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W. J. Dodson
Field Worker

FLINT MASONS LODGE NO. 11 FORD RIVER MO. 74

It is believed by some of the older members of this lodge that it is the oldest lodge in the State. Some insist that they have been told that at one time Flint Lodge No. 1. However, we have not been able to find written records dating further back than about 1830.

We will give copies of some of the old papers found in the files. One of the earliest of which follows:

It is known that the bearer, brother John Thompson Adair, of Flint Lodge No. 21, has properly applied for a demit. He, being a brother and having paid his dues, is accordingly demitted.

W. J. Dodson
Master of Lodge

March 15, 1937

(Signed) W. J. Dodson
Secretary

An old Bible belonging to the lodge, we find the following inscription: "The Worshipful Master, Wardens and Brethren of Flint Lodge No. 74, respectfully presented as a tribute of respect to the craft and sincere friend, April 11, 1854."

(Signed) W. J. Dodson

Robert W. C. Noel, M. M. of Flint Lodge No. 74, was born April 11, 1804 and died November 15, 1854.

Walter C. Adair, acting Master of Flint Lodge No. 74, was born in 1791 and died Sept. 20, 1854. Col. William Penn Adair was at the time and died in Washington D. C. Oct. 23, 1880.

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No. 74 of Wilsonville, Washington County, Arkansas

the Grand Lodge of Arkansas

To all worthy brothers and fellows wherever dispersed:

Greeting:

We hereby introduce to you, our trusty and beloved brother, . S. Lindaley, at this time a member of our lodge who has been duly entered an apprentice, passed as a fellow craft and raised to the sublime degree of a Master Mason and who among us has ever borne himself worthy. Therefore, we recommend him to your fraternal regard and friendship.

In testimony of which we have granted him this Diploma and hereunto set our hands and affixed the seal of our lodge, this 23rd day of May 1869, A. D.
A. L. 566.

(Signed) John W. Dannenberg, W. M. pro tem
Young swing, Senior Warden
John F. Adair, Junior Warden

Attest:

James W. Chandler, Secretary pro tem