





Left to right:

J. Henry Sears,

Henry Cabot Lodge, Senator from Massachusetts Theodore Roosevelt, President of the United States Curtis Guild, Jr., Governor of Massachusetts President of the Cape Cod Pilgrim Memorial Association



The addresses of the day were followed by the formal ceremony of the laying of the corner stone. This was performed by the Grand Master of Masons in Massachusetts, Most Worshipful J. Albert Blake, assisted by the officers and many of the members of the Grand Lodge, in all numbering nearly one hundred. The officers and members were arrayed in the full regal-ia of the Order. As the Grand Lodge assembled, forming a circle about the stone, the Grand Marshal, Melvin M. Johnson, conveyed to President Roosevelt and Governor Guild an invitation to assist him in laying the corner stone.

Both readily accepted and on joining the circle about the stone, both being members of the Masonic Order, they were invested by the Grand Marshal with the purple-bordered apron.

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