

THE YORK RITE
of
FREEMASONRY
of
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1962

Note
Change of Address

JOHN B. PHELPS
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GRAND CHAPTER, ROYAL ARCH MASONS
GRAND COUNCIL, ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS
GRAND COMMANDERY, KNIGHTS TEMPLAR

THE MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND LODGE E & A M OF FLORIDA



WILLIAM S. CHRISTIAN
GRAND MASTER

112 N. E. 17TH STREET
MIAMI 38, FLORIDA

May 21, 1962

Hon. John B. Phelps
Grand Secretary-Recorder
Grand Bodies of the York Rite of Free Masonry
P. O. Box 283
Miami, Florida

Dear Brother John:

My sincere thanks for the many courtesies extended to me during the Annual Grand Communication of the York Rite Bodies held in Gainesville.

It was certainly nice to be with the Brethren and to feel the warmth that existed. Blue Lodge masonry prevailed at all times for which I am deeply grateful.

With kindest personal and fraternal regards, I am

Sincerely and fraternally,


William S. Christian
Grand Master

WSC/tfl



Gainesville

To The Brothers, Companions, Sir Knights and Ladies of Gainesville:

We wish to express to you our sincere thanks for the many courtesies, kindnesses and favors granted to each and all who were in attendance at the annual meetings of the Grand Bodies of the York Rite of Freemasonry of Florida, May the 13th - 17th, 1962.

Each and every one of you displayed a wonderful understanding of the complex problems confronting you in entertaining such a distinguished group of Masons and you did everything necessary to make the stay of each and all one long to be remembered. One that each of us will place in our book of memories as one of the happiest of occasions.

I cannot help but mention the names of a few. There will be many that I should name but due to lack of knowledge I will fail to do. However, please understand me that though your name may not be mentioned, yet if you did the least to make our stay there a pleasing one, your name or your acts of kindness will never be forgotten.

Now to name a few: Earl V. Simpson, the General Chairman of your Committee on Arrangements. He was a wonderful General Chairman and perhaps one reason for his being a wonderful General Chairman, was because each of you who were on the various committees did such a splendid job. Our Grand Commander for the year 1961-1962 is a member of all the York Rite Bodies of Gainesville. Then there was Burton Otte, Chairman of Publicity. He too, was outstanding in his field. I could go on and on, calling the name of each and all, but please understand that though your name is not mentioned, yet your wonderful hospitality will ever be remembered.

To the lovely Ladies of Gainesville, may I say that each of you were wonderful. God bless you, dear ones. Our Ladies cannot stop speaking of how grand each of you were to them. They say that your hospitality was outstanding. I have had several letters already from our Distinguished Visitors and their Ladies and each speaks specially of the wonderful hospitality rendered by you Ladies. May God watch over and keep you always.

I would like also to mention the name of Mr. Nathan Pozin, the owner of the University Inn, which was our headquarters. He and every one of his staff did everything in their power to make our stay both pleasing, comfortable and enjoyable. No one could have done more. And to him we give our heartfelt thanks. Perhaps I could mention the name of the manager of the Holiday Inn; however, I did not meet this gentleman, nor have any contact with him. But everyone who had reservations in his motel spoke in high terms, not only of the meals but the rooms and the service rendered.

So to the wonderful City of Gainesville and its fine citizenry, we say thanks.

The Banquet

Again another Gainesville delight. The banquet was very enjoyable. It was served by the caterer of the Holiday Inn, under the scrutinizing eyes of the Ladies of the Eastern Star of Gainesville and the surrounding area.

We were highly honored by the presence of our Most Worshipful Grand Master and his wife; G. Rodman Porter, Past Most Worshipful Grand Master and his wife; C. Ellwood Smyrk and his wife. C. Ellwood Smyrk is the General Grand Principal Conductor of Work of the General Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters, which today practically encompasses the world. On this visit he was also the personal representative of the Most Puissant General Grand Master, Companion George G. Verbyck; Alexander G. Wygard of Mexico City, who came as the personal representative of the Most Excellent General Grand High Priest. He is also the General Grand Master of the Third Veil of the General Grand Chapter. He was accompanied by his wife and son.

Our Speaker for the occasion was that delightful Speaker, Joseph C. Bryan, who was accompanied by his delightful wife Thelma. Joe Bryan, as we wish to refer to him, has a very pleasant manner of delivering an address. He is interesting, convincing, and exceedingly pleasing in his inimitable way. Companion Bryan is a Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Maryland, and the Grand Principal Conductor of Work of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters, Maryland.

We were entertained by Professors of the University of Florida and one was assisted by his wife. You think of a professor as a man of dignity. However, these fine gentlemen came down off the dignity seat and really gave us a very unusual program. All in all, it was outstanding. It is good to know that most professors are human and wish to enjoy fine programs such as was given during the banquet, as well as anyone else. That is our concept of a good professor. So to each we say again, thanks.

Many pleasing events took place during the banquet. One was the presentation of a Plaque to Solomon Council No. 12 of Leesburg for outstanding service to Cryptic Masonry during the year 1961.

Another was the presentation of a Plaque to Crestview Chapter No. 40, Royal Arch Masons of Crestview, for its outstanding service during the year to Capitular Masonry.

The Jesse Earl Ramsdell Trophy went to Springtime Commandery No. 40 of Dunedin, as the outstanding Commandery during the year 1961. When you consider that this fine Commandery only received its charter in the year 1959, it is indeed impressive that this Commandery should by its fine efforts earn the trophy. We commend and congratulate each and every officer and member.

A Hamilton electric watch was presented to our retiring Grand High Priest for the fine service he rendered to Capitular Masonry during the year 1961.

Jewels were presented to each of our retiring M.I. Grand Master and R.E. Grand Commander as a token of our appreciation for their fine efforts in behalf of the York Rite during the year 1961.

The General Grand Chapter Bronze Medal for Distinguished Service to Capitular Masonry was presented to that fine Companion, Reuel A. Daniel of Plant City.

A beautiful plaque and \$500.00 in cash was presented to our beloved Joseph Benton Johnson of Tampa, who will celebrate his 99th birthday on June 9, 1962. This fine Mason surely deserved every item presented him. He has served Masonry well for many years, and right today all you need do is call Uncle Joe and say we are going to some place to confer degrees, and we wanted to know if he wished to go, and he will ask when will you be by. That is the real spirit of York Rite Masonry. "Service above all else." Every heart was made to beat a little faster this night, because of this fine Mason and his continued devotion to Masonry. Uncle Joe, may you live many a year yet to come and that you be as hail and hearty next year as you were at this one. Remember, we love you and will always think of your unselfish devotion to our beloved Order.

Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons



Enjoy a vacation at the Triennials of the General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons and the General Grand Council of Royal and Select Master Masons at Minneapolis, Minn., October 13-17, 1963.

MASONIC CALENDAR

Ancient Craft Masons commence their era with the creation of the world, calling it ANNO LUCIS (A.L.) "in the year of light."

Scottish Rite, same as Ancient Craft, except the Jewish chronology is used, ANNO MUNDI (A.M.) "in the year of the world."

Royal Arch Masons date from the year the second temple was commenced by Zerubbabel, ANNO INVENTIONIS (A.L.) "in the year of the discovery."

Royal and Select Masters date from the year in which the temple of Solomon was completed, ANNO DEPOSITIONIS (A. Dep.) "in the year of the deposit."

Knights Templar commence their era with the organization of their order, ANNO ORDINIS (A. O.) "in the year of the order."

Order of High Priesthood date from the year of the blessing of Abraham by the High Priest Melchizedek, ANNO BONNEFACIO (A. B.) "in the year of the blessing."

RULES FOR MASONIC DATES

Ancient Craft Masons—

Add 4000 years to the common era. Thus: 1962 and 4000—5962.

Scottish Rite—

Add 3760 years to the common era. Thus: 1962 and 3760—5722.
After September add another year.

Royal Arch—

Add 350 years to the vulgar year. Thus: 1962, and 530—2492.

Royal and Select Masters—

Add 1000 years to the common era. Thus: 1962 and 1000—2962.

Knights Templar—

From the Christian era take 1118. Thus: 1118 from 1962—844.

Order of High Priesthood—

To the Christian era add 1913, the year of Blessing. Thus: 1962 and 1913—3875.



RAY HENRY SCHMIDT

M.E. Grand High Priest

1962 - 1963

PROCEEDINGS
of the
Grand Chapter
Royal Arch Masons
of the
STATE OF FLORIDA

ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTEENTH
ANNUAL CONVOCATION

JAMES ANDREW WINFIELD
Grand High Priest
PRESIDING

RAY HENRY SCHMIDT
ELECTED

HELD IN THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE
May 16-17, A.D. 1962, A.I. 2492

OFFICERS
of the
Grand Chapter
Royal Arch Masons
of the
STATE OF FLORIDA
A.D. 1962-1963

RAY HENRY SCHMIDT.....M.E. Grand High Priest
P. O. Box 857, Panama City

MARTIN NISSEN GERHARD.....R.E. Grand King
P. O. Box 724, Dunedin

HENRY ASHTON BROSNAHAN, JR.....R.E. Grand Scribe
P. O. Box 1348, Pensacola

RUSSELL WILSON HOUSTON.....M.E. Grand Treasurer
7500 S. W. 64th Court, Miami

JOHN BRIDGES PHELPS.....M.E. Grand Recorder
601 Tibidabo, Coral Gables 43

ORVILLE AMBROSE CLARK.....M.E. Grand Chaplain
3210 St. August Road, Jacksonville 7

ROY RICHARDSON WRIGHT, JR.....E. Grand Captain of the Host
1401 Palmetto Avenue, Sanford

LOFTON DEE CHILES.....E. Grand Principal Sojourner
734 Hempstead Drive, Orlando

JAMES WESLEY MACDONALD.....E. Grand Royal Arch Captain
P. O. Box 670, Lakeland

HAROLD LEROY BEALS.....E. Grand Master of Third Veil
14818 N. E. 14th Avenue, Miami

FLOYD MARQUIS CRIPPEN.....E. Grand Master of Second Veil
Route 6, Box 67, Jacksonville

WILLIAM JACOB HOFHEINZ.....E. Grand Master of First Veil
1230 Circle Drive, Tallahassee

DECARR FLOURNOY HOSFORD.....E. Grand Sentinel
860 S. W. First Street, Miami, Florida

ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTEENTH ANNUAL
CONVOCATION IN THE YEAR 1962

Gainesville Chapter Number 2, R.A.M., opened a Chapter of Royal Arch Masons for the purpose of receiving the M.E. Grand High Priest James Andrew Winfield and his officers. The M.E. Grand High Priest and officers were received and the M.E. Grand High Priest declared Gainesville Chapter Number 2, R.A.M. closed and opened a Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons in its One Hundred and Fifteenth Annual Convocation in ample form in Gainesville, Florida, Wednesday, May 16, 1962, with the prayer by the M.E. Grand Chaplain, Companion Orville A. Clark.

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

GRAND OFFICERS

James Andrew Winfield.....Grand High Priest
Ray Henry Schmidt.....Grand King
Martin Nissen Gerhard.....Grand Scribe
Russell Wilson Houston.....Grand Treasurer
John Bridges Phelps.....Grand Recorder
Orville Ambrose Clark.....Grand Chaplain
Henry Ashton Brosnahan, Jr.....Grand Captain of the Host
Roy Richardson Wright, Jr.....Grand Principal Sojourner
Lofton Dee Chiles.....Grand Royal Arch Captain
James Wesley MacDonald.....Grand Master of Third Veil
Harold Leroy Beals.....Grand Master of Second Veil
Floyd Marquis Crippen.....Grand Master of First Veil
William J. Hofheinz.....Grand Sentinel

PAST GRAND HIGH PRIESTS PRESENT

John B. Phelps	Wilbur Welling Masters, Jr.
Frederick A. Riegel	Herman Julius Wendland
George Albert Lambe	William Joshua Abram
Leslie Clayton Bortle	Charles Winn Arnold
Orville A. Clark	Lathern Earl Curry

REPRESENTATIVES OF CONSTITUENT CHAPTERS

Florida.....	No. 1	— J. W. Oder (Proxy) W. J. Hofheinz (Proxy) W. J. Hofheinz (Proxy)
Gainesville.....	No. 2	— Wallace Zetrouer, H.P. Thomas Thorwald, S.
Tampa.....	No. 3	— Jesse R. Knight, H.P. Walter F. Harris (Proxy) George D. Westerman (Proxy)

- St. Johns.....No. 4 — Glenn K. Bailey (Proxy)
Glenn K. Bailey, K.
- Halifax.....No. 5 — John E. Dreher, H.P.
John E. Dreher (Proxy)
A. D. Clawson (Proxy)
- Mount Horeb.....No. 6 — Lawrence E. Jones (Proxy)
Leroy E. Hely (Proxy)
Lawrence E. Jones, S.
- Eureka.....No. 7 — Wilbur W. Pinholster, H.P.
H. V. Wheeler (Proxy)
Chester O. Cornwall (Proxy)
- Dade City.....No. 8 — Harrold A. McNally, H.P.
A. J. Taylor (Proxy)
A. J. Taylor (Proxy)
- Putnam.....No. 9 — E. G. Nicholson, H.P.
R. R. Regal, S.
- Jericho.....No. 11 — Charles C. Sisler, H.P.
Robert O. Bell, K.
Fred C. Urfer, Jr., S.
- Jacksonville.....No. 12 — John W. Stewart, Jr., H.P.
Richard J. Lanier (Proxy)
J. Frank Nettles, S.
- Ocala.....No. 13 — George B. Stephenson (Proxy)
Earl B. Foss, Jr. (Proxy)
- Monroe.....No. 15 — Robert A. Rumbley (Proxy)
Frank L. Miller (Proxy)
- Plant City.....No. 16 — Arthur A. Mendonsa, H.P.
R. A. Daniel (Proxy)
Ira B. Russell (Proxy)
- St. Augustine.....No. 17 — Edward V. Hughes (Proxy)
James A. Winfield (Proxy)
Nickilos P. Drakos (Proxy)
- Manatee River.....No. 18 — Donald F. Amerman, H.P.
William E. Lemke, K.
Donald F. Amerman (Proxy)
- Lake Butler.....No. 19 — W. A. McGill, H.P.
- Keystone.....No. 20 — A. W. Baker, Jr., H.P.
Roy W. Larson (Proxy)
Lee Halvorsen (Proxy)
- Thomas Brown.....No. 22 — Daniel B. Randall, H.P.
Paige O. Brown, K.
Paul W. Chapman, Jr. (Proxy)
- Palm Beach.....No. 24 — Robert L. Gommall, H.P.
Frederick E. Keller, K.
Frederick E. Keller (Proxy)
- Live Oak.....No. 25 — Herbert B. Newland, H.P.
Herbert B. Newland (Proxy)
Herbert J. Rees (Proxy)
- Jefferson.....No. 26 — Not Represented
- Indian River.....No. 27 — Ralph B. VanValkenberg, H.P.
Ralph B. VanValkenberg (Proxy)
Ralph B. VanValkenberg (Proxy)
- Joppa.....No. 28 — Peter Camacho, H.P.
Peter Camacho (Proxy)
Peter Camacho (Proxy)

- Lakeland.....No. 29 — C. Philip Burkhardt, H.P.
T. W. Dean, K.
C. T. Stephens, S.
- Gadsden.....No. 30 — John L. Bedenbaugh, H.P.
John L. Bedenbaugh (Proxy)
John L. Bedenbaugh (Proxy)
- St. Petersburg.....No. 31 — James V. Downing, H.P.
Ralph Heidel (Proxy)
A. A. Russell (Proxy)
- Jackson.....No. 32 — Arnold R. Lambe, H.P.
Arnold R. Lambe (Proxy)
Arnold R. Lambe (Proxy)
- Eustis.....No. 33 — Ozni H. Cornwall, H.P.
Millard Claypoole, K.
Martin A. Stephenson, S.
- Leesburg.....No. 34 — William T. Hardaway, H.P.
Paul N. Little, K.
John D. Hart, S.
- Sarasota.....No. 35 — Albert G. Rodgers (Proxy)
C. Allen Pattison (Proxy)
William L. Edelston, S.
- Lake City.....No. 38 — W. R. Hunter, H.P.
C. B. Davis (Proxy)
- Bay County.....No. 39 — E. W. Blair, H.P.
T. L. Peterson, K.
E. R. Allan, S.
- Crestview.....No. 40 — G. B. Buchanan, H.P.
Ray V. Kilcrease, K.
James C. Bolton (Proxy)
- Winter Haven.....No. 41 — Harry G. Rife (Proxy)
Maurice Breth (Proxy)
Harry J. Guy (Proxy)
- Highlands.....No. 42 — A. C. Peterson, H.P.
R. M. Coates, K.
A. C. Peterson (Proxy)
- Clearwater.....No. 45 — Walter H. Winchester, H.P.
Harry C. Martin, K.
Arthur R. Hall, S.
- Duval.....No. 48 — William H. Ange, H.P.
W. F. Hoyle (Proxy)
- Nassau.....No. 49 — Robert A. Dunaway (Proxy)
- Poinciana.....No. 50 — William W. Watson, H.P.
Charles E. Howard (Proxy)
Robert L. Thompson (Proxy)
- Monroe D. Cushing.....No. 54 — O. G. Dodson, H.P.
O. G. Dodson (Proxy)
O. G. Dodson (Proxy)
- Hill City.....No. 55 — Stanley Aiken, H.P.
- St. Joseph.....No. 56 — Everett McFarland, H.P.
Everett McFarland (Proxy)
Everett McFarland (Proxy)
- Surf.....No. 57 — Harry R. Davis, H.P.
David L. Milgram (Proxy)
Stewart A. Barnum (Proxy)
- Rocky Water.....No. 59 — M. C. Willard, H.P.
E. R. Mayfield (Proxy)
Harold Eskins (Proxy)

- Hiram..... No. 60 — Joseph L. Feisthammel (Proxy)
Joseph L. Feisthammel, K.
K. S. Lawrie, S.
- Cabal..... No. 61 — W. W. Brown, H.P.
W. W. Brown (Proxy)
W. W. Brown (Proxy)

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND HIGH PRIESTS PRESENT

- District No. 1—Edward H. Baxter
- District No. 2—C. E. Howard
- District No. 3—Harold E. Phelps
- District No. 4—Paul O. Schmidt
- District No. 5—Harry W. Martin
- District No. 6—George B. Stephenson
- District No. 7—Not Present
- District No. 8—Reginald H. Scott, Jr.
- District No. 9—J. W. Oder
- District No. 10—David H. Jones
- District No. 11—C. Shellie Matthews
- District No. 12—Harold E. Eskins

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT

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| Alabama..... Edwin D. Brogdon | New Mexico..... G. B. Buchanan |
| Alaska..... Walter T. Poole | New South Wales..... J. H. Wilson |
| Argentina..... Ira B. Russell | New York..... A. G. Rodgers |
| California..... L. E. Russell | New Zealand..... W. J. Walker |
| Canada..... H. J. Wendland | North Carolina..... Robert L. Pulley |
| Colorado..... Ernest V. Reed | North Dakota..... H. A. Brosnahan, Jr. |
| Connecticut..... S. B. Dimond | Nova Scotia..... Walter Brady |
| Delaware..... A. R. Lambe | Ohio..... A. D. Clawson |
| Georgia..... J. D. Yeager | Oklahoma..... C. A. Pattison |
| Germany..... L. D. Chiles | Oregon..... F. A. Riegel |
| Idaho..... A. S. Stewart | Pennsylvania..... O. A. Clark |
| Indiana..... W. I. Stevenson | Philippines..... J. B. Phelps |
| Iowa..... M. E. Clark | Quebec..... D. F. Hosford |
| Kentucky..... W. H. Ward | Queensland..... R. R. Wright, Jr. |
| Louisiana..... N. C. Edwards | Rhode Island..... P. R. Davis |
| Maine..... C. W. Arnold | Saskatchewan..... W. J. Abram |
| Manitoba..... J. T. Williams | Scotland..... J. Van Loy |
| Maryland..... J. W. MacDonald | South Carolina..... T. N. Morrison |
| Massachusetts..... L. E. Curry | South Dakota..... A. F. Jorgensen |
| Mexico..... John B. Phelps | Switzerland..... Russell E. Strawn |
| Michigan..... J. W. Carter | Tennessee..... F. M. Crippen |
| Minnesota..... J. A. Winfield | Texas..... R. W. Houston |
| Mississippi..... W. W. Masters, Jr. | Utah..... R. S. Carleton |
| Missouri..... Harry J. Guy | Vermont..... W. N. Gerhard |
| Montana..... G. A. Lambe | Virginia..... C. S. Matthews |
| Nebraska..... B. L. Hudgins | West Australia..... Leroy Healy |
| Nevada..... R. H. Schmidt | West Virginia..... U. V. Durden |
| New Brunswick..... L. R. Halvorson | Wisconsin..... R. W. Larson |
| New Jersey..... H. L. Beals | Wyoming..... Ellwyn Houston |

The Grand High Priest announced the appointment of the following committees:

- DISTINGUISHED GUESTS
John B. Phelps
Leroy E. Healy
Ira B. Russell
- DISTRIBUTION
Roy W. Larson
Clinton B. Davis
C. T. Stephens
- COMMITTEE ON TIME AND PLACE
Andrew J. Taylor
Andrew F. Jorgensen
E. Morris Savage
- COMMITTEE ON DISPENSATIONS, CHARTERS AND BY-LAWS
J. R. "Dick" Reid
Arthur S. Rhoads
Victor Shanor
- COMMITTEE ON THANKS
Walter T. Poole
Nickilos P. Drakos
Raymond Ballard
- COMMITTEE ON PROPOSITIONS AND GRIEVANCES
James W. Carter
G. C. Bate
Robert B. Shugart

THE PRELIMINARY REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE (which was adopted)

To the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Florida:

WHEREAS, It is important that all members be present at our Grand Conventions and whereas the cost of living is increasing daily.

THEREFORE, Be it resolved, that the mileage be 12 cents per mile one way and the per diem be \$15 for each delegate, each Past Grand High Priest and each Grand Officer of the Grand Chapter for the year 1962 Annual Convocation.

Fraternally submitted,
THE COMMITTEE

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RETURNS AND CREDENTIALS (which was adopted)

To the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Florida:

We, your Committee on Returns and Credentials, find the list of Grand Officers and Grand Representatives of Constituent Chapters as furnished by the Grand Secretary at roll call is correct.

All Chapters have made returns and paid dues for the year.

All Chapters are represented except the following: Jefferson Chapter No. 26.

Fraternally submitted,
THE COMMITTEE

The Committee on Distinguished Guests introduced the following:

Alexander G. Wygard, Past Grand High Priest, Grand Chapter of the Republic of Mexico, the Present Grand Master of the Third Veil of the General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons and the Personal Representative of the Most Excellent General Grand High Priest of the General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons; William S. Christian, the Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Florida; Fletcher G. McQueen, Junior Past Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Florida; W. Tom Bateman, R.E. Grand Commander and the Grand Secretary-Recorder of Georgia; Arthur Goodwin, Past Grand Commander of Georgia; James E. Belflower, Past Grand High Priest, Past M.I. Grand Master and Past R.E. Grand Commander, all of Georgia; G. Rodman Porter, Past Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Florida; Seth Webster Flinders; R.E. Grand Commander of Illinois; Fred O. Ellis, Past M.I. Grand Master and the Personal Representative of the M.I. Grand Master of Illinois; Roy J. Eide, M.E. Grand High Priest and Past M.I. Grand Master of Iowa; Ross J. Camblin, Past M.I. Grand Master of Iowa and the Present General Grand Recorder of the General Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters; C. Elwood Smyrk, Past M.I. Grand Master, the Present Grand Lecturer of Maryland and the Present General Grand Principal Conductor of Work of the General Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters; Joseph C. Bryan, Past Grand High Priest and the Present Grand Principal Conductor of Work of Maryland; Abb N. Sneed, Past M.E. Grand High Priest and Past R.E. Grand Commander of Mississippi; William J. Hugo, Past Grand Commander of Louisiana; Henry F. Collins, Grand Secretary Recorder and Past M.W. Grand Master, Past M.E. Grand High Priest, Past M.I. Grand Master and Past R.E. Grand Commander of South Carolina; J. B. McGuire, R.E. Grand Commander of South Carolina; A. J. M. Wannamaker, Past M.W. Grand Master, Past M.E. Grand High Priest, Past M.I. Grand Master and Past R.E. Grand Commander of South Carolina and the Present President of the National Sojourners of America; Dr. E. I. Johnson, M.I. Grand Master of South Carolina; W. N. Bradford, Past Grand High Priest of South Carolina; Marion A. Park, Past Grand High Priest and Past M.I. Grand Commander of South Carolina; Eugene Leslie Webb, Past M.I. Grand Master of Tennessee; Mendel C. Jeanes, General Grand Steward of the General Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters.

REPORT OF THE M. E. GRAND HIGH PRIEST

(Which was adopted)

To the Most Excellent Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Florida:
Companions, I greet you on this the One Hundred and Fifteenth Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Florida.

To our many distinguished guests and visitors from other Grand Jurisdictions, who are honoring us by their presence here today, I extend a most cordial welcome, in behalf of the Grand Chapter of Florida. We trust that your visit will be most pleasant, and we hope that we, in our humble way, may provide a stimulus for our beloved Fraternity.

It is indeed gratifying to see so many of our own Companions in attendance this morning. Most of you I have met in my travels about the state, and it is my earnest prayer that the deliberations of this Annual Grand Convocation will furnish you inspiration, and that you will return to your respective Chapters with renewed zeal in the promotion of York Rite Masonry. Companions, this is your Grand Chapter and you are expected to take part in its discussions.

Companions, it was just a year ago, in Fort Myers, that you bestowed upon me the highest honor within your power; and that I stood before our Holy Altar, in the presence of the Grand High Priest of Heaven and Earth, and promised to perform all the duties of that office to the best of my ability. It is now time for me to give an accounting of my stewardship.

NECROLOGY

We are thankful that our official family has remained unbroken, during the past year. However, the Angel of Death called two of our Past Grand High Priests to their reward. One, Erle L. Wirt, who served this Grand Chapter as Grand High Priest in 1924-1925, was our senior Past Grand High Priest. John Robert Moore—Bob, as he was affectionately known—was High Priest in 1959-1960. Also, we were saddened by the death of many other Companions.

A suitable Memorial Service in honor of our departed Companions will be held later by the Committee on Memorials.

FINANCIAL VOUCHERS

During the year, I have signed financial vouchers numbers 1 to 37, inclusive, amounting to \$5,068.80. A record of the date, amount and purpose for which each was drawn is appended hereto.

APPOINTMENTS

The appointive officers of the Grand Chapter, the District Deputy Grand High Priests and the Standing Committees are shown in the 1961 Proceedings, so I will not repeat them here.

May 22, 1961, I appointed Richard B. Anderson to serve as the Grand Representative of this Grand Chapter near the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of New Brunswick.

June 29, 1961, I appointed the Companions who are serving on the Committees for the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of Florida and the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Florida to also represent this Grand Chapter on the Committee for the Leesburg Memorial. The members of the Committee are as follows: Robert L. Thompson, Paul R. Davis, Winston H. Ward, E. Morris Savage, Harry J. Guy and D. A. McClellan, Jr.

August 25, 1961, I appointed Max Ducraux to serve as the Grand Representative of this Grand Chapter near the Grand Chapter of France.

April 1, 1962, I appointed Curtis Augustus Morton to serve as the Grand Representative of this Grand Chapter near the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Mississippi.

APPOINTMENTS RECOMMENDED

September 8, 1961, Recommended the appointment of Ellwyn K. Houston as Grand Representative of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Wyoming near the Grand Chapter of Florida.

September 11, 1961. Recommended the appointment of L. Earl Curry to the General Grand Chapter's Committee on Royal Arch Advancement.

September 11, 1961. Recommended the appointment of Henry Ashton Brosnahan, Jr., to the General Grand Chapter's Committee on Royal Arch Day Observance.

October 3, 1961. Recommended the appointment of Edwin D. Brogden as Grand Representative of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Alabama near the Grand Chapter of Florida.

October 3, 1961. Recommended the appointment of James W. Carter as Grand Representative of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Michigan near the Grand Chapter of Florida.

October 3, 1961. Recommended the appointment of Walter S. Brady as Grand Representative of the Grand Chapter of Nova Scotia near the Grand Chapter of Florida.

October 3, 1961. Recommended the appointment of A. D. Clawson as Grand Representative of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Ohio near the Grand Chapter of Florida.

October 3, 1961. Recommended the appointment of Paul R. Davis as Grand Representative of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations near the Grand Chapter of Florida.

October 3, 1961. Recommended the appointment of J. Van Loy as Grand Representative of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Scotland near the Grand Chapter of Florida.

December 19, 1961. Recommended the appointment of Albert G. Rogers as Grand Representative of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of New York near the Grand Chapter of Florida.

DISPENSATIONS GRANTED

May 19, 1961. Dispensation granted to Tampa Chapter No. 3, R.A.M., to ballot on petitions and confer Capitular Degrees at a Special Convocation to be held June 2, 1961, provided membership of above Chapter; also, Monroe D. Cushing No. 54, R.A.M., were notified. Petitions were received and referred to Committee on May 19th, 1961.

August 1, 1961. Dispensation granted to Crestview Chapter No. 40, R.A.M., to hold Special Convocation, out of doors, and confer the Royal Arch Degree October 7th, 1961, provided the Convocation was securely tiled.

August 10, 1961. Dispensation granted by Grand King, due to the absence from the state of the Grand High Priest, to Halifax Chapter No. 5, R.A.M., Daytona Beach, to hold an election for the purpose of filling the station of High Priest and any other stations that might become vacant due to the election.

September 26, 1961. Dispensation granted to St. Petersburg Chapter No. 31, R.A.M., to receive petitions, ballot on same and confer the Capitular Degrees at a Special Convocation to be held October 21st, 1961. Due and timely notice to be given.

September 26, 1961. Dispensation granted to Jacksonville Chapter No. 12, R.A.M., to receive petitions, ballot on same and confer the Capitular Degrees at a Special Convocation to be held on October 12th, 1961. Due and timely notice to be given in the Trestle Board. Duval Chapter No. 48, R.A.M., Jacksonville, was advised of this Special Dispensation.

October 19, 1961. Dispensation granted to Mount Horeb Chapter No. 6, R.A.M., Pensacola, to receive petitions, ballot on same and confer the Capitular Degrees at a Special Convocation to be held November 1st, 1961. Due and timely notice to be given.

October 20, 1961. Dispensation granted to Hiram Chapter No. 60, R.A.M., Miami Shores, to receive petitions and ballot on same at a Special Convocation to be held on October 23rd, 1961. Membership was notified by mail on October 16th, 1961, that a Special Dispensation was being requested for this purpose.

November 27, 1961. Dispensation granted to Rocky Water Chapter No. 59, R.A.M., Eau Gallie, to hold a Special Convocation on December 14th, 1961, for the purpose of electing officers. Due and timely notice to be given. (Date of Regular Convocation for the month of November was a Holiday, Thanksgiving.)

December 18, 1961. Advised Winter Haven Chapter No. 41, R.A.M., that they could elect a Scribe at their Regular Convocation on December 21st, 1961, without obtaining a Special Dispensation.

January 29, 1962. Dispensation granted to Winter Haven Chapter No. 41, R.A.M., to hold a Special Election at their Regular Convocation on February 1st, 1962, for the purpose of electing a High Priest and filling any other stations that might become vacant during the election.

March 24, 1962. Dispensation granted to Jacksonville Chapter No. 12, R.A.M., to receive petitions, ballot on same and confer the Capitular Degrees at a Special Convocation to be held on April 26th, 1962. Notice of this Dispensation to be published in the Trestle Board for April.

April 2, 1962. Dispensation granted to Palm Beach Chapter No. 24, R.A.M., to receive petitions and ballot on same at a Special Convocation to be held April 14th, 1962. Notice of this Special Convocation to be given at the Regular Convocation to be held April 5th, 1962.

April 23, 1962. Dispensation granted to Nassau Chapter No. 49, R.A.M., Fernandina Beach, to hold a Special Convocation in Hilliard, Florida, on May 2nd, 1962, for the purpose of promoting York Rite Masonry.

BY-LAWS APPROVED

October 16, 1961. Approved changes to the By-Laws of Monroe Chapter No. 15, R.A.M., Sanford, as follows:

Article No. 1. Reducing Stated Convocations from two to one per month.

Article No. 2. Provides for Called Convocations upon due and timely notice.

Article No. 3. Provides for a summer recess during the months of July and August.

March 1, 1962. Approved an amendment to Article III of the By-Laws of St. Johns Chapter No. 4, R.A.M., DeLand. The amendment changes Regular Convocation to the first Tuesday of each month at 7:30 P.M., except during the summer recess of July, August and September.

April 14, 1962. Approved a change to Article II, Section 1 of the By-Laws of Bay County Chapter No. 39, R.A.M., Panama City. The change provides that the Regular Convocations shall be held on the Fourth Monday of each month at 7:30 P.M., except during the summer recess of June, July and August.

April 23, 1962. Approved a new set of By-Laws for Jericho Chapter No. 11, R. A. M., Miami.

To Article XXI. of the By-Laws for Jacksonville No. 12 R.A.M. a new section to be No. 2. regulating the recognition to be given a Past High Priest.

YORK RITE

During the past year the Presiding Officers of the Grand York Rite Bodies have worked together in perfect harmony. It was indeed a pleasure to serve with Sir Knight James William Carter, Right Eminent Grand Commander and Companion Paul Richard Davis, Most Illustrious Grand Master. Jim and Paul, may we all live and serve York Rite for many years to come.

STATE OF THE ORDER

Companions, the past year, 1961, was the first year since 1942 that your Grand Chapter has failed to show a gain in membership. Our net loss was 28 Companions. Suspensions for non-payment of dues were responsible for our failure to show a gain. Companions, our suspensions for non-payment of dues increased thirty-four percent in 1961 over 1960. Later, I will make a suggestion that I believe will reduce these suspensions.

In 1960 sixteen Chapters showed a loss. The number of Chapters showing a loss in 1961 increased to twenty-one. But, Companions, they were not all the same Chapters. Some Chapters showing a loss in 1960, showed gains in 1961; also, Chapters showing gains in 1960 showed losses in 1961.

A few statistics relative to the Subordinate Chapters might prove interesting. Eleven Chapters that showed gains in 1960, had a loss in 1961. Four Chapters had a greater loss in 1961 than in 1960. Five Chapters had a smaller loss in 1961 than in 1960. But, Companions, there are some encouraging returns. Nine Chapters showed greater gains in 1961 than in 1960; but listen to this—five Chapters that had losses in 1960 showed gains in 1961.

The above statistics appear to indicate that the welfare of a Chapter depends upon the leadership it receives. Companions, you are the leaders of your Chapters; let me urge upon you that when you return home you will give your Chapter that leadership it deserves.

I feel that the following paragraph which I am quoting from the address of James Luther Jordan, Most Excellent Grand High Priest, which was delivered at the New Orleans Convocation is pertinent. I am taking the liberty of substituting the word, state, where "Continent" was used, and one year, for "Three Years".

"Listen to me! You are the leadership of Royal Arch Masonry in this state. If it is to be revitalized, you are the fellows that will do it. If you do not do it, then it won't be done unless we have a lot of funerals and some younger and more dedicated men grab the falling torch and go out and do the job. Your generation and mine,—our generation—, seems likely to bear the reproach of history for having frittered away the heritage transmitted to us by dedicated fathers. I am not seeking your plaudits or applause. I am talking to you as frankly and as bluntly as I know how about the state of the Capitular Craft in this state. I have failed to enlist the aid of a sufficient number of you to carry the Royal banner to success. I can only pray that the more able successors who follow will gain and hold your support to the end that one year hence it will be a different story."

ROYAL ARCH OBSERVANCE DAY

I proclaim Sunday, October 29th, 1961 as "Royal Arch Observance or Religious Affirmation Day". Twenty-five of our Chapters reported that a total of approximately five hundred Companions attended church in observance of this day. Two Chapters reported that the day was not observed. Twenty of our Chapters failed to make a report. Companion Edwin A. Martini, Most Excellent General Grand High Priest, has designated Sunday, October 21st, 1962 as "Religious Affirmation Day" this year. You will be reminded later of this by our incoming Grand High Priest and Companion Henry Ashton Brosham, Jr., Grand Captain of the Host, who represents the Grand Chapter of Florida on the General Grand Chapter's Committee of Royal Arch Observance Day. The dual name for this day, I know Companions, is confusing, but let us fittingly observe it, and then make the proper report of our attendance.

I think an interesting side light in the observance of this day in 1961, was that Tampa Chapter No. 3, R. A. M. attended Sharri Zadek Synagogue.

GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER'S SECTIONAL CONFERENCE

On October 28th, 1961 I attended in Birmingham, Alabama the Sectional Meeting of the General Grand Chapter. In attendance were a total of forty-nine representatives from the following Grand Jurisdictions—Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mexico, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina and Tennessee. Our own Grand Chapter was represented, in addition to myself, by Charles W. Arnold, Past Grand High Priest and Henry Ashton Brosham, Jr., Grand Captain of the Host.

One of the high lights of the Conference was an address entitled "An Aggressive Masonic Program Against Counter Influences" presented by our own Stephen Beach Dimond, Right Illustrious Principal Conductor of Work, Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters. One Alabama Chapter, Coosa Chapter No. 86, R. A. M. of Gadsden had copies of this address sent to all of its members. I am making it a part of this report.

GENERAL GRAND PUBLICATIONS

I request that you High Priests, when you return to your respective Chapters, discuss with the Companions the possibility of your Chapter's subscribing to the Royal Arch Mason Magazine for its entire membership. As you all know this is a very informative magazine, and will give your members a much better knowledge of the Blue Lodge and Capitular Masonry. The price, when the subscription is made by the Chapter for its entire membership, is just half of an individual subscription.

A few years ago, The General Grand Chapter published a History of Royal Arch Masonry in three volumes. If you are interested in Royal Arch Masonry, from the time of its inception, you should obtain this history.

The General Grand Chapter publishes a great many reference volumes and promotional pamphlets. I would suggest that you investigate this source of informative material. Our Grand Secretary can furnish you, at a nominal cost, the pamphlet "More Light". This pamphlet will answer many questions asked by Master Masons considering the York Rite.

RECOMMENDATIONS

No. 1 Companions, if I were limited to but one recommendation for the betterment of the York Rite, it would be for every Companion to take an active interest in his Blue Lodge. I know that we have so many York Rite meeting nights that it is hard to find time for attending our Blue Lodges. But, who will probably secure a petition from a newly raised Master Mason, for advancement in Masonry, the Masonic Brother that he has observed in the Lodge on each night that he was receiving his degrees; or the Brother that he has never seen attending Lodge?

I would like to see the Presiding Officers of each of the Grand York Rite Bodies, permit those Chapters, Councils and Commanderies meeting at the same location, to change their By-Laws so that they would have a common meeting night, for the conduct of business, if they so desire.

Each Body would keep its identity and each Body would open and close at each Meeting. However, only one Body to open and close in full form, each Meeting Night; the other two would open and close in abbreviated form. The opening and closing in full form would rotate among the different Bodies each month. This would give each Body, where there are three, a full form opening and closing once in every three months. The conferring of the Degrees and Orders would be at Special Meetings, or by the Festival System.

Also, I would like to see the Monthly Meetings become a Family Night. Most of our Meeting places are so arranged that we could meet with our families for a supper; then they could find entertainment for themselves during the business sessions.

For those bodies that try to confer one degree each Meeting Night, on a small class, I would not recommend a change, if the work be conferred in a creditable manner.

No. 2 Payment of Dues. I recommend that every Subordinate Chapter incorporate within its By-Laws, if it has not already done so, an Article similar to Article XIII of the Uniform Code of By-Laws and then live by it. This Article gives the Subordinate Chapters the power to start action for suspension for non-payment of dues on all Companions that are six months in arrears in their dues. I know that most Chapters have the policy of carrying a member at least two years before suspending him for non-payment of dues. Companions, I believe that this is a mistake. It takes less money to pay one year's dues than it does two or three, and it should be easier to collect the one year's dues. It is my opinion, that we will have fewer suspensions for non-payment of dues, if we do not permit the Companions to get so deeply in debt. If the Companion has not paid his dues by December 27th, and has been notified as mentioned in Article XIII of the Uniform Code of By-Laws, let us suspend him. Other Masonic organizations operate successfully under this policy. Why can't we?

No. 3 Essentials, Key Lectures and Manual: Three years ago Subordinate Chapters were furnished with copies of the Essentials, Key Lecture and a Manual prepared by the Ritualistic Committee on Work. Companions, at the present time, we can locate only thirty-one copies of the Essentials, nineteen copies of the Key Lecture and twenty-nine copies of the Manual.

However, I recommend that again we furnish the Subordinate Chapters, that do not have them, with these publications; but with the understanding that the Representative from every Subordinate Chapter shall bring to the Annual Grand Convocation each year all three books and present them to the Ritualistic Committee on Work. After their existence has been verified by the Committee, they shall be returned to the Representative. Should any Subordinate Chapter fail to present any of the above publications at the Annual Grand Convocation, the Grand Secretary shall have the power to make an assessment of Five Dollars against the Subordinate Chapter for each book lost or misplaced.

I also recommend, that each District Deputy Grand High Priest be furnished, by the Ritualistic Committee on Work, the above three publications; and that they shall be returned to the Committee upon the completion of his term of office. The above penalty for lost or misplaced books to also apply.

I further recommend, that each Grand Line Officer who is not, at the present time, in possession of all three of these publications be furnished with them, and that all newly appointed Grand Line Officers be given these books at the time of their appointment.

It is my understanding that the General Chapter is having the Essentials and the Key Lecture reprinted and revised. Should there be sufficient changes in the new editions, in the opinion of the Ritualistic Committee on Work to warrant same, they shall have power to recall the copies of the old editions and replace them with copies of the new editions.

No. 4 Aprons for District Deputy Grand High Priests. I recommend that the Grand Chapter purchase twelve suitable aprons and cases for the use of our District Deputy Grand High Priests during their terms of office. Also, if the aprons and cases are obtained, that the Ritualistic Committee on Work be custodians of them. The aprons and cases will be delivered to the Committee on the second morning of the Annual Grand Convocation, and then the Committee will issue them to the newly appointed District Deputy Grand High Priests.

No. 5 Rituals Several Chapters have expressed a desire to change the work in the Royal Arch Degree. I would not recommend returning to the "Rough Stuff" that was prevalent some years ago, but am of the opinion that the Degree could be improved, if the candidates experienced a more real-

istic journey. The General Grand Chapter's Ritual evidently has not proved to be very satisfactory, for in the Report of the Committee on Ritual presented at the New Orleans Triennial Convocation appears the following statement:—"In view of the fact that the number of grand jurisdictions using the General Grand Chapter Ritual has steadily diminished to twenty . . ."

I recommend that the Incoming Grand Council and the Ritualistic Committee on Work, act together as a Committee, in investigating the possibilities of securing a different Ritual, whereby the candidates for the Royal Arch Degree simulate a hazardous journey.

No. 6 Aprons. I recommend that Section 35 of the Regulations of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Florida be amended or rewritten, giving the members of the Subordinate Chapters authority to wear their Chapter Aprons when attending Divine Worship in a body.

Also, I would recommend that this regulation define how the Apron shall be worn. Companions, it is immaterial to me whether the apron is worn under the coat, or over the coat; but I think that it should be uniform, and not depend upon whether the coat is buttoned or not.

No. 7 Elections. I recommend that Article II—Section 9 of the Constitution of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Florida be amended in such a manner, that the election of the Grand Scribe must be by ballot, and by the majority of the votes cast. The rules may not be set aside for the purpose of casting an unanimous ballot.

No. 8 Grand King. I recommend that the Grand King be allowed up to \$300.00 per term of office for expenses in attending, with the Grand High Priest, the Annual Convocations of Grand Chapters of Royal Arch Masons of other jurisdictions. I have attended the Annual Convocations in several other Grand Jurisdictions, and found them very inspiring and educational; but it was in the closing months of my term of office. If the Grand King had the opportunity to attend these Convocations, the Grand Chapter of Florida would profit by the information he received.

No. 9 Triennial Committee. I recommend the appointment of a Standing Committee to be known as the Triennial Committee. Their duties to be: Creation of interest and attendance of the Triennial Convocations of the General Grand Chapter and Sectional Conferences.

No. 10 Grand High Priest's Report. I recommend that the Report of the Grand High Priest be printed, or mimeographed prior to the Annual Grand Convocation; and copies of same be given to the representatives of the Subordinate Chapters, and Grand Chapter Officers and Members, at the time of their registration.

This should help in the understanding of the Grand High Priest's Report, reduce the time required for him to make his report, and would be very beneficial at the time the Report of the Committee on Capitular Jurisprudence is given.

No. 11 Photographs. I recommend that beginning with 1963, that the photographs of the presiding Grand High Priest and of the incoming Grand High Priest both be shown in the Proceedings of our Annual Grand Convocations.

VISITATIONS

I have visited each of the Subordinate Chapters during my term of Office, at least once. These visits will long be remembered. The courtesies and cordialities were indeed heart warming. But, what was most appreciated was:— that with one or two exceptions I did not make a visit, where there were not visiting Companions, other than Grand Line Officers and District Deputy Grand High Priests. Companions that had driven many miles, just to attend the Chapter at the time of my visitation. Can any Grand High Priest ask for greater loyalty?

As a part of this report, I am listing all of my visitations, without comment, but feel compelled to mention some of the invitations that I received.

I was invited to attend the Imperial Council Session of A. A. O. N. M. S. held in Miami. Here I received the same royal treatment that is given Potentates.

I was invited and attended the Grand Convocations and Grand Assemblies of Alabama, Georgia, Mississippi and Tennessee. In each instance everything was done for our pleasure and comfort. My wife accompanied me on these visits.

I received several invitations to other Grand Jurisdictions, but was unable to accept them.

CONCLUSION

Companions, within a few short hours, I shall pass my gavel to abler hands; but I want to thank you again for your confidence in elevating me to this High Office. Perhaps I did not accomplish the things you expected of me, but I can assure you that I gave it "My All". I want to thank the Grand Line Officers and the District Deputy Grand High Priests for the help and support that was given me. My thanks, also, to the Subordinate Chapters for the courtesies extended to me upon my visits to their Chapters. To you, my Companions, who drove many miles to another Chapter in order to be there at the time of my visit, my deepest appreciation. And last but not least; my thanks to you, John, Most Excellent Grand Secretary. Your support and counsel were indispensable.

May God Bless you all.

Fraternally submitted,
JAMES ANDREW WINFIELD,
 Grand High Priest

RECORD OF FINANCIAL VOUCHERS

1961			
May 23	No. 1	Russell W. Houston, Salary (2/22-5/22/61)	\$ 50.00
	No. 2	John B. Phelps, Salary (2/22-5/22/61)	300.00
	No. 3	Wm. Lehmborg & Son, P.G.H.P. Apron & Case—Plaque	85.85
June 2	No. 4	Orville A. Clark, Marker—Grave, Wm. B. Greer, P.G.H.P.	100.00
June 11	No. 5	Roscoe R. Walcutt, 100 Rituals	150.00
June 15	No. 6	Roscoe R. Walcutt, Dues General Grand Chapter	386.20
June 20	No. 7	L. Earl Curry, Supplies Committee on Returns and Credentials	32.14
July 31	No. 8	John B. Phelps, Office Expense—Salaries	150.00
Aug. 28	No. 9	Franklin Press, Printing 1961 Proceedings	542.00
	No. 10	Russell W. Houston, Salary (5/22-8/22/61)	50.00
	No. 11	John B. Phelps, Salary (5/22-8/22/61)	300.00
	No. 12	McCutcheon-Tinman, Florist—Funeral, John Robert Moore	10.30
Sept. 6	No. 13	Franklin Press, Inc., Funeral Notices— J. R. Moore	16.10
Sept. 20	No. 14	John B. Phelps, Traveling Expenses (12/1/60-9/15/61)	233.04
Sept. 18	No. 15	John B. Phelps, Office Expenses	125.75
Sept. 20	No. 16	Franklin Press, Printing—Committees, etc.	96.81
Sept. 23	No. 17	Stephen B. Dimond, Postage	3.00
	No. 18	Cooley Monument Co., Grave Marker— E. L. Shear, P.G.H.P.	92.70
	No. 19	John B. Phelps, Office Expense—Salaries	100.00

Oct. 11	No. 20	Ray H. Schmidt, Long Distance Telephone Calls	6.76
Nov. 11	No. 21	Kendall Letter Service, Greeting Cards	43.05
	No. 22	Franklin Press, Office Supplies	9.00
	No. 23	Russell W. Houston, Salary (8/22-11/22/61)	50.00
	No. 24	John B. Phelps, Salary (8/22-11/22/61)	300.00
Nov. 20	No. 25	Kendall Letter Service, Annual Return Forms	26.60
Dec. 12	No. 26	Kendall Letter Service, Letters to all Chapters	8.38
Dec. 20	No. 27	John B. Phelps, Office Expense—Salaries	100.00
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Jan. 6	No. 28	Franklin Press, Chapter Forms	20.00
Jan. 30	No. 29	Kendall Florists & Printers, Printing	18.54
Feb. 14	No. 30	Russell W. Houston, Salary (11/22/61-2/22/62)	50.00
	No. 31	John B. Phelps, Salary (11/22/61-2/22/62)	300.00
Mar. 7	No. 32	Chas. K. A. McGaughey, 100 Rituals	150.00
Apr. 2	No. 33	Kendall Letter Company, Printing (More Light)	26.78
	No. 34	Kenneth Lawrie, Transportation for Harold L. Beals to attend Meeting of Ritualistic Committee on Work	14.58
Apr. 13	No. 35	John B. Phelps, Office Expense—Salaries	100.00
	No. 36	Jas. A. Winfield; Travel Expense	750.00
		Office Expense	63.80
Apr. 23	No. 37	John B. Phelps, Traveling Expenses (9/15/61-4/20/62)	207.44
May 2	No. 38	Ed. H. Bartes, D.D.G.H.P.	29.49
		Total	\$5,098.29

RECORD OF VISITATIONS

1961	
June 16-22	Imperial Council Session—A. A. O. N. M. S., Miami
Aug. 13-17	Triennial of Grand Encampment of Knights Templar, Cleveland, Ohio.
Sept. 12	Monroe No. 15, Sanford
Sept. 14	Putnam No. 9, Palatka
Sept. 23	District Meeting, 4th District, Lakeland
Sept. 26	Ocala No. 13, Ocala
Oct. 7	District Meeting, 11th District, Crestview
Oct. 9	Mount Horeb No. 6, Pensacola
Oct. 10	Live Oak No. 25, Live Oak
Oct. 12	Sarasota No. 35, Sarasota
Oct. 14	Barrett Lodge No. 43, F. & A. M., Live Oak, Grand Master's Night
Oct. 18	York Rite Meeting, Cocoa
Oct. 19	Marion Dunn Lodge No. 19, F. & A. M., Ocala, District Deputy Grand Master
Oct. 26	Jacksonville No. 12, Jacksonville
Oct. 28	Sectional Conference, General Grand Chapter, Birmingham, Ala.
Nov. 1	St. Johns No. 4, DeLand
Nov. 2	St. Petersburg No. 31, St. Petersburg
Nov. 3	Tampa No. 3, Tampa
Nov. 4	Knights Templar District Meeting, Plant City
Nov. 6	Palm Beach No. 24, West Palm Beach
Nov. 7	Joppa No. 28, Ft. Pierce
Nov. 8	Keystone No. 20, Ft. Lauderdale
Nov. 9	Halifax No. 5, Daytona Beach
Nov. 10	Marion Dunn Lodge No. 19, F. & A. M., Grand Master's Night

- Nov. 13 Hiram No. 60, Miami Shores
 Nov. 14 Poinciana No. 50, Ft. Myers
 Nov. 15 Indian River No. 27, Titusville
 Nov. 16 Thomas Brown No. 22, Bartow
 Nov. 21 St. Lucie Commandery No. 17, Ft. Pierce
 Nov. 22 Clearwater No. 45, Clearwater
 Nov. 25 Eola Lodge No. 207, Orlando, Grand Master's Night
 Nov. 27 Jefferson No. 26, Monticello
 Dec. 1 Duval No. 48, Jacksonville
 Dec. 4 Eureka No. 7, Orlando
 Dec. 5 Monroe D. Cushing No. 54, Tampa
 Dec. 6 Dade City No. 8, Dade City
 Dec. 8 Lake City No. 38, Lake City
 Dec. 11 Plant City No. 16, Plant City
 Dec. 12 Manatee River No. 18, Bradenton
 Dec. 14 Nassau No. 48, Fernandina Beach
 Dec. 19 St. Augustine No. 17, St. Augustine
 Dec. 21 Springtime Commandery No. 40, Dunedin, Christmas Program
 Dec. 25 Sunshine Commandery No. 20, St. Petersburg, Christmas Observance
 Dec. 27 Ashlar Lodge No. 98, F. & A. M., St. Augustine, Installation of Officers
 Dec. 30 Ft. Pierce, Joint Installation York Rite Officers
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 Jan. 3 Clearwater No. 45, Clearwater
 Jan. 4 St. Petersburg No. 31, St. Petersburg
 Jan. 9 Leesburg No. 34, Leesburg
 Jan. 11 Hill City No. 55, Brooksville
 Jan. 13 Bradenton, Joint Installation York Rite Officers
 Jan. 15 Gadsden No. 30, Quincy
 Jan. 16 Ocala, Joint Installation York Rite Officers
 Jan. 17 Cocoa, Joint Installation York Rite Officers
 Jan. 19 Bay County No. 39, Panama City
 Jan. 22 Lake Butler No. 19, Lake Butler
 Jan. 23 St. Augustine, Joint Installation York Rite Officers
 Jan. 24 Jefferson No. 26, Monticello
 Jan. 25 Rocky Water No. 59, Eau Gallie
 Jan. 26 Live Oak, York Rite District Meeting
 Jan. 27 Tallahassee, York Rite District Meeting
 Feb. 1 Winter Haven No. 41, Winter Haven
 Feb. 2 Jericho No. 11, Miami
 Feb. 3 Sanford, District York Rite Meeting
 Feb. 5 Surf No. 57, Fort Walton Beach
 Feb. 8 Jackson No. 32, Marianna
 Feb. 11-13 Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons of Alabama; Grand Council
 Feb. 16 Crestview No. 40, Crestview
 Feb. 20 Gainesville No. 2, Gainesville
 Feb. 27 Lakeland No. 29, Lakeland
 Mar. 2 Eustis No. 33, Eustis
 Mar. 3 Lakeland, District York Rite Meeting
 Mar. 12 Florida No. 1, Tallahassee
 Mar. 13 Highlands No. 42, Avon Park
 Mar. 25-27 Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons of Tennessee; Grand Council
 Apr. 7 St. Petersburg, District York Rite Meeting
 Apr. 9 St. Joseph No. 56, Port St. Joe
 Apr. 12 Jacksonville No. 12, Jacksonville
 Apr. 17 Grand Lodge F. & A. M. of Florida, Jacksonville
 Apr. 18-19 Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Georgia; Grand Council
 Royal & Select Masters of Georgia, Macon, Georgia

- Apr. 23 Cabal No. 61, South Miami
 Apr. 26 Jacksonville No. 12, Jacksonville
 Apr. 28 Jacksonville No. 12, Jacksonville
 May 9-10 Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Mississippi, Jackson, Miss.
 May 13-17 Grand York Rite Bodies, Gainesville

Copy of the address delivered by Companion Stephen Beach Dimond, Right Illustrious Principal Conductor of Work, Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of the State of Florida at the Sectional Conference of the General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons in Birmingham, Alabama, on October 28, 1961:

AN AGGRESSIVE MASONIC PROGRAM AGAINST COUNTER INFLUENCES

It would seem, by the topic assigned to me, that I am here to offer an ideology or panacea for Masonic problems. But such, my Companions, is not the case; rather, I would like to visit with you and together enter a chamber of reflection, where we may pause to rest and reflect.

Counter influences could well be divided into two groups, those within, those without. I would like to talk with you about those from within. We are well aware, from history, that many of the former empires were destroyed from within: it could well be that our own country is completing another of these cycles. So, too, our beloved fraternity stands on the same threshold, tottering. It is up to us to support and sustain her.

Thinking back, on the progress of Masonry, we find that there were few dynamic changes in our history. Probably the greatest of these was the change from operative to speculative; yet there has been, and must in the future be, changes. Therefore I submit "THAT THE FUTURE IMPACT OF MASONRY WILL DEPEND MORE ON ITS ABILITY TO AMEND TO CHANGES, THAN ANY OTHER FACTOR."

With Craft Masonry showing only marginal gains, and in many jurisdictions losing ground, we have arrived at a crossroad, where it behooves us to rally our forces, taking stock in our own past actions and apathy, then choosing the road that can lend only impetus to our beloved fraternity.

I will advance several thoughts along this line, in a constructive vein, hoping that while empaneled here, as right thinking men and Masons, we may exploit every avenue of righteous endeavor and ascertain that which will perpetuate our beloved fraternity. That we may take home with us something that will provoke deep thinking; something that will be searched thoughtfully, microscopically, seeking out each crevice for the meats of lore that might be hidden there.

1—Active community interest: Masonry in its early beginning, and in the not too distant past, was concerned with the home and social life of its community. How far we have strayed from this path. Masonry, in the present time, has become recalcitrant when confronted with discussion on public affairs. We have become a recluse, drawing further within our shell, so that no one will know our good intent, our beneficent deeds, our philosophy of life. We must break these shackles; by entering into the daily life of our community, as a Masonic body; in this way only can we advertise our purposes, tenets and virtues, without violating our obligations.

WE MUST GAIN REENTRY INTO THE FAMILY CIRCLE. We must think of the sons and daughters of our brothers and companions, and, if necessary, as a Masonic body, enter into the political world to insure that our public schools system is kept pure and undefiled. It is only through intellectual liberty that we can maintain civil and religious liberty. These three freedoms are the cause of our country's greatness and we must see that this heritage is passed to our youth, unimpaired. Only then can they justly merit the citizenship that we enjoy.

MASONRY IS GOOD: Therefore we must bring "further light", not only to the craft but to the world at large. We must forget our selfish selves and live by the "Light" that emanates from the Holy Book upon our altars.

2—Better Community Feeling: By sitting with our neighbors, in council, on community problems and worthy charitable projects, we cannot help but portray our Masonic philosophy of life. Which will shed its beneficent light on all our community. Surely it will enhance the local moral values and bring good. Goodness draws attention and raises esteem. Therefore through better public relations, we advertise and in the advertising we cannot help but solicit.

The Masonic Digest, a California publication, says, "There are not too many old men in Masonry, but there are too few young men coming into Masonry". I am concerned about the life blood of my fraternity, about the shortage of young men petitioning for the degrees. Why this small percentage of young men? **MASONRY HAS COMPETITION**—The service and social clubs fill the needs of youth, with their aggressive programs of worthy community and charitable projects, into which are woven the strong strands of friendship and fellowship. Everyone wants to be on the winning team, even at the sacrifice of some moral values. My Companions, it pays to advertise. I know that my fraternity surpasses all these transitory things, but it must gird up its loins, then encompass everything touching on its members. My Companions, it pays to advertise.

We have touched upon active community interest and promoting better community feeling, but what of the inner workings of our own Masonic bodies? They, too, need pointing up.

3—Solidarity of Purpose Can Only Be Achieved by Unity. A show of strength deters more evil than any other thing. We have three York Rite bodies and in each we have Companions and Sir Knights finding their forte, in one body or another, where they remain, exercising their talents towards their devotion. How much better it would be if all these horses could be hitched into one team. Would it not be better to have all the business meetings of three bodies, namely the Chapter, Council and Commandery, on the same night? Thereby leaving one or two nights a month to be allocated to the member and his family.

Nothing is more dreary or uninspiring, to the sideliner, than the recitation of previous meetings, the reading of communications, the paying of bills, the discussion of officers as to when and how to practice, and many other things that are necessary to the proper functioning of fraternal bodies. To the sideliner they are of no import. He comes for the fellowship and brotherly love, which he must grasp in the few minutes before the meeting is called to order, or at the coffee break, at its conclusion. Can we wonder, then, why attendance in Craft Masonry is only about 6½% of its membership? And we are following in its footsteps.

Ritualism, or ritualistically perfect teams, lend import and dignity to our Masonry. But too many of our sideliners are not interested in continually seeing the exemplification of our beautiful work. They will participate and be a part of us only if we give them that with which they are conversant in their daily lives, or that which will fill their need of fellowship and brotherly love.

That With Which They Are Conversant:

- 1—Interest in Community Life.
- 2—Knowledge that the Public Schools Will be Kept Pure and Undeveloped.
- 3—Membership in an Esteemed Community Organization.
- 4—Wholesome Social Intercourse, for Themselves and Families.

When the sideliner is assured that he can receive these interests, then he will leave his hearthside, or easy chair, even forsaking his radio and T.V., and become part and parcel of his new devotion.

With one business night, for these joint bodies, each month; one night set aside for ritual, would leave at least two nights each month for the Mason and his family to commune together with their brethren. Thusly, there is one night each week and therefore in each month a brother or companion can pick the meetings that best fill his need.

To fulfill such a program takes men that are astute and uncompromising. They can be assured of rough habit and coarse diet; they can be assured, too, that the end results will more than offset the sacrifice.

The South Australian Freemason tells us, "The world needs men who can be depended upon, who put others before themselves, and who are not afraid to stand up and be counted; those who are able to add something to the uplifting of political life, something to the brotherhood of social life, something to the practical efficiency of spiritual life. Then we shall have done mankind a service."

My Companions, the die is cast: shall we sit pensively by and reminisce of the days of yore? Shall we pat ourselves on the back because we have something too good for the world to know? No, my Companions, though the problems be weighty, we shall attack them with zeal and ardor. And proudly leave to our posterity the knowledge that we were unafraid, forthright in our decisions, forthright in our actions.—But Life marches on.

*The clock of life is wound but once,
And no man bath the power,
To tell just when the hands will stop,
At late or early hour.*

*Now is the only time you own;
Live, love, toil with a will,
Place no faith in to-morrow, for
The clock may then be still.*

My Companions, the future impact of Masonry will depend more on its ability to amend to changes, than on any other factor.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON NECROLOGY (which was adopted)

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

Today, we stand in reverence before the Grand High Priest of Heaven and Earth. In humble submission to His Holy Will. With grateful hearts and most sincere thanks, we again assemble in Annual Grand Convocation with our Grand Line Officers intact. And yet, deeply concerned because of the loss of two of our beloved Past Grand High Priests, and many devoted Companions who have passed the outer Veils of these earthly courts to enter the Temple unseen, "An house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens."

"Upon the Altar of Freemasonry we deposit a white rose of memory. This little flower, so exquisite in its beauty, is a token of our love and esteem for our departed Companions who have traveled on. As God wills, we cross the troublesome sea of life, and also, as He wills, we shall each come to the end of our toilsome journey, to drop forever the working tools of life, to join with those who have received the dread mandate, and their names stricken from the rolls of the living, to enter the land from whose bourne no traveler returns."

JOHN ROBERT MOORE

Most Excellent Companion Moore was born July 18th, 1905, in Kokomo, Indiana, and departed this life August 20th, 1961, at his home in St. Petersburg, Florida. His accomplishments were many and well calculated. He was an ardent member of Christ's Methodist Church, and served on many important committees. He was Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masters of Florida in 1959 and served the office with distinction.

ERLE LAURANCE WIRT

Most Excellent Companion Wirt was born in January 20th, 1879, on a farm near Goshen, Elkhart County, Indiana, and departed this life April 16th, 1962, in Babson Park, Florida. He was Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons of Florida in 1924, being at the time our oldest Past Grand High Priest.

*"We cannot think of them as dead
Who walk with us no more;
Along the path of life we tread
They have but gone before."*

To the Fraternal dead of this Grand Jurisdiction, we recommend that a page of the Proceedings be inscribed to their memory.

To the Fraternal dead of our Sister Grand Jurisdictions, we express our deepest sympathy, and pray God to grant them eternal rest on their undiscovered journey.

- ALABAMA—Radford Hall Ellis, P.G.H.P., born April 16, 1893, died February 17, 1962.
- ARIZONA—Fred Bormal Goodell, P.G.H.P., born December 1, 1876, died September 6, 1961.
- COLORADO—John Quincy MacDonald, P.G.H.P., born November 17, 1872, died January 17, 1962. Clark A. Pratz, P.G.H.P., born August 15, 1879, died August 24, 1961.
- CONNECTICUT—George Elliott Anderson, G.H.P., born February 22, 1895, died September 21, 1961.
- DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA—John A. Hart, P.G.H.P., born December 1, 1892, died March 1, 1962.
- IDAHO—Walter Harold Bristol, P.G.H.P., born October 17, 1880, died December 21, 1961.
- ILLINOIS—Louis Herman Schneider, P.G.H.P., born March 14, 1885, died June 12, 1961. Edward Ernest Core, P.G.H.P., born June 29, 1883, died July 18, 1961.
- INDIANA—Laurence Righter Taylor, P.G.H.P., born March 14, 1893, died May 12, 1961.
- IOWA—Russell Goodwin, P.G.H.P., born March 13, 1900, died July 17, 1961.
- KANSAS—Benjamin Sanford Paulen, P.G.H.P., born July 14, 1869, died July 11, 1961.
- KENTUCKY—Clarence Edwin Tyree, P.G.H.P., born March 5, 1880, died January 8, 1962.
- LOUISIANA—Robert W. Cretney, G.H.P., died March 26, 1962.
- MAINE—Leon Warren Helson, P.G.K., born June 1, 1887, died January 6, 1962. Clyde French, P.G.H.P., born November 24, 1902, died April 15, 1961.
- MARYLAND—George B. Wells, Jr., P.G.H.P., born March 7, 1892, died December 17, 1961. John Carroll Weiss, P.G.H.P., born February 16, 1896, died January 10, 1962.
- MICHIGAN—Walter Daniel Strobel, P.G.H.P., born July 5, 1906, died October 30, 1961.

- MISSISSIPPI—Alex Max Hyman, P.G.H.P., born February 15, 1874, died February 22, 1962.
- MONTANA—Hamilton Clay Stith, P.G.H.P., born October 27, 1895, died February 25, 1962.
- NEVADA—William C. Reid, P.G.H.P., born February 10, 1884, died May 16, 1961.
- NEW HAMPSHIRE—Perry Henry Bennett, P.G.H.P., born June 22, 1960, died May 25, 1961.
- NEW YORK—Willard T. Chevalier, P.G.H.P., born January 29, 1886, died June 29, 1961. William R. Condit, P.G.H.P., born August 29, 1880, died August 2, 1961.
- NORTH CAROLINA—Luther Thompson Hartsell, P.G.H.P., born September 7, 1902, died May 14, 1961. Garrason Anglo Farrow, P.G.H.P., born March 17, 1886, died June 1, 1961. Wallace Everett Caldwell, P.G.H.P., born April 26, 1890, died October 6, 1961.
- OHIO—Ralph Weck Smith, Grand Secretary, born October 8, 1889, died June 30, 1963. George Richard Schoedinger, P.G.H.P., born December 22, 1884, died July 3, 1961. Roscoe Raymond Walcutt, P.G.H.P., G.G.S., born May 29, 1888, died July 31, 1961. Robert John Studer, Grand Guard, born September 3, 1887, died November 10, 1961. Dean Clair Hathaway, G.P.S., born March 31, 1902, died January 27, 1962.
- OKLAHOMA—James Edgar Marshall, G.M.S.V., born June 7, 1898, died September 30, 1961. Glenn B. Young, P.G.H.P., born August 30, 1889, died January 20, 1962.
- OREGON—Andrew James McCallen, P.G.H.P., born July 18, 1885, died December 15, 1961.
- PENNSYLVANIA—Frank R. Leech, P.G.H.P., born July 27, 1876, died May 29, 1961. John R. Asher, P.G.H.P., born November 25, 1892, died November 9, 1961.
- SOUTH DAKOTA—Roger K. Humphries, P.G.H.P., born May 12, 1882, died December 14, 1961.
- SWITZERLAND—Raoul de Cintra, Second Asst. Grand Sojourner, died November 15, 1961.
- TENNESSEE—William Josiah Sanders, Jr., P.G.H.P., born October 29, 1895, died September 14, 1961. Virden Zenas Cline, P.G.H.P., born March 17, 1891, died October 7, 1961.
- TEXAS—Clarence A. Young, P.G.H.P., born April 16, 1886, died November 24, 1961.
- VIRGINIA—Frederick Joseph Schmoele, P.G.H.P., born June 21, 1883, died November 24, 1961. William Landon Davis, P.G.H.P., born July 12, 1893, died March 15, 1962.
- WEST VIRGINIA—John A. Jackson, P.G.H.P., born October 5, 1879, died December 19, 1961. Dr. Uriah Vermillion, P.G.H.P., born December 16, 1880, died January 28, 1962.
- WESTERN AUSTRALIA—C. G. Kenworthy, Grand Scribe, died August 14, 1961.
- WYOMING—Howard D. Peverley, P.G.H.P., born August 19, 1889, died February 12, 1961. William Henry Jones, P.G.H.P., born July 11, 1893, died August 30, 1961.

GRAND TREASURER'S REPORT

(which was adopted)

To The Most Excellent Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Florida:
Your Grand Treasurer submits the following report as of May 1, 1962.

May 3, 1962—Balance in Riverside Bank of Miami, Florida, as per 1961 proceedings \$ 22,941.94

RECEIPTS

Received from Grand Secretary	\$ 13,283.00
Interest on Government Bonds	1,176.06
York Rite Bodies of Miami, 8th annual installment on \$20,000.00 ten year loan	2,000.00
York Rite Bodies of Miami, 4% interest on \$6,000.00 May 1, 1961 to May 1, 1962	240.00
Government Bonds Matured	5,000.00
Total Receipts	\$ 21,699.06
	\$ 44,640.99

DISBURSEMENTS

May 31, 1961—Transfer Charity Fund to South Miami Federal Savings & Loan Association	\$ 850.00
May 18, 1961—1961 Payroll at Ft. Myers	4,283.97
May 18, 1961—York Rite Bodies Gainesville, 1962 Host	250.00
July 1, 1961—Purchase 12 \$1,000.00 10 years United States Bonds, July 1961/July 1971	12,000.00
May 1, 1962—Bank charges including one check book	6.28
May 1, 1962—Warrants 1 to 38, inc.	5,098.47
May 1, 1962—Watch for Grand High Priest—Jewel	102.73
Total Disbursements	\$ 22,591.45
May 1, 1962—Balance in Riverside Bank as per books	\$ 22,591.45
May 1, 1962—Balance in Riverside Bank \$22,389.38	\$ 22,049.54
Less: Outstanding checks	
No. 1422 207.62	
1423 29.49	
1424 102.73	
Balance in Riverside Bank after deducting outstanding checks	339.84
	\$ 22,049.54

GRAND CHAPTER BENEVOLENT FUND
SOUTH MIAMI FEDERAL SAVINGS & LOAN ASSOCIATION

May 31, 1961—Transfer from Riverside Bank of Miami \$ 850.00

RECEIPTS

Grand Secretary	\$ 93.00
Interest received	23.92
Total Receipts	116.92
	\$ 966.92

DISBURSEMENTS

May 31, 1961—Companion Geddings, Daytona Beach	\$ 200.00
Total Disbursements	\$ 200.00
May 1, 1962—Balance in South Miami Federal Savings & Loan Association	\$ 766.92

INVESTMENTS

Mortgage Receivable, 4%, York Rite Bodies of Miami, Inc.	\$ 4,000.00
U. S. Government Bonds—Safe Deposit Box, Riverside Bank of Miami, Florida, Maturity Value	66,000.00
Total Investments	\$ 70,000.00

BOND RECAPITULATION

Date	Number	Maturity Date	Maturity Value
6-19-50	M7162434G	6-19-62	1,000.00
6-19-50	M7162435G	6-19-62	1,000.00
6-19-50	M7162436G	6-19-62	1,000.00
6-19-50	M7162437G	6-19-62	1,000.00
10- 5-57	12852	8-15-62	1,000.00
10- 5-57	12854	8-15-62	1,000.00
10- 5-57	12855	8-15-62	1,000.00
10- 5-57	12856	8-15-62	1,000.00
10- 5-57	12857	8-15-62	1,000.00
10- 5-57	12858	8-15-62	1,000.00
10- 5-57	12859	8-15-62	1,000.00
6-21-51	M7772225G	6-21-63	1,000.00
6-21-51	M7772226G	6-21-63	1,000.00
6-21-51	M7772227G	6-21-63	1,000.00
6-21-51	M7772228G	6-21-63	1,000.00
6- 2-60	23982	6- 2-65	1,000.00
6- 2-60	23983	6- 2-65	1,000.00
6- 2-60	23984	6- 2-65	1,000.00
6- 2-60	23985	6- 2-65	1,000.00
6- 2-60	23986	6- 2-65	1,000.00
6- 2-60	23987	6- 2-65	1,000.00
8-15-58	250	8-15-66	1,000.00
8-15-58	251	8-15-66	1,000.00
8-15-58	252	8-15-66	1,000.00
8-15-58	253	8-15-66	1,000.00
8-15-58	254	8-15-66	1,000.00
8-15-58	255	8-15-66	1,000.00
8-15-58	256	8-15-66	1,000.00
12- 8-55	34351J	12- 8-67	500.00
12- 8-55	34352J	12- 8-67	500.00
12- 8-55	34353J	12- 8-67	500.00
12- 8-55	34354J	12- 8-67	500.00
12- 8-55	34355J	12- 8-67	500.00
12- 8-55	34356J	12- 8-67	500.00
12- 8-55	34357J	12- 8-67	500.00
12- 8-55	34358J	12- 8-67	500.00
12- 8-55	34359J	12- 8-67	500.00
12- 8-55	34360J	12- 8-67	500.00
12- 8-55	34361J	12- 8-67	500.00
12- 8-55	34362J	12- 8-67	500.00
12- 8-55	M134718J	12- 8-67	1,000.00
12- 8-55	M134719J	12- 8-67	1,000.00
12- 8-55	M134720J	12- 8-67	1,000.00
12- 8-55	M134721J	12- 8-67	1,000.00
12- 8-55	M134722J	12- 8-67	1,000.00
12- 8-55	M134723J	12- 8-67	1,000.00
5-18-56	M148092J	5-18-68	1,000.00
5-18-56	M148093J	5-18-68	1,000.00
5-18-56	M148094J	5-18-68	1,000.00
5-18-56	M148095J	5-18-68	1,000.00
5-18-56	M148096J	5-18-68	1,000.00

5-18-56	M148097J	5-18-68	1,000.00
5-18-56	M148098J	5-18-68	1,000.00
5-18-56	M148099J	5-18-68	1,000.00
5-18-56	M148100J	5-18-68	1,000.00
5-18-56	M148101J	5-18-68	1,000.00
5-18-56	M148102J	5-18-68	1,000.00
5-18-56	M148103J	5-18-68	1,000.00
7-15-61	M7908126H	7-15-71	1,000.00
7-15-61	M7908127H	7-15-71	1,000.00
7-15-61	M7908128H	7-15-71	1,000.00
7-15-61	M7908129H	7-15-71	1,000.00
7-15-61	M7908130H	7-15-71	1,000.00
7-15-61	M7908131H	7-15-71	1,000.00
7-15-61	M7908132H	7-15-71	1,000.00
7-15-61	M7908136H	7-15-71	1,000.00
7-15-61	M7908137H	7-15-71	1,000.00
7-15-61	M7908138H	7-15-71	1,000.00
7-15-61	M7908139H	7-15-71	1,000.00
7-15-61	M7908140H	7-15-71	1,000.00
6-21-52	437527H	12-15-72	1,000.00
6-21-52	732930L	12-15-72	1,000.00
Total Bonds			\$ 66,000.00

Fraternally submitted,
 RUSSELL W. HOUSTON, *Grand Treasurer*

THE GRAND SECRETARY'S REPORT
 (which was adopted)

To The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Florida.

Your Grand Secretary submits the following report:

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

All Commissions were issued or forwarded promptly to all Grand Representatives.

ANNUAL RETURNS

All Chapters made correct returns and have paid the necessary fees.

STATISTICAL DATA

Membership at end of the year 1960	9,655
Exalted	369
Reinstated	37
Affiliated	102
Total Additions	
Died	508
Demitted	191
Suspended	83
Total deductions	263
Net loss for the year 1961	537
Present membership at end of 1961	29
Emeritus members exempt from dues	9,626
	173

FINANCES

Balance in Riverside Bank of Miami, May 2nd, 1961	\$22,941.93
Receipts all sources in 1961	21,699.06
Total receipts and balance in bank	\$44,640.99

DISBURSEMENTS

Transfer of Charity Fund to separate account	\$ 850.00
Pay Roll for Fort Myers in 1961	4,283.97
Gainesville York Rite as Host City	250.00
Purchase of 12 \$1,000.00 Bonds	12,000.00
Bank Charges for year 1961	6.28
Watch for M.E. Grand High Priest Winfield	102.73
Warrents 1 including and through 39	5,098.47
Total disbursements for year 1961	\$22,591.45

Balance in Riverside Bank as of May 1st, 1962 \$22,049.54

Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons Benevolent Fund, which is in the South Miami Federal Savings and Loan Association:

May 31st, 1961, Transfer from Riverside Bank of Miami \$ 850.00

RECEIPTS

From Grand Secretary, (Donations from Chapters)	\$ 93.00
Interest on money in South Miami Federal	\$ 23.92
Total receipts and Balance in South Miami Federal	\$ 966.92

DISBURSEMENTS

Companion Geddings of Daytona Beach	\$ 200.00
Total Disbursements	\$ 200.00
Balance in South Miami Federal as of May 1, 1962	\$ 766.92

Fraternally submitted,

JOHN B. PHELPS,
Grand Secretary

Motion prevailed that aprons and apron cases be purchased for the District Deputy Grand High Priests.

RESOLUTION

(which was adopted)

BE IT RESOLVED, that a Committee of Benevolent Activities, of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Florida, is hereby created.

Its membership shall be composed of three Past Grand High Priests of this Grand Chapter, to be appointed by the Grand High Priest, to serve for a period of one, two and three years, respectively. That each succeeding Grand High Priest shall appoint one member each year, to serve for three years. The Grand High Priest, the Grand Treasurer and the Grand Secretary shall be ex-officio members of this Committee.

All requests for relief from the Benevolent Fund shall be referred to this Committee.

An affirmative vote of at least three members of this Committee shall be necessary to disburse monies from the Benevolent Fund.

The Charity Fund shall be kept by the Grand Treasurer, and disbursed by check, only when drawn on by vouchers signed by three members of the Committee.

The Committee shall keep written records of its Receipts and Disbursements, and all actions taken by the Committee, and shall file its report at each Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter.

Fraternally submitted,
THE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION

The M.E. Grand High Priest had his District Deputies assemble west of the Altar and commended them for their splendid services rendered to him and the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Florida during the past year.

At this time Most Worshipful Brother William S. Christian was requested by the M.E. Grand High Priest to address the Grand Chapter. This he did in a splendid manner, giving his thoughts on his hopes and desires for the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge during the coming year. He also expressed his appreciation to Clyde Gleason, Chairman of the Committee on Admissions of the Board of Trustees, to the Masonic Home.

RESOLUTION

(which was adopted)

Realizing the disturbing influences that are confronting youth today, and the many inroads the "isms" are making into our way of life, and wanting to perpetuate the virtues of Light, Truth and Love, recognizing the high purposes, accomplishment and potential of the Order of DeMolay, and further realizing and acknowledging the tremendous force of good that is being accomplished by the Order of DeMolay.

BE IT RESOLVED: That this Grand Chapter R.A.M. of Florida, assist in helping defray the expenses of administration, within the State of Florida, of this valiant youth organization. That this assistance be at the rate of five cents (5c) per member per annum.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON DISTRIBUTION

(which was adopted)

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

We, your Committee on Distribution, wish to report as follows:
That the portion of the Most Excellent Grand High Priest's report which refers to finance be referred to the Committee on Finance.

That the portion which refers to dispensations be referred to the Committee on Dispensations, Charters and By-Laws.

That all recommendations, rulings, edicts and other matters be referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

Fraternally submitted,
THE COMMITTEE

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PROPOSITIONS AND GRIEVANCES

(which was adopted)

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

We, your Committee on Propositions and Grievances, find that peace and harmony prevailed in this Grand Chapter. No proposition or grievances have come to our attention.

Fraternally submitted,
THE COMMITTEE

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CAPITULAR JURISPRUDENCE

(which was adopted)

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

We, your Committee, wish to submit the following report:

We approve the actions of the Most Excellent Grand High Priest in all of his decisions and recommendations, with the following exceptions:

On the Dispensations granted August 10, 1961, December 18, 1961 and January 29, 1962, that the Dispensations should have contained the admonition, to give "Due and timely notice."

This Committee being of the opinion that we should emphasize, due and timely notice of all Special Meetings and of all Elections, regular or special.

We approve his recommendations, with the following exceptions:

1. No. 3—We recommend that each Chapter purchase copies of the Essentials, Key Lectures and Manuals as they may require, and be held accountable for the same.

2. No. 6—With the consent of the Grand High Priest, we add to this recommendation that on the occasions of Public Appearances, that the Presiding Officer see that the Aprons are in good condition, and uniformly worn.

3. Nos. 10 and 12. Disapproved.

4. No. 9—With the consent of the Grand High Priest, we add to this recommendation that said Committee be composed of the Grand High Priest, Grand King and Grand Scribe.

5. Nos. 10 and 11. Disapproved.

We commend our Grand High Priest for the efficient and dignified manner in which he has conducted the affairs of this Grand Chapter, for the Peace and Harmony he has sought to maintain and for the Fraternal Relations he has tried to develop in Chapter, Council and Commandery.

This committee recommends that the incoming Grand High Priest be directed to appoint a committee to draft appropriate regulations, spelling out the duties of our District Deputy Grand High Priest.

Respectfully submitted,
THE COMMITTEE

Motion prevailed that the Triennial Committee be composed of the following Grand Officers who will be serving as such at the time of the Triennial to be held in Minneapolis in October, 1963: The M.E. Grand High Priest, the R.E. Grand King and R.E. Grand Scribe.

At this time Companion Alexander G. Wygard, the Personal Representative of the Most Excellent General Grand High Priest, addressed the Grand Chapter. Companion Wygard is a Past Grand High Priest of the Republic of Mexico. He is an outstanding Mason in that Republic and is held in the highest possible regard by all Masons there. His message follows:

M.E. Grand High Priest, M.E. John Phelps, My Companions:

It is my privilege to represent here the M.E. General Grand High Priest of the General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, M.E. Edwin Martini, and to extend to you his very cordial greetings and sincere wishes. Companion Martini has been visiting the Subordinate Chapters in the Far East and the Grand Chapter of the Philippines and is now on his way back to this country. To my knowledge, M.E. Companion Martini is the second head of a General Grand Body to visit in recent years the York Rite Bodies in the Far East, the first was the Illustrious Companion present here, M.E. John Phelps, as General Grand Master.

As to the work of General Grand Chapter, you will have noticed that ever since the Triennial in New Orleans, we were endeavoring to establish a very close contact with the Grand Chapter, be it through correspondence, or be it through the presence of the General Grand High Priest or his representative at the different Grand Chapters. I shall not quote any statistics, but believe me the correspondence of Companion Martini and his visits cover quite a field. And we hope that this close touch and cooperation with you has been of assistance to you.

Immediately after the Triennial all General Grand Chapter officers were assigned their specific tasks. We met in business sessions in New Orleans, in Denver in January 1961 and again last February in Washington. On this occasion we met and discussed common problems with the leaders of the other Masonic Bodies.

Similarly to the Sectional Meeting of General Grand Chapter last October in Birmingham, which your representatives attended, all other Sectional Meetings were held in different parts of the United States and Canada. Much effort went into the organization of these meetings, and it certainly was worthwhile as the meetings produced a wealth of material dealing with practically all present Masonic problems. This material is now available to the Grand Chapters, and the Subordinate Chapters working directly under General Grand Chapter.

In the last Officers' meetings also the matter of public relations was discussed. We all felt that, for a number of reasons, Masonic Bodies, and, what's more important, to tell everybody where we stand in today's world. We all know it, but we hardly say so outside the tiled room, that Masonry is opposed to any totalitarian system which refuses to recognize the sanctity of the individual. Those of you who have read the circular letter of the General Grand High Priest of 10th April, 1962, will have seen that consequently he recommended "That each Grand Chapter should organize and develop a Public Relations Com-

mittee, to perform such duties within its own jurisdiction as the Grand Chapter officers seem proper, and urge each of its Constituent Chapters to do likewise."

The international character of the General Grand Chapter has been much stressed in the past one and a half years. The liaison with the Royal Arch Bodies beyond the United States and Canada is very close. I mentioned already the G.G.H.P.'s visitations in the Far East. Soon also I am to accompany him on a visit to the Subordinate Chapters in Latin America. Also, a special Sub-Committee on Royal Arch Advancement in Spanish-speaking countries has been created.

All these tasks have been made possible, first of all, by the two cents raise in the per capita you voted in New Orleans. However, and more important than money, by the leadership of Ed Martini, who was able to inspire every officer, every committee member, the editor of the Royal Arch Mason, every one of us, with his enthusiasm for the Royal Craft and create an enthusiastic team of workers in the quarries. We were also very lucky to be able to secure the services of Charles McGaughey, a Past Grand High Priest of Kentucky. In a short time, Companion McGaughey put the office of the General Grand Secretary on such a businesslike basis that it can cope, at short notice, with practically any of your requests.

My Companions, before I conclude you will want to know something about the Royal Arch in Mexico where I live. Mexico is a Roman Catholic country and to be a Mason there often calls for personal courage. The numbers of Masons, and R.A. Masons in particular, are rather small in Mexico, but I will say they are intelligent, well prepared and devoted Masons. The Grand Chapter of the United States of Mexico was instituted in January 1955 personally by my great friend, M.E. Tom Q. Ellis, assisted by another great friend, M.E. John Phelps. And it was exactly John Phelps who a few months later, when the Grand Chapter was going through bad labor pains, it was exactly he who saved it. Do you want to know how he did it? He ordered us to link our hands in a fraternal chain and implore the Supreme High Priest of Heaven and Earth to bestow wisdom on us and guidance. That did it.

Thank you, M.E. Sir and Companions, for giving me the opportunity to address you and again on behalf of the M.E. General Grand High Priest I extend to you his very best fraternal salutations.

The Grand High Priest called the Grand Chapter from labor to refreshments at 12:05 noon until 9:00 a.m. Thursday, May 17, 1962, and he noted that at that time the first order of business would be the election of officers.

Thursday, May 17, 1962 the M.E. Grand High Priest called the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons from refreshment to labor and called for the election of officers, appointing the following tellers: George Albert Lambe, E. Morris Savage, and Blenus Williams.

The election took place with the following results:

The following officers were elected:

Ray Henry Schmidt	M.E. Grand High Priest
Martin Nissen Gerhard	R.E. Grand Commander
Henry Ashton Brosnahan, Jr.	R.E. Grand Scribe
Russell W. Houston	R.E. Grand Treasurer
John Bridges Phelps	R.E. Grand Secretary
Orville Ambrose Clark	R.E. Grand Chaplain

At this time the M.E. Grand High Priest-Elect appointed the following officers to serve this Grand Chapter for the ensuing year:

Roy Richardson Wright, Jr.	E. Grand Captain of the Host
Lofton Dee Chiles	E. Grand Principal Sojourner
James Wesley MacDonald	E. Grand Royal Arch Captain
Harold LeRoy Beals	E. Grand Master of the Third Veil
Floyd Marquis Crippen	E. Grand Master of the Second Veil
William J. Hoffheinz	E. Grand Master of the First Veil
DeCarr F. Hosford	E. Grand Sentinel

Motion prevailed that the former Grand Chapter Jewels be given to Florida Chapter Number 1 of Tallahassee for their use and at the same time they were presented to Companion James W. Oder, who represented Florida Chapter Number 1.

Motion prevailed that the Schools of Instruction be continued under the direction of the Committee on Work.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON WORK (which was adopted)

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

WHEREAS: The Grand Chapter Committee on Work views with concern the fact that in the past there has been no regulation concerning the method of protecting the "Essentials," "Key Lectures" and "Red Books," issued by Grand Chapter to the various constituent Chapters in the State, and

WHEREAS: In the past, it has been found that sufficient care was not taken by the High Priest of the Constituent Chapters, to protect, preserve and pass onto his successors in office the "Essential," "Key Lecture" and "Red Book," so that the constituent Chapter could have the correct information on the Secret Work, and

WHEREAS: There are numerous Chapters in the State, the past year, that have requested the Grand Chapter Committee on Work to send them either the "Essentials," "Key Lecture" or "Red Book," so that they could learn the correct method of conducting the secret work of the various degrees;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That this Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Florida, held in Gainesville, Florida, on May 16th and 17th, 1962, go on record to approve and adopt the following:

At each succeeding Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter, it shall be the duty of the duly elected and installed High Priest (or his Proxy) of each constituent Chapter, each Grand Line Officer, both elected and appointed, and each District Deputy Grand High Priest, to bring and/or send by his proxy, to the Annual Convocation, the "Essential," "Key Lecture" and "Red Book," which has been issued by the Grand Chapter Committee on Work, to him or his Chapter, to be checked by the Committee on Work and re-issued to the High Priest (or his proxy), the Grand Line Officers and each D.D.G.H.P.

Should any of the Grand Officers, either of the D.D.G.H.P., and/or the High Priest of the constituent Chapters fail to do so, they will subject themselves to being fined the amount necessary to replace the Book or Books, found missing.

Respectfully submitted,
THE COMMITTEE

FURTHER REPORT FROM THE COMMITTEE ON WORK (which was adopted)

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

Your Committee wishes to commend the G.H.P. for the intense interest he has manifested in the Ritualistic Work of Capitular Masonry in Florida and for his untiring effort in trying to locate "Essentials," "Key Lectures," and "Red Books" that were allocated to each Chapter. He has assisted your Committee materially.

Your Committee from time has had referred to it the subject of the "Rough Road" in the Royal Arch Degree. It has in the past recommended no change. It continues to do so, unanimously.

The deletion of the "Rough Road" was accomplished by action of this Grand Chapter in Annual Convocation. If any change is made in relation to the "Rough Road," your Committee feels that this change should be by action of this Grand Chapter in Annual Convocation.

Respectfully submitted,
THE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION (which was adopted)

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

WHEREAS: The Jurisprudence Committee has defined the method whereby the Constituent Chapters may replace lost "Essentials," "Key Lectures" and "Red Books," and

WHEREAS: The Grand Officers, both elected and appointed, and the D.D.G.H.P. can assist the Committee on Work, through their visitations.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That the Committee on Work be directed to obtain a sufficient supply of each of these three books, so that each Chapter, Grand Officer and D.D.G.H.P. has a complete set of these three books.

Further, be it understood that these sets of books are issued to the station and not to the person occupying same.

Further, that the Committee on Work be instructed to see that each of these books have an identifying number and that a record of these numbers be kept with a statement to whom they are issued.

Respectfully submitted,
THE COMMITTEE

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THANKS (which was adopted)

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

Your Committee on Thanks wishes to recognize with deep appreciation, the untiring efforts spent by the Companions and their Ladies of Gainesville York Rite Bodies who spared no effort to make our stay both pleasant and

happy during this 115th Grand Convocation. We shall long remember this Grand Chapter Meeting as a milestone of happiness, to look back on with pleasure in the years to come, as one of the most outstanding Masonic meetings we have ever had the pleasure of attending.

We would, on behalf of this Grand Chapter, like to express our appreciation to the following groups and organizations who rendered special service:

Courtesy Cars for Four Days for the convenience of York Rite Masons and their Ladies, from Brother Brosington of B. & G. Motors, Hawes Powers, Poole Gable, and Ridgeway Motor Co.

Chamber of Commerce for the use of typewriters, pencils, pads, etc. and for arranging for Mr. Wilbur Harling's program on flowers for our Ladies.

Soft Drinks by the Coca-Cola Bottling Company.

University Inn Motel and Mr. Nat Pozin, owner, for courtesies extended and for the delicious coffee served in the lobby during the Convention.

Chief W. D. Joiner and the Gainesville Police Department.

Courtesies of City extended by Mayor Edwin J. Andrews through Companion Thomas J. Price.

The City of Gainesville for the use of chairs and tables.

The University Information Service for arranging the tour for our Ladies through the grounds and the Medical Center of the University of Florida.

Gainesville Lodge No. 41 for the use of the Temple and their paraphernalia and facilities.

Officers and members of Gainesville Chapter No. 2 for opening their Royal Arch Chapter for the reception of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Florida.

Gridley Music Co., Inc., for the use of the organ.

Gainesville Daily Sun for the publicity coverage of the Grand Convocation.

Joseph C. Bryan, Grand High Priest of Maryland, for the address at the Grand Chapter Banquet.

And our sincere thanks to the many people not mentioned above, but who contributed to the success of the Annual Grand Convocation.

We recommend that a copy of this report, over the signature of the M.E.G.H.P. be sent to each of the above organizations.

Respectfully submitted,

THE COMMITTEE

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON BENEVOLENT ACTIVITIES
(which was adopted)

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

We, the Committee on Benevolent Activities of this Most Excellent Grand Chapter, submit the following report:

During the year your committee recommended that financial assistance be given Ex. Companion Riley Gedding, Sr., High Priest of Halifax Chapter No. 5, in the amount of two hundred dollars. Companion Gedding passed away August 6, 1961.

Fraternally submitted,

THE COMMITTEE

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MARKERS
(which was adopted)

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

We, your Committee on Markers for our honored dead, beg leave to submit the following report:

On the 28th day of July, A. D. 1961, we entered into an agreement and executed a contract with the Cooley Monument Company of Holly Hill, Florida, to prepare and place a Marker at the grave of our late M.E. Companion, Past Grand High Priest Emmett Leroy Shear, in Pinewood Cemetery, Daytona Beach, Florida, at the cost of \$92.70.

This Marker has been completed and placed in its proper position at the place mentioned above.

On the 23rd day of April, A. D. 1962, we entered into an agreement with R. H. Sumner & Son, Marble and Granite Works, 16 55th St. South, St. Petersburg, Florida, to prepare and place a Marker at the grave of our late Past Grand High Priest, John Robert Moore.

This work has not been completed at the time of this report.

In the case of our late Past Grand High Priest, Alex B. Stuart, of Tampa, this will be taken care of as early as permission is granted by Mrs. Stuart.

Fraternally submitted,

THE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION
(which was adopted)

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

RE: Replica of King Solomon's Temple at Venetian Gardens,
Leesburg, Florida

In opinion of local committee, after meeting, May 10, 1962, that money can be raised for the building of replica of King Solomon's Temple within Lake County.

THEREFORE, The above committee requests your moral support, approval, and sanction.

Any financial assistance from the Grand Bodies to be at the discretion of those Bodies respectively.

Sincerely and fraternally,

THE COMMITTEE

The request of the Companions of Leesburg was granted, giving them our moral support, approval and sanction only. No financial aid requested, none was granted.

RESOLUTION
(which was adopted)

WHEREAS, The Rituals for work in both Grand Chapter and Constituent Chapters call for the use of music in many and various parts of the work, and

WHEREAS, the use of this music adds so much to the beauty and dignity of our works, and

WHEREAS, it has been found that such music is missing in many Chapters throughout Florida, thereby creating a loss to many of our Candidates,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that St. Petersburg Chapter No. 31 does now and hereby memorializes the Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons of Florida, at their next Grand Convocation at Gainesville, Florida, May 16-17, 1962, to revise either Art II, Sec. 8, Appointed Officers, or Art. IX, Sec. 2, Committees, to include the office or committee of Grand Organist or Committee on Music.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the duties of this office or committee shall be to foster and further the use of music in Degree Work in the constituent Chapters of Florida.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON DISPENSATIONS,
CHARTERS AND BY-LAWS
(which was adopted)

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

We, your Committee on Dispensations, Charters and By-Laws, respectively report as follows:

No Charter or By-Laws have been referred to us for consideration. We approve the dispensations granted.

Nothing further has been referred to us.

Fraternally submitted,
THE COMMITTEE

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS
(which was adopted)

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

We, your Committee on Unfinished Business, wish to report that no unfinished business has come to our attention during this Annual Grand Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Florida.

Fraternally submitted,
THE COMMITTEE

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE
(which was adopted)

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

We, your Committee on Finance, have checked the books of the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary and find them correct, with a balance in the General Fund in the

Riverside Bank of Miami, Florida as of May 1, 1962.....	\$22,049.54
South Miami Federal Savings and Loan Co., May.....	766.92
Mortgage Receivable from York Rite of Miami.....	4,000.00
U.S. Government Bonds in Safety Deposit Box of the Riverside Bank of Miami, Maturity Value.....	66,000.00

From the General Fund of \$22,049.54 we recommend the following appropriations:

Payroll (subject to correction).....	5,697.62
Grand Secretary's Salary.....	1,200.00
Grand Secretary's Office Expense of which \$300.00 for office rent.....	2,300.00
Grand Treasurer's Office Expense.....	300.00

We further recommend that the Grand Secretary draw warrants and the Grand Treasurer be authorized to pay for the expenses of this Grand Chapter while in recess.

We further recommend that the Grand Secretary purchase a Past Grand High Priest Jewel and Apron or Watch, whichever he may select, and have ready for presentation at our next Annual Convocation, and that the Grand Treasurer be authorized to pay for same.

We further recommend that the Grand Secretary be authorized to draw warrant and the Grand Treasurer be authorized to pay same in the amount of \$250.00, payable to the York Rite Bodies that entertain the Grand Convocation in 1963.

We further recommend that the Grand Treasurer be instructed to purchase U.S. Government Bonds in the name of this Grand Chapter, if in his discretion the funds of this Grand Chapter will warrant this expenditure.

We further recommend that the Most Excellent Grand High Priest's expenses for 1962 and 1963 shall not exceed the sum of \$1,000.00.

Fraternally submitted,
THE COMMITTEE

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TIME AND PLACE
(which was adopted)

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

We, your Committee on Time and Place, recommend that the Grand Chapter join with the Grand Council and Grand Commandery in accepting the invitation of the Companions and Sir Knights of Clearwater, Florida, to hold our 1963 Grand Convocation in that city.

Fraternally submitted,
THE COMMITTEE

At this time the M.E. Grand High Priest-Elect appointed the following committees and District Deputies:

- District No. 1—William E. Truglio, 2305 N. W. 61st St., Miami 45, Florida
Jericho No. 11, Keystone No. 20, Palm Beach No. 24, Hiram
No. 60, Cabal Chapter No. 61.
- District No. 2—T. Wayne Miller, P. O. Box 811, Fort Myers, Fla.
Manatee No. 18, Sarasota No. 35, Poinciana No. 50.
- District No. 3—Walter F. Harris, 4012 Henderson Blvd., Tampa, Fla.
Tampa No. 3, St. Petersburg No. 31, Clearwater No. 45,
Monroe D. Cushing No. 54, Hill City No. 55.
- District No. 4—Albert L. Stripling, 1622 Shore Drive, Lakeland, Fla.
Dade City No. 8, Plant City No. 16, Thomas Brown No. 22,
Lakeland No. 29, Winter Haven No. 41, Highlands No. 42.
- District No. 5—Ellwyn K. Houston, 2300 Halifax Ave., Daytona Beach, Fla.
St. Johns No. 4, Halifax No. 5, Eureka No. 7, Monroe No. 15.
- District No. 6—William T. Hardaway, 120 S. 2nd St., Leesburg, Fla.
Ocala No. 13, Eustis No. 33, Leesburg No. 34.
- District No. 7—Richard Ivy Lanier, 4044 Green St., Jacksonville 5, Fla.
Putnam No. 9, Jacksonville No. 12, St. Augustine No. 17,
Duval No. 48, Nassau No. 49.

- District No. 8—W. W. Morgeson, Micanopy, Florida, R.F.D.,
Gainesville No. 2, Lake Butler No. 19, Live Oak No. 25,
Lake City No. 38.
- District No. 9—H. M. Folds, 913 S. Boulevard St., Tallahassee, Fla.
Florida No. 1, Jefferson No. 26, Gadsden No. 30.
- District No. 10—Arnold R. Lambe, Marianna, Florida.
Jackson No. 32, Bay County No. 39, St. Joseph No. 56.
- District No. 11—James Bolton, 1320 N. Pearl St., Crestview, Fla.
Mount Horeb No. 6, Crestview No. 40, Surf No. 57.
- District No. 12—Harold E. Eskins, 708 Lincoln, Melbourne, Fla.
Indian River No. 27, Joppa No. 28, Rocky Water No. 59

COMMITTEE ON CAPITULAR JURISPRUDENCE
All Past Grand High Priests

COMMITTEE ON FRATERNAL CORRESPONDENCE
Roy W. Larson

COMMITTEE ON PRINTING
John B. Phelps

COMMITTEE ON MEMORIALS
Orville A. Clark

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE
Boyd Lee Hudgins, three years

Joel A. Fite, two years
Winston H. Ward, one year

COMMITTEE ON RETURNS AND CREDENTIALS
Ralph G. Reynolds, Honorary Life
Loren L. Dilger, two years
Myron E. Clark, three years
L. E. Cuiery, one year

COMMITTEE ON RITUALISTIC WORK
Stephen B. Dimond, five years
Harold L. Beals, four years
Arthur J. Whissler, three years
Raymond Ballard, two years
Charles W. Arnold, one year

COMMITTEE ON BENEVOLENT ACTIVITIES
George Albert Lambe, three years
Orville A. Clark, two years
Ex-officio Members—John B. Phelps, Russell W. Houston
Leslie C. Bortle, one year

COMMITTEE ON MASONIC RELATIONS AND NEWSLETTER
Stephen B. Dimond

COMMITTEE ON MASONIC MARKERS
Ralph G. Reynolds
Orville A. Clark

COMMITTEE ON TRIENNIAL OF GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER
Ira B. Russell
Martin N. Gerhard

COMMITTEE ON DUTIES OF DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND HIGH PRIEST
H. Ashton Brosnahan, Jr.
Roy R. Wright, Jr.

Harold Beals
D. F. Hosford
William E. Truligo

The officers were installed by M.E. Companion John B. Phelps as Installing Officer and Companion George Albert Lambe as Installing Marshal and Companion Orville A. Clark as Installing Chaplain.

At this time Companion G. Rodman Porter, Past Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Florida, brought us an interesting and informative message.

RESOLUTION
(which was adopted)

Addressed To:

The Grand Commandery Knights Templar of Florida
The Grand Council Royal and Select Masters of Florida
The Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons

WHEREAS: The York Rite Bodies of the State of Florida do not have any means of communication of informing York Rite Masons of the York Rite activities of statewide nature; and

WHEREAS: To keep all York Rite Masons informed of statewide York Rite activities and to further their interest in the local York Rite Bodies of other communities in the State; and

WHEREAS: A Grand York Rite Newsletter to all York Rite Masons would accomplish this purpose; and

WHEREAS: Other Grand York Rite Jurisdictions are using this means of informing their members of York Rite activities with great success; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That a monthly Grand York Rite Newsletter be published jointly by the Grand Chapter, Grand Council and Grand Commandery of this Grand Jurisdiction and to be furnished to all York Rite Masons on the rolls of each Grand Body of the York Rite; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the cost of publishing and mailing of said Grand York Rite Newsletter to be shared equally between the Grand Chapter, Grand Council and Grand Commandery.

No further business occurring, the Grand Chapter was closed by the M.E. Grand High Priest with prayer by the Grand Chaplain.

Fraternally submitted,

RAY HENRY SCHMIDT
M.E. Grand High Priest

Attest:

JOHN B. PHELPS,
Grand Secretary

FLORIDA ORDER OF HIGH PRIESTHOOD
ANNUAL ASSEMBLY HELD IN THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE
May 15, 1962, A.B. 3902

The Annual Assembly of the Order of High Priesthood was opened with prayer by the Chaplain and presided over by the Excellent President, Wilbur Welling Masters, Jr.

The roll being called, it was found that the following officers were present:

- W. W. Masters, Jr. _____ *President*
- Orville A. Clark _____ *Vice President*
- George Albert Lambe _____ *Chaplain*
- John B. Phelps _____ *Secretary-Treasurer*
- Russell W. Houston _____ *Master of Ceremonies*
- William J. Abram _____ *Conductor*
- Walter T. Poole _____ *Herald*
- Moses Moreno _____ *Acting Steward*
- Ray H. Schmidt _____ *Sentinel*

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY-TREASURER
(which was adopted)

To the Florida Council of the Order of High Priesthood.
Your Secretary-Recorder submits the following report.

RECEIPTS

Thirty two candidates @ \$6.00 each.....	\$ 192.00
Balance due from 1960 meeting.....	40.67
Total receipts.....	\$ 232.67

DISBURSEMENTS

Thirty five bibles purchased from Wm. Lehberg & Sons.....	\$ 168.69
Salary of Secretary-Treasurer.....	35.00
Total Disbursements.....	\$ 203.69
Balance deposited in First Federal of Miami.....	\$ 28.98
Balance in First Federal as of June 1st, 1961.....	\$ 835.14
Interest on money, June 1st, 1961 to May 1st, 1962.....	\$ 42.46
Balance in First Federal as of May 1st, 1962.....	\$ 877.60

Miami, Florida
May 1st, 1962
Fraternally submitted,
JOHN B. PHELPS,
Secretary-Treasurer

Motion prevailed that the present line officers, which includes Leslie C. Bortle as Steward, continue in their respective offices for the ensuing year.

Motion prevailed that the distinguished guests be made honorary members of this order.

Motion prevailed that the salary of the Secretary-Treasurer remain as previously reported, \$35.00.

Petitions for the Order of High Priesthood from 37 candidates, one of whom, Companion Hugh E. May, had to leave prior to the conferring of the degree due to the fact that the degree work was late in getting started. The Excellent President is arranging for the degree to be conferred upon this Companion in Indian River Chapter No. 27 so that this Companion, who is connected with the Air Force, may receive the degree. All candidates being Past and Present High Priests, were elected to receive the Order.

The following Companions received the Order:

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| Gainesville..... | No. 2 | — | Ira J. Carter, Jr.
Wallace F. Zetrouer |
| Tampa..... | No. 3 | — | Jesse R. Knight |
| Halifax..... | No. 5 | — | John E. Dreher |
| Eureka..... | No. 7 | — | Wilbur W. Pinholster |
| Dade City..... | No. 8 | — | Harrold A. McNaly |
| Putnam..... | No. 9 | — | Willard R. Polk
Earl G. Nicholson |
| Jericho..... | No. 11 | — | Charles C. Sissler |
| Plant City..... | No. 16 | — | Arthur A. Mendonsa |
| Manatee River..... | No. 18 | — | Donald F. Amerman |
| Keystone..... | No. 20 | — | Aquila W. Baker, Jr. |
| Thomas Brown..... | No. 22 | — | Daniel B. Randall |
| Palm Beach..... | No. 24 | — | Robert L. Gommell
Max E. McIntyre
Arthur S. Hill |
| Live Oak..... | No. 25 | — | Herbert B. Newland |
| Indian River..... | No. 27 | — | Ralph D. Van Valkenberg
Hugh E. May
(conferred later) |
| Joppa..... | No. 28 | — | Peter Camacho |
| Lakeland..... | No. 29 | — | C. Philip Burkhardt |
| Gadsden..... | No. 30 | — | John L. Bedenbaugh |
| St. Petersburg..... | No. 31 | — | James B. Downing |
| Eustis..... | No. 33 | — | Ozni H. Cornwell |
| Lake City..... | No. 38 | — | William R. Hunter |
| Bay County..... | No. 39 | — | Earl W. Blair |
| Crestview..... | No. 40 | — | Goebel B. Buchanan |
| Highland..... | No. 42 | — | Alfred C. Peterson |
| Clearwater..... | No. 45 | — | Walter H. Winchester |
| Duval..... | No. 48 | — | William H. Ange |
| Poinciana..... | No. 50 | — | William W. Watson |
| Monroe D. Cushing..... | No. 54 | — | Oliver G. Dodson
George C. Matthews
Stanley Aiken |
| Hill City..... | No. 55 | — | Everett McFarland |
| St. Joseph..... | No. 56 | — | Melvin C. Willard |
| Rocky Water..... | No. 59 | — | Winifred W. Brown |
| Cabal..... | No. 61 | — | |

No further business appearing before the Florida Council, Order of High Priesthood, same was closed with prayer by the Chaplain.

JOHN B. PHELPS,
Secretary-Recorder

W. W. MASTERS, JR.,
Excellent President

HONORED

The following Companions have received the Bronze Distinguished Service Medal which is presented by the General Grand Chapter for outstanding service in behalf of Capitular Masonry:

Charles G. Oldfather.....	1953*
Nathan G. Stout.....	1954*
J. W. Nelson.....	1955*
James R. McCoy.....	1956
Frederick D. MacDonald.....	1957
C. Shellie Matthews.....	1958
John E. Marley.....	1959
Joseph B. Johnson.....	1960
Frank L. Miller.....	1961
Reuel Daniel.....	1962

*Denotes deceased.

To the Memory of the
Companions of This Grand
Jurisdiction

Who have passed on to that eternal life
during the year

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This Page we fraternally dedicate
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*God of the living, in whose eyes
Unveiled thy whole creation lies,
All souls are thine; we must not say
That those are dead who pass away,
From this, our world of flesh set free,
We know them living unto thee.*
—John Ellerton.



LIVING PAST GRAND HIGH PRIESTS
With the Year of Service and Their Address

1935	George A. Dame	P. O. Box 210, Jacksonville 1
1938	John B. Phelps	601 Tibidabo, Coral Gables 43
1940	Dorsey H. Rutter	1214 Ruger Place, Daytona Beach
1941	Frederic A. Riegel	901 Citrus Avenue, Sarasota
1944-45	George Albert Lambe	Marianna
1946	Harry Robert Thompson	4100 S. W. 13th St., Coral Gables
1947	Loren Lambert Dilger	1512 East Gonzalez St., Pensacola
1948	David Meyer Winans	P. O. Box 186, Monticello
1949	Leslie Clayton Bortle	1690 N. W. No. River Drive, Miami 35
1951	Orville A. Clark	3210 St. Augustine Road, Jacksonville 7
1952	Wilbur Welling Masters, Jr.	817 Dante Place, Jacksonville 7
1953	Leon Carroll Stewart (Honorary)	P. O. Box 266, Titusville
1955	Alexander Clement Blount	P. O. Box 71, Pensacola
1956	Herman Julius Wendland	1019 14th St. W., Bradenton
1957	William Joshua Abram	7700 S. W. 54th Avenue, Miami
1958	Charles Winn Arnold	228 East Miller St., Orlando
1959	John Robert Moore	P. O. Box 1159, St. Petersburg
1960	Lathern Earl Curry	1226 Ingraham Bldg., Miami
1961	James Andrew Winfield	P.O. Box 985, St. Augustine

OFFICERS
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A.D. 1960-1963

EDWIN A. MARTINI	<i>General Grand High Priest</i> 3432 E. Second Street, Duluth, Minnesota
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CHESTER A. WESTERDAHL	<i>General Grand Master 2nd Veil</i> 1307 N. Seventh Street, Phoenix, Arizona
GEORGE A. LAMBERT	<i>General Grand Master 1st Veil</i> Masonic Hall, New York 10, N. Y.
ROGER K. BECKER	<i>General Grand Sentinel</i> 6712 Arcadian Highway, Evansville, Indiana
WALLACE PHELAN DOUGLAS	<i>General Grand Custodian of Work</i> P. O. Box 216, Nashville, Tenn.
WILLIAM E. POOL	<i>Emeritus General Grand Custodian of Work</i> 207 Van Brunt Street, Mankato, Minnesota

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES OF FLORIDA
NEAR OTHER GRAND CHAPTERS

Table with 3 columns: State, Name, Address. Lists representatives from various states including Alabama, Alaska, Alberta, Argentina, Arizona, Arkansas, etc.

PAST ELECTIVE OFFICERS OF THE GRAND CHAPTER OF FLORIDA
From Its Organization to Date

Table with 6 columns: Year, Grand High Priests, Deputy Grand Priests, Grand Kings, Grand Scribes, Grand Treasurers, Grand Secretaries, Grand Chaplains. Lists officers from 1847 to 1884.

* Deceased

PAST ELECTIVE OFFICERS OF THE GRAND CHAPTER OF FLORIDA—(Continued)

Table with columns: GRAND HIGH PRIESTS, DEPUTY GRAND HIGH PRIESTS, GRAND KINGS, GRAND SCRIBES, GRAND TREASURERS, GRAND SECRETARIES, GRAND CHAPLAINS. Rows list names and years from 1885 to 1923.

PAST ELECTIVE OFFICERS OF THE GRAND CHAPTER OF FLORIDA—(Continued)

Table with columns: GRAND HIGH PRIESTS, DEPUTY GRAND HIGH PRIESTS, GRAND KINGS, GRAND SCRIBES, GRAND TREASURERS, GRAND SECRETARIES, GRAND CHAPLAINS. Rows list names and years from 1924 to 1961.

* Deceased

DIRECTORY OF SUBORDINATE CHAPTERS OF FLORIDA

Name of Chapter	No.	High Priest	King	Scribe	Secretary	Secretary's Address
Florida	1	C. R. Upchurch	Harley Peck	J. B. Hellingsworth	William Dell Hart	P. O. Box 967, Tallahassee
Leesburg	2	V. R. Koppner	Clara W. Comes	Nancy Thorwald	James William Carter	Rt. 1, Box 4, Micanopy
Sarasota	3	F. R. DeBartolo	G. K. Bailey	V. A. Carper	T. E. Wadsworth	89 W. Gibbs Ave., Tampa
Bay County	4	J. E. Dreher	J. J. Campbell	R. H. Glasford	Arthur D. Clawson	P. O. Box 100, Deltona Beach
Crestview	5	A. P. Dillon	J. E. Medbeck	L. E. Jones, Sr.	Walter S. Brady	425 Wisteria Rd., Daytona Beach
Highlands	6	H. A. McHolter	G. P. Smith	F. M. Morris	Chasler O. Cornwell	P. O. Box 1813, Pensacola
Daywater	7	H. A. McHolter	F. C. Smith	R. Beckman	Willow Taylor	P. O. Box 22, Orlando
Nassau	8	E. C. Siler	R. O. Bell	F. C. Urrer, Jr.	Willow Taylor	Box 349, Dade City
Poinciana	9	J. W. Stewart, Jr.	C. E. Harris	J. F. Neffles	Leslie C. Barber	Box 349, Dade City
Monroe D. Cushing	10	Wallace Dunn	A. K. Smith	J. H. Seals	George C. Culbreth	1590 N. W. 5th Ave., Ft. Lauderdale, Miami
Fort Lauderdale	11	A. A. Mendosa	B. A. Piller	G. W. Carver, Jr.	George B. Stephenson	1237 S. McDuff Ave., Jacksonville 5
Plant City	12	H. G. Whittington	R. T. Landall	M. B. Boyer	Frank L. Miller	P. O. Box 479, Sanford
St. Augustine	13	D. F. Amerman	W. T. Lemke	M. B. Kropp	Frank L. Miller	Rt. 6, Box 600, Plant City
Lake Butler	14	W. A. McGill	K. M. Clavat	D. B. Knapp	Frank L. Miller	P. O. Box 1088, St. Augustine
Daywater	15	W. A. McGill	L. H. Kieve	O. L. King	Frank L. Miller	Box 205, Live Oak
Daywater	16	W. A. McGill	F. E. Brown	G. L. Tucker	Frank L. Miller	1529 N. E. 17th Way, Fort Lauderdale
Daywater	17	W. A. McGill	F. E. Brown	G. L. Tucker	Frank L. Miller	349 Leigh Road, West Palm Beach
Daywater	18	W. A. McGill	F. E. Brown	G. L. Tucker	Frank L. Miller	Box 205, Live Oak
Daywater	19	W. A. McGill	F. E. Brown	G. L. Tucker	Frank L. Miller	Monticello 3246, Five Points Sta., Cocoa
Daywater	20	W. A. McGill	F. E. Brown	G. L. Tucker	Frank L. Miller	1005 Y. Ford Rd., Ft. Pierce
Daywater	21	W. A. McGill	F. E. Brown	G. L. Tucker	Frank L. Miller	P. O. Box 1532, Lakeland
Daywater	22	W. A. McGill	F. E. Brown	G. L. Tucker	Frank L. Miller	Quincy
Daywater	23	W. A. McGill	F. E. Brown	G. L. Tucker	Frank L. Miller	2408 Terminal Dr., So. St. Petersburg
Daywater	24	W. A. McGill	F. E. Brown	G. L. Tucker	Frank L. Miller	Marianna
Daywater	25	W. A. McGill	F. E. Brown	G. L. Tucker	Frank L. Miller	H. A. Duckworth
Daywater	26	W. A. McGill	F. E. Brown	G. L. Tucker	Frank L. Miller	Kenneth B. Sears
Daywater	27	W. A. McGill	F. E. Brown	G. L. Tucker	Frank L. Miller	305 N. New Hampshire Ave., Tallahassee
Daywater	28	W. A. McGill	F. E. Brown	G. L. Tucker	Frank L. Miller	
Daywater	29	W. A. McGill	F. E. Brown	G. L. Tucker	Frank L. Miller	
Daywater	30	W. A. McGill	F. E. Brown	G. L. Tucker	Frank L. Miller	
Daywater	31	W. A. McGill	F. E. Brown	G. L. Tucker	Frank L. Miller	
Daywater	32	W. A. McGill	F. E. Brown	G. L. Tucker	Frank L. Miller	
Daywater	33	W. A. McGill	F. E. Brown	G. L. Tucker	Frank L. Miller	

DIRECTORY OF SUBORDINATE CHAPTERS OF FLORIDA

Name of Chapter	No.	High Priest	King	Scribe	Secretary	Secretary's Address
Leesburg	34	W. T. Hardaway	P. N. Little	J. D. Hart	D. A. McClellan, Jr.	414 W. Main St., Rt. 15, Leesburg
Sarasota	35	Wade Simpson	W. F. Burghmann	W. Wertheimer	Joseph G. McCall	415 Broughton St., Sevierville
Bay County	36	E. W. Blair	T. L. Peterson	D. Wertheimer	Joseph G. McCall	415 Broughton St., Sevierville
Crestview	37	G. B. Buchanan	R. V. Kicrease	E. R. Allan	Edwin D. Broaden	1301 Oakland Dr., Panama City
Winter Haven	38	A. L. Norwell	J. W. Freed	G. R. Ryder	P. O. Box 364, Crestview	P. O. Box 364, Crestview
Highlands	39	A. C. Peterson	R. C. Coals	R. C. Coals	P. O. Box 364, Crestview	P. O. Box 364, Crestview
Daywater	40	W. H. Anderson	L. C. Hammond	R. C. Coals	Robert N. Dujie	P. O. Box 364, Crestview
Nassau	41	D. E. Nelson	L. C. Hammond	R. C. Coals	Robert N. Dujie	P. O. Box 364, Crestview
Poinciana	42	W. W. Wilson	J. W. Joyce	K. C. McQueen	Robert N. Dujie	P. O. Box 364, Crestview
Monroe D. Cushing	43	Oliver G. Dodson	J. C. Taylor	J. T. Linton	J. A. Beard	P. O. Box 364, Crestview
Fort Lauderdale	44	Stanley Allen	J. E. Neworthy	Jog Foster	John R. Manning	P. O. Box 364, Crestview
Fort Lauderdale	45	H. R. Davis	Paul Blount	E. F. McFarland	John R. Manning	P. O. Box 364, Crestview
Fort Lauderdale	46	M. C. Willard	E. R. Wells	W. L. Lavin	John R. Manning	P. O. Box 364, Crestview
Fort Lauderdale	47	E. V. A. Janson	J. L. Fasthammel	W. P. Collard	John R. Manning	P. O. Box 364, Crestview
Fort Lauderdale	48	W. W. Brown	C. H. Dattel	W. P. Collard	John R. Manning	P. O. Box 364, Crestview
Fort Lauderdale	49				John R. Manning	P. O. Box 364, Crestview
Fort Lauderdale	50				John R. Manning	P. O. Box 364, Crestview
Fort Lauderdale	51				John R. Manning	P. O. Box 364, Crestview
Fort Lauderdale	52				John R. Manning	P. O. Box 364, Crestview
Fort Lauderdale	53				John R. Manning	P. O. Box 364, Crestview
Fort Lauderdale	54				John R. Manning	P. O. Box 364, Crestview
Fort Lauderdale	55				John R. Manning	P. O. Box 364, Crestview
Fort Lauderdale	56				John R. Manning	P. O. Box 364, Crestview
Fort Lauderdale	57				John R. Manning	P. O. Box 364, Crestview
Fort Lauderdale	58				John R. Manning	P. O. Box 364, Crestview
Fort Lauderdale	59				John R. Manning	P. O. Box 364, Crestview
Fort Lauderdale	60				John R. Manning	P. O. Box 364, Crestview
Fort Lauderdale	61				John R. Manning	P. O. Box 364, Crestview

STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR 1961

Number	CHAPTER 1961	Membership Last Year	Exalted	Reinstated	Affiliated	Total	Died	Demitted	Sus.—N.P.D.	Emeritus	Present Membership	Net Gain	Net Loss	Dues
1	Florida	251	7	0	0	258	1	3	13	7	241	0	10	318.00
2	Gainesville	223	15	6	3	247	3	3	4	6	237	14	0	330.25
3	Tampa	311	9	1	6	327	9	3	11	4	306	1	0	409.00
4	St. Johns	55	5	0	0	60	0	0	0	0	55	0	0	86.25
5	Halifax	266	5	0	1	272	3	2	0	0	266	0	0	337.50
6	Mount Horeb	617	36	3	3	659	8	3	7	5	641	24	0	878.75
7	Eureka	296	2	0	0	298	5	0	12	3	287	0	0	377.75
8	Putnam	50	4	0	0	54	0	0	0	0	50	0	0	75.50
9	Jericho	32	3	0	0	35	0	0	0	0	32	0	0	164.75
10	Jacksonville	852	17	1	2	872	23	9	33	11	807	45	0	1,070.00
11	Ocala	628	17	1	2	648	7	2	14	5	628	0	0	823.00
12	Monroe	133	3	0	0	136	3	1	0	0	133	0	0	183.00
13	Plant City	220	9	0	4	233	3	0	0	0	224	4	0	300.25
14	St. Augustine	122	5	0	0	127	1	0	0	0	122	0	0	262.50
15	Manatee River	197	1	0	0	198	0	0	0	0	197	0	0	53.00
16	Lake Butler	202	0	0	0	202	0	0	0	0	202	0	0	597.75
17	Keystone	54	0	0	0	54	0	0	0	0	54	0	0	160.50
18	Thomas Brown	423	29	0	1	453	12	3	16	8	424	1	0	328.75
19	Palm Beach	122	4	1	2	129	3	1	2	4	123	1	0	122.55
20	Live Oak	260	7	1	3	271	3	0	0	0	267	0	0	49.75
21	Jefferson	115	5	1	0	121	3	0	0	0	117	2	0	201.75
22	Indian River	46	4	0	0	50	2	0	0	0	46	0	0	215.75
23	Joppa	157	4	0	0	161	6	2	0	0	151	0	0	461.00
24	Lakeland	145	11	0	1	157	4	0	0	0	153	0	0	167.50
25	Gadsden	347	8	1	5	361	1	1	3	2	354	9	0	522.75
26	St. Petersburg	145	0	0	1	146	3	0	9	3	134	0	11	162.75
27	Jackson	363	21	2	6	392	17	0	6	3	366	3	0	179.75
28	Eustis	120	7	0	3	127	0	2	6	3	118	0	1	162.75
29	Leesburg	117	7	0	1	125	0	0	0	0	117	0	0	179.75
30	Sarasota	109	13	0	2	124	5	1	0	1	118	0	0	162.75
31	Lake City	84	6	0	6	96	3	1	0	7	90	0	0	125.75
32	Bay County	369	9	1	1	380	1	0	0	0	378	0	0	421.50
33	Crestview	309	34	1	1	345	1	4	54	6	323	0	46	485.50
34	Winter Haven	168	5	2	0	175	5	0	3	8	169	3	0	218.25
35	Highlands	74	0	0	3	77	2	0	0	1	72	0	2	93.75
36	Clearwater	48	11	1	0	60	3	0	0	0	57	0	0	223.00
37	Duval	374	13	0	0	387	10	3	5	6	369	0	5	496.00
38	Nassau	92	8	0	1	101	2	0	2	2	97	5	0	137.25
39	Poinciana	169	3	0	1	173	4	1	0	4	172	3	0	222.25
40	Monroe D. Cushing	145	5	0	1	151	6	2	4	10	139	0	6	181.25
41	Hill City	105	1	0	0	106	1	2	6	1	97	0	8	125.75
42	St. Joseph	46	3	1	0	50	1	1	0	0	48	2	0	69.50
43	Surf	166	9	2	1	178	2	2	1	0	173	7	0	241.25
44	Rocky Water	48	0	0	0	48	1	0	0	0	46	0	2	58.75
45	Hiram	145	7	0	0	152	2	2	6	0	142	0	3	196.50
46	Cabal	191	0	0	0	191	0	0	0	0	191	0	0	36.25
TOTAL		9,655	369	37	102	10,163	191	83	263	173	9,626	166	195	13,412.80

SUMMARY

Membership 1960		
Exalted		
Reinstated		
Affiliated	369	9,655
Total Additions	37	
Died	102	
Demitted		
Suspended	191	508
Total Deductions	83	
Net Loss	263	
Present Membership		
Emeritus Members	537	29
		9,626
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DIRECTORY OF CHAPTERS

Chapter	No.	Date of Charter	Location	Time of Meeting
Florida	1	1847	Tallahassee	Second Monday
				Fourth Monday optional
Gainesville	2	1879	Gainesville	Third Tuesday
Tampa	3	1882	Tampa	First and Third Friday
St. Johns	4	1885	Deland	First Tuesday
Halifax	5	1895	Daytona Beach	Second Thursday
Mount Horeb	6	1874	Pensacola	Second Monday
Eureka	7	1887	Orlando	First and Third Monday
Dade City	8	1895	Dade City	First and Third Wednesday
Putnam	9	1889	Palatka	Second Thursday
Jericho	11	1900	Miami	First Friday
Jacksonville	12	1854	Jacksonville	Second Thursday, Fourth optional
Ocala	13	1888	Ocala	Fourth Tuesday
Monroe	15	1893	Sanford	Second Tuesday
Plant City	16	1893	Plant City	Second Monday
St. Augustine	17	1903	St. Augustine	Third Tuesday
Manatee River	18	1904	Bradenton	Second Tuesday
Lake Butler	19	1945	Lake Butler	Fourth Monday
Keystone	20	1895	Ft. Lauderdale	Second Wednesday
Thomas Brown	22	1871	Bartow	Third Thursday
Palm Beach	24	1904	West Palm Beach	First Monday except Legal Holidays
Live Oak	25	1895	Live Oak	Fourth Tuesday
Jefferson	26	1905	Monticello	Fourth Wednesday
Indian River	27	1906	Titusville	Third Wednesday
Joppa	28	1906	Fort Pierce	First Tuesday
Lakeland	29	1909	Lakeland	Second and Fourth Thursday
Gadsden	30	1910	Quincy	Third Monday
St. Petersburg	31	1910	St. Petersburg	First Thursday
Jackson	32	1914	Marianna	Second and Fourth Thursday
Eustis	33	1914	Eustis	First Friday
Leesburg	34	1914	Leesburg	Second Tuesday
Sarasota	35	1915	Sarasota	Second Thursday
Lake City	38	1950	Lake City	Second Friday
Bay County	39	1945	Panama City	Fourth Monday
Crestview	40	1920	Crestview	Third and Third Thursday
Winter Haven	41	1920	Winter Haven	Third Friday
Highlands	42	1920	Avon Park	Second Tuesday
Clearwater	45	1922	Clearwater	Fourth Wednesday
Duval	48	1922	South Jacksonville	First and Third Friday optional
Nassau	49	1901	Fernandina	Second and Fourth Thursday
Poinciana	50	1923	Fort Myers	Second Tuesday
Monroe D. Cushing	54	1927	Tampa	First and Third Tuesday
Hill City	55	1927	Brooksville	Second Thursday
St. Joseph	56	1947	Port St. Joe	Second and Fourth Monday
Surf	57	1949	Fort Walton	First Monday
Rocky Water	59	1959	Eau Gallie	Fourth Thursday
Hiram	60	1954	Miami Shores	Second Monday
Cabal	61	1960	South Miami	Second Monday

The above dates of Charters are best obtainable from the files of the Grand Secretary's office. If any Charter dates are incorrect change will be made if proper evidence is furnished.