

THE YORK RITE
of
FREEMASONRY
of
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1974

**GRAND CHAPTER, ROYAL ARCH MASONS
GRAND COUNCIL, ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS
GRAND COMMANDERY, KNIGHTS TEMPLAR**

The Gala Banquet was held in the Everglades Room, South at 7:00 P.M. on Tuesday night May 21st. Robert O. Bell Past Grand Master acting as M.C. We were again honored by the presence of Cesar Antonio Suarez and his rendition of several songs, accompanied at the organ by Mrs. Harold L. (Jeannette) Beals.

Sir Knight James W. Geddes of Triangle Commandery No. 36, Eustis was presented with the Knights Templar Cross of Honor from the Grand Encampment Knights Templar of the U.S.A.

The Astronaut Trophies were awarded the various DeMolay Chapters.

Then came the treat of the evening, the address by Past Grand Master L. Evans Cray Jr.

Freemasonry and the challenge it faces today

I would like to address my remarks to the ladies primarily this evening and to the young men of DeMolay and young ladies of Rainbow who are here with us because the men and your men who are here know the things that I am going to tell you but perhaps they are a bit shy and a bit reluctant to tell you a little bit about Freemasonry. This thing that they go to behind tiled doors seemingly too many times during the week or too many times during the month, perhaps you wonder what it is and when they come home you say "what did you do tonight?" So, we had a meeting, we initiated somebody or we just had a meeting and discussed things. Perhaps, if you inquire a bit more, they clam up and then run off and don't really tell you what it is all about. So, I would like to tell you what masonry is about and explain what I feel is the great challenge of Masonry today and then try to enlist your help to help us in facing that challenge and solving it. You know, masonry has been variously described, but I think perhaps the greatest definition that has ever been given is that it is a system of allegory, a system of morality veiled in allegory and illustrated by symbols. A system of morality, a way of life, something that your man can live everyday, not just when he goes to the Lodge, not just when he puts on an apron, not just when he happens to go in a Shriners parade or happens to join with his brothers in some other activity, but a way of life, a system of morality. A way of life that demands the highest of integrity, the top that can be expected from anybody from an ethical standpoint and that is what makes him where he is. It is not a secret society but is a society or an organization with secrets. It should epitomize in your man's life and in the life of all of its members throughout the world the very highest of ideals. It demands that we consider each other brothers. It is indeed a brotherhood of man under the fatherhood of God. To believe in one supreme being is the one constant requirement in all Masonic memberships. And then for those who may not know, because we cannot go out and cross a light and bring members in, every man who belongs to a Masonic Lodge or a Masonic organization is there because he has first asked to be a Mason, he has made the decision within his own heart that he would like to join with other people of high principles and high morals, of great integrity in a worthwhile cause to serve during their lifetime. I have unfortunately met many men who are still waiting to be asked to join the Masonic Lodge. They didn't understand that until they came and asked somebody else, there won't be anybody around tapping them on the shoulder like Rotary, Kiwanis or Lions or the Elks or the Moose and the other fraternal organizations, they had to come ask first. So, ladies let that be a lesson if you have a son who is waiting for his father to ask him. I can tell you that perhaps one of the most painful experiences many fathers undergo is not being able to sit down and say, "son, why don't you fill out a petition and come join the Lodge? I have seen that happen in my home town and I know your husband has in his, so while we can't ask them, I certainly feel that the mothers and the sisters can encourage their sons or their brothers to join in an organization such as this that dedicates itself to the service of mankind. Now that's a little bit about what Masonry is and what it stands for. But it stands for a lot more than that for an individual. It stands for principle, the highest principle that we could think of and discuss here this evening. If I were to give several names I am sure you would recognize them immediately and what they stood for. When I think of Europe, I think of Garibaldi, the Liberator of Italy, a Mason. I

think of South America, and I think of Bolivar, the liberator of South America, a Mason . . . When I think of North America, I think of George Washington, the father of our country and a liberator of our country, a Mason. Now all of these men, while we consider them liberators were also Revolutionaries. That is a word that has an unfortunate connotation today, one that strikes terror into our heart and into our minds, when it is used in the newspapers or on the T.V. or on the radio. A Revolutionary . . . these men were Revolutionaries, revolutionaries in a sense that they belonged to an organization that had thoroughly engrained within their very beings the idea that men are free or should be free, that men are created equal or should be equal and that it is the God-given right of each of us to live under a system that permits this freedom and this equality and they had the courage to stand up and be counted when it was necessary; to suffer ex-communication on the part of Garibaldi, to suffer the possible loss of family, friends and fortune on the part of all three of those gentlemen and all others of like minds who joined with them in bringing about freedom to their various parts of the world. Now let's take a closer look at these United States and consider the challenge that presents itself to Freemasonry today. The challenge that calls to you and me as Revolutionaries in the concept of Free Masonry and the ideals that it espouses for all mankind. We in this country today are seeing perhaps the greatest exposé of the lack of moral leadership and character on all levels of government that has ever existed in the U.S. of America and certainly in Modern Times. And while that is to be condemned, those activities and practices that led men to such arrogance that they fought the law or disregarded the law even though there are swarms who oppose it. While that is bad, I feel that there is a greater challenge beyond that, we are seeing the erosion of our rights and liberties by the setting aside of the moral values that we hold dear and Freemasonry and we are seeing a campaign take place that could have most dire and serious consequences on the structure of Freemasonry. There is a law in our land today, such a feeling of consumerism, of determinism on the part of the government that it presents a most serious challenge to each of us here in this room, ladies I might state parenthetically at this point that there are two things which we don't discuss in Masonry. One is religion and the other is politics. What a man's religion and what a man's politics are, are his business. What I am speaking of this evening, while political in nature, doesn't reflect on any particular parties, doesn't reflect on any particular office holder, it reflects on an attitude of society a permissiveness that has been created by the lack of concern by you and me, the citizens of this country and such a severe challenge that unless we are willing to stand up and be counted, I feel that we won't have the opportunity *not* to discuss Religion and Politics much longer. We see on all levels of Government and we have those who read the paper, or attend various meetings, the attitude by our elected officials that while an action may not be lawful for an individual, the same action is lawful for a Governmental body, where they can by pressure, coercion and threats, achieve that which they are not lawfully entitled to achieve under the written law of the Mandates as passed by our Legislative body. We see individual citizens who are willing to give in to that type of pressure and coercion rather than stand up and be counted. Rather than to display that level of integrity that is expected of each one of us as a Master Mason. It is much easier to try to pacify, to hope things might change in the future than to stand up and be counted. We have, unfortunately, seen an action taken by the Legislature of the State several years ago which now has put into jeopardy the tax exemption that we have historically enjoyed on our Masonic Lodges. This has, in a sense, been taken away and I feel that we have not seen the end of that and that there will be continued activity on the part of those who supposedly represent us to limit and restrict the privileges that we have enjoyed before. Because government, for some reason feels that only it can supply the needs of Mankind. We have seen at the Masonic Home in St. Petersburg the cost of operation doubled from \$100,000 to almost One million dollars (\$1,000,000) in the last ten years, primarily because of governmental regulations that have taken place during that period of time. Standards to be met, standards that are the epitome of perfection. That which we would all strive, but that which is being imposed upon us by Governmental chaos. Reports that have to be made, more people to be employed to do a job that can accurately be done with less. At one point several years ago, \$10,000 worth of drugs that had been donated to the Masonic Home were taken away and buried by an inspector of the State of Florida because of the regulations of the State. We see people who need help in the Masonic Fraternities who have been receiving assistance from

the Government, and for each dollar that we gave them, a dollar is taken away by the Government, keeping them on a poverty level. Rather than cooperating with private charities and private enterprises, government wants it all or nothing. And yet we as the Citizens of this great nation, founded on Masonic principles are willing to sit idly by altogether too often rather than to stand up and be counted. We don't want to be counted because it might hurt us in our business, we don't want to be counted because it might hurt us in our social relations. We don't want to be counted because what good can just plain little old me do to change things, and I am here to tell you that plain little old you and me can change many things and it is about time that we did so. It is time that we took the Masonic Principles that we believe in and we live by and demand that those who represent us espouse and live by the same tenants of teaching because nothing more is expected by Man of God Almighty. It is time we exercised the right of ballot in a proper fashion and voted for whom we knew were going to represent us in that way. We should ask those in public office how they stand on the issues, and then don't hesitate to advise them unless they stand for what is right, they can't expect our support. Not, say oh yeah, you are doing a fine job, we are 100% behind you, unless we can say it honestly. It is time that we not only demand honesty in government, but we demand honesty in ourselves and stand up and be willing to be counted, because I can see through consumerism and I use that in a sense that the government is trying to take care of us from the cradle to the grave. The great government security that is so sought after in this country is going to destroy that which has made us the richest and the most powerful nation in the world. Freemasonry has flourished in the United States of America as nowhere else on the face of the earth because this country was founded on Masonic principles. The vast majority of Masons live in the United States of America. Those tenants and those principles which have made this country great up to now have permitted us to flourish, have permitted us to enjoy the privileges of life and have permitted us to enjoy the safety of the most powerful nation on earth and have permitted us to enjoy the blessings of God Almighty. And if we sit idly by and see those Masonic Principles change, if we sit idly by and see them ignored then we have nobody to blame than ourselves. The challenge is really an individual one. It is the willingness that you and I must have to stand up and be counted for that which we know to be correct whether it is within your own Lodge, your own business, your own community, or your own church. No less efforts than that can be successful in bringing again the realization to your country of the importance of the principles which we espoused, a free nation. I hope that each of us can join in this effort and bring about a reversal of that which we see existing each and everyday in our country.

May God bless you in this great meeting that we have here and may you carry forth the principles and teachings of your great nation throughout the State of Florida and through the Grand Jurisdictions respectively.

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 Masters
at Cleveland, Ohio
September 28 - October 2, 1975

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.I.) "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: 1974 and 4000—5974.

Scottish Rite—

Add 3760 years to the common era. Thus: 1974 and 3760—5734.
After September add another year.

Royal Arch—

Add 530 years to the vulgar year. Thus: 1974 and 530—2504.

Royal and Select Masters—

Add 1000 years to the common era. Thus: 1974 and 1000—2974.

Knights Templar—

From the Christian era take 1118. Thus: 1118 from 1974—856.

Order of High Priesthood—

To the Christian era add 1913, the year of Blessing: Thus: 1974 add 1913—3887.



EARL G. NICHOLSON

Grand High Priest

1974-1975

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

ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-SEVENTH
ANNUAL CONVOCATION

EDWARD H. BAXTER
Grand High Priest
PRESIDING

EARL G. NICHOLSON
ELECTED

HELD AT MIAMI
MAY 22-23 A.D. 1974 A.I. 2504

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ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL
CONVOCATION IN THE YEAR 1974

May 22, 1974

A sufficient number of Constituent Chapters being represented to open the Grand Chapter of R.A.M., the Most Excellent Grand High Priest Edward H. Baxter opened the Grand Chapter of R.A.M. in it's One Hundred and Twenty-Seventh Convocation at 8:30 A.M. with prayer by the M.E. Grand Chaplain Wilbur W. Masters Jr.

A Pledge of Allegiance was given to the Flag of our Country.

PRELIMINARY REPORT OF BUDGET-FINANCE COMMITTEE

(which was adopted)

Your Budget-Finance Committee recommends Per Diem for this Convocation be at the rate of \$20.00 per day and mileage at .15¢ per mile.

A. R. PEBBLES
J. D. YEAGER

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RETURNS AND CREDENTIALS

(which was adopted)

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

We your Committee on Returns and Credentials, find the list of Grand Officers and Grand Representatives of Chartered Chapters as furnished by the Grand Recorder at Roll Call is correct.

All Chapters have made returns and paid dues for the year and all are represented except St. Augustine Chap. No. 17.

U. V. DURDEN
JOHN E. DREHER
PAUL R. DAVIS

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

GRAND OFFICERS

EDWARD HART BAXTER *M.E. Grand High Priest*
EARL GUILFRED NICHOLSON *R.E. Grand King*
RICHARD I. LANIER *R.E. Grand Scribe*
RUSSELL WILSON HOUSTON *M.E. Grand Treasurer*
THOMAS NELSON MORRISON *R.E. Grand Recorder*
JOHN BRIDGES PHELPS *M.E. Grand Secretary, Emeritus*
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THOMAS E. MCGOWAN *Ex. Grand Sentinel*

PROCEEDINGS OF THE

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LESLIE C. BORTLE
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CHARLES W. AMOLD
ROY R. WRIGHT JR.

RUSSELL W. HOUSTON
JAMES W. MACDONALD
HAROLD L. BEALS
WALTER H. WINCHESTER
WOODROW W. CASH

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND HIGH PRIESTS

CALVIN K. PETERSON
JOSEPH D. MATHEWSON
ANDREW L. JANES
PETER S. MAZZEO

DEEM E. RAMEY
JAMES W. GEDDES
FRANKLIN C. SMITH
JAMES C. PRESNELL

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

Alabama—Henry C. Bengel	New Hampshire—D. A. McClellan Jr.
Alberta—Woodrow W. Cash	New Jersey—Harold L. Beals
Argentina—Fred C. Urfer	New Mexico—Goebel B. Buchanan
Arizona—Paul W. Chapman Jr.	New South Wales—A. R. Peebles
British Columbia—Raymond L. Ballard	New York—J. Fred Wilson
California—Edward H. Baxter	Ohio—H. Edward May
Canada—Richard I. Lanier	Oklahoma—C. Allen Pattison
Colorado—Tom E. McGowan	Oregon—Albert G. Rodgers
Dist. of Columbia—Earl G. Nicholson	Philippines—John B. Phelps
France—John B. Phelps	Quebec—William M. Walker
Georgia—James D. Yeager	Queensland—Roy R. Wright Jr.
Indiana—Walter I. Stevenson	Rhode Island—Paul R. Davis
Iowa—Myron E. Clark	Scotland—Stephen L. VanNorden
Kansas—Ross J. Hanes	South Carolina—Thomas N. Morrison
Louisiana—J. Richard Reid	South Dakota—Andred F. Jorgensen
Maine—Charles W. Arnold	Switzerland—Russell E. Strawn
Maryland—James W. MacDonald	Tennessee—J. W. Oder
Mexico—John B. Phelps	Texas—Russell W. Houston
Michigan—Howard M. Smith	Utah—Open
Minnesota—Joseph C. LeSuer	Vermont—Walter H. Winchester
Mississippi—Wilbur M. Masters Jr.	Washington—Jesse E. Hoffman
Missouri—Harry J. Guy	West Australia—Leroy E. Healy
Montana—Duane B. Young	West Virginia—U. V. Durden
New Brunswick—Howard P. Bennett	Wisconsin—Roy W. Larson

REPRESENTATIVES OF CONSTITUENT CHAPTERS

Florida	No. 1—John P. Clarkson Jr. (Proxy) H.P.
Gainesville	No. 2—Gordon N. Owen, H.P. William R. Horne, K. Milton E. Ryberg, S.
Tampa-Cushing	No. 3—Russell W. Wells, H.P. K. S.

GRAND CHAPTER OF FLORIDA

Halifax	No. 5—J. Powell Eaton, H.P. Joe W. Aspley, K. Ira A. Patterson (Proxy) S.
Mt. Horeb	No. 6—T. C. Taylor (Proxy) H.P. Leroy E. Healy (Proxy) K. Leroy E. Healy (Proxy) S.
Eureka	No. 7—William F. Perry, H.P. James E. Rowland, K.
Dade City	No. 8—Marvin E. Hall, H.P. John P. Mikusak (Proxy) K. Charles C. Rushing (Proxy) S.
Putnam	No. 9—Ralph A. Jones Jr. (Proxy) H.P. Earle G. Nicholson (Proxy) K. Franklin C. Smith (Proxy) S.
Jacksonville	No. 12—Wendell D. Harrington, H.P. Harold F. Enter (Proxy) S.
Ocala	No. 13—Phil W. Hammaker, H.P. John E. Schetter, K. Phil W. Hammaker (Proxy) S.
Monroe	No. 15—James R. Hammond, H.P. George Drew, S.
Plant City	No. 16—R. A. Daniel (Proxy) H.P. J. Martin Brown, S.
Manatee River	No. 18—Kenneth H. Johnson, H.P. William C. Buchanan, K. Donald F. Ammerman (Proxy) S.
Keystone	No. 20—Conrad Kerst, H.P. Vernon W. Burnell (Proxy) K. Emil Landi (Proxy) S.
Thomas Brown	No. 22—Paul W. Chapman Jr. (Proxy) H.P. Billie J. Collins, K. Billie J. Collins (Proxy) S.
Palm Beach	No. 24—Wilfred W. Froehlich, H.P. Harvey H. Benton, K. Calvin K. Petersen, S.
Live Oak	No. 25—Herbert J. Rees (Proxy) H.P. Herbert J. Rees (Proxy) K. Herbert J. Rees (Proxy) S.
Indian River	No. 27—H. Edward May (Proxy) H.P. J. Al Johnson (Proxy) K. J. Lamar Richardson Jr. (Proxy) S.
Joppa	No. 28—George E. Petrie Francis L. Dancy (Proxy) K. Warren H. Conklin (Proxy) S.
Lakeland	No. 29—Robert L. McCulloch Sr. (Proxy) H.P. Jas. W. MacDonald (Proxy) K. Robert L. McCulloch, S.
St. Petersburg	No. 31—Carl S. Casto, H.P. Walter A. Brimlow, K. S. L. Van Norden (Proxy) S.

Jackson	No. 32—	William C. Welty (Proxy) H.P.
Eustis	No. 33—	Alex Fox (Proxy) H.P. Raymond A. Best, S.
Leesburg	No. 34—	D. A. McClellan Jr. (Proxy) H.P. Neil E. Vibber (Proxy) K. D. A. McClellan Jr. (Proxy) S.
Sarasota	No. 35—	Claude Crain, H.P. C. Allen Pattison (Proxy) K. Albert G. Rodgers (Proxy) S.
Lake City	No. 38—	Wm. M. Walker (Proxy) H.P. Wm. M. Walker (Proxy) K. Wm. M. Walker (Proxy) S.
Bay County	No. 39—	Roy M. Bobo, H.P. J. Dan Malone (Proxy) K. Morgan Cartwright (Proxy) S.
Crestview	No. 40—	Grady M. Holmes (Proxy) H.P. Raymond L. Ballard (Proxy) K. Goebel B. Buchanan (Proxy) S.
Winter Haven	No. 41—	Edward E. Moore (Proxy) H.P.
Highlands	No. 42—	Charles E. Vigner (Proxy) H.P. Truman Elethorp (Proxy) K. Ernest P. Kirkback, S.
Clearwater	No. 45—	William Laurer, H.P. Daniel C. Gillespie (Proxy) K. Frank B. Clawson, S.
Duval	No. 48—	August M. Wilson, H.P. D. P. Phoenix (Proxy) S.
Nassau	No. 49—	Paul B. Livingston (Proxy) H.P. Paul B. Livingston, K. Paul B. Livingston (Proxy) S.
Poinciana	No. 50—	Fred Dewaters, H.P. George N. Wheaton (Proxy) K. George N. Wheaton (Proxy) S.
St. Joseph	No. 56—	Everett McFarland (Proxy) H.P. Everett McFarland (Proxy) K. Preston P. Presnell, S.
Surf	No. 57—	Oscar H. Mitchell, H.P. Charles W. Stanford, K. Keith E. Camizzi, S.
Melbourne	No. 59—	Konklyn J. Martin (Proxy) H.P. Ivan H. Adkins (Proxy) K. Konklyn J. Martin (Proxy) S.
Cabal	No. 61—	Frank J. Busbey, H.P. Jim Doig, K. Joe Wargoe, S.

The M.E. Grand High Priest appointed the following Committees:

DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

James W. MacDonald Thomas N. Morrison John B. Phelps

DISTRIBUTION

James D. Yeager Howard M. Smith

PROPOSITIONS AND GRIEVANCES

Charles H. Green Earl R. Allan Harry J. Guy

CHARTERS-DISPENSATIONS AND BY-LAWS

J. Frank Nettles Myron E. Goodrich Charles W. Amold

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Myron E. Clark Andrew F. Jorgensen

TIME AND PLACE

Robert G. Weisenbarger Daniel A. McClellan Jr. Earl G. Nicholson

THANKS

Joseph P. LeSuer

The Committee on Distinguished Guests presented the following:

Loyd D. Durden, M.I. Grand Master and Past M.E. Grand High Priest, Alabama, Richard S. Sagar, M.E. Grand High Priest, Georgia, Hayden M. Carmichael, M.I. Grand Master, Georgia, George E. Jones, R.E. Grand Commander, Georgia, Alvia Hearren, M.E. Grand High Priest, North Carolina, Warren H. Coolidge, R.E. Grand Commander, North Carolina, J. Dan Pool, M.E. Grand High Priest, South Carolina, James D. Penley, M.I. Grand Master, South Carolina, Sam L. Grant, R.E. Grand Commander, South Carolina, Robert F. Secret, Past M.E. Grand High Priest and Grand Secretary-Recorder, South Carolina, Wilbur A. Spain, M.E. Grand High Priest, Virginia, R. Claiborne Wilson, Past M.E. Grand High Priest, Virginia, Walter M. McCracken, R.E. Grand Commander, Virginia, H. Edward May, President National Sojourners, William M. Hollis, Past M.W. Grand Master, Grand Lodge of Florida, Sovereign Grand Inspector General, Southern Jurisdiction Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry and the 2nd Grand Equerry, Supreme Council of the Southern Jurisdiction, E. Leslie Webb Jr., Past M.I. Grand Master of Tennessee, Regional Deputy Grand Master, S.E. Region General Grand Council, R. & S.M. International and the personal Representative of M.P. Grand Master Hoyt McClendon, Charles L. Harrison, R.E. Department Commander, S.E. Department Grand Encampment K.T. of U.S.A. and personal Representative of M.E. Grand Master Roy W. Riegle, Walter H. Winchester, General Grand Principal Sojourner, General Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons International and the personal Representative of the General Grand High Priest Edward M. Selby.

Motion prevailed that those not already Honorary Members of the Grand Chapter, be made such.

Motion prevailed that the minutes of the last Grand Convocation be approved as printed and distributed.

REPORT OF THE M.E. GRAND HIGH PRIEST

EDWARD HART BAXTER

1973-1974

Which was received and referred to the Committee on Distribution.

Letters of regrets that they could not be in attendance were read from Past M.E. Grand High Priests, Ray Henry Schmidt and William J. Hofheinz.

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

Officers, Distinguished Guests and my beloved Companions of past, present and future rank. Today, we are assembled to assist in the One Hundred and Twenty-Seventh Annual Convocation of the Most Excellent Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Florida. We welcome each of you and hope you will find the functions of Grand Chapter of interest to you, and that you will return to your own Chapter enthused and inspired to spread York Rite influence through your community.

This report, I should add early, is a happy, a joyous and a thankful one. It would be impossible to report otherwise. The friendship, the true companionship of Earl Allan and his wonderful wife Minnie and of Charles Green have been something none of you, except possibly Joe LeSuer, can ever know. If you want a few hints as to the general demeanor of the District Meetings, take time to ask Tommy Morrison. He has been on just about every one of the District Meetings. You might also ask my wife, Jeanne, who has been with us on every occasion. If any of you are not married, I commend to you consideration of this state. I do not know what I would have done without Jeanne.

Due to death, and resignations during the years I have been privileged to be in the Grand Chapter line, I had less time than most to prepare for the office of Grand High Priest. Fortunately, all five of the Grand High Priests under whom I served have been excellent and have also been very helpful to me and to the Grand Chapter. There is a special place of honor in my heart for Jim MacDonald, who appointed me as Grand Sentinel. Do you remember, Jim, when we discussed the appointment, in the downstairs lobby of this same New Everglades Hotel? You were not certain whether you should appoint someone of my advanced years. Thanks be to God, I made it, with your help and that of so many others.

Although you will hear of it in other reports, I am glad to be the first to report a net gain for Capitular Masonry in Florida for the year. Although many other States had losses, we were among the more fortunate with a gain as of the most recent report of 107 members. This is despite the fact that we suffered 278 deaths among our membership and were forced to suspend 175. Some of these are not gone. If you will each make a special effort to contact them, you can regain many of these Companions who, for one reason or another, simply have not yet paid their dues. It is interesting to note that the relatively small Chapters added the most members to our rolls, but this is not necessarily the entire answer. Jacksonville started the year with 648 members and added sixty for a net membership of 703. This means, to me, that any Chapter, anywhere, of any size, can keep its members and add them.

I suggest that you talk to the members from Jacksonville. Whatever they suggest, try it in your own city or town. It worked for them and it could work for you. It is certainly better than having net losses of 29 as two of our Chapters had this year.

APPOINTMENTS

May 18, 1973—Appointed Neal D. Leach Grand Representative of Florida near Oklahoma.

August 4, 1973—Appointed Iser Choroszczanski as Grand Representative of Florida near the Supreme Grand Chapter of Israel. Appointed Foster Merker as Grand Representative of Israel near Florida. Appointed Wilhelm J. Van Es as Grand Representative of Florida near the Grand Chapter of the Netherlands. Appointed John A. Essink as Grand Representative of the Netherlands near Florida.

September 7, 1973—Appointed Robert F. Stark as Grand Representative of Florida near Pennsylvania.

October 22, 1973—Appointed Charles E. D. ... Grand Representative

January 10, 1974—Appointed Raymond M. Bealer as Grand Representative of Florida near Louisiana due to the death of D. Peter Laguens.

February 8, 1974—I was grieved to receive William E. Tanner's resignation as Grand Representative of Colorado near the Grand Chapter of Florida. Please accept my thanks for serving our Grand Chapter for all these years. Companion Tanner, and allow me to express the hope that you can return and serve us for many years to come.

February 21, 1974—Appointed John M. Busler as Grand Representative of Florida near the District of Columbia due to the death of George E. Umhau.

April 1, 1974—Recommended Thomas E. McGowan as Grand Representative to Colorado near Florida.

April 1, 1974—Recommended Charles A. Griffin as Grand Representative to New Zealand near Florida.

DISPENSATIONS GRANTED

A number of dispensations were granted during the year. All except one, as noted, were to receive and ballot on petitions short of time.

June 21, 1973—Jacksonville Chapter No. 12.

August 15, 1973—Ocala Chapter No. 15.

August 19, 1973. Indian River Chapter No. 27.

September 4, 1973—Eustis Chapter No. 33.

September 6, 1973—To Crestview Chapter No. 40, to hold their annual Open Air Conferrel of the Royal Arch Degree. I strongly recommend that all members attempt to witness this stirring exemplification of the degree.

September 16, 1973—St. Johns Chapter No. 4.

September 21, 1973—Jericho Chapter No. 11.

October 30, 1973—(After the fact) Duval Chapter No. 48.

January 1, 1974—Clearwater Chapter No. 45.

February 28, 1974—Ocala Chapter No. 13; Clearwater Chapter No. 45; Indian River Chapter No. 27.

March 7, 1974—Jacksonville Chapter No. 12.

March 15, 1974—Jericho Chapter No. 11; Eustis Chapter No. 33.

March 22, 1974—Eureka Chapter No. 7.

April 2, 1974—Florida Chapter No. 1.

April 6, 1974—A telephone call requested a dispensation to hold a special convocation in Starke, of Jacksonville Chapter, to receive, ballot on and confer the degrees in that city. It will be confirmed in writing and it is my intention to grant the dispensation.

April 16, 1974—Granted dispensation mentioned above to Jacksonville Chapter No. 12 (and I understand that the special convocation was a great success).

April 30, 1974—to Clearwater Chapter No. 45 to receive and ballot on petitions at a Special Convocation on May 1, 1974.

BY-LAWS

June 19, 1973—Ocala Chapter No. 13. Approved changing time of convocation to 8:00 P.M. on the fourth Tuesday of each month, and to recess during the summer months.

July 7, 1973—Lakeland Chapter No. 29. Approved change in annual dues to \$6.00 per year.

January 1, 1974—Lake City Chapter No. 38. Approved change of time and place to 7:30 P.M. on the second Tuesday of each month.

April 30, 1974—to Palm Beach Chapter No. 24 approved change permitting recess in July, August and September. (First Monday)

PROCLAMATION AND EDICTS

1. Proclaimed October 28, 1973 as religious affirmation day, in the hope that Royal Arch Masons would gather together in prayer and to show the public that we do care about God.

2. Proclaimed that "THE WORD" is not to be used in Florida during the year. It is not my prerogative to extend the Proclamation into my successor's year.

3. Edict requiring that the Symbolic Lodge dues care be checked before admitting anyone into a Chapter. It is my hope that this requirement will at a future date be included in our regulations. Let us make certain that we remain, not only Royal Arch Masons, but also, Master Masons.

I signed Vouchers No. 1 thru 79 in the amount of \$31,626.34.

IN-STATE VISITATIONS

Due to the declared energy shortage during the year, travel was somewhat limited. I was able to attend all eleven of the District Meetings. I spoke at four; Panama City, Palatka, Sarasota and Cocoa, at the last of which I received from Helen Van Valkenburg a "Who? Me" which graces the table next to my favorite chair. I hope everyone will remember my theme of "Who? Me" and act upon it through the years to come. Also attended York Rite Day at the Masonic Home in St. Petersburg, Masons for America Day in Melbourne and have accepted the invitation of the M.W. Grand Lodge in Jacksonville.

OUT OF STATE VISITATIONS

I was able to attend only two, in Gulf Shores, Alabama and in Asheville, North Carolina, both which were very enjoyable and instructive. I was invited to many others but had to decline the invitations due to work and transportation.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. The success of the Festivals, and the number of special dispensations requested, leaves me to recommend that the Constituent Chapters be granted the authority to receive and ballot on petitions at the same convocation. Remember that we are balloting on Master Masons who are subject to the discipline of their Lodges. This will require a change in our Grand Chapter Constitution.

2. Go after the young Masons, those who have the will, the energy and the imagination to really spread light and information to the less informed Mason. Give them petitions. Go with them to the convocations. Give them the instruction that you as a Royal Arch Mason can. They will carry the torch of Capitular Masonry to the latest posterity, which may not be available to those with more years to their credit. Have faith in Youth. They will Bring Faith in York Rite.

3. I believe that the Friday-Saturday series of District Meetings may be the only way it can be done. Eleven Saturdays would be ideal but it may not be possible for your ensuing Grand High Priests.

4. By all means, do continue the schools of instruction and urge each and every Chapter to avail themselves of the services of the member nearest to them. Let us unify Capitular Masonry into a single driving force which will be the one unifying force which will make Masonry into the very real, activating force in our country today and in all the tomorrows to come.

5. Revise the format of our Grand Session by having a joint opening for the purpose of receiving all distinguished guests. In this we would be taking a hint from other jurisdictions, who have done this successfully.

IN CONCLUSION

I leave this office convinced that York Rite Masonry is on the go, that it will become the "going factor" in Masonry; as it was a few centuries past. Making this come to pass depends, not upon me, the retiring Grand High Priest, but upon each of you who holds an office in his Constituent Chapter and upon those who are working with you in this coming year.

Strive to instruct your Companions in the true meaning of Capitular and the whole York Rite Masonry. Work with your "Blue Lodges." Remember that blue is the color of Friendship and that Friendship is the key to the whole of Masonry. Be a friend to man, and he will be a friend to you.

This one hundred and twenty-seventh annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Florida may not be the most dignified or the most effective in its history but, I hope it will be the most pleasant and the most inspiring. Let us return in our thoughts for the moment to our first night in a Masonic Lodge and "behold, how good and how pleasant it is, for Brethren to dwell together in unity."

GOD BLESS EACH ONE OF YOU.

EDWARD W. BAXTER
Most Excellent Grand High Priest

REPORT OF THE AUDITING COMMITTEE

(which was adopted)

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

We, your committee have audited the books of the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary for the 1973-1974 fiscal year and have found the records of receipts and disbursements correct in every detail. A physical check of U.S. Government Bonds in the safety box of the Grand Chapter agrees with the report of the Grand Treasurer both in amount and number. Balances in the commercial and savings accounts as well as the Charity Account also agree with the books of the Grand Treasurer. All receipts have been promptly deposited.

Vouchers and checks drawn have been supported by paid bills including expenses of the Grand Secretary. Bills that have been excessive in the amounts allocated by the Finance Committee have been reduced by the Grand Secretary. All joint expenses of the Grand Chapter, Grand Council and Grand Commandery have been prorated in accordance with established percentages.

When funds in the commercial account become excessive for our needs from time to time, your Grand Treasurer transfers the excess to the savings accounts thereby earning extra interest. This is good financing by the Grand Treasurer.

We commend the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary for an excellent set of records and a most efficient job, which it has been a pleasure to audit. The fraternity is indeed fortunate in having such dedicated companions. We hope they will continue to serve us.

Fraternally yours

ROY W. LARSON, P.G.M., *Chairman*
ROBERT O. BELL, P.G.M.
HAROLD L. BEALS, P.G.H.P.

REPORT OF THE GRAND TREASURER

(which was adopted)

Your Grand Treasurer submits the following report as of May 1, 1974.
May 1, 1974 Balance in Sun Bank of Riverside, Miami,
Florida checking account, as per 1973 proceedings..... \$ 6,692.60

RECEIPTS:

Received from Grand Secretary	\$16,121.90
Interest on Government Bonds	208.32
1973-1974 interest on 5% certificate, Sun Bank of Riverside, Miami, Florida	600.00
6 Government Bonds matured	6,000.00
York Rite Bodies, Clearwater, Florida, 1973 principal payment on 20 year loan of \$16,000.00	800.00
York Rite Bodies, Clearwater, Florida, 4% interest for one year on \$14,400.00	576.00
York Rite Bodies, Lakeland, Florida, 1973 principal payment on 20 year loan of \$28,000.00	1,400.00
York Rite Bodies, Lakeland, Florida, 4% interest for one year on \$26,600.00	1,064.00
York Rite Bodies, Ft. Myers, Florida, 1974 principal payment on 20 year loan of \$12,000.00	600.00
York Rite Bodies, Ft. Myers, Florida, 4% interest for one year on \$6,600.00	264.00
York Rite Bodies, Tampa, Florida, 1974 principal pay- ment on 20 year loan of \$12,000.00	600.00
York Rite Bodies, Tampa, Florida, 4% interest for one year on \$7,800.00	312.00
York Rite Bodies, Panama City, Florida, 1974 principal payment on 20 year loan of \$20,000.00	1,000.00
York Rite Bodies, Panama City, Florida, 4% interest for one year on \$20,000.00	800.00
Transfer from Sun Bank of Riverside, Savings Account.....	3,000.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$33,346.22
	\$40,038.82

DISBURSEMENTS:

May 17, 1973—Vos. 1 & 2, 1973 payroll Canaveral, Florida	5,886.70
Aug. 8, 1973—Vos. 24, York Rite Cocoa, balance on 1973 Host	325.00
July 31, 1973—Vos. 25, Sun Bank Riverside, Savings.....	6,000.00
May 25, 1974—Vos. 71, Sun Bank Riverside, Savings.....	6,000.00
Apr. 8, 1974—Vos. 63 & 74, Miami Host City 1974.....	325.00
Apr. 30, 1974—Vos. 3 thru 79, excluding 24, 25, 63, 71, 74	13,089.64
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$31,626.34
May 1, 1974—Balance in Sun Bank of Riverside, Miami, Florida, checking account	\$ 8,412.48

SAVINGS ACCOUNTS:

SUN BANK OF RIVERSIDE, MIAMI, FLORIDA—SAVINGS ACCOUNT:

May 1, 1973—Balance in Sun Bank of Riverside— Savings account	\$13,701.63
ADDITIONS:	
July 31, 1973—Transfer from Sun Bank of Riverside— Checking account	6,000.00
Mar. 25, 1974—Transfer from Sun Bank of Riverside— Checking account	6,000.00
Apr. 1, 1974—1973-1974 interest on Savings account.....	778.55
TOTAL ADDITIONS	\$12,778.55
	\$26,480.18

DISBURSEMENTS:

June 30, 1973—Transfer to Sun Bank of Riverside— checking	2,000.00
Nov. 19, 1973—Transfer to Sun Bank of Riverside— checking	1,000.00
TOTAL DEDUCTIONS FROM SAVINGS.....	3,000.00
May 1, 1974—Balance in Sun Bank of Riverside, Miami, Florida, Savings account	\$23,480.18

SUN BANK OF MIDTOWN, MIAMI, FLORIDA—SAVINGS ACCOUNT:

May 1, 1973—Balance in Sun Bank of Midtown, Savings account	\$10,836.03
Apr. 1, 1974—1973-1974 interest on Savings account.....	536.47
May 1, 1974—Balance in Sun Bank of Midtown, Savings account	\$11,372.50

SUN BANK OF CORAL GABLES—SAVINGS ACCOUNT:

May 1, 1973—Balance in Sun Bank of Coral Gables— Savings	\$ 5,757.95
Apr. 1, 1974—1973-1974 interest on Savings account.....	285.06
May 1, 1974—Balance in Sun Bank of Coral Gables— Savings	\$ 6,043.01
Certificate of Deposit No. 651, Sun Bank of Riverside, Miami, Florida, bearing 5% interest—\$600.00 in- terest received, see receipts in checking account July 1973	\$12,000.00

RECAPITULATION OF INVESTMENTS:

Sun Bank of Riverside, Miami, Florida, Savings account.....	\$ 23,480.18
Sun Bank of Midtown, Miami, Florida, Savings account	11,372.50
Sun Bank of Coral Gables, Coral Gables, Florida, Savings account.....	6,043.01
Certificate of Deposit bearing 5%, Sun Bank of Riverside, Miami Florida	12,000.00
York Rite Bodies, Ft. Myers, Florida, balance on 20 year loan (10 years), payable \$600.00 per year, and 4% interest on unpaid balance	6,000.00

York Rite Bodies, Tampa, Florida, balance on 20 year loan (17 years), payable \$600.00 per year, and 4% interest on unpaid balance	7,200.00
York Rite Bodies, Clearwater, Florida, balance on 20 year loan (17 years), payable \$800.00 per year, and 4% interest on unpaid balance	13,600.00
York Rite Bodies, Lakeland, Florida, balance on 20 year loan (18 years), payable \$1,400.00 per year, and 4% interest on unpaid balance	25,200.00
York Rite Bodies, Panama City, Fla., balance on 20 year loan (19 years), payable \$1,000.00 per year, and 4% interest on unpaid balance	19,000.00
TOTAL INVESTMENTS	\$123,895.69

GRAND CHAPTER—CHARITY FUND:

May 1, 1973—Balance in Security Federal Savings & Loan Assn.....	\$ 2,052.99
Apr. 1, 1974—1973-1974 interest on Savings account	127.13
	\$ 2,180.12

DISBURSEMENTS:

Apr. 12, 1974—General Grand Chapter R.A.M. of Ohio—Relief for Xenia Ohio tornado victims	100.00
May 1, 1974—Balance in Security Federal Savings & Loan Assn.....	\$ 2,080.12

Fraternally submitted,

RUSSELL W. HOUSTON
Grand Treasurer

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DISTRIBUTION

To the most Excellent Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons of Florida:

We your Committee on Distribution wish to submit the following report.

1. That portion of the Most Excellent Grand High Priests report which refers to finance be referred to the committee on finance.
2. That portion which refers to Dispensations, Charters and By-Laws, be referred to the committee on Dispensations Charters, and By-Laws.
3. That all Recommendations, By-Laws, Edicts and other matters be referred to the committee on Jurisprudence.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES D. YEAGER
HOWARD M. SMITH

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RELIGIOUS AFFIRMATION DAY

Edward H. Baxter
M.E. Grand High Priest
of the Most Excellent
Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Florida
Dear M.E.C. Edward H. Baxter, G.H.P.

In compliance with your Proclamation setting aside October 28th, 1973 as Religious Affirmation Day, and calling upon all companions to observe the same—I report the following of the 42 Subordinate Chapters Royal Arch Masons of Florida, 15 chapters indicated a response to your proclamation:

Nassau Chapter #49	Jacksonville Chapter #12
Duval Chapter #48	Putnam Chapter #9

Jericho Chapter #11	Mount Horeb Chapter #6
Joppa Chapter #28	Manatee River Chapter #18
Eustis Chapter #33	Surf Chapter #57
Clearwater Chapter #45	St. Johns Chapter #4
Dade City Chapter #8	Live Oak Chapter #25
Plant City Chapter #16	

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD I. LANIER
Grand Scribe

REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF TIME AND PLACE

(which was adopted)

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

We, your Committee on Time and Place Recommend that the next regular annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Florida be held on the prescribed days of May 1975 in the City of Orlando, Fla.

Respectfully submitted,

D. A. McCLELLAN JR.
ROBERT G. WEISENBARGER
EARL G. NICHOLSON

REPORT OF GRAND SECRETARY

(which was adopted)

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

Your Grand Secretary submits his 11th Annual Report.

Grand Representatives

All Commissions were issued and forwarded promptly

Annual Returns

All Chapters have made correct Returns and paid the necessary fee.

Statistical Data

Total Membership end of Year 1972	9854
Exalted	488
Reinstated	38
Affiliated	79
Total additions during the year 1973	605
Died	278
Demitted	45
Suspended	175
Total Deductions during Year 1973	498
Net GAIN for Year 1973	107
Membership end of Year 1973	9961
Emeritus Members exempt from dues	155

Thanks to those who assisted in the presentation of 50 Year Awards for other Jurisdictions and to those Secretaries who send in their reports promptly.

Fraternally submitted,

THOMAS N. MORRISON
Grand Secretary

REPORT OF THE MASONIC YOUTH ASSOCIATION

(which was adopted)

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

The Masonic Youth Association held four quarterly meetings at the Masonic Home at St. Petersburg. Your Grand Chapter was represented at three of these meetings.

The Association continues to aid the Order of DeMolay and Order of Rainbow for Girls through financial help.

The Chartering and Installation of the Grand Guardian Council, State of Florida, International Order of Job's Daughters was held at St. Petersburg on December 8, 1973 at which your Grand Chapter was represented by the member of the Masonic Youth Association. With the formation of the Grand Guardian Council, Job's Daughters will also be able to receive assistance from the Youth Association.

The Wally Schirra Trophy which is awarded annually was won by Cocoa Chapter which completed 11 Leadership Correspondence Courses during 1973.

I would suggest that the Grand Chapter continue its annual donation of \$600 to the Masonic Youth Association; that \$75 of this amount be reserved for the purchase of a Wally Schirra Trophy awarded by this Grand Chapter to the DeMolay Chapter in Florida which completes the most Leadership Correspondence Courses during the year 1974, and that $\frac{1}{3}$ the balance of this amount be sent to the Masonic Youth Association, and $\frac{2}{3}$ going to the expense of the DeMolay Supreme Council meeting in Orlando in March 1974.

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY ROSENTHAL, JR.
K.Y.C.H.

REPORT OF MASONIC YOUTH ASSOCIATION OF FLORIDA

(Which was adopted and will be found in Grand Commandery Portion of Proceedings)

Request for a loan to the Clearwater York Rite Bodies in the amount of \$46,000.00 was presented by Companion Orville W. Cassady and referred to the Committee on Finance and Budget.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MASONIC RELATIONS

(Which was adopted and will be found in the Council Portion of the Proceedings)

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PROPOSITIONS AND GRIEVANCES

(which was adopted)

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

Your Committee happily reports that peace and harmony prevails among the Workman and that no adverse actions have been brought to our attention.

Fraternally submitted,

CHARLES H. GREEN, *Chairman*
HARRY GUY
EARL R. ALLEN

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON WORK

(which was adopted)

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

We are pleased to inform you, that in addition to Seminars held in conjunction with the Grand Commandery and Grand Council at each District Meeting, Schools of Instruction were held in several Districts on Saturdays with

Perhaps attendance, in some cases was not as good as we had anticipated, we still had a large number of Companions present, and they displayed great interest, requesting clarification of various procedures and information contained in the "Red Book" which is issued to all Dias Officers.

Although many officers were unable to attend we are indeed grateful to those Companions who did attend to return and impart to their Companions information they had obtained. By this we are confident that all Companions involved are endeavoring to implement this in Chapters and thus the Chapter Work will become more and more uniform throughout the state.

We sincerely urge the Dias Officers to study their "Red Books," inform their Companions as to its contents, and along with other officers and companions attend these schools, particularly in their area if at all possible. We would also urge each E. High Priest to set aside in this program at least one night, hopefully more, for instruction from the committee member in his area.

Again, Companions, thanks for your attendance and support at these meetings and especially to our M.E. Grand High Priest for taking time from a busy schedule to be present at many of them, and granting us the privilege and pleasure of serving this Grand Chapter and we trust that we have been of some assistance to all.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. MACDONALD, *Chairman*
DUANE B. YOUNG
WILLIS D. PORTER
LAWRENCE L. HOWELL
THOMAS E. MCGOWAN

Resolution by Walter I. Stevenson (which was adopted and will be found in Grand Commandery portion of the Proceedings).

Certificates of Award from the General Grand Chapter were presented to the following Chapters which had shown a Gain of 10% or better.

St. Johns No. 4, Putnam No. 9, Eustis No. 33, Leesburg No. 34, Clearwater No. 45.

The General Grand Chapter Distinguished Service Medal was presented to Companion Franklin C. Smith. Companion Smith responded with remarks of appreciation. Other recipients of this Award present were Reuel Daniel, Paul W. Chapman Jr., Joseph J. Johnson, Orville W. Cassady and James K. May.

Companion L. D. Clark, Grand Representative of Florida in Oklahoma was recognized at this time.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS

(which was adopted)

To the Most Excellent Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons of Florida:
We, the Committee on Unfinished Business have examined the proceedings of the 1973 Grand Convocation of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Florida and find there is no unfinished business.

Fraternally submitted,

MYRON E. CLARK
ANDREW F. JORGENSEN

REPORT OF JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE

(which was adopted)

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

The Jurisprudence Committee has carefully examined the report of the Most Excellent Grand High Priest and we find that the dispensations, decisions, and other matters executed by him are in accordance with the Constitution, Laws and Regulations of the Grand Chapter.

This Committee also approves the several recommendations of the Grand High Priest.

Although the energy crisis limited visitations, this Committee wishes to commend the Grand High Priest for the very efficient manner in the discharge of his duties during his term of office.

Respectfully submitted,

WOODROW W. CASH
HAROLD L. BEALS
JAMES W. McDONALD
WALTER H. WINCHESTER
ROY R. WRIGHT

REPORT OF BUDGET-FINANCE COMMITTEE

(which was adopted)

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

INCOME

Per Capita	\$13,250.00
Exaltations	1,750.00
Principal on Loans	4,400.00
Interest on Loans	2,840.00
Interest on Savings	1,300.00
TOTAL	23,540.00

DISBURSEMENTS

Payroll	6,500.00
Distinguished Guests	1,220.00
Host City	700.00
Printing and Proceedings	1,000.00
Apron and Jewels	350.00
Per Capita, General Grand Chapter	996.10
Markers	250.00
Grand Officers Visits	700.00
District Deputies	300.00
Grand High Priest Expense	1,500.00
Grand Treasurer	750.00
Grand Secretary	2,000.00
Grand Secretary's Expense	850.00
Rent	350.00
Regional Conference	300.00
Youth Association	600.00
Plaques	65.00
York Rite Light	2,500.00
Committee on Work	300.00
Masonic Home	100.00
Masons for America	100.00
Contingency	2,108.00
TOTAL	\$23,540.00

Fraternally submitted,

JAMES D. YEAGER
ALFRED R. PEEBLES

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON THANKS

(which was adopted)

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

The Committee on Thanks recommends that the report on Thanks that was adopted in the Council be also adopted in the Chapter.

Fraternally submitted,

JOSEPH P. LESUER

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON NECROLOGY

(which was adopted)

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

PRAYER

Almighty God, our heavenly Father. Thou who are infinite in wisdom and limitless in tender compassion, we have come to trust thee. In this hour when our minds are full of memories of those whose lives in this earthly sphere have been completed, who have been called from labor to eternal refreshment. Our hearts are at peace because we can in great confidence commend them to thy closer care. So, bless unto our good the memory of these departed Companions. Help us to continue to cherish the fraternity which has made us one by our devotion to its ideals prove our love for those who walked with us for a while and now wait to receive us into that celestial Lodge above where there is no parting. Bless unto the enrichment of life our thoughts, our sentiments, our feelings in this Memorial Service. For thy Name sake, we pray. Amen.

In your minds eye, behold a beautiful forest. In it there is one tree that is taller, straighter and stronger than all the rest. It stands towering over the other trees and they seem to assume an appearance of dependency upon the great tree. It stands as a shelter against the winds and seems to lend support to other trees. We look at that tree and we say, that is a fine looking tree. There is nothing more for that tree to do except to serve in its benevolent capacity and fill its destiny here.

But, there comes a day when woodsmen are walking thru that forest. They come to a tree, tap it, look up to the top of the tree, then move on to another. Finally, they come to the greatest tree there and quickly decide to start chopping. The next thing you know the great tree is going down, bruising outwardly and inwardly the little neighbors as it brushes past them on the fall to the ground. That evening there is a vacancy in the forest. There is an empty space and you get the sense of mourning as the trees bow their branches. It is a sad time.

But, in another part of the world, there is rejoicing, as men with shuffling feet carry a big piece of furniture into the Temple. It is beautifully carved, shaped and polished and refined wood. It is an Altar and it proves to be the wood from that admirable tree that stood in the forest.

In much the same way, each year as some of our Companions are taken away, we are in sorrow. We feel lost without them. We look toward their places in the Chapter and experience the same emptiness of the forest. But how comforting it is to know also that like the shaped and polished and refined wood, our Companions are not ended but merely called to serve their creator in the Heavens above in still a greater way. In a manner let us rejoice from here, joining those who are rejoicing above as our Companions enter into that higher life to serve in their real destiny which is not of this earth but in that Temple not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. We are grateful to the Grand High Priest of Heaven and earth for His Providential care over the Grand Chapter Officers. However, we are saddened to learn of the passing of two of our Past M.E. Grand High Priests, George Alva Dane who was born at Homerville, Georgia January 28, 1882 and passed to the Grand Chapter on High July 21, 1973 and Martin N. Gerhard, born January 18, 1903 at Middlesex, Massachusetts and passed to the Grand Chapter on High December 6, 1973.

To our Sister Grand Jurisdictions we extend our sincere sympathy in their bereavement. A list of the fraternal dead in other Grand Jurisdictions is attached to this report.

DEATHS IN OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS

- ALABAMA—Charles Lloyd Campbell, M.E.G.H.P., June 25, 1973.
 ALBERTA—Harold Edward Bentley, M.E. First Principal, Feb. 19, 1974.
 ARIZONA—Nelson C. Bledsoe, P.M.E.G.H.P., Feb. 21, 1974.
 GEORGIA—Ira Reginald Huffaker, P.M.E.G.H.P., May 21, 1973.
 INDIANA—James Marion Knetzer, Right Excellent Grand King, April 11, 1973.
 IOWA—Charles Emmitt Wignall, P.M.E.G.H.P., October 6, 1973.
 KENTUCKY—Chester Arthur Riley, P.M.E.G.H.P., March 8, 1973.
 LOUISIANA—D. Peter Laguens, P.M.E.G.H.P., December 30, 1973.
 MISSISSIPPI—Horace Luther Villee, P.M.E.G.H.P., April 23, 1973; Riley Edward Davis, P.M.E.G.H.P., Oct. 4, 1973; David Doyell Williams, P.M.E.G.H.P., Sept. 16, 1973.
 MINNESOTA—Emil A. Wold, P.M.E.G.H.P., June 16, 1973; Fred Lee Doud, P.M.E.G.H.P., June 2, 1973.
 MONTANA—Earl Smith Bardwell, P.M.E.G.H.P., June 9, 1973.
 NEBRASKA—J. Adolph Wensien, M.E.G.H.P., 1973, Dec. 8, 1973.
 NEW HAMPSHIRE—George Bradford Ward, P.M.E.G.H.P., April 20, 1973.
 NEW YORK—Frederick C. Breithaupt, P.M.E.G.H.P., Feb. 3, 1974.
 NEVADA—William Edward Fitzgerald, P.M.E.G.H.P., Nov. 28, 1973.
 NEW MEXICO—William L. Ranville, P.M.E.G.H.P., June 22, 1973.
 OHIO—Ross W. Kreager, P.M.E.G.H.P., Sept. 10, 1973; Edward E. Gillespie, P.M.E.G.H.P., July 22, 1973.
 SOUTH DAKOTA—Amerigo Raimondi, P.M.E.G.H.P., Sept. 13, 1973.
 SASKATCHEWAN—Robert Claude Sipes, Grand First Principal, Jan. 28, 1974; Leonard James Chase, P.G.F.P., Jan. 24, 1974; Halldor K. Halldorson, P.G.F.P., May 18, 1973.
 TENNESSEE—James Haws Epps Jr., P.M.E.G.H.P., April 9, 1973; John Thomas Woodfin Jr., P.M.E.G.H.P., Dec. 11, 1973; Otway Yates, P.M.E.G.H.P., July 12, 1973.
 MANITOBA—Charles Franklin Lidster, P.G. First Principal, March 27, 1973; Charles Edgar Cole, P.G.F.P., May 31, 1973.
 WASHINGTON—Guy S. Rose, P.M.E.G.H.P., April 15, 1973; Obert C. Skodje, P.M.E.G.H.P., Sept. 3, 1973; Ralph P. Mulvane, P.M.E.G.H.P., Feb. 7, 1974.
 WEST VIRGINIA—Charles Lee Hammersla, P.M.E.G.H.P., May 11, 1973; Samuel Greenberry, P.M.E.G.H.P., July 1, 1973; Charles Tom Davisson, P.M.E.G.H.P., July 3, 1973.
 WYOMING—Edward N. Shellinger, P.M.E.G.H.P., Dec. 15, 1973; William E. Searle, P.M.E.G.H.P., Nov. 28, 1973; Raymond W. Allen, P.M.E.G.H.P., Sept. 24, 1973; Will A. Lee, P.M.E.G.H.P., April 28, 1973.
 MANITOBA—Ernest Isaac Waller, P.M.E.G.H.P., Oct. 12, 1973.
 BRITISH COLUMBIA—Richard L. Williams, Past Grand S, Jan. 12, 1974.

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

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

We your Committee on Dispensations, Charter and By-Laws have examined the report of the M.E. Grand High Priest and find that no Charters were is-

sued, and that all Dispensations and By-Laws approved by him are in accordance with the Constitution, Laws and Regulations of the Grand Chapter.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES W. AMOLD
J. FRANK NETTLES

Plaques were awarded to Jacksonville Chapter No. 12 for the largest percentage of Gain and to Sarasota Chapter No. 35 for the greatest number of Affiliations.

REMARKS BY WILLIAM M. HOLLIS, S.G.I.G.

Greetings and congratulations on your Gain this year. I am always proud of Gains in all branches of Masonry. It indicates that it has exposed many men to the great teaching of Masonry and America needs them. As we walk thru life there are places of service for all of us. I wish for all of you peace of heart and above all peace of soul.

Remarks by Walter H. Winchester, General Grand Principal Sojourner of the General Grand Chapter and the personal representative of the General Grand High Priest.

REMARKS BY DR. WALTER H. WINCHESTER

"Our General Grand High Priest, M.E. Companion Edward M. Selby asked me to present his regrets at not being with you today. The Grand Chapter of Florida represents one of the jewels in the world of capitular masonry—which because of our growth along with that so generally found in the southeast merits the attention of all masons with admiration.

Ed Selby has been busy this spring—visiting recently in Venezuela where a new chapter of Royal Arch Masons was instituted. He returned via Chapter in Mexico, and then to Europe for more official visits. Capitular Masonry is on the move.

He asked me to convey his appreciation for the support that our Grand Chapter gave the masons of Nicaragua when in distress, and likewise those in Zenia, Ohio, who were ravaged and shaken by the tornados, relief. This is the real spirit of masonry in action.

The General Grand Chapter in responding to a cry from all sides that it support some wide philanthropic effort has spent the past months in searching for a suitable vehicle. It now appears that this has come, in the form of a foundation, devoted to research. The first project that now bids for attention is about a method to screen for auditory perceptual defects. You can read an excellent article in the last Royal Arch Mason Magazine, written by our General Grand King, Gordon Merrick. Many children (some say up to 25%) are afflicted with an inborn defect that prevents the brain from hearing what the ear has already heard, and as a consequence the children often become behavioral problems, delinquents, drop-outs. If discovered early enough, before the school years if possible, remedial training can help tremendously in the prevention of these consequences. This Royal Arch Foundation will be funded probably by voluntary contributions. The Grand Chapter of South Carolina this past March voted to participate. I hope that our Grand Chapter of Florida will follow up in a worthwhile program. At the Triennium in Cleveland in 1975 you'll be hearing a lot more about it."

The Grand Chapter was recessed at 11:25 until Thursday, May 23, 1974, 8:30 A.M.

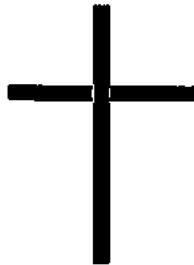
To the Memory of the
Companions of This Grand
Jurisdiction

Who have passed on to that eternal life
during the year

This Page we fraternally dedicate

*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.



THE GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS
of the State of Florida

In Memoriam

George Alba Dame

Grand High Priest 1935-1936

Born

January 28, 1882

Homer ville, Georgia

Died

July 31, 1973

Lake Alfred, Florida

THE GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS
of the State of Florida

In Memoriam

Martin Nissen Gerhard
Grand High Priest 1963 - 1964

Born
January 18, 1903
Middlesex, Massachusetts

Died
December 6, 1973
Dunedin, Florida

Business was resumed in the Grand Chapter May 23, 1974 at 8:30 A.M. with prayer by the M.E. Grand Chaplain Wilbur W. Masters Jr.

Past M.E. Grand High Priest Charles W. Arnold the Registrar of Florida Priory No. 60, Knights of the York Cross of Honour presented Certificates of the York Grand Cross of Honour to Companion Woodrow W. Cash and Earl G. Nicholson.

M.E. Grand High Priest Richard S. Sagar spoke for the Distinguished Guests of their appreciation for the many courtesies afforded them while with us and for the Honorary Memberships that they had received, and for the friendships that they meant. He presented M.E. Grand High Priest Edward H. Baxter and R.E. Grand King Earl G. Nicholson with a pair of White gloves.

M.E. Grand High Priest Alvia Hearren brought to the attention of the Companions the Annual Assembly at Waynesville, North Carolina starting July 14th. The new Holiday Inn in Maggie Valley would accept reservations to July 1st and urged all who could to attend.

Motion prevailed that Frank Lewis Roberson a Past High Priest of Virginia who had Affiliated with Winter Haven Chapter No. 41 RAM at Winter Haven, be recognized as a Past High Priest in Florida.

The Election of Officers was held with the following results:

EARL G. NICHOLSON	M.E. Grand High Priest
RICHARD I. LANIER	R.E. Grand King
J. W. ODER	R.E. Grand Scribe
RUSSELL W. HOUSTON	M.E. Grand Treasurer
THOMAS N. MORRISON	R.E. Grand Secretary
WILBUR W. MASTERS JR.	M.E. Grand Chaplain

The incoming M.E. Grand High Priest appointed the following:

JOSEPH C. LESUER	Ex. Grand Captain of the Host
DUANE B. YOUNG	Ex. Grand Principal Sojourner
JOHN F. WILSON	Ex. Grand Royal Arch Captain
HOWARD P. BENNETT	Ex. Grand Master Third Veil
HENRY C. BENGEL	Ex. Grand Master Second Veil
THOMAS E. MCGOWAN	Ex. Grand Master First Veil
WILLIAM R. PENNINGTON	Ex. Grand Sentinel

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND HIGH PRIESTS

- District No. 1—Myron E. Goodrich, 10536 N.W. 32nd Place, Miami 33147, Phone 305 836-3526. Jerico No. 11, Palm Beach No. 18, Cabal No. 61.
- District No. 2—Claude Crain, 1600 Warrington St., Sarasota 33579, Phone 813 922-7586. Manatee River No. 18, Sarasota No. 35, Poinciana No. 50.

- District No. 3—Algernon A. Goodwin, 2340 - 38th Ave. No., St. Petersburg 33713, Phone 813 527-2213. Tampa-Cushing No. 8, St. Petersburg No. 31, Clearwater No. 45.
- District No. 4—Larry M. Clinton, 713 Crestwood Dr. N.W., Winter Haven 33880, Phone 813 293-6883, Office 305 241-6791. 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—Theodore E. Windhorst, Rt. 3, Box 705-C, DeLand 32720. St. Johns No. 4, Halifax No. 5, Eureka No. 7, Monroe No. 15.
- District No. 6—Cohen C. Hodges, P.O. Box 193, Eustis 32726, Phone 904 669-3581. Ocala No. 13, Eustis No. 33, Leesburg No. 34.
- District No. 7—Thomas R. Priddy, 1909 Mill Creek Rd., Jacksonville 32211, Phone Res. 904 724-0216, Bus. 904 356-8242. Putnam No. 9, Jacksonville No. 12, St. Augustine No. 17, Duval No. 48, Nassau No. 49.
- District No. 8—William M. Walker, 2272 W. Hillsboro St., Lake City 32055, Phone 904 752-3742. Gainesville No. 2, Live Oak No. 25, Lake City 38.
- District No. 9—Arthur J. Payne, 1017 W. 9th St., Panama City 32401, Phone 904 785-4517. Florida No. 1, Jackson No. 32, Bay No. 29, St. Joseph No. 36.
- District No. 10—Willis D. Porter, 17 Alexander Place, Ft. Walton Beach 32548, Phone 904 243-3994. Mt. Horeb No. 6, Crestview No. 40, Surf No. 57.
- District No. 11—Francis L. Dancy, 312 No. 22nd Street, Ft. Pierce 33450, Phone Res. 305 464-0853, Bus. 305 465-5053. Indian River No. 27, Joppa No. 28, Melbourne No. 59.

The Grand Chapter was recessed at 9:10 A.M. for the purpose of open installation.

The Elective and Appointive Officers were installed with Past M.E. Grand High Priest Harold L. Beals as Installing Officer, M.E. Grand High Priest Edward H. Baxter as Installing Chaplain and R.E. Thomas N. Morrison as Installing Marshal.

The ladies were excused and business resumed in the Grand Chapter.

Past M.E. Grand High Priest Edward H. Baxter was presented his Past Grand High Priest Jewel by R.E. Thomas N. Morrison.

The M.E. Grand High Priest appointed the following Committees:

COMMITTEES

PRINTING

Thomas N. Morrison

JURISPRUDENCE

Woodrow W. Cash Dr. Walter H. Winchester William J. Hofheinz
James W. MacDonald Edward Baxter

RETURNS AND CREDENTIALS

John E. Dreher, 3 years Paul R. Davis, 2 years
U. V. Durden, 1 year

MILEAGE AND PER DIEM

Leslie C. Bortle, 3 years J. Frank Nettles, 2 years
Fred C. Urfer, Jr., 1 year

CUSTODIAN OF THE WORK

Charles W. Arnold Roy R. Wright, Jr.

MASONIC RELATIONS AND DEMOLAY

Franklin C. Smith Harry R. Rosenthal, Jr.

TRIENNIAL

Richard I. Lanier James W. Oder Joseph Cyrus LeSuer

FINANCE BUDGET

H. A. Brosnahan, Jr. J. D. Yeager Walter I. Stevenson

FLORIDA YORK RITE LIGHT

Harold W. Kelley Thomas N. Morrison

BENEVOLENCE

Wilbur W. Masters Arthur Wissler Robert R. Regal

AUDITING

Roy W. Larson Thomas E. McGowan Charles H. Green

COMMITTEE ON WORK

James W. MacDonald, Chairman Thomas E. McGowan, South Florida
Duane B. Young, Central Florida Willis D. Porter, Northwest Florida
Lawrence L. Howell, Northeast Florida

The Grand Secretary was instructed to send a wire of good wishes to the M.W. Grand Master George L. Myers.

Companion Warren H. Conklin presented the M.E. Grand High Priest with a gavel, a specimen of his craftsmanship.

The M.E. Grand High Priest Earl G. Nicholson brought an inspiring message on Capitular Masonry in Florida and his Motto to the Craft for the Year, "For any task Great or Small we will serve Capitular Masonry."

The Grand Chapter was closed with prayer at 11:15 A.M.

THOMAS N. MORRISON
R.E. Grand Secretary

EARL G. NICHOLSON
M.E. Grand High Priest

OFFICERS

of the

General Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons

A.D. 1972-1975

ELECTIVE

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THE FIFTY-SIXTH TRIENNIAL CONVOCATION

WILL BE HELD IN

COLUMBUS, OHIO

SEPTEMBER 28 - OCTOBER 2, 1975



**Recipients In Florida
of the
General Grand Chapter R. A. M.
Distinguished Service Medal**

Leroy J. Shellburg	1952
Charles G. Oldfather	1953*
Nathan G. Stout	1954*
J. W. Nelson	1955*
James R. McCoy	1956*
Frederick D. McDonald	1957*
C. Shellie Matthews	1958
John E. Marley	1959
Joseph B. Johnson	1960*
Frank L. Miller	1961*
Reuel Daniel	1962
Paul W. Chapman, Jr.	1963
Gilbert A. Williams	1964
J. T. Williams	1965*
Noah M. Early	1966
J. Van Loy	1967**
Walter S. Brady	1968
Joseph J. Johnson	1969
Wallace P. Dix	1970
Glenn E. Pletcher	1971*
Orville W. Cassady	1972
James K. May	1973
Franklin C. Smith	1974

*Denotes deceased.
**Denotes Demitted.

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With the Year of Service and Their Address**

1938	John B. Phelps.....	201 Curtiss Parkway, Miami Springs	33166
1947	Loren L. Dilger.....	1512 E. Gonzalez St., Pensacola	32501
1949	Leslie Clayton Bortle.....	2305 Arbuckle Creek Rd., Sebring	33870
1953	Wilbur Welling Masters, Jr.....	817 Dante Place, Jacksonville	32207
1955	Alexander Clement Blount.....	P. O. Box 1969, Pensacola	32502
1957	William Joshua Abram.....	117 Graves Ave., Erlanger, Kentucky,	41018
1958	Charles Winn Arnold.....	228 E. Miller St., Orlando	32806
1962	Ray Henry Schmidt.....	P. O. Box 837, Panama City	32401
1964	Henry Ashton Brosnaham, Jr.	P. O. Box 1348, Pensacola	32502
1965	Roy R. Wright, Jr.....	1401 Palmetto Ave., Sanford	32771
1966	Lofton D. Chiles.....	734 Hempstead Dr., Orlando	32803
1967	Russell W. Houston.....	7500 S.W. 64th Ct., Miami	33143
1967	James W. MacDonald.....	P. O. Box 670, Lakeland	33802
1968	Harold L. Beals	425 N.W. 87th St., Miami	33150
1970	William J. Hofheinz.....	1230 Circle Dr., Tallahassee,	32301
1971	Walter H. Winchester	241 Scotland St., Dunedin	33528
1972	Woodrow W. Cash	P.O. Box 258, Sanford	32771
1973	Edward H. Baxter		

**DECEASED PAST GRAND HIGH PRIESTS
AND YEAR OF SERVICE**

1847	Thos. Douglas	1909	Samuel Pasco
1848	John P. Duval	1910	T. Picton Warlow
1849	Isaac H. Bronson	1911	F. B. Stoneman
1850	Harry R. Taylor	1912	Robert McClellan
1851	Thomas Brown	1913	H. N. Sweating
1852	R. A. Shine	1914	John M. Caldwell
1853	Samuel Boardman	1915	William C. Andress
1854-1855	J. Wayles Baker	1916	William R. O'Neal
1856	Thomas Hayward	1917	D. B. Palmer
1857	Gad Humphreys	1918	Charles H. Ketchum
1858	Thomas Hayward	1919	W. V. Carter
1859	D. P. Holland	1920	H. O. Snow
1860	Thomas Y. Henry	1921	John L. Hall
1861-1864	George F. Baltzell	1922	Ralph J. Kispough
1865-1867	David Jones	1923	Ely P. Hubbell
1868	James Ellenwood	1924	Earl L. Wirt
1869-1871	C. D. Dawkins	1925	T. T. Todd
1872	William Morrill	1926	E. L. Shear
1873-1874	Michael Bowes	1927	Carey B. Fish
1875	Henry W. Long	1928	Riley J. McMaster
1876-1877	John S. Diggs	1929	John Pasco
1878	Enos Wasgate	1930	Stafford Caldwell
1879-1880	Robert J. Perry	1931	Alex B. Stewart
1881-1882	W. A. McLean	1932	William B. Greer
1883	George S. Hallmark	1933	R. P. Buckmaster
1884-1885	William E. Anderson	1934	Archie Aitchison
1886-1887	Angus Patterson	1935	George A. Dame
1888-1889	Marcus Endel	1963	Martin N. Gerhard
1890	J. W. Boyd	1936	Cleveland R. Horne
1891	T. S. Wilmarth	1937	J. Lloyd Head
1892	Irving E. Webster	1939	Jesse C. Clark
1893	Silas B. Wright	1940	Dorsey H. Rutter
1894	William M. McIntosh	1941	Frederic A. Riegel
1895	John H. Stevens	1942	William L. Marshall
1896	William H. Jewell	1943	J. E. Herring
1897	Warren Tyler	1944	Geo. Albert Lambe
1898	Wilber P. Webster	1946	Harry R. Thompson
1899	James Carnell	1950	Carl H. Papier
1900	E. E. Haskell	1951	Orville A. Clark
1901	A. M. Cushman	1952	Richard Houghton
1902	J. R. Wetherell	1954	Thomas E. Dickenson
1903	T. G. Hutchinson	1956	Herman J. Wendland
1904	Louis C. Massey	1959	J. Robert Moore
1905	Olin S. Wright	1960	L. Earl Curry
1906	Joseph R. Keller	1961	James A. Winfield
1907	William S. Ware	1963	Martin N. Gerhard
1908	John H. Weddell	1970	Floyd M. Crippen

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Eureka	7	Orlando	200 E. Central Blvd.	422-0866
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Putnam	9	Palatka	1334 Grill Avenue	325-5755
Jerico	11	Miami	1690 N.W. No. River Dr.	654-7049
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Palm Beach	24	West Palm Beach	311 1/2 Clematis St.	832-5830
Live Oak	25	Live Oak	No. Ohio Ave. opp. City Hall	None
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Joppa	28	Ft. Pierce	29th St. So. of Virginia Ave.	461-1681
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Kissimmee No. 10	Kissimmee Charter Arrested 1926
Inverness No. 14	Inverness Charter Arrested 1936
Island No. 21	Key West Charter Surrendered 1918
Chipley No. 23	Chipley Charter Surrendered 1932
Jefferson No. 25	Monticello Charter Arrested 1966
Gadsden No. 30	Quincy Consolidated with Florida No. 1 Tallahassee 1967
Arcadia No. 36	Arcadia Charter Arrested 1932
Walton No. 37	DeFuniak Springs Charter Surrendered 1928
Providence No. 38	Lake City Charter Arrested 1939
Bay County No. 39	Panama City Charter Arrested 1933 Restored 1945
Melbourne No. 43	Union Charter Arrested 1936
Perry No. 44	Perry Charter Arrested 1933
Okeechobee No. 46	Okeechobee Charter Surrendered 1932
Dade No. 47	Homestead Charter Surrendered 1930
Nassau No. 49	Fernandina Charter Arrested 1936 Restored
New Smyrna No. 51	New Smyrna Charter Arrested 1936
Orange No. 52	Winter Garden Charter Surrendered 1930
Delray No. 53	Delray Charter Surrendered 1932
M. D. Cushing No. 54	Tampa Consolidated with Tampa No. 3, now Tampa-Cushing 1967
Hiram No. 58	Miami Shores Set Up U.D. 1954 in the Proceedings of 1959 shown as No. 60 and under such name and number Consolidated with Jerico No. 11 Miami 1965
Canaveral No. 62	Consolidated with Indian River No. 27 Titusville 1967
Lake Butler No. 19	Consolidated with Lake City No. 38 December 1969
Hill City No. 55	Consolidated with Dade City No. 8 December 1971

STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR 1973

Number	CHAPTER 1973	Membership Last Year	Exalted	Reinstated	Affiliated	Total	Died	Demitted	Susp. N.P.D.	Emeritus	Present Membership	Net Gain	Net Loss	Dues
1	Florida	335	4	1	1	341	7	21	26	5	306	0	29	408.75
2	Gainesville	295	16	3	0	304	7	0	1	3	296	1	0	410.00
3	Tompa-Cushing	357	15	2	0	377	13	2	13	13	349	0	8	516.25
4	St. Johns	50	6	0	0	63	1	0	0	0	62	12	0	111.25
5	Halifax	280	0	0	0	289	9	3	5	4	272	0	8	395.00
6	Mt. Horeb	587	27	2	3	619	11	1	6	10	601	14	0	891.25
7	Eureka	362	0	0	0	371	14	0	0	2	357	0	5	491.25
8	Dade City	156	5	0	0	163	5	1	1	4	156	0	0	222.50
9	Putnam	155	24	0	0	181	6	0	2	1	173	18	0	342.50
10	Jerico	786	15	3	5	811	28	5	19	17	759	0	29	1047.50
11	Jacksonville	648	76	4	4	733	19	1	5	9	708	60	0	1283.75
12	Ocala	91	1	0	2	94	0	0	0	2	94	3	0	120.00
13	Monroe	204	5	1	3	213	8	0	0	4	204	0	0	287.50
14	Plant City	124	5	0	2	131	5	0	3	2	123	0	1	182.50
15	St. Augustine	167	1	0	0	168	6	0	1	3	161	0	6	210.00
16	Manatee River	179	9	1	2	191	4	3	3	1	181	2	0	280.00
17	Keystone	438	16	0	2	456	14	3	6	2	433	0	5	640.00
18	Thomas Brown	98	1	0	0	99	3	2	1	1	93	0	5	126.25
19	Palm Beach	227	1	0	0	228	4	0	1	2	223	0	2	286.25
20	Live Oak	165	10	0	0	175	6	0	6	5	163	0	4	255.00
21	Indian River	265	6	1	3	275	4	1	5	9	265	0	0	357.50
22	Joppa	201	9	1	2	213	10	0	6	1	197	0	4	303.75
23	Lakeland	363	18	0	3	384	9	6	8	5	361	0	2	553.75
24	St. Petersburg	251	5	2	1	259	10	4	0	1	245	0	6	350.00
25	Jackson	119	5	0	0	124	1	0	3	3	120	1	0	172.50
26	Eustis	115	15	0	0	132	5	0	0	7	127	12	0	232.50
27	Leesburg	144	17	0	2	163	3	0	2	0	158	14	0	286.25
28	Sarasota	135	4	1	7	147	3	1	0	1	143	8	0	203.75
29	Lake City	211	15	2	0	228	5	0	11	4	212	11	0	343.75
30	Bay County	368	39	4	3	414	6	1	5	3	402	34	0	707.50
31	Crestview	336	15	1	0	352	3	0	16	5	333	0	3	490.00
32	Winter Haven	203	13	0	2	218	9	0	2	4	207	4	0	330.00
33	Highlands	85	0	0	0	85	4	0	4	0	77	0	8	101.25
34	Clearwater	233	28	0	3	264	6	2	0	7	256	23	0	461.25
35	Duval	337	7	2	2	348	10	0	7	4	331	0	6	458.75
36	Nassau	96	5	0	1	102	1	0	0	2	101	5	0	150.00
37	Poinciana	252	13	0	4	269	8	1	0	3	260	8	0	397.50
38	St. Joseph	59	3	2	0	64	1	1	4	3	58	0	1	87.50
39	Surf	227	21	1	4	253	7	2	3	0	241	14	0	418.75
40	Melbourne	106	4	0	1	111	2	0	0	4	109	3	0	158.75
41	Cabal	42	4	0	1	47	1	2	0	0	44	2	0	77.50
TOTAL		9854	488	38	79	10459	278	45	175	154	9961	239	132	\$15,150.00

SUMMARY

Membership end of Year 1972 shown as 9853 should have been.....	9854
Exalted	488
Reinstated	38
Affiliated	79
Total additions during Year 1973.....	605
Died	278
Demitted	45
Suspended	175
Total deductions during Year 1973.....	498
Net Gain for Year 1973.....	107
Membership end of Year 1973.....	9961
Emeritus Members exempt from dues	155

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18	Bradenton	Manatee River	1904	2nd Tuesday except July-Aug.-Sept. 8:00 P.M.	Kenneth H. Johnson Rt. 1 Box 168-A. Bowling Green 33834
45	Clearwater	Clearwater	1922	Last Wednesday each month	William Lauer, 22 Gulf-to-Bay Lot 138, Clearwater, 33515
27	Cocoa	Indian River	1905	2nd Wednesday	Randy L. Ziegler, 3935 Alachua Trussville 32780
40	Crestview	Crestview	1920	2nd Tuesday 7:00 P.M.	Lee Marvin Davis P.O. Box 761 Crestview 32536
8	Dade City	Dade City	1895	1st Wednesday 8:00 P.M.	Marvin E. Hall, Rt. 3, Box 300 Dade City 33525
5	Daytona Beach	Halifax	1896	2nd Thursday	J. Powell Eaton, 239 So. Ridgewood Ave., Daytona Beach, 32014
4	DeLand	St. Johns	1885	1st Tuesday	Arnold J. Oodd, 925 Roberts Blvd. DeLand 32783
33	Eustis	Eustis	1914	1st Friday	Curtis N. Jackson, Rt. 1 Box 1152 Mt. Dora 32757
49	Fernandina Beach	Nassau	1901	2nd & 4th Thursdays 8:00 P.M. except July-Aug.-Sept.	Lennie M. Hollingsworth, P.O. Box 340 Fernandina Beach 32034
20	Ft. Lauderdale	Keystone	1895	2nd Wednesday except July-August	Conrad Korst, 4306 N.W. 44th St. Ft. Lauderdale 33313
50	Ft. Myers	Poinciana	1923	2nd Tuesday 8:00 P.M.	Fred DeWaters, 1640 St. Clair North Ft. Myers 33903
28	Ft. Pierce	Joppa	1905	1st Tuesday except July-August	George E. Petrie, 6205 So. Federal Hwy. Ft. Pierce 33940
57	Ft. Walton Bch	Surf	1949	1st Monday 7:00 P.M.	Oscar H. Mitchell, 201 Green Brier Dr. Ft. Walton Beach 32548

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2	Gainesville	Gainesville	1879	3rd Tuesday 8:00 P.M.	Gordon N. Owen, 3107 S.W. 4th Court Gainesville 32601
12	Jacksonville	Jacksonville	1854	2nd Thursday	Wendell D. Harrington, 377 Sunset Dr. Jacksonville 32208
38	Lake City	Lake City	1950	4th Thursday optional	Billy Perry, 106 So. Second St. Lake City 32055
29	Lakeland	Lakeland	1909	2nd & 4th Tuesday except July-August	George L. Crawford, 8735 Wick Place Tampa 33604
34	Leesburg	Leesburg	1916	2nd Tuesday	Willard A. Barnes, 4008 So. Lone Oak Dr. Leesburg 32748
25	Live Oak	Live Oak	1895	4th Tuesday except July-August	Charles A. Griffin, Rt. 1 Box 124 Live Oak 32060
32	Marianna	Jackson	1910	2nd Thursday	English L. Tipton, Rt. 3 Marianna 32446
59	Melbourne	Melbourne	1959	1st Tuesday	Frank F. Sreams, 750 S.E. Bianca Dr. Palm Bay 32905
11	Miami	Jerico	1900	1st Friday except July-August	Paul E. Hockett, 1460 N.W. 38th St. Miami 33142
13	Ocala	Ocala	1888	4th Tuesday 8:00 P.M.	Phil W. Hammaker, P.O. Box 414 Dunellon 32630
7	Orlando	Eureka	1887	1st Monday	William F. Perry, P.O. Box 323 Maitland 32751
9	Palatka	Putnam	1889	2nd Thursday	Jerry A. James, P.O. Box 331 Welaka 32093
39	Panama City	Bay County	1945	4th Monday	Roy M. Bobo, 912 Brandies Ave. Panama City 32401

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6	Pensacola	Mt. Horeb	1874	2nd Monday	Ralph P. Hedrick, Rt. 1 Box 54 Mary Ester 32569
16	Plant City	Plant City	1853	2nd Monday	Richard L. DeShong, 1004 No. Burton St. Plant City 33566
56	Port St. Joe	St. Joseph	1947	1st & 3rd Monday 8:00 P.M.	John Lee Sims 220-6th Street Port St. Joe 32456
61	Princeton	Cabel	1960	2nd Wednesday 8:00 P.M.	Frank J. Busby, 19925 S.W. 88th Court Miami 33157
15	Sanford	Monroe	1893	2nd Tuesday	James R. Hammond, 97 Griggs Drive Casselberry 32707
35	Sarasota	Sarasota	1915	2nd Thursday 8:00 P.M.	Richard V. Patton, P.O. Box 3166, Sarasota 33578
42	Sebring	Highlands	1920	1st Tuesday before 2nd Thursday 8:00 P.M.	Van D. Howell, P.O. Box 622 Sebring 33870
48	So. Jacksonville	Duval	1922	1st Friday 8:00 P.M., 3rd optional	Augustus M. Wilson, 1200 Donald St. Jacksonville 32205
17	St. Augustine	St. Augustine	1903	2nd Tuesday	Jason E. Garris, Sea Gull Lighthouse Pt. St. Augustine 32084
31	St. Petersburg	St. Petersburg	1910	1st Friday except July-August	Carl S. Casfo, 2024 Dolphin Blvd. St. Petersburg 33707
1	Tallahassee	Florida	1847	2nd Monday	Russell V. Collins, 902 Parker Drive Tallahassee 32303
3	Tampa	Tampa-Cushing	1882	1st & 3rd Friday	Russell W. Wells, 1012 Peninsular Ave. Tampa 33603
24	West Palm Bch.	Palm Beach	1904	1st Monday	Winifred E. Froehlich, 230 Malvern Road West Palm Beach 33405
41	Winter Haven	Winter Haven	1920	1st & 3rd Thursdays	L. Kent Leonard, 507 Ave. G., S.E. Winter Haven 33880

All meetings at 7:30 P.M. unless otherwise stated.
Meetings in Masonic Temples except Clearwater, Ft. Myers, Jacksonville, Lakeland, Miami, Panama City and Tampa. These are held in York Rite Temples.

ORDER OF HIGH PRIESTHOOD

Annual Assembly held at Miami, Florida, May 22, 1974

The Annual Assembly opened with prayer by Edward H. Baxter at 1:30 P.M. and presided over by Wilbur W. Masters Jr.

Motion prevailed that minutes of the last Annual Assembly be adopted as printed in the Proceedings of 1973.

The following Officers were present at Roll Call.

Wilbur W. Masters	President
James W. MacDonald	Vice President
Edward H. Baxter	Chaplain
Thomas N. Morrison	Secretary-Treasurer
Russell W. Houston	Master of Ceremonies
Raymond L. Ballard	Conductor
Harold L. Beals	Herald
Roy R. Wright Jr.	Steward
Earl G. Nicholson	Sentinel

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY TREASURER

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

The Secretary-Treasurer submits the following report as of May 22, 1974.

RECEIPTS

May 1, 1973—Balance in First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Miami, Fla.	\$1,544.21
May 17, 1973—Fees from 28 Candidates	\$223.00
April 1, 1974—1973-1974 Interest on Savings Acct.	81.73
TOTAL RECEIPTS	304.73
	\$1,848.94

DISBURSEMENTS

May 17, 1973—Wm. Lehmborg & Sons Inc.	\$234.11
May 17, 1973—Thos. N. Morrison, Secy.-Treas. Salary....	35.00
May 17, 1973—Bank charge for check.....	.10
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	269.21
May 1, 1974—Balance in First Federal Savings and Loan Association	\$1,579.73

Fraternally submitted,

THOMAS N. MORRISON
Secretary-Treasurer

Election of Officers was held with the following results:

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James W. MacDonald	Vice President
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Petitions for the Order of High Priesthood was received from 22 Candidates, all being present of Past High Priests of their respective Chapters. These were:

Gordon N. Owen	Gainesville No. 2
Russell W. Wells	Tampa-Cushing No. 3
J. Powell Eaton	Halifax No. 5
William F. Perry	Eureka No. 4
Marvin E. Hall	Dade City No. 8
Ralph A. Jones	Putnam No. 9
John Hennessy	Jerico No. 11
Wendell D. Harrington	Jacksonville No. 12
Archie E. Tucker	Jacksonville No. 12
Phil W. Hammaker	Ocala No. 13
James R. Hammond	Monroe No. 15
Kenneth H. Johnson	Manatee River No. 18
Conrad G. Kerst	Keystone No. 20
George E. Petrie	Joppa No. 28
Carl S. Casto	St. Petersburg No. 31
Cohen C. Hodges	Eustis No. 33
Roy M. Bobo	Bay County No. 39
William Lauer	Clearwater No. 45
Augustus M. Wilson	Duval No. 48
Fred Dewaters	Poinciana No. 50
Oscar H. Mitchell	Surf No. 57
Frank J. Busbey	Cabal No. 61

The following were made Honorary Members: Richard S. Sagar, Wilbur A. Spain, Alvia Hearren and J. Dan Pool.

No further business coming before the Council of H.P.H. the body was closed with prayer by the Chaplain, by order of the Excellent President, 3:30 P.M.

THOMAS N. MORRISON
Secretary-Treasurer

WILBUR W. MASTERS JR.
Excellent President