

## Pilot Temple is Dedicated

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December 8 as the new temple of Pilot Lodge No. 493 was dedicated. Here, though, all the activity was scheduled for indoors and the steady rain was not a significant factor.

Grand Chaplain I. Boyd Hopkins filled his chair on the Grand Master's left and Grand Secretarial Assistant Robert P. Dudley acted as Grand Marshal during the ceremony. Also present were Grand Secretary Charles A. Harris (PGM), Past Grand Master Sam A. Hennis, Jr., Senior Grand Deacon Leslie H. Garner and Junior Grand Deacon J. Earl Watson.

Filling Grand Lodge chairs were H. Olin George (M-493) as Deputy Grand Master, Warren J. Stone (PM-493) as Senior Grand Warden, Jimmy D. McMillan (JW-493) as Junior Grand Warden, Paul R. Covington (493) as Grand Treasurer, Clinton E. Parker (S-493) as Grand Secretary, Porter W. Cooke (493) as Senior Grand Deacon, Paul W. Shelton, Jr. (JD-493) as Junior Grand Deacon, Joe D. Cox (St-493) and Forrest R. Boaz (St-493) as Grand Stewards, and Sidney R. Fulk (PM-493) as Grand Tyler.

H. Olin George, Master of the lodge, filled that role in the ceremony and welcomed the guests. Past Master Warren J. Stone was Principal Architect. Past Masters Robert C. Harris, Porter G. Wall and Oscar N. Burge were Bearers of the Taper, the Constitution and the Three Great Lights, in that order.

Mrs. Betty George played the piano for the ceremony. Mrs. Johnnie Sue Hartgrove sang before and after the ceremony, accompanied by Mrs. Grace Kiger.

Following the ceremony the Grand Master delivered an appropriate oration, then the Grand Lodge was closed and refreshments were served in the dining hall.

## PGM J. Giles Hudson Dies

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sons, James G. Hudson, Jr. and Thomas F. Hudson; a daughter, Mrs. Jacob F. Almond; one sister and ten grandchildren.

Graduating from the University of North Carolina Law School, Hudson practiced law until his health failed recently. He was the oldest attorney in Rowan County. He served 40 years as director of the Citizens Savings and Loan Association and was chairman of the county board of elections for 25 years.

Raised in Spencer Lodge 543 on June 5, 1913, he demitted to Andrew Jackson Lodge 576 in 1921 and served three terms as Master of this lodge. He was a member of the Salisbury York Rite Bodies and had served each of them as presiding officer for one or more terms. In 1945 he was Grand Commander of North Carolina's Grand Commandery. He was a member of the Charlotte Scottish Rite Bodies and a member of Oasis Shrine Temple, also in Charlotte. He was also a member and Past Worthy Patron of the Eastern Star and a member of the White Shrine.

Serving as District Deputy Grand Master for several years, Hudson was first appointed to the Grand Lodge line by Grand Master R. C. Dunn in 1928 and he advanced each year until he was elected Grand Master in 1936. He was the last Mason to be Grand Pursuivant of the Grand Lodge, the office was abolished following his term. His last Grand Lodge office was that of Judge Advocate, in which post he served several terms.

## Grand Master Clocked



**KING**—Grand Master Nathaniel C. Dean was honored guest at the meeting of King Lodge 722 on November 28. During the course of the evening he was presented a clock made by Don Rierson and Chester Shouse, Sr. The Grand Master is shown (above center) holding the clock. Rierson is on the left and Shouse is on the right. On the clock dial, the hours are marked by twelve Orphanage Centennial buttons. The clock is entirely handmade.

## The Medal of Honor Grove Benefits By Sale of Book

Washington, D.C.—Some months ago National Sojourners, Inc. undertook to raise the funds needed to complete the Medal of Honor Grove in Freedoms Foundation at Valley Forge, Pennsylvania. National Sojourners is an organization of military officers, past and present, who are Masons. They have several active chapters in North Carolina. Their National Secretary is Stewart M. L. Pollard, retired army officer, who is contributing profits from the sale of his recent book, "Proudly Serving The Cause of Patriotism," to the Medal of Honor Grove.

Pollard says that in preparing for a speech recently he wanted to define *patriotism* and was not satisfied with the dictionary definition. It was then he conceived the idea of soliciting definitions of patriotism from friends and colleagues; from educators, businessmen, political figures and military leaders. His compilation of their responses, more than sixty-five in all, constitutes his interesting and inspirational book. The list of contributors includes governors, admirals, members of the U.S. House of Representatives, clergymen, cabinet members, generals, members of the U.S. Senate, Masonic leaders, judges, leaders of business and industry, and other prominent figures. Their individual definitions range in length from a paragraph to a page, or more.

The book's profits will supplement funds now being raised in the various states to complete the Medal of Honor Grove. National Sojourners has fundraising committees at work in all but those states which have already raised the necessary amounts. Heading the North Carolina Committee is Captain Dennis Combs, 603 Aztee Road, Jacksonville, N.C. 28540.

The Medal of Honor Grove at Valley Forge consists of some 52 acres about equally divided among the fifty states, Puerto Rico and the District of Columbia. A fiberglass obelisk will be mounted in each state's area with the state seal mounted on one of its faces. A donor

## Cornerstone Ceremony

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Grand Secretarial Assistant Robert P. Dudley served as Grand Marshal. Other Masons filling Grand Lodge chairs were as follows: Jean T. Nesbit (SW-656) as Junior Grand Deacon, William H. Simpson (PM-428) and Karl M. Linville (289) as Grand Stewards, and Thad M. Craven (552) as Grand Tyler. Past Grand Masters present, in addition to Brewer and Harris, were Robert L. Pugh, Sam A. Hennis, Jr., and Robert N. Bass, Jr.

Bass represented the Building Authorities, Robert E. Lineberry (PM-552) represented the Principal Architect, Phillip G. Craddock (552) carried the Three Great Lights and Gerald M. Bolling carried the Book of Constitutions.

The Grand Master opened the Grand Lodge, dispensed with labor and invited the guests to enter. After the ceremony the following were recognized: City Councilman Mack Arnold, representing the City of Greensboro; Mrs. Dorothy Booth, Worthy Grand Matron of the Eastern Star; and Past Grand Master Bass, President of the Masonic and Eastern Star Home Corporation, who thanked the Grand Master and others who participated in the ceremony.

The Grand Master delivered an appropriate oration and closed the Grand Lodge.

The new building, when completed, will house administrative offices, recreational facilities and other functions. It will be named for Karl M. and Ruth W. Linville, whose gift of valuable property near Winston-Salem served to undergird construction.

## Dedication at Mooresville

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L. Hartsell, Treasurer William M. Blackwelder (PM), Secretary Paul E. Cook (PM), Senior Deacon J. Floyd Deaton, Stewards R. George Howard and James F. Brown, and Tyler Tony E. Miller. Also, Mooresville Past Masters Samuel A. Brown, Sr. and William C. Sprinkle served as Junior Grand Deacon and Grand Chaplain, respectively.

Mooresville Master, William A. Davidson, served as Master in the ceremony and gave the address of welcome. Charles P. Cureton was Principal Architect. Tellman R. Beam (PM-496) was Bearer of the Taper, William E. Green (PM-496) was Bearer of the Constitution and Lester C. Boyd (496) was Bearer of the Three Great Lights.

The plaque dedication was held at 2:30 in the afternoon and the temple was dedicated at 7:30. Mrs. Mary White provided piano music for the ceremony and Roy W. Troutman read a history of the lodge and the City of Mooresville. The Grand Master delivered the oration, following which the Grand Lodge was closed.

plaque will be on the opposing face and names of Medal of Honor recipients will appear on the other two faces. Each area will contain a flagstaff and redwood benches. There will be perpetual maintenance.

Readers wishing to contribute to completion of North Carolina's area should contact Captain Combs at Jacksonville. Those desiring to purchase copies of Pollard's book should contact Monumental Press, 1835 K. St. NW, Suite 901, Washington, D.C. 20006; or National Sojourners, Inc., 4600 Duke St., Suite 300, Alexandria, Virginia 22304.