

THE ROUGH AND RUGGED ROAD

A brief history of Royal Arch Masonry in the State of Georgia

PRESENTATION WAS COMPILED BY THE COMMISSION ON GRAND CHAPTER CHARTER

- Right Excellent Deputy Grand High Priest C.E. Alexander, KYCH
- Right Excellent Grand King George B. King, KYGCH
- Right Excellent Grand Scribe Horace Borders, KYCH
- Right Excellent Grand Lecturer Andrew Williams
- Past High Priest Dave Gillarm Jr., KYCH

On October 14, 2020, the 17th Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Hon. Vernon C. Hall commissioned R.E. Deputy Grand High Priest, C.E. Alexander with full authority to:

1. Research the whereabouts of the Most Excellent Grand Chapter's missing charter.
2. In the event the Most Excellent Grand Chapter's charter is not discovered...
3. To research with the protocols and processes to recreate a duplicate charter that will be the closest to and using the language of the original (if possible).
4. To propose and present a name for the Most Excellent Grand Chapter by complying with Article VII, Section 8, of the Most Excellent Grand Chapter's Constitution and Bylaws which prohibits naming any chapter after a living person.

To proceed and succeed with this dynamic, enormous, and historic tasks, DGHP C.E. Alexander appealed and enlisted, the following companions:

1. Comp. George B. King, Rt. Excellent Grand King
2. Comp. Horace Borders, Rt. Excellent Grand Scribe
3. Comp. Andrew Williams, Excellent Grand Lecturer
4. Comp. Dave Gillarm Jr., Past High Priest

with DGHP C.E. Alexander serving as chairman. In pursuit with this task, the above named companions accepted this charge, and The Commission on Grand Chapter Charter (COGCC) was formed.

During the plight of the pandemic, this commission met frequently via Zoom to discuss and update among themselves the discoveries and status with their findings.



The Grand Secretary stated that he had received a letter from Brother Joseph Green, Jr., of Zion Lodge, St. Mary's, stating that a petition would be forwarded to the Grand Lodge praying that the Grand Lodge consider the practicability of organizing the "Order of the Heroine of Jericho" among the wives and widows of Master Masons, and asking the attention of the Grand Lodge to the matter in the absence of the petition should it not arrive in time.

On motion, the matter was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.


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Brother Deveau stated that he was authorized to speak for the Committee on Jurisprudence to the effect that they had carefully considered the petition of the ladies of St. Mary's to have a Lodge established, of the Order of Heroines of Jericho, and can find no authority for the Grand Lodge to grant such petition. But as the ladies, who are represented by Brother Joseph Green, Jr., are anxious to have such a Lodge, they recommend that the matter be referred to said committee in connection with Brother C. O. Fisher, to assist the petitioners in establishing the said Lodge, in accordance with the usages thereunto belonging.

- Royal Arch Masonry could have entered the state as early as 1885.
- In 1885 Brother Joseph Green Jr. of Zion Lodge submitted a petition asking for the establishment of a "court" of Heroine of Jericho by the Grand Lodge.
- PGM Deveau stated that the Grand Lodge had no authority to grant such a request but referred him to the proper person.

LODGE DIRECTORY.

MASONIC.

 GEORGIA CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS, meets on the second and fourth Friday nights. REV. A. HARRIS, H. P.

EUREKA LODGE, No. 1, F A M., first and third Wednesday nights. L. WADE, W M., C H EBBS, Secretary.

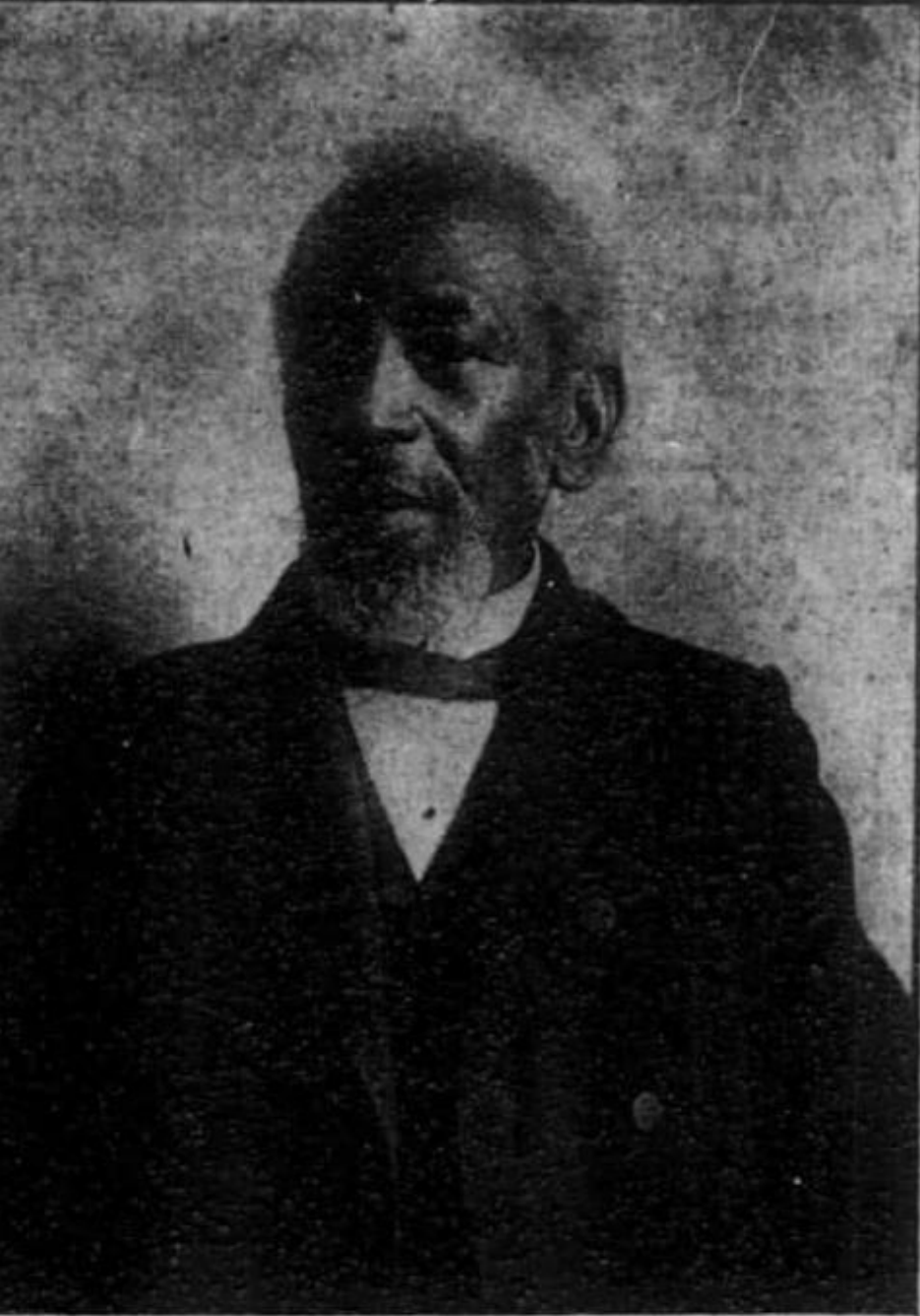
HILTON LODGE, No. 2, F A M., second and fourth Wednesday nights. I M DOUSE, W M., M G ROBERTSON, Secretary.

PYTHAGORAS LODGE, No. 14, F A M., second and fourth Monday nights. A G McDOWELL, W M., C H PRICE, Secretary.

MOUNT MORIAH LODGE, No. 16 F A M., first and third Friday nights. R Wright, W M., C BASS, Secretary.

PRINCE HALL LODGE A F & A M, meets on the first and third Thursday nights of each month. W M. DAVIS W M.. W H D REYNOLDS, Secretary.

- Georgia Chapter is mentioned in the Savannah Tribune in 1886. Three years before they would receive a dispensation from the M.E. Grand Chapter of D.C...



PAST GRAND MASTER ALEXANDER HARRIS.

and found them as follows: On October 10, 1889, I granted a dispensation to Companions Alexander Harris, High Priest ; R. A. Golden, King ; and Richard Wright, Scribe, to open a new Chapter at Savannah, G. ., to be known as Georgia, U. D. This dispensation was granted in lieu of one which had been granted to them by the so-called Grand Chapter of the State of Florida.

- The first Royal Arch Chapter established in Georgia was Georgia Chapter U.D. and was/is in Savannah. This Chapter would later be known as Georgia Chapter #21 under the M.E. Grand Chapter of D.C.
- This Chapter originally received a dispensation from the M.E. Grand Chapter of Florida but later requested one from the M.E. Grand Chapter of D.C.
- The first Excellent High Priest of this chapter was Past Grand Master Alexander Harris.

Mr. J. A. Phillips, who went to Washington on the 6th instant, as representative of the Georgia Chapter, Royal Arch Mason and Georgia Commandery Knights Templar, returned on Wednesday night last with a charter from Sam'l H. West, Grand Emminent Commander of the District of Columbia, for Georgia Commandery No. 8; also one from Benj. F. Daly, attested by J.H. Barrill, G. S. R. A. M. for Georgia Chapter Royal Arch Masons. Mr Phillips also received a commission as Deputy Grand Commander of Florida and its jurisdiction. He reports as having a royal time with the sir knights, and the parade of the Knights was the finest he has ever seen.

Past Master J.A. Phillips of Stone Square Lodge #25 in Savannah was the person who brought Georgia Chapter's and Georgia Commandery's charters to Georgia from D.C.

Chapter of the State of Georgia.
On the 14th of October, 1889, I granted a dispensation to St. John's Chapter, No. —, to hold their election on the 14th of October; 1889, and on October —, 1889, I granted a dispensation to Keystone Chapter, No. 11, to install her officers at Ebenezer A. M. E. Church, Georgetown, D. C.

The Grand Secretary read the petition of the Companions of St. John Chapter at Lumber City, Georgia, praying for a warrant of constitution, which was, on motion of Comp. John W. Freeman, granted, and to be known on the rolls as St. John Chapter, No. 22.

ST. JOHN'S, No. 22.

Meets at Lumber City, Georgia.

Officers.

J. McDUE.....	<i>High Priest.</i>
J. H. COPELAND.....	<i>King.</i>
C. H. WELSON.....	<i>Scribe.</i>
NED MARTIN.....	<i>Treasurer.</i>
H. W. WATSON.....	<i>Secretary.</i>

Members.

Baker, Richmond	McDue, J.
Bratcher, James	McDue, Washington
Copeland, J. H.	McDue, A.
Cornia, R. D.	Martin, Ned
Dardon, James	Perkins, L.
Dotria, Watson	Smith, Benj.
Jones, S. M.	Taylor, J. M.
Jones, A.	Watson, H. W.
Lee, Henry	Wilson, C. H.

- The second Chapter established in Georgia by the Grand Chapter of D.C. was St. John's Chapter U.D. and was located in Lumber City.
- It was dispensated on October 14, 1889 but wasn't charted until March 27, 1891.

them accordingly.

DISPENSATIONS.

Our order shows a healthy growth since our last Grand Convocation. I have endeavored to establish new chapters at such places only as might prove permanent fixtures, and, with the very encouraging outlook, I trust my success I will continue to add to the jurisdiction.

August 7th, I received a petition from Companions E. W. Terry, W. H. Spencer, R. Lowe and six other companions, recommended by Zerubbabel Chapter No. 4, praying for a dispensation to open and hold a chapter of Royal Arch Masons at Columbus, Ga., to be known as Excelsior Chapter, which was granted.

September 3d, I received a petition from J. B. Atkins and eight other companions, recommended by Zerubbabel Chapter No. 4, praying for a dispensation to open and hold a chapter of Royal Arch Masons at Patton, Ala., which I granted.

September 16th, I received a petition from F. W. McCarthy and eight other companions, recommended by Montgomery Chapter No. 3, praying for a dispensation to open and hold a chapter of Royal Arch Masons at Albany, Ga., which I granted.

October 12th, I received a petition from S. R. Lowry, L. Littlejohn, I Cunningham and six other companions, recommended by Zerubbabel Chapter No. 4, praying for a dispensation to open and hold a chapter of Royal Arch Masons at Coalburg, Ala., which I granted.

JEWELS.

I would recommend that this Grand Chapter, at its earliest

- Shortly after St. John's Chapter was established by the M.E. Grand Chapter of D.C., the M.E. Grand Chapter of Alabama also began to establish chapters in Georgia.
- On August 7th Alabama established Excelsior Chapter in Columbus.
- On October 12th Alabama established Tapis Chapter in Albany.

The Grand Chapter was called from refreshment to labor at 7;30 p. m. by M. E. G. H. P., A. S. Smith, the officers filling their several stations.

The journal of the afternoon session was read and approved.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHARTERS AND DISPENSATIONS.

To the Most Excellent Grand Chapter:

We, your Committee on Charters and Dispensations, beg leave to make the following report:

We have carefully examined the petition of Excelsior Chapter, U. D., located at Columbus, Ga., praying that a charter be granted them, and they petition through their High Priest, H. H. Williams, that they be given sixty days from this date to pay for same. We recommend that their prayer be granted.

Iconium Chapter, U. D., located at Coalburg, Ala., that they be granted a charter and given sixty days from this date to pay for same.

Tapis Chapter, U. D., located at Albany, Ga., that they be granted a charter and given sixty days from this date to pay for same.

- Business proceeded as usual with both chapters requesting to be official chartered. Both requests from Excelsior and Tapis were granted.

- Excelsior became #6 on Alabama's rolls and Tapis became #9.

Excelsior Chapter No. 6
Columbus, Ga.

This chapter claims to be a member of the Ohio Jurisdiction.
(See report.)

H. H. Williams, H. P.	I. C. Mund, King
W. L. Matthews, Scribe	P. C. Tinsley, Secretary
C. J. Dryer, Treasurer	Jacob Ware, C. of H.
J. W. Williams, R. A. C.	M. A. Mahone, P. S.
N. T. Bradford, M. of 3rd V.	N. N. Humphrey, M. of 2nd V.
E. H. Mayo, M. of 1st V.	O. N. Jackson, Chaplain
	L. W. Givens, Guard

Members—A. E. Wilson, S. A. Brooks.

Tapis Chapter No. 9
Albany, Ga.

T. W. McCarthy, H. P.	G. H. Lee, King
R. A. Hallman, Scribe	P. L. Oliver, Secretary
M. Thompson, Treasurer	C. H. McCarthy, C. of H.
L. C. Steward, R. A. C.	J. H. Watson, P. S.
A. McCarthy, M. of 3rd V.	O. Moreland, M. of 2nd V.
W. C. Green, M. of 1st V.	M. Hardy, Guard

The Grand Jurisdiction of Ohio and this chapter have been in correspondence for the past year relative to claims against the following chapters, to-wit;

Eureka Chapter No. 1.....	\$12.00
St. Peter's Chapter No. 2.....	9.00
Montgomery Chapter No. 3.....	11.00

The claim of the former and latter have been adjusted, leaving still a claim of \$9.00 against St. Peter's Chapter. I believe it a valid claim, notwithstanding the poor judgment shown on our part in accepting her among the contingent of chapters established by Ohio. I recommend this Grand Chapter pay same.

I shall now call your attention to a matter pending between this jurisdiction and Ohio that requires immediate attention, and one that in my opinion deserves the censure of every Royal Arch Mason. Excelsior Chapter, located at Columbus, Ga., was established in August, 1891, by and with the authority of this jurisdiction. At the annual convocation held in the City of Montgomery, June 20th, 1892, H. H. Williams, H. P., appeared in person before the Committee on Charters and Dispensations and asked that a charter be granted said Excelsior Chapter and they be given sixty days from that date to pay for same. Later on the dispensation was returned and the grand secretary was officially informed that they would not keep their obligations relative to paying for charter, as they belonged to another jurisdiction. I am informed that Companion W. E. Terry, a former member of Zerubbabel Chapter No. 4, but who was suspended for non-payment of dues, and still remains so, visited the Ohio jurisdiction and was there and then healed and directed to proceed to Columbus, Ga., to there heal the officers and members of Excelsior chapter and transfer the said chapter from this jurisdiction to that of Ohio. I cannot see how Companion Terry satisfied the officers of the Ohio jurisdiction that he was a Royal Arch Mason in good standing as the secretary of Zerubbabel Chapter No. 4, informs me he had no papers from that chapter of any description. If I rightly understand the laws governing capitular Masonry, a companion must be prepared to prove to the satisfaction of others his right to enjoy the privileges connected thereto, and this, I am satisfied, Companion Terry could not do.

I believe I voice the sentiments of every companion connected with this jurisdiction to allow every chapter who desires it, to find a home with other jurisdictions where things are more congenial and according to their being, provided, always, they have paid all just demands before taking their departure; this, I believe, is accepted by all jurisdictions.

I find that the amounts due Ohio by the several chapters as above stated, was unintentionally a misunderstanding with the several subordinate secre-

- After the M.E. Grand Chapter of Alabama's 1892 session, Excelsior Chapter decided that they no longer wanted to associate themselves with the Jurisdiction of Alabama and sought a charter from the M.E. Grand Chapter of Ohio.
- This caused significant issues between the Jurisdiction of Alabama and Ohio.



- The M.E. Grand Chapter of Alabama stated that PGM William E. Terry was the source of the issue with Excelsior.
- PGM William E. Terry was a former member of Zerubbabel Chapter #4 in Montgomery. Alabama claims that he was suspended for non-payment of dues.
- PGM Terry traveled to Ohio, was healed into the M.E. Grand Chapter of Ohio and had Excelsior Chapter healed into the M.E. Grand Chapter of Ohio as well.

On August 17 I authorized and commissioned M. E. Companion Wm. E. Terry to heal the companions of Excelsior Chapter No. 19, of Columbus, Ga., to dedicate and consecrate the chapter and install the officers thereof.

Companion Terry made to me a full and accurate report of his work, which was very satisfactory and encouraging, as well as evidencing the great delight and entire satisfaction of the companions.

On September 12 I appointed and commissioned M. E. Companion W. E. Terry as District Deputy Grand High Priest for the state of Georgia.

- August 17, 1892 Grand High Priest A.R.G. Guy authorizes Companion Terry to heal the companions of Excelsior Chapter in Columbus.
- On September 12, 1892 he appoints Companion Terry to the office of District Deputy Grand High Priest for the State of Georgia under Ohio.

Report of Committee on Appeals and Grievances

To the Most Excellent Grand Chapter:

We, your committee to whom was referred that part of the Grand High Priest's address relative to the differences between this jurisdiction and Ohio, submit the following for your consideration:

We have carefully read the address and examined all papers in possession of the Grand High Priest and Grand Secretary bearing on this case and find no semblance of law in the reception of Excelsior Chapter, located at Columbus, Ga., as a part and parcel of the Ohio jurisdiction, according to Masonic usages and customs. While it is an unquestioned right for a jurisdiction to extend its territory, we believe the courtesy due each other should actuate their motives. We find a willingness on the part of this jurisdiction to act courteously in the premises. In our opinion, notoriety on the part of certain members of Excelsior Chapter, abetted by Companion W. E. Terry, who we find was suspended for non-payment of dues in Zerubbabel Chapter, has caused all the trouble. We depreciate his action and believe every fair-minded Royal Arch Mason will do the same. As has been rightly stated, there is no disposition on the part of this jurisdiction to retain any member or subordinate chapter against their will, still, we insist, all demands should be satisfied before their withdrawal is acknowledged. We further believe that Ohio, with her many years of experience in capitular masonry, when matters are presented in their true and proper relations, will adjust the same amicably.

We recommend, as the Grand Chapter of Ohio assumes the parentage of Excelsior Chapter, that the claim of \$29.00 be transferred against the Grand Chapter of Ohio.

Fraternally submitted,

N. H. LANE,
GEO. GORHAM,
I. DAVIS.

- The M.E. Grand Chapter of Alabama formed a committee to investigate Excelsior Chapter's claim that they were now under the Jurisdiction of Ohio.
- The committee found that this was true but questioned Ohio's motives for charting this chapter.

EXCELSIOR CHAPTER, NO. 19, COLUMBUS, GA.

Meets second Thursday night in each month.

OFFICERS.

H. H. Williams.....	H. P.	J. C. Mounds.....	P. S.
E. H. Mayer.....	King.	Jacob Ware.....	R. A. C.
G. W. L. Matthews.....	Scribe.	John Williams.....	M. 3rd V.
R. P. Porter.....	Treasurer.	C. J. Dryer.....	M. 2nd V.
P. C. Tinsly.....	Secretary.	W. T. Humphrey.....	M. 1st V.
W. A. Mahone.....	C. of H.	S. A. Brooks.....	Sentinel.

MEMBERS.

H. R. Forbes, Henry Hughes, J. S. Kelsey, G. W. Mahone, E. C. Russell, Jos. Turner, Andrew Wright.

SUSPENDED—N. P. of D.

A. Ferguson, L. W. Givens, E. P. Holmes, S. W. Rainford, A. E. Wilson.

Total membership, 19.

- Excelsior Chapter was chartered as #19 on the rolls of the M.E. Grand Chapter of Ohio.
- Their history is still being researched.

- During this time the M.E. Grand Chapter of D.C. continued to establish chapters in Georgia:
 - Prince Hall Chapter #23, Atlanta, 1891
 - Branhamis Chapter #24, Savannah, 1891
 - Joshua Chapter #25, Waycross, 1893
 - Stone Square Chapter #27, Thomasville, 1895
 - Acme Chapter #28, Quince, 1895
 - King David Chapter #29, Macon, 1900
 - Trinity Chapter #30, Ashburn, 1900
 - Lebanon Chapter #31, Hawksinvile (circa 1900)

the grand officers.

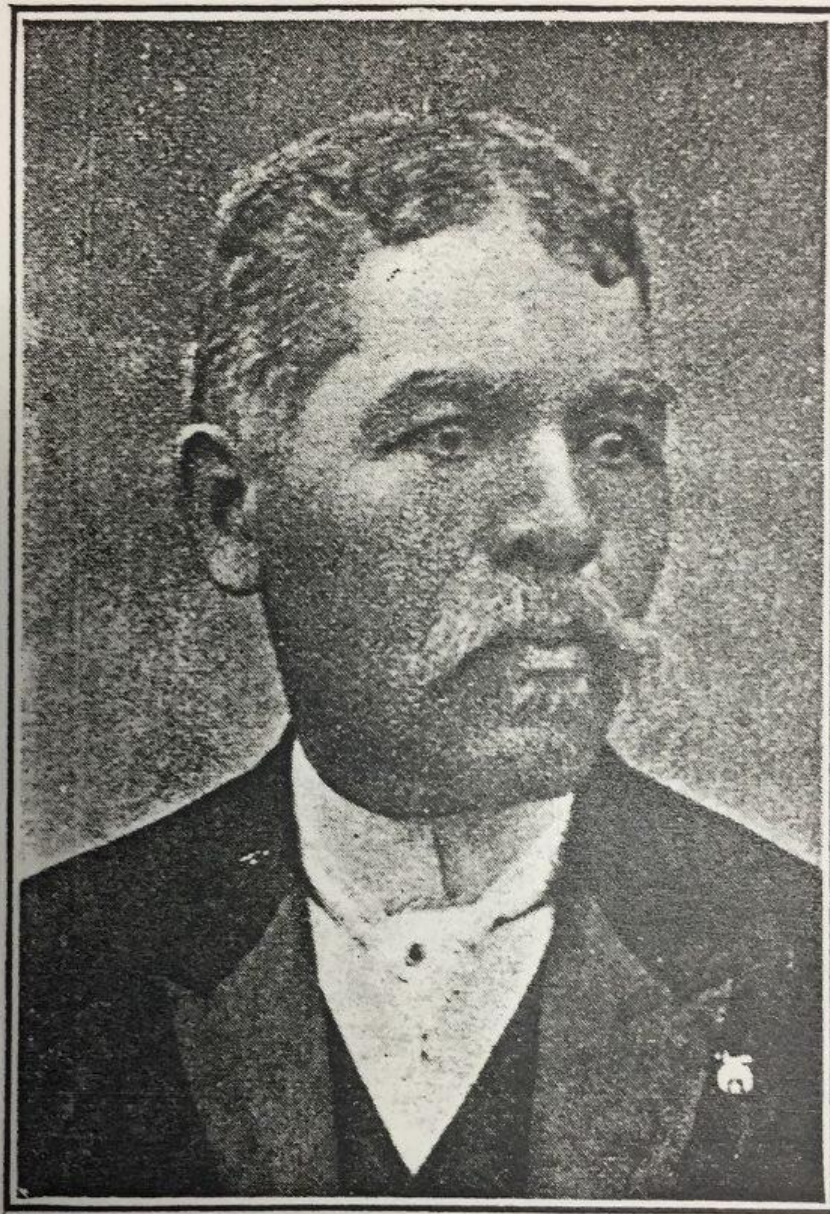
At Macon, Ga., on Saturday last seven of the eight Royal Arch Chapters of this state assembled in the temple of King David Chapter for the purpose of completing arrangements for the establishment of a most excellent Royal Arch Chapter in this jurisdiction. After much routine matters had been successfully and satisfactory arranged the following officers were elected:

Most Excellent Grand High Priest, J. Robinson, Macon; Dep. M. C. Took, Ashburn; Grand King, Dr. C. B. Whaley, Savannah; Grand Scribe, J. M. Woods, Quince; Grand Treasurer, J. F. Kimbrough, Dawson; Grand Secretary, W. M. Rand, Macon; Grand C. of H. G. F. Thomas, Hawkinsville; Grand P. So., A. J. Holmes, Cordele; Grand R. A. Capt., G. R. Robbins, Ashburn;

Grand Master of Third veil, E. J. Tatum, Macon; Master of Second veil, M. Kimbrough, Dawson; Master of First veil, J. M. Blount, Quince; Grand R. A. Guard, J. H. Walker, Macon; Grand Chaplain, Rev. I. M. Cook, Hawkinsville; Grand Lecturer, M. M. Marshall, Dawson; Grand Sentinel, G. O. Smith, Ashburn. When it came to election and appointment of the various committees, Savannah fell in for a good share. Companion S. G. Webster was made chairman of the jurisprudence committee; Companion G. W. Williams, chairman of committee on grievances; Companion C. B. Whaley, chairman of foreign correspondence committee; Companion R. M. Danielly, chairman of committee for exemplification of work, associated with him on this committee is Companion J. T. Coates, while Companion W. H. Burgess is on the committee for charters and dispensations. At this session the Knight Templar degree was thoroughly discussed and a concerted effort will be made to push this particular branch of Masonry. The installation of the above named officers and committees will take place in Macon at a very early day. Companion Dr. C. Bryant Whaley, was elected orator for that occasion.

- The Most Excellent Grand Chapter of Georgia HRAM was formed on April 23, 1903 in the hall of King David Chapter in Macon by chapters that were subordinate to DC.
- Past High Priest Jesse Robinson (Macon) was elected Most Excellent Grand High Priest. This act made him the first Grand High Priest for this Jurisdiction.

The Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Royal Arch Masons which was organized in Macon, Ga., April 23d for the State of Georgia, was constituted on Oct. 27th and set aside to the Masonic world by Companion and Special Deputy, Most Excellent Grand High Priest James O. Bampfield of the District of Columbia, Georgia being under its jurisdiction, with the following annual officers: Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Jesse Robinson, Macon, Ga; Most Excellent Deputy Grand High Priest, M. O. Tookes, Worth; Most Excellent Grand King, O. Bryant Whaley, Savannah; Excellent Grand Scribe, J. M. Woods, Ochoopee; Excellent Grand Treasurer, J. F. Kimbrough, Dawson; Excellent Grand Secretary, W. M. Rand, Macon; Excellent Grand Captain of Host, Geo. F. Thomas, Hawkinsville; Excellent Grand Principal Sojourner, A. J. Holmes, Cordele; Excellent Grand Royal Arch Captain, J. R. Robins, Ashburn; Excellent Grand Master of Third Veil, E. J. Tatum, Macon; Excellent Grand Master Second Veil, M. C. Kimbrough, Dawson; Excellent Grand Master First Veil, J. M. Blount, Lyons; Excellent Grand Royal Arch Guard J. H. Walker, Macon; Excellent Grand Chaplain, J. H. Howard, Thomasville; Excellent Grand Medical Advisor, Dr H. R. Butler, Atlanta. All of these officers were duly installed, and thus R. A. M. has a strong foot hold in Georgia.



JAMES O. BAMPFIELD,
Chairman Committee on Correspondence 1906

- The Most Excellent Grand Chapter of Georgia was Constituted on October 27th, 1903 by James O. Bampfield of the M.E. Grand Chapter of DC.



Past Grand High Priest Jesse Robinson

- Member of Phoenix Lodge #12 but demitted to Ocmulgee Lodge #5 (now defunct).
- In 1900 he was appointed as District Deputy Grand High Priest for Georgia under D.C.
- Served as the first Excellent High Priest of King David Chapter
- Served as the 1st and 3rd M.E. Grand High Priest
- Class Leader of Steward Chapter AME
- Vice President of Morning Star Benevolent Society
- Worked as a janitor at Julia Parkman Jones Benevolent Home
- Later worked at as a janitor at the Georgia and Alabama Business College
- Died at his home on January 19, 1909



GLENN O. SMITH.

Past Grand High Priest Glenn O. Smith, Ashburn

- Served as the 2nd Grand High Priest
- Member of Fidelity Lodge #119,
- Member of Trinity Chapter



COMF. J. H. KENDALL
PAST GRAND HIGH PRIEST

Past Grand High Priest J.H. Kendall, Atlanta

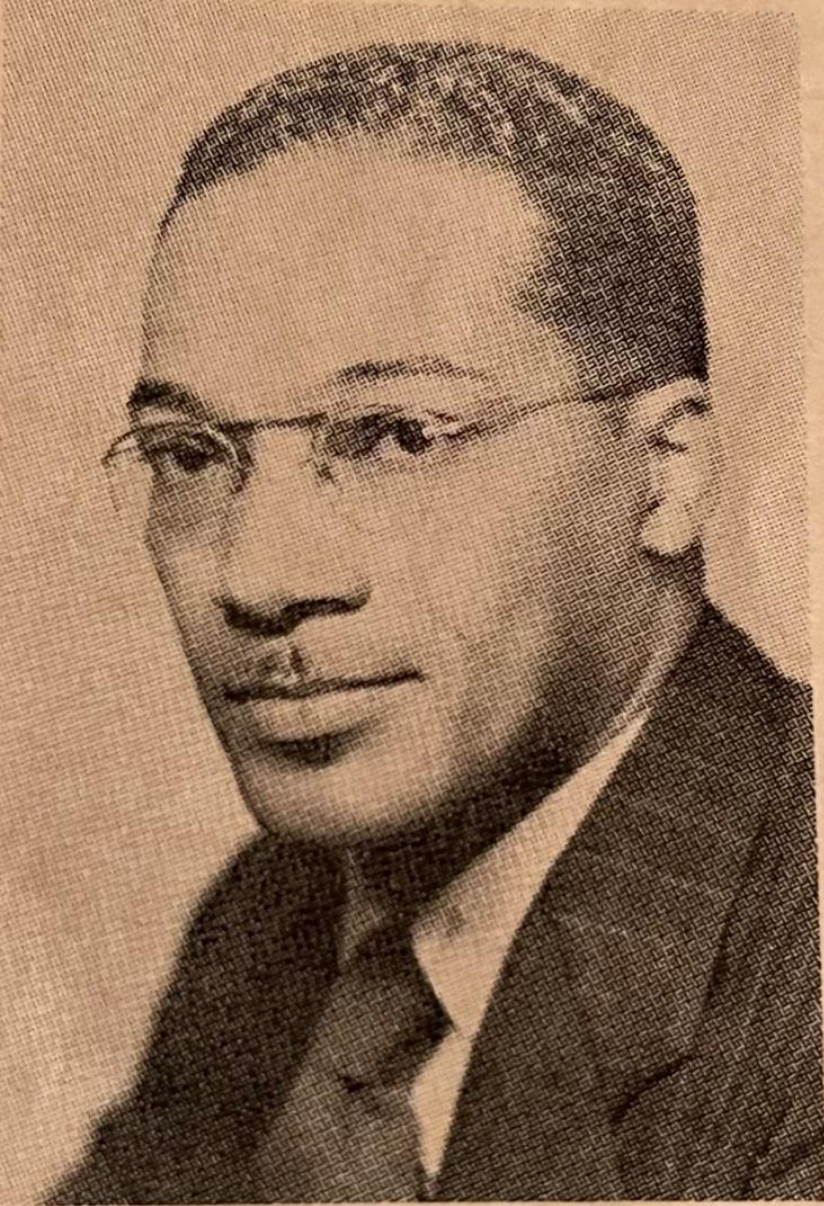
- Served as the 4th Grand High Priest
- Member of Gate City Lodge #42



MAURICE HUGH COBB.

Past Grand High Priest Dr. Maurice Hugh Cobb,

- Member of St. Paul Lodge #60
- Member of Plumblin Chapter #35?
- Buried in Magnolia Cemetery, Thomasville



WILLIAM DOBBINS
Grand High Priest

Past Grand High Priest William Dobbins

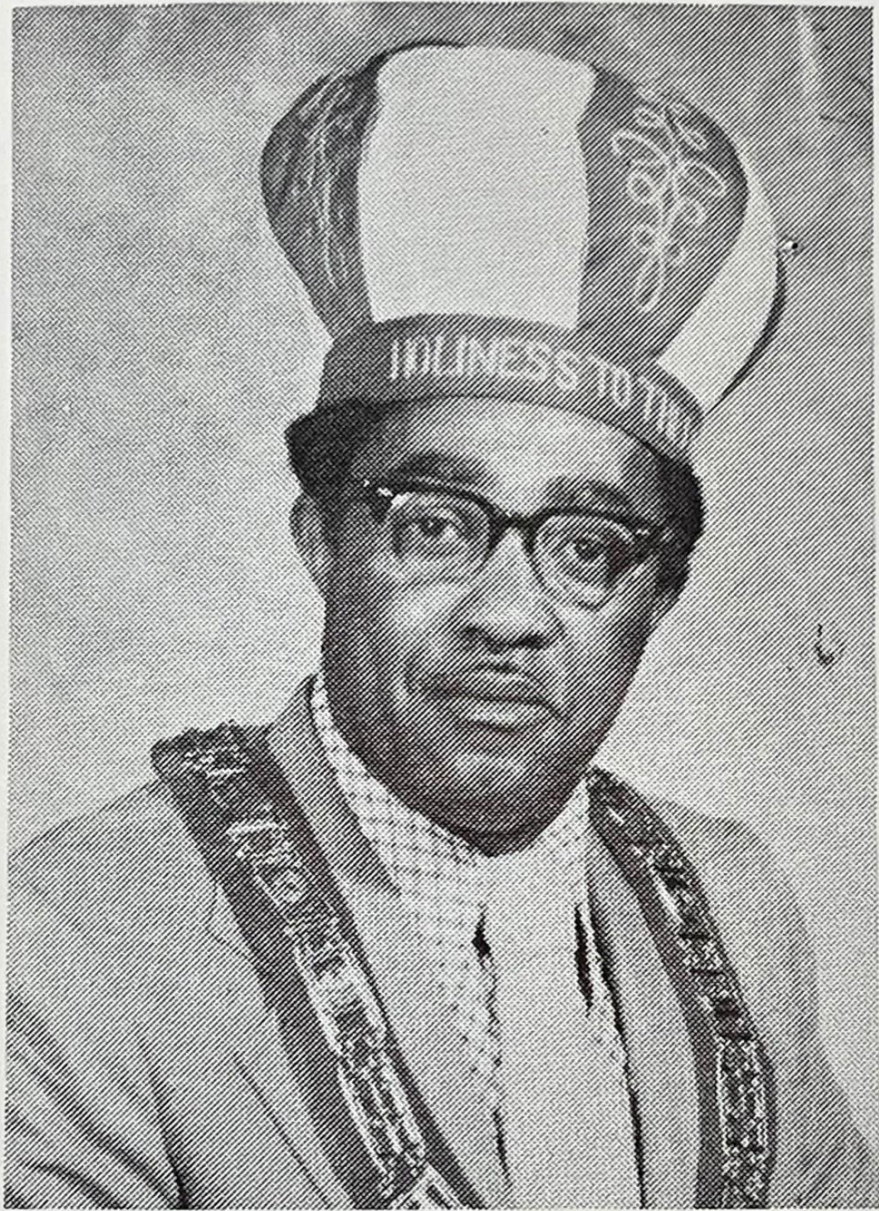
- Member of Pride of Albany Lodge #360
- Member of Joe Lee Chapter #43?
- Buried in Roselawn Garden of Memory Cemetery, Albany



COMP. LUNCY JETERS
PAST GRAND HIGH PRIEST

Past Grand High Priest Luncy Jeter

- Member of Plymouth Rock Lodge #86
- Buried in Lincoln Cemetery, Atlanta



Past Grand High Priest Charlie B. Brown

- Served as the 1st Grand Worthy Joshua
- Member of Franklin Lodge #210
- Member of Keystone Chapter #3

C. B. BROWN MOST EXCELLENT
Grand High Priest



Past Grand High Priest Solomon Primus Lewis

- Member of King Solomon Lodge #14
- Member of Joe Lee Chapter #43
- Buried in Spring Creek Cemetery, Calhoun County



Past Grand High Priest James Weldon
Johnson, KYGCH,

- Member of New Era Lodge #107
- Member of Hiram Chapter #15



Past Grand High Priest Clarence C. Buck

- Member of Central City Lodge #12
- Member of King David Chapter #5



Past Grand High Priest John A. Robinson, KYGCH

- Served as the 1st Most Illustrious Grand Thrice Illustrious Master of the M.I. H.R. Butler Grand Council Jurisdiction of Georgia.
- Member of Chattahoochee Lodge #31
- Member of Gate City Chapter #9



Past Grand High Priest Willie J. Robinson,
KYGCH,

- Member of Mt. Pisgah Lodge #53
- Member of St. Andrews Chapter #39



Past Grand High Priest John R. Smalls

- Member of Gibraltar Lodge #265
- Member of Hiram Chapter #15



Past Grand High Priest Joseph L. Collins,
KYGCH,

- Member of Eden Lodge #46
- Member of Gate City Chapter #9



Past Grand High Priest Emmitt L. Johnson, KYGCH

- Member of Hourglass Lodge #113
- Member of X.L. Neal Chapter #118

17th Most Excellent Grand High Priest for the Jurisdiction of Georgia M.E. Vernon Hall, KYCH



Fun Facts

- From our research, PGM Alexander Harris and MWGM Corey Shackelford Sr. are the only members to have served as Grand Master and Excellent High Priest. But MWGM Shackelford Sr. is the only one to have done so since the formation of the Most Excellent Grand Chapter of Georgia HRAM.
- PGHP Jesse Robinson is the only Past Grand High Priest to have served twice.
- PGHP Charlie Brown served as the 1st Grand Worthy Joshua and served in both positions simultaneously.

