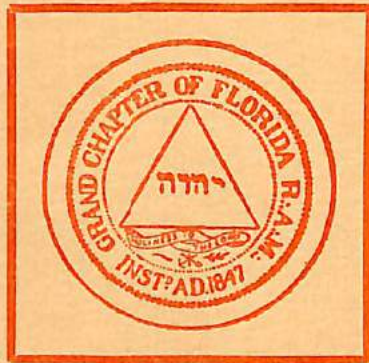


Proceedings
Grand Chapter
Royal Arch Masons
of Florida



Ninety-First Annual Convocation
Held in the City of Tampa
May 17, A. D. 1937
A. I. 2467

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OF THE
M.:E.:Grand Chapter of Florida
FOR
A. D. 1937, A. I. 2467

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| Wm. L. Marshal | <i>E.:Grand Prin. Sojourner, Tallahassee</i> |
| H. J. Dame | <i>E.:Grand Royal Arch Captain, Ft. Pierce</i> |
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| John W. Capper | <i>E.:Grand Guard, Silver St., Jacksonville</i> |
| William B. Greer | <i>E.:Grand Lecturer, Quincy</i> |

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PROCEEDINGS
OF THE

M.·E.·Grand Chapter of Florida

NINETY-FIRST ANNUAL CONVOCATION

1937

The Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of the State of Florida assembled in its Ninety-First Annual Convocation in the Scottish Rite Temple, in the City of Tampa at 8:00 o'clock, p. m., Monday, May 17th, A. D. 1937, A. I. 2467.

A constitutional number of Grand Officers and Representatives of the Constituent Chapters being present, the Grand Chapter was opened in ample form by the M.·E.· Grand High Priest with prayer by the Grand Chaplain.

The roll being called there were found to be present the following:

GRAND OFFICERS

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| Cleveland R. Horne | M.·E.·Grand High Priest |
| J. Lloyd Head | R.·E.·Dep. Grand High Priest |
| John B. Phelps | R.·E.·Grand King |
| Jesse C. Clark | R.·E.·Grand Scribe |
| Riley J. McMaster | M.·E.·Grand Treasurer |
| Cary B. Fish | M.·E.·Grand Secretary |
| Albert E. Calkins | R.·E.·Grand Chaplain |
| Joseph E. Herring | as E.·Grand Captain of the Host |
| Dorsey H. Rutter | E.·Grand Principal Sojourner |
| Frederic A. Riegel | E.·Grand Royal Arch Captain |
| Wm. L. Marshall | E.·Grand Master 3rd Veil |
| H. J. Dame | E.·Grand Master 2nd Veil |
| H. S. Weber | E.·Grand Master 1st Veil |
| H. S. Chiles | as E.·Grand Guard |
| Wm. B. Greer | M.·E.·Grand Lecturer |

PROCEEDINGS OF THE
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Wm. R. O'Neal
H. O. Snow
R. J. Kishpaugh
E. L. Shear

Cary B. Fish
R. J. McMaster
Wm. B. Greer
Archie Aitchison

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O. R. Klepper, Dist. No. 1 Chas. A. Bangert, Dist. No. 7
H. J. Dame, Dist. No. 2 Harry L. Taylor, Dist. No. 8
S. R. Hall, Dist. No. 3 J. E. Herring, Dist. No. 9
Chas. K. Hanner, Dist. No. 4 R. W. Ervin, Dist. No. 11
Ernest V. Reed, Dist. No. 5 Geo. A. Lambe, Dist. No. 12
J. E. Ramsdell, Dist. No. 6 J. L. Clary, Dist. No. 13

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Florida No. 1 Julius Trushin, proxy for Officers
Gainesville No. 2 R. T. Shafer, H. P.
Tampa No. 3 Wm. C. Sessions, H. P.
F. L. Reames, S.
St. Johns No. 4 Chas. L. Heath, proxy for Officers.
Halifax No. 5 W. Frank Winn, proxy for Officers
Mt. Horeb No. 6 Howard McLean, H. P.
Eureka No. 7 Roy A. Miller, H. P.
B. L. Blair, proxy for K.
J. E. Ramsdell, proxy for S.
Dade City No. 8 Wm. W. Sloane, H. P.
Jericho No. 11 L. C. Bortle, H. P.
Harry R. Thompson, K.
Jacksonville No. 12 Andrew H. Cruz, H. P.
Hovie L. Lane, K.
James H. Copeland, S.
H. Kruger, H. P.
Ocala No. 13 John D. Gove, proxy for Officers.
Monroe No. 15 H. L. Keller, H. P.
Plant City No. 16 W. H. Thomas, proxy for Officers
St. Augustine No. 17 Harry E. Grant, H. P.
Manatee No. 18 Robert J. Coleman, H. P.
Keystone No. 20 Hal G. Young, proxy for Officers
Lake Worth No. 24 Chas. Gildersleeve, proxy for Officers
Live Oak No. 25 D. W. Winans, proxy for Officers.
Jefferson No. 26 Leon C. Stewart, H. P.
Indian River No. 27 Oris Nobles, proxy for Officers.
Joppa No. 28 Jesse Reeves, H. P.
Gadsden No. 30 H. J. Randles, H. P.
St. Petersburg No. 31

GRAND CHAPTER OF FLORIDA

Jackson No. 32 H. M. Ivey, H. P.
Leesburg No. 34 Wm. Dunstan, H. P.
Sarasota No. 35 Edwin S. Marsh, H. P.
Richard E. Halton, K.
Crestview No. 40 C. L. Campbell, S.
Winter Haven No. 41 C. A. Seymour, proxy for Officers.
Highlands No. 42 L. G. Hill, H. P.
Duval No. 48 D. W. Carroll, proxy for Officers.
Poinciana No. 50 R. L. Thompson, proxy for Officers.
M. D. Cushing No. 54 James Stuart, H. P.
M. A. Summers, Jr., K.
J. M. Slattery, S.
Hill City No. 55 W. E. Oxley, proxy for Officers.

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Alabama R. J. Kishpaugh
Alberta Cleveland R. Horne
Arkansas C. A. Bangert
California Robert H. Brown
Canada Chester DeRocher
Colorado Bradford C. Webb
Delaware Sumner R. Hall
Georgia Albert E. Calkins
Idaho J. Lloyd Head
Illinois Archie Aitchison
Iowa E. L. Shear
Kansas Jesse C. Clark
Maine Mack Tynes
Manitoba R. L. Gillett
Maryland Henry O. Snow
Massachusetts Wm. E. Oxley
Michigan F. Wm. Schultz
Missouri Cary B. Fish
Montana G. A. Lambe
New Hampshire Wm. R. O'Neal
New Jersey Wm. L. Marshall
New York J. E. Herring
New Zealand John D. Gove
North Carolina Harry D. Gilmore
North Dakota Riley J. McMaster
Ohio Dorsey H. Rutter
Oklahoma Wm. B. Greer
Oregon Frederic A. Riegel
Queensland John B. Phelps
South Carolina Ernest V. Reed

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| South Dakota | Wm. R. O'Neal |
| Texas | Victor M. Douglass |
| Vermont | Bert L. Blair |
| Washington | H. J. Dame |
| West Australia | C. E. Conner |
| Wyoming | Emery G. Pierce |

The minutes of the last annual Convocation having been printed and distributed, they were adopted as printed.

A committee on Distinguished Visitors consisting of Past Grand High Priests Henry O. Snow, Archie Aitchison and Wm. R. O'Neal introduced Companions Mattison B. Jones, M. E. General Grand High Priest of the General Grand Chapter of the U. S. A., on his official visit and Cary B. Fish, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Permanent Fund of the General Grand Chapter of the U. S. A., who were received with Grand Honors and conducted to the East. Also Robert H. Brown, R. E. Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Florida, and F. Wm. Schultz, M. I. Grand Master of the Grand Council, R. & S. M.

The M. E. Grand High Priest delivered the following address:

GRAND HIGH PRIEST'S ADDRESS

To the Most Excellent Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Florida: Companions:

My term of office as your Grand High Priest is drawing to a close, and, as is customary and proper, I bring you this my report.

The honor you conferred upon me was and still is appreciated. It is my hope that I have caused you no regrets, and that Capitular Masonry has not suffered. It is my ambition that my future Masonic life and activity may increase and strengthen the Bonds of Friendship and Brotherly Love that exist between you and me.

The new contacts and closer bonds of friendship formed during the year are beyond price and it is my hope, that as the years go by, these friendships may become more mellow with age, and richer in Brotherly Love.

NECROLOGY

Our Official Family this year has not escaped the Grim Reaper. The members of the Grand Chapter had not more than reached their homes from last Annual Convoca-

tion when word was received of the death of Excellent Companion Frank S. Hartsfield, whom I had just appointed Grand Captain of the Host. I regretted very much that word was not received by me in time to attend the Funeral. Others of our beloved Companions have also been called to their reward. Our sister Grand Jurisdictions have felt the heavy hand of Death within their ranks. To all those who grieve, we extend our sympathy. The Committee on Memorials has prepared suitable resolutions.

EDUCATIONAL LOANS

At the annual Convocation in 1924 the Grand Chapter created a Scholarship Fund and appointed an Educational Loan Committee to administer it.

For a number of years, during the time we were in a prosperous condition, this fund was increased each year, and many loans were made to students. Some few have paid in full, a few others have made partial payments; and recently, during the years when money and jobs were scarce, the Grand Chapter has not been hard on them.

Believing, however, that the time had arrived for us to make some effort to collect these long past due notes, I appointed additional members to the committee as reported under appointments, and instructed the Secretary to contact all the makers of these notes, either in person or by mail. The committee will make a report of their activities.

I recommend that if as and when this money is collected, it be invested in a separate Endowment Fund, the income from which shall be used to provide higher education for deserving members of Masonic Home, such member or members, to be selected by the Grand High Priest, Deputy Grand High Priest, King and Scribe, on the recommendations of the Superintendent of the Home.

A laborer is worthy of his hire. I recommend that the Secretary of this Educational Loan Committee be paid for his services, and that it be on percentage of his collections.

I wish to especially thank and to commend Companion Chiles for the work he has done. He is energetic, courteous and efficient.

APPOINTMENTS

On May 24, 1936, I recommended the appointment of Companion J. Marvin Rowan to be Grand Representative of the Grand Chapter of Arizona, near the Grand Chapter of Florida.

On February 27, I recommended the appointment of Companion Joe E. Herring, of Jacksonville, as Grand Representative of Grand Chapter of New York, near the Grand Chapter of Florida.

On February 27, 1937, I recommended the appointment to Companion Victor M. Douglass, of Tampa, as Grand Representative of Texas, near the Grand Chapter of Florida.

Acting on the recommendations of the Grand High Priests, I have appointed,

Right Excellent Companion Alfred William Creed, as Grand Representative of the Grand Chapter of Florida, near the Grand Chapter of New South Wales.

Companion A. Parker Mize, as Grand Representative of the Grand Chapter of Florida, near the Grand Chapter of Alabama.

On March 16, 1937, I appointed Companion Jesse C. Ramsdell, D. D. G. H. P. of the Sixth District, to succeed Companion Russel C. Peeples, who had to resign on account of pressure of business.

On December 6, 1936, I appointed the following Companions as additional members of the Educational Loan Committee: Wm. L. Marshall, and R. J. McMaster. Herbert L. Chiles, (to act as Secretary).

On December 6, I appointed Companions, Cary B. Fish, H. S. Weber and Ralph J. Kishpaugh as Committee to prepare a Uniform Code of By-Laws. I submit herewith their report and recommend its adoption.

On January 25, I appointed M. E. Companion John L. Hall and Joe E. Herring to serve on Committee on Monument for our M. E. Comp. Elmer E. Haskell. I understand the Monument will be erected within a few days, but not in time to report for this Convocation.

On May 6th, Acting on the recommendation of the Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Washington, I appointed Companion Edgar D. Griffith, as Grand Representative of the Grand Chapter of Florida, near the Grand Chapter of Washington.

DECISIONS

Nov. 21: From Ocala Chapter No. 13:

In 1926, the Chapter had received a petition, balloted and elected candidate, and notified him to appear on certain

date for the degree. The candidate ignored the notice, although living in the town for two years afterward. In 1928, he moved to Daytona Beach, where he died in 1932. In 1936 his Widow made a demand on the Chapter for return of the fee.

Question: Ownership of fee and duty of Chapter.

Answer: Fee definitely the property of the Chapter, candidate having forfeited all claim, even had he lived. The Chapter, however, should investigate the condition of the widow, and, if circumstances warranted it, might make such donation as seemed proper.

From Jacksonville Chapter No. 12: A member of the Chapter, whose Lodge Membership was in Georgia, was tried by Ionic Lodge of Jacksonville, convicted, and dis-owned. Case appealed to Grand Lodge of Florida and affirmed, Grand Lodge making sentence of dis-ownment state-wide.

Question: Duty of Chapter.

Answer: Dis-ownment same effect as expulsion. Therefore, Regulation No. 65 applied and the member should be declared expelled from Jacksonville Chapter, which was done.

The Grand Lodge of Florida in Annual Communication 1937 approved an Edict of Grand Master issued in Recess, reversing the action of Grand Lodge of 1936, and remanding this case for re-trial.

The Home Lodge of the convicted Brother had previously tried their member, acquitted and exonerated him. The action was reviewed by the Grand Lodge of Georgia and affirmed.

Under date of April 24, I wrote the High Priest of Jacksonville Chapter, instructing him to restore by Order, this Companion to membership in the Chapter.

September 24: Received request from Monroe Chapter No. 15 as to propriety of serving Beer at Masonic Supper held in hotel.

Answer: No Regulation prohibiting it, but considered it very inappropriate and advised against it.

December 28: Gainesville Chapter No. 2 wished to install Officers in Joint Installation without the formality of opening the Chapter.

I ruled that the Chapter must be opened. I possibly should not have referred to this trivial matter in this report, but it seems to illustrate a growing tendency to hurry, eliminating as much as possible in order to hurry through with a necessary duty and get away. No criticism of Gainesville intended. I live there.

Winter Haven Chapter No. 41, was vexed because some of the Companions wanted to amend the By-laws, and, when defeated, would try again. It so happened they were objecting to life memberships being granted to Past High Priests. Ruled that no amendment necessary, as their By-law was contrary to Regulation No. 43 and therefore null and void.

DISPENSATIONS

February 8th, I granted dispensation to Hill City Chapter No. 55 to elect and install officers. Was present and officiated.

Believing it would tend to create some interest in communities where there was no Chapter, and indeed stimulate interest in the Chapters themselves, I have recommended to a number of the subordinate Chapters that they hold occasional convocations, either regular or special, in different Lodge rooms within their Jurisdiction. Accordingly, being requested, I have granted the following Dispensations.

To Live Oak Chapter No. 25, to hold regular Convocation in Mayo.

To Joppa Chapter No. 28, to hold special Convocation in Okeechobee.

To Poincianna Chapter No. 50 to hold regular Convocation in Arcadia.

BY-LAWS APPROVED

September 12th. Approved amendment to By-laws of Tampa Chapter No. 3, reducing fees from \$30.00 to \$21.00.

April 22. I approved an amendment to the By-laws of Winter Haven Chapter No. 41, changing their time for holding Convocations, from second and fourth Mondays to First and Third Thursdays.

April 30. Approved the By-laws of Jericho Chapter No. 11.

COURTESY WORK

Having been requested by the Grand High Priest of the Grand Jurisdictions, I was pleased to request Winter Haven Chapter No. 41 to confer all the Capitular Degrees on Brother Frank R. Parsons, of Massachusetts, he having been duly elected.

And Clearwater Chapter No. 45 was requested to confer all the degrees on Brother Fred P. Evans, of Staunton, Virginia.

I wish to thank the Companions of these two Chapters for their co-operation.

RECOMMENDATIONS

There are a great number of Lodges and Chapters in the State that are suffering from an over supply of life members. Some were sold for a nominal sum to provide funds for some pressing need. Some have been granted for continuous membership, while some have been granted as a reward to Past High Priests. All of the latter should voluntarily ask to be replaced on the active paying list. I recommend that Regulation No. 43 be amended to read as follows:

LIFE MEMBERS

Regulation No. 43

Section 1: Subordinate Chapters may provide for life memberships in their by-laws, but no life memberships may be granted for payment of less than \$75.00, or upon not less than thirty years of continuous membership in such Chapter. The conferring of life membership upon Past High Priests, merely as such, is not permitted.

Section 2: All funds derived from the sale of life memberships shall be deposited in a separate account, the income from which shall be used for the payment of Grand Chapter per capita tax.

Believing it will stimulate interest in Capitular Masonry, I recommend the following Regulation:

REGULATION NO.

Subordinate Chapters may hold regular or special convocations in any Lodge Room within their territorial jurisdiction, for the purpose of creating interest in Capitular Masonry, and at such Convocations may transact such busi-

ness as is prescribed by its By-laws. All such Convocations shall be reported to the Grand High Priest.

I recommend that the Grand Secretary and the Grand Treasurer be bonded, in a sum commensurate with their responsibility.

The Grand Chapter convenes in May, just a short time before summer vacations. The enthusiasm and general interest aroused at the time, usually wanes during the summer. I recommend the Grand Chapter hold its next Annual Convocation on the second Tuesday in October, 1938, and that it be held in the Masonic Temple in Jacksonville.

ARRESTED CHARTERS

When all members of a Chapter, or any other organization have completely lost all interest, and have become totally indifferent, there seems to be no hope for re-habilitation. Capitular Masonry as well as the Symbolic Degrees, is better off if all trace and pretence is removed. It is easier to start later on with New Charter, New Personell, New Officers, and new interest, than to attempt to operate or to cure an old sick body. With that in mind, and further in view of the fact that such conditions had been existing for some time, and had been referred from time to time to incoming Grand High Priests, and finding these particular conditions existing at the following places, I have arrested the following Charters:

- January 8: Nassau Chapter No. 49.
- March 11: Kissimmee Chapter No. 10.
- March 12, Union Chapter No. 43.
- April 14: New Smyrna Chapter No. 51.
- April 16: Inverness Chapter No. 14.

Then I lost my nerve. There are a few others, but I believe, with some assistance and help, they will come through. They are at least making returns and attempting to pay dues.

An effort has been made from time to time during past two or three years to have the Companions of Panama City ask for restoration of their Chapter. These Companions saw fit to refuse to deliver to Grand Chapter the amount of money on hand, amounting to \$128, and until they deliver these funds, and come before this Grand Chapter with clean hands, they are not entitled to any consideration. I have written Companion Wm. L. Marshall who has been

looking after this matter, to return all books and property, formerly the property of this Chapter, to the Grand Secretary. This is a closed account.

VISITATIONS

On June 11, 1936, I visited Jacksonville Chapter No. 12. The attendance was fair. Not nearly so many as should have been in a Chapter that size, however. Quite a number of the Companions from Duval Chapter No. 48 were present.

On July 14. Accompanied by Companion B. J. Otte, H. P. of Gainesville Chapter No. 2, I visited St. Augustine Chapter No. 17. Putnam Chapter No. 9, Duval Chapter No. 48, and Jacksonville Chapter No. 12 were all represented by several Companions from each. Deputy Grand High Priest, J. Lloyed Head, District Deputy Joe E. Herring, Grand Chaplain A. E. Calkins, and Grand Principal Sojourner Dorsey H. Rutter were all present.

On July 20. I met District Deputy Richard W. Ervin, and Grand Master of Third Veil, William L. Marshall, at Perry, where we visited Perry Lodge in the interest of Capitular Masonry and with the desire of restoring the Charter to Perry Chapter. No definite results although much interest was manifested. Masonry is thriving in that section and it won't be long before the Companions feel the need of a Chapter.

On October 22. The Companions in District No. 3, Sarasota Chapter No. 35, Manatee River No. 18, and Poincianna No. 50, do things in a big way. They held a District meeting, had a splendid attendance, god program. Companions Kishpaugh, Phelps, Harry Brown, Case and Haner were all present.

September 15. Visited Monroe D. Cushing Chapter No. 54. For real inspiration, I advise any one to visit this Chapter and get acquainted with these Companions. They have a real Team. Not only do great work, but like to travel everywhere and show it. Have run into them all over South Florida, visiting and conferring Degrees. Would like to be a member but am not in their class.

On November 13. Visited Jericho Chapter, and District No. 1, Lake Worth Chapter No. 24 and Keystone No. 20, both being well represented. Past Grand High Priest Roberts, of Vermont, and our own Ralph J. Kishpaugh were

present. Nine candidates were exalted to the August Degree of Royal Arch Mason. This is too many. Much better to work one team at the time and work oftener, but Jericho Chapter was so optimistic and assured me they had many more on the road. More power to them. Keystone Chapter opened and elected one Candidate. Enroute home, I stopped for a conference at Ft. Pierce with H. J. Dame, D. D. G. H. P., and at Melbourne with Secretary Butter, of Union Chapter No. 43.

On November 17. Having considerable business near Tampa, I seemed to acquire the habit of dropping in on Monroe D. Cushing. They usually had a number of the Companions from Tampa No. 3.

On November 19. Had the pleasure of attending District Meeting of 20th Masonic District at Bartow. Grand Master Clark, Deputy Grand Master Chapman, Grand Senior Deacon Silverman, and Chas. K. Hanner were among those present.

On November 23. Lakeland Chapter No. 29 was host Chapter to District No. 4. All Chapters were well represented except Thomas Brown No. 22. Held a conference at 4 p. m., attended by some of the Officers of the various Chapters. Companion Alsmeyer, High Priest of Highlands Chapter No. 42, was present in the afternoon, but was compelled to leave to watch the thermometer in his Grove. Team from Monroe D. Cushing Chapter conferred the R. A. Degree in very creditable manner. M. E. Companion Alex Steuart was present and addressed the Companions.

On December 14. Visited Mt. Horeb Chapter No. 6, at Pensacola. Had written D. D. G. H. P. J. L. Clary requesting the attendance of Crestview Chapter, but, the weather being very bad, no one was present from Crestview except Companions Clary, E. W. Campbell and Mack Tyner. The York Rite Bodies in Pensacola have all their meetings on same nights, opening and closing each and transacting such business as may come before them. I don't know about that.

On January 3. Met Grand Secretary Fish, and Ralph Kishpaugh in Sarasota on Committee Work. Companion Weber, a member of the committee, being sick, was unable to attend.

On January 5th. Visited Monroe D. Cushing Chapter again and installed Officers for them. Habit.

On January 7th. Visited Jacksonville Chapter No. 12 and had the pleasure of installing Officers for them.

On January 8th. Visited Fernandina, accompanied by D. D. G. H. P. Joe E. Herring, and conferred with some few of the Companions. No meeting there for about three years. Most of the Companions had moved away. Charter was lost and High Priest had forgotten he was High Priest. Arrested Charter. Books turned over to Grand Secretary. Collected \$20.40, being all the money they had.

On January 8th. Visited Lake City and conferred with some of the Companions of Providence Chapter No. 38. Made an engagement to visit Chapter on 15th.

On January 8th. Visited Live Oak Chapter No. 25, where I installed Officers for ensuing year. Fair attendance and a feeling of optimism. Granted Dispensation for the Chapter to hold Meeting in Mayo.

On January 12. Visited Lake Butler and conferred with some of the Companions. This Chapter is unfortunate in having lost considerable number of local Companions, but they want to carry on. Believe they will make it.

On January 15. Visited Providence Chapter No. 38. Four Companions present. Three from Lake Butler No. 19, and D. D. G. H. P. Henry Grant from Live Oak. I made the ninth, but did not attempt to open Chapter. Made engagement to visit Blue Lodge at some later date with Speaker.

On January 18. Visited Brooksville and conferred with Secretary Keathley. Finding Blue Lodge meeting that night, I had Secretary notify all Companions, requesting their attendance. Visited Blue Lodge that night and after installing their Officers for ensuing year, addressed them on Capitular Masonry. Splendid attendance, including the ten members of Chapter.

After Lodge was closed, had a conference with members of Chapter, who assessed themselves with sufficient amount to get straight with Grand Chapter and made out their returns up-to-date.

Made an engagement to visit at later date and arrange for team to confer R. A. Degree.

On January 20. Visited St. Petersburg Chapter No. 31, accompanied by Past Grand High Priest Aitchison. Good attendance.

On February 1. Was invited to visit Jackson Lodge No. 1 on regular communication. Havana Lodge No. 167 as well as Washington Lodge No. 2 was well represented, Havana Lodge furnishing a candidate for the Master's Degree. The attendance was large and I had the pleasure of addressing them on Capitular Masonry.

On January 28. Attended Thirteenth Association meeting at Ocala. Large crowd from all the Lodges in this District. Grand Master Clark, Deputy Grand Master Chapman, Grand Junior Warden Kishpaugh were all present.

On February 8th. Accompanied by Past Grand High Priest George Dame, D. D. G. H. P. Bangert, D. D. G. H. P. Reed, quite a number of Companions from Ocala Chapter No. 13, Inverness Chapter No. 14, and the Degree Team from Monroe D. Cushing Chapter No. 54, and a number of the Companions from Tampa Chapter No. 3, I visited Hill City Chapter No. 55, at Brooksville. Granted Dispensation to elect and install officers for ensuing year. Chapter was opened with officers from visiting Chapters. After election of Officers I installed them in due form. The candidate for R. A. Degree was prevented by good and sufficient reasons from being present. A very interesting and instructive meeting was had. I am optimistic about this small Chapter.

On February 18th. Accompanied by Grand Chaplain, A. E. Calkins, D. D. G. H. P. Henry Grant, I visited Lake City Lodge No. 27. While the attendance was not so large, it seemed to make up in quality what it lacked in quantity. Companion Calkins, as always, delivered a splendid address, and certainly it should bear fruit.

On February 19th. Deputy Grand High Priest, J. Lloyd Head, District Deputy Joe E. Herring, and a large delegation from Jacksonville Chapter No. 12, crossed the River and joined Grand Chaplain Calkins and me, in a visit to Duval Chapter No. 48. The Chapter was opened by the officers from Jacksonville Chapter and we had a truly wonderful meeting. Companion Calkins delivering the principal address.

On March 11. Had made an engagement two weeks ahead to visit Kissimmee Chapter No. 10. The Secretary made every effort possible to have a meeting. Four members present, two of them having come over from St. Cloud. Companion Bert L. Blair, Grand Master of Grand Council, and several Companions from Eureka Chapter No. 7 met

me. After general discussion, and finding no interest, I arrested the Charter. Collected \$106.00.

On March 12th. Visited the Companions of Union Chapter No. 43 at Melbourne. Found no interest or desire to hold any meeting. Arrested Charter. Chapter has Four Hundred Dollars in bonds in building association. Instructed Secretary to secure the bonds and forward to Grand Secretary. Charter was lost.

On March 12th. Visited Joppa Chapter No. 28 in special Convocation. Companion Kishpaugh and several other Companions from Lake Worth Chapter were present. This Chapter seems to have a new High Priest who is interested and a worker. The Secretary is highly regarded by the Companions but living out of town, does not give it the attention he should. I granted Dispensation to hold Convocation in Okeechobee. This was later held and some re-instatements secured thereby.

On March 15th. Visited Lake Worth Chapter No. 24. Mark Master Degree was conferred, using old Florida Ritual. Good crowd, good work. Just what you would expect from that particular assemblage.

On April 2nd. Visited Poinciana Chapter No. 50. These Companions had invited all Master Masons to attend, and after Chapter was opened and closed, the doors were opened and about forty-five entered who were not members of the Chapter. I addressed them on the necessity of the Royal Arch to the Master Mason. I believe some good was accomplished.

April 12th. Visited Leesburg Chapter No. 34. The attendance was fair, but not what it should have been. This Chapter was once one of the Banner Chapters, and indeed all the Bodies were alive and thriving. There are only a few at present who seem to have any interest. The Secretary is a close personal friend of mine, I admire him very much, but the greatest need of that Chapter is a Secretary. They have none.

On April 13th. Visited Monroe Chapter No. 15. Nice meeting, good crowd, including Companion Bert L. Blair, Grand Master of Grand Council, and Jesse E. Ramsdell, D. D. G. H. P. Deputy Grand Master Ralph Chapman was also present.

On April 14th. Spent some time in New Smyrna, interviewing some of the Companions. Found no interest. The High Priest lived twelve miles away. Had the same Officers for past six or seven years. Arrested Charter.

On May 3rd. Had invitation to visit Winter Haven Lodge No. 186 and address them on Capitular Masonry. Several of the adjoining Lodges were represented, including District Deputy Grand Master Clemons, Grand Senior Deacon Silverman, District Deputy Grand High Priest Hanner. Splendid meeting.

GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER

October 5, 6, 7, and 8th, 1936, I attended the General Grand Council and General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the U. S. A., held in St. Louis, Mo. John B. Phelps, Grand King, M. E. Past Grand High Priest Wm. R. O'Neil, and M. E. Cary B. Fish, Grand Secretary, were also in attendance, Companion Fish being there in his official capacity as Chairman of Trustees of Permanent Fund. The Grand Chapter of Florida was recognized in having the Grand High Priest on Committee on Subordinate Chapters.

I wish all the Companions of Florida could have heard the address of the General Grand High Priest W. T. S. O'Hara. Many of you were present in Ocala when he addressed the Grand Chapter of Florida in 1935, and are aware of his ability and his pleasing manner of speech.

A report from me on the proceedings of the General Grand Chapter is of no particular importance, and would be of no value to you. The inspiration derived from personal attendance, I have attempted to pass on during the past year.

The official line in the General Grand Chapter was shortened. An amendment to the Constitution was adopted, eliminating the office of Deputy General Grand High Priest, and making Masters of Veils appointive and ineligible for election immediately following their term of office. I do not know but what this would be a good plan for this Grand Jurisdiction.

GRAND CHAPTER OF GEORGIA

Accompanied by our Grand Secretary, Cary B. Fish, I visited the Grand Chapter of Georgia in Macon, April 28th and 29th. The Grand Representative of Florida near the Grand Chapter of Georgia, Companion Wm. A. Sims, was especially attentive to us, and indeed, all the Companions

of that great State showed us what real Georgia hospitality meant. We were received with Grand Honors and your Grand High Priest was presented with the Gavel and asked to preside over the Grand Chapter. He accepted and did.

Under date of January 30, I received a letter from the General Grand High Priest, Mattison B. Jones, asking the Grand Chapter of Florida to make a donation to Flood Relief. The letter stated that the General Grand Chapter, had no funds for this particular purpose.

In replying, February 12, I expressed to the Most Excellent Companion regret that the Grand Chapter of Florida was in like condition. We had no funds for relief. Rather embarrassing to admit that fact, especially in view of the fact that our own State had received assistance from our Masonic Brethren when our membership was so terribly stricken.

After giving the matter some thought, I again wrote M. E. Companion Jones, suggesting that all Grand Chapters pay to the General Grand Chapter an additional one cent per capita, to be placed in a special relief fund, and administered by either a special Relief Committee or by Trustees of Permanent Fund.

I therefore recommend to Grand Chapter of Florida that we pay into this fund, if, as, and when created, the sum of one cent per capita, annually, contingent on all other Grand Chapters in affiliation with General Grand Chapter doing likewise.

I received a letter acknowledging the suggestion, and the matter will be discussed with other Grand Chapters. We will doubtless hear something about it from the General Grand High Priest who is with us tonight.

FINANCES

Feeling that those Chapters who have been delinquent in their Dues to Grand Chapter, should now make some effort to pay or reduce this amount, a special effort has been made along this line, with noticeable results. Several Chapters have paid in full, others have paid part, while only two have made no payments. I feel that in another year the entire balance will be taken care of.

The subordinate Chapters have been in bad shape. Losing many of their members, trying to keep them on the rolls, and no work, and not operating on a Budget has not

only been hard on them financially, but has destroyed their morale. I recommend to all Chapters, to adopt a Budget at the beginning of the year; pay their Secretaries a commission; keep a separate account of Grand Chapter per capita, and use it for no other purpose. Make an effort toward reinstating all worthy Companions, who through misfortune, have been forced to fall out.

The Grand Chapter has been just as careless or indifferent as the Subordinate Chapters. We have been disregarding the general trend, and in the past few years, have spent \$15,000.00 in excess of our income. We should reverse that process, or have something constructive to show for our expenditures. In the belief that a very few years will again find us in a prosperous condition, and that an increase in membership may again make us careless and rather profligate, I recommend that a special committee be appointed, to study our Finances, recommend a program, suggest an objective. It might be a Finance Committee, Budget Committee, and Welfare Committee, all in one.

I have signed Warrants Nos 1 to 23 inclusive, amounting to \$3,293.70. Stubs herewith attached.

SUBORDINATE CHAPTERS

Early in the Fall, I mailed to each Secretary a questionnaire (copy attached herewith), the idea being to learn something about their financial condition, their expenses, etc. The answers were not complete enough to be of particular value to Grand Chapter. They were of some value to me, particularly the ones I did not receive. Many of the Chapters have Secretaries who are rather negligent, to be charitable toward them.

I recommend to all Chapters that their Secretaries be paid a percentage of the dues collected; that Secretaries be required to keep separate account of Grand Chapter per capita; that the Finance Committee prepare a Budget at the beginning of each year, for adoption.

There is some indefinable something missing in the relation between Grand Chapter and the Subordinate Chapters. We have forgotten that one is dependent on the other. The Subordinate Chapter exists by reason of a warrant or charter from the Grand Chapter, which may be arrested for certain causes which are prescribed. The Grand Chapter cannot exist alone. To survive, we must realize these facts and relations, and take proper steps to bring about a closer contact and a more dependent attitude.

DISTRICT DEPUTIES

There being no appropriation for expense accounts for District Deputies this past year, I have not made many calls on them. A few, however, have not waited to be called on; they have been active, worked hard, accomplished much, and I thank them.

When the Grand Chapter a few years ago created the several Districts and appointed Deputies, it took a most decided step forward. Unfortunately, owing to finances, we have not been able to reap the most benefit from them. The Deputy constitutes a Liaison between Grand Chapter and subordinate Chapters and through frequent contact can do more than the Grand High Priest. I earnestly recommend that a small appropriation be made to take care of their expense accounts during the coming year.

We are just emerging, or rather we have emerged, from a period of depression and despondency. Our main difficulty seems to be in realizing that fact and going to work. Chapters are receiving petitions and conferring degrees this Spring for the first time in several years. Some of them have forgotten the procedure.

During the period 1928 to 1936, our losses have been heavy.

| | 1928 | 1936 | Loss | % |
|--------------------------------|-----------|-----------|---------|------|
| Grand Chapter of Florida | 9,109 | 3,575 | 5,534 | 60.7 |
| Grand Chapters of U. S. | 930,522 | 602,423 | 328,099 | 35.2 |
| Grand Lodge of Florida | 32,400 | 20,300 | 12,100 | 37.4 |
| Grand Lodge of U. S. | 3,287,153 | 2,648,261 | 638,892 | 19.4 |

During this same period, English Masonry made a gain of fifty percent. It is interesting to note the difference in losses between our own Grand Jurisdiction and the average over the United States.

Statistics for the past year closing Dec. 27, still show a small net loss. However, believing we are showing more improvement I have requested a report from all Chapters showing an exhibit of work from Jan. 1 to May 1, and present it herewith as information for the Grand Chapters:

- Exaltations.
- Affiliations.
- Re-Instatements.
- Petitions received but degree not conferred.
- I refuse to believe that our financial difficulties have

been more than partially responsible for our losses. Rather, the period of prosperity immediately preceding it; our over zealous efforts to boost our membership; the perfunctory manner in which our investigating committees performed their duty; (or should I say failed to perform); the indifferent manner in which we conferred the degrees, letter perfect in Ritual though we might have been, and above all, our supreme indifference to the future Masonic career of our new member.

We have now had ample opportunity, during the night, to ponder our mistakes, and in the dawn of this new Day, let us profit by them and avoid a useless repetition. Let us get down to bed rock. We must not forget, as Royal Arch Masons, that we are primarily Master Masons. Indeed, the Royal Arch Degree is a part, and a vital, necessary part, the completion, the Capstone, of that Sublime Degree, and was originally conferred under the jurisdiction of the Symbolic Lodges.

Yet there are some prominent members of our Fraternity who claim, and continually proclaim, that there is no necessity or reason for advancement beyond the Master Mason Degree. They claim Masonic Education and the study of Masonic History is useless, and a knowledge of the Ritual is the only essential. This propaganda has been harmful, and we have quietly allowed it to proceed. We must combat it, actively, aggressively, and intelligently.

Addition, subtraction, multiplication and division, constitutes every operation of Mathematics, yet the Grammar School student, although well versed in these simple operations, is far from being educated. He must continue his studies for many years, in the High Schools, Colleges and Universities, before the proper application of these principles is understood. So it is with the Master Mason. His Masonic Education is just begun, the key to much understanding is placed in his hands. Let him seek, and he shall surely find. Unless Ritualistic work, beautiful and perfect, though it may be, is supported by intelligent instruction in Symbolism; History; Objectives and general Masonic Education, it becomes as tinkling Brass, etc.

Freemasonry is a Force to be reckoned with, if we will it so. We may exert that Force by our every day application of Masonic Principles to our business affairs and to our Governmental affairs, or we may, through our callous indifference allow it to be crushed by the various forces diametrically opposed to it.

Fascism and Communism, opposing principles of Government, and both opposed to all the Principles which we, as Freemasons, hold sacred, are waging a deadly warfare which seems destined to embroil the entire world. We would do well to consider the plight of our Brethren across the Seas, and realize that in this period of World unrest, Radicals are advancing theories totally in variance with the principles upon which our Government was founded, and which we as Freemasons are taught to revere. Our own Country is not immune; is not impregnable. I am not a Pessimist, nor an alarmist, but I do admit to a love of this Country of ours, and the Masonic Principles upon which it was founded. Freemasonry and the Church are on the Defensive today. What are you and I going to do about it?

Fraternally submitted,

Cleveland R. Horne,

Grand High Priest.

CLEVELAND R. HORNE, G. H. P.
GAINESVILLE, FLORIDA.

January 1st, 1937

To the Officers and Companions of the Constituent Chapters, Royal Arch Masons:

Greetings:

You have just elected and installed a new set of Officers to serve you for the ensuing year. They will serve you loyally and faithfully, **IF** they have the support and co-operation of the Companions. Give it to them.

We have just emerged from a tragic period of economic depression, which has been largely responsible for our heavy losses. Our peak membership was reported as of December 27th, 1927, as being 9,109; December 27th, 1935, showed our membership as being 3,573, a net loss over a period of eight years of 61%. Loss from N. P. D., during that time was 5,859. That entire loss cannot be properly charged to the depression. Much of it was due to the mistakes we made during the preceding eight years, when we turned them out with machine-like precision, but without the proper and necessary lubrication, i. e., Masonic Principles.

Now, in this dawn of a new day, let us profit by the mistakes which have been so glaringly apparent, and which we have had ample opportunity to observe and to contemplate. Let us not forget as Royal Arch Masons, we are Primarily, Master Masons, and let us deserve that proud title. We cannot hope to teach Capitular Masonry,

unless we are qualified to expound also, the principles of Symbolic Masonry AND WE CANNOT TEACH WHAT WE DO NOT KNOW.

A good number of the Questionnaires sent out have been returned, some few have not been. Many of the Chapters are reporting work on hand or in prospect. If you care to hold a meeting at some other Lodge Room in your jurisdiction, and with permission of that Lodge, ask for a dispensation and it will be granted at once. Am inclined to believe you will stimulate some interest in that way.

Many of the Chapters are not operating under a Budget, let me urge you to do so. So many have expenses far in excess of any possible income. Study your financial condition and appoint a committee to prepare a Budget for the coming year. Many By-Laws have sections in conflict with Grand Chapter Regulations. A Committee is now working on a Uniform Code, and as soon as completed, a copy will be sent you.

Finally, Companions, let's get this thing to going, but let's be conservative. Throw off our pessimism, and look to the future with the knowledge and assurance that the Principles of Freemasonry, when applied to our Business and Governmental affairs, will go a long way toward the alleviation of our ills, because it will revive our hopes and our ambitions.

I am enclosing with this bulletin, a pamphlet prepared by the Educational Committee of the General Grand Chapter. Please have it read and discussed in your Chapter. You will find it interesting and instructive.

I surely hope to be able to visit each Chapter between now and Grand Chapter in May, if however, I can be of service to you before that time, please call on me.

With best wishes to each and every Companion for a Happy and Prosperous NEW YEAR.

I am Fraternally yours,
Cleveland R. Horne.

Upon motion, the foregoing address was received and referred to a special committee for consideration and distribution of subjects. The R. E. Deputy Grand High Priest appointed Past Grand High Priest Wm. R. O'Neal, Archie Aitchison and Wm. B. Greer as such Committee.

M. E. Companion Mattison B. Jones, made a most interesting and instructive address.

The Grand Secretary made the following report which was received and referred to the Committee on Distribution:

GRAND SECRETARY'S REPORT 1937

To The Most Excellent Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Florida:

I have the honor to report the doings of the Grand Secretary's Office for the year ending May 17th, 1937.

COMMISSIONS

The M. E. Grand High Priest has recommended as Grand Representatives near the Grand Chapter of Florida, as follows:

New York Comp. Joseph E. Herring, Jacksonville
Texas Comp. Victor M. Douglas, Tampa
Arizona J. Marvin Rowan, Quincy
The above commissions have been received and delivered.

Commissions as Grand Representatives of the Grand Chapter of Florida near other Grand Chapters have been prepared and mailed out by order of the M. E. Grand High Priest as follows:

Alabama A. Parker Mize, Tuscaloosa
New South Wales Alfred William Creel, Sidney
Washington Edgar D. Griffith Residence not given.

During the past year the M. E. Grand High Priest has made the following committee appointments:

Riley McMaster, Herbert S. Chiles and William L. Marshall added to the Educational Loan Committee

Cary B. Fish, Ralph J. Kishpaugh and H. S. Weber, a Committee to draft uniform By-laws.

CHARTERS ARRESTED

The following Charters have been arrested during the year.

Kissimmee No. 10; Inverness No 14; Union No. 43; Nassau No. 49; New Smyrna No. 51.

I have not received some of these charters as they could not be found.

RETURNS

All Chapters have made correct returns and this year's per capita dues have been paid except Eustis No. 33.

I have received an old accounts from various Chapters the sum of \$354.00.

The following Chapters owe the amounts on old accounts set opposite their names, to-wit

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| Plant City No. 16 | \$ 74.00 |
| St. Augustine No. 17 | 118.00 |
| Lake Butler No. 19 | 8.00 |
| Live Oak No. 25 | 200.00 |
| Joppa No. 28 | 298.00 |
| Jackson No. 32 | 103.00 |
| Leesburg No. 34 | 85.00 |

The following Chapter owes this year's dues amounting to:
 Eustis No. 33 \$ 44.00

STATISTICS

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| Exalted | 68 | |
| Reinstated | 75 | |
| Affiliated | 15 | 158 |
| Died | 74 | |
| Dimitted | 32 | |
| Suspended N. P. D. | 256 | |
| Suspended U. M. C. | 1 | |
| Struck from the roll for Charters arrested | 233 | 596 |
| Net Loss | 438 | |
| Present Membership | | 3,126 |

It seems that the membership must be clear at the bottom and from now on there should be a gain each year in our membership.
 I would suggest that the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer be placed under bonds with the premiums to be paid by the Grand Chapter.

Fraternally submitted,
 Cary B. Fish,
 Grand Secretary.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Cary B. Fish,
 Grand Secretary.

In account with the Grand Chapter of Florida:

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| 1936 | | |
| May 7 | From Credential Committee Duval Chap. No. 48 | \$ 26.00 |
| | Sale of Constitutions | 1.00 |
| May 18 | Dade City No. 8 account 1935 dues | 15.00 |
| June 17 | Jericho No 11, account back dues | 33.00 |
| Sept. 8 | New Smyrna No. 51, account of back dues | 12.00 |
| Sept. 24 | Certificate of good standing | 3.00 |

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| Sept. 25 | Thomas Brown No. 22, on account | 40.00 |
| Dec. 3 | Monroe No. 15, on account | 25.00 |
| Dec. 26 | Jericho No. 11. Bal. old account | 280.00 |
| Dec. 28 | Monroe No. 15 on account | 25.00 |
| Dec. 31 | Jefferson No. 26 | 42.00 |
| 1937 | | |
| Jan. 8 | Cert. of good standing | 6.00 |
| Jan. 19 | Manatee River No. 18 | 47.00 |
| Jan. 20 | Hill City No. 55 for 1935 | 14.00 |
| | Mount Horeb No. 6 | 103.00 |
| Jan. 27 | Sarasota No. 35 on account | 30.00 |
| Jan. 29 | Monroe No. 15, Balance account | 46.00 |
| | Ocala No. 13 | 111.00 |
| Feb. 1 | St. Petersburg No. 31 | 191.00 |
| Feb. 2 | Lake Worth No. 24 | 154.00 |
| Feb. 3 | Lake Butler No. 19 | 9.00 |
| Feb. 8 | Indian River No. 27 | 55.00 |
| Feb. 15 | Thomas Brown, Balance account | 25.00 |
| Feb. 18 | Eureka No. 7 | 129.00 |
| Feb. 19 | Keystone No. 20, six Rituals | 6.00 |
| Feb. 24 | Leesburg No. 34 | 47.00 |
| Feb. 25 | Tampa No. 3, Overpaid \$9.00 | 169.00 |
| Feb. 26 | Sarasota No. 35, Balance in full | 28.00 |
| Feb. 27 | Jericho No. 11 | 214.00 |
| Mar. 1 | St. Johns No. 4 | 48.00 |
| | Joppa No. 28 | 34.00 |
| | Crestview No. 40 | 40.00 |
| Mar. 11 | Gainesville No. 2 | 70.00 |
| Mar. 13 | Halifax No. 5 | 63.00 |
| Mar. 16 | Jackson No. 32 | 150.00 |
| Mar. 17 | New Smyrna No. 51 | 17.00 |
| Mar. 22 | Kissimmee No. 10 | 107.61 |
| | Gadsden No. 30 | 62.00 |
| Mar. 24 | Highlands No. 42 | 45.00 |
| Mar. 25 | Keystone No. 20 | 86.00 |
| Mar. 27 | Live Oak No. 25 | 90.00 |
| Mar. 29 | Hill City No. 55 | 14.00 |
| Mar. 30 | Duval No. 48 | 21.00 |
| Mar. 31 | Clearwater No. 45 | 43.00 |
| | Poincianna No. 50 | 43.00 |
| April 1 | Florida No. 1 | 108.00 |
| April 6 | Putnam No. 9 | 52.00 |
| April 16 | Winter Haven No. 41 | 78.00 |
| April 17 | Certificate of good standing | 3.00 |
| April 18 | Jacksonville No. 12 | 284.00 |
| April 21 | Dade City No. 8 | 9.00 |

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| April 23 | St. Augustine No. 17 | 57.00 |
| April 26 | Winter Haven No. 41 | 4.00 |
| April 30 | Inverness No. 14 | 6.85 |
| | Certificate good standing | 6.00 |
| May 1 | Dade City No. 8 | 5.00 |
| May 3 | Nassau No. 49 | 20.40 |
| May 7 | Lakeland No. 29 | 67.00 |
| | Certificate good standing | 3.00 |
| May 10 | M. D. Cushing No. 54 | 67.00 |
| May 12 | Plant City No. 16 | 37.00 |
| May 12 | Providence No. 38 | 71.00 |

All of which has been turned over to the Grand Treasurer. \$3,697.86

DISBURSEMENTS

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| 1936 | | |
| May 7 | Voucher No. 1. Pay roll for 1936 | \$1,055.10 |
| May 28 | Voucher No. 2. Dues General Grand Chapter | 35.84 |
| June 1 | Voucher No. 3. Grand Treasurer's Salary | 50.00 |
| | Voucher No. 4. Grand Secretary's Salary | 325.00 |
| Aug. 17 | Voucher No. 5. Grand Treasurer's Salary | 50.00 |
| Aug. 17 | Voucher No. 6. Grand Secretary's Salary | 325.00 |
| Aug. 20 | Voucher No. 7. Grand H. P. Expense | 50.00 |
| Aug. 25 | Voucher No. 8. Masonic Home Press | 205.55 |
| Aug. 26 | Voucher No. 9. G. H. P. Appropriation | 200.00 |
| Nov. 16 | Voucher No. 10. Grand Secretary's Salary | 325.00 |
| | Voucher No. 11. Grand Treasurer's Salary | 50.00 |
| Dec. 8 | Voucher No. 12. G. H. P. Expense | 50.00 |
| Dec. 21 | Voucher No. 13. Hobart Cabinet Co. | 13.15 |
| Dec. 26 | Voucher No. 14. H. S. Chiles. Expense | 4.70 |
| 1937 | | |
| Jan. 1 | Voucher No. 15. Wm. R. O'Neal | 5.00 |
| Jan. 4 | Voucher No. 16. R. J. Kishpaugh, Expense | 5.00 |
| Jan. 21 | Voucher No. 17. G. H. P. Expense | 50.00 |
| Feb. 2 | Voucher No. 18. Grand Secretary's Salary | 325.00 |
| | Voucher No. 19. Grand Treasurer's Salary | 50.00 |
| Mar. 1 | Voucher No. 20. Apron for P. G. H. P. | 7.60 |
| April 5 | Voucher No. 21. G. H. P. Expense | 25.00 |
| April 12 | Voucher No. 22. P. G. H. P. Jewel | 57.22 |
| April 23 | Voucher No. 23. Grand Secretary's Petty Cash | 29.54 |

Respectfully submitted, Cary B. Fish, Grand Secretary. \$3,293.70

The Grand Treasurer made the following report which was received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Accounts:

GRAND TREASURER'S REPORT

R. J. McMaster, Grand Treasurer
In A/C with Grand Chapter R. A. M. of Florida.

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| 1936 | | |
| May 5 | Balance | \$3,582.69 |
| | Received from Credentials Com. | 26.00 |
| | Received from Grand Lodge coupons | 100.00 |
| | Received from Grand Secretary | 3,665.86 |
| | | 3,791.86 |
| | | \$7,374.55 |
| | Warrants paid | |
| | Nos. 1 to 25 Inc. | \$3,293.70 |
| | Bank service charge | .89 |
| | | 3,294.59 |
| | Balance in First National Bank, Tampa | 4,079.96 |
| | Grand Lodge Bonds | 2,000.00 |
| | | \$6,079.96 |
| | Total | \$6,079.96 |

Grand Chapter Educational Fund
Received from Secretary \$ 224.22
In Savings Department, First National Bank, Tampa.
Fraternally submitted,
Riley J. McMaster,
Grand Treasurer.

Grand Chapter R. A. M. of Florida,
Tampa, Florida.
Gentlemen:

This is to certify that balance to the credit of the Grand Chapter R. A. M. of Florida at close of business, May 4th, 1937, was \$4,079.96, also balance to credit of Grand Chapter R. A. M. Educational Fund was \$224.22.

Very Truly yours,
E. C. Schoen,
Cashier.

The Secretary of the Educational Loan Fund made the following report which was received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Accounts:

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EDUCATIONAL LOAN FUND

To the M. E. Grand Chapter R. A. M. of Florida:
As Secretary, the accounts of the Grand Chapter Loan accounts were turned over to me December 19, 1936.

These accounts have been dormant during the fiscal year of the Grand Chapter up to the date accounts were transferred to me. The balance on hand with the former Chairman was \$1.95 as reported by him to the last Grand Chapter, and this amount turned over to Treasurer, R. J. McMaster.

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| Receipts, December 19, 1936 to May 17, 1937. | | |
| Collected on Loans | \$162.25 | |
| Collected Interest | 60.02 | \$222.27 |
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| Deposited with Treasurer | | \$222.27 |
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| Old Committee Check to Treasurer | | 1.95 |
| Bank Balance, May 17, 1937 | | \$224.22 |
| Disbursements | | None |

All students within reaching distance have been seen personally, and those who have not started payments, have agreed on a repayment plan and promise to take care of their loans.
No new loans made during the last year.

Fraternally submitted,
Herbert S. Chiles,
Secretary.

The M. E. Grand High Priest announced the appointment of the following Committees:

RETURNS AND CREDENTIALS

J. E. Ramsdell, Joel A. Fite, Chas. K. Hanner

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Stewart B. Sampson, Richard E. Halton, Hal G. Young

DISPENSATIONS AND BY-LAWS

Harry D. Gilmore, William B. Greer, S. L. Houston

DISTINGUISHED VISITORS

Archie Aitchison, Henry O. Snow, Wm. R. O'Neal

GRAND CHAPTER OF FLORIDA
PROPOSITIONS AND GRIEVANCES

L. G. Gilbert, Harry R. Thompson, Chester DeRocher

THANKS

F. Wm. Schultz, Robert H. Brown, Bert L. Blair

The motion prevailed that the fines assessed against the subordinate Chapters, be remitted.

Minutes of this session read and approved and the Chapter was called from labor to refreshment. Labor to be resumed at 9:00 a. m., Tuesday.

IN GRAND CHAPTER

Tuesday, May 18, 9:30 A. M.

The Grand Chapter was called from refreshment to labor by the M. E. Grand High Priest with Officers and members as at previous session.

The Committee on Memorials made the following report which was received and adopted:
REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MEMORIALS, TAMPA, May 18, 1937

Again we pause in the proceedings of this Annual Convocation to honor our departed Companions.

It is in God's great plan that each earthly life shall come to a close. We are here in the great school-room of life to learn by experience with difficulties and problems the things that are worthwhile. This training under the guiding hand of God is for the purpose of preparing us to live forever. The chisel and the mallet of discipline and training give to the soul that mark of character which fits it to live forever in the heavenly Tabernacle of the Supreme High Priest.

Masonry teaches that immortality is the most certain of all the certainties of life.

"If we feel it not amid our strife,
In all our toiling and in all our pain—
This rhythmic pulsing of immortal life—
Then do we work and suffer here in Vain."

God has given unto men such wonderful spiritual faculties and has so surrounded them with His Providential care, that, to say 'ashes to ashes and dust to dust' is the end of it all, is absolutely unthinkable.

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able. Death can never snatch men from God. If it could, death would prove it self-mightier than God.

Then Jesus Christ arose from the dead and, in this resurrection—experience of our Lord, we have the certainty of life beyond the grave. Jesus has travelled beyond the sunset, and He has come back to say that beyond the grave,

“There is a land of pure delight,
Where Saints immortal reign;
Infinite day excludes the night,
And pleasures banish pain.”

During this past year 74 Companions of this Grand Chapter have passed to their reward. Their names will appear in the proceedings of this Convocation. Also, the following named Companions of sister Grand Chapters have passed through the valley of death.

ARIZONA—Edwin S. Miller, Past Grand High Priest.

CANADA—Sidney S. Forbes, Right Excellent Grand Third Principal Sojourner.

CALIFORNIA—Thomas Flint, Past Grand High Priest.

COLORADO—William S. Pickerill, Past Grand High Priest.

CONNECTICUT—Lewis C. Hull, Past Grand High Priest.
William R. Keavaney, Past Grand High Priest.

DELAWARE—Obadiah Clark, Past Grand High Priest.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA—Frank F. Major, Past Grand High Priest.

ILLINOIS—James E. Jeffers, Past Grand High Priest and Grand Secretary.

John W. Maxwell, Past Grand Steward.

INDIANA—John H. Wineland, Past Grand High Priest.
Alvin C. Tillotson, Past Grand High Priest.

IOWA—William D. Irvine, Past Grand High Priest.

KANSAS—Charles A. Conkling, Past Grand High Priest.

LOUISIANA—Will Moss, Past Grand High Priest and Grand Treasurer.

MAINE—Samuel B. Furbish, Past Grand High Priest.
Albert W. Meserve, Grand King.
Amos Putman, Grand King.

Winfield S. Shorey, Grand Scribe.

MICHIGAN—Lou B. Winsor, Past Grand High Priest.

MINNESOTA—John Fishel, Grand Secretary.
James G. Houghton, Past Grand High Priest.

Ira E. King, Past Grand High Priest.
Frank H. McCushey, Past Grand High Priest.

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MISSISSIPPI—William H. Carter, Past Grand High Priest.
Henry C. Yawn, Past Grand High Priest.

MONTANA—Charles S. Bell, Past Grand High Priest.
Edward C. Day, Past Grand High Priest.
Ernest M. Hutchinson, Past Grand High Priest.
Alexander Wardlaw, Grand Sentinel.

OHIO—Virgil O. Moore, Grand Captain of Host.

OKLAHOMA—Eugene P. McMahon, Past Grand High Priest.
Frank Smith, Past Grand High Priest.

OREGON—Edward W. Davis, Past Grand High Priest.

PENNSYLVANIA—George B. Wells, Past Grand High Priest.

WASHINGTON—Carey S. Haynes, Past Grand High Priest.

WEST VIRGINIA—Carson B. Turner, Past Grand High Priest.
Alfred Francis, Grand Tyler.

To the friends and families of our deceased Companions, we extend our sincerest sympathy and we do commend them to our loving Heavenly Father, who doeth all things well.

Respectfully submitted,

A. E. Calkins, Chairman,
D. H. Rutter.

The Committee on Consideration and Distribution of Subjects made the following report which was received and adopted.

DISTRIBUTION

To the M. E. Grand Chapter R. A. M. of Florida:

Your Committee on Distribution would respectfully report that they have carefully examined the most excellent report of the Excellent Grand High Priest and would respectfully recommend reference as follows:

1. Necrology:
All matters to the Committee on Necrology.
2. Decisions:
To the Committee on Jurisprudence.
3. Recommendations:
To the Committee on Jurisprudence except those pertaining to Finance.
4. Dispensations and By-laws:
To Committee on Jurisprudence.
5. Finance all matters of finance.

- 6. Change of Time.
- 7. That concurring in the recommendation of the Excellent High Priest, we recommend that a special Committee be appointed to study and report to the next Grand Convocation a program which shall embrace the subjects of Budget, Educational Loan, Welfare and closer relations between all Masonic Bodies.

Fraternally submitted,
 W. B. Greer,
 W. R. O'Neal,
 Archie Aitchison,

The Committee on Unfinished Business made the following report which was received and adopted:

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

To the M. E. Grand Chapter R. A. M. of Florida:

Your Committee on Unfinished Business respectfully report as follows:

We have carefully examined the proceedings of the Grand Chapter in session a year ago and find no Unfinished Business requiring the attention of the Grand Chapter at this time.

Fraternally submitted,
 Richard E. Halton,
 S. B. Simpson,
 Hal G. Young,
 Committee.

An address was made by M. E. J. Herbert Thompson, Past Grand High Priest of Michigan, which was greatly enjoyed. Grand Representatives of Florida representing other Grand Jurisdictions brought messages from their respective Grand Jurisdictions.

The M. E. Grand High Priest requested that the Representatives of Subordinate Chapters present for the first time, be informally introduced. These representatives were introduced and appropriate remarks were made by Companions Leon C. Stewart, Rev. Harry L. Taylor, R. T. Schafer, N. J. Randles, L. C. Bortle and Andrew H. Cruz.

Telegrams and letters of regret were received from Past Grand High Priests Geo. A. Dame, Alex B. Steuart, Stafford Caldwell, Joseph K. Keller, and John L. Hall, and from District Deputy Grand High Priest A. H. Grant.

A telegram was received from Charlotte B. Perry, Worthy Grand Matron of the Order of Eastern Star sending greetings and best wishes from the Grand Chapter O. E. S., of Florida.

The M. E. Grand High Priest received a letter from E. H. Wilkerson of Panama City, in regard to restoration of the charter of Bay County Chapter under certain conditions mentioned in the letter.

Past Grand High Priest Wm. L. Marshall, at the request of the M. E. Grand High Priest explained to the Companions the facts in regard to his experience in trying to rehabilitate this Chapter.

Motion prevailed that the Grand Secretary be instructed to write a letter to E. H. Wilkerson, of Panama City, and demand that the \$128.00 that Bay County Chapter had when their charter was arrested, be sent to the Grand Chapter and that the petition for restoration and checks contained therein, be returned to Companion Wilkerson with the information that their time had expired for restoration of charter, and with instructions how to apply for a new charter.

Past Grand High Priest Marshall offered a resolution to amend the constitution and regulations, which resolution is as follows, and under the law of the Grand Chapter, it cannot be acted upon until the next regular Grand Convocation.

RESOLUTION CHANGING DATE OF ANNUAL CONVOCATION

WHEREAS, the dates of holding the annual Grand Convocations of this Grand Chapter and the date of ending the fiscal year, also the dates of electing and installing the officers of the subordinate Chapters do not coordinate to the best interests of this Grand Chapter and its subordinate Chapters.

THEREFORE, be it resolved: That Article II, Section IV of the constitution be amended by striking out the words "Third Tuesday in May," and insert in lieu thereof, "Third Tuesday in October."

Also, Amend Article IV, Section X of the constitution by striking out the word "Evangelist" and insert in Lieu thereof the word "Baptist" which is June 24th.

Also Amend Regulation No. 62 as follows: Strike out the words, "April 1st" and substitute the words "September 1st," adding new paragraph as follows:

The Fiscal year of the Grand Chapter shall end on St. Johns the Baptist day (June 24th) and returns shall be made as of that date and the first meeting under this amendment shall be held on the Third Tuesday of October 1939.

The Committee on Finance and Accounts made the following report which was received and adopted:

FINANCE AND ACCOUNTS

To the M. E. Grand Chapter R. A. M. of Florida:

Your Committee on Finance and Accounts submits the following report.

We have examined the books of the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary and find them correct, with a balance in the General Fund of \$6,076.96, also the books of the Treasurer and Secretary of the Educational Loan Fund and find them correct with a balance on hand of \$244.22.

General Fund Distributed as follows:

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| Cash in First National Bank of Tampa | \$4,076.96 |
| Grand Lodge Bonds | 2,000.00 |
| Total | \$6,076.96 |

From which we recommend the following appropriations:

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|--------------------------------|-----------|
| Grand Treasurer's Salary | \$ 200.00 |
| Grand Secretary's Salary | 1,300.00 |
| Pay Roll | 1,301.15 |
| Scottish Rite, Tampa | 15.00 |
| Bandettes, O. E. S. | 25.00 |
| Expenses, D. D. G. H. P. | 150.00 |

We also recommend that the Grand Secretary be authorized to procure a Past Grand High Priest's jewel and apron for presentation to the M. E. Grand High Priest at our next Grand Convocation and that a warrant be drawn to pay the same.

That the Grand High Priest and the Grand Secretary be authorized to draw warrants on the General Fund for the purpose of defraying the necessary expenses of postage, printing, stationery and other incidentals for the use of the Grand High Priest, Grand Secretary, Grand Treasurer and for the expense of the Grand Chapter Officers making official visitations and the Grand Treasurer be authorized to pay the same.

That, the Secretary of the Educational Loan Fund be allowed as a salary fifty per cent of the interest collected each year and that twenty-five per cent of the interest collected be placed in a contingent fund for necessary expenses for the handling of this account, and that the other twenty-five per cent of the interest collected on the Educational Loans be added to the principal of the Educational Loan Fund.

We further recommend, that the Grand Secretary be instructed to set up separate ledger accounts for all Chapters who are delinquent in their dues; and that all delinquent Chapters are expected to pay as much as possible of their delinquent dues each year when they remit their current per capita to this Grand Body; there is nothing herein to prevent the payment of the entire delinquency at any time.

The Grand Secretary is requested to furnish the Finance Committee with a detailed statement of those delinquencies at each annual session of this Grand Body.

The Committee wishes to thank the Grand Secretary and the Grand Treasurer for their courtesy and co-operation.

Respectfully and Fraternaly submitted,

H. O. Snow,
R. J. Kishpaugh,
R. L. Gillett,

Committee.

The Committee on Returns and Credentials made the following report which was received and adopted:

RETURNS AND CREDENTIALS

To the M. E. Grand Chapter R. A. M. of Florida:

Your Committee on Returns and Credentials report that the list of Grand Officers and Representatives furnished us by the Grand Secretary is correct.

We find that thirty-two Chapters have made correct returns, paid this year's dues and are represented.

We find one Chapter has made correct returns, but owes one dollar balance on this year's dues.

The following Chapters have made correct returns, but are not represented: Putnam No. 9; Lake Butler No. 19; Thomas Brown No. 22; Lakeland No. 29; Eustis No. 33; Providence No. 38; Union No. 43; Clearwater No. 45.

We find nine Chapters still owe a balance on their delinquent account.

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We further find that Providence No. 38 and Jerico No. 11 have paid their delinquent accounts and current dues in full.

We have collected \$25.00 from Leesburg No. 34 on their delinquent account and turned same over to the Grand Secretary.

Fraternally submitted,

Joel A. Fite,
J. E. Ramsdell,
Chas. K. Hanner,

Committee.

The Committee on Thanks made the following report which was received and adopted:

THANKS

To the M. E. Grand Chapter R. A. M. of Florida:

We, the Committee appointed to draft resolutions of Thanks, beg leave to submit the following resolution:

Be it Resolved by the Grand Chapter R. A. M. of Florida:

That we express our sincere appreciation and thanks to the York Rite Bodies for the many courtesies extended to us and our ladies during our stay in the City.

To the ladies who acted as Hostesses to our ladies and the entertainment provided for them.

To the Scottish Rite for the use of their Beautiful Temple and the many courtesies extended by Companion Frank O'Berry, the Secretary, and Neal Strachan, Custodian.

To the Press for their co-operation in reporting our meetings.

To the various Hotels and Restaurants for looking after our material welfare.

To the Bandettes of the Eastern Star in serving the fine dinners and for the entertainment which they put on.

We will ever remember with pleasure our visit to this City and we look forward to a time when we may again renew this happy occasion.

Fraternally submitted,

F. W. Schultz,
R. H. Brown,
Bert L. Blair,

Committee.

The Committee on Dispensations and By-laws made the following report which was received and adopted:

GRAND CHAPTER OF FLORIDA
DISPENSATIONS AND BY-LAWS

To the M. E. Grand Chapter R. A. M. of Florida:

Your Committee on Dispensations and By-laws have had no matters referred to it for consideration, except that portion of the Grand High Priest's address pertaining to By-laws approved and Dispensations granted and refused.

These matters being entirely within the Jurisdiction of the Grand High Priest, your Committee approves his actions therein.

Fraternally submitted,

Wm. B. Greer,
H. D. Gilmore,
S. L. Houston,

Committee.

The Committee on Propositions and Grievances made the following report which was received and adopted:

PROPOSITIONS AND GRIEVANCES

To the M. E. Grand Chapter R. A. M. of Florida:

Your Committee on Propositions and Grievances is pleased to report that no matters have been referred to it for consideration.

Peace and harmony prevail throughout this Grand Jurisdiction.

Fraternally submitted,

Harry R. Thompson,
Chester DeRocher,
Lester G. Gilbert,

Committee.

The Grand Chapter was called from labor to refreshment, labor to be resumed at 1:15 p. m., and the first order of business to be the report of the Jurisprudence Committee.

IN GRAND CHAPTER

Tuesday, May 18, 1:30 P. M.

The Grand Chapter was called from refreshment to labor by the M. E. Grand High Priest with Officers and members as at previous session, with prayer by the Grand Chaplain.

The minutes of the previous session were read and adopted.

The Committee on Jurisprudence made the following report which was received and adopted:

JURISPRUDENCE

To the M. E. Grand Chapter R. A. M. of Florida:

We, your Committee on Jurisprudence would respectfully report that we have carefully examined and considered all matters referred to us.

We concur in and approve the action of the Most Excellent Grand High Priest in the approval of

- By-laws;
- Recommendations;
- Dispensations;
- Courtesy Work;
- Arrested Charters; and
- Decisions made;—

With the exception of the answer to Jacksonville Chapter No. 12. We do not concur with the original order in this unusual case. The term disownment is an academic term which may be misunderstood. While in affect it prohibits Masonic intercourse in all Florida Lodges.

The matter was finally cleared by the Grand Lodge of Florida. We, therefore, approve the final action taken.

In the matter of Life Membership, for which payment has been made, your committee recognizes the legal complications that might occur on the death of a life member. We, therefore, recommend that Regulation No. 43 be amended so that the amount for such membership should not be less than fifty (\$50.00) dollars, and that on the death of a member the sum paid shall immediately become the property of the Chapter.

We suggest the section be amended as follows:
Section 43. Chapters may provide for Life Membership in their By-laws, but no life membership shall be granted for less than fifty (\$50.00) dollars;

Provided, nevertheless that in the event of the death of said member, any sum paid for said membership shall revert to the Chapter. Chapters must pay annual dues to Grand Chapter for all Life Members.

W. R. O'Neal,
H. O. Snow,
R. J. Kishpaugh,
E. L. Shear,
Cary B. Fish,

R. J. McMaster,
Wm. B. Greer,
Archie Aitchison,

Committee.

Companion G. A. Lambe gave a message from Companion C. W. Davis, of Marianna, expressing his regrets by reason of illness at not being able to be present at this Grand Convocation.

The Committee on Jurisprudence made a supplemental report in reference to uniform by-laws for the Grand Chapter. Motion prevailed that it be adopted and printed in the proceedings.

The motion prevailed that the Grand Secretary send a letter of appreciation to M. E. Mattison B. Jones, General Grand High Priest, for his splendid address made before this Body last Monday night.

The M. E. Grand High Priest appointed Companions Sumner R. Hall, Richard E. Halton and Joe B. Johnson as Tellers, and the Grand Chapter proceeded with the Annual election of Officers with the following result:

GRAND OFFICERS ELECTED

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| J. Lloyd Head | M. E. Grand High Priest |
| John B. Phelps | R. E. Dep. Grand High Priest |
| Jesse C. Clark | R. E. Grand King |
| Dorsey H. Rutter | R. E. Grand Scribe |
| Riley J. McMaster | M. E. Grand Treasurer |
| Cary B. Fish | M. E. Grand Secretary |
| Albert A. Calkins | R. E. Grand Chaplain |

The M. E. Grand High Priest-elect announced the appointment of the following Grand Officers:

GRAND OFFICERS APPOINTED

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|--------------------|----------------------------|
| Frederic A. Riegel | E. Grand Capt. of the Host |
| Wm. L. Marshall | E. Grand Prin. Sojourner |
| H. J. Dame | E. Grand Royal Arch Capt. |
| H. S. Weber | E. Grand Master 3rd Veil |
| Joe E. Herring | E. Grand Master 2nd Veil |
| G. A. Lambe | E. Grand Master 1st Veil |
| John W. Capper | E. Grand Guard |

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INSTALLATION

The above named officers were duly installed by Past Grand High Priest H. O. Snow as Installing Officer assisted by Grand High Priest Cleveland R. Horne as Grand Marshal and Companion A. E. Calkins as Chaplain, with the exception of the Grand Treasurer, Grand Secretary and Grand Chaplain, they having been re-elected and the Grand Guard re-appointed, their installation was not necessary at this time.

A Past Grand High Priest's Jewel and Apron were presented to retiring Past Grand High Priest Cleveland R. Horne, Past Grand High Priest Kishpaugh making the presentation.

The M. E. Grand High Priest announced the appointment of the following District Deputy Grand High Priests and Standing Committees:

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND HIGH PRIESTS

DISTRICT NO. 1

J. Russell West, 618 Meridian Ave., Miami Beach
Jericho No. 11 Lake Worth No. 24
Keystone No. 20 Joppa No. 28

DISTRICT NO. 2

Sumner R. Hall, Ft. Myers
Poinciana No. 50 Sarasota No. 35
Manatee River No. 18

DISTRICT NO. 3

Chas. K. Hanner, Lakeland
Plant City No. 16 Winter Haven No. 41
Thomas Brown No. 22 Lakeland No. 29
Highlands No. 42

DISTRICT NO. 4

V. M. Douglass, Box 901, Tampa
Tampa No. 3 St. Petersburg No. 31
Hill City No. 55 Clearwater No. 45
Dade City No. 8 M. D. Cushing No. 54

DISTRICT NO. 5

J. E. Ramsdell, Orlando
St. Johns No. 4 Halifax No. 5
Eureka No. 7 Indian River No. 27
Monroe No. 15 Eustis No. 33

DISTRICT NO. 6

Wm. A. Dunston, Leesburg
Gainesville No. 2 Leesburg No. 34
Ocala No. 13

DISTRICT NO. 7

Joe E. Herring, Jacksonville
324 E. 7th St. St. Augustine No. 17
Putnam No. 9 Duval No. 48
Jacksonville No. 12

DISTRICT NO. 8

A. H. Grant, Live Oak
Lake Butler No. 19 Providence No. 38
Live Oak No. 25

DISTRICT NO. 9

Richard W. Ervin, Tallahassee
Florida No. 1 Gadsden No. 30
Jefferson No. 26 Jackson No. 32

DISTRICT NO. 10

J. L. Clary, Crestview
Mt. Horeb No. 6 Crestview No. 40

COMMITTEES

PRINTING

Cary B. Fish, Chester DeRocher
Wayne Connor,

MASONIC JURISPRUDENCE

All Past Grand High Priests.

EDUCATIONAL LOAN

Alex B. Steuart, Tampa, Bradford C. Webb
John L. Hall, City Hall, Jacksonville Ocala
R. J. McMaster, Wm. L. Marshall
Box 1810, Tampa Tallahassee
H. S. Chiles, Tampa

MEMORIALS

Albert E. Calkins, B. W. Helvenston
Dorsey H. Rutter,

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CORRESPONDENCE

Cary B. Fish, J. R. Keller, E. L. Shear

INVESTMENT

John L. Hall, E. L. Wirt, Jos. R. Keller

FINANCE AND ACCOUNTS

H. O. Snow, Three Years
R. J. Kishpaugh, Two Years
R. L. Gillett, One Year

GRAND LECTURER

Wm. B. Greer.

No further business appearing, the foregoing minutes were read and adopted.

The Grand Chapter was closed in ample form with prayer by the Grand Chaplain.

Attest:

J. Lloyd Head,
Grand High Priest.

Cary B. Fish

Grand Secretary.



To the Memory of
Companions of Our
Jurisdiction

Who have passed away during the year 1936

These pages are fraternally dedicated

| NAME | CHAPTER | NO. | DATE OF DEATH |
|----------------------|---------------|-----|----------------|
| Albert J. Goodbody | Florida | 1 | Sept. 14, 1936 |
| Frank S. Hartsfield | Florida | 1 | May 8, 1936 |
| Dexter M. Lowry | Florida | 1 | Oct. 21, 1937 |
| L. M. Gray | Gainesville | 2 | Dec. 28, 1936 |
| James B. Anderson | Tampa | 3 | Jan. 20, 1936 |
| Robert Baird | Tampa | 3 | June 1, 1936 |
| Allie W. Barnes | Tampa | 3 | Dec. 12, 1936 |
| Earl H. McRae | Tampa | 8 | Jan. 22, 1936 |
| Walter C. Thomas | Tampa | 3 | Feb. 26, 1936 |
| Byron Dowley | Mount Horeb | 6 | Oct. 8, 1936 |
| Elmer E. Haskell | Putnam | 9 | Feb. 19, 1936 |
| D. Y. Rosborough | Putnam | 9 | 1936 |
| Isaac A. Bennett | Jericho | 11 | Dec. 1, 1936 |
| Sidney A. Griswold | Jericho | 11 | Aug. 7, 1936 |
| Sherwood Hodson | Jericho | 11 | Sept. 9, 1936 |
| Geo. West Price | Jericho | 11 | Sept. 6, 1936 |
| Ray Rainbolt | Jericho | 11 | Oct. 26, 1936 |
| Hugo C. Vihlen | Jericho | 11 | May 15, 1936 |
| Theodore B. C. Veges | Jericho | 11 | Jan. 8, 1936 |
| Otto Henry Voss | Jericho | 11 | Jan. 5, 1936 |
| William S. Barnett | Jacksonville | 12 | July 1, 1936 |
| Albert J. Burkhalter | Jacksonville | 12 | Oct. 15, 1936 |
| Bob R. Milam | Jacksonville | 12 | May 29, 1936 |
| Wm. T. McDonald | Jacksonville | 12 | Feb. 8, 1936 |
| Charlton B. Turner | Jacksonville | 12 | June 8, 1936 |
| Daniel U. Wilder | Jacksonville | 12 | July 7, 1936 |
| Robert L. Williams | Jacksonville | 12 | Nov. 3, 1936 |
| H. L. Sharp | Ocala | 13 | July 7, 1936 |
| S. E. Leigh | Ocala | 13 | July 9, 1936 |
| J. H. Williams | Ocala | 13 | Aug. 8, 1936 |
| C. S. Hartridge | Ocala | 13 | May 6, 1936 |
| S. W. Peck | Ocala | 13 | June 7, 1936 |
| Thomas W. Hansell | Monroe | 15 | Sept. 18, 1936 |
| A. M. Bennett | Plant City | 15 | Feb. 18, 1936 |
| William V. Griffin | Plant City | 16 | 1936 |
| Eugene L. Barnes | St. Augustine | 16 | Dec. 1, 1936 |
| John J. Crowley | St. Augustine | 17 | Dec. 15, 1936 |
| James R. Etter | Manatee River | 17 | Nov. 1936 |
| Preston H. Roper | Keystone | 18 | Nov. 25, 1936 |
| Edwin T. Embrey | Thomas-Brown | 20 | Nov. 27, 1936 |
| | | 22 | Sept. |

| NAME | CHAPTER | NO. | DATE OF DEATH |
|------------------------|----------------|-----|----------------|
| Oris G. Tillman | Thomas-Brown | 22 | Sept. 23, 1936 |
| Chas. C. Chillingworth | Palm Beach | 24 | Sept. 25, 1936 |
| Henry M. Strickland | Live Oak | 25 | July 1, 1936 |
| Austin N. Woodard | Live Oak | 25 | Aug. 23, 1936 |
| H. E. Partridge | Jefferson | 26 | 1936 |
| G. N. Ward | Jefferson | 26 | 1936 |
| Thomas J. Beal | Indian River | 27 | 1934 |
| Joseph E. Bettler | Indian River | 27 | 1936 |
| D. A. Cole | Indian River | 27 | 1935 |
| Frank J. McIntire | Indian River | 27 | July 1, 1936 |
| Geo. W. Scobie, Sr. | Indian River | 27 | Jan. 28, 1936 |
| Herbert J. Stevens | Indian River | 27 | Jan. 5, 1936 |
| John D. Sams | Indian River | 27 | 1936 |
| Charles S. Bixby | Joppa | 28 | Dec. 2, 1936 |
| W. V. Lewis | Lakeland | 29 | Mar. 15, 1936 |
| Louis Cook | St. Petersburg | 31 | Dec. 30, 1935 |
| Karl B. O'Quinn | St. Petersburg | 31 | Apr. 12, 1936 |
| J. W. Wilhelm | St. Petersburg | 31 | Aug. 25, 1936 |
| Sam Jones | St. Petersburg | 31 | Sept. 13, 1936 |
| Wm. H. Loso | St. Petersburg | 31 | Sept. 25, 1936 |
| Clifford W. Hewitt | St. Petersburg | 31 | Oct. 19, 1936 |
| George H. Bemes | St. Petersburg | 31 | Jan. 1, 1935 |
| G. S. Hodges | Jackson | 32 | Dec. 10, 1936 |
| J. D. Turvaville | Jackson | 32 | Feb. 13, 1936 |
| Charle W. Latham | Sarasota | 35 | 1935 |
| Henry Philpot | Sarasota | 35 | Sept. 19, 1936 |
| Julius M. King | Crestview | 40 | Dec. 1936 |
| Silas F. Poole | Winter Haven | 41 | July 31, 1936 |
| W. G. Hays | Highlands | 42 | July 13, 1936 |
| Charles R. Head | Highlands | 42 | July 12, 1936 |
| R. Harry Stodden | Highlands | 42 | Nov. 18, 1936 |
| C. H. Stewart | Union | 43 | June 18, 1936 |
| Hiram B. Fritt | Clearwater | 45 | 1936 |
| E. E. Burke | New Smyrna | 51 | Unknown |
| A. Charles Elwes | New Smyrna | 51 | Unknown |
| E. J. Shattuck | New Smyrna | 51 | Unknown |
| Alexander Findlay | M. D. Cushing | 54 | Mar. 15, 1936 |
| Herbert L. Whitney | M. D. Cushing | 54 | July 24, 1936 |
| W. M. McKethan | Hill City | 55 | Aug. 22, 1936 |



Grand Chapter
 Royal Arch Masons of Florida
 1937

OFFICERS

OF THE

General Grand Chapter

1936 — 1939

Mattison Boyd Jones *General Grand High Priest*
Los Angeles, California
John Huske Anderson *Deputy General Grand High Priest*
Raleigh, North Carolina
George Allison Holland *General Grand King*
Lexington, Kentucky
William Edward Goff *General Grand Scribe*
Battle Creek, Michigan
Gustav Adolph Eitel *General Grand Treasurer*
Baltimore, Maryland
Charles Arthur Conover *General Grand Secretary*
Coldwater, Michigan
Ray Vaughn Denslow *Gen. Grand Captain of the Host*
Trenton, Missouri
Wilber Allen Scott *Gen. Grand Principal Sojourner*
Providence, Rhode Island
Early Hurt Johnson *Gen. Grand Royal Arch Captain*
Columbus, Georgia
Edward Whipple Spottswood *General Grand Master 3rd Veil*
Missoula, Montana
Fred Herbert Pocock *General Grand Master 2nd Veil*
Fort Wayne, Indiana
Earl Elliot Dusenbery *General Grand Master 1st Veil*
Des Moines, Iowa

TRUSTEES OF THE PERMANENT FUND
Cary B. Fish, Sarasota, Florida, *Chairman*
John W. Neilson, Concordia, Kansas
Wm. T. S. O'Hara, Toledo, Ohio

GRAND SECRETARIES

| STATE | NAME | ADDRESS |
|-----------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|
| General Grand Chapter | Charles A. Conover | Coldwater, Michigan. |
| Alabama | Guy T. Smith | Montgomery |
| Arizona | Clifford R. Wentzel | Calgary, 809 1-2 St., N. W. |
| Arkansas | H. A. Drachman | Tucson, Box 229. |
| British Columbia | John Q. Wolf | Batesville |
| | J. W. Prescott | Vancouver |
| California | Thomas A. Davies | 603 Hastings St. W. |
| Canada | Edwin Smith | San Francisco, Mas. Temple |
| | | 582 Dufferin Ave., London, |
| | | Ontario. |
| Colorado | Charles H. Patton | Denver, Masonic Temple |
| Connecticut | Wm. L. Cort | New Haven |
| Delaware | John W. Macklem | Wilmington, Box 94. |
| District of Columbia | J. Claude Keiper | Washington |
| England | P. Colville Smith | London |
| Georgia | W. J. Penn, Jr. | London |
| Idaho | Edward H. Way | Macon, 801 Mulberry St. |
| Illinois | J. E. Jeffers | Boise, Box 1203. |
| Indiana | Charles H. Warne | Springfield, Box 438. |
| Iowa | George E. Masters | Fipton, Masonic Temple |
| Ireland | H. E. Flavell | Glenwood |
| Kansas | Elmer F. Strain | Dublin |
| Kentucky | G. Allison Holland | Topeka |
| Louisiana | Charles E. Brown | Lexington |
| Maine | Convers E. Leach | New Orleans |
| Manitoba | George Syme | Portland |
| | | Winnipeg, |
| | | Masonic Temple. |
| Maryland | Gustav A. Eitel | Baltimore |
| Massachusetts | Raymond T. Sewall | Boston Masonic Temple |
| Michigan | Chas. A. Conover | Coldwater |
| Minnesota | John H. Anderson | St. Paul |
| Mississippi | Edward L. Faucette | Meridian |
| Missouri | Ray V. Denslow | Trenton |
| Montana | Luther T. Hauberg | Helena, Box 896. |
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| Nova Scotia | J. McC. Rutherford | Halifax, Masonic Temple |
| Ohio | Mont C. Hambright | Springfield, First National |
| | | Bank Bldg. |
| Oklahoma | Ira B. Kirkland | Muskogee, First Natl. Bank |
| | | Bldg. |
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| | | Masonic Temple. |
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| Rhode Island | Wilbur A. Scott | G. P. O. Box 425-F. |
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| Saskatchewan | | Regina, 312 Westman |
| | | Chambers. |
| South Carolina | Geo. A. Howell | Edinburgh, 76 Queen St. |
| South Dakota | O. Frank Hart | Columbia |
| Tennessee | Geo. A. Pettifrew | Sioux Falls |
| | T. E. Doss | Nashville, |
| | | A. & A. S. R. Temple. |

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| | | Masonic Temple. |
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| Victoria | Hy O. Thomas | Melbourne |
| Virginia | James M. Clift | Richmond, |
| | | Masonic Temple. |
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| | | 401 Hyde Bldg. |
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| Wm. K. Wilson, South Norwalk | Colorado | B. C. Webb, Ocala |
| Leslie W. Stout, Wilmington | Connecticut | M. W. Bishop, Jacksonville |
| C. Fred Cook, Washington | Delaware | Sumner R. Hall, Ft. Myers |
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| Edgar J. Finch, Twin Falls | Georgia | Albert E. Calkins, St. Augustine |
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| Donald J. Pickett, Greenfield | Illinois | Archie Aitchison, St. Petersburg |
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| Virgil P. Smith, Somerset | Kansas | Jesse C. Clark, Pensacola |
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| James M. DeWitt, Kirksville | Mississippi | D. B. Palmer, Monticello |
| Channell A. Mackenzie, Bozeman | Missouri | Gary E. Fish, Sarasota |
| Harry O. Hartwell, Omaha | Montana | G. A. Lambe, Marianna |
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| Guy J. Gabel, Woodstock | Nevada | Frank R. Hamlett, Tampa |
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| Henry H. Dilley, New Brunswick | New Hampshire | Wm. R. O'Neal, Orlando |
| John J. Dixon, Jr., Carlsbad | New Jersey | Wm. L. Marshal, Tallahassee |
| Alfred Wm. Creed, Burwood | New Mexico | Richard B. Lovett, Tampa |
| Frank M. Pinnix, Oxford | New York | Joseph E. Herrin, Jacksonville |
| Otto Hennings, Dickinson | New South Wales | John D. Grether, Jacksonville |
| W. P. Doull, Charlotte, P.E.I. | New Zealand | John Gove, Sanford |
| Ernest B. Brown, Cleveland | North Carolina | Harry D. Gilmore, Daytona Beach |
| Newton A. Lale, Shawnee | North Dakota | R. J. McMaster, Tampa |
| C. M. Houston, Medford | Nova Scotia | T. Picton Warlow, Orlando |
| Walter M. Carwithen, Doylestown | Ohio | Dorsey H. Rutter, Miami |
| John R. Kelley, Ferns, Montreal | Oklahoma | W. B. Greer, Quincy |
| Stephen Magown, Woonsocket | Oregon | Frederic A. Riegel, Sarasota |
| Geo. N. Langlands, Edinbrugh | Pennsylvania | W. D. Hoyt, Eustis |
| Wm. J. Smith, Shaunavon | Quebec | Harry S. Benson, Daytona Beach |
| Roland S. Goodale, Camden | Queensland | John B. Phelps, Miami |
| Wm. H. Blackwell, Johnson City | Rhode Island | Samuel E. Fleet, Live Oak |
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| J. Harold Stacey, Windsor | Saskatchewan | H. L. Schaeffer, Leesburg |
| Baron Marks, Melbourne | South Carolina | Ernest Reed, Tampa |
| Edgar D. Hanes, Norfolk | South Dakota | Wm. R. O'Neil, Orlando |
| Harold Waldby, Claremont | Tennessee | Frank B. Stoneman, Miami |
| James P. Mace, Charleston | Texas | Victor M. Douglas, Tampa |
| W. F. Owen, Steven's Point | Utah | J. R. Keller, Pensacola |
| Horner E. Zorn, Greybull | Vermont | Bert L. Blair, Orlando |
| | Virginia | John L. Hall, Jacksonville |
| | Washington | Stafford Caldwell, Miami |
| | West Virginia | H. J. Dame, Fort Pierce |
| | Wisconsin | C. E. Conner, Inverness |
| | Wyoming | Geo. J. Tolson, Lakeland |
| | | Geo. A. Dame, Inverness |
| | | Emery G. Pierce, Bradenton |

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From Its Organization to Date

| GRAND HIGH PRIESTS | DEPUTY GRAND HIGH PRIESTS | GRAND KINGS | GRAND SCRIBES | GRAND TREASURERS | GRAND SECRETARIES | GRAND CHAPLAINS |
|--------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| 1847 Thos. Douglas* | John P. Duval* | Harry B. Taylor* | Geo. W. MacRae* | Edwin D. Nash* | John B. Taylor* | Edwin L. T. Blake* |
| 1848 Isaac H. Bronson* | Isaac H. Bronson* | Geo. W. MacRae* | D. S. Graham* | Thos. H. Brown* | John B. Taylor* | Edwin L. T. Blake* |
| 1849 Harry R. Taylor* | Harry R. Taylor* | D. S. Graham* | E. A. Shine* | Thos. H. Brown* | John B. Taylor* | Edwin L. T. Blake* |
| 1850 Thomas Brown* | Gad Humphreys* | Alfred S. Hester* | Gad Humphreys* | David C. Wilson* | John B. Taylor* | Edwin L. T. Blake* |
| 1851 R. A. Shine* | Sam'l E. Stephens* | Samuel Keestman* | Benj. Sawyer* | David C. Wilson* | John B. Taylor* | Edwin L. T. Blake* |
| 1852 J. W. Wayles Rader* | J. M. W. Davidson* | C. A. M. Mitchell* | James S. Rankin* | David C. Wilson* | John B. Taylor* | Edwin L. T. Blake* |
| 1853 J. W. Wayles Rader* | Thomas Y. Henry* | Joseph S. May* | James Ellenwood* | Thomas Hayward* | John B. Taylor* | Edwin L. T. Blake* |
| 1854 J. W. Wayles Rader* | Edward R. Lee* | John L. McKinnon* | James Ellenwood* | R. A. Shine* | John B. Taylor* | Edwin L. T. Blake* |
| 1855 J. W. Wayles Rader* | James Ellenwood* | John L. McKinnon* | James Ellenwood* | R. A. Shine* | John B. Taylor* | Edwin L. T. Blake* |
| 1856 J. W. Wayles Rader* | James Ellenwood* | John L. McKinnon* | James Ellenwood* | R. A. Shine* | John B. Taylor* | Edwin L. T. Blake* |
| 1857 J. W. Wayles Rader* | James Ellenwood* | John L. McKinnon* | James Ellenwood* | R. A. Shine* | John B. Taylor* | Edwin L. T. Blake* |
| 1858 J. W. Wayles Rader* | James Ellenwood* | John L. McKinnon* | James Ellenwood* | R. A. Shine* | John B. Taylor* | Edwin L. T. Blake* |
| 1859 J. W. Wayles Rader* | James Ellenwood* | John L. McKinnon* | James Ellenwood* | R. A. Shine* | John B. Taylor* | Edwin L. T. Blake* |
| 1860 J. W. Wayles Rader* | James Ellenwood* | John L. McKinnon* | James Ellenwood* | R. A. Shine* | John B. Taylor* | Edwin L. T. Blake* |
| 1861 J. W. Wayles Rader* | James Ellenwood* | John L. McKinnon* | James Ellenwood* | R. A. Shine* | John B. Taylor* | Edwin L. T. Blake* |
| 1862 J. W. Wayles Rader* | James Ellenwood* | John L. McKinnon* | James Ellenwood* | R. A. Shine* | John B. Taylor* | Edwin L. T. Blake* |
| 1863 J. W. Wayles Rader* | James Ellenwood* | John L. McKinnon* | James Ellenwood* | R. A. Shine* | John B. Taylor* | Edwin L. T. Blake* |
| 1864 J. W. Wayles Rader* | James Ellenwood* | John L. McKinnon* | James Ellenwood* | R. A. Shine* | John B. Taylor* | Edwin L. T. Blake* |
| 1865 J. W. Wayles Rader* | James Ellenwood* | John L. McKinnon* | James Ellenwood* | R. A. Shine* | John B. Taylor* | Edwin L. T. Blake* |
| 1866 J. W. Wayles Rader* | James Ellenwood* | John L. McKinnon* | James Ellenwood* | R. A. Shine* | John B. Taylor* | Edwin L. T. Blake* |
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| 1869 J. W. Wayles Rader* | James Ellenwood* | John L. McKinnon* | James Ellenwood* | R. A. Shine* | John B. Taylor* | Edwin L. T. Blake* |
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| 1872 J. W. Wayles Rader* | James Ellenwood* | John L. McKinnon* | James Ellenwood* | R. A. Shine* | John B. Taylor* | Edwin L. T. Blake* |
| 1873 J. W. Wayles Rader* | James Ellenwood* | John L. McKinnon* | James Ellenwood* | R. A. Shine* | John B. Taylor* | Edwin L. T. Blake* |
| 1874 J. W. Wayles Rader* | James Ellenwood* | John L. McKinnon* | James Ellenwood* | R. A. Shine* | John B. Taylor* | Edwin L. T. Blake* |
| 1875 J. W. Wayles Rader* | James Ellenwood* | John L. McKinnon* | James Ellenwood* | R. A. Shine* | John B. Taylor* | Edwin L. T. Blake* |
| 1876 J. W. Wayles Rader* | James Ellenwood* | John L. McKinnon* | James Ellenwood* | R. A. Shine* | John B. Taylor* | Edwin L. T. Blake* |

DIRECTORY OF CHAPTERS

| CHAPTER | LOCATION | TIME OF MEETING |
|----------------|-----------------------|--|
| Florida | 1 Tallahassee | Second Monday. |
| Gainesville | 2 Gainesville | First and Third Friday. |
| Tampa | 3 Tampa | First and Third Friday. |
| St. John | 4 DeLand | Third Friday. |
| Halifax | 5 Daytona | Second Thursday. |
| Mount Horeb | 6 Pensacola | Second Monday. |
| Dade City | 7 Orlando | First and Third Monday. |
| Putnam | 8 Dade City | First and Third Monday. |
| Jericho | 9 Palatka | First Thursday. |
| Jacksonville | 11 Miami | Second and Fourth Friday. |
| Ocala | 12 Jacksonville | Second and Fourth Thursday. |
| Monroe | 13 Ocala | Fourth Monday. |
| Plant City | 15 Sanford | Second and Fourth Tuesday. |
| St. Augustine | 16 Plant City | First and Third Tuesday. |
| Manatee River | 17 St. Augustine | Second Tuesday. |
| Lake Butler | 18 Bradenton | Second Tuesday. |
| Keystone | 19 Lake Butler | First Thursday. |
| Thomas Brown | 20 Ft. Lauderdale | Second Friday. |
| Lake Worth | 22 Bartow | First Thursday. |
| Live Oak | 24 West Palm Beach | First and Third Monday. |
| Jefferson | 25 Live Oak | Second Friday. |
| Indian River | 26 Monticello | First Monday. |
| Joppa | 27 Titusville | Third Wednesday. |
| Lakeland | 28 Fort Pierce | First Friday. |
| Gadsden | 29 Lakeland | Fourth Tuesday. |
| St. Petersburg | 30 Quincy | Third Monday. |
| Jackson | 31 St. Petersburg | First and Third Wednesdays. |
| Eustis | 32 Marianna | Second and Fourth Thursday. |
| Leesburg | 33 Eustis | Third Tuesday. |
| Sarasota | 34 Leesburg | Second Tuesday. |
| Providence | 35 Sarasota | Second and Fourth Thursday. |
| Crestview | 38 Lake City | Second Friday. |
| Winter Haven | 40 Crestview | Second and Fourth Tuesday. |
| Highlands | 42 Avon Park | First and Third Thursday. |
| Clearwater | 45 Clearwater | Second Monday. |
| Duval | 48 South Jacksonville | First and Third Friday. |
| Poinciana | 50 Fort Myers | Third Friday. |
| M. D. Cushing | 54 Tampa | Second and Fourth Monday. |
| Hill City | 55 Brooksville | First and Third Tuesday. Second Monday. |

CHAPTER DIRECTORY

| CHAPTER | No. | HIGH PRIEST | KING | SCRIBE | TREASURER | SECRETARY | SECRETARY'S ADDRESS |
|----------------|-----|-------------------|---------------------|------------------|---------------------|------------------|---|
| Florida | 1 | W. J. Oven | Earl T. Mickler | C. F. Green | Wm. H. Markham | Richard W. Ervin | Tallahassee |
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| St. John | 4 | Stanley Wolf | Otto Weisse | J. R. Shuman | W. E. Gleason | Chas L. Heath | DeLand |
| Halifax | 5 | A. D. Littlefield | C. L. Cramer | J. L. Bond | R. A. Miller | H. D. Gilmore | Daytona Beach, 902 1902 N. Pensacola Ave. |
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| Putnam | 9 | S. H. Fortune | C. A. Smith | T. M. Waldron | J. E. B. Nichols | H. E. Forsberg | Dade City |
| Jericho | 11 | L. C. Bortle | H. H. Thompson | H. D. Jones | A. H. Nichols | Owen W. Pittman | Palatka |
| Jacksonville | 12 | A. H. Cruz | H. L. Lane | O. S. Copeland | J. S. B. Moyer | J. Lloyd Head | Jacksonville, 2nd Ave. |
| Ocala | 13 | H. D. S. Starr | W. Needham | J. S. Copeland | J. S. B. Moyer | J. Lloyd Head | Jacksonville, 2nd Ave. |
| Monroe | 15 | D. S. E. Keller | L. F. Boyle | W. A. Stansfield | J. E. D. Guy | L. L. Adams | Secula |
| Plant City | 16 | J. J. Beschem | C. N. Simmons | B. E. Sappington | T. C. Calmes | R. A. Daniel | Plant City, Box 532 |
| St. Augustine | 17 | H. E. Grant | A. E. Cook | F. E. Matthews | T. A. Pilgrim | C. G. Oldfather | St. Augustine, Box 842 |
| Manatee River | 18 | H. E. Grant | B. U. Zoller | A. S. Zoller | H. S. Moody | P. J. Hampton | St. Augustine, Box 842 |
| Lake Butler | 19 | G. W. Coleman | D. T. McGill | K. G. Duncan | W. E. Daniel | A. D. Zacharias | Lake Butler |
| Keystone | 20 | E. G. Firman | G. L. Tyler | F. E. Shipe | C. W. Brown | Ben. J. Webster | Fort Lauderdale |
| Thomas-Brown | 21 | E. G. Firman | G. L. Tyler | F. E. Shipe | C. W. Brown | Ben. J. Webster | Bartow |
| Lake Worth | 24 | Fred Michel | W. E. Tanner | H. E. Wentzell | C. W. Brown | R. J. Kishpaugh | West Palm Beach, Box 423 |
| Live Oak | 26 | W. T. Newsome | C. B. Hoffman | A. F. Goff | B. W. Helvenston | C. Gildersteve | Live Oak |
| Jefferson | 27 | R. C. Stinson | J. E. Keefman | A. F. Goff | B. W. Helvenston | C. Gildersteve | Live Oak |
| Indian River | 28 | L. C. Stewart | E. P. Lichtenberger | C. F. Gault | W. E. Tylander | D. E. Palmer | Monticello |
| Joppa | 29 | O. L. Nolan | S. E. Ralfsnyder | W. A. Bank | W. E. Tylander | R. V. Anthony | Monticello |
| Lakeland | 30 | A. N. Brooks | H. F. Fouts | K. T. Jones | C. K. Hanner | H. S. Cole | Lakeland |
| Gadsden | 30 | Jesse Reeves | R. H. Hopkins | L. M. Balyeu | W. B. Greer | E. C. Mahaffey | Box 411 |
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| Leesburg | 34 | Wm. Dunstan | H. G. Holland | A. Bragdon | C. A. Lave | Leesburg |
| Sarasota | 35 | E. S. Marsh | Wm. Hamilton | A. W. Hoole | F. A. Riegel | Sarasota |
| Providence | 38 | A. R. Hackney | R. C. Mansfield | H. R. James | C. A. Roberts | Lake City |
| Crestview | 41 | D. C. Stokes | C. L. Campbell | T. R. James | C. A. Callum | Crestview |
| Winter Haven | 41 | D. C. Bowman | E. J. Taylor, Jr. | C. H. Parker | C. A. Seymour | Winter Haven |
| Highlands | 42 | Louie G. Hill | Demos Mandis | J. L. Johnson | D. G. Perry | Avon Park |
| Clearwater | 45 | Sam T. Wickens | P. L. Wall | F. M. Smith | Chas. Shaw | Clearwater |
| Poinciana | 48 | J. DeBartolomeis | Frank LaMee | C. S. Shaw | C. R. Leavitt | So. Jacksonville |
| M. D. Cushing | 50 | J. E. Spofner | L. E. Stewart | N. C. Edwards | R. L. Thompson | Port View |
| Hill City | 54 | James Stuart | M. A. Starnes, Jr. | S. R. Hall | R. L. Thompson | Box 133, Tampa |
| | 55 | D. A. McIntyre | W. E. Oxley | V. M. Douglas | S. C. McConnell | Brooksville |
| | | | | A. Keathley | A. Keathley | |

STATISTICS

| CHAPTERS | Number | Membership Last Year | Exalted | Reinstated | Affiliated | Total | Died | Dimitted | Suspended N. P. D. | Suspended U. M. C. | Present Membership | Net Gain | Net Loss |
|----------------|--------|----------------------|---------|------------|------------|-------|------|----------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|----------|----------|
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Florida | 1 | 120 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 120 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 116 | 0 | 5 |
| Gainesville | 1 | 89 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 90 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 88 | 0 | 2 |
| Tampa | 1 | 224 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 225 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 223 | 0 | 2 |
| St. Johns | 1 | 52 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 52 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 52 | 0 | 0 |
| Halifax | 1 | 74 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 74 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 74 | 0 | 0 |
| Mt. Horeb | 1 | 109 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 109 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 109 | 0 | 0 |
| Eureka | 1 | 154 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 154 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 154 | 0 | 0 |
| Dade City | 1 | 23 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 23 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 23 | 0 | 0 |
| Putnam | 1 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 9 | 0 | 0 |
| Jericho | 1 | 11 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 11 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 11 | 0 | 0 |
| Jacksonville | 1 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 12 | 0 | 0 |
| Ocala | 1 | 13 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 13 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 13 | 0 | 0 |
| Monroe | 1 | 15 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 15 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 15 | 0 | 0 |
| Plant City | 1 | 16 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 16 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 16 | 0 | 0 |
| St. Augustine | 1 | 17 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 17 | 0 | 0 |
| Manatee River | 1 | 18 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 18 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 18 | 0 | 0 |
| Lake Butler | 1 | 19 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 19 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 19 | 0 | 0 |
| Keystone | 1 | 20 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 20 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 20 | 0 | 0 |
| Thomas Brown | 1 | 22 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 22 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 22 | 0 | 0 |
| Lake Worth | 1 | 24 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 24 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 24 | 0 | 0 |
| Live Oak | 1 | 25 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 25 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 25 | 0 | 0 |
| Jefferson | 1 | 26 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 26 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 26 | 0 | 0 |
| Indian River | 1 | 27 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 27 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 27 | 0 | 0 |
| Joppa | 1 | 28 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 28 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 28 | 0 | 0 |
| Lakeland | 1 | 29 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 29 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 29 | 0 | 0 |
| Gadsden | 1 | 30 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 30 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 30 | 0 | 0 |
| St. Petersburg | 1 | 31 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 31 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 31 | 0 | 0 |
| Jackson | 1 | 32 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 32 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 32 | 0 | 0 |
| Eustis | 1 | 33 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 33 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 33 | 0 | 0 |
| Leesburg | 1 | 34 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 34 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 34 | 0 | 0 |
| Sarasota | 1 | 35 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 35 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 35 | 0 | 0 |
| Providence | 1 | 38 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 38 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 38 | 0 | 0 |
| Crestview | 1 | 40 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 40 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 40 | 0 | 0 |
| Winter Haven | 1 | 41 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 41 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 41 | 0 | 0 |
| Highland | 1 | 42 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 42 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 42 | 0 | 0 |
| Clearwater | 1 | 45 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 45 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 45 | 0 | 0 |
| Duval | 1 | 48 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 48 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 48 | 0 | 0 |
| Poinciana | 1 | 50 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 50 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 50 | 0 | 0 |
| M. D. Cushing | 1 | 54 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 54 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 54 | 0 | 0 |
| Hill City | 1 | 55 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 55 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 55 | 0 | 0 |

SUMMARY

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| Exalted | 63 |
| Reinstated | 75 |
| Affiliated | 15 |
| Died | 74 |
| Dimitted | 32 |
| Suspended Non-Payment of dues | 256 |
| Suspended for U. M. C. | 1 |
| Present Membership | 3,123 |

Order of High Priesthood

ANNUAL ASSEMBLY

May 18th, 1937

The annual assembly of the order of High Priesthood was held in the Scottish Rite Temple in the City of Tampa, Tuesday morning, May 18th, A. D. 1937 A. I. 2467 at 7:30 A. M.

Roll call showed the following officers present:

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| William B. Greer | | M. E. President. |
| Archie Aitchison | | E. Vice-President. |
| Dorsey H. Rutter | | E. Chaplain. |
| Cary B. Fish | | M. E. Secretary-Treasurer. |
| J. R. West | as | E. Master of Ceremonies. |
| William L. Marshall | | E. Conductor. |
| L. Earl Curry | | E. Herald. |
| Chas. A. Bangert | as | E. Steward. |
| Loren L. Dilger | as | E. Guard. |

Upon motion the reading of the minutes were dispensed with, they having been printed and distributed, and they were adopted as printed.

The Secretary-Treasurer made his report showing there \$197.56 in the Savings account in the Palmer National Bank and Trust Co., of Sarasota. Report adopted.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The annual election of officers resulted as follows:

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| William B. Greer | | M. E. President. |
| Archie Aitchison | | E. Vice-President. |
| Dorsey H. Rutter | | E. Chaplain. |
| Cary B. Fish | | E. Treasurer-Secretary. |
| J. R. West | | E. Master of Ceremonies. |
| William L. Marshall | | E. Conductor. |
| L. Earl Curry | | E. Herald. |
| Joseph R. Keller | | E. Steward. |
| Loren L. Dilger | | E. Guard. |

ORDER OF HIGH PRIESTHOOD

Bill for supplies of 65c ordered paid.

Petitions for the order were received from the following High Priests and Past High Priests which were accepted and they were elected to receive this Order, to-wit:

- R. T. Schafer, Gainesville Chapter No. 2.
- Wm. C. Sessions, Tampa Chapter No. 3.
- Howard McLean, Mt. Horeb Chapter No. 6.
- J. Frank Crutcher, Mt. Horeb Chapter No. 6.
- Roy A. Miller, Eureka Chapter No. 7.
- Leslie C. Bortle, Jericho Chapter No. 11.
- Andrew H. Cruz, Jacksonville Chapter No. 12.
- Henry Krueger, Ocala Chapter No. 13.
- Harry E. Grant, Manatee River Chapter No. 18.
- Robert J. Coleman, Keystone Chapter No. 20.
- Floyd L. Miller, Keystone Chapter No. 20.
- Leon C. Stewart, Indian River Chapter No. 27.
- H. J. Randles, St. Petersburg Chapter No. 31.
- Henry M. Ivey, Jackson Chapter No. 32.
- Edwin S. Marsh, Sarasota Chapter No. 35.

The above named High Priests and Past High Priests were duly received, anointed and set apart to the Holy Order of High Priesthood.

On motion the monologue used by the M. E. President was adopted and made a part of the ritual.

There being no further business the Assembly was closed in ample form with prayer by the Grand Chaplain.

Attest:

Cary B. Fish

Secretary.

William B. Greer,
President.

ORDER OF HIGH PRIESTHOOD

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION
TO BE ACTED UPON NEXT YEAR

WHEREAS, the dates of holding the annual Grand Convocations of this Grand Chapter and the date of ending the fiscal year also the dates of electing and installing the officers of the subordinate Chapters do not co-ordinate to the best interests of this Grand Chapter and its subordinate chapters;

Therefore be it RESOLVED; That Article II, Section IV of the constitution be amended by striking out the words "Third Tuesday in May," and insert in lieu thereof, "Third Tuesday in October", also amend Article IV, Section X of the Constitution by striking out the word "Evangelist" and insert in lieu thereof the word "Baptist" which is June 24th.

Also amend Regulation No. 62 as follows: Strike out the words "April 1st" and substitute the words "September 1st" adding new paragraph as follows:

The fiscal year of the Grand Chapter shall end on St. Johns, the Baptist Day (June 24th) and returns shall be made as of that date and the first meeting under this amendment shall be held on the Third Tuesday of October 1939.

UNIFORM CODE OF BY-LAWS

By-laws of _____ Chapter, No. _____,
Royal Arch Masons, held at _____ in the County
of _____ State of Florida.

ARTICLE I. NAME AND OFFICERS

The name of this Chapter shall be _____
Chapter, No. _____, Royal Arch Masons. Its Officers shall
consist of a High Priest, King, Scribe, Treasurer, Secretary,
Chaplain, Captain of the Host, Principal Sojourner, Royal
Arch Captain, Master of the Third Veil, Master of the
Second Veil, Master of the First Veil, and Sentinel, the
style of the High Priest is Excellent, and of the other offi-
cers is Companion.

ARTICLE II. CONVOCATIONS

The regular Convocations of this Chapter shall be held
on the _____.

The Excellent High Priest may call a special convoca-
tion at such time as he may elect, and only such business as
is mentioned in the call can be transacted at such special
Convocation.

ARTICLE III. SEAL

The seal of this Chapter shall be _____
and be in the custody of its Secretary.

ARTICLE IV. DUTIES OF OFFICERS

The duties of the several officers of this Chapter shall
be such as commonly appertain thereto.

ARTICLE V. PETITIONS

Application for degrees shall be made in writing, be
signed by the petitioner, shall specify that he is a Master
Mason in good standing, a member of _____
Lodge, located at _____ in the State of
_____, his age, residence, occupation, and
length of time within the jurisdiction of this chapter, it
shall be recommended by at least two members of this
chapter, shall be presented at a regular convocation, and
shall be referred to a committee of three members for in-
quiry and report.

It may be acted upon at the same convocation at which the petition may be received; except where there is concurrent jurisdiction and in that case the petition shall lay over until the next regular convocation before being acted upon, and the other chapter in the same concurrent jurisdiction shall be notified as soon as the petition is received.

ARTICLE VI. FEES FOR DEGREES

The fees for conferring the degrees shall be _____ Dollars, payable as follows, _____

which fees must be in the Secretary's possession before the degrees are conferred.

(Fees for degrees can not be less than \$20.00.)

ARTICLE VII. DUES

The annual dues of this chapter shall be _____ Dollars, payable in advance at the beginning of each Chapter year, to-wit on December 28th of each year.

ARTICLE VIII. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The annual election officers shall take place on the first regular convocation in December in each year, or as soon thereafter as practicable, when the first five officers of the chapter shall be elected by ballot, by a majority of votes cast and the remaining officers shall be appointed by the incoming High Priest.

Sec. II. Every member of the chapter, in good standing, is entitled to one vote; but only High Priests, Past High Priests, Kings, Past Kings, Scribes, Past Scribes, are eligible to the office of High Priest; PROVIDED; that when there are none such who are competent and willing to serve, personal merit only is the rule, and the chapter is the judge of the competency of its members, any member may be elected to the office of High Priest.

ARTICLE IX. INSTALLATION

The annual installation of officers shall take place on St. John, the Evangelist's day or as soon thereafter as expedient.

ARTICLE X. SUSPENSION FOR N. P. D.

Whenever any member shall be 12 months or more in arrears, for dues, it shall be the duty of the Secretary to notify such delinquent by written notice, stating therein the amount thereof, and that unless the same shall be paid

within 30 days, or satisfactory excuse made, he may be suspended for non-payment of dues. And thereupon at any time after the expiration of said thirty days, such member may be, suspended by action of the chapter at any regular convocation. A member so suspended may be re-instated, by a majority vote of the members present at any regular convocation of the chapter, after payment of the arrearage together with the current years dues, PROVIDED; that the arrearage may be remitted in whole or in part at the discretion of the chapter.

ARTICLE XI. EMERITUS MEMBERS

This chapter may by a two-thirds vote, at any regular Convocation, create as emeritus members, for only one year at a time, such members as from old age, infirmity, or misfortune, have become incapacitated and unable to pay dues, such members shall be exempt from the payment of annual dues.

The chapter may by a majority vote take any such emeritus member off the emeritus list, when he is able to pay his dues.

ARTICLE XII. LIFE MEMBERS

This chapter may only create life members, who shall remain in affiliation in lodge, upon the payment of fifty dollars, in cash, which shall be invested so as to create a fund for the payment of dues.

ARTICLE XIII. CHAPTER FUNDS

The funds of this chapter shall be deposited in the _____ Bank in the name of _____ Royal Arch Chapter No. _____, _____ Treasurer, and not in the name of the Treasurer, either officially or individually.

ARTICLE XIV. BOOKS

This chapter shall adopt and keep the Uniform Code of By-Laws, a record book, of the proceedings of the chapter; a ledger of the payments of its members and a book of marks.

ARTICLE XV. COMMITTEE

The High Priest as soon as convenient after being installed, shall appoint the following committees:

1. A Committee on Finance; consisting of three members.

Regulations

Adopted Since Publication of Digest

Regulation No.

Subordinate Chapters may hold regular or special convocations in any Lodge room within their territorial jurisdiction for the purpose of creating interest in Capitular Masonry, and at such convocations may transact such business as is prescribed by its by-laws. All such convocations shall be reported to the Grand High Priest.

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Regulation No. 43. Amended to read as follows:

Chapters may provide for life membership in their by-laws, but no life membership shall be granted for less than Fifty Dollars (\$50.00), Provided nevertheless that in the event of the death of said member, any sum paid for said membership shall revert to the Chapter.

Chapters must pay annual dues to the Grand Chapter for all life members.

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OFFICERS
OF THE
M.:E.:Grand Chapter of Florida

FOR

A. D. 1937, A. I. 2467.

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| J. Lloyd Head | <i>M.:E.:Grand High Priest, Jacksonville</i> |
| John B. Phelps | <i>R.:E.:Dep. Grand High Priest, Box 283, Miami</i> |
| Jesse C. Clark | <i>R.:E.:Grand King, Pensacola</i> |
| Dorsey H. Rutter | <i>R.:E.:Grand Scribe, 421 N. W. 12th Ave., Miami</i> |
| Riley J. McMaster | <i>M.:E.:Gr. Treasurer, Box 1810, Tampa</i> |
| Cary B. Fish | <i>M.:E.:Grand Secretary, Sarasota</i> |
| Albert E. Calkins | <i>R.:E.:Grand Chaplain, St. Augustine</i> |
| Frederic A. Riegel | <i>E.:Grand Capt. of the Host, Sarasota</i> |
| Wm. L. Marshal | <i>E.:Grand Prin. Sojourner, Tallahassee</i> |
| H. J. Dame | <i>E.:Grand Royal Arch Captain, Ft. Pierce</i> |
| H. S. Weber | <i>E.:Grand Master 3rd Veil, 1002—21st Ave., Tampa</i> |
| Jos. E. Herring | <i>E.:Grand Master 2nd Veil, 324 E. 7th St., Jacksonville</i> |
| G. A. Lambe | <i>E.:Grand Master 1st Veil, Marianna</i> |
| John W. Capper | <i>E.:Grand Guard, Silver St., Jacksonville</i> |
| William B. Greer | <i>E.:Grand Lecturer, Quincy</i> |

Next Annual Convocation at Fort Myers, Third Tuesday, in May,
1938.