## Jesse Green Priory Number 70 Knights York Cross of Honour November 18, 1995

Eminent Prior T. Eugene Womach opened the Annual Conclave of Jesse Green Priory No. 70, K. Y. C. H. at 10:30 A.M. on Saturday, November 18, 1995 in the Masonic Temple, Dover, Delaware. The following officers and members were found to be present:

Prior - T. Eugene Womach, KYGCH
Deputy Prior - Richard A. Scarlott, KYGCH
Warder - C. Granville McVey, KYGCH
Registrar/Treasurer - Donald D. Thomas, P.P., KYGCH
Prelate - James A. Johnson - Acting
Orator - Franklin R. Townsend
Herald - Mark E. Irwin

Past Priors James H. Hutchins and Horace G. Patterson, Jr., Knights James A. Pletz and William J. Littel and Past Prior Harry M. Sullivan, Jr., Personal Representative for District No. 4 of Most Eminent Donald L. Smith, Grand Master General.

The Eminent Prior expressed his sincere appreciation to those in attendance for joining with him for this Annual Conclave of the Priory.

The Prior recognized Past Prior James H. Hutchins, KYGCH, who then presented to the Priory an old Knights Templar Apron and Sash with his hope that the Priory would see fit to use these ancient memorabilia as part of the future reception of Members. On behalf of the Priory, Prior Womach sincerely thanked Knight Hutchins for his generous gift and promised they would be put to use this very morning.

The Registrar then noted that the annual election and installation of officers would be undertaken later in this meeting. The Registrar suggested that when we arrived at that point, the members might wish to be attentive to the participation of the officers in the meetings of the Priory prior to their election. To this end he suggested that any member who, without good cause, had not been in attendance, for the last two Priory meetings not be advanced or placed in the appointed line.

The Registrar then reported that no objection had been filed on the Invitation to our esteemed Brother Charles Henry Lengel, Jr. to join the Priory, and he was in possession of Brother Lengel's acceptance accompanied by the necessary initiation fee of \$135.00. Upon request of the Prior, Brother Lengel's Acceptance particulars

were read for the benefit of the Knights in attendance. The Registrar then noted that Brother Lengel was in attendance and all was in order for his Reception.

The Prior then called upon the officers to assume their respective stations for the Reception of our distinguished Brother Charles Henry Lengel, Jr. into Jesse Green Priory Number 70.

Knight Herald Mark E. Irwin then retired and presented at the altar, Brother Charles Henry Lengel, Jr. who was then properly and dignifiably received into the Priory under the able tutelage of Prior T. Eugene Womach and the line officers. The Lectures were presented by: Knight James A. Pletz, P.G.M. - Lodge, Knight C. Granville McVey, P.G.H.P. - Chapter, Knight Harry M. Sullivan, P.G.I.M. - Council and Knight Franklin R. Townsend, Eminent Grand Generalissimo - Commandery. Knight James A. Johnson substituted for Knight Wise as Prelate. Following a proficient Reception, Prior Lengel was then presented with his KYCH jewel and pin by the Prior and welcomed into our midst by all present.

The Minutes of the May 19, 1995 meeting of the Priory were then presented and approved as read. The Registrar then presented the Treasurer's Report which showed, in brief:

Balance January 1, 1995

\$ 2026.06

Receipts

Interest, Initiation Fee \$ 190.02

Disbursements

Jewels, Postage, Copies,

C.R. Scarborough Memorial \$ 101.00

Balance Checking Account October 31, 1995

\$ 2115.08

Increase in Net Worth

\$ 89.02

The Treasurer's Report was accepted subject to Audit.

The Eminent Prior then recognised Past Prior Harry M. Sullivan, Jr. Personal Representative for District Number 4 of Most Eminent Grand Master General Donald L. Smith who brought with him the greetings of the Grand Master General. Knight Sullivan commended Knight Lengel on his many labors in the quarries of Freemasonry and complimented the officers of the Priory for their work this morning. He then shared with the Priory comments on his visit to Fort Wayne to the Annual Conclave of Convent General and extended a warm invitation to all to the next Annual meeting to be held on August 29 - 31 in Lubbock, Texas. Knight Sullivan also reminded the Knights present to give consideration to the Medical Research Philanthropic endeavor of Convent General.

Upon motion duly, made and seconded, the following officers were

elected:

Prior Richard A. Scarlott, KYGCH Deputy Prior C. Granville McVey, KYGCH

Warder Franklin R. Townsend

Registrar/Treasurer Donald D. Thomas, P.P., KYGCH

The following Knights were then appointed to the stations noted:

Prelate Richard E. Wise Orator Mark E. Irwin

Herald James A. Pletz, KYGCH

With the exception of Knight Wise, the officers so noted were regularly installed in their respective stations by P.P. Donald D. Thomas, assisted by P.P. Harry M. Sullivan.

Prior Scarlott assuming the East, thank the Knights for the honor now bestowed upon him and then offered prayer for the forthcoming year for the officers and Knights of Jesse Green Priory. Knight Scarlott then shared his desire to continue with the program initiated during Past Prior Patterson's term of inviting to Delaware, under the Priory's sponsorship, a speaker for an evening's program for the Brethren. In particular, he had made preliminary overtures to Dr. Gary Leazer (former professional administrator for the Southern Baptist Church who was forced to resign following his study on the compatibility between Southern Baptist Church Doctrine and Freemasonry) to determine his availability, interest and cost. Since, as before, this would require the efforts of many as well as some financial commitment, Prior Scarlott was seeking the counsel of the members as to their pleasure of continuing such a program. Following the favorable response and comments offered by all present, Knight Scarlott was provided with the assurance of the Knights present of their support in this program. Prior Scarlott advised the Priory that he would keep them posted on events as they developed regards Dr. Leazer or any other possible speaker.

Nothing further claiming the attention of the Priory, it was closed with Peace and Harmony prevailing at 12:00 P.M., at which time the Knights joined several of the Ladies present for a light luncheon arranged by Knight Sullivan.

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Donald D. Thomas, P.P. Registrar