

Jesse Green Priory Number 70  
Knights York Cross of Honour  
March 6, 2004

Eminent Prior Sheldon L. Edwards, Sr. opened a Special Conclave of Jesse Green Priory No. 70, K. Y. C. H. at 2:30 P.M. on Saturday, March 6, 2004 in the Dover Masonic Lodge Room, following a luncheon served by Victoria Chapter No. 10, O.E.S. The following officers and members were found to be present:

Prior	- Sheldon L. Edwards, Sr. KYGCH
Deputy Prior	- John B. Dorsey, KYGCH
Warder	- Eugene R. Small
Registrar/Treasurer	- Donald D. Thomas, P.P., KYGCH
Orator	- Maurice C. Barnes
Herald	- James T. Elliott

Past Priors James A. Pletz, Mark E. Irwin, Franklin R. Townsend, Richard A. Scarlott, Harry M. Sullivan, Jr., Chester C. Coffin and C. Granville McVey, Knight Albert H. Westerside and Mathew DuPree Personal Representative for District No. 4 of the Most Eminent Grand Master General. Knight DuPree, having recently suffered a foot injury was accompanied by a visiting Knight from Pennsylvania who acted as his chauffeur.

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

The Registrar then reported that he was in receipt of an Acceptance Invitation to the Priory from our distinguished Brother Herbert J. Atkinson, accompanied by the necessary reception fee. The Registrar then noted that this distinguished Brothers 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 this honored Brother into Jesse Green Priory Number 70.

Knight Herald James T. Elliott presented at the altar, Brother Herbert John Atkinson who was then properly and dignifiably received into the Priory under the able tutelage of Prior Sheldon L. Edwards, Sr. and the line officers. The Lectures were presented by:

Lodge -	Knight James A. Pletz, P.G.M.
Chapter -	Knight John B. Dorsey, P.G.H.P.
Council -	Knight Mark E. Irwin, M.I.P.G.M.
Commandery-	Knight Franklin R. Townsend, P. G. C.

Prior Edwards presented the explanation on the Jewel of the Order and its symbols.

Following a very proficient reception, the newly received Knight was presented with his KYCH membership card and jewel. He was then welcomed into our midst by all present.

The Minutes of the October 23, 2003 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, 2004		\$ 1,989.25
Receipts		
Interest 1/1/04 – 2/28/04	.82	
Receipts	<u>8.50</u>	
TOTAL	9.32	
Disbursements		
Check No. 156 - DDT Stamps	7.40	
Check No. 157 - Edwards Atkinsons Lunch	<u>8.50</u>	
TOTAL	15.90	
Balance Checking Account Feb. 28, 2004		\$ 1,982.67
Decrease in Net Worth		-\$ 6.58

The Treasurer's Report was accepted subject to Audit.

The Eminent Prior then recognised Knight Past Prior Mathew D. Dupee, Personal Representative for District Number 4 of the Most Eminent Grand Master who brought with him the greetings of the Grand Master General. Knight Dupee commended Knight Atkinson for his many labors in the quarries of Freemasonry and complimented the officers of the Priory for their work this evening. He expressed the continued concern of Convent General for its philanthropic endeavors in support of Norris Cotton Cancer in Lebanon, New Hampshire. Knight Dupee then commented upon Most Eminent Ray Shute, II who founded this organization in March of 1930. He noted that we have a proud history of very special men such as those who were members of Jesse Green Priory No. 70. He encouraged us to make sure our history was documented and a copy forwarded on to Convent General. Knight Dupee thanked all for a very pleasant day and looked forward to his return to Delaware.

The following distinguished Brethren in attendance were then recognized:

R. W. Eugene R. Small, Deputy Grand Secretary, GLOD  
V.E.D. C. Granville McVey, Grand Governor for Delaware, YRSCNA  
And Intendant General, UGIC, RCC  
Ill. Donald D. Thomas, 33°, Active for Delaware, AASR

The Prior then recognized our newly received Knight and called upon him for any remarks. Knight Atkinson expressed his great pleasure at being received into Jesse Green Priory and expressed the desire to continue to live up to the high standards exemplified by the present and past members of this Priory.

Nothing further claiming the attention of the Priory, it was closed with Peace and Harmony prevailing at 3:45 P. M.

Fraternally submitted,

Donald D. Thomas, P.P. Registrar