clarence J. Brown, Newspaper publisher, Ohio politician, U.S. Representative,

John Brown, Abolitionist, Hudson Lodge No. 68, Hudson, Ohio.

Charles Bruce, 5th Earl of Elgin, Scottish nobleman, Grand Master of Scotland (1761–1763)

James Bruce (1730–1794), British explorer. Canon gate Kilwinning Lodge.

Samuel von Brukenthal, Baron of the Holy Roman Empire.

William Jennings Bryan, American politician, United States Congressman, U. S. Secretary of State and presidential candidate. Lincoln Lodge No. 19, Lincoln, Nebraska.

James Buchanan, U.S. President, Lodge No. 43, Lancaster, Pennsylvania

Frank Buckles, Last living American veteran of World War I.

Charles Buls, Mayor of Brussels

Edward Bulwer-Lytton, 1st Baron Lytton, Politician and writer

Luther Burbank, US horticulturist, botanist, agricultural science pioneer. Santa Rosa Lodge No. 57.

Arleigh Burke, US Admiral Supreme Temple Architect (Honored in 1997)

Edmund Burke, Irish politician and philosopher.

Robert Burnaby, English explorer and businessman. First Past Master of Victoria Lodge No. 1085, District Grand Master (English) of British Columbia.

David G. Burnet, Statesman, first President of the Republic of Texas (interim), Holland Lodge No. 1

Frederick Russell Burnham, the American-born Victorian adventurer known as the father of Scouting. Chief Commissioner, Excelsior Lodge No. 195.

Conrad Burns, US Senator from Montana


James Burnett, Lord Monboddo, Scottish judge, Enlightenment scholar, philosopher and eccentric.

Harold Hitz Burton, US Associate Justice (1945–1958)

Richard Francis Burton, English explorer.

Billy Butlin, British philanthropist.

Daniel Butterfield, General of the Federal Army during the U.S. Civil War, Medal of Honor recipient and composer of the bugal song taps. Metropolitan Lodge No. 273, New York City.

Cyriel Buyssse, Flemish nationalist writer

Harry F. Byrd, Governor of Virginia, United States Senator from Virginia. Hiram Lodge No. 21, Winchester, Virginia.


Alessandro Cagliostro, Sicilian charlatan and occultist

Plutarco Elías Calles, Presidente de México

John Campbell, 2nd Marquess of Breadalbane, British politician, Member of Parliament (1820–1826, 1832–1834), Lord Chamberlain (1848–1852, 1853–1858), Grand Master of Scotland (1824–1826).

Malcolm Campbell, English motor-racer.


George Canning, British politician and Prime Minister.

Gheorghe Grigore Cantacuzino, Prime Minister of Romania.
Eddie Cantor, Entertainer, raised in Munn Lodge No 190, New York City

Emmanuel Carasso, Ottoman lawyer and politician, Grand Master of the Italian-rite Macedonia Resort in Salonika.

Carol II, King of Romania (1930–40).

José Miguel Carrera, Chilean General and President. St. John's Lodge No. 1, New York

Robert Wynn Carrington, 1st Marquees of Lincolnshire, British politician, Member of Parliament (1865–1868), 1st Grand Master of New South Wales (1888–1891)

Kit Carson, American Adventurer. Montezuma Lodge No. 109, Sante Fe, New Mexico


Paul Foster Case, Founder of the Los Angeles occult school, the Builders of the Adytum, Fairport Lodge No. 476, Fairport, New York.


Marc Chagall, Russian artist initiated in 1912.

Thomas Chalmers, Lodge St. Vigean, 1800.

Joshua Chamberlain, Commander of US forces on Little Round Top during the American Civil War battle of Gettysburg, and governor of Maine. United Lodge #8, Brunswick, Maine.


Charles XIII of Sweden, King of Sweden and Norway.

Claire Lee Chennault, U.S. Air Corp Major-General; Commanded of the "Flying Tigers' in WWII. League City Lodge No. 1053, League City, TX.


Walter Chrysler, Founder of Chrysler Corporation.


Winston Churchill, Prime Minister of the United Kingdom; 24 May 1901, Studholme Alliance Lodge No. 1591.

André Citroën, French engineer and motor-car manufacturer, Lodge La Philosophie, Paris.

Mark W. Clark, US Army General, Mystic Tie Lodge No. 398, Indianapolis


John H. Clarke, US Associate Justice (1916–1922)


Moses Cleveland, Founded the city of Cleveland, Ohio, Worshipful Master of Moriah Lodge in 1791.

Patrick Cleburne, Confederate General in the civil war. Lafayette lodge #16, Helena, Arkansas.

Samuel Langhorne Clemens, Also known as Mark Twain. American author. Polar Star Lodge No. 79, A.F. & A.M., St. Louis, Missouri. (Suspended for non-payment of dues and later reinstated April 24, 1867. Demitted October 1867, but recorded as having visited Carson City Lodge U.D. in February and March 1868).

DeWitt Clinton, Governor of New York State, Grand Master of NY during the Morgan Affair, The Holland Lodge No. 8, New York, 1790.


Tyrus "Ty" Cobb, Baseball star. Royston Lodge No. 426, Detroit.
Howard Coble (1931–), Member of the U.S. House of Representatives and Guilford Lodge number 656 AF&AM Greensboro, North Carolina.

Mickey Cochrane, Baseball Hall of Famer William F. Cody, a.k.a. Buffalo Bill, Raised in Platte Valley Lodge No. 15, Nebraska.

George M. Cohan, Broadway star, raised in Pacific Lodge No. 233, New York City.

Harry Cohn, Pacific Lodge No. 233, New York.


Nat King Cole, Pianist and ballad singer.


Michael B. Coleman, American politician, Mayor of Columbus, Ohio.

Samuel Colt, Manufacturer of Colt revolvers.

Émile Combes, French Prime Minister.


Charlie Conacher, Canadian ice hockey player. Initiated in North Gate Lodge No. 591, Pickering, Ontario, in 1935.

Marquis de Condorcet, French mathematician and philosopher, Lodges de Neuf Soeurs.

Chester Cooper Conklin (1886–1971), American comedian and actor, Raised: September 18, 1916, University Lodge #394, California.

Jess Conrad, Entertainer, Member of Chelsea Lodge No. 3098.

John Cook, Union general in the American Civil War.

Joseph Cook, 6th Prime Minister of Australia Initiated into Lodge Independent No 8 UGLNSW 12 Feb 1892.

Gordon Cooper, U.S. astronaut, member of Carbondale Lodge No. 82, Colorado.

Harry H. Corbett, Actor- star of Steptoe and Son


Edith Cowan, First woman elected to Australian Parliament, Member of St Cuthberts Lodge Perth Australia (Le Droit Humain).

James Craik, Physician General of the United States Army

Todd E. Creason, American Fiction and non-fiction writer. Ogden Lodge No. 754, Illinois

Francesco Crispi, Prime Minister of Italy (possibly expelled in 1894?)

Miron Cristea, Patriarch of the Romanian Orthodox Church (1925–39), Prime Minister of Romania (1938–39).

Davy Crockett, 19th-century American folk hero, frontiersman, soldier and politician.

Aleister Crowley, English occultist, Anglo-Saxon Lodge No. 343, Paris (GLdF), 1904.

Abraham Curry, Founding father of Carson City, Nevada. Masonic Lodge No. 1, Carson City.

Admiral of the Fleet Sir Lucius Curtis, Provincial Grand Master for the Province of Hampshire from 1840 until his death in 1869.


Alexandru Ioan Cuza, Romanian Domnitor the Danubian Principalities, 1859–66.

James Broun-Ramsay, 1st Marquess of Dalhousie, British politician and colonial administrator, Governor-General of India (1848–1956), Grand Master of Scotland (1836–1838).
David Dalrymple, Lord Hailes, Scottish judge and historian, Grand Master of Scotland (1774–1776).

Sir Charles Dalrymple, 1st Baronet, British politician, Member of Parliament (1868–1906), Grand Master of Scotland (1893–1897).

Eugene Goblet d'Alviella, Vice-chancellor of the Université Libre de Bruxelles and Belgian senator.

Erasmus Darwin, English physician, philosopher, poet, grandfather of Charles Darwin. Member of Canon Gate Kilwinning Lodge No.2, Edinburgh, Scotland.

Jim Davidson, British comedian, Chelsea Lodge, England (resigned), Founding Master of British Forces Foundation (Lodge) No. 972.


Carol Davila, Romanian Physician.


Charles De Coster, Belgian author.

Roger De Courcy, Ventriloquist – Member of Chelsea Lodge No. 3098.

Isabelle Gatti de Gamond, Pioneering Belgian secular educationalist and Socialist activist.

Johann de Kalb, Major general in the Continental Army during the American Revolutionary War. Pennsylvania Lodge No. 29.

Polydore de Keyser, Founding Member and first Junior Warden, MacDonald Lodge, No. 1216.

Claude Joseph Rouget de Lisle, Composer of La Marseillaise.

Sebastião de Melo, Marquis of Pombal, 18th-century Portuguese statesman

William Ralph "Dixie" Dean, Everton and England footballer 1925–1937; initiated in Randle Holme Lodge, No. 3261, Birkenhead, Cheshire on 18 February 1931.

Ovide Decroly, Belgian educationalist initiated in Lodge Les Amis Philanthropes No. 2, Brussels in 1902.

Cecil B. DeMille, Movie Director, member of Prince of Orange Lodge No. 16, New York City.

Süleyman Demirel, 9th President of the Republic of Turkey. Bilgi Lodge No.015, Ankara. Grand Lodge of Turkey.

Jack Dempsey, Heavyweight boxing champion in 1919, Kenwood Lodge No. 800, Chicago.

Laurence Dermott, Painter, Wine Merchant and Author. Grand Secretary, Ancients Grand Lodge, 1752–1771.


Frédéric Desmons, Protestant priest who persuaded the Grand Orient de France to remove the term of the Great Architect of the Universe from their Constitution.

Willis Van Devanter, U.S. Associate Justice (1911–1937).


Denver S. Dickerson, Governor of Nevada.

Denis Diderot (1712–1784), French philosopher, writer and art critique.

John Diefenbaker, Prime Minister of Canada, Wakaw Lodge No. 166, Wakaw, SK.

Everett Dirksen, U.S. Congressman and Minority Leader of the U.S. Senate.

Petar Dobrović, Serbian Congressman and Minority Leader of the U.S. Senate.

Henry Dodge, U.S. Senator from Wisconsin.

Bob Dole, U.S. politician Russell Lodge No. 177, Kansas.
- Robert Dollar, Scottish-American industrialist and philanthropist.
- Ed Doolan, U.S. Radio Presenter
- George Douglas, 16th Earl of Morton, Scottish politician, Lord High Commissioner (1819–1824), Grand Master of Scotland (1790–1792).
- Jim Douglas, Governor of Vermont.
- Tommy Douglas Canadian politician, Weyburn Lodge No. 20, Weyburn, SK.
- Arthur Conan Doyle, British physician and author, creator of Sherlock Holmes.
- Edwin Drake, U.S. oil industry pioneer, Oil Creek Lodge No. 3, Titusville, Pennsylvania.
- George Drummond, Scottish politician, Lord Provost of Edinburgh, Grand Master of Scotland (1752–1753).
- Gilbert du Motier, the Marquis de Lafayette, French military officer who served as a general in the American Revolutionary War and a leader of the Garde Nationale during the French Revolution.
- Jovan Dučić (1871–1943), Serbian poet, writer and diplomat.
- Henry Dunant, Founder of the Red Cross and shared the first Nobel Prize
- John Duncan, Member of the United States House of Representatives from Tennessee.
- Thomas Dunckerley, Ritualist and author, Lodge No 31, Portsmouth
- Lawrence Dundas, 1st Earl of Zetland,
- Thomas Dundas, 2nd Earl of Zetland,
- John Boyd Dunlop, Scottish inventor.
- Alexander Roberts Dunn, First Canadian awarded the Victoria Cross.
- Herbert Dunnico, UK Politician and Master of the New Welcome Lodge.
- Joseph Duveen, 1st Baron Duveen, UK art dealer, Royal Colonial Institute Lodge No. 3556.
- José Abad Santos (1886–1942), fifth Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Philippines and as President of the Philippines during World War II.
- Leon Abbott, (1835-1894), American politician, served as Governor of New Jersey, from 1884 to 1887 and from 1890 to 1893. Member Mystic Tie Lodge 272 (New York City) and several others.
- Abdelkader El Djezairi (1808-1883), Algerian Islamic scholar, Sufi, political and military leader who led a struggle against the French colonial invasion in the mid-19th century.
Nicanor Abelardo (1893–1934), Filipino composer. Rose is in Luzon Lodge No. 57.

Ralph Abercromby (1734–1801), Scottish soldier (Lieutenant-general in the British Army) and politician (MP 1774–1780, 1784–1786).

Thomas Abernethy (May 16, 1903 – June 11, 1998), member of the United States House of Representatives from Mississippi. Received degrees in Eupora Lodge No. 423, Eupora, Mississippi.

Edmond François Valentin About (14 February 1828 – 16 January 1885), was a French novelist, publicist and journalist.


Franz Abt (22 December 1819 – 31 March 1885), was a German composer and choral conductor. Initiated in Brunswick Lodge in 1853.

Roy Acuff (1903 – 1992), American country music singer.

Major General Sir Allan Adair, 6th Baronet, GCVO, CB, DSO, MC & Bar, JP, DL (3 November 1897- 4 August 1988), was a British Army general who served in both World Wars. Household Brigade Lodge No. 2614 and appointed Assistant Grand Master of the G.L. of England in 1953.

E. Ross Adair (December 14, 1907 – May 5, 1983), a U.S. Representative from Indiana. Rose in Albion Lodge No. 97, Albion, Indiana.

Alva Adams (May 14, 1850 – November 1, 1922), Three time governor of Colorado. Member of the Supreme Council of the Scottish Rite (Southern Jurisdiction).

Alva B. Adams (October 29, 1875 – December 1, 1941), United States Senator Colorado.


Charles Adams (October 18, 1876 – October 2, 1947) was an American businessman and sports promoter. Was a Knight Templar and Shriner.

Frank R. Adams (July 7, 1883 – October 8, 1963), American author, screenwriter, composer, and newspaper reporter.

Jasper Adams (August 27, 1793 – October 25, 1841) American clergyman, college professor, and college president. Rose in Mt. Vernon Lodge No. 4, Providence, Rhode Island.

Sherman Adams (1899–1986), American politician (Elected to U.S. Congress and as Governor of New Hampshire).

Samuel Adams (June 5, 1805 – February 27, 1850), third governor of Arkansas. Junior Warden pro-tem of the Grand Lodge of Arkansas in 1844.

Willbur L. Adams (October 23, 1884 – December 4, 1937), American lawyer and politician from Delaware. Served as U.S. Representative from Delaware.

Henry Adamson (1581–1639), was a Scottish poet and historian. Wrote one of the earliest known references to the Mason's Word.

Michael Adeane, Baron Adeane, Lieutenant-Colonel, GCB, GCVO, PC (30 September 1910 – 30 April 1984), was Private Secretary to Queen Elizabeth II during the first twenty years of her reign and to her father, King George VI prior. Served as Senior Grand Deacon of the Grand Lodge of England in 1946.

Charles Adkins (February 7, 1863 – March 31, 1941) U.S. Representative from Illinois.


Julius Ochs Adler (December 3, 1892 – October 3, 1955) was an American publisher, journalist, and United States Army general. Member of Justice Lodge No. 753 of New York City.

Adolphus Frederick IV, Duke of Mecklenburg-Strelitz (5 May 1738 – 2 June 1794), was a Duke of Mecklenburg-Strelitz. Member of the Lodge at New-Brandenburg.
Adolf Frederick (14 July 1710 – 12 February 1771) King of Sweden from 1751 until his death. Master of a Stockholm lodge and received the title of Protector of Swedish Freemasonry in 1762.

Ignacio Agramonte (1841-1873) was a Cuban revolutionary, who played an important part in the Ten Years' War (1868–1878).

Gregorio Aglipay (1860–1940), Supreme Bishop of the Philippine Independent Church.

Emilio Aguinaldo (1869–1964), President of the Philippines. Pilar Lodge No. 203 (now Pilar Lodge No. 15) at Imus Cavite and was founder of Magdalo Lodge No. 31 (renamed Emilio Aguinaldo Lodge No. 31 in his honor).

Agustín I of Mexico (1783–1824), Emperor of Mexico.

William David Blakeslee Ainey (April 8, 1864 – September 4, 1932), was a Republican member of the U.S. House of Representatives from Pennsylvania.

John C. Ainsworth (June 6, 1822 – December 30, 1893), American pioneer businessman and steamboat owner in Oregon. Helped organize the Grand Lodge of Oregon and served as grand master 1854-55.

Milburn Akers (1900 – 1970), Chicago journalist, chairman of the Board of Trustees of McKendree College, and the ninth president of Shimer College.

George Edward Akerson (1889-1937), American journalist, and the first official White House Press Secretary. Received 32° in Minneapolis Feb. 27, 1929.

Adeyemo Alakija KBE (May 25, 1884 – 1952) was a Nigerian lawyer, politician and businessman. Co-founded the Daily Times of Nigeria. Member Star of Nigeria Chapter No. 255, R.A.M.3 2 ° AASR.

Miguel Ricardo de Álava y Esquivel Order of Santiago, Order of Charles III, KCB, MWO (7 July 1770 – 14 July 1843) was a Spanish general and statesman. Imprisoned in 1814 for being a Freemason.

Juan Bautista Alberdi (August 29, 1810 – June 19, 1884), Argentine political theorist and diplomat.

Prince Albert Victor, Duke of Clarence and Avondale (8 January 1864 – 14 January 1892), was the eldest son of King Edward VII.


Elizabeth Aldworth (1693/95-1773/1775), noted female Mason. Entered Apprentice and Fellow craft Degree in 1712.

Vasile Alecsandri (1821–1890), Romanian Poet, playwright, politician and diplomat.

Horace M. Albright (January 6, 1890 – March 28, 1987), American conservationist.

James L. Alcorn (November 4, 1816 – December 19, 1894) Leading southern white Republican during Reconstruction in Mississippi, where he served as governor and U.S. Senator.

Chester Hardy Aldrich (November 10, 1862 – March 10, 1924) American politician. 16th governor of Nebraska and justice of the Nebraska Supreme Court.


Miguel Alemán Valdés (29 September 1900 – 14 May 1983) President of Mexico from 1946 to 1952. Initiated, Passed, and Raised in Antiquities Lodge No. 9 of Grand Lodge Valle de Mexico. Later demitted to City of Mexico Lodge No. 35.
Alexander I of Russia (1777-1825) Czar of Russia from 1801-1825. Banned all secret societies in 1801, but rescinded the prohibition in 1803. He banned Freemasonry in Russia in 1822 due to concerns of political power of some lodges.

Alexander I of Yugoslavia (1888–1934), Last king of the Kingdom of Serbs, Croats and Slovenes (1921–29) and first king of the Kingdom of Yugoslavia (1929–34).

George Forrest Alexander (April 10, 1882 – May 16, 1948), was a judge of the United States territorial court for the Alaska Territory from 1933 to 1947. President of the Juneau Shrine Club 1934-39.


Nathaniel Alexander (March 5, 1756 – March 7, 1808) 13th Governor of North Carolina. Officer of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina in 1802, 1803, 1806, 1807 and was senior grand deacon at his death in 1808.

Alexander, Prince of Orange (25 August 1851 – 21 June 1884), Heir apparent of King William III of the Netherlands from 11 June 1879 until his death. Grand Master of the Netherlands.

Bernardo Soto Alfaro (1854-1931), President of Costa Rica from 1885-1889. Member of Esperanza Lodge.

Eloy Alfaro (June 25, 1842 – January 28, 1912) served as President of Ecuador from 1895 to 1901 and from 1906 to 1911.

Bruce Alger (June 12, 1918), Member of the U.S. House of Representatives from Texas.

Russell A. Alger (February 27, 1836 – January 24, 1907), 20th Governor and U.S. Senator from Michigan. U.S. Secretary of War during the Presidential administration of William McKinley. Major General in the Union Army during the American Civil War. Rose in 1895 in Corinthian Lodge No. 241 in Detroit.

Sir Archibald Alison, 1st Baronet GCB FRSE (29 December 1792 – 23 May 1867) Scottish Historian.

Alfred G. Allen (July 23, 1867–December 9, 1932), U.S. Representative from Ohio.

Charles Herbert Allen (April 15, 1848 – April 20, 1934) American politician and businessman. Served in the Massachusetts state legislature and senate, and in the United States House of Representatives. First United States-appointed civilian governor of Puerto Rico. Assistant Secretary of the Navy during the administration of William McKinley. Member of William North Lodge of Lowell, Massachusetts.

Ethan Allen (January 1, 1904 – September 15, 1993) American Major League Baseball player from 1926 to 1938. Member of Yeatman Lodge No. 162, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Frank G. Allen (October 6, 1874 – October 9, 1950), 51st Governor of Massachusetts. Raised in Orient Lodge, Norwood, Massachusetts.


John Allen, 3rd Viscount Allen (11 June 1713 – 25 May 1745) was an Irish peer and politician. Grandmaster of the Grand Lodge of Ireland.

Oscar K. Allen (August 8, 1882 – January 28, 1936), 42nd Governor of Louisiana. Member of Eastern Star Lodge No. 151, Winnfield, Louisiana.


Roger Allin (December 18, 1848 – January 1, 1936), Fourth Governor of North Dakota. Golden Valley Lodge No. 6, Park River, North Dakota.

James Allred (March 29, 1899 – September 24, 1959) 33rd Governor of Texas. Later a United States federal judge. Rose in Bowie Lodge No. 578 in 1920.[1]

Edward B. Almon (April 18, 1860 - June 22, 1933) United States Representative from Alabama.

James Lindsay Almond, Jr. (June 15, 1898 – April 15, 1986), 58th Governor of Virginia. United States federal judge.

Alfred S. Alschuler (1876 – 11 June 1940) Prolific Chicago architect.[1]


Paul Althouse (December 2, 1889 – February 6, 1954), American opera singer. Member of St. John's Lodge No. 435, Reading, Pennsylvania.


Leo Amery (1873–1955), British journalist and politician.

Albert Alonzo "Doc" Ames (1842 – 1911) mayor of Minneapolis whose corruption was exposed by muckraking journalist Lincoln Steffens in the 1903 article, The Shame of Minneapolis. His obituary in the Minneapolis Morning Tribune described him as a 33° degree Freemason and the Knights Templar.

Ezra Ames (1768–1836), American portrait painter. Oliver Ames (February 4, 1831 – October 22, 1895), 35th Governor of Massachusetts. Primary lodge membership unknown, but made honorary member of Columbian Lodge of Boston.

William Amherst, 3rd Earl Amherst (1836–1910), British nobleman and politician.

Roald Amundsen (1872-1928), Norwegian polar explorer and discoverer of South Pole.

Clinton Presba Anderson (October 23, 1895 – November 11, 1975) U.S. Representative from New Mexico, the U.S. Secretary of Agriculture, and a U.S. Senator from New Mexico. Raised in Albuquerque Lodge No. 60 in 1917.

George T. Anderson (February 3, 1824 – April 4, 1901) General of the Confederate States Army during the American Civil War.


James Anderson (ca. 1679/1680-1739), Presbyterian minister best known for his influence on the early development of Freemasonry. Author of "The Constitutions of the Free-Masons" (1723) and The New Book of Constitutions of the Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons (1738).

Joseph Anderson (November 5, 1757 – April 17, 1837) United States Senator from Tennessee and first Comptroller of the United States Treasury. Military Lodge No. 19 of Pennsylvania and Lodge No. 36 in the New Jersey Brigade during the American Revolution. After the war was a member of Princeton Lodge No. 38 of New Jersey.

Robert Anderson (June 14, 1805 – October 26, 1871) Union Army officer in the American Civil War, known for being the commander of Fort Sumpter at the beginning of the war. Rose in Mercer Lodge No. 50, Trenton, New Jersey in 1858. Honorary member of Pacific Lodge No. 233 of New York City.

Robert B. Anderson (June 4, 1910 – August 14, 1989) United States Secretary of the Navy and later Secretary of the Treasury during the Eisenhower Administration. Member of Vernon Lodge No. 655 Vernon, Texas and was later an officer of the Grand Lodge of Texas.

Robert H. Anderson (October 1, 1835 – February 8, 1888) Cavalry and artillery officer in the Confederate States Army during the American Civil War. Attained the rank of Brigadier General. Commander of Palestine Commandery, Knights Templar No. 7 at Savannah, Georgia in the 1880s.

Rudolph Martin Anderson (June 30, 1876 – June 21, 1961) was a Canadian zoologist and explorer.
Sigurd Anderson (January 22, 1904 – December 21, 1990), 19th Governor of South Dakota. Rose in Coteau Lodge No. 54 at Webster, South Dakota in 1943.


William F. Anderson (1860-1944), American Methodist pastor, writer, and educator who served as Bishop of Chattanooga, Cincinnati, and Boston and was Acting President of Boston University from January 1, 1925 to May 15, 1926.

William Hamilton Anderson (1874 - c. 1959), American Prohibitionist.

Charles Anderson-Pelham (1749 –1794), British Politician, Member of Parliament (1768–1794).

Edward Andrade (1887–1971), English physicist. Initiated into Lodge Progresso No. 4 in 1935.

Ignacio Andrade (31 July 1839 – 17 February 1925), President of Venezuela from 1898–1899.

Johannes Valentinus Andreae (August 17, 1586 – June 27, 1654), Protestant theologian, alchemist, satirical writer and early Rosicrucian. Believed to have been a Mason.

Louis André (1838–1913), French soldier, Minister of War from 1900 until 1904


Frank Andrews (June 15, 1864 – December 7, 1936) First Assistant Attorney General of Texas.

Robert Andrews (c. 1750 – 1804), Chaplain of the 2nd Virginia regiment in the Continental Army during the American Revolution. Early Grand Master of Virginia. Member of Williamsburg Lodge No. 6.

Ivo Andrić (1892–1975), Yugoslav writer and Nobel Prize laureate


Levi Ankeny (August 1, 1844 – March 29, 1921) United States Senator from the state of Washington. Became member of Willamette Lodge No. 2 of Portland in 1866, affiliating with Walla Walla Lodge No. 7 in 1878, serving as master in 1881.

Martin Frederick Ansel (December 12, 1850 – August 23, 1945) 89th Governor of South Carolina.


Jules Anspach (1829–1879), Belgian politician

Galicano Apacible (1864–1949), Filipino politician.

Raymond Apple (1935 – ), Chief Rabbi, Great Synagogue (Sydney), Australia, (1972–2005)

T. Frank Appleby (October 10, 1864 – December 15, 1924) United States Representative from New Jersey.


Matthew Arbuckle (1778–1851) Career soldier in the U.S. Army closely identified with the Indian Territory.

John Arbuthnot (1667–1735), British Physician and Satirist.


Dennis Archer (1942–), US Politician. Geometry Lodge #49 (Prince Hall), Detroit

Leslie C. Arends (September 27, 1895 – July 17, 1985), United States Representative from Illinois.

Constantin Argetoianu (1871–1955), Prime Minister of Romania

Richard Arlen (September 1, 1899 – March 28, 1976), American actor of film and television. Member Utopia Lodge No. 537, Los Angeles, California.

David H. Armstrong (October 21, 1812 – March 18, 1893), United States Senator from Missouri. Member of Washington Lodge No. 9 of St. Louis.


Sir Richard Armstrong (c. 1782 – 3 March 1854), British Army officer. Commander of the British forces in Canada West from 1842 to 1848.


Ellis Arnall (March 20, 1907 – December 13, 1992) 69th Governor of the U.S. state of Georgia from 1943 to 1947. Member of Cowetta Lodge No. 60 at Newnan, Georgia.

Thomas Arne (1710–1778), British Composer of Rule Britannia.

Benedict Arnold (1741–1801), American general and traitor, Hiram Lodge No. 1, New Haven, Connecticut

Eddy Arnold (1918–2008), American country music singer. East Nashville Lodge 560 F& A.M. East Nashville, TN.

Henry H. Arnold (1886–1950), American general, only person to hold five-star rank in two branches of service. Union Lodge No. 7, KS.

Samuel W. (Wat) Arnold (September 21, 1879 – December 18, 1961) was a U.S. Representative from Missouri. Member of Adair Lodge No. 366, Kirksville, Missouri.


J. Hugo Aronson (September 1, 1891 – February 25, 1978), 14th Governor of the U.S. State of Montana. Received degrees in Shelby Lodge No. 143, in 1924 and later demitted to Cut Bank Lodge No. 82 in Cut Bank, both in Montana. King Gustav VI Adolf q.v. of Sweden appointed him as representative of the G.L. of Sweden to the G.L. of Montana.

François-Marie Arouet See Voltaire


Jacob Arvey (November 3, 1895 – August 25, 1977), Influential Chicago political leader from the Depression era until the mid-1950s.

Gheorghe Asachi (1788–1869), Romanian writer, poet, painter, historian, dramatist and translator.

Frank G. Ashbrook (October 20, 1892 – September 15, 1966), American mammalogist.

William A. Ashbrook (July 1, 1867 – January 1, 1940) U.S. Representative from Ohio.

Turner Ashby (October 23, 1828 – June 6, 1862) Confederate cavalry commander in the American Civil War. He had achieved prominence as Thomas J. "Stonewall" Jackson's cavalry commander. Member of Equality Lodge No. 44, Martinsburg, West Virginia.

Bowman Foster Ashe (April 3, 1885 – December 16, 1952), U.S. educator who served as the first president of the University of Miami.

James Mitchell Ashley (November 14, 1824 – September 16, 1896) was a U.S. congressman, territorial governor of Montana and railroad president. Raised in 1853 in Toledo Lodge No. 144, Toledo, Ohio.

Elias Ashmole (1617–1692), English antiquary and politician, Warrington Lodge, Lancashire.


John Jacob Astor (1763–1848), American financier, The Holland Lodge No. 8, New York, 1790
Mustafa Kemal Atatürk (1881–1938), National hero and founder of the modern Republic of Turkey.

David Rice Atchison (August 11, 1807 – January 26, 1886) U.S. Senator from Missouri. Known for the claim that for one day (March 4, 1849) he may have been Acting President of the United States. Member of Platte Lodge No. 56, Platte City, Missouri.

King Æthelstan (c. 893/895 – 27 October 939) King of the West Saxons from 924 to 927, and King of the English from 927 to 939. It is claimed that he brought Masonry to England in the Regius Poem.

John Murray, 3rd Duke of Atholl (6 May 1729 – 5 November 1774), Scottish peer and Tory politician. Succeeded his father as grand master of Grand Lodge of England in 1775, serving until 1781 and again from 1791-1813. Was grand master of Grand Lodge of Scotland from 1778 to 1779?


Smith D. Atkins (June 9, 1836 – March 27, 1913), American newspaper editor, lawyer, and a Union Army colonel during the American Civil War.

Arthur K. Atkinson (19 October 1891-?), President of the Wabash Railroad in the mid-20th century. Member of University City Lodge No. 649, Missouri.

George W. Atkinson (June 29, 1845 – April 4, 1925) Tenth Governor of West Virginia. Rose in Kanawha Lodge No. 20, Charleston, West Virginia October 12, 1866. Grand master of West Virginia in 1876 and Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of West Virginia from 1897 to 1901.

William Yates Atkinson (November 11, 1854 – August 8, 1899) 55th Governor of Georgia.


John James Audubon (1785–1851), American Ornithologist and Artist

Red Auerbach.

John Auldjo (1805–1886), British Explorer, Alpinist, Engraver and Author.[43]


Moses Austin (October 4, 1761 – June 10, 1821) secured a grant of 200,000 acres in the province of Texas (under New Spain) on Jan. 17, 1821, but died on his return trip to home in Missouri. His son Stephen F. Austin carried out the colonization of Texas.

Stephen F. Austin (1793–1836), Secretary of State for the Republic of Texas. Louisiana Lodge No. 109, Missouri.


Gene Autry (1907–1998), Movie and television star, Catoosa Lodge No. 185, Oklahoma.

William H. Avery (August 11, 1911 – November 4, 2009) 37th Governor of Kansas. Received degrees in Wakefield Lodge No. 396, Wakefield, Kansas.

Samuel Beach Axtell (October 14, 1819 – August 7, 1891). Notable for being the most controversial Chief Justice of the New Mexico Territorial Supreme Court; corrupted administration as Governor of New Mexico; brief tenure as Governor of Utah; and two term Congressman from California. Member of Amador Lodge No. 65, Jackson, California.

Charles Brantley Aycock (November 11, 1859 – April 4, 1912) 50th Governor of the State of North Carolina. He served as grand orator of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina in 1897.
William Augustus Ayres (April 19, 1867 – February 17, 1952) Member of the U.S. House of Representatives from Kansas.

Allen Bristol Aylesworth (1854–1952), Canadian politician.

William Edmondstoune Aytoun (21 June 1813 – 4 August 1865) Scottish lawyer and poet. Active member the Scottish grand lodge and representative there of the Grand Lodge Royal York of Germany.

Miguel de Azcuénaga (June 4, 1754 – December 19, 1833) was an Argentine patriot.

Frederick H. Babbitt (1859–1931), American politician, president Vermont State Senate 1912–13


Nahum J. Bacheleder (September 3, 1854 – April 22, 1934), 49th governor of New Hampshire.


Augustus Octavius Bacon (October 20, 1839 – February 14, 1914), U.S. Senator from Georgia.


Arthur P. Bagby (1794 – September 21, 1858), Tenth Governor of the State of Alabama. Served as grand orator of the Grand Lodge of Alabama.

John J. Bagley (July 24, 1832 – July 27, 1881), 16th Governor of Michigan. Member of Charity Lodge No. 94, Detroit, Michigan.

Karl Friedrich Bahrdt (August 25, 1741 – April 23, 1792), German theologian and adventurer. Freemason, who with other Freemasons founded the "German Union" or the "Two and Twenty" society at Halle


Carl Edward Bailey (October 8, 1894 – October 23, 1948), 31st Governor of Arkansas. Received 32° at Little Rock, May 25, 1928.

James E. Bailey (August 15, 1822 – December 29, 1885), United States Senator from Tennessee. Member of Clarksville Lodge No. 89, Clarksville, Tennessee.

John O. Bailey (September 26, 1880 – February 16, 1959), American judge and politician in the state of Oregon. He was 27th Chief Justice of the Oregon Supreme Court. Raised in Doric Lodge No. 132, Portland, Oregon about 1920.

Theodorus Bailey (April 12, 1805 – February 14, 1877), United States Navy officer during the American Civil War. Rose in Washington Lodge No. 21, New York City on March 3, 1829.

Thomas L. Bailey (January 6, 1888 – November 2, 1946), 48th Governor of Mississippi.


Howard Baker, Sr. (January 12, 1902 – January 7, 1964), United States Representative from Tennessee.

James Marion Baker (18 August 1861 – 1940), American political figure. Held the position of Secretary of the United States Senate from 1913–1919.

Nathaniel B. Baker (September 29, 1818–September 11, 1876), 24th Governor of New Hampshire. A member of Western Star Lodge No. 100, Clinton, Iowa.
Phil Baker (August 26, 1896 – November 30, 1963), American comedian and emcee on radio. Also a vaudeville actor, composer, songwriter, accordionist and author. Rose in Keystone Lodge No. 235, New York City.

Samuel Aaron Baker (November 7, 1874– September 16, 1933) 36th Governor Missouri. Member of Jefferson Lodge No. 43, Jefferson City, Missouri.


Walter Ransom Gail Baker (November 30, 1892 – October 30, 1960), American electrical engineer. Founded the National Television System Committee, or NTSC, in 1940.

Mikhail Bakunin (1814–1876), Russian revolutionary. Lodge Il Progresso Sociale, Florence 1864.

Antonio González de Balcarce (June 24, 1774 – August 15, 1819), Argentine military commander in the early 19th century.

Nicolae Bălcescu (1819–1852), Romanian historian, journalist and 1848 revolutionary.

Bernt Balchen (23 October 1899 – 17 October 1973), Pioneer polar aviator, navigator, aircraft mechanical engineer and military leader. Member of Norseman Lodge No. 878 of Brooklyn, New York. With Admiral Byrd they dropped Masonic flags over the two poles, and dropped his Kismet Temple Shrine fez over the South Pole.


Henry Baldwin (1780–1844), Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States. Master of Lodge No. 45 in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania in 1805

Harold Ballard (1903–1990), National Hockey League team owner (Toronto Maple Leafs). Corinthian No. 481, GRC, Toronto, ON.

Hosea Ballou (April 30, 1771 – June 7, 1852) was an American Universalist clergyman and theological writer. Member of Warren Lodge No. 23 at Woodstock, Vermont and served as master in 1807.

Robert C. Baltzell (August 15, 1879 – October 18, 1950), United States federal judge.


Fred B. Balzar (June 15, 1880 – March 21, 1934), 15th Governor of Nevada. Raised Aug. 28, 1908 in Inyo Lodge No. 221 at Independence, California. and later affiliated with Carson Lodge No. 1, Carson City, Nevada.

Simon Bamberger (February 27, 1846 – October 6, 1926), Fourth Governor of Utah.

Harry Hill Bandholtz (1864 – May 11, 1925), United States Army Major General during World War I. KNown for preventing Romanian soldiers from removing Transylvanian treasures from the National Museum of Hungary in Budapest during the Romanian occupation of the city in 1919.


Joseph Banks (1743–1820), English botanist · Inverness Lodge, No. 4367

Nathaniel P. Banks (January 30, 1816 – September 1, 1894), 24th Governor of Massachusetts, Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives and Union general during the United States Civil War. Member of Monitor Lodge, Waltham, Massachusetts.

William V. Banks, Founder of the first black-owned and black-operated television station in the United State.

Parke M. Banta (November 21, 1891 – May 12, 1970), U.S. Representative from Missouri. Raised in Potosi Lodge No. 131 at Potosi, Missouri about 1916, served as master in 1923.

Clarence Barbour (April 21, 1867 – January 16, 1937), American Baptist clergyman and educator most notable for having served as the president of Brown University. Served as Grand Chaplain of the Grand Lodges of both New York and Rhode Island.

James Barbour (June 10, 1775 – June 7, 1842), 18th Governor of Virginia, a U.S. Senator from 1814–1825, and the United States Secretary of War from 1825-1828. Member of Stephensburg Lodge No. 40, Stevensburg, Virginia.

McClelland Barclay (1891–1942) American painter of pin-up art and war propaganda posters.


Thomas R. Bard (December 8, 1841 – March 5, 1915), United States Senator from California. Member of Hueneme Lodge No. 311, California.


Clinton L. Bardo (1868 – 1937) American industrialist whose career included stints as general manager of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad and president of New York Shipbuilding Corporation.

Walter S. Baring, Jr. (September 9, 1911 – July 13, 1975), United States Representative from Nevada. Raised in May 1941, Reno Lodge No. 13.[1]

William Julius Barker (June 25, 1886 – April 13, 1968), United States federal judge.

Elmer E. Barlow (May 18, 1887 – June 26, 1948), American jurist from Wisconsin.

Joel Barlow (March 24, 1754 – December 26, 1812), American poet, diplomat, and politician. Member of St. John’s Lodge No 4, Hartford, Connecticut.

Francis Stillman Barnard (1856–1936), Canadian politician and Lieutenant Governor of British Columbia. Raised: Victoria Columbia No. 1. April 17, 1887

Isaac D. Barnard (July 18, 1791 – February 28, 1834), United States Senator from Pennsylvania.

Thomas John Barnardo (1845–1905), British philanthropist

Cassius McDonald Barnes American Civil War soldier, lawyer and politician who served as the 4th Governor of Oklahoma Territory. Master of Guthrie Lodge No. 35, Guthrie Oklahoma in 1902.

James M. Barnes (January 9, 1899 - June 8, 1958), United States Representative from Illinois. Member of Jacksonville Lodge No. 570, Jacksonville, Illinois.

Will C. Barnes (June 21, 1858 – December 17, 1936), American author, rancher, and state legislator in Arizona and New Mexico. Received the Medal of Honor for bravery at the Battle of Fort Apache.

Joshua Barney (6 July 1759 – 1 December 1818), American naval officer. Served in the Continental Navy during the Revolutionary War and would later achieved the rank of commodore in the United States Navy. Also served in the War of 1812. He was made a Freemason in the Lodge of the Nine Sisters, Paris, France in 1799 (although other sources state that he was raised in Lodge No. 3, Philadelphia, Pa. on May 17, 1777, and still another lists him as a member of No. 3 on May 1, 1777). He was a visitor of Lodge No. 2, Philadelphia on June 16, 1780.


Simion Bărnuțiu (1808–1864), Romanian philosopher and politician.

Henry A. Barnum (September 24, 1833 – January 29, 1892), United States Army officer during the American Civil War and a recipient of the Medal of Honor. Member of Syracuse Lodge No. 102, Syracuse, New York.
William Henry Barnum (September 17, 1818 – April 30, 1889) U.S. Senator from Connecticut. Member of Montgomery Lodge No. 13 at Lakeville, Connecticut.

Diego Martínez Barrio (1883–1962), Prime minister of Spain and founder of the Republican Union Party

Samuel Barrett (1879-1965), American anthropologist and linguist who studied Native American peoples.

Lewis O. Barrows (June 7, 1893 – January 30, 1967), 57th Governor of Maine.


William T. Barry (February 5, 1784 – August 30, 1835), United States Postmaster General during the Jackson Administration. United States Senator from Kentucky. Member of Lexington Lodge No. 1, Lexington, Ky. and later of Davies Lodge No. 22 of Lexington was elected an honorary member of Federal Lodge No. 1, Washington, D.C on Jan. 4, 1830.

John L. Barstow (February 21, 1832 – June 28, 1913), 39th Governor of Vermont.


Harold Roe Bartle (June 25, 1901 – May 9, 1974) American businessman, philanthropist, Boy Scout executive, and professional public speaker. Served two terms as mayor of Kansas City, Missouri. Member of Lebanon Lodge No. 87 in Kentucky plus the Ararat Shriners of Kansas City, Missouri.

John H. Bartlett (March 15, 1869 – March 19, 1952), 57th Governor of New Hampshire.

Josiah Bartlett (November 21, 1729 – May 19, 1795) American physician and statesman, delegate to the Continental Congress for New Hampshire and signatory of the Declaration of Independence. He was later Chief Justice of the New Hampshire Superior Court of Judicature and Governor of the state. Although his lodge is not known, his great grandson, Levi S. Bartlett, has a letter written by Josiah to his son Ezra saying, "I attended a Mason meeting last night, and as soon as you can I wish you would join the Masons."

Robert Bartlett (August 15, 1875 – April 28, 1946) Canadian navigator and Arctic explorer of the late 19th and early 20th centuries


Edmund Barton (1849–1920), First Prime Minister of the Commonwealth of Australia, Speaker of the legislative assembly. Initiated: Australian Lodge of Harmony No. 556 English Constitution in Sydney on 13 March 187

William Barton (1748–1831), Officer in the Continental Army during the American War of Independence who retired with the rank of colonel. Became a member of St. John's Lodge, Providence, Rhode Island in 1779.

William "Count" Basie (1904–1984), Jazz orchestra leader and composer. Wisdom Lodge No. 102 (Prince Hall), Chicago.

Charles Baskerville (1870-1922), American chemist.


Richard Napoleon Batchelder (July 27, 1832 – January 4, 1901), United States Army Officer and the 18th Quartermaster General of the United States Army. Awarded the Medal of Honor in 1891. Member of Lafayette Lodge No. 41 at Manchester, New Hampshire.

William B. Bate (October 7, 1826 – March 9, 1905), American soldier and politician. Governor of Tennessee from 1883 to 1887, and United States Senator from 1887 until his death. Major general in the Confederate Army during the American Civil War. Member of King Solomon Lodge No. 94, Gallatin, Tennessee.
Edward Bates (September 4, 1793 – March 25, 1869) United States lawyer and statesman. First attorney general of Missouri after it was admitted as a state. United States Attorney General under Lincoln from 1861 to 1864. Was a member of Missouri Lodge No. 12, under Tennessee charter (later Missouri No. 1). Was active in the formation of the Grand Lodge of Missouri. Served four terms as grand master, 1825-26-27-31.

Frederick Bates (1777–1825), Governor of Missouri.

Isaac C. Bates (January 23, 1779 – March 16, 1845) American politician from Massachusetts serving in both houses of the U.S. Legislature. Member of Jerusalem Lodge Northampton, Massachusetts.

John L. Bates (September 18, 1859 – June 8, 1946), 41st Governor of Massachusetts. Member Baalbek Lodge, Boston.

Joe B. Bates (October 29, 1893 – September 10, 1965), United States Representative from Kentucky.

Thomas Bath (1875–1956), Australian politician, former Western Australian Leader of the Opposition, involved in founding of Lodge Bonnie Doon, 839, S.C.


John S. Battle (July 11, 1890 – April 9, 1972), 56th Governor of Virginia. Member of Charlottesville Lodge No. 5 Charlottesville, Virginia.

Laurie C. Battle (May 10, 1912 – May 2, 2000), United States Representative from Alabama. Member of Docena Lodge No. 815, Docena, Alabama as well as the Zamora Shriners and Order of the Eastern Star Chapter 118 in Birmingham.

Warner Baxter (March 29, 1889 – May 7, 1951), American film actor of the silent and early talkie period. Second person to win the Academy Award for Best Actor. Member Cahuenga Lodge No. 513 Hollywood, California.


Francis Baylies (October 16, 1783 – October 28, 1852), United States Representative from Massachusetts. Original lodge not known, but made honorary member of Mount Lebanon Lodge, Boston, Massachusetts on Jan. 26, 1835.

George Lafayette Beal (May 21, 1825 – December 11, 1896) American politician from Maine who served in the Federal forces during the American Civil War. Member of Oxford Lodge No. 18, Norway, Maine.

John V. Beamer (November 17, 1896 – September 8, 1964), United States Representative from Indiana. Member of Hanna Lodge No. 61, Wabash, Indiana.


John Beatty (December 10, 1749 – May 30, 1826), American physician and statesman. An officer of the Continental Army, he was appointed Commissary General for Prisoners with the rank of colonel. Was a member of the Continental Congress in 1784 and 1785. Was a member of the United States House of Representatives from New Jersey during the Third Congress. Rose in Trenton Lodge No. 5, Trenton, New Jersey. A past master of that lodge, he was elected Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of New Jersey in 1791. In 1792 he transferred his membership to Solomon's Lodge No. 1.


Honoré Beaugrand (1848–1906), Politician, journalist, Fall River, MA Lodge 1873; assisted in founding Montreal Emancipation Lodge in 1897.

Eugène de Beauharnais (3 September 1781 – 21 February 1824), Viceroy of Italy under Napoleon.

Campbell Eben Beaumont (August 27, 1883 – November 19, 1954) was a United States federal judge from Kentucky.

William Beaumont (November 21, 1785 – April 25, 1853), Surgeon in the U.S. Army who became known as the "Father of Gastric Physiology" following his research on human digestion. Rose in Harmony Lodge, Champlain, New York April 11, 1820.

P. G. T. Beauregard (May 28, 1818 – February 20, 1893) American military officer, politician, inventor, writer, civil servant, and the first prominent general of the Confederate States Army during the American Civil War.

Charles Bebb (10 April 1856 – 21 June 1942) British-American architect who designed the Washington State Capitol building.

Stephen David Bechtel, Sr. (September 24, 1900 – March 14, 1989) Founder of the Bechtel Corporation and the president of the company from 1933 through 1960. Raised June 30, 1923 in Oakland Lodge No. 188 Oakland, California.


Rudolph Zacharias Becker (9 April 1752 - 28 March 1822) German educator and author, and active Freemason of Gotha. Published an historical essay in 1786 on the Bavarian Illuminati titled Grundsätze Verfassung und Schicksale des Illuminaten Order in Baiern.

J. C. W. Beckham (August 5, 1869 – January 9, 1940) 35th Governor of Kentucky. Member of Duvall Lodge No. 6, Bardstown, Kentucky.

John J. Beckley (August 4, 1757 – April 8, 1807) First Librarian of Congress as well as First and fourth Clerk of the United States House of Representatives. Member of Williamsburg Lodge No. 6, Williamsburg, Virginia.

Johann Beckmann (1739-1811), German scientific author and coiner of the word technology, to mean the science of trades. He was the first man to teach technology and write about it as an academic subject.

Thomas Taylor, Earl of Bective, Grand Sovereign of the Red Cross of Constantine 1886.

Funming Bedford, Jr. (1747–1812), Signer of the US Constitution, first Grand Master of Masons in Delaware.

Joseph D. Bedle (January 5, 1821 – October 21, 1894), 23rd Governor of New Jersey. Raised in Olive Branch Lodge No. 16, Freehold, New Jersey on April 24, 1857.

Hamilton P. Bee (July 22, 1822 – October 3, 1897) American politician in early Texas who served one term as Speaker of the Texas House of Representatives and later was a Confederate States Army general during the American Civil War. Member of Austin Lodge No. 12, Texas.

Robert Livingston Beckman (April 15, 1866 – January 21, 1935) 52nd Governor of Rhode Island.


Wallace Beery (April 1, 1885 – April 15, 1949) American actor. Won the Academy Award for Best Actor for the 1931 film The Champ. Member of Blaney Lodge No. 271 of Chicago, Illinois.

Lyall T. Beggs (November 9, 1899 – May 14, 1973), Wisconsin lawyer and politician. Past commander in chief of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and a member of the Wisconsin State Assembly.

Josiah Begole (January 20, 1815 – June 5, 1896), U.S. Representative and the 19th Governor of Michigan. Member of Flint Lodge No. 23, Flint, MI.


Jonathan Belcher (8 January 1681 – 31 August 1757), American Colonial merchant, businessman, and politician from the Province of Massachusetts Bay during the American colonial period. Served simultaneously for over a decade as colonial governor of the British colonies of New Hampshire (1729–1741) and Massachusetts (1730–1741) and later for ten years as governor of New Jersey (1747–1757). Raised in an old "Guilde Lodge" in England in 1704-13 years before the founding of the G.L. of England.
Reported as having been on the rolls of the craft in Nova Scotia at an early date. Was affiliated with St. John's Lodge in Boston.

manuel Belgrano (3 June 1770 – 20 June 1820), Argentine economist, lawyer, politician, and military leader. He took part in the Argentine Wars of Independence and created the Flag of Argentina. He is regarded as one of the main Libertadores of the country.1

Andrew Bell (1726–1809), Scottish printer, founder of the Encyclopædia Britannica11

Charles J. Bell (1858-1929), Scotch-Irish American businessman. He was a cousin of Alexander Graham Bell and as such was an early executive of Bell Telephone. Co-founder of the National Geographic Society, and was its first treasurer.1


Francis Bell (1851–1936), Prime Minister of New Zealand.

Frank Bell (January 28, 1840 – February 13, 1927) Sixth Governor of Nevada. Member of Reno Lodge No. 13, and served as Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Nevada.

John Bell (New Hampshire) (July 20, 1765 – March 22, 1836), Governor of New Hampshire for one year (1828 to 1829). Member of St. John's Lodge No. 1, Portsmouth, New Hampshire.

John Bell (Tennessee) (February 18, 1796 – September 10, 1869), Tennessee Politician. Served in the U.S. House of Representatives from 1827 to 1841, and in the U.S. Senate from 1847 to 1859. Speaker of the House for the 23rd Congress (1834–1835), and briefly served as Secretary of War during the administration of William Henry Harrison (1841). In 1860, he ran for president as the candidate for the Constitutional Union Party. Member of King Solomon Lodge No. 6 at Gallatin, Tennessee.

Lawrence Dale Bell (April 5, 1894 – October 20, 1956), Founder of Bell Aircraft Corporation.

Francis Bellamy (May 18, 1855 – August 28, 1931), Author of the U. S. Pledge of Allegiance. Member of Little Falls Lodge No. 181, Little Falls, New York.

Johann Joachim Bellermann (September 23, 1754 – October 25, 1842), German Hebraist and professor of theology at Berlin University.

Harry H. Belt American educator, lawyer, and judge in the state of Oregon. 28th Chief Justice of the Oregon Supreme Court.

Giovanni Battista Belzoni (5 November 1778 – 3 December 1823), Also known as The Great Belzoni, was a prolific Italian explorer and pioneer archaeologist of Egyptian antiquities.

Charles Albert "Chief" Bender (May 5, 1884 – May 22, 1954), Major League Baseball pitcher during the first two decades of the 20th century. Elected to the Baseball Hall of Fame in 1953. Petitioned Robert A. Lamberton Lodge No. 487 of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania when 27 years of age and was raised on April 4, 1911. He was suspended for non-payment of dues in 1938, but reinstated in 1943.


Alexander von Benckendorff (4 July 1781 or 1783 – 5 October 1844), Russian Cavalry General and statesman. Member of the Lodge of United Friends in Petersburg.

Augustus W. Bennet (October 7, 1897 – June 5, 1983), United States Representative from New York. Member of Hudson River Lodge No. 607, Newburgh, New York, serving as master in 1930.


Caleb P. Bennett (November 11, 1758 – May 9, 1836), American soldier and politician from Delaware. He was a veteran of the American Revolution and the War of 1812, and served as Governor of Delaware. Rose in Lodge No. 14 at Christina Ferry, Delaware on 16 January 1781.

Henry G. Bennett (December 14, 1886 – December 22, 1951), prominent educational figure from Oklahoma. Served as the president of both Southeastern Oklahoma State University and Oklahoma State University. He was appointed by Harry S. Truman as an Assistant Secretary of State.


Thomas Bennett, Jr. (August 14, 1781 – January 30, 1865), 48th Governor of South Carolina. Member of Solomons Lodge No. 1, Charleston.

Henry Arthur Benning (born August 8, 1879 - April 14, 1962), Vice president and general manager of the Amalgamated Sugar Company.

Camillo Benso, Count of Cavour (1810–1861), Italian politician.

Carville Benson (August 24, 1872 – February 8, 1929), U.S. Representative from Maryland.

Elmer Austin Benson (September 22, 1895 – March 13, 1985) 24th Governor of Minnesota. Rose in Appleton Lodge No. 137, Appleton, Minnesota on January 3, 1917.

William Benswanger (February 22, 1892 – January 15, 1972), President and chief executive of the Pittsburgh Pirates Major League Baseball franchise 1932 through 1946. Member of Lodge No. 45 of Pittsburgh.

Charles Bent (November 11, 1799 – January 19, 1847) First civilian Governor of the New Mexico Territory in September 1846.

Alvin Morell Bentley (August 30, 1918 – April 10, 1969) U.S. Representative from Michigan, Was one of the victims of the 1954 U.S. Capitol shootings. Member of Owosso Lodge No. 81, Owosso, Michigan.

William Plummer Benton (December 25, 1828 – March 14, 1867) American lawyer and soldier who served in both the Mexican-American War and the American Civil War. Member of Webb Lodge No. 24 at Richmond, Indiana.


George Bergstrom (March 12, 1876 – 1955) American architect of Norwegian heritage noted for his design work on the Pentagon.

Randolph C. Berkeley (January 9, 1875 – January 31, 1960) U.S. Marine Corps major general who received the Medal of Honor for his actions during the United States occupation of Veracruz.


Silvio Berlusconi (1936–), Italian media tycoon and politician, Prime Minister of Italy. Initiated in Lodge Propaganda Due – Expelled in 1981 (some say 1976) by the Grand Orient of Italy.

Remigio Morales Bermúdez (September 30, 1836 – April 1, 1894), President of Peru from 1890 to 1894.

Alain Bernheim (1931–), musician and Masonic researcher. Loge Les Amis Discrets n° 26, Grande Loge Suisse Alpina

Ben Bernie (May 30, 1891 – October 23, 1943), American jazz violinist and radio personality.

Arnaud Berquin (September 1747 – 21 December 1791) French children's author.

George L. Berry (September 12, 1882 – December 4, 1948) U.S. Senator from Tennessee from 1937 to 1938. One of the founders of the American Legion.

Hiram Gregory Berry (August 27, 1824 – May 2, 1863), American politician and general in the Army of the Potomac during the American Civil War. Member of Aurora Lodge No. 50, Rockland, Maine.


Tom Berry (April 23, 1879 – October 30, 1951) 14th Governor of South Dakota.[1]

Paul Bert (17 October 1833 – 11 November 1886) French zoologist, physiologist and politician.

Francisco Bertrand (1866–1926), Twice President of Honduras.

Jöns Jacob Berzelius (20 August 1779 – 7 August 1848), Swedish chemist. Initiated in 1805 in St. John's Lodge St. Erik, at Stockholm.

Walter Besant (14 August 1836 – 9 June 1901), Novelist and historian. Raised in Mauritius Lodge in 1862 and became master of Marquis of Dalhousie Lodge No. 1159, London, in 1873. Conceived the idea of establishing a lodge of research and as a result became one of the founders of the famous Quatuor Coronati Lodge No. 2076 of London, serving as its treasurer at one time.

William Thomas Best (August 13, 1826 – May 10, 1897), English organist.


Jackson Edward Betts (May 26, 1904 – August 13, 1993), Member of the U.S. House of Representatives from Ohio. Rose in Findlay Lodge No. 227, Findlay, Ohio in 1931.

Albert J. Beveridge (October 6, 1862 – April 27, 1927), American historian and United States Senator from Indiana. Member of Oriental Lodge No. 500, Indianapolis, Indiana.

James R. Beverley (June 15, 1894—June 17, 1967), U.S. lawyer and Attorney General of Puerto Rico. While serving as Attorney General, also served twice as acting governor of Puerto Rico.

Howard Landis Bevis (November 19, 1885 – April 24, 1968), 7th President of The Ohio State University. Raised in McMakin Lodge No. 120, Mt. Healthy, Ohio in 1911 and served as master of same in 1916.

George Valentin Bibescu (1880–1941), Romanian aviation pioneer, Grand Master of Romanian Grand Lodge from 1911 to 1916.

George M. Bibb (October 30, 1776 – April 14, 1859), 17th United States Secretary of the Treasury and two-term member of the U.S. Senate. Was the first master of Russellville Lodge No. 17, Russellville, Kentucky and was master of Hiram Lodge No. 4, Frankfort, Kentucky. He was also past master of Lexington Lodge No. 1 at Lexington, and served as secretary in 1804. In 1804 he was grand master of Kentucky.

Thomas Bibb (May 8, 1783 – September 20, 1839) Second Governor of Alabama from 1820 to 1821. Member of George Lodge No. 32, Warminster, Virginia.

Dana X. Bible (October 8, 1891 – January 19, 1980), American football player, coach of football, basketball, and baseball, and college athletics administrator. Member of Mossy Creek Lodge No. 353, Jefferson City, Tennessee.

Thomas Walter Bickett (February 28, 1869 – December 28, 1921), 54th Governor of North Carolina. Raised in Louisburg Lodge No. 413, Louisburg, North Carolina on October 2, 1901, demitting to William G. Hill Lodge No. 218 at Raleigh in 1921. In 1917 he was grand orator of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina.


Benjamin Alden Bidlack (September 8, 1804 – February 6, 1849), Member of the U.S. House of Representatives from Pennsylvania. Rose in Lodge No. 61, Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania on May 1, 1826.

John Bidwell (August 5, 1819 – April 4, 1900), California pioneer and politician. Raised in San Jose Lodge No. 10 in 1851 and later affiliated with Chico Lodge No. 111.

Albert Bierstadt (January 7, 1830 – February 18, 1902) German-American painter known for landscapes of the American West. Member of Holland Lodge No. 8, New York City.

Timothy Bigelow (April 30, 1767 – May 18, 1821) was an American lawyer. Grand master of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts two terms, 1806-08 and 1811-13.

Benjamin T. Biggs (October 1, 1821 – December 25, 1893), 46th Governor of Delaware. Member of Union Lodge No. 5, Middletown, Delaware.


Stanislaw Binički (1872–1942), Serbian musician


Henry Bishop, English composer of Home! Sweet Home!


John Blair, Jr. (1732–1800), Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States (1789–96), and Grand Master of Virginia from 1778 to 1784.

Mel Blanc (1908–1989), American voice actor. Mid Day Lodge No. 188, Oregon

Samuel Blatchford (1820–1893), Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States (1882–1893)

Moses Bloom (1833–1893), Iowa politician.

Dimitrie Bolintineanu (1819–1872), Romanian poet, politician, 1848 revolutionary.

Simón Bolívar (1783–1830), Leader of South American independence. (Initiated: Cádiz, Spain) Founding brother of Lodge Order and Liberty No. 2, Peru, 1824

Cezar Bolliac (1813–1881), Romanian politician, amateur archaeologist, journalist and Romantic poet.

Shadrach Bond (1773–1832), American politician, first Governor of Illinois.

Omar Bongo (1935–2009), President of Gabon.

Andrés Bonifacio (1863–1897), Leader during Philippine Revolution from Spain. Taliba Lodge No. 165 under Gran Oriente Español (Spanish Grand Lodge).

Edward Bootle-Wilbraham, 1st Earl of Lathom (1837–1898), British politician


Gutzon Borglum (1867–1941), American sculptor, planned and started sculpture on Mount Rushmore. Rose in Howard Lodge No. 35.

Lincoln Borglum (1912–1986), Son of Gutzon Borglum, completed the Mount Rushmore project; raised in Battle River Lodge No. 92.

Ernest Borgnine (1917–2012), American Actor. Abingdon Lodge No. 48; however another source indicates Melrose Lodge No. 63, California

James Boswell (1740–1795), British Biographer, raised in Canongate Kilwinning Lodge at Edinburgh, 1759.

Pik Botha (1932–), South African politician.

Mackenzie Bowell (1823–1917), Prime Minister of Canada from 1894–1896


William D. Boyce (1858–1929), Founder of the Boy Scouts of America

William Boyd, 4th Earl of Kilmarnock (1704–1746), Jacobite politician, Grand Master of Scotland (1742–1743)

Charles Bradlaugh (1833–1891), 19th century Atheist and Republican MP, Grand Lodge des Philadelphes, London (resigned his affiliation with English Freemasonry in 1874, but maintained an affiliation with a French Lodge).


Donald Bradman (1908–2001), Australian Cricketer. Initiated Lodge Arcadia No 177 UGLNSW on 11 June 1920.

Johannes Brahms (1833–1897), German Composer.

Christoffel Brand (1797–1875), First Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of the Cape Colony.

Joseph Brant (1743–1807), Principal Chief of the Six Nations Indians. Initiated in Lodge No. 417, 1776. First Master of Lodge No. 11, Mohawk Village (near Brantford) in 1798.

Dimitrie Brătianu (1818–1892), Prime Minister of Romania (1881).

Ion C. Brătianu (1821–1891), Romanian politician, three-time Prime Minister of Romania.

David Brearley (1745–1790), Signer of the U.S. Constitution on behalf of New Jersey, the first Grand Master of Masons for the State of New Jersey.


Christopher Brennan Jr, Master Mason Punta Gorda Lodge 115 F&AM. 32 Degree Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite Southern Jurisdiction The Supreme Council, 33°.

Walter Breuning, World's oldest man at the time of his death of natural causes on April 14, 2011, aged 114 years, six months, twenty-five days. Member of Great Falls Lodge No. 118, Great Falls Montana for over 85 years.

Geraldo Bright, English bandleader known as "Geraldo".


William A. Brodie, Laid the foundation stone of the Statue of Liberty on August 5, 1884 as Grand Master of New York.


Ringling Brothers (all seven of them), American circus promoters.

Henry Brougham, Scottish abolitionist and founder of Edinburgh Review. Raised in Fortrose Lodge, Stornway, Scotland.

Clarence J. Brown, Newspaper publisher, Ohio politician, U.S. Representative.

John Brown, Abolitionist, Hudson Lodge No. 68, Hudson, Ohio.

Charles Bruce, 5th Earl of Elgin, Scottish nobleman, Grand Master of Scotland (1761–1763)

James Bruce (1730–1794), British explorer. Canon gate Kilwinning Lodge.

Samuel van Brukenthal, Baron of the Holy Roman Empire.

William Jennings Bryan, American politician, United States Congressman, U. S. Secretary of State and presidential candidate. Lincoln Lodge No. 19, Lincoln, Nebraska.

James Buchanan, U.S. President, Lodge No. 43, Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

Frank Buckles, Last living American veteran of World War I.

Charles Buls, Mayor of Brussels.

Edward Bulwer-Lytton, 1st Baron Lytton, Politician and writer.

Luther Burbank, US horticulturist, botanist, agricultural science pioneer. Santa Rosa Lodge No. 57.


Edmund Burke, Irish politician and philosopher.

Robert Burnaby, English explorer and businessman. First Past Master of Victoria Lodge No. 1085, District Grand Master (English) of British Columbia.

David G. Burnet, Statesman, first President of the Republic of Texas (interim), Holland Lodge No:1.


James Burnett, Lord Monboddo, Scottish judge, Enlightenment scholar, philosopher and eccentric.


Richard Francis Burton, English explorer.

Billy Butlin, British philanthropist.

Daniel Butterfield, General of the Federal Army during the U.S. Civil War, Medal of Honor recipient and composer of the bugal song taps. Metropolitan Lodge No. 273, New York City.

Cyriel Buysse, Flemish nationalist writer.

Harry F. Byrd, Governor of Virginia, United States Senator from Virginia. Hiram Lodge No. 21, Winchester, Virginia.


Alessandro Cagliostro, Sicilian charlatan and occultist.

Plutarco Elías Calles, Presidente of México.

John Campbell, 2nd Marquees of Breadalbane, British politician, Member of Parliament (1820–1826, 1832–1834), Lord Chamberlain (1848–1852, 1853–1858), Grand Master of Scotland (1824–1826).

Malcolm Campbell, English motor-racer.


George Canning, British politician and Prime Minister.

Gheorghe Grigore Cantacuzino, Prime Minister of Romania.

Eddie Cantor, Entertainer, raised in Munn Lodge No 190, New York City.

Emmanuel Carasso, Ottoman lawyer and politician, Grand Master of the Italian-rite Macedonia Risorta in Salonika.

Carol II, King of Romania (1930–40).

José Miguel Carrera, Chilean General and President. St. John's Lodge No. 1, New York.


Kit Carson, American Adventurer. Montezuma Lodge No. 109, Santa Fe, New Mexico.


Paul Foster Case, Founder of the Los Angeles occult school, the Builders of the Adytum, Fairport Lodge No. 476, Fairport, New York.


Marc Chagall, Russian artist. Initiated in 1912.

Thomas Chalmers, Lodge St. Vigean, 1800.

Joshua Chamberlain, Commander of US forces on Little Round Top during the American Civil War battle of Gettysburg, and governor of Maine. United Lodge #8, Brunswick, Maine.


Charles XIII of Sweden, King of Sweden and Norway.
Claire Lee Chennault, U.S. Air Corp Major-General; Commanded of the "Flying Tigers" in WWII. League City Lodge No. 1053, League City, TX.


Walter Chrysler, Founder of Chrysler Corporation.


Winston Churchill, Prime Minister of the United Kingdom; 24 May 1901, Studholme Alliance Lodge No. 1591.

André Citroën, French engineer and motor-car manufacturer, Lodge La Philosophy, Paris.

Mark W. Clark, US Army General, Mystic Tie Lodge No. 398, Indianapolis.


John H. Clarke, US Associate Justice (1916–1922)


Moses Cleveland, Founded the city of Cleveland, Ohio, Worshipful Master of Moriah Lodge in 1791.

Patrick Cleburne, Confederate General in the civil war. Lafayette lodge #16, Helena, Arkansas.

Samuel Langhorne Clemens, Also known as Mark Twain. American author. Polar Star Lodge No. 79, A.F. & A.M., St. Louis, Missouri. (Suspended for non-payment of dues and later reinstated April 24, 1867. Demitted October 1867, but recorded as having visited Carson City Lodge U.D. in February and March 1868).

DeWitt Clinton, Governor of New York State, Grand Master of NY during the Morgan Affair, The Holland Lodge No. 8, New York, 1790


Tyrus "Ty" Cobb, Baseball star. Royston Lodge No. 426, Detroit.

Howard Coble (1931–), Member of the U.S. House of Representatives and Guilford Lodge number 656 AF&AM Greensboro, North Carolina.

Mickey Cochrane, Baseball Hall of Famer William F. Cody, a.k.a. Buffalo Bill, Rose in Platte Valley Lodge No. 15, Nebraska.

George M. Cohan, Broadway star, raised in Pacific Lodge No. 233, New York City.

Harry Cohn, Pacific Lodge No. 233, New York.


Nat King Cole, Pianist and ballad singer.


Michael B. Coleman, American politician, Mayor of Columbus, Ohio.

Samuel Colt, Manufacturer of Colt revolvers.

Émile Combes, French Prime Minister.


Charlie Conacher, Canadian ice hockey player. Initiated in North Gate Lodge No. 591, Pickering, Ontario, in 1935.

Marquis de Condorcet, French mathematician and philosopher, Lodges de Neuf Sœurs.

Chester Cooper Conklin (1886–1971), American comedian and actor, Rose: September 18, 1916, University Lodge #394, California.
· Jess Conrad, Entertainer, Member of Chelsea Lodge No. 3098.

· John Cook, Union general in the American Civil War.

· Joseph Cook, 6th Prime Minister of Australia Initiated into Lodge Independent No 8 UGLNSW 12 Feb 1892.

· Gordon Cooper, U.S. astronaut, member of Carbondale Lodge No. 82, Colorado.

· Harry H. Corbett, Actor- star of Steptoe and Son


· Edith Cowan, First woman elected to Australian Parliament, Member of St Cuthberts Lodge Perth Australia (Le Droit Humain).

· James Craik, Physician General of the United States Army

· Todd E. Creason, American Fiction and non-fiction writer. Ogden Lodge No. 754, Illinois.

· Francesco Crispi, Prime Minister of Italy (possibly expelled in 1894?).

· Miron Cristea, Patriarch of the Romanian Orthodox Church (1925–39), Prime Minister of Romania (1938–39).

· Davy Crockett, 19th-century American folk hero, frontiersman, soldier and politician.

· Aleister Crowley, English occultist, Anglo-Saxon Lodge No. 343, Paris (GLdF), 1904

· Abraham Curry, Founding father of Carson City, Nevada. Masonic Lodge No. 1, Carson City.

· Admiral of the Fleet Sir Lucius Curtis, Provincial Grand Master for the Province of Hampshire from 1840 until his death in 1869.

· William Cushing, US Associate Justice (1789–1810), St. Andrews Lodge, Boston

· Alexandru Ioan Cuza, Romanian Domnitor of the Danubian Principalities, 1859–66.

· James Broun-Ramsay, 1st Marquess of Dalhousie, British politician and colonial administrator, Governor-General of India (1848–1956), Grand Master of Scotland (1836–1838).

· David Dalrymple, Lord Hailes, Scottish judge and historian, Grand Master of Scotland (1774–1776).

· Sir Charles Dalrymple, 1st Baronet, British politician, Member of Parliament (1868–1906), Grand Master of Scotland (1893–1897).

· Eugene Goblet d’Alviella, Vice-chancellor of the Université Libre de Bruxelles and Belgian senator.

· Erasmus Darwin, English physician, philosopher, poet, grandfather of Charles Darwin. Member of Canongate Kilwinning Lodge No. 2, Edinburgh, Scotland.

· Jim Davidson, British comedian, Chelsea Lodge, England (resigned), Founding Master of British Forces Foundation (Lodge) No. 9725

· William Richardson Davie, American politician and Grand Master of North Carolina from 1792–1798.

· Carol Davila, Romanian Physician.

· William Crosby Dawson, U.S. Judge and Politician, San Marino Lodge No. 34, F. &A.M, Greensboro, Georgia. Grand Master of Masons in Georgia from 1843 until his death in Greensboro on May 6, 1856.

· Charles De Coster, Belgian author.

· Roger De Courcy, Ventriloquist – Member of Chelsea Lodge No. 3098.

· Isabelle Gatti de Gamond, Pioneering Belgian secular educationalist and Socialist activist.

· Johann de Kalb, Major general in the Continental Army during the American Revolutionary War. Pennsylvania Lodge No. 29

· Polydore de Keyser, Founding Member and first Junior Warden, MacDonald Lodge, No. 1216.

· Claude Joseph Rouget de Lisle, Composer of La Marseillaise
Sebastião de Melo, Marquis of Pombal, 18th-century Portuguese statesman.

William Ralph "Dixie" Dean, Everton and England footballer 1925–1937; initiated in Randle Holme Lodge, No. 3261, Birkenhead, Cheshire on 18 February 1931.

Ovide Decroly, Belgian educationalist. initiated in Lodge Les Amis Philanthropes No. 2, Brussels in 1902.

Cecil B. DeMille, Movie Director, member of Prince of Orange Lodge No. 16, New York City.

Süleyman Demirel, 9th President of the Republic of Turkey. Bilgi Lodge No.015, Ankara. Grand Lodge of Turkey.

Jack Dempsey, Heavyweight boxing champion in 1919, Kenwood Lodge No. 800, Chicago.

Laurence Dermott, Painter, Wine Merchant and Author. Grand Secretary, Ancients Grand Lodge, 1752–1771.


Frédéric Desmons, Protestant priest who persuaded the Grand Orient de France to remove the term of the Great Architect of the Universe from their Constitution

Willis Van Devanter, U.S. Associate Justice (1911–1937).

Thomas E. Dewey, 47th Governor of New York (1902–1971)

Blaise Diagne, Senegalese political leader

Denver S. Dickerson, Governor of Nevada.

Denis Diderot (1712–1784), French philosopher, writer and art critique.

John Diefenbaker, Prime Minister of Canada, Wakaw Lodge No.66, Wakaw, SK.

Everett Dirksen, U.S. Congressman and Minority Leader of the U.S. Senate.

Petar Dobrović, Serbian painter and politician.

Henry Dodge, U.S. Senator from Wisconsin.

Bob Dole, U.S. politician Russell Lodge No. 177, Kansas.

Robert Dollar, Scottish-American industrialist and philanthropist.

Ed Doolan, U.S. Radio Presenter.


George Douglas, 16th Earl of Morton, Scottish politician, Lord High Commissioner (1819–1824), Grand Master of Scotland (1790–1792).

Jim Douglas, Governor of Vermont.


Tommy Douglas, Canadian politician, Weyburn Lodge No. 20, Weyburn, SK


Alexander Douglas-Hamilton, 10th Duke of Hamilton, Scottish politician, Member of Parliament (1802–1806), Grand Master of Scotland (1820–1822)

Arthur Conan Doyle, British physician and author, creator of Sherlock Holmes.

Edwin Drake, U.S. oil industry pioneer, Oil Creek Lodge No. 3, Titusville, Pennsylvania.


George Drummond, Scottish politician, Lord Provost of Edinburgh, Grand Master of Scotland (1752–1753).
Gilbert du Motier, the Marquis de Lafayette, French military officer who served as a general in the American Revolutionary War and a leader of the Garde Nationale during the French Revolution.

Jovan Dučić (1871–1943), Serbian poet, writer and diplomat.


Henry Dunant, Founder of the Red Cross and shared the first Nobel Prize

John Duncan, Member of the United States House of Representatives from Tennessee.

Thomas Dunckerley, Ritualist and author, Lodge No 31, Portsmouth

Lawrence Dundas, 1st Earl of Zetland,

Thomas Dundas, 2nd Earl of Zetland,

John Boyd Dunlop, Scottish inventor.

Alexander Roberts Dunn, First Canadian awarded the Victoria Cross.

Herbert Dunnico, UK Politician and Master of the New Welcome Lodge.

Joseph Duveen, 1st Baron Duveen, UK art dealer, Royal Colonial Institute Lodge No. 3556.

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