

A stated communication of First State York Rite College Number 45 was convened by Governor Harold T. J. Littleton, at 1:30 P.M. on October 29, 1994 at the Masonic Temple, 818 Market Street, Wilmington, Delaware with the following officers in their respective stations:

Deputy Governor	James A. Johnson
Chancellor	C. Granville McVey
Secretary/Treasurer	Donald D. Thomas, Pro. Tem., P.G.
Primate	Frank A. Battaglia
Preceptor	Warren F. Schueler, Sr.
Seneschal	John B. Dorsey
Marshal	James A. Pletz
Sentinel	Wayne M. Schutz

The following Brethren, as identified by the Sentinel's Registrar, were noted to be in attendance: Grand Governor Richard A. Scarlott, H. Dean Smith, Charles W. Barkins, James H. Hutchins, Harry M. Sullivan, Jr., Herbert J. Atkinson, Lewis J. Blackwell, Charles H. Lengel, Jr., James T. Elliott, Franklin R. Townsend, Mark E. Irwin, John A. Irwin, Horace G. Patterson, Jr. and Dick Ward. We were delighted to have as guests from Pennsylvania College Number 11, Richard S. Wolf and James M. Alter.

The Governor called up the College while Grand Governor Richard A. Scarlott presented at the Altar Grand Governor General Edward Ripley Saunders, Jr. accompanied by Brother S. Flory Diehl. The Grand Governor was then accompanied to the East where he was recognized with Grand Honors and presented the gavel of authority. Preeminently Distinguished Governor Edward R. Saunders, Jr. expressed his pleasure of being in First State York Rite College and expressed his sincere sorrow at the loss Freemasonry in Delaware, and The York Rite College, had recently sustained. He noted that he was pleased to recognize that the York Rite Sovereign College of North America continued to grow and now had Colleges in all States but Ohio. He thanked the Grand Governor, Governor and College for their courtesies and then returned the gavel of authority to the Governor. The Governor then called the College up while Brother Frank A. Battaglia presented West of the Altar, Most Worshipful Albert H. Westerside, Grand Master of Masons in Delaware. The Grand Master was then escorted to the East, duly recognized, afforded Grand Honors and presented the gavel of authority. M.W. Brother Westerside expressed his sincere pleasure of being with the Brethren and noted that he looked forward to a most enjoyable degree conferral and the pleasure of sitting amongst the Brethren. Thence returning the gavel to the Governor, the Grand Master and Grand Governor General were escorted to seats amongst the Brethren.

Recognizing the tremendous loss that Freemasonry in Delaware, and throughout the entire United States, had suffered with the death of Past Governor and the sitting Secretary Treasurer C. Ray Scarborough, the Governor called the assembly up for a moment of silent prayer. The Governor then appointed Past Governor Donald D.

Thomas as Secretary Treasurer for this meeting.

Regrets from Brethren C. William Tulloch and William J. Little were acknowledged. The Governor then recognized the distinguished Brethren present from Grand Lodge, Grand Chapter, Grand Council, Grand Commandery, the Scottish Rite and the other appendant bodies of Freemasonry.

The Governor then recognized the Past Governors that were present and expressed his appreciation of their attendance and assistance during the past year.

The Sentinel then reported that Brethren John N. Phillos, James E. Waecker, Robert E. Wasson and G. Thomas Taylor, duly elected members of the College, were in waiting to receive the Degree of Knight of York. The following then assumed their respective stations:

First & Third Sections	Second Section
Governor - Donald D. Thomas	Athelstan - Franklin R. Townsend
Dep. Gov. - Harold T. J. Littleton	Prince Edwin - James A. Pletz
Chancellor - Harry M. Sullivan, Jr.	Lord Chan. Court - Horace G. Patterson (as a substitute for William J. Littel)
Primate - C. Granville McVey	Lord Archbishop - Mark E. Irwin
Preceptor - Frank A. Battaglia	Lord Preceptor - John B. Dorsey
Seneschal - Warren F. Schueler, Sr.	Lord Mayor - Charles H. Lengel, Jr.
Marshal - John B. Dorsey	Lord Comm. Chivalry - C. G. McVey
Sentinel - James Johnson	Knight Commander - Frank A. Battaglia
D.G. Lecture - Richard A. Scarlott	Overseer - Charles W. Barkins
	Rose Lecture - James A. Pletz

and the newly elected Brethren were received into the College with the dignity and solemnity of the degree. Brother Waecker, R.W. Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Delaware, served as the exemplar for the group were appropriate. Following the degree conferral, the Governor resumed his station in the East and sincerely thanked all in attendance for their participation in making the conferral such a splendid success.

The call for nominations for the Gold Honor Awards noted the following proposals

Charles Carmack by Brother Herbert Atkinson
Lloyd H. Stover by Brother Richard Scarlott

Upon call for nominations for membership into the College, Brother James A. Pletz proposed consideration of Brother Wayne Slack and Brother Robert McDowell.

It was then regularly moved and seconded, the Past Governor Mark E. Irwin be elected Secretary/Treasurer of the College. There being no objections, Brother Irwin was unanimously elected. Governor Littleton expressed his appreciation, and that of the College, to Past Governor Irwin for assuming this important position.

Governor Littleton then extended his pleasure to all who participated in the activities of the College and noted that the College would again assume the responsibility for serving Coffee and Doughnuts at Grand Council Grand Chapter sessions assuming the DeMolay did not have a Saturday morning breakfast. It was announced that the next meeting of the College would be held in the Dover Masonic Temple on Saturday, May 6, 1955. Governor Littleton then recognized Grand Governor Scarlott who echoed the compliments of the Governor to those participating in the events of the afternoon. Grand Governor Scarlott recognized that Knight of York James Albert Pletz had received the Order of the Purple Cross of the York Rite Sovereign College in Toronto this past July and Brother Albert J. Miller had been nominated to receive the award next July. Congratulations were extended to both distinguished Knights.

Nothing further claiming the attention of the members of First State York Rite College Number 45, it was closed with peace and harmony prevailing at 3:15 P.M. by Grand Governor General Edward R. Saunders, Jr.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

Donald D. Thomas, P.G., Secretary/Treasurer Pro. Tem.