

THE YORK RITE of FREEMASONRY of ALABAMA



1977



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HOSPITALITY

An informal reception was held on Sunday afternoon from 2:00 to 3:30 P.M. in the International Room of the Ramada Inn. A large variety of hors d'oeuvres, punch and coffee was served to the guests.

DIVINE SERVICE

The Divine Service was held on Sunday afternoon, February 27, 1977, in the Gold Room of the Ramada Inn. Sir Knight Harris Henderson, Grand Prelate of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Alabama, delivered the Message. Sir Knight George L. Marshall, Jr., led the group singing. Soloist was Miss Martha Ellis, and Pianist was Miss Kathy Henderson.

The Offering received this year was donated to the Knights Templar Eye Foundation. This year's Offering amounted to \$160.00.

THE GRAND YORK RITE BANQUET

On Sunday evening, February 27, 1977, at 7:30 P.M. everyone was delivered from the Ramada Inn to the Phenix City Shrine Club by bus, for the Grand Chapter—Grand Council—Grand Commandery Banquet.

The Shrine Club was decorated in red and white, with floral arrangements on each table.

A gathering of approximately 280 Members and their Ladies and Distinguished Guests and their Ladies were served a delicious steak dinner. After the meal, hand painted milk pitchers were presented to all the Ladies as a souvenir of the Grand York Rite of Alabama.

After dinner, Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Fred W. Vaughan, introduced his family, his Grand Line Officers and their Ladies, and all Past Grand High Priests and their Ladies.

Most Illustrious Grand Master, Clifford J. Turner, introduced his wife, his Grand Line Officers and their Ladies, and Past Most Illustrious Grand Masters and their Ladies.

Right Eminent Grand Commander, William M. Newsome, Jr., introduced his wife, his Grand Line Officers and their Ladies, and Past Right Eminent Grand Commanders and their Ladies.

Sir Knights George W. Sorrell, PREGC; Ray B. Hartwell, PMIGM, PREGC; Michael L. Jones, PREGC; and McMurray L. Griffith, PMEGHP, PMIGM, PREGC, introduced all Distinguished Visitors and their Ladies.

SPECIAL AWARDS:

Special Awards were presented to outstanding Companions and Sir Knights of Alabama. Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Fred W. Vaughan presented the General Grand Chapter Medal of Honor to Companion Lee Martin Biddy of East Lake Chapter No. 154 for his outstanding work in Capitular Masonry in Alabama.

Companion Dr. Owen Shanteau, Most Puissant General Grand Master of the General Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters, International, presented the General Grand Council Medal of Honor to Companion Ray R. Morgan, Jr., of Gadsden Council No. 56, as Cryptic Mason of the Year 1976 in Alabama.

Right Eminent Grand Commander William M. Newsome, Jr., selected Sir Knight Johnnie H. Ray, Sr., of Lee Commandery No. 45, Phenix City, as recipient of the Grand Encampment plaque and "Knights Templar Cross of Honor" Medal, as the outstanding Sir Knight in Alabama for 1976. However, due to illness, Sir Knight Ray was unable to attend the Banquet and the plaque and medal will be presented at a later date.

Companions Biddy and Morgan responded with words of gratitude upon being selected to receive these high Capitular and Cryptic awards.

The Banquet was closed with Prayer.

K.Y.C.H. ANNUAL BREAKFAST

The Annual K.Y.C.H. Breakfast was held on Monday morning from 7:00 to 8:00 A.M. There were 120 Members and their Ladies and Distinguished Visitors and their Ladies present. Companion and Sir Knight D. Shelby Vaughn, Eminent Prior, presided at the breakfast.

RED CROSS OF CONSTANTINE ANNUAL BREAKFAST

The Annual Red Cross of Constantine Annual Breakfast was held on Tuesday morning from 7:00 to 8:00 A.M. There were approximately 90 Knight Companions and their Ladies present from the three Conclaves of Alabama, and visiting Knight Companions and their Ladies present. Knight Companion Emmett Jones of Asaph's Conclave in Montgomery presided.

LADIES ENTERTAINMENT

The Ladies attending the Convention were kept busy, beginning with an informal reception, then the Grand York Rite Banquet, an open hospitality room, Luncheon, a bus tour through Phenix City and Columbus, Georgia, and a Fashion Show.

The Ladies were presented individual gifts from Mrs. Vaughan, Mrs. Turner, and Mrs. Newsome. Eighty-six Ladies attended the Convention.

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTIETH
ANNUAL CONVOCATION
OF THE
GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER
OF THE
STATE OF ALABAMA
Held February 27, 28, March 1, 1977

RAMADA INN
PHENIX CITY, ALABAMA

Presiding 1976 - 1977

Fred W. Vaughan, *Most Excellent Grand High Priest*
108 Harwood Drive, Route 13, Box 82, Gadsden, Alabama 35901

Thomas W. Mann, *Right Excellent Grand Secretary*
P. O. Box 2822-A, Birmingham, Alabama 35212

Elected 1977 - 1978

Erskine K. Smith, *Most Excellent Grand High Priest*
1835 Cheaha Drive, Oxford, Alabama 36203



FREDERICK WILLIAM VAUGHAN
Most Excellent Grand High Priest
1976 - 1977

FREDERICK WILLIAM VAUGHAN
GADSDEN, ALABAMA
MOST EXCELLENT GRAND HIGH PRIEST 1976 - 1977

MASONIC HISTORY

Brother Vaughan received his Master Mason Degrees in Dwight Lodge No. 550, F & A.M. in Gadsden on May 12, 1947, and has served Dwight Lodge twice as Worshipful Master. He served the Grand Lodge of Alabama, F. & A.M. as Most Worshipful Grand Master in 1965-66, and is presently serving as Chairman of the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence in the Grand Lodge. He is Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Ireland near the Grand Lodge of Alabama.

He received his Royal Arch Degrees in Coosa Chapter No. 86, Gadsden, on March 8, 1962, and has served Coosa Chapter as Excellent High Priest. He is Grand Representative to the Grand Chapter of West Virginia near the Grand Chapter of Alabama.

He received his Royal and Select Master Degrees in Gadsden Council No. 56, on March 15, 1962, and has served Gadsden Council as Thrice Illustrious Master. At the present time, he serves the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of Alabama as Illustrious Grand Principal Conductor of the Work and is Grand Representative to the Grand Council of Wyoming near the Grand Council of Alabama.

He was Knighted in Etowah Commandery No. 15, Gadsden, on April 28, 1962, and served as Eminent Commander of Etowah Commandery. At the present time, Sir Knight Vaughan is serving the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Alabama as Eminent Grand Generalissimo. He is Grand Representative to the Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island near the Grand Commandery of Alabama. Over the years, Companion Vaughan has served on many Committees of the three Grand Bodies.

Companion Vaughan is Personal Representative to the Executive Officer of the Order of DeMolay in Alabama. He has been a DeMolay Advisor since 1961, and at present is Chairman of Etowah Advisory Council. He received the DeMolay Cross of Honor, Honorary Legion of Honor, and Advisor of the Year in 1966.

Fred is a member of the following: Saint Dunstan Conclave, Red Cross of Constantine, 1966; Alabama Priory No. 31, K.Y.C.H., 1969; Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests, 1974; Royal Order of Scotland, 1965; National Sojourners, 1968; Scottish Rite Valley of Birmingham, 1974.

PERSONAL HISTORY

Frederick William Vaughan was born in Alabama City, Alabama, on February 6, 1914, to Clyde Rye Vaughan and James A. Vaughan. He was educated in the Gadsden Public Schools, and in addition, has attended several Special Training Courses relative to his vocation.

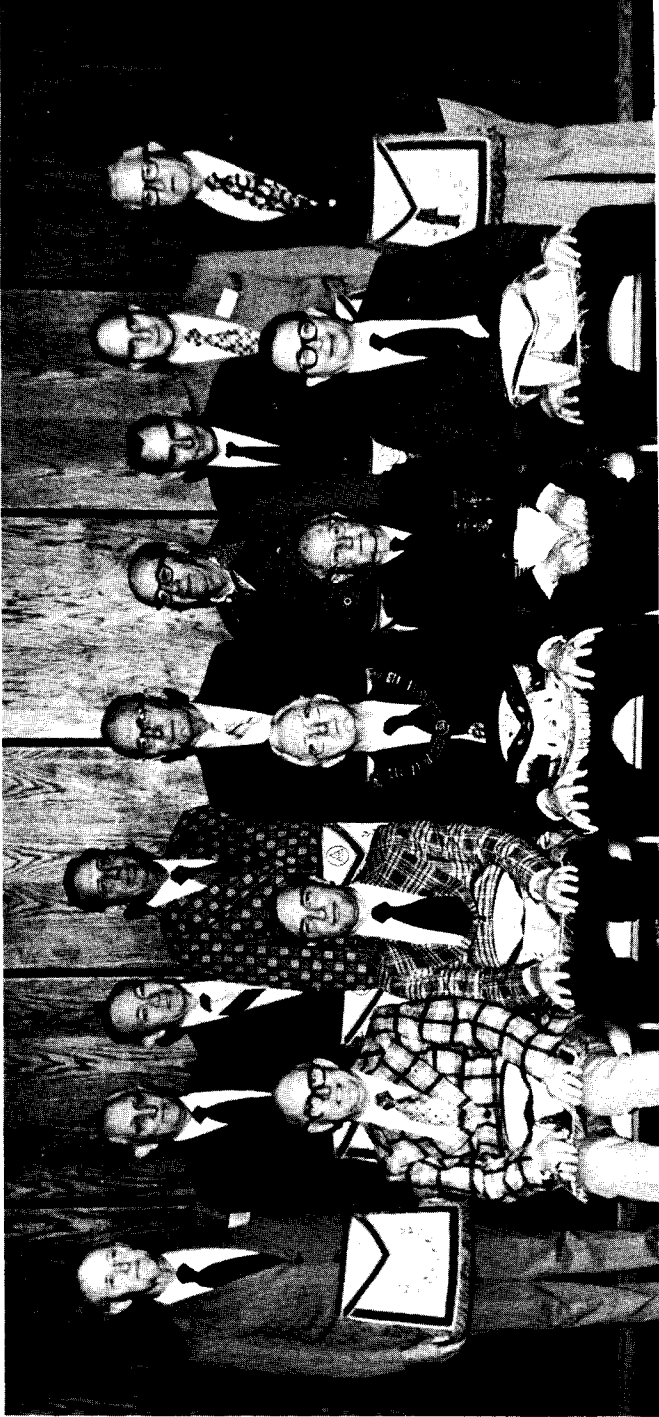
In 1938, Fred was united in marriage to Miss Nickie Dodd, and to this union was born three children, Mrs. Peggy Vaughan Clark of Vienna, Virginia, Mrs. Donna Vaughan Jenkins of Collinsville, Alabama, and James F. Vaughan of Gadsden. Mrs. Nickie Dodd Vaughan passed away in 1961.

In 1963, Fred was united in marriage to Mrs. Ann Crim of Gadsden, a widow with three children, Mrs. Donna Crim Green of Cheverley, Maryland, now deceased, James Crim of Huntsville, and Mrs. Sandra Crim Cherenko of Brandon, Florida.

Fred is Foreman at the Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company Plant in Gadsden. He has been employed with Goodyear for 41 years.

Part of Fred's free time is spent with the Boy Scouts of America. He has been a Registered Scouter for the past twenty-two years.

Fred is a member of the Whites Chapel Baptist Church in Gadsden.



GRAND CHAPTER OFFICERS 1976-1977

Seated left to right: William H. Ealy, Erskine K. Smith, Fred W. Vaughan, *Most Excellent Grand High Priest*, Thomas W. Oliver, Thomas W. Mann.

Standing left to right: Hobert L. Ashley, Ray R. Morgan, Jr., Garlin S. Stout, George W. Busby, W. Hollis Smitherman, Charles J. Adams, Sam L. Garrett, George E. Tremelling, Roy L. Wood.

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1835 Cheaha Drive, Oxford, 36203

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2101 Giles Drive, Huntsville, 35811

Hoyt McClendon, K.Y.C.H. *R. E. Grand Treasurer*
5672 10th Avenue, South, Birmingham, 35222

Thomas W. Mann, K.Y.C.H. *R. E. Grand Secretary*
P. O. Box 2822-A, Birmingham, 35212

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1525 32nd Street, Ensley, Birmingham, 35218

Hobert L. Ashley *R. E. Grand Chaplain*
Route 4, Fort Payne, 35967

Ray R. Morgan, Jr. *R. E. Grand Marshal*
P. O. Box 326, Gadsden, 35902

Garlin S. Stout, K.Y.C.H. *E. Grand Captain of the Host*
8406 3rd Avenue, South, Birmingham, 35206

George W. Busby, K.Y.C.H. *E. Grand Principal Sojourner*
3300 Covered Bridge Drive, Montgomery, 36116

W. Hollis Smitherman, K.Y.C.H. *E. Grand Royal Arch Captain*
310 25th Avenue, East, Tuscaloosa, 35401

Charles J. Adams *E. Grand Master—3rd Veil*
1417 34th Street, Sheffield, 35660

Sam L. Garrett, K.Y.C.H. *E. Grand Master—2nd Veil*
P. O. Box 1053, Phenix City, 36867

George E. Tremelling, K.Y.C.H. *E. Grand Master—1st Veil*
4715 6th Avenue, Wylam, Birmingham, 35224

Roy L. Wood, K.Y.C.H. *E. Grand Sentinel*
Route 1, Box 377, Gadsden, 35901

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The One Hundred and Fiftieth Annual Convocation of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Alabama was held in the Gold Room, Ramada Inn, Phenix City, Alabama on February 28, March 1, A. D. 1977, A. I. 2507.

A constitutional number of Excellent Companions being present and a constitutional number of Chapters being represented, the Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Companion Fred W. Vaughan, declared the Grand Chapter open in ample form. The following Grand Chapter Officers were present and in their stations:

Fred W. Vaughan	<i>Grand High Priest</i>
Erskine K. Smith	<i>Grand King</i>
William H. Ealy	<i>Grand Scribe</i>
Hoyt McClendon	<i>Grand Treasurer</i>
Thomas W. Mann	<i>Grand Secretary</i>
Thomas W. Oliver	<i>Grand Secretary Emeritus</i>
Hobert L. Ashley	<i>Grand Chaplain</i>
Ray R. Morgan, Jr.	<i>Grand Marshal</i>
Garlin S. Stout	<i>Grand Captain of the Host</i>
George W. Busby	<i>Grand Principal Sojourner</i>
W. Hollis Smitherman	<i>Grand Royal Arch Captain</i>
Charles J. Adams	<i>Grand Master—3rd Veil</i>
Sam L. Garrett	<i>Grand Master—2nd Veil</i>
George E. Tremelling	<i>Grand Master—1st Veil</i>
Roy L. Wood	<i>Grand Sentinel</i>

The Invocation was given by the Grand Chaplain, Companion Hobert L. Ashley, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

PRESENTATIONS:

A tricorne hat, as worn by the New Jersey Continentals, was presented to Companion Fred W. Vaughan by the Right Eminent Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of New Jersey, Sir Knight Thurman C. Pace, Jr. Companions D. Shelby Vaughn and William H. Ealy, of Huntsville, presented Companion Fred W. Vaughan with a Shittim-wood Gavel; and Companion William Patton, Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Tennessee, presented an Andrew Jackson Gavel to Companion Vaughan, which is made from Tennessee Mountain Laurel.

INTRODUCTION OF PAST GRAND HIGH PRIESTS

Companions/Sir Knights Ray R. Morgan, Jr., Grand Marshal of the Grand Chapter; Arthur C. Harding, Grand Captain General of the Grand Commandery; and George W. Sorrell, Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Alabama, escorted the following Past Grand High Priests of the Grand Chapter of Alabama to the East for introduction:

James J. Douglas, 1933-34	Guss H. Gadd, 1966-67
Emrys W. John, 1954-55	Troy J. Roberts, 1967-68
Hoyt McClendon, 1957-58	Charles C. McCoy, 1969-70
D. Shelby Vaughn, 1962-63	V. Nash Carmichael, 1970-71
Lloyd D. Durden, 1965-66	McMurray L. Griffith, 1972-73
Ray Rutledge, 1975-76	

All Past Grand High Priests were extended a most cordial welcome and given the Grand Honours.

INTRODUCTION OF DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

All Distinguished Guests of the Grand Chapter, Grand Council, and Grand Commandery were escorted to the East and introduced by Companion/Sir Knights Ray R. Morgan, Jr., Arthur C. Harding and George W. Sorrell: They are as follows: Honorable Harry Denton, *Executive Officer, International Supreme Council, Order of DeMolay*; Brother Joseph D. Brackin, *Special Representative of Brother James R. Rogers, Sovereign Grand Inspector General, Scottish Rite*.

Companion James Oder, *Grand High Priest, Grand Chapter of Florida*; Companion Charlie Murphy, *Grand High Pries, Grand Chapter of Georgia*; Companion T. J. Pitman, *Grand High Priest, Grand Chapter of Louisiana*; Companion John Stewart, *Grand High Priest, Grand Chapter of Mississippi*; Companion Otto Neustadt, *Grand High Priest, Grand Chapter of North Carolina*; Companion William Tyler, *Grand High Priest, Grand Chapter of South Carolina*; Companion

William Patton, *Grand High Priest, Grand Chapter of Tennessee*; Companion Perry Mowbray, *Grand High Priest, Grand Chapter of Virginia*; Companion Henry Messinger, *Past Grand High Priest, Grand Chapter of Louisiana*; Companion Lewis Lester, *Past Grand High Priest, Grand Chapter of Georgia*; Companion John E. Foster, *Grand Master—3rd Veil, Grand Chapter of Connecticut*; Companion Earl McKeever, *Past Grand Principal Sojourner, Grand Chapter of Canada in Ontario*, and *Right Illustrious Deputy Grand Master of Royal and Select Masters of Ontario*; and, Companion George Gibbins, *Past Grand Superintendent, Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Canada in Ontario*;

Companion David Frazier, *Most Illustrious Grand Master, Grand Council of Florida*; Companion Rupert Queen, *Most Illustrious Grand Master, Grand Council of Georgia*; Companion Clifford Bradley, *Most Illustrious Grand Master, Grand Council of Louisiana*; Companion Haywood Hooker, *Most Illustrious Grand Master, Grand Council of Mississippi*; Companion Eddie Stiles, *Most Illustrious Grand Master, Grand Council of North Carolina*; Companion George Kuebler, *Grand Principal Conductor of the Work, Grand Council of Ohio*; Companion George Romanstine, *Past Most Illustrious Grand Master, Grand Council of South Carolina*; and, Companion Frank T. Norman, *Grand Secretary-Recorder of the Grand Chapter and Grand Council of Louisiana*.

Sir Knight J. C. Billingsley, *Grand Commander, Grand Commandery of Georgia*; Sir Knight William Cotton, *Grand Commander, Grand Commandery of Mississippi*; Sir Knight John Maxey, *Grand Commander, Grand Commandery of South Carolina*; Sir Knight Clifton Marsh, *Grand Commander, Grand Commandery of Virginia*; and, Sir Knight Clinton Morris, *Past Grand Commander, Grand Commandery of Georgia*.

Companion Robert Secrest, *General Grand Principal Sojourner of the General Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, International*.

Companion McMurray L. Griffith, *District Deputy General Grand Master, Southeastern Region, General Grand Council, Royal and Select Masters, International*; Companion Hoyt McClendon, *Past Most Puissant General Grand Master, General Grand Council, Royal and Select Masters, International*; and, Companion Owen Shanteau, *Most Puissant General Grand Master, General Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters, International*.

Sir Knight Willard Register, *Southeastern Department Commander, Grand Encampment of Knights Templar, U.S.A.*, and Sir Knight Willard M. Avery, *Most Eminent Grand Master, Grand Encampment of Knights Templar, U.S.A.*, and

Brother Wilbur O. Harden, *Most Worshipful Grand Master of*

the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Alabama.

All Distinguished Guests were given the Grand Honours.

After the introductions, all Distinguished Guests were welcomed by *Most Excellent Grand High Priest*, Fred W. Vaughan, *Most Illustrious Grand Master*, Clifford J. Turner, and *Right Eminent Grand Commander*, William M. Newsome, Jr.

HONORARY LIFE MEMBERSHIPS:

A motion was made and passed that all Out-of-State Distinguished Guests, not having been made so previously, be made Honorary Life Members of the Grand Chapter, Grand Council, and Grand Commandery of Alabama. Certificates and cards were presented to them and their names duly recorded.

REMARKS OF DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

During the Sessions, our out-of-state Distinguished Guests were invited to address the Companions/Sir Knights assembled. All expressed their appreciation for the hospitality shown them and their ladies.

ADDRESS OF MOST EXCELLENT GRAND HIGH PRIEST

Fred W. Vaughan

1976 - 1977

TO THE MOST EXCELLENT GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OF ALABAMA:

Dear Companions:

As we are gathered together to hear the report of your Grand High Priest on his activities this past Capitular year, I would first extend to all of you a hearty welcome to this—the One Hundred and Fiftieth Convocation of your Grand Chapter.

To our guests from other Grand Jurisdictions and Sister Masonic Bodies of Alabama, a very special welcome to you and hope that we can extend to you the same Brotherly Love and Friendly courtesies you extended to us when we visited with you.

Throughout my visits this year, I have tried to stress the value of the "PH Factor" Peace and Harmony. Harmony is the strength and support of all institutions and teaches the improvement of mankind through the principles of Masonry which are as steadfast as the "Rock of Ages" and prepares our minds as living stones fitted to beautify and adorn our Spiritual Temple, not made with hands and of which Charity,

in all its senses, is the Key-Stone.

Before giving any details of my report, allow me first to express my gratitude to the Grand Chapter Officers who have assisted me in the performance of my duties, and especially to Grand Secretary Mann, Mrs. Smith, his Secretary, Grand Illustrious Master Turner, Grand Commander Newsome, and many others who have been helpful. A special thanks to Finance Committee Chairman Luther Stephens and his Committee in their efforts to help us to operate within our income. My own Chapter, Coosa No. 86, has always supported me in my endeavors and for this, I will be forever grateful.

A special word of thanks to my co-workers and my employer, the Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company, for allowing me to schedule days away from my job to enable me to perform as best I could as your Grand High Priest.

DISPENSATIONS GRANTED

To receive and ballot on petitions at other than stated meetings:

March 8, 1976	Central Chapter No. 64
March 25, 1976	Decatur Chapter No. 38
April 9, 1976	Monroeville Chapter No. 170
May 1, 1976	Cyrus Chapter No. 6
May 8, 1976	Phenix Chapter No. 149
May 11, 1976	Eunomia Chapter No. 5
May 15, 1976	Woodlawn Chapter No. 146
July 2, 1976	Bessemer Chapter No. 110
July 23, 1976	Mobile Chapter No. 21
July 31, 1976	Mobile Chapter No. 21
October 2, 1976	Tuscaloosa Chapter No. 1
October 7, 1976	Phenix Chapter No. 149
October 8, 1976	Bessemer Chapter No. 110
November 6, 1976	Eunomia Chapter No. 5
November 6, 1976	Cyrus Chapter No. 6
November 19, 1976	Wahouma Chapter No. 157

To meet and confer Degrees in other than regular place of meeting,
 July 23, 1976

Mobile Chapter No. 21, in Hall of Greeno Lodge No. 598.
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GRAND REPRESENTATIVES APPOINTED TO REPRESENT ALABAMA NEAR OTHER GRAND CHAPTERS

Nova Scotia	A. H. Kay
New Zealand	Alfred George Alexander Jeffery
New Jersey	Thurman C. Pace, Jr.
Vermont	Rodney A. Akers
New York	Charles A. Lewis

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES NOMINATED TO REPRESENT OTHER GRAND CHAPTERS NEAR THE GRAND CHAPTER OF ALABAMA

North Dakota	Weldon H. Roberts
New York	Lawrence Kline
Arizona	John F. Welch
Germany	Ted Hecht
Quebec	Richard Sim Hamilton
Switzerland	Ray R. Morgan, Jr.

NECROLOGY

We are grateful to the Supreme Grand Architect for sparing the lives of the members of our Grand Line this year, although it is with a heavy heart that we report the death of one of our beloved Past Grand High Priests, Charles A. Guthrie, who passed away on August 26, 1976. We also mourn the deaths of approximately 197 Companions of our Jurisdiction and extend sympathies to the bereaved.

BOND

I received the Surety Bond covering our Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary and have it ready to hand to my successor in office.

VISITATIONS OUT OF STATE

I was privileged to visit Grand Chapters and other Grand York Rite Meetings in the following States: South Carolina, Louisiana, Georgia, Florida, and Virginia, and was cordially received in all of them. As Grand Generalissimo of our Grand Commandery, I attended the Triennium of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America, held in Kansas City, Missouri.

VISITATIONS IN ALABAMA

A summary of my visits in Alabama are as follows:

My own Blue Lodge, Dwight No. 550	22 Visits
Other Blue Lodges	10 Visits
Masonic Conferences	4 Visits
DeMolay Meetings	20 Visits
Gadsden Masonic Temple Association Business Meetings	8 Visits
Eastern Star (<i>Conferred Work twice</i>)	8 Visits
Sojourners (<i>Jurisprudence Chairman Rhea inducted</i>)	1 Visit
Dais Officer Meetings	2 Visits
Past Master (<i>Blue Lodge</i>)	5 Visits
York Rite (<i>Gadsden Bodies</i>)	30 Visits
Blue Lodge 50 Year Pins presented	5 Visits
Other York Rite Bodies	15 Visits

In addition to attending the Alabama State Scottish Rite Association in Huntsville on June 25, and June 26, I also attended the Scottish Rite Reunion on May 8, and supervised the team that conferred the Eighth Degree. I also attended Masonic Day on July 31, and Patriotic Meeting on December 8, in Birmingham.

On March 6, I attended the funeral of Past Grand Master Leonard S. Terry, a member of the K.Y.C.H., and one of the best known and loved Masons in Alabama.

On July 25, I attended the funeral of Mrs. Dora Graham, wife of Past Grand Master and Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge, Penson Graham. It also fell my duty to conduct the Masonic Rites for three of our Brethren, Kenneth Wayne Clevenger, Frank Watson, and George Came, Sr.

Some of the events I consider should be enumerated are as follows:

April 10, 1976: Attended Master Chefs of Household in Huntsville, and spoke at banquet.

April 24, 1976: Attended Cornerstone Ceremony at Glencoe Lodge, a part of the Northeast Alabama Masonic Day. Was Master of Ceremonies at Open Meeting of this program and at the Night Session, conferred the Master Mason Degree on Reid Morgan, III, Senior DeMolay, and son of our Grand Marshal.

May 15, 1976: Attended York Rite Festivals in East Lake and Woodlawn.

May 31, 1976: Attended Hiram Lodge No. 42, and spoke at Open Meeting.

May 3, 4, 5, 1976: Attended Grand Imperial Council, Red Cross of Constantine, in Birmingham, presided over by our own Hoyt McClendon.

June 12, 1976: Attended State DeMolay Association Banquet in Huntsville.

June 19, 1976: Attended York Rite Work in Monroeville.

July 6, 1976: Attended Gadsden Lodge No. 236, and assisted in Master Mason Degree on Senior DeMolay, Charles Anthony Franklin.

August 4, 1976: Red Cross of Constantine Ladies Night in Birmingham.

August 13, 1976: Assisted in conferring Order of Temple in Fort Payne.

August 19, 1976: Enjoyed delicious prime rib dinner and the conferral of the Super Excellent Master Degree in Anniston.

August 24, 1976: Visited Sylacauga Council No. 89, R&SM, with Most Illustrious Grand Master Turner, and joined Grand Commander Newsome and Grand Master of Second Veil Garrett.

September 11, 1976: Participated in Masonic Education Workshop conducted by Grand Lodge Committee on Work in Phenix City.

September 21, 1976: With Grand Master Turner, paid official visit to Phenix City York Rite Bodies and was met by Grand Commander Newsome.

We later enjoyed a wonderful steak dinner.

September 28, 1976: Gadsden Lodge No. 236, and spoke on duties of delegates to Grand Lodge.

September 30, 1976: Tuscaloosa Chapter No. 1, Royal Arch Work, and presented 50 Year Pin to Texas Companion Marvin Butterfield.

October 10, November 2, and November 9, 1976: Assisted in conferring York Rite Work in Piedmont.

November 13, to November 16, 1976: Was guest of Grand Lodge of Alabama at Annual Communication. While in Montgomery, was honored to be able to witness the Knighting of new members in the Gordon L. Evatt Memorial Priory, an Order composed of DeMolays from 17 to 21 years of age.

December 4, 1976: Saint Dunstan Conclave, Red Cross of Constantine Annual Meeting. Was honored by being elected Viceroy.

December 1, 1976: With Grand Master Turner, visited Decatur Council No. 81, R&SM.

December 11, 1976: Attended Jerusalem Tabernacle Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests in Tuscaloosa, and was elected Inner Guard.

I also attended two Meetings of Alabama Priory No. 31, K.Y.C.H., and was elected to the office of Warder. It was also my privilege to install the Officers in six Blue Lodges, Dwight No. 550, Boaz No. 546, Albertville No. 430, Solar No. 914, Arab No. 663, and Lozahatchee No. 97, along with my own Royal Arch Chapter, Coosa No. 86.

MENTOS

I have received many Masonic gifts this year and will only attempt to list a few.

Large Shittimwood Gavel presented by Grand Scribe, William H. Ealy, a gift from him and his Brother, Doyle. I am using it today.

Small Shittimwood souvenir gavel from Scottish State Association, Bicentennial Medal, presented by Illustrious Brother Jimmy Rogers, Sovereign Grand Inspector General.

Bicentennial Three Cornered hat presented by Grand Commander Thurman C. Pace of the Grand Commandery of New Jersey.

MERGER OF RED BAY CHAPTER NO. 169 WITH CYRUS CHAPTER NO.6

Owing to the small membership of Red Bay Chapter not being able to meet regularly, I issued the following directive:

June 19, 1976

TO: *Thomas W. Mann, Grand Secretary of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Alabama.*

SUBJECT: *Merger of Red Bay Chapter No. 169 with Cyrus Chapter No. 6.*

At the Meetings of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Alabama in 1975 and 1976, a report was made by District Deputy Grand High Priest Emory J. Ferguson that he had met with both of these Chapters and that owing to the inability of Red Bay Chapter to meet with any degree of regularity, both of them agreed to a merger. No action was taken on this proposal and the members of Red Bay Chapter have, in a sense, been "left in limbo" with not enough participation to remain an active Chapter.

I, therefore, this day, by the Power in me vested as Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Alabama, declare the several members of Red Bay Chapter No. 169, as of June 24, 1976, members in good standing of Cyrus Chapter No. 6.

Done under my hand this day June 19, 1976.

Fred W. Vaughan,
Grand High Priest.

REQUEST FOR AUDIT

On November 29, 1976, with the concurrence of Most Illustrious Grand Master Turner and Right Eminent Grand Commander Newsome, I requested John E. Evans, Certified Public Accountant, to make the annual audit of the books of our Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary-Recorder.

RULINGS

I have had no requests for Rulings this year. This means that our "pH Factor" peace and harmony, is prevailing.

REQUESTS FOR RECOGNITION

I received a request from the newly formed Grand Chapter of Austria for recognition and the usual exchange of representatives.

I have referred this request to the Committee on Foreign Correspondence for study and a report at this Grand Convocation.

CONCLUSION

In concluding my remarks to you, I again want to express my humble thanks to you who have stretched your cabletow to its limit in your endeavors to see that Capitular Masonry helps to bring more light to brighten the shadows of man's existence.

Also, my sincere thanks go to my wife, Ann, who has traveled many miles with me and always encouraged me in all of my Masonic endeavors.

Yours for more Light,
Fred W. Vaughan,
Grand High Priest

SUPPLEMENT TO ADDRESS OF GRAND HIGH PRIEST

Additional Visitations

Blue Lodge visits	3	Past Master Club	2
Masonic Conferences	1	Temple Association Meeting ...	3
DeMolay Meetings	4	Scottish Rite Club	1
Local York Rite	6	50 Year Pin (Blue Lodge)	1

January 21, 1977: Conducted Masonic Graveside Rites for Brother Thomas B. Abernathy.

January 29, 1977: Attended and assisted in the Work of Chapter and Council Degrees in Fort Payne.

February 15, 1977: Attended Huntsville Commandery Patriotic Meeting and enjoyed a program by Grand Secretary Mann and Mrs. Mann.

February 25, 1977: Acted as Master of Ceremonies at a Benefit Gospel Singing for the Knights Templar Eye Foundation held in Gadsden.

Other Dispensations Granted:

Dispensation to Receive petitions and ballot on Candidates out of Statutory time:

Woodlawn Chapter No. 146

January 25, 1977

Dispensation appointing Acting High Priest and to elect and install Officers out of statutory time:

Marshall County Chapter No. 172

February 15, 1977

MERGER OF MARSHALL COUNTY CHAPTER NO. 172, WITH EUNOMIA CHAPTER NO. 5

Marshall County Chapter No. 172, not having met and not reporting since January, 1975, I secured a membership list from our Grand Secretary and with the help of Lodge Secretaries, obtained the addresses of 60 of the 93 members and sent them the following letter:

January 8, 1977

Dear Companion:

I believe that Capitular Masonry as exemplified in the Degrees of the Royal Arch teaches many lessons that are important in the Masonic Education of all good Masons.

Marshall County Chapter No. 172 has been inactive for several years and as Grand High Priest of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Alabama this year, I would certainly feel that I was not doing the proper service to my many friends in Arab and surrounding communities if I did not make every effort to revive it.

I have attempted to get the addresses of as many of it's members as possible to write them that I am requesting them to attend a meeting at Arab Lodge on Monday night, February 7, 1977, at 7:00 P.M., to see if we can bring Royal Arch Masonry back to Marshall County.

Please attend if at all possible and if you know of any member who did not receive this letter, I would appreciate if if you would tell him and ask him to come also.

With best wishes, I am

Fraternally yours,
Fred W. Vaughan,
Grand High Priest

I was pleased at that Meeting to have present and assist me, Most Illustrious Grand Master, Clifford J. Turner, Grand Scribe, William H. Ealy, Past Grand High Priest, D. Shelby Vaughn, Committee on Work Chairman, George L. Marshall, Companion Richard Slaughter, and Grand Marshal, Ray R. Morgan, Jr. Although only 6 Marshall County members attended the Meeting, the members of Marshall County Chapter requested another Meeting and time to contact more of their members. A Meeting was set for February 15, and a Dispensation for the Meeting and the appointment of an acting High Priest was granted. Only 9 members were present at that Meeting, and they requested that they be merged with Eunomia Chapter No. 5, in Huntsville. This Directive followed:

February 21, 1977

Hon. Thomas W. Mann, Grand Secretary
Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Alabama
P. O. Box 2822-A
Birmingham, Alabama 35212

SUBJECT: *Merger of Marshall County No. 172, RAM, with Eunomia Chapter No. 5, RAM.*

After a number of efforts to revive Marshall County Chapter No. 172, and the absence of reports from them for the past two years, to-

gether with requests from some of the members that they be merged with an active Chapter, I make the following Declaration:

By authority of the Power in me vested as Grand High Priest of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Alabama, I do this day, February 21, 1977, declare the several members of Marshall County Chapter No. 172 members of Eunomia Chapter No. 5. I further declare that owing to conditions that have existed the past two years in Marshall County Chapter, that the payment of one year's dues at the prevailing rate in Eunomia Chapter, will entitle them to be in good and regular standing for the year 1977.

Done under my hand this 21st day of February, 1977.

Fred W. Vaughan,
Grand High Priest

Birmingham, Alabama
January 17, 1977

Mr. Fred W. Vaughan
Most Excellent Grand High Priest
Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Alabama
Birmingham, Alabama

Dear Mr. Vaughan:

I have examined the balance sheet of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Alabama, Birmingham, Alabama as at December 31, 1976 and the related statement of revenues and expenses and fund balances for the calendar year then ended. My examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards applicable in the circumstances.

My report consists of the exhibits and schedules listed on the table of contents, next attached.

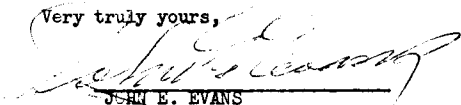
The records of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Alabama are maintained on the cash receipts and disbursements basis of accounting adjusted for changes in inventory of supplies for resale consistent with prior years. Payroll taxes deducted from employees compensation are shown in this report as liabilities, however, no provision has been made, herein, for the employers portion of these taxes which are to be paid during the month of January 1977.

All disbursements for the calendar year 1976 were made from the general fund and are shown, herein, accordingly. Separate accounts are not longer maintained for the different funds.

All assets as shown in the balance sheet are stated at cost and as in prior years, no provision has been made, herein, for depreciation of equipment.

Subject to the above comments, it is my opinion that the accompanying statements present fairly the financial position of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Alabama at December 31, 1976 and the results of its financial operations for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a cash receipts and disbursements basis consistent with that of the preceeding year.

Very truly yours,


JOHN E. EVANS
CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT

JEE/ej

SCHEDULE "A"

GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OF ALABAMA
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA
STATEMENT OF BUDGETED AND ACTUAL DISBURSEMENTS
FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1976

	<u>Budgeted</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Actual Over (Under)</u>
<u>GRAND OFFICERS EXPENSE:</u>			
Allowance for Grand High Priest	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$
Grand Officer District Visitations	100.00		(100.00)
Grand Officer and Committee Dais			
Meetings	100.00	38.30	(61.70)
Stationery - Grand High Priest	30.00	32.07	2.07
Apron and Case for Jr. Past Grand			
High Priest	175.00	337.52	162.52
Dais Officer York Rite Regional			
Meeting	233.00	56.98	(176.02)
Foreign Correspondent	10.00	5.00	(5.00)
Total	\$ 1,648.00	\$ 1,469.87	\$ (178.13)
<u>GRAND SECRETARY-GRAND TREASURER</u>			
<u>OFFICE EXPENSE:</u>			
Salary-Grand Secretary	\$ 3,283.00	\$ 3,351.40	\$ 68.40
Salary - Office Secretary	2,580.00	2,600.00	20.00
Allowance - Grand Treasurer	240.00	240.00	
Bond, Fire, Theft and Liability			
Insurance	200.00	109.80	(90.20)
Safety Deposit Box	12.00	2.80	(9.20)
Social Security and Payroll Tax	520.00	604.79	84.79
Office Rental	1,920.00	1,940.00	20.00
Utilities	440.00	440.35	.35
Stationery and Printing for Office	300.00	316.41	16.41
Repairs-Furniture and Equipment	80.00	145.03	65.03
Postage and P. O. Box Rent	180.00	181.96	1.96
Telephone	300.00	288.89	(11.11)
Annual Audit	300.00	295.00	(5.00)
Travel Allowance-Grand Secretary	880.00	880.00	
Travel Allowance-Office Secretary	210.00	210.00	
Printing Annual Proceedings	1,800.00	1,725.51	(74.49)
Janitor Service and Supplies	90.00	69.28	(20.72)
Total	\$ 13,335.00	\$ 13,401.22	\$ 66.22
<u>ANNUAL CONVOCATION EXPENSE:</u>			
Expense for Distinguished Guests	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 888.55	\$ (311.45)
Entertainment-Annual Convention		122.00	122.00
Per Diem and Mileage for Officers			
and Committees	2,400.00	1,345.74	(1,054.26)
Banquet and Luncheons		1,816.81	1,816.81
Printing for Convention and Badges	200.00	187.71	(12.29)
Convention Photographs	80.00	66.16	(13.84)
Total	\$ 3,880.00	\$ 4,426.97	\$ 546.97
<u>MISCELLANEOUS:</u>			
Per Capita Tax	\$ 1,002.30	\$ 1,002.30	\$
Royal Arch Magazine	3,635.00	3,594.14	(40.86)
Memorials	100.00	68.92	(31.08)
Special Awards-Demolay	250.00	250.00	
Total	\$ 4,987.30	\$ 4,915.36	\$ (71.94)

EXHIBIT NO. 1GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OF ALABAMA
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMABALANCE SHEET

DECEMBER 31, 1976

ASSETS:

Cash on hand	\$ 25.00
Cash in Checking Account	15,410.51
Cash in Savings Accounts and Certificates	32,056.37
Inventory - Supplies for resale	679.20
U. S. Government Bonds - Series "H"	15,000.00
Federal Land Bank Bonds	41,898.73
Utility Deposits	118.00
Office Equipment (at cost)	6,051.57
Total Assets	<u>\$111,239.38</u>

LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE:

Payroll Taxes Payable	\$ 192.30
Reserve for Triennial Expenses	1,134.00
Fund Balance	<u>109,913.08</u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	<u>\$111,239.38</u>

EXHIBIT NO. 2GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OF ALABAMA
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMASTATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENSES

FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1976

REVENUE:

Dues	\$ 20,171.50
Sale of Banquet Tickets	947.00
Sale of Supplies	\$ 491.99
Inventory - January 1, 1976	\$ 570.21
Purchases	357.71
Total	<u>\$ 927.92</u>
Inventory - December 31, 1976	679.20
Gain on Sale of Supplies	248.72
Interest - U. S. Series "H" and Federal Land Bank Bonds	243.27
Interest - Savings Accounts and Certificates	4,252.50
	<u>3,446.68</u>
Total Revenue	\$ 29,060.95

EXPENSES:

Expenses - Actual (See Schedule "A")	\$ 25,588.39
Total Expenses	<u>25,588.39</u>
Excess of Revenue over Expenses	<u>\$ 3,472.56</u>

EXHIBIT NO. 3

GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OF ALABAMA
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA
COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET
DECEMBER 31

	<u>1976</u>	<u>1975</u>	<u>Increase (Decrease)</u>
<u>ASSETS:</u>			
Cash on hand and in bank	\$ 47,491.88	\$ 44,017.15	\$ 3,474.73
Inventory (Supplies for Resale)	679.20	570.21	108.99
U. S. Government Bonds "H"	15,000.00	15,000.00	
Federal Land Bank Bonds	41,898.73	41,898.73	
Utility Deposits	118.00	118.00	
Office Equipment (at cost)	6,051.57	6,051.57	
Total Assets	<u>\$111,239.38</u>	<u>\$107,655.66</u>	<u>\$ 3,583.72</u>
<u>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE:</u>			
Payroll Taxes Payable	\$ 192.30	\$ 215.14	\$ (22.84)
Reserve for Triennial Expenses	1,134.00	4,578.86	(3,444.86)
Reserve for 1976 York Rite Festival		1,000.00	(1,000.00)
Fund Balance	109,913.08	101,861.66	8,051.42
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	<u>\$111,239.38</u>	<u>\$107,655.66</u>	<u>\$ 3,583.72</u>

EXHIBIT NO. 4

GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OF ALABAMA
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

CALENDAR YEAR 1976

RECEIPTS:

Dues	\$ 20,171.50
Sale of Banquet Tickets	947.00
Sale of Supplies	451.99
Interest	7,699.18
Total	<u>\$ 29,369.67</u>

DISBURSEMENTS:

Purchase of Supplies for resale	\$ 357.71
Actual Expenses-Schedule "A"	\$ 25,588.39
Less: Triennial Reserve	\$ 1,134.00
Bicentennial Reserve	240.97
Net Budgeted Disbursements	<u>1,374.97</u>
Disbursements Bicentennial Reserve	24,213.42
Payroll Taxes Payable:	1,240.97
December 31, 1976	\$ 192.30
December 31, 1975	215.14
Total Disbursements	<u>22.84</u>
Excess of Receipts over Disbursements	25,834.94
Balance December 31, 1975	<u>\$ 3,474.73</u>
	<u>44,017.15</u>
Balance December 31, 1976	<u>\$ 47,491.88</u>

SCHEDULE "A"
SHEET TWO

GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OF ALABAMA
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA
STATEMENT OF BUDGETED AND ACTUAL DISBURSEMENTS
FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1976

	<u>Budgeted</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Actual Over (Under)</u>
<u>TRIENNIAL RESERVE:</u>			
First Three Grand Officers and Grand Secretary	\$ 467.00	\$ 467.00	
Past Grand High Priest	667.00	667.00	
Total	<u>\$ 1,134.00</u>	<u>\$ 1,134.00</u>	
<u>SPECIAL APPROPRIATION:</u>			
Bicentennial Fund - George C. Wallace Festival	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 240.97	\$ (759.03)
Grand Total	<u>\$25,984.30</u>	<u>\$ 25,588.39</u>	<u>\$ (395.91)</u>

SCHEDULE "B"

GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OF ALABAMA
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA

SCHEDULE OF CASH ON HAND, IN BANKS, SAVINGS
ACCOUNTS AND CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT

DECEMBER 31, 1976

Cash on hand - Petty Cash			\$ 25.00
Woodlawn Branch, The First National Bank of Birmingham - Checking Account			15,410.51
Birmingham Trust National Bank Savings Account No. 15-00188-1			5,664.60
	<u>Date Issued</u>	<u>Date Due</u>	<u>Interest Rate</u>
Birmingham Trust National Bank-Certificate of Deposit No. 127358	7-23-73	7-23-77	7 1/4% (a)
Above includes Interest to 12-31-76.			1,909.65
First National Bank Certificate of Deposit No. C-7593 90/5	9-12-72	Quarterly	5%
First National Bank Certificate of Deposit No. 32039	5-21-74	5-21-78	7 1/4% (a)
Above includes Interest to 12-31-76.			11,995.34
City Federal Savings and Loan Association Certificate of Deposit No. 786781 Interest at rate of 6% added to Principal	12-29-72	9-30-77	6%
Jefferson Federal Savings and Loan Association SM-1406			
57th General Grand Chapter Triennial			6 1/2%
			<u>1,139.12</u>
Total			<u>\$47,491.88</u>

SCHEDULE "C"GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OF ALABAMA
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMASCHEDULE OF BONDS

DECEMBER 31, 1976

<u>Series</u>	<u>Serial Number</u>	<u>Date of Issue</u>	<u>Date of Maturity</u>	<u>Rate of Interest</u>	<u>Maturity Value</u>	<u>Cost</u>
<u>U. S. GOVERNMENT BONDS:</u>						
H	M7474271H	1- 1-61	1- 1-71	5.50%	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
	M7474272H	1- 1-61	1- 1-71	5.50%	1,000.00	1,000.00
	M7474273H	1- 1-61	1- 1-71	5.50%	1,000.00	1,000.00
	M7474274H	1- 1-61	1- 1-71	5.50%	1,000.00	1,000.00
	M7474275H	1- 1-61	1- 1-71	5.50%	1,000.00	1,000.00
	V2064949	3- 1-62	3- 1-72	5.50%	5,000.00	5,000.00
	V2064950	3- 1-62	3- 1-72	5.50%	5,000.00	5,000.00
Total Series "H" Bonds (Note 1)					<u>\$15,000.00</u>	<u>\$15,000.00</u>
<u>THE TWELVE FEDERAL LAND BANK BONDS:</u>						
	3982	7-20-73	7-20-77	7.50%	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
	5156	7-20-73	7-20-77	7.50%	10,000.00	10,000.00
		Interest Dates - Coupons 1/20 - 7/20				
	6082	4-20-74	4-20-77	8.25%	1,000.00	996.25
	6083	4-20-74	4-20-77	8.25%	1,000.00	996.25
	3780	4-20-74	4-20-77	8.25%	5,000.00	4,981.23
	6583	4-20-74	4-20-77	8.25%	10,000.00	9,962.50
	6584	4-20-74	4-20-77	8.25%	10,000.00	9,962.50
		Interest Dates Coupons 4/20 - 10/20				
Total Federal Land Bank Bonds					<u>\$42,000.00</u>	<u>\$41,898.73</u>
Total Bonds					<u>\$57,000.00</u>	<u>\$56,898.73</u>

Note 1 - Maturity Date on Series "H" Bonds Extended.
Rate is 6%.

SCHEDULE "D"GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OF ALABAMA
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMASCHEDULE OF INTEREST INCOME

DECEMBER 31, 1976

BONDS:

U. S. Government Bonds - Series H	6.00%	\$ 900.00
Federal Land Bank Bonds	7.50%	1,125.00
Federal Land Bank Bonds	8.25%	2,227.50
Total Bond Interest		<u>\$ 4,252.50</u>

SAVINGS ACCOUNTS AND CERTIFICATES:

The First National Bank:

CD - 7593	\$ 277.66	
CD - 32039	<u>1,995.34(a)</u>	\$ 2,273.00

Birmingham Trust National Bank:

Savings Account 15-00-188-1	\$ 367.82	
CD - 127358	<u>409.65(a)</u>	777.47

City Federal Savings and Loan Association:

CD 786781	\$ 367.22	
Account 4-10299	<u>23.87</u>	391.09

Jefferson Federal Savings and Loan Association:

Account SM - 1406	\$ 5.12	<u>5.12</u>
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Total Interest Income on Savings and Certificates		<u>3,446.68</u>
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Total Interest Income		<u><u>\$ 7,699.18</u></u>
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SCHEDULE "E"GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OF ALABAMA
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMAANALYSIS OF RESERVE ACCOUNTS

DECEMBER 31, 1976

	<u>Total</u>	<u>Triennial</u>	<u>Bicentennial</u>
Balance January 1, 1976	\$ 5,578.86	\$ 4,578.86	\$ 1,000.00
Provision for calendar year	<u>1,374.97</u>	<u>1,134.00</u>	<u>240.97</u>
Total	<u>\$ 6,953.83</u>	<u>\$ 5,712.86</u>	<u>\$ 1,240.97</u>
Disbursements	\$ 1,240.97	\$	\$ 1,240.97
Transferred to General Fund	<u>4,578.86</u>	<u>4,578.86</u>	
Total	<u>\$ 5,819.83</u>	<u>\$ 4,578.86</u>	<u>\$ 1,240.97</u>
Balance December 31, 1976	<u>\$ 1,134.00</u>	<u>\$ 1,134.00</u>	<u>\$ NONE</u>

**REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON GRAND HIGH PRIEST'S ADDRESS
TO THE GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OF ALABAMA:**

We, your Committee to whom was referred the Address of the Most Excellent Grand High Priest, wish to make the following report:

We recommend that the part of the Address referring to Necrology be referred to the Committee on Necrology.

With regard to Visitations, we recommend that they be approved and we commend the Most Excellent Grand High Priest for his devotion to duty and the Fraternal relationships he has cultivated during the past year.

We recommend that the Dispensations to Receive and Ballot Out of Statutory Time and other Special Dispensations be referred to the Jurisprudence Committee.

We recommend that the Nominations for Grand Representatives be approved and Appointments of Grand Representatives be approved.

We recommend that the Audit of Books be referred to the Finance Committee.

The merger of Red Bay Chapter No. 169 with Cyrus Chapter No. 6 be referred to the Committee on Chartered Chapters.

We recommend that the merger of Marshall County Chapter No. 172 with Eunomia Chapter No. 5 be referred to the Committee on Chartered Chapters.

We wish to commend our Most Excellent Grand High Priest on his zeal and work in promoting Capitular Masonry in Alabama this year and his efforts in promoting Unity in our York Rite. We sincerely hope and are confident that he will continue his activities on behalf of this Grand Body.

Respectfully submitted,
Troy J. Roberts, Chairman
Guss H. Gadd
C. C. McCoy

***RECOMMENDATIONS REFERRED TO PROPER COMMITTEES—SEE
THEIR REPORTS.***

COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS

TO THE MOST EXCELLENT GRAND HIGH PRIEST, GRAND OFFICERS AND COMPANIONS OF THE MOST EXCELLENT GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF ALABAMA:

We, your Committee on Credentials, beg to submit the following report:

There are present and registered with this Committee 15 Grand Officers and 12 Past Grand High Priests of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Alabama.

There are 32 Subordinate Chapters which comprise the Grand Royal Arch Chapter, and of these, 27 Subordinate Chapters are registered with this Committee for this 150th Annual Convocation.

We have examined the Credentials of Chapter Officers or their Proxies, and the following is our conclusion:

Total Officers or Their Proxies Present	75
Total Past High Priests Present	<u>111</u>
Total Qualified To Vote	186

The following Chapters are not represented at this Convocation: Talladega No. 23, Central No. 64, Hillabee No. 79, Lineville No. 150, Russellville No. 164.

By Order of the Grand High Priest, Companion Fred W. Vaughan, on February 21, 1977, Marshall County Chapter No. 172, merged to Eunomia Chapter No. 5

We wish to thank the Grand Secretary and the Grand High Priest for their support and assistance in making our work easier at this Grand Chapter.

We have enjoyed very much the privilege of serving this Grand Chapter.

Respectfully submitted,
Lawrence Kline, Chairman
C. C. McCoy

ADOPTED

GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OF ALABAMA

HIGH PRIESTS, KINGS, SCRIBES, AND PROXIES PRESENT FROM SUBORDINATE CHAPTERS:

1. Tuscaloosa	Fred J. Gentry*	High Priest
	Glen Wilson Wood*	King
	Fred J. Gentry*	Scribe

5. Eunomia	Paul E. Drinnon Richard M. Slaughter Virgil I. Allen*	High Priest King Scribe
6. Cyrus	Leonard L. Johns William E. Grigg Terry Bray*	High Priest King Scribe
21. Mobile	J. D. Green C. V. McLain, Jr.* Charles W. McDonald	High Priest King Scribe
22. Montgomery	Joseph P. Jones Roy Holley* Sam J. Salmen*	High Priest King Scribe
23. Talladega	Not represented	
28. St. John	W. P. Evans* Jimmie Simerly* W. P. Evans*	High Priest King Scribe
38. Decatur	James H. Jeffreys* Raymond McDonald Michael L. Jones*	High Priest King Scribe
54. Tyrian	J. W. Lake* Clyde R. Headley Clyde R. Headley*	High Priest King Scribe
64. Central	Not represented	
76. Birmingham Metro	Harvey M. Emerson Harvey M. Emerson* Harvey M. Emerson*	High Priest King Scribe
79. Hillabee	Not represented	
80. Myles J. Greene	H. Curtis Ivey* Lewis Smith* F. G. Cofield	High Priest King Scribe
86. Coosa	Hobert L. Ashley Herman L. Stephens Ray R. Morgan, Jr.	High Priest King Scribe
100. Roanoke	Willie J. Richardson Jesse Calhoun*	High Priest King
104. Sylacauga	John I. Carter* Charles Pitts*	High Priest Scribe
105. Anniston	Stanley E. Beason William H. Brooks* James C. Nuss*	High Priest King Scribe
107. Fort Payne	Nelson Williams	High Priest

110. Bessemer	Ernest H. Kendrick *	High Priest
	N. C. Wilkinson *	King
	Earl P. Woodall *	Scribe
111. Piedmont	Teddy R. Grogan, Jr. *	High Priest
	Robert Arnett	King
	Robert Arnett *	Scribe
113. Dothan	O'Day Fontenot, Jr.	High Priest
	W. Wayne Gardner	King
	William Rasmussen *	Scribe
116. Clanton	Arthur Lee Foshee	High Priest
	Arthur Lee Foshee *	King
118. Jasper	Ray Rutledge *	High Priest
	Ray Rutledge *	King
	Ray Rutledge *	Scribe
126. Tallassee	James Melvin Taylor	High Priest
	John A. Dubberley *	King
132. Valley	Arthur H. Dailey *	High Priest
	Arthur H. Dailey *	King
	Arthur H. Dailey *	Scribe
146. Woodlawn	Donald W. Hammond	High Priest
	J. Michael Deming	King
	Howard O. Lawrence	Scribe
149. Phenix	Eugene Watson *	High Priest
	Wilford Woodruff	King
	Aubrey H. Jeter	Scribe
150. Lineville	Not represented	
154. East Lake	William E. Prescott, III	High Priest
	Lee M. Biddy *	King
	Sam E. Holt	Scribe
157. Wahouma	James W. Hooper *	High Priest
	T. M. Turner *	King
	Julian L. McDonald *	Scribe
164. Russellville	Not represented	
170. Monroeville	Charles F. Rawls	High Priest
	Charles F. Rawls *	King
	Charles F. Rawls *	Scribe

*Denotes Proxy

GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OF ALABAMA

PAST EXCELLENT HIGH PRIESTS PRESENT:

1. Tuscaloosa: W. Hollis Smitherman, L. J. Hays, Jr., James Tesney, Robert W. Earnhardt, Fred J. Gentry, S. D. Allen, Alexis M. Kosloff.

5. Eunomia: Emory J. Ferguson, George L. Marshall, Jr., William H. Ealy, D. S. Vaughn, R. A. Chapman, Abraham Benefield.
6. Cyrus: Guss H. Gadd, Ernest L. Bishop, Charles J. Adams, Bennie T. Koger, Grady L. LeMaster.
21. Mobile: Ray B. Hartwell, Robert E. Shipp, James E. Bradford, John S. Gamundi, W. W. Buckley, Jr., Jesse A. Bradford, Bernie H. Steele.
22. Montgomery: C. C. McCoy, Sam J. Salmen, Roy Holley, Thomas A. Baucum, Earl S. West.
28. St. John: W. P. Evans, Cecil Moore.
38. Decatur: Michael L. Jones, Richard S. Hamilton, Stanley J. Polaski.
54. Tyrian: Clyde R. Headley, J. W. Lake.
76. Birmingham Metro: Ted Hecht, Henry R. Kelso, Emrys W. John, George W. Sorrell, Thomas W. Oliver, Thomas A. McNickle, McMurray L. Griffith, Robert M. Collins.
80. Myles J. Greene: Clifford H. Williams, H. Curtis Ivey.
86. Coosa: Lawrence Kline, T. E. Blansett, Sr., Roy L. Wood, Luther E. Stephens, F. M. Thompson, Clifford J. Turner, Thomas N. Read, Fred W. Vaughan.
105. Anniston: William E. Fuqua, Erskine K. Smith, James C. Nuss, William H. Brooks, J. Paul Gray, Melton C. Campbell, J. Woodrow Smith, Horace R. Batchelor.
110. Bessemer: James L. Little, N. C. Wilkinson.
111. Piedmont: T. R. Grogan, Sr.
113. Dothan: L. D. Durden, William Rasmussen, W. M. Killingsworth, Joseph D. Brackin.
116. Clanton: Arthur L. Foshee.
118. Jasper: Ray Rutledge.
132. Valley: Arthur H. Dailey.
146. Woodlawn: R. J. Wadkins, James M. Deming, Thomas W. Mann, R. L. Byars, Jr., W. Sterling Roberts, Arthur C. Harding, Troy J. Roberts, Charles B. Hudson, George W. Busby, John D. Prince, Jr., W. H. Arnold, Hoyt McClendon, Oliver H. Harris, Charles L. Jones.
149. Phenix: James L. Allen, Sam L. Garrett, W. M. Newsome, Jr., Arthur L. McGregor, Norman Hutchinson, R. Harris Henderson, Alford F. Pece, Gene M. Day.
154. East Lake: Cecil D. Rayburn, G. S. Stout, Lee M. Biddy, W. M. Lytle, Van D. Bell, Jr., William O. Farmer, J. J. Douglas.
157. Wahouma: Walter K. Collins, V. Nash Carmichael, T. M. Turner, J. W. Hooper, Claude C. McGraw, Charles M. Daniels, Julian L. McDonald.

GRAND TREASURER'S REPORT

TO THE MOST EXCELLENT GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OF ALABAMA:

I submit below the report of our financial condition at December 31, 1976:

	Total	Cash	Investments	Other
Balance January 1, 1976	\$107,655.66	\$44,017.15	\$56,898.73	\$6,739.78

RECEIVED:

Dues	\$ 20,171.50	\$20,171.50	\$	\$
Interest	7,699.18	7,699.18		
For Banquet Tickets	947.00	947.00		
Supplies Sold	491.99	491.99		
Increase in Supplies on hand	108.99			108.99
Total Receipts	\$ 29,418.66	\$29,309.67	\$	\$ 108.99
Total	\$137,074.32	\$73,326.82	\$56,898.73	\$6,848.77

DISBURSED:

Budgeted Expense Paid	\$ 24,213.42	\$24,213.42		
Bicentennial Expense Paid	1,240.97	1,240.97		
Supplies for ReSale Purchased	357.71	357.71		
Payroll Taxes Unpaid at December 31, 1976 Under those for previous year end	22.84	22.84		
Total	\$ 25,834.94	\$25,834.94		
Balance December 31, 1976	\$111,239.38	\$47,491.88	\$56,898.73	\$6,848.77

HELD AS FOLLOWS:

Petty Cash Fund	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00	\$	\$
Checking Account	15,410.51	15,410.51		
Savings and Certificates	32,056.37	32,056.37		
Supplies Inventory	679.20			679.20
Federal Land Bank Bonds	41,898.73		41,898.73	
Series "H" Bonds	15,000.00		15,000.00	
Deposits for Utilities	118.00			118.00
Equipment for Office	6,051.57			6,051.57
Total	\$111,239.38	\$47,491.88	\$56,898.73	\$6,848.77
Increase for the year	\$ 3,583.72	\$ 3,474.73	\$	\$ 108.99

Respectfully Submitted,
Hoyt McClendon, Grand Treasurer

ADOPTED

GRAND SECRETARY'S REPORT**TO THE MOST EXCELLENT GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OF ALABAMA:**

Companions: Herewith is my annual report for the fiscal year ending
December 31, 1976:

Membership as of January 1, 1976 10,020

ADDITIONS:

Exalted	518	
Affiliated	32	
Reinstated	114	+ 664
Total Gross Membership		10,684

LOSSES:

Died	236	
Dimitted	38	
Suspended (N.P.D.)	419	— 693
Total Net Membership, December 31, 1976		9,991
Loss in Membership for 1976		— 29

Chartered Chapters	32
Chapters Reporting	32

Note: By order of Grand High Priest, Fred W. Vaughan, on June 24, 1976, Red Bay Chapter No. 169 merged to Cyrus Chapter No. 6. By order of Grand High Priest, Fred W. Vaughan, on February 21, 1977, Marshall County Chapter No. 172 merged to Eunomia Chapter No. 5.

Chapters Reporting Gains: 14
(Eunomia No. 5; Cyrus No. 6; Mobile No. 21; Montgomery No. 22; St. John No. 28; Anniston No. 105; Fort Payne No. 107; Bessemer No. 110; Piedmont No. 111; Jasper No. 118; Tallassee No. 126; Lineville No. 150; East Lake No. 154; Monroeville No. 170, and Decatur No. 38)

Chapters Reporting Losses: 17
(Tuscaloosa No. 1; Talladega No. 23; Tyrian No. 54; Central No. 64; Birmingham Metro No. 76; Hillabee No. 79; Miles J. Green No. 80; Coosa No. 86; Roanoke No. 100; Sylacauga No. 104; Dothan No. 113; Clanton No. 116; Valley No. 132; Woodlawn No. 146; Phenix City No. 149; Wahouma No. 157; and Russellville No. 164)

Chapters Under Dispensation: 0

Per Capita Tax due General Grand Chaper @10¢ on 9,991 members
Less 194 Ministers = 9,797 \$979.70

Respectfully submitted,
Thomas W. Mann, Grand Secretary

ADOPTED —

STATISTICAL SUMMARY OF SUBORDINATE CHAPTERS

NUMBER	NAME	1/1/76 MEMBERS	EXALTED	AFFILIATED	REINSTATED	DIED	DMITTED	SUSPENDED	12/31/76 TOTAL MEMBERS	GAIN/LOSS
1	Tuscaloosa	467	21	1	4	11	2	40	440	-27
5	Eunomia	401	21	-	3	3	3	11	408	+ 7
6	Cyrus	429	21	6	5	7	-	13	441	+12
21	Mobile	815	70	3	6	20	1	25	848	+33
22	Montgomery	387	35	-	1	10	2	13	398	+11
23	Talladega	59	2	-	-	2	-	2	57	- 2
28	St. John	73	5	-	2	1	1	4	74	+ 1
38	Decatur	350	11	1	-	6	2	-	354	+ 4
54	Tyrian	81	-	-	4	2	-	5	78	- 3
64	Central	118	1	-	-	9	-	2	108	-10
76	B'ham. Metro	1530	71	3	17	47	3	64	1507	-23
79	Hillabee	76	-	-	-	1	-	9	66	-10
80	Miles J. Green	95	-	-	1	2	2	7	85	-10
86	Coosa	395	6	-	13	10	3	10	391	- 4
100	Roanoke	44	-	-	-	-	-	5	39	- 5
104	Sylacauga	156	-	-	-	21	-	-	135	-21
105	Anniston	251	23	3	2	1	-	10	268	+19
107	Fort Payne	172	11	-	-	1	-	-	182	+10
110	Bessemer	281	41	1	1	6	1	14	303	+22
111	Piedmont	161	20	1	1	2	-	-	181	+20
113	Dothan	349	9	1	10	8	1	24	336	-13
116	Clanton	42	-	-	-	3	-	-	39	- 3
118	Jasper	548	11	-	3	-	-	-	562	+14
126	Tallassee	59	2	-	-	-	-	-	61	+ 2
132	Valley	182	-	-	1	-	-	3	180	- 2
146	Woodlawn	1193	58	8	13	21	4	70	1177	-16
149	Phenix City	239	13	-	1	7	1	8	237	- 2
150	Lineville	59	-	1	-	-	-	-	60	+ 1
154	East Lake	392	18	1	19	13	4	20	393	+ 1
157	Wahouma	376	33	-	6	7	4	29	375	- 1
164	Russellville	53	-	-	-	1	-	16	36	-17
169	Red Bay	32	-	-	-	13	6	13	0	----
(By Order of Grand High Priest, Fred W. Vaughan, on June 24, 1976, Red Bay merged to Cyrus No. 6)										
170	Monroeville	62	5	2	1	1	-	-	69	+ 7
172	Marshall County	93	-	-	-	-	-	-	93	----
		10020	518	32	114	236	40	417	9991	-29

(By Order of Grand High Priest, Fred W. Vaughan, on February 21, 1977, Marshall County No. 172 merged to Eunomia No. 5, figures to reflect on 12/31/1977 statistical summary)

RESOLUTION NO. 1**TO THE GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OF ALABAMA:**

I move that the second paragraph of Section 2 of Article 2, as amended in 1957, of the By-Laws of this Grand Royal Arch Chapter be amended to read as follows:

The Most Excellent Grand High Priest shall at each Annual Convocation or before the adjournment thereof, appoint the following standing committees:

- I — JURISPRUDENCE
- II — FINANCE
- III — CREDENTIALS AND REGISTRATION
- IV — RITUALISTIC WORK
- V — FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE

The above standing committees each shall consist of 3 or less members, except the committee on Foreign Correspondence which shall consist of no more than one member. All members of the standing committees shall be allowed mileage for attending the Annual Convocation of this Grand Chapter at the rate of 10 cents per mile round trip from their homes to the city in which the Annual Convocation is held and the same per diem as allowed by the Finance Committee to the elected Grand Chapter officers.

The Grand High Priest may appoint such special committees as in his judgement would be to the best interest of this Grand Chapter. Such special committees usually have little or no duties to perform other than to read a short report at the Annual Convocation and this is done without the hope of fee or reward.

Respectfully submitted,
Hoyt McClendon

RESOLUTION REFERRED TO JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE: (their reply: presented in proper form)
ADOPTED

RESOLUTION NO. 2**TO THE MOST EXCELLENT GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OF ALABAMA:**

WHEREAS the returns and the fees and dues of subordinate Chapters are due as of December 1, of each calendar year, although supplemental returns and payments thereon may be made by December 31, and

WHEREAS, the financial records of the Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons of Alabama are closed as of the 31st day of December of each year;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The Grand Secretary shall add and collect as a penalty, in addition to the fees and dues of subordinate Chapters, ten percentum of the gross amount upon all such returns as are not forwarded to the Grand Secretary's Office so as to be received on or before the 31st day of December in the current year.
2. Any subordinate failing to make it's proper returns and payment in full of all fees and dues and penalties by the 31st day of January next following the imposition of such penalty shall be reported to the Grand Chapter by the Grand Secretary and shall be further penalized by forfeiting any and all votes to which such Chapter or any member thereof might otherwise be entitled at the Annual Convocation.

Respectfully submitted,
John D. Prince, Jr.,
George W. Sorrell,
Guss H. Gadd

*RESOLUTION REFERRED TO JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE:
REJECTED AS NOT BEING PRESENTED IN PROPER FORM.*

RESOLUTION NO. 3

GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OF ALABAMA:

TO ADOPT A NEW BY-LAW, VIZ: ARTICLE IV, PROVIDING
FOR THE LOCATION OF OFFICES OF CERTAIN GRAND OFFICERS:

WHEREAS, some confusion exists as to Resolutions of this Body supposedly adopted in the past, and in order to clarify what is believed to be the will of this Body:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The following By-Law is hereby adopted:

Section 1: The Offices of the Grand Secretary and the Grand Treasurer of this Body be established in the City of Birmingham, Alabama.

Respectfully submitted,
D. Shelby Vaughn,
McMurray L. Griffith,
John D. Prince, Jr.

*REFERRED TO JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE — THEIR REPLY:
PRESENTED IN PROPER FORM —
ADOPTED*

RESOLUTION NO. 4***TO THE MOST EXCELLENT GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OF ALABAMA:***

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: Article I, Section 4, of the Constitution of the Most Excellent Grand Royal Arch Chapter of the State of Alabama be amended by adding the following paragraph viz:

The 1978 and all subsequent Annual Convocations of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Alabama be held in the City of Birmingham.

Respectfully submitted,
D. Shelby Vaughn,
Emory J. Ferguson,
John D. Prince, Jr.

***RESOLUTION REFERRED TO JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE:
RESOLUTION RECEIVED, TO LIE OVER FOR ONE YEAR, TO BE
VOTED ON AT 151th ANNUAL CONVOCATION, FEBRUARY, 1978.***

RESOLUTION NO. 5***TO THE MOST EXCELLENT GRAND HIGH PRIEST, OFFICERS, AND
COMPANIONS OF THE GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OF
ALABAMA:***

WHEREAS: On January 6, 1957, there was established in the city of Detroit, Michigan, a Rite entitled "York Rite Sovereign College of North America".

WHEREAS: The purpose of said Rite as stated in it's constitution is as follows:

Section 1.

(A) To foster a spirit of cooperation and coordination among all the bodies of York Rite Masonry.

(B) To assist in worthy efforts to improve the ritualistic and dramatic presentation of York Rite work.

(C) To conduct an educational program in order to inculcate a greater appreciation of the principles, ideals and programs of York Rite Masonry.

(D) To strengthen York Rite Masonry in every proper manner.

(E) To build a love of country and to aid and support genuine patriotism.

(F) To reward outstanding service to York Rite Masonry by awards, honors, and other methods of proper recognition.

WHEREAS: Prospective members of a York Rite Sovereign College must be members in good standing in a duly recognized Blue Lodge, Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, Council of Royal and Select Masters, and Commandery of Knights Templar.

WHEREAS: The York Rite Sovereign College of North America desires recognition by this august body.

THEREFORE: Be it resolved that the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Alabama fraternally recognize The York Rite Sovereign College of North America.

Respectfully submitted,
Joseph D. Brackin,
Loyd D. Durden,
John S. Gamundi

RESOLUTION REFERRED TO JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE (Their reply: Presented in Proper Form)

RESOLUTION ADOPTED —

RESOLUTION NO. 6

TO THE GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OF ALABAMA:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: To amend Article V, Section 1, of the Constitution of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter by deleting the following therefore:

“Every proposition to alter or amend this Constitution shall be submitted in writing at an Annual Convocation, and if approved by a vote of one-third of the members present, shall be entered on the minutes and printed with the proceedings, and if at the next Annual Convocation, two-thirds of all the Chapters present assent thereto, the same shall become a part of this Constitution.”

and substitute the following:

“When it shall be necessary or desirable to alter or amend this Constitution such alteration or amendment shall be proposed in writing and received at the Grand Office not later than January 1st, preceding the Annual Convocation and referred to the Committee of Jurisprudence, and if approved as being in proper form, all subordinate Chapters be notified in writing not later than February 1st, preceding the Annual Convocation. The altered or amended proposal can then be presented at the Grand Convocation and if approved by one-third of the members present and entered in Proceedings, can at the next Annual Convocation be concurred by a two-thirds vote of the members present or if unanimously concurred in by the members present shall be declared adopted at once.

To amend Article III, Section 18, of the By-Laws of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter by deleting the following therefore:

“Alterations or Amendments to these By-Laws and to the operative Edicts and Decisions of this Grand Chapter may be made at any Annual Convocation of this Grand Chapter, by a vote of two thirds of the

members present.”

and substitute the following:

“These By-Laws may be altered or amended at the Annual Convocation by proposal in writing and received at the Grand Office not later than January 1st, preceding the Annual Convocation and referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence and if approved as being in proper form all subordinate Chapters be notified in writing not later than February 1st, preceding the Annual Convocation. The altered or amended By-Laws can be concurred in by two-thirds of the members present.

Respectfully submitted,
McMurray L. Griffith,
Robert L. Byars, Jr.
V. Nash Carmichael

ADOPTED —

RESOLUTION REFERRED TO JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE:

(Their reply: Presented in Proper Form)

RESOLUTION ADOPTED —

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON JURISPRUDENCE

TO THE MOST EXCELLENT GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OF ALABAMA:

We, your Committee on Jurisprudence, submit the following:

The Committee on Jurisprudence unanimously approves that portion of the Address of Most Excellent Grand High Priest Fred W. Vaughan, which was referred to your Committee on Jurisprudence.

The six Resolutions referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence included:

1. Modifying Article 2, Section 2, of By-Laws in establishing five Standing Committees which deleted Chartered Chapters, Chapters Under Dispensation, Committee on Propositions and Grievances, and added Committee on Foreign Correspondence. (*Adoped*)

2. To require each Chapter delinquent in payment of fees and dues to pay a penalty of 10% of gross amount due and continued default causes loss of right to vote in Annual Convocation. (*Rejected*)

3. To adopt a new By-Law, being Article IV, Section 1 (Location of Grand York Rite Office) to establish in City of Birmingham the Office of the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer. (*Adopted*)

4. Be it resolved that Article I, Section 4 of the Constitution of the Most Excellent Grand Royal Arch Chapter of the State of Alabama be amended by adding the following paragraph viz:

“The 1978 and all subsequent Annual Convocations of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Alabama be held in the City of Birmingham.”

(*Received — will be put to vote February, 1978*).

5. The Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Alabama fraternally recognize the York Rite Sovereign College of North America. (*Adopted.*)

6. a. To Amend Article V, Section 1, of the Constitution of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter by deleting the following therefore:

“Every proposition to alter or amend this Constitution shall be submitted in writing at an Annual Convocation, and if approved by a vote of one-third of the members present, shall be entered on the minutes and printed with the proceedings, and if at the next Annual Convocation, two-thirds of all the

Chapters present assent thereto, the same shall become a part of this Constitution."

and substitute the following:

"When it shall be necessary or desirable to alter or amend this Constitution such alteration or amendment shall be proposed in writing and received at the Grand Office not later than January 1st, preceding the Annual Convocation and referred to the Committee of Jurisprudence, and if approved as being in proper form, all subordinate Chapters be notified in writing not later than February 1st, preceding the Annual Convocation. The altered or amended proposal can then be presented at the Grand Convocation and if approved by one-third of the members present and entered in Proceedings, can at the next Annual Convocation be concurred by a two-thirds vote of the members present or if unanimously concurred in by the members present shall be declared adopted at once. (*Adopted.*)

b. To amend Article III, Section 18, of the By-Laws of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter by deleting the following therefore: "Alterations or Amendments to these By-Laws and to the operative Edicts and Decisions of this Grand Chapter may be made at any Annual Convocation of this Grand Chapter, by a vote of two thirds of the members present."

and substitute the following:

"These By-Laws may be altered or amended at the Annual Convocation by proposal in writing and received at the Grand Office not later than January 1st, preceding the Annual Convocation and referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence and if approved as being in proper form all subordinate Chapters be notified in writing not later than February 1st, preceding the Annual Convocation. The altered or amended By-Laws can be concurred in by two-thirds of the members present. (*Adopted*)

Respectfully submitted,
Clarence F. Rhea, Chairman,
Emrys W. John,
Ray Rutledge

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

TO THE MOST EXCELLENT GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OF ALABAMA:

We, your Committee on Finance, offer the following report for your consideration and action. We have examined the audit of the Grand Chapter Books by John E. Evans, Certified Public Accountant, and recommend that it be accepted and filed.

BUDGET FOR 1977 - 40%

Grand Officer Expense:

Allowance for Grand High Priest	\$1,000.00
Grand Officer District Visitations (Alabama)	100.00
Grand Officers & Committee Meetings (Ala.)	100.00
Stationery--Grand High Priest	35.00
Apron & Case for Jr. Past Grand High Priest	200.00
Dais Officer York Rite Regional Meeting (Grand King, Grand Scribe, Grand Secretary, \$100.00 Maximum each Officer)	233.00
Foreign Correspondent	10.00
	\$ 1,678.00

Grand Secretary-Treasurer Office Expense:

Salary--Grand Secretary	\$3,283.00
Salary--Office Secretary	2,580.00
Allowance--Grand Treasurer	240.00
Insurance--Bond, Fire, Theft, Liability	160.00
Safety Deposit Box	5.00
Social Security and Payroll Tax	610.00
Office Rental	1,920.00
Utilities	500.00
Stationery and Printing for Office	250.00
Repairs--Furniture & Equipment (Service Contracts)	160.00
Postage & Post Office Box Rent	190.00
Telephone	300.00
Annual Audit	325.00
Travel Allowance--Grand Secretary	880.00
Travel Allowance--Office Secretary	210.00
Janitorial Supplies	90.00
	\$11,703.00

Annual Convocation Expense:

Expense for Distinguished Guests	\$1,000.00
Per Diem & Mileage for Officers & Committees	2,400.00
Banquet & Men's Luncheon	1,000.00
Printing for Convocation and Badges	200.00
Convention Photographs	80.00
Ladies Luncheon	250.00
	\$ 4,930.00

Miscellaneous Appropriations:

Per Capita Tax to General Grand Chapter	
9,991 Members less 194 Minister = 9,797	
@ 10¢	979.00
Royal Arch Magazine	3,635.00
Memorials	100.00
Special Awards—DeMolay	250.00
Printing Proficiency Certificates	100.00
Printing Revised Constitution & By-Laws ...	100.00
Printing Annual Proceedings	1,800.00
	* 6,964.00

Triennial Reserve:

* First Three Grand Officers & Grand Secretary	\$ 467.00
** Past Grand High Priests	667.00
*\$400.00 maximum each officer.	\$ 1,134.00
**\$400.00 maximum each Past Grand High Priest (Prorated)	
GRAND TOTAL	\$26,409.00

Estimated Income:

9,991 members less 194 Ministers = 9,797	
@ \$2.15	\$21,063.00
Interest Earned	7,700.00
	\$28,763.00

Respectfully submitted,
Luther E. Stephens, Chairman,
Earl P. Woodall,
Fred J. Gentry

ADOPTED

(PER CAPITA TAX DUE GRAND CHAPTER BY DECEMBER 1,
IS \$2.15 PER MEMBER)

REPORT OF DeMOLAY COMMITTEE

TO THE MOST EXCELLENT GRAND HIGH PRIEST, GRAND OFFICERS AND COMPANIONS OF THE GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF ALABAMA:

We, the Alabama Grand York Rite Masons' DeMolay Committee, respectfully submit the following report:

The State DeMolay Association of Alabama Annual Conclave, was held in Huntsville, Alabama, June 10 - 12, 1976. It was indeed an honor and a privilege for this Committee to represent the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Alabama at the DeMolay Conclave Banquet where Trophies and Awards were presented to outstanding DeMolays for their performances in Ritualistic, Patriotic, Athletic and other Activities.

Companions, Fred W. Vaughan, Most Excellent Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Alabama; C. J. Turner, Most Illustrious Grand Master of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters; Ray R. Morgan, Jr., District Deputy, District No. 2; Richard A. Stewart, District Deputy, District No. 1; and John S. Gamundi, District Deputy, District No. 3, made the presentations.

The Banquet was attended by many distinguished guests, representing the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Alabama, Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Alabama, the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Alabama, Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of Alabama, Scottish Rite Bodies, Order of the Eastern Star, Order of Rainbow for Girls, other Appendant Bodies and visitors from other Jurisdictions.

Your Committee has visited DeMolay Chapters, both in our State and other States, assisting on Installations and presenting Awards and Honors to DeMolay and Advisors. We wish to emphasize the need of adult Masonic participation and remember that the Order of DeMolay is our responsibility.

This Committee earnestly recommends the continuation of DeMolay programs, and to explore the needs of the State DeMolay Association through the State Executive Officer.

The next State DeMolay Conclave will be held in Montgomery, Alabama, June 9 - 11, 1977.

Respectfully submitted,
John S. Gamundi, Chairman,
Ray R. Morgan, Jr.,
Loyd D. Durden

ADOPTED

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BY-LAWS

TO THE MOST EXCELLENT GRAND HIGH PRIEST AND COMPANIONS OF THE GRAND CHAPTER OF ALABAMA:

We, your Committee on By-Laws are happy to report that nothing has been brought to this Committee's attention this year.

Respectfully submitted,
D. Shelby Vaughn, Chairman,
Weldon H. Roberts,
Robert M. Collins

ADOPTED

**REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON
CHARTERED CHAPTERS AND CHAPTERS UNDER DISPENSATION**

TO THE MOST EXCELLENT GRAND HIGH PRIEST AND THE GRAND OFFICERS AND COMPANIONS:

We, your Committee on Chartered Chapters and Chapters Under Dispensation, submit the following report:

To our knowledge, no Chapter has failed to convene at least one time this past year, neither have we been called upon to determine the status of any Chapter.

We recommend the merger of Red Bay Chapter No. 169, with Cyrus Chapter No. 6, also the merger of Marshall County Chapter No. 172, with Eunomia Chapter No. 5 be approved.

It is gratifying to note we have no Chapter that has failed to report for three years.

Most Excellent Grand High Priest, we thank you for the opportunity of serving this Grand Chapter.

Fraternally submitted,
Troy J. Roberts, Chairman,
Harris Henderson,
Ray B. Hartwell

ADOPTED

**REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON
FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE**

TO THE MOST EXCELLENT GRAND HIGH PRIEST, GRAND OFFICERS AND COMPANIONS:

I am happy to report the following communications. I have written many letters and received answers.

Royal Arch Chapters are growing, especially in foreign countries—even in the countries under communistic rule. This year we received a letter from the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons in Vienna, Austria, which is midway between the free world and communism, asking for recognition by our Grand Chapter and wishing to exchange Grand Representatives. I was not able to find out about the background of that chapter but I recommended to our Most Excellent Grand High Priest to recognize that chapter and appoint Grand Representatives.

There are many Grand Royal Arch Chapters in Brazil, but they are all under the jurisdiction of Holland and England.

Thank you for the honor of serving you.

Respectfully yours,
Alexis M. Kosloff, Chairman

ADOPTED

COMMITTEE ON PROPOSITIONS, GRIEVANCES, AND APPEALS

TO THE GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OF ALABAMA:

We your Committee on Propositions, Grievances, and Appeals, are happy to report that nothing has been brought to this Committee's attention during this year.

Respectfully submitted,
Guss H. Gadd, Chairman,
Richard Sim Hamilton

ADOPTED

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLICITY

TO THE MOST EXCELLENT GRAND HIGH PRIEST OF THE MOST EXCELLENT GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF ALABAMA:

We, your Committee on Publicity, wish to report that the activities of Royal Arch Chapters have been properly and discreetly reported when news items of their activities were made available to us. During the year 1976, we have made use of the local news media, radio and television, the Masonic Monthly and the Knight Templar Magazines in publicizing the activities of our Royal Arch Chapters.

The Committee feels the reporting of our Royal Arch Chapters' activities, orientated toward the Blue Lodge Mason, will aid in creating a more impressive image of Royal Arch Masonry which should enhance an increase in our membership, all reporting, of course, being done within the confines of the Constitution of our Grand Royal Arch Chapter.

Your Committee has found it's greatest problem has been, as in the past, the securing of accurate accounts of the special meetings, programs and festivals held by subordinate Chapters. We recommend that all Chapters use the publicity sources states above which are so readily available to them.

We, the Committee on Publicity, would like to take this opportunity to thank Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Fred. W. Vaughan, for our appointment, and for the opportunity to serve the Grand Chapter.

Respectfully submitted,
C. V. McLain, Jr., Chairman,
T. Milton Turner,
James E. Stutts

ADOPTED

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON WORK

TO THE MOST EXCELLENT GRAND HIGH PRIEST AND GRAND CHAPTER OF ALABAMA:

We, your Committee on Work, beg leave to make the following report:

There have been no requests for assistance in interpreting or presenting the work by the several subordinate Chapters of Alabama made to the Committee on Work this year. We hope that any Chapter needing ritualistic assistance will not hesitate to contact the Committee on Work and help will be promptly sent. We urge, wherever possible, the practice of two or more Chapters combining their talents to do the work in area festivals if there are not enough ritualists in either to do the work separately.

To date, no Grand Chapter Proficiency Certificates have been awarded, but the design of these Certificates is complete and we hope that some ambitious Companions will begin to start work on them soon. I realize that some Companions may be unaware of this opportunity, and the delegates to this session can be of great help if they will carry the news that a Certificate is available back to their Chapters and then promote the idea with encouragement and example.

We wish to move the following:

1. That sufficient funds be allocated in the 1977 budget for the printing of a modest number of the Grand Chapter Proficiency Certificates.
2. That the proposals made by this Committee as cited on page 47 of the 1976 Grand York Rite Proceedings be adopted for use by the subordinate Chapters.

We wish to thank the Most Excellent Grand High Priest for his

encouragement and for the honor of serving on this Committee this past year, and also thanks to Ex. Comp. Emory J. Ferguson for his graphics and art work done on the Grand Chapter Proficiency Certificate.

Respectfully submitted,
George Marshall, Jr., Chairman,
W. Hollis Arnold,
W. Hollis Smitherman

REFERRED TO FINANCE COMMITTEE —

REFERRED TO JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE — ADOPTED

GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER

ROLL CALL OF GRAND REPRESENTATIVES:

Alaska	William E. Fuqua
Argentina	Ernest L. Bishop
Arkansas	Sam L. Garrett
British Columbia	William H. Ealy
California	Earl P. Woodall
Colorado	Michael L. Jones
Connecticut	Joseph D. Brackin
Delaware	Thomas A. McNickle
Finland	Alexis M. Kosloff
Florida	Billy L. Smith
Georgia	McMurray L. Griffith
Germany	Ted Hecht
Idaho	Robert M Collins
Illinois	Troy J. Roberts
India	Thomas W. Mann
Iowa	Clifford J. Turner
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Louisiana	W. Hollis Smitherman
Maine	John S. Gamundi
Manitoba	Emrys W. John
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Montana	N. C. Wilkinson
Nebraska	Luck J. Hays, Jr.
New Mexico	Roy L. Wood
New York	Lawrence Kline
New Zealand	L. D. Durden
North Carolina	Garlin S. Stout
North Dakota	Weldon H. Roberts

Nova Scotia	T. Mit Turner
Ohio	C. C. McCoy
Oregon	Milton Fegenbush
Philippines	S. D. Allen
Quebec	Richard Sim Hamilton
Queensland	Guss H. Gadd
Rhode Island	Robert Earnhardt
Saskatchewan	Nash Carmichael
South Carolina	Ray Rutledge
South Dakota	Erskine K. Smith
Switzerland	Ray R. Morgan, Jr.
Tennessee	T. W. Oliver
Victoria	Arthur H. Dailey
Virginia	D. Shelby Vaughn
Washington	Fred J. Gentry
Western Australia	Joe E. Simpson
West Virginia	Fred W. Vaughan
Wyoming	Hoyt McClendon

GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OF ALABAMA

REGISTER OF GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

Grand Chapter	Representative From	Address and Town	Representative To	Town
Alaska	William E. Fuqua	608 7th Avenue Jacksonville, 36265	Forbes L. Baker	Fairbanks
Alberta	E. L. Gunnels	P. O. Box 253 Dothan, 36301	George Blyth	Edmonton
Argentina	Ernest L. Bishop	3110 18th Avenue Sheffield, 35660	Henry Ortnier	Buenos Aires
Arizona	John F. Welch	P. O. Box 2175 Florence, 35630	Dr. C. T. Shirley	Sedona
Arkansas	Sam L. Garrett	P. O. Box 1053 Phenix City, 36867	Don Grimsley, Sr.	West Memphis
British Columbia	Wm. H. Ealy	2101 Giles Drive Huntsville, 35811	Adam G. Robertson	Creston
California	Earl P. Woodall	107 Honeysuckle St. Hueytown, 35020	Willard Mitchell	Burlingame
Canada	Walter F. Estes	227 Devon Drive Birmingham, 35209	Earl J. McKeever	Port Hope, Ont.
Colorado	Michael L. Jones	1711 Cagle Ave. S.W. Decatur, 35601	Clinton T. Dansdill	Akron
Connecticut	Joseph D. Brackin	2102 Hardwick Drive Dothan, 36301	John E. Foster	Fairfield
Delaware	Thomas A. McNickle	802 Wingate Circle Birmingham, 35209	Alfred H. Coe	Wilmington
District of Columbia	William U. Turton	4616 Hickory Lane Annisston, 36201	John F. Reynolds	Washington
Finland	Alexis M. Kostloff	214 Robertson Towers Tuscaloosa, 35401	Toimi Teelanti	Kokkola
Florida	Billy L. Smith	60 Main Street Mountain Brook, 35213	Henry C. Bengel	Ft. Pierce

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Georgia	M. L. Griffith	P. O. Box 31311 Birmingham, 35222	James C. Bentley, Jr.	Quitman
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Idaho	Robert M. Collins	833 Fairfax Dr. Glenn Oaks Fairfield, 35064	Blythe Clemons	Gooding
Illinois	Troy J. Roberts	7012 4th Ave. So. Birmingham, 35206	Glenmore D. Mease	Chicago
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Indiana	Johnnie H. Ray Sr.	P. O. Box 2331 Phenix City, 36867	James DeMond	Ft. Wayne
Iowa	Clifford J. Turner	Rt. 5, Box 187 Gadsden, 35903	Edward A. Powers	Centerville
Israel	Morris Berger	2590-A Government Bldg. Mobile, 36606	Simon Solonds	Haifa
Kansas	Joe D. Lee	908 Sharp Drive Birmingham, 35235	Glenn E. Thompson	Iola
Kentucky	Luther E. Stephens	1109 6th Avenue Gadsden, 35901	Dundee Fulford	Hopkinsville
Louisiana	W. Hollis Smitherman	310 25th Ave. East Tuscaloosa, 35401	James C. Sledge	Shreveport
Maine	John S. Gamundi	2505 Fairway Drive Mobile, 36606	Leslie O. McEachern	Milo
Manitoba	Emrys W. John	5516 10th Ave. South Birmingham, 35222	Milton W. Coghill	Winnipeg

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Mexico	Walter K. Collins	708 Crescent Ridge Road Irondale, 35210	Alber E. Garner	Mexico
Michigan	Claude C. McGraw	5009 - 74th Street North Birmingham, 35206	Ernest Welsh	Lawton
Minnesota	Ray B. Hartwell	1926 Ryders Lane Mobile, 36605	Martin A. Thompson	Minneapolis
Mississippi	George E. Tremelling	4715 6th Ave. Wylam Birmingham, 35224	Gordon M. Lackey	Greenwood
Missouri	Charles D. Miller	P. O. Box 5235 Mobile, 36605	John J. Pollard	Lexington
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New Brunswick	George Stephens	3817 12th Place, East Tuscaloosa, 35401	George M. Rogers	Woodstock
New Hampshire	William O. Farmer	133 - 18th St. S. W. Birmingham, 35211	Waldo S. Rudy	Concord
New Jersey	L. Glenn Parsons	12 North 53rd Street Birmingham, 35212	Thurman C. Pace, Jr.	Westfield
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North Dakota	Weldon H. Roberts	P. O. Box 67 Piedmont, 36272	Neil O. Bjornstad	Enderlin
Nova Scotia	T. M. Turner	1303 Ford Ave. Tarrant Birmingham, 35217	A. H. Kay	Yarmouth
Ohio	C. C. McCoy	P. O. Box 6077 Montgomery, 36106	Raymond E. Loose	Upper Sandusky
Oklahoma	Rodney W. Martin	P. O. Box 4283 Birmingham, 35206	Vernon B. Westover	Ardmore
Oregon	Milton L. Fegenbush	828 South 80th Street Birmingham, 35206	Theo C. Roake	Salem
Pennsylvania	Hubert P. Key	606 Mountain Dr., Roebuck Birmingham, 35206	John A. Roth	Cheltenham
Philippines	S. D. Allen	24 Wood Manor Tuscaloosa, 35401	Nicanor E. Santose	Manila
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Queensland	Guss H. Gadd	1055 Willingham Road Florence, 35630	Arthur Henry Forno	Cairns
Rhode Island	Robt. W. Earnhardt	18 Forest Lake Tuscaloosa, 35401	George M. Lenth, Sr.	Foster

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Scotland	Holden B. Norwood	P. O. Box 1282 Decatur, 35601	James Masson	Aberdeen
South Carolina	Ray Rutledge	Rt. 9, Box 601 Jasper, 35501	S. A. Bannister	Starr
South Dakota	Erskine K. Smith	1835 Cheaha Dr. Oxford, 36203	Carl H. Kubler	Deadwood
Switzerland	Ray R. Morgan, Jr.	P. O. Box 326 Gadsden, 35902	Henry G. Cross	Geneva
Tennessee	T. W. Oliver	1525 - 32nd Street, Ensley Birmingham, 35218	M. L. Hester	Clarksville
Texas	Bruce W. Phelps	Courtview Towers No. 207 Florence, 35630	Don K. Glass	Corpus Christi
Utah	William S. Graham	2326 - 9th Street West Anniston, 36201	Peter R. Haugan	Ogden
Vermont	Charles R. Pate	P. O. Box 315 Weaver, 36277	Rodney A. Akers	White River Jct.
Victoria	Arthur H. Dailey	907 13th Street, North Lanett, 36863	C. C. Latchford	East Brighton
Virginia	David Shelby Vaughn	2606 Bonita Circle, S.W. Huntsville, 35801	G. B. Setzler	Pennington Gap
Washington	Fred J. Gentry	16 Forest Lake Tuscaloosa, 35401	Neal E. Cox	Benton City
Western Australia	Joe E. Simpson	434 North Chestnut St. Florence, 35630	Samuel L. Nicholas	
West Virginia	Fred W. Vaughan	108 Harwood Drive Rt. 13 Box 82 Gadsden, 35901	George W. Tavenner	Parkersburg
Wisconsin	John L. Gunn	744 Sherwood Rd. Fairfield, 35064	Clifford A. Peterson	Kenosha
Wyoming	Hoyt McClendon	5672 10th Avenue, South Birmingham, 35222	Jerald Kinkade	Cody

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NECROLOGY

TO THE GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF ALABAMA:

MOST EXCELLENT GRAND HIGH PRIEST AND COMPANIONS ALL:

We, your Committee on Necrology, wish to submit in reverent memory, the following report:

Once again we pause in remembrance of our Companions for whom "The bell has tolled", and have passed through the "Valley of the dark shadow," to be near the Great I Am.

Again the Silent Messenger has entered our midst and called home 210 of our Companions, since our last Convocation.

No longer may we consult with them about our Temporal Affairs and problems. They have gone from us and from the petty trials of life. We know that they shall not return but we shall go to them. Happy in this glorious thought, we pay tribute to them, not in sorrow, but in loving remembrance of our association with them.

We are grateful to our Heavenly Father for His watchful care and for permitting us to meet here again with out Line of Grand Officers unbroken.

Our hearts are saddened by the loss of our beloved Past Grand High Priest, Companion Charles Albert Guthrie, Sr., who was called away on August 26, 1976. His work is ended, but the influence of his life will ever remain.

We extend sincere sympathy to all the families of our departed Companions, and remind them of the words of our Lord, "Be ye faithful unto death, and I will give you a Crown of Life".

Respectfully submitted,
George E. Tremelling,
N. C. Wilkinson

ADOPTED

In Memoriam

**Charles Albert Guthrie, Sr.
Most Excellent Grand High Priest
1963 - 1964**

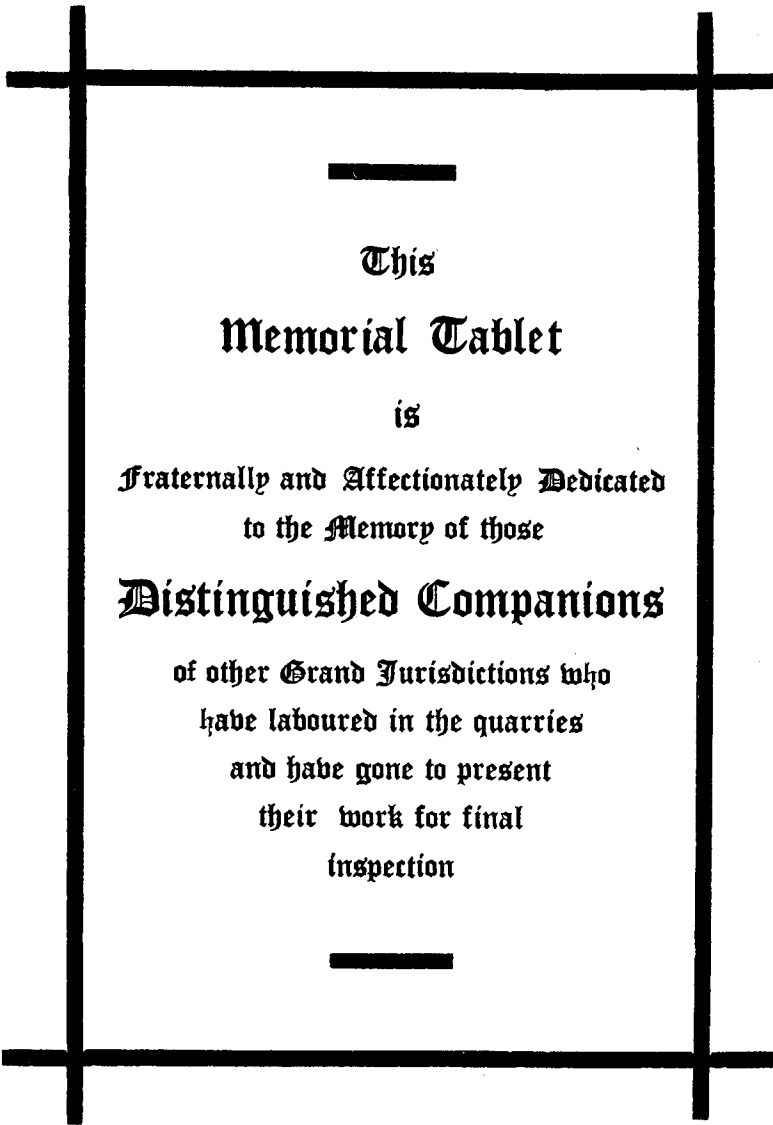
Born

**January 6, 1897
Wylam, Alabama**

Died

**August 26, 1976
Birmingham, Alabama**

**In Memory
of the 236 Deceased
Companions
of the
Grand Royal Arch Chapter
of Alabama
for the year 1976**



This
Memorial Tablet
is
Fraternally and Affectionately Dedicated
to the Memory of those
Distinguished Companions
of other Grand Jurisdictions who
have laboured in the quarries
and have gone to present
their work for final
inspection

KNIGHTS OF THE YORK CROSS OF HONOR

ALABAMA PRIORY NO. 31

March, 1976 to March, 1977 Officers:

D. Shelby Vaughn	Prior
McMurray L. Griffith	Deputy Prior
Fred W. Vaughan	Warder
Emory J. Ferguson	Registrar (pro tem)
Fred J. Gentry	Chaplain
Thomas W. Mann	Orator
James L. Allen	Herald

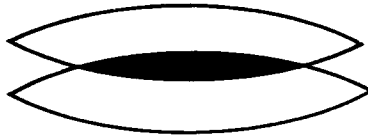
The Annual K.Y.C.H. Meeting was held March 12, 1977, with the above Officers in their stations. The business of the Meeting was conducted, then proceeded to the election for the ensuing year. Each Officer was advanced one station, with William H. Ealy being elected as Herald.

MEMBERSHIP LIST AS OF MARCH 12, 1977

Wilson K. Abbott	Richard H. Clem	McMurray L. Griffith
David L. Allen	Robert M. Collins	Teddy R. Grogan
James L. Allen	Arthur H. Dailey	Frank E. Hadder
George M. Anders	Gene M. Day	Richard Sim Hamilton
Gordon W. Apperson	James J. Douglas	Harold R. Hand
Carl L. Armistead	Laverne C. Drinkard	Julian Hardy
W. Hale Armistead	Frank T. Dugger	Oliver H. Harris
Otto L. Arnold	Loyd D. Durden	J. Ottis Harrison
Robert R. Arnold	William H. Ealy	Theodore L. Harrison
*W. Hollis Arnold	Walter F. Estes	Howard C. Haskell
Frank A. Baker	William P. Evans	Luck J. Hays, Jr.
Lee M. Biddy	Garvin T. Evatt, Sr.	Clyde R. Headley
Ernest L. Bishop	Emory J. Ferguson	Martin H. Heath, Sr.
George N. Boyd, Jr.	Andrew J. Finley	Ted Hecht
Joseph D. Brackin	William E. Fuqua	Ralph H. Henderson, Sr.
Collie L. Bradford	Guss H. Gadd	Woodrow M. Hewitt
William H. Brendle	Billy J. Gallahar	James W. Hooper
William F. Bridges	Claud M. Gamble	Charles B. Hudson
George W. Busby	John S. Gamundi	George W. Ivy, Jr.
James M. Cain	Dexter D. Garrett	*Emrys W. John
*V. Nash Carmichael	Sam L. Garrett	*Charles L. Jones
Elmer Carson	Fred J. Gentry	Isam G. Jones
William A. Carter	Malcolm C. Gibson	Michael L. Jones
James M. Christopher, Sr.	Rev. William W. Glass	Raymond J. Kelley
Harlan W. Cleaveland, Jr.	J. Paul Gray	Hubert P. Key

MEMBERSHIP LIST (Continued)

James A. Kile	* Holden B. Norwood	Garnett E. Springfield, Sr.
Lawrence Kline	* Thomas W. Oliver	George T. Stephens
Bennie T. Koger	John M. Palmer	* Garlin S. Stout
Noble M. Kontzen	Charles R. Pate	Judson V. Stuart
William H. Lakey	Clarence F. Pate, Sr.	George A. Thompson
Edward G. Leach	John C. Patterson	William B. Thompson
David M. Lee	Alford F. Pece	George E. Tremelling
Joe D. Lee	Bernard H. Peel	* Clifford J. Turner
G. Felix Logan	Bruce W. Phelps	Warren Turner
Billy M. Lumpkin	Johnnie H. Ray, Sr.	William U. Turton
* Hoyt McClendon	Clarence F. Rhea	Fred W. Vaughan
Charles C. McCoy	W. Boyd Riddle	D. Shelby Vaughn
Joseph P. McKinnon	* Troy J. Roberts	Henry J. Walker
Robert D. Maddox	Joseph H. Robertson, Jr.	Ralph P. Weekes
Thomas W. Mann	Douglas L. Rogers	Earl S. West
Fred J. Martin	Pierce M. Russell	Norman C. Wilkinson
Rodney W. Martin	Ray Rutledge	Clifford H. Williams
George Middleton	Theodore T. Skeen	James G. Williams
Osmond W. Moon	Erskiné K. Smith	Harry C. Williamson
Cecil Moore	James Woodrow Smith	Roy L. Wood
Elijah E. Moore	W. Hollis Smitherman	
* William M. Newsome, Jr.	Clarence O. Speigner	* — Indicates Past Prior



PRESENTATION OF THE GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER MEDAL OF HONOR

The Committee on the General Grand Chapter Medal of Honor selected Companion Lee Martin Biddy, of East Lake Chapter No. 154, to receive the Bronze Meritorious Service Medal. Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Companion Fred W. Vaughan, made the formal presentation at the Grand York Rite Banquet.

Companion Biddy expressed his deep appreciation as the recipient of this high award and thanked the Companions of Alabama for honoring him on this occasion.

General Grand Chapter
R. A. M.
Distinguished Service
Award



RECIPIENTS OF THE GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER MEDAL OF HONOR
IN THE STATE OF ALABAMA SINCE 1951:

1951	Arthur H. Dailey
1952	John C. Patterson
*1953	Charles L. Campbell
1954	Troy J. Roberts
1955	Robert L. Harrison
1956	Jimmy Brasfield
*1957	Thomas W. Love
1958	Miles S. Lee
1959	Howard D. Lindsay
1960	Milton L. Fegenbush
*1961	A. Murray Weems
1962	Alfred E. Little
1963	J. H. Scarbrough
*1964	Major Whisnant
1965	Charles D. Miller
1966	Rodney W. Martin
1967	Lawrence Kline
1968	Woodrow W. Williams
1969	Fred J. Gentry
*1970	Charles A. Long, Sr.
1971	John S. Gamundi
1972	George E. Tremelling
1973	Earl Pervine Woodall
1974	Clifford James Turner
1975	Teddy Roosevelt Grogan, Sr.
1976	Lee Martin Biddy

*Denotes deceased.

MINUTES OF LAST CONVOCATION

Right Excellent Grand Secretary, Thomas W. Mann, moved that the minutes as published in the Proceedings of 1976, be accepted as the minutes and that they be approved as printed.

The motion carried.

INVITATION

TO THE GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OF ALABAMA:

The East Lake York Rite Bodies, Anniston Chapter No. 105, and Florence Council No. 74, extend a cordial invitation to the Grand York Rite Bodies of Alabama, to hold their 1978 Annual Meetings at the Hyatt House Hotel, in Birmingham, Alabama.

We hope that you will extend to us the honor of accepting our hospitality.

Respectfully submitted,
Stanley E. Beason, Excellent High Priest,
Anniston Chapter No. 105
Ernest L. Bishop, D. G. M.,
Thrice Illustrious Master,
Florence Council No. 74,
Van DeWitt Bell, Jr.
Eminent Commander,
East Lake Commandery No. 43

Carried —

ELECTION OF GRAND CHAPTER OFFICERS 1977-1978

At the conclusion of the business session, the Grand Chapter proceeded to the election of Grand Officers for the ensuing year, which resulted as follows, with subsequent appointments:

GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OFFICERS 1977-1978

Erskine K. Smith, K.Y.C.H. *Most Excellent Grand High Priest*
1835 Cheaha Drive, Oxford, 36203

William H. Ealy, K.Y.C.H. *Right Excellent Grand King*
2101 Giles Drive, Huntsville, 35811

Garlin S. Stout, K.Y.C.H. *Right Excellent Grand Scribe*
8406 Third Avenue, South, Birmingham, 35206

Hoyt McClendon, K.Y.C.H. *R. E. Grand Treasurer*
5672 10th Avenue South, Birmingham, 35222

- Thomas W. Mann, K.Y.C.H. *R. E. Grand Secretary*
P. O. Box 2822-A, Birmingham, 35212
- Thomas W. Oliver, K.Y.C.H. *R. E. Grand Secretary Emeritus*
1525 - 32nd Street, Ensley, Birmingham, 35218
- William E. Fuqua, K.Y.C.H. *R. E. Grand Chaplain*
608 - 7th Avenue, Jacksonville, 36265
- J. Paul Gray, K.Y.C.H. *R. E. Grand Marshal*
1106 Rainbow Circle, Anniston, 36201
- George W. Busby, K.Y.C.H. *E. Grand Captain of the Host*
3300 Covered Bridge Drive, Montgomery, 36116
- W. Hollis Smitherman, K.Y.C.H. *E. Grand Principal Sojourner*
310 - 25th Avenue, East, Tuscaloosa, 35401
- Charles J. Adams *E. Grand Royal Arch Captain*
1417 - 34th Street, Sheffield, 35660
- Sam L. Garrett, K.Y.C.H. *E. Grand Master—3rd Veil*
P. O. Box 1053, Phenix City, 36867
- George E. Tremelling, K.Y.C.H. *E. Grand Master—2nd Veil*
4715 - 6th Avenue, Wylam, Birmingham, 35224
- Ray R. Morgan, Jr. *E. Grand Master—1st Veil*
P. O. Box 326, Gadsden, 35902
- Melton C. Campbell *E. Grand Sentinel*
3913 Lera Drive, Anniston, 36201

At the conclusion of the Grand Chapter, Grand Council, and Grand Commandery business sessions on Tuesday afternoon, at an Open Meeting, the incoming Grand Chapter Officers were duly installed by Companion Hoyt McClendon, Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Alabama, with Companion Fred W. Vaughan, Junior Past Grand High Priest, acting as Grand Marshal.

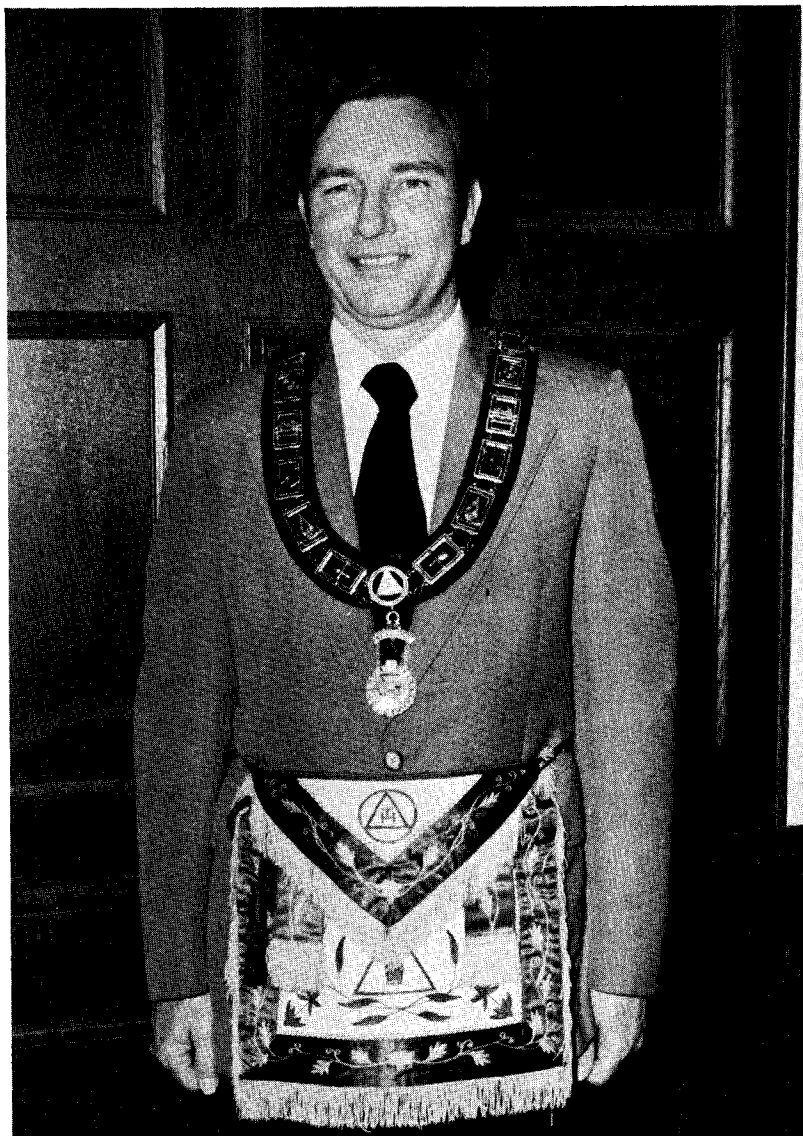
Newly installed Grand High Priest, Companion Erskine K. Smith presented Junior Past Grand High Priest, Companion Fred W. Vaughan, with an apron and carrying case, and a Past Grand High Priest Certificate and billfold card from the Grand Chapter of Alabama. All business of this Annual Convocation being concluded, Companion Smith closed the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Alabama.



GRAND CHAPTER OFFICERS FOR 1977-1978

Front row, left to right: Hoyt McClendon, Thomas W. Mann, Thomas W. Oliver, William H. Ealy, Erskine K. Smith, *Most Excellent Grand High Priest*, Garlin S. Stout, William E. Fuqua, George W. Busby, and J. Paul Gray;

Back row, left to right: W. Hollis Smitherman, Sam L. Garrett, Sr., George E. Tremelling, Ray R. Morgan, Jr., and Melton C. Campbell



ERSKINE KNOX SMITH
Most Excellent Grand High Priest
1977-1978

ERSKINE KNOX SMITH

MOST EXCELLENT GRAND HIGH PRIEST 1977-1978

PERSONAL HISTORY

Erskine Knox Smith was born in Jacksonville, Alabama, on August 1, 1929, to Beulah Watts Smith and Jerry Smith.

He was educated in the Jacksonville School system and graduated in 1946.

He served in the United States Air Force and Air Force Reserve from 1948 to 1955.

In 1952, Erskine married Montel E. Roach, and to this Union was born two daughters, Tracy Alane and Vivian Renee.

Erskine is Foreman of the Steamfitting and Plumbing Unit at the United States Army School Center, Ft. McClellan, Alabama.

Erskine is a member of the Grace Baptist Church, Oxford, Alabama.

MASONIC HISTORY

Brother Smith was raised to the Degree of Master Mason on November 13, 1951, in Anniston Fraternal Lodge No. 700, F&AM, Anniston, Alabama. He is Past Worshipful Master of Anniston Lodge No. 443, F&AM. he has served The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, F&AM, of Alabama, as Assistant District Lecturer and District Lecturer, District 10, Group I, from November, 1969 to November, 1973.

Brother Smith received his Royal Arch Degrees in March, 1952, in Anniston Chapter No. 105, RAM, and has served as Excellent High Priest. He is Grand Representative of the Grand Chapter of South Dakota, near the Grand Chapter of Alabama.

Companion Smith received his Cryptic Degrees in Brundidge Council No. 69, Royal and Select Masters, in April, 1952, and served as Illustrious Master of that Council.

He was Knighted in Cyrene Commandery in November, 1964, and has served Anniston Commandery No. 23, K. T., as Eminent Commander. He is Grand Representative of the Grand Commandery of Oklahoma near the Grand Commandery of Alabama. He became a Life Sponsor in the Knights Templar Eye Foundation in October, 1974. He currently serves the Grand Commandery as Grand Standard Bearer.

He is a member of Alabama Priory No. 31, Knights of the York Cross of Honor. He is a member of Zamora Temple, A.A.O.N.M.S.; a member of the Council of Anointed High Priests of Alabama; a member

of the Thrice Illustrious Master, Order of the Silver Trowel; and a Charter Member of Vulcan Council No. 22, Knight Masons, U.S.A.

STANDING COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS FOR 1977-1978

GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER OF ALABAMA

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 Ray Rutledge Route 9, Box 601, Jasper, 35501
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Luther E. Stephens, Chairman 1109 6th Avenue, Gadsden, 35901
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 Charles R. Pate P. O. Box 315, Weaver, 36277

CREDENTIALS:

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 Lawrence Kline P. O. Box 122, Attalla, 35905

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 Horace Batchelor P. O. Box 2102, Anniston, 36201

FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE:

Alexis M. Kosloff, Chairman 214 Robertson Towers, Tuscaloosa, 35401

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 V. Nash Carmichael 1631 - 49th Street, Central Park, Birmingham, 35208
 Fred W. Vaughan 108 Harwood Drive, Route 13, Box 82, Gadsden, 35901

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 Loyd D. Durden 507 South Edgewood Drive, Dothan, 36301
 Ray R. Morgan, Jr. P. O. Box 326, Gadsden, 35902

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNCIL OF ANOINTED HIGH PRIEST OF ALABAMA

The One Hundred and Fifth Convocation of the Council of Anointed High Priest of Alabama was held in the Ramada Inn, Phenix City, Alabama, at 8 P.M. on February 28, 1977. All of the elected officers were present:

Ray Rutledge	<i>Excellent President</i>
Tom McNickle	<i>Excellent Vice-President</i>
Charles J. Adams	<i>Excellent Treasurer-Recorder</i>
D. Shelby Vaughn	<i>Excellent Chaplain</i>
McMurray L. Griffith	<i>Excellent Master of Ceremonies</i>
William H. Ealy	<i>Excellent Conductor of Council</i>
Hollis Arnold	<i>Excellent Herald</i>
George Sorrell	<i>Excellent Stewart</i>
George Marshall	<i>Excellent Sentinel</i>

The Excellent President, presiding, ask the Excellent Chaplain to open the meeting with prayer. A motion was made to accept the minutes of the 1976 Convocation as printed in the proceedings — carried. A motion was made that all out-of-state Distinguished Guests be made Honorary Members — carried.

The Excellent Treasurer made the following report:

The Savings Account No. 1686 was changed to No. 1802 First Colbert National Bank, Sheffield, Ala. as of

March 5, 1976	\$1,305.75
Interest added to December 31	<u>58.82</u>
Total December 31, 1976	<u>\$1,364.57</u>
Received from 17 petitions	\$ 170.00
Sale of one Bible	<u>10.00</u>
	\$ 180.00
Less \$30.00 voted to Petty Cash	<u>30.00</u>
	\$ 150.00

March 31, 1977 deposit

First Colbert National Bank	\$ 150.00
Balance Petty Cash February 28, 1976	— .26
Expenses 1977 C. J. Adams as per receipts in files	<u>23.95</u>
Total	\$ 24.95
Balance Petty Cash February 28, 1977	\$ 5.79

The following fifteen Past or Present High Preists were Anointed, Consecrated and set apart to the Holy Order of High Priesthood by Excellent Herald, Hollis Arnold, assisted by the other officers:

Donald W. Hammond, Joseph P. Jones, O'Day Fontenot, Jr., Stanley E. Beason, Leonard L. Johns, Harvey M. Emerson, George T. Waldrop, Hobert L. Ashley, Paul E. Drinnon, James M. Taylor, Charles F. Rawls, Nelson Williams, John D. Green, William E. Prescott III, Teddy Rossevelt Grogan, Sr.

For names of members and visitors present see register.

The nominating Committee recommended that all line officers be advanced one station and V. Nash Carmichael be elected Excellent Sentinel. The following officers were elected and installed:

Tom McNickle *Excellent President*
 D. Shelby Vaughn *Excellent Vice-President*
 Charles J. Adams *Excellent Treasurer-Recorder*
 McMurray L. Griffith *Excellent Chaplain*
 William H. Ealy *Excellent Master of Ceremonies*
 Hollis Arnold *Excellent Conductor of Council*
 George Sorrell *Excellent Herald*
 George Marshall *Excellent Steward*
 V. Nash Carmichael *Excellent Sentinel*

After the installation, the business of this being concluded, after prayer, the Council was closed in due form.

Tom McNickle,
 Excellent President

ATTEST:

Charles J. Adams,
 Excellent Recorder

REGISTER OF CHAPTERS UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE GRAND CHAPTER OF ALABAMA

NO.	NAME	LOCATION	HIGH PRIEST & ADDRESS	SECRETARY & ADDRESS	CONVOCATION DATE
1.	Tuscaloosa	Tuscaloosa	William L. Barnes 3810 First Avenue Tuscaloosa, 35401	Fred J. Gentry 16 Forest Lake Tuscaloosa, 35401	2nd Tuesday
5.	Eunomia	Huntsville	Paul E. Drinnon 2301 Oakwood Road Huntsville, 35810	Guin O. McKinney P. O. Box 371 Huntsville, 35805	2nd Tuesday
6.	Cyrus	Florence	Leonard L. Johns Route 10, Box 268 Florence, 35630	J. E. Simpson 434 North Chestnut Street Florence, 35630	1-3 Tuesdays
21.	Mobile	Mobile	John D. Green Route 3, Box 89-A Fairhope, 36532	Charles D. Miller P. O. Box 5235 Mobile, 36605	2nd Monday
22.	Montgomery	Montgomery	Joseph P. Jones 3342 Carter Hill Road Montgomery, 36111	Charles C. McCoy P. O. Box 6077 Montgomery, 36106	1st Thursdays
23.	Talladega	Talladega	Raymond E. Parks 711 New Shocco Road Talladega, 35160	E. B. Forman 807 Walnut Street Talladega, 35160	2-4 Thursdays
28.	St. John	Selma	Paul T. Vaughan 1111 Highland Avenue Selma, 36701	Michael L. Smith Rt. 2, Box 402 Selma, 36701	2nd Tuesday
38.	Decatur	Decatur	Kenneth L. Hamilton 604 Hartung St., S.W. Decatur, 35601	F. S. Hamilton 2302 Hamilton Dr. S.W. Decatur, 35601	2-4 Thursdays
54.	Tyrian	Troy	J. J. Hasson University Avenue Troy, 36081	Marcus DuBose 1120 Park Street Troy, 36081	4th Thursday

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NO.	NAME	LOCATION	HIGH PRIEST & ADDRESS	SECRETARY & ADDRESS	CONVOCAATION DATE
64.	Central	Montevallo	Barney E. Champion 102 East Boudry Street Montevallo, 35115	W. S. Smitherman Route 3, Box 418 Montevallo, 35115	2nd Monday
76.	Birmingham Metro	Birmingham	Harvey M. Emerson 919 Irving Road Birmingham, 35209	McMurray L. Griffith P. O. Box 31311 Birmingham, 35222	2nd Friday
79.	Hillabee	Alexander City	Miles A. Smith, II	L. D. Benton 411 Scott Road Alexander City, 35010	1-3 Tuesdays
80.	Myles J. Greene	Opelika	Dadeville, 36853 George T. Waldrop, Jr. 2110 Second Avenue Opelika, 36801	Lewis H. Mason 506 Lankford Street Opelika, 36801	1st Tuesday
86.	Coosa	Gadsden	Hobert L. Ashley Route 4 Ft. Payne, 35967	George R. Schnitzlein 104 Buckingham Pl. Gadsden, 35901	2nd Thursday
100.	Roanoke	Roanoke	Willie J. Richardson Route 4 Roanoke, 36274	Jesse O. Calhoun 611 West Avenue Roanoke, 36274	3rd Tuesday
104.	Sylacauga	Sylacauga	Grogan Presley 606 4th Street, N.E. Childersburg, 35044	Charles Pitts P. O. Box 717 Sylacauga, 35150	2-4 Thursdays
105.	Anniston	Anniston	Stanley E. Beason Route 1 Warrior, 35180	William S. Graham 2326 West 9th Street Anniston, 36201	3rd Thursday
107.	Fort Payne	Fort Payne	Nelson Williams Route 1, Box 113 Ft. Payne, 35967	L. Ray Perry P. O. Box 526 Fort Payne, 35967	1st Monday

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NO.	NAME	LOCATION	HIGH PRIEST & ADDRESS	SECRETARY & ADDRESS	CONVOCATION DATE
110.	Bessemer	Bessemer	Ernest H. Kendrick Rt. 1, Box 38-A McCalla, 35111	Earl P. Woodall 107 Honeysuckle Street Hueytown, 35020	2-4 Tuesdays
111.	Piedmont	Piedmont	Alvin Parker 513 No. Center Ave. Piedmont, 36272	Waldon H. Roberts P. O. Box 67 Piedmont, 36272	1st Tuesday
113.	Dothan	Dothan	O'Day Fontenot, Jr. 701 Randolph Street Dothan, 36301	James H. Kelly 1003 Irwin Street Dothan, 36301	1-3 Thursdays
116.	Clanton	Clanton	Arthur Lee Foshee 714 Tippet Street Clanton, 35045	Barnie E. Reeves, Sr. 210 Chandler St. Clanton, 35045	3rd Saturday
118.	Jasper	Jasper	Wayland Sherer Rt. 2, Box 238-B Jasper, 35501	Ray Rutledge Route 9, Box 601 Jasper, 35501	1st Monday
126.	Tallassee	Tallassee	James M. Taylor Route 2 Tallassee, 36078	John A. Dubberley 514 First Avenue Tallassee, 36078	Thursdays
132.	Valley	Lanett	No list received	Norman L. Flournoy P. O. Box 462 Lanett, 36863	
146.	Woodlawn	Birmingham	Donald W. Hammond 1716 11 Place, South Birmingham, 35205	Robert L. Byars, Jr. P. O. Box 2954 Birmingham, 35212	2nd Tuesday

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NO.	NAME	LOCATION	HIGH PRIEST & ADDRESS	SECRETARY & ADDRESS	CONVOCAION DATE
149.	Phenix City	Phenix City	Haywood Meeks 510 6th Street Phenix City, 36867	Johnnie H. Ray, Sr. P. O. Box 2331 Phenix City, 36867	3rd Tuesday
150.	Lineville	Lineville	J. A. Poole Route 2 Lineville, 36266	Theron East Route 2 Lineville, 36266	2nd Monday
154.	East Lake	Birmingham	William E. Prescott, III 1138 Edwards Lake Road Birmingham, 35235	Garlin S. Stout 8406 3rd Avenue So. Birmingham, 35206	2nd Thursday
157.	Wahouma	Birmingham	Leonard Owen 7903 6th Ave. North Birmingham, 35206	Claude C. McGraw 5009 - 74th St. North Birmingham, 35206	2-4 Thursdays
164.	Russellville	Russellville	John H. McCollister 706 South Jackson Russellville, 35653	Lee C. Willis P. O. Box 162 Russellville, 35653	2-4 Mondays
*169.	Red Bay		Grand High Priest merged No. 169 Red Bay to No. 6 Cyrus - June 24, 1976.		
170.	Monroeville	Monroeville	Charles F. Rawls Route 1, Box 273-K Daphne, 36526	Arthur T. Lewis P. O. Box 824 Monroeville, 36460	Last Friday
*172	Marshall County		Grand High Priest merged No. 172 to No. 5 Eunomia - February 21, 1977.		

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1975 — 1978

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Year	Grand High Priest	Deputy G. H. Priest	Grand King	Grand Scribe	Grand Treasurer	Grand Secretary
1823 a	Dugal McFarlane/*	John Elliott*	Horatio G. Perry*	William B. Patton*	John H. Vincent	Amand P. Pfister
1824 b	Israel Pickens*	John Elliott*	Anderson Hutchinson/*	James H. Weekly*	John H. Vincent*	Amand P. Pfister
1825	Anderson Hutchinson/*	John Elliott*	Anderson Hutchinson/*	James H. Weekly*	Her - A. Snow	Amand P. Pfister
1826	Nimrod E. Benson*	John Elliott*	Harold L. Thornton*	Benjamin B. Fontaine*	Henry A. Snow	John E. Hogan*
1827 c	John Murphy*	John Elliott*	Horatio G. Perry*	Benjamin B. Fontaine*	Henry A. Snow	William D. Stone
1827 d	John Murphy*	John Elliott*	Harold L. Thornton*	Benjamin B. Fontaine*	Henry A. Snow	William D. Stone
1828 e	John Murphy*	John Elliott*	Harold L. Thornton*	Benjamin B. Fontaine*	Henry A. Snow	William D. Stone
1829 f	John Murphy*	John Elliott*	Harold L. Thornton*	Benjamin B. Fontaine*	Henry A. Snow	William D. Stone
1830	Thomas B. Creagh*	James Penn*	James H. Saxon*	Anderson Hutchinson/*	Henry A. Snow*	John G. Alken
1831						John G. Alken
1832						John G. Alken
1833						John G. Alken
1834						John G. Alken
1835						John G. Alken
1836						John G. Alken
1837 g	John C. Hicks/*	George W. Esselman*	Isiah Woodward*	Thomas B. Jones*	Major Cook	John G. Alken
1838	John C. Hicks/*	James L. F. Cottrell*	Armistead B. Dawson*	Felix G. Norman*	Major Cook	John G. Alken
1839	John C. Hicks	Armistead B. Dawson*	William A. Ferrell*	Robert H. Dalton,*	Major Cook*	John G. Alken
1840	Armistead B. Dawson*	Edward Herndon*	David Moore*	John A. Wheelstone,*	Major Cook*	John G. Alken
1841	David Moore*	Edward Herndon*	Nathaniel W. Fletcher*	Felix G. Norman*	Luther S. Skinner/*	John G. Alken
1842	David Moore*	Edward Herndon*	Felix G. Norman*	Gerard W. Creagh*	William Garrett	Amand P. Pfister
1843	David Moore*	Gerard W. Creagh*	Charles Whelan*	Eugene V. LeVert*	William Garrett	Amand P. Pfister
1844	James Penn*	Gerard W. Creagh*	Charles Whelan*	William Hendrix*	Edward Herndon*	Amand P. Pfister
1845	Felix G. Norman*	James McCaleb Wiley*	Sterling A. M. Wood*	Sidney Smith*	William Garrett*	Amand P. Pfister
1846	Felix G. Norman*	James McCaleb Wiley*	Sterling A. M. Wood*	Moses F. Holt*	Nimrod E. Benson	Amand P. Pfister
1847	William Hendrix*	Rufus Greene*	James M. Brundidge*	John R. Clark*	Nimrod E. Benson	Amand P. Pfister
1848	William Hendrix*	Rufus Greene*	James M. Brundidge*	John R. Clark*	Nimrod E. Benson	Amand P. Pfister
1849	William Hendrix*	Rufus Greene*	James M. Brundidge*	John R. Clark*	Nimrod E. Benson	Amand P. Pfister
1850	Rufus Greene*	William P. Chilton*	John R. Clark*	Thomas J. Clark*	Nimrod E. Benson	Amand P. Pfister
1851	William P. Chilton*	James L. Price*	William H. Norris/*	Thomas J. Clark*	Edmund M. Hastings	Amand P. Pfister
1852	William P. Chilton*	James L. Price*	William H. Norris/*	Thomas J. Clark*	Edmund M. Hastings	Amand P. Pfister
1853	William P. Chilton*	James L. Price*	William H. Norris/*	Thomas J. Clark*	Edmund M. Hastings	Amand P. Pfister
1854	William A. Ferrell*	John R. Clark*	Thomas J. Clark*	Malachi W. Davis*	Edmund M. Hastings	Amand P. Pfister
1855	William A. Ferrell*	John R. Clark*	Humphrey S. Shelton*	Malachi W. Davis*	Edmund M. Hastings	Amand P. Pfister
1856	David Clopton*	Thomas C. Hartwell*	Hugh Parks Watson*	Thomas F. Flournoy/*	Edmund M. Hastings	Amand P. Pfister
1857	David Clopton*	Sterling A. M. Wood*	Hugh Parks Watson*	Robert D. Huckabee*	Edmund M. Hastings	Amand P. Pfister
1858	David Clopton*	Sterling A. M. Wood*	Hugh Parks Watson*	Robert D. Huckabee*	Edmund M. Hastings	Amand P. Pfister
1859	Sterling A. M. Wood*	Thomas F. Flournoy/*	Hugh Parks Watson*	John R. Clark*	Edmund M. Hastings	Daniel Sayre
1860	Sterling A. M. Wood*	Thomas F. Flournoy/*	Hugh Parks Watson*	Stephen D. Moore*	Edmund M. Hastings	Daniel Sayre
1861	Hugh Parks Watson*	James B. Harrison*	Hugh Parks Watson*	Edmund M. Hastings	Edmund M. Hastings	Daniel Sayre
1862	Hugh Parks Watson*	James B. Harrison*	Hugh Parks Watson*	Noah B. Croud*	Edmund M. Hastings	Daniel Sayre
1863	Hugh Parks Watson*	James B. Harrison*	Hugh Parks Watson*	Thomas C. Williams*	Edmund M. Hastings	Daniel Sayre
1864	James B. Harrison*	James McCaleb Wiley*	Peleg Brown*	William Kert*	Edmund M. Hastings	Daniel Sayre
1865	James B. Harrison*	Peleg Brown*	Isaac W. Stuttle*	George D. Norris*	Edmund M. Hastings	Daniel Sayre
1866	George D. Norris*	Richard F. Knott*	James H. Joiner*	Palmer J. Pillans*	Edmund M. Hastings	Daniel Sayre
1867	Peleg Brown*	Richard F. Knott*	James H. Joiner*	James B. Luckie*	Edmund M. Hastings	Daniel Sayre
1868	Peleg Brown*	H. Clay Armstrong*	James B. Luckie*	James M. Dedman*	Edmund M. Hastings	Daniel Sayre
1869	H. Clay Armstrong*	James B. Luckie*	James M. Dedman*	Myles J. Greene*	William H. Dingley	Daniel Sayre
1870	H. Clay Armstrong*	James B. Luckie*	James M. Dedman*	Myles J. Greene*	William H. Dingley	Daniel Sayre

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1820	William L. Lee*	Robert T. Ward*	Jacob Bley*	Joseph Leon Gunter*	John Wilson Terry	George A. Beauchamp
1821	Robert T. Ward*	Jacob Bley*	Joseph Leon Gunter*	Chas. B. Betha*	John Wilson Terry	George A. Beauchamp
1822	Joseph Leon Gunter*	Chas. B. Betha*	Chas. B. Betha*	Siddons Stollenwerck	John Wilson Terry	George A. Beauchamp
1823	Chas. B. Betha*	Chas. B. Betha*	Siddons Stollenwerck	Leondias W. Kolb*	John Wilson Terry	George A. Beauchamp
1824	John A. L. Johnstone*	John B. Betha*	Siddons Stollenwerck	Leondias W. Kolb*	John Wilson Terry	George A. Beauchamp
1825	Chas. B. Betha*	John B. Betha*	Siddons Stollenwerck	Leondias W. Kolb*	John Wilson Terry	George A. Beauchamp
1826	Leondias W. Kolb*	Woolsey Fennell*	Woolsey Fennell*	James M. Frazer	John Wilson Terry	George A. Beauchamp
1827	Leondias W. Kolb*	Woolsey Fennell*	Woolsey Fennell*	James M. Frazer	John Wilson Terry	George A. Beauchamp
1828	Woolsey Fennell*	James M. Frazer	James M. Frazer	Julian F. Spearman*	John Wilson Terry	George A. Beauchamp
1829	James M. Frazer*	Julian F. Spearman*	Julian F. Spearman*	Charles O. Rolfe	John Wilson Terry	George A. Beauchamp
1830	Julian F. Spearman*	Charles O. Rolfe	Charles O. Rolfe	William H. Stewart	John Wilson Terry	George A. Beauchamp
1831	Charles O. Rolfe*	William H. Stewart	William H. Stewart	James J. Douglas	John Wilson Terry	George A. Beauchamp
1832	William H. Stewart	James J. Douglas	James J. Douglas	Edward Houston Willis*	John Wilson Terry	Guy T. Smith
1833	James J. Douglas	Edward Houston Willis*	Edward Houston Willis*	Edmer Lee Moss	John Wilson Terry	Guy T. Smith
1834	Edward Houston Willis*	Edmer Lee Moss	Edmer Lee Moss	Walter Smith	John Wilson Terry	Guy T. Smith
1835	Edmer Lee Moss	Walter Smith	Walter Smith	Henry O. Fleming	John Wilson Terry	Guy T. Smith
1836	Walter Smith	Henry O. Fleming	Henry O. Fleming	William C. Davis	John Wilson Terry	Guy T. Smith
1837	Henry O. Fleming	Roscoe O. Fleming	Roscoe O. Fleming	Wm. Samuel Gamble*	John Wilson Terry	Guy T. Smith
1838	Roscoe O. Fleming*	William C. Davis	Wm. Samuel Gamble*	Llewellyn R. Hilyer	John Wilson Terry	Guy T. Smith
1839	Llewellyn R. Hilyer*	Julius L. Layman	Julius L. Layman	William W. Waldo	John Wilson Terry	Guy T. Smith
1840	Julius L. Layman*	William W. Waldo	William W. Waldo	William D. Hawkins	John Wilson Terry	Guy T. Smith
1841	William W. Waldo*	William D. Hawkins	William D. Hawkins	William A. Hood	John Wilson Terry	Guy T. Smith
1842	William D. Hawkins*	William A. Hood	William A. Hood	Newman S. Cryer	John Wilson Terry	Guy T. Smith
1843	William A. Hood*	Newman S. Cryer	Newman S. Cryer	Ency F. Yeilding	John Wilson Terry	Guy T. Smith
1844	William A. Hood*	Newman S. Cryer	Newman S. Cryer	James M. Jones	John Wilson Terry	Guy T. Smith
1845	Newman S. Cryer*	Ency F. Yeilding	Ency F. Yeilding	Robert S. Wildsmith*	Frank Albert Gillette	Guy T. Smith
1846	Ency F. Yeilding	James M. Jones	James M. Jones	John S. Robinson	Frank Albert Gillette	Guy T. Smith
1847	James M. Jones*	Robert S. Wildsmith*	Robert S. Wildsmith*	John S. Robinson	Frank Albert Gillette	Guy T. Smith
1848	A. Parker Mize*	John S. Robinson	John S. Robinson	Oliver B. Hall	Frank Albert Gillette	Chas. H. Stubinger
1849	A. Parker Mize*	Oliver B. Hall	Oliver B. Hall	Edgar M. Guber	Frank Albert Gillette	Chas. H. Stubinger
1850	Oliver B. Hall*	Edgar M. Guber	Edgar M. Guber	Velmar A. Meadows	Frank Albert Gillette	Chas. H. Stubinger
1851	Edgar M. Guber*	Velmar A. Meadows	Velmar A. Meadows	Emrys W. John	Frank Albert Gillette	Chas. H. Stubinger
1852	Emrys W. John	Emrys W. John	Emrys W. John	Claud Stallworth	Frank Albert Gillette	Chas. H. Stubinger
1853	Emrys W. John	Emrys W. John	Emrys W. John	Radford H. Ellis	Frank Albert Gillette	Chas. H. Stubinger
1854	Emrys W. John	Emrys W. John	Emrys W. John	Radford H. Ellis	Frank Albert Gillette	Chas. H. Stubinger
1855	Claud Stallworth*	Emrys W. John	Emrys W. John	Radford H. Ellis	Frank Albert Gillette	Claud Stallworth
1856	Chas. H. Stubinger*	Emrys W. John	Emrys W. John	Radford H. Ellis	Frank Albert Gillette	Chas. H. Stubinger
1857	Radford H. Ellis*	Emrys W. John	Emrys W. John	Radford H. Ellis	Frank Albert Gillette	Chas. H. Stubinger
1858	Hoyt McClendon	Emrys W. John	Emrys W. John	Radford H. Ellis	Frank Albert Gillette	Chas. H. Stubinger
1859	Earl D. Holmes*	Emrys W. John	Emrys W. John	Radford H. Ellis	Frank Albert Gillette	Chas. H. Stubinger
1860	Jas. T. McRae, Sr.*	Emrys W. John	Emrys W. John	Radford H. Ellis	Frank Albert Gillette	Chas. H. Stubinger
1861	Arthur H. Dailey	Emrys W. John	Emrys W. John	Radford H. Ellis	Frank Albert Gillette	Chas. H. Stubinger
1862	Arthur H. Dailey	Emrys W. John	Emrys W. John	Radford H. Ellis	Frank Albert Gillette	Chas. H. Stubinger
1863	Samuel F. Jackson, Jr.	Emrys W. John	Emrys W. John	Radford H. Ellis	Frank Albert Gillette	Chas. H. Stubinger
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1895	Samuel F. Jackson, Jr.	Emrys W. John	Emrys W. John	Radford H. Ellis	Frank Albert Gillette	Chas. H. Stubinger

REVISED AND CORRECTED LIST OF GRAND OFFICERS OF THE GRAND CHAPTER OF ALABAMA SINCE ITS ORGANIZATION IN 1823 TO THE PRESENT TIME, WITH THE YEAR OF THEIR ELECTION OR APPOINTMENT.

Year	Grand High Priest	Grand King	Grand Scribe	Grand Treasurer	Grand Secretary
1866	Guss H. Gadd	Troy J. Roberts	Sidney B. Morris	Hoyt McClendon	Thomas W. Oliver
1867	Troy J. Roberts	Sidney B. Morris	Charles C. McCoy	Hoyt McClendon	Thomas W. Oliver
1868	Sidney B. Morris	Charles C. McCoy	V. Nash Carmichael	Hoyt McClendon	Thomas W. Oliver
1869	Charles C. McCoy	V. Nash Carmichael	Chas. L. Campbell	Hoyt McClendon	Thomas W. Oliver
1870	V. Nash Carmichael	Chas. L. Campbell	McMurray L. Griffith	Hoyt McClendon	Thomas W. Oliver
1871	Chas. L. Campbell	McMurray L. Griffith	A. C. Wilson	Hoyt McClendon	Thomas W. Oliver
1872 ^r	McMurray L. Griffith	A. C. Wilson	R. H. Clem	Hoyt McClendon	Thomas W. Oliver
1873	A. C. Wilson	H. B. Norwood	Ray Rutledge	Hoyt McClendon	Thomas W. Mann
1874	Holden B. Norwood	Ray Rutledge	Fred W. Vaughan	Hoyt McClendon	Thomas W. Mann
1875	Ray Rutledge	Fred W. Vaughan	Erskine K. Smith	Hoyt McClendon	Thomas W. Mann
1876	Fred W. Vaughan	Erskine K. Smith	William H. Ealy	Hoyt McClendon	Thomas W. Mann
1877	Erskine K. Smith	William H. Ealy	Garlin S. Stout	Hoyt McClendon	Thomas W. Mann

a May, 1823.

b January, 1824. Regular annual convocation, and at the same time henceforward until otherwise noted.

c June; there being no convocation in January, the Grand Chapter being declared irregular by the General Grand Chapter, it was therefore re-organized in June, 1827, and a new constitution adopted.

d December. At this time annual convocations were changed to July.

e July; in accordance with previous order, and at same time henceforward until other wise noted.

f No election, the Grand Chapter having "adjourned" on the evening of July 14th, until the next evening; but it did not convene again, the members having dispersed.

g There had been no convocation of the Grand Chapter for upwards of seven years, in consequence, perhaps, of the Morgan excitement. In December, 1837, a few companions assembled in Tuscaloosa and re-organized by the adoption of a constitution and the election of Grand Officers. The constitution of 1837 was adopted, and the annual convocations fixed for December.

h In 1925 the office of Deputy Grand High Priest was abolished.

i At the Annual Convocation in December, 1944, the time of meeting was changed to the Third Monday in November.

j At the Annual Convocation in 1946, on account of ill health, Companion John Wilson Terry was made Grand Treasurer Emeritus, and Companion Frank Albert Gillette was elected Grand Treasurer.

k On August 4, 1947, following the death of Companion Guy T. Smith, Companion W. E. Glazner was appointed Acting Grand Secretary.

l At the Annual Convocation, November, 1947, Companion Chas. H. Stubbing was elected Grand Secretary.

m At the Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter R.A.M. of Alabama held on February 14, 1956, Companion Charles H. Stubinger, was elected M. E. Grand High Priest, to serve in this capacity during the election of officers.

n On June 27, 1960, following sudden death of Companion Charles H. Stubinger, Companion Thomas L. Cochran was appointed acting Grand Secretary.

o On September 16, 1960, following resignation of Companion Thomas L. Cochran, Companion Gordon L. Evatt was appointed Grand Secretary.

p On December 1, 1960, Companion Varna A. Rushton was appointed Grand Secretary to succeed Companion Gordon L. Evatt, resigned.

q Grand York Rite office moved from Montgomery to Birmingham after election of Thomas W. Oliver as Grand Secretary.

r At Annual Convocation, February, 1973, Thomas W. Mann was elected Grand Secretary. Thomas W. Oliver was elected Grand Secretary Emeritus.

s Annual Convocation date changed to last Monday in February.

t As proof of continual effort of Alabama to promote York Rite Unity, the first combined meeting of the Grand Chapter, Grand Council and Grand Commandery was held in February, 1974.

* Those marked thus are deceased.