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ONE DOLLAR A YEAR

## New Lodge Presented Gold-Plated Tyler's Sword



This picture of the presentation was re-enacted after the lodge was closed. The brethren, Left to Right are: Wiley Dean, Master, Maurice Baker, Anthony Houser, Fred Speidel, Hiram Casebolt, and Elmore Barnes.

The stated communication of the Charles B. Newcomb Lodge No. 740 of Raleigh fell on the orient day of June 13 at which time and occasion representatives from Raleigh Commandery No. 4, Knights Templar, of Raleigh, elected to attend in full uniform and make a presentation of outstanding significance.

In recent years, this Commandery has presented a new silver plated Tyler's Sword to each new lodge chartered in the Raleigh area to show its interest in, and support of, Blue Lodge Masonry. However, an exception was made on this occasion because our late M. W. Brother Charles Bailey Newcomb was a Past Grand Commander of N. C., and since this lodge is named in his memory, the decision to present a gold plated sword was most appropriate.

Brother Frederick G. Speidel, Past Commander, and Grand Warden of the North Carolina Grand Commandery, made the presentation, and his remarks included the attributes of the sword and the injunctions for its use, followed by:

"A Knight Templar is enjoined to ever let his honor remain as unsullied as this glittering blade, and to hold this sword ever ready to be drawn in the

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## Dispensations Granted To Form Vandora Lodge

Most Worshipful Brother William A. Hooks, Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina, granted a dispensation to 54 brethren to form VANDORA Lodge, U. D., and at the appointed hour the Grand Master called the meeting to order and directed the Grand Secretary to read the dispensation and then the list of brethren who had been selected to serve as Officers of this new lodge. As their names were called the Officers took their places west of the Altar where Worshipful Brothers A. C. Honeycutt and Harry L. Holland, acting as Marshals, invested them with the jewels and aprons of their respective offices and conducted them to their stations and places.

The Grand Master then opened a Master Mason's lodge with the following Officers in their stations and places.

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## Elected To National Position

M. J. Stokes, Secretary and Past Master of Twin County Masonic Lodge No. 729 of Rocky Mount was elected to the office of National vice councilor, at the biennial session of the National Council of the Junior Order United American Mechanics held at the Pick Roosevelt Hotel in Pittsburgh, Pa.

Stokes succeeds Paul Campbell of Springfield, Ohio, who was elevated to the office of National Councilor.

Stokes served as State Councilor of the Junior Order in North Carolina in 1963 and was admitted to the National Council as a delegate from this state several years ago.

He has held office in the National Council during the past four years. Under normal procedure Stokes will advance to the post of National Councilor in June 1971.

The Junior Order United American Mechanics is a patriotic fraternal organ-

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## "The People's Attorney"



Robert Morgan

## Return Engagement

In the summer of 1968 a brother who was seeking a political office was the guest speaker at one of the "report meetings" of the Oxford Orphanage Committee of William G. Hill Lodge No. 218, in Raleigh. His non-political talk was so enthusiastically received by all who were present that he was finally almost forced to agree that he would make a return engagement after the campaign work was over. This was fulfilled on Wednesday evening, July 30 1969, when Brother Robert Morgan, of Lillington Lodge No. 302, Attorney General of the State of North Carolina, met with the brethren for a steak dinner in the dining room of the Masonic Temple.

Hosts for the dinner were Brother Dee O. Lineberry, P. M., Curtis W. Lewis, Allen H. Thompson, Thomas H. Wilder, Sr., and Millard S. ("Jim") Morgan, Master. Special guests in addition to Brother Morgan, were Brother Tom McCrea, Editor of *The North Carolina Mason*, and Brother Horace Moore, of Millbrook No. 97. Brother McCrea

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