

Jesse Green Priory Number 70
Knights York Cross of Honour
March 31, 2001

Eminent Prior James A. Pletz opened a called conclave of Jesse Green Priory No. 70, K. Y. C. H. at 9:30 A.M. on Saturday, March 31, 2001 at the Masonic Temple, Wilmington, Delaware. The following officers and members were found to be present:

Prior	- James A. Pletz, KYGCH
Deputy Prior	- William J. Littel, KYGCH
Warder	- James A. Johnson
Registrar/Treasurer	- Donald D. Thomas, P.P., KYGCH
Prelate	- Haywood, I. Buck, Jr., KYGCH
Herald	- Sheldon L. Edwards, KYGCH

Past Priors Mark E. Irwin, Franklin R. Townsend, Richard A. Scarlott, Horace G. Patterson, and C. Granville McVey, and Knights John B. Dorsey, Charles H. Lengel, Jr. and Maurice C. Barnes and Past Prior Harry M. Sullivan, Jr., Personal Representative of the Most Eminent Grand Master-General, Convent General, Knights of the York Cross of Honour.

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

Since several of our members were unavailable at the called communication of October 28, 2000, Prior James Albert Pletz called upon Past Prior Donald D. Thomas to install the following officers:

Knight William J. Littel as Prior
Knight James A. Johnson as Deputy Prior
Knight Charles H. Lengel as Warder
Knight Sheldon L. Edwards as Orator

which Knight Thomas undertook with the assistance of Past Prior Harry M. Sullivan, Jr. Following this installation, Knight William J. Littel assumed the station of Prior.

The Registrar then reported that he was in receipt of an Acceptance Invitation to the Priory from Brother James Thomas Elliott, accompanied by the necessary initiation fee. The Registrar then noted that our distinguished Brother 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 James Thomas Elliott into Jesse Green Priory Number 70.

Knight Herald John B. Dorsey presented at the altar, Brother James Thomas Elliott who was then properly received into the Priory under the able tutelage of Prior William J. Littel assisted by the line officers. The Lectures were presented by:

Lodge - Knight Charles H. Lengel, Jr., Grand Master
Chapter - Knight Sheldon L. Edwards, P.G.H.P.
Council - Knight Mark E. Irwin, M.I.P.G.M.
Commandery- Knight Harry M. Sullivan, Jr., Past Deputy Grand Commander

Following a very proficient reception, Knight Elliott was presented with his KYCH membership card by Past Prior Thomas. He was then welcomed into our midst by all present. In responding to his reception, our distinguished Knight noted that he had not undertaken any of the offices that he had held with the intent of acquiring honors but rather for the joy and pleasure that he and Caroline had derived from their Masonic affiliations. All four bodies of the York Rite had provided to him great pleasure. He extended his sincere thanks to those assembled for their reception and the work conferred upon him this day.

At the request of the Prior, the minutes of the October 28, 2000 meeting were presented in brief and accepted as read.

The Registrar presented the financial report for the year in brief, which showed:

Balance 1/1/2001	1,599.05	
Receipts		4.97 (Interest Jan & Feb)
Disbursements		0.00
Balance 3/29/01	1,604.02	

CD Sovereign Bank for 13 month at 6.53 Initial Investment - \$1,541.04

The Treasurer's report was accepted as presented.

The Treasurer then reported that he had advised Knight R. L. Foreman, Recorder of Francis Scott Key Priory of Maryland, of the eligibility of Brother Randall C. Mullen, a resident of Maryland, for reception into a Priory. Knight Foreman had advised him that it was the policy of that Priory, wherein a prospective member had acquired a majority of his eligibility through service in another jurisdiction, to consider a waiver of jurisdiction to that jurisdiction upon request. On that basis, Knight Thomas proposed for membership Brother Randall C. Mullen who had served as Worshipful Master of Union Lodge No. 48 in Elkton, Maryland, Delta Chapter No. 6 as High Priest, Gunning Bedford Council No. 1 as Illustrious Master and Trinity Commandery No. 3 as Eminent Commander subject to a waiver of jurisdiction from Maryland. The last three bodies all residing in Delaware. The motion being duly seconded, the proposal was put to a ballot which proved favorable.

Knight Thomas was then directed by Prior Littel to further contact Francis Scott Key Priory advising them of the action of this Priory and request a waiver of jurisdiction.

The Prior then recognized the following Brethren:

Right Eminent Sheldon L. Edwards, Grand Commander of Knights Templar in Delaware and District Deputy General Grand High Priest of the General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, International

Right Puissant Mark E. Irwin, General Grand Captain of the Guard of General Grand Council of Cryptic Masons, International.

Knight Companion Donald D. Thomas, Intendant General for Delaware, UGIC, RCC and Active for Delaware, AASR

Knight Companion John B. Dorsey, Puissant Sovereign, Delaware Conclave, RCC

Brother C. Granville McVey, Grand Governor For Delaware, YRSCNA

The Prior then recognized Past Prior Harry M. Sullivan who brought the greetings of the General Grand Master and complimented the Prior and the Priory for their work and continued labors on behalf of the fraternity.

Knight Little then recognized Knight Charles H. Lengel, Jr. Grand Master of Masons in Delaware who assumed the East and complemented the Priory on their work today. He also extended to Knight Elliott his warmest congratulations. He noted that he had enjoyed the opportunities in the past of working with Knight Elliott and was pleased to be a part of his reception into Jesse Green Priory No. 70.

Nothing further claiming the attention of the Priory, it was closed with Peace and Harmony prevailing at 10:55 A.M. by Most Worshipful Charles H. Lengel, Jr.

Fraternally submitted,

Donald D. Thomas, P.P. Registrar