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## Rehoboth Lodge 279 is Host District Meeting at Wallace



In the above picture Grand Master William L. Mills, Jr. (center) is seen with DeMolay's new State Master Councilor, Craig Lewis (left) and the man Craig succeeded in that office, Howard Pickett (right).

### Craig Lewis Top Officer North Carolina Demolay

New Bern—The 51st Annual Conclave of North Carolina DeMolay met here July 25-28 to transact the necessary business of the Order, elect new state officers, welcome the Grand Master of North Carolina Masons, engage in various competitions, and play a little.

Registration began at Sudan Shrine Temple Friday morning and the Temple was in use throughout the Conclave as a place for meetings, meals, and dancing. Use was also made of the Scottish Rite and the York Rite Temples.

Athletic competition involved ping pong tennis, golf, basketball, riflery, bowling, softball and volleyball.

New Bern's host chapter had also arranged a program of entertainment for the visiting chapter sweethearts, including: a beach party, a pizza party, a Trent River outing and a tour of Tryon Palace.

State Master Councilor Howard Pickett, of Cary presided over the Conclave. Howard  
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Wallace—Masters of the five lodges in the 12th District shown with the Grand Master. Front row, left to right: Larry R. Brice (279), Grand Master William L. Mills, Jr., William J. Knowles, Jr. (677). Back row, left to right: G. K. Worsley (595), Arlis M. Albertson (658), Carl T. Matthis (13).

### Parham Honored

Oxford— The Oxford Orphanage Alumni Association hosted a reception here July 7 honoring Maurice E. Parham who was retiring after handling the Orphanage's business affairs for more than 44 years. Parham, a member of Oxford Lodge No. 122, will serve the Orphanage on a consulting basis for several more weeks and will begin to give his golf game increasing attention. The golfing activity will be helped along by the gift of a bag, a cart, and other golfing equipment presented by the office and administrative staff. The Alumni Association gave the Parhams a silver chest and the T. B. Currins presented a desk set.

Parham came to the Orphanage during the depression years and has been witness to vast changes on the campus. He has seen the addition of a new administration building, dining room and kitchen, recreation center, chapel, vocational building, and eight new cottages. Most of the new buildings were erected during the administration of Superintendent (now retired) A. D. Leon Gray and they were evidence, Parham noted, of the generosity of  
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Wallace—Rehoboth Lodge 279 was the designated host for the 1974 meeting of the 12th District but fire had damaged its building, at Rose Hill, and Wallace Lodge 595 made its facilities available for the meeting here on July 24.

Grand Master William L. Mills, Jr. was only a quarter of the way into his schedule of district meetings when he completed this one and already he has crisscrossed North Carolina, visiting virtually every point of the compass. His remaining schedule will take him over a lot of the same roads and into a lot of the same areas, as he visits other lodges and other districts. For the Mason who was unable to attend the meeting in his own district there is still opportunity to attend a district meeting somewhere within easy driving distance (see schedule following this article).

This meeting followed the announced format, dinner was served at 6:30 and the lodge opened at 7:30. The Master presided as the District Deputy Grand Master was officially received, then the District Deputy presided for the reception of the Grand Master. Each Master reported upon general conditions in his lodge and answered specific questions  
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### HARRIS HOSPITALIZED

Grand Secretary Charles A. Harris, Past Grand Master, entered a Raleigh hospital July 12 for treatment and rest. Cards and letters will reach him at his home address: 825 Woodburn Rd., Raleigh, North Carolina 27605.