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Ritual of Secret Work

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GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

The Chapter should be furnished with such paraphernalia as required by the Ritual.

Robes may be of such character as to properly exemplify the degrees. This is a matter to come under the supervision of the Advisory Council. The uniform robe adopted by the Supreme Council for use in the Initiatory Degree is a black cape robe lined with red, with the DeMolay emblem on the wearer's right breast.

A crown with seven detachable jewels is used in the conferring of the Initiatory Degree and is placed on a pedestal to the right of the Master Councilor.

The Marshal may carry a baton in left hand "akimbo."

In a Chapter of large membership the following appointive officers are permissible. They are (a) Crown Bearer to carry Crown into and from Chapter room, (b) Herald, to sound "Fan Fare" for entrance of officers and Taps for Nine O'clock Interpolation, (c) Aides may be used in the East, West, and South to act as messengers, if necessary.

The Marshal should conduct the Chaplain to the Altar for all prayers, going to a point in front of J. C., thence north to a point west of Altar. Chaplain kneels, Marshal remains standing. Returning, Marshal conducts Chaplain to a point due north, thence east to a point north of M. C., thence south to stations.

The seating of officers is explained by diagram No. 1 on Page No. 7.

The Sentinel may sit inside the Chapter Room after the Chapter has been duly opened, if approved by the Executive Officer.

A Chapter must open on both Initiatory and DeMolay Degrees to conduct business of the Chapter. If only Initiatory Degree is being conferred and no business is to be transacted, it will not be necessary to open on DeMolay Degree. To open on the DeMolay Degree, a Chapter must first open on the Initiatory Degree.

The Sentinel should not admit members when the Chapter is being opened on either Degree. Members coming in after Chapter has opened should go to the Altar and give sign (See Figures No. 1 and No. 2 of Secret Work) of the Degree on which Chapter is working. The Master Councilor should return sign. It is the Sentinel's duty to inform members on which Degree the Chapter is working.

All members of the Order of DeMolay should kneel on left knee, facing the Altar during all prayers with Masons and Majority DeMolays standing. During all prayers Chaplain kneels with both knees on Altar cushion, with hands placed on Bible. (See pages 47 and 48.) After Chaplain says "Amen" at close of prayers, all members should respond "Amen."

For any DeMolay Chapter meeting, only the Altar Cloth, the Bible with a suitable marker, the School Books and flowers, if desired, shall be placed upon the Altar.

Seven candle sticks should form a shield about and in front of same. (See page 7)

The flag should be placed in a standard at the right of the Standard Bearer.

A Chapter Banner should be placed in a standard at the left of the Marshal.

The following system of raps or knocks will be carried out: two raps call up officers; three raps call up the Chapter and one rap seats Chapter. Two raps are given at the door by a member seeking admission and the same number are returned by the Junior Deacon.

No officer, or member, while Chapter is in session, passes between the Altar and the East, except when the Ritual requires it.

All sessions, whether public or private, require the giving of the 9 o'clock interpolation at the proper time with all lights dimmed, if possible, or with only candles lighted.

EXAMINATION QUERIES

All DeMolays Required to Memorize!

It is the duty of the Junior Councilor of a Chapter (or one appointed by the Advisory Council) to instruct and "coach" those having received the degrees, in the following "Examination Queries". These "Queries" must be memorized by each DeMolay or newly created member for the purpose of good standing, advancement, eligibility to vote on petitioners and other matters affecting the Chapter, hold office and visiting other Chapters. After memorizing the "Queries" the member must stand examination in open Chapter at a stated or special meeting. The examination is conducted by the Senior Deacon and a vote of the Chapter must decide his proficiency. A special card, attesting to "passing" this examination in both degrees is issued by the Supreme Council to all Chapters for distribution by the Advisory Council.

The following must be memorized by each initiate:

Initiatory Degree

Question: "Are you a DeMolay?"

Answer: "I was dedicated, in the presence of God, to clean and manly living."

Question: "To what were you dedicated?"

Answer: "To the virtues of filial love, reverence for God, courtesy, comradeship, fidelity, cleanness and patriotism."

Question: "What binds you to the Fraternity?"

Answer: "My Obligation."

Question: "You will repeat it."

(Done)

Question: "Give me the grip."

DeMolay Degree

Question: "What more did you learn?"

Answer: "The lesson of loyalty and toleration."

Question: "In what manner?"

Answer: "I beheld the trials of Jacques DeMolay."

Question: "Did you receive the 'Word'?"

Answer: "I did."

Question: "Give me the first syllable and I in turn will follow you to completion."

(Done.)

Question: "What sealed you to the Fraternity?"

Answer: "My Obligation."

Question: "You will repeat it."

(Repeats Obligation.)

Question: "Give me the grip."

VISITATION

Examination and Requirements

A member must show his current dues card to the Sentinel of his Chapter in order to receive the "word of the day".

When visiting another Chapter one must show his dues card to the Sentinel with a request that he be examined. The Sentinel will then communicate with the Master Councilor, who will delegate a committee of three to conduct this examination. When the visitor is found in good standing and worthy, he will be escorted into the Chapter Room by this committee and formally presented.

Before being examined he will take the following oath upon a Bible:

"I, _____, do hereby sincerely swear that I have received the Initiatory and DeMolay degrees in a legally constituted Chapter of the Order of DeMolay; that I am not now a suspended or expelled member, and know of no reason why I should not visit this Chapter."

While submitting to the "examination queries" he will be required to recite all answers and obligations from memory.

A member must not vouch for a visiting DeMolay unless he has sat in open Chapter with him. The assurance of his eligibility must be given to the Master Councilor, as well as to the Sentinel. An examination is not required in this instance.

INTRODUCING VISITORS

When occasion requires the introduction of visitors the Marshal should rise from his seat, go to the visitor in the Chapter room, or entrance and conduct him to the Altar, introducing as follows:

Brother M. C. it gives me pleasure to introduce to you and through you to the members of _____ Chapter, Brother

_____, a member of _____ Chapter located at _____ (If the visitor is an adult the prefix Mr. should be used and his titles, if any, given.)

The M. C. should give a brief word of welcome and the Marshal should then return the visitor to his seat, or a seat in the east, afterward returning to his station.

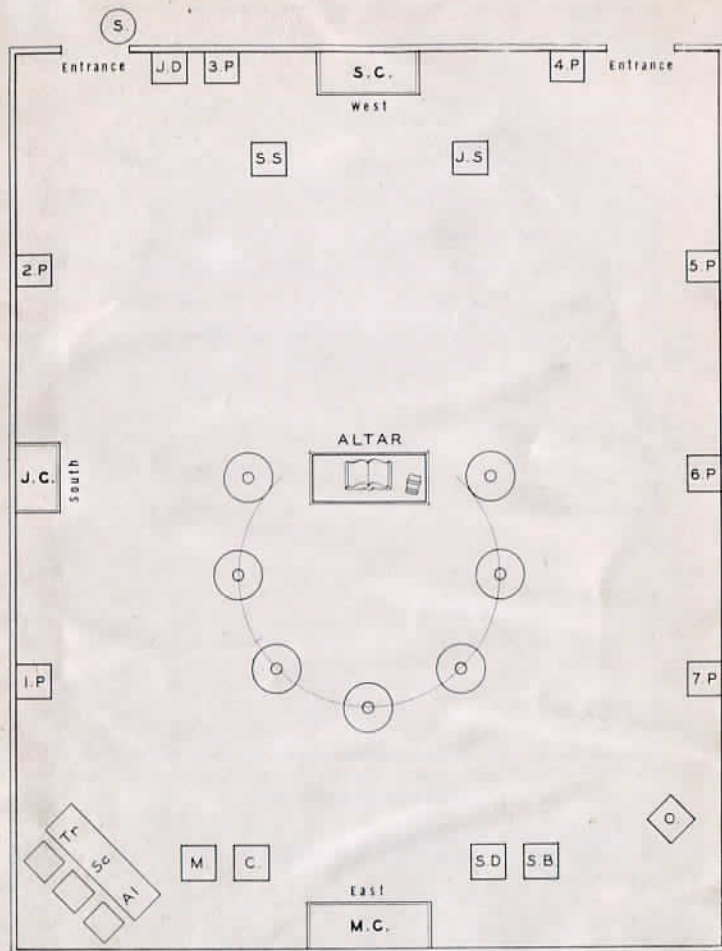
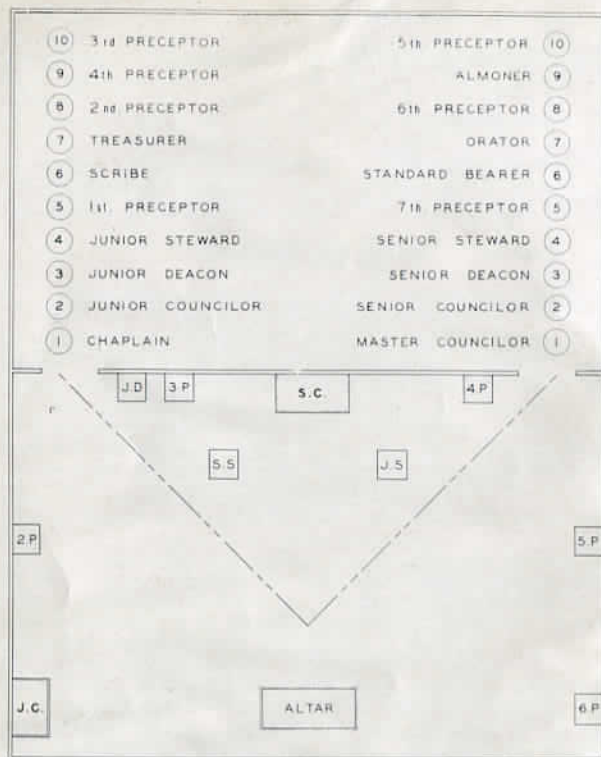


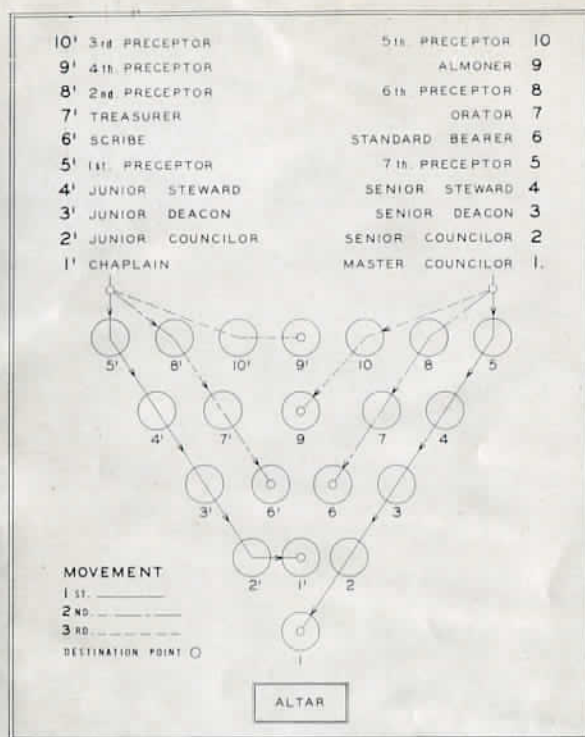
DIAGRAM NUMBER ONE

Showing position of the Officers in Chapter Room. Some Chapters may find it necessary to vary somewhat from this arrangement; for instance, it may be wise in some Chapter rooms to seat the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd and 4th Preceptors on the South side of the room and the 5th, 6th and 7th on the North side. It may also be necessary to change the position of the J. D. to correspond with the Entrance of the Chapter Room.



Where Chapter Rms have two entrances, similar to those shown on this plate, it is recommended that the diagram be followed exactly. In cases, however, where only one door is available, both lines of officers entering by the one door shall make a circuit of the room. At the Southwest corner the line led by the Chaplain shall halt, the Chaplain facing the Altar. The line led by the Master Councilor shall continue to march to the Northwest corner. When the line led by the Master Councilor arrives at the Northwest corner the line led by the Master Councilor shall turn and together with the line led by the Chaplain will march to the Altar to form Triangle.

The Marshal precedes the line-up of officers and after the two lines have halted at the southwest and northwest corners of the Chapter Room he proceeds East and takes position half way between the East and the Altar, facing the Altar. The Marshal kneels with the officers, but immediately upon rising he should go to Altar by way of the South and conduct the Master Councilor to the East. After this has been done, Marshal assumes his usual station. The Marshal should offer the Master Councilor his arm when conducting him.



Showing the formation of the Triangle, where the line led by the Master Councilor (No.1) marches up to the Altar. The Master Councilor takes the position as indicated on diagram.

The line led by the Chaplain (No. 1') marches up the opposite side of the Triangle, where Chaplain takes position immediately behind the Master Councilor. The Junior Councilor (No. 2') continues and takes position to the right of Chaplain and the Senior Councilor (No. 2) following the M. C. takes a position to the left of the Chaplain as indicated. Senior and Junior Deacons (No. 3 and 3' respectively), Senior and Junior Stewards (No. 4 and 4' respectively), First and Seventh Preceptors (No. 5' and 5 respectively), take position as indicated, forming the two sides of the Triangle. When these officers have taken their positions in the Triangle the Standard Bearer and Scribe (No. 6 and 6' respectively) march into their places in the Triangle, as indicated, followed by the Orator and Treasurer (No. 7 and 7' respectively) and the Second and Sixth Preceptors No. 8' and 8 respectively). The Almoner (No. 9) then marches to the position between the Orator and Treasurer, followed by the Fifth Preceptor (No. 10). The Fourth Preceptor (No. 9') followed by the Third Preceptor (No. 10') take their places at as nearly the same time as possible without interfering with the Almoner. All officers kneel on left knee after Triangle has formed and rise after a few moments of silent prayer when Master Councilor says, "Amen."

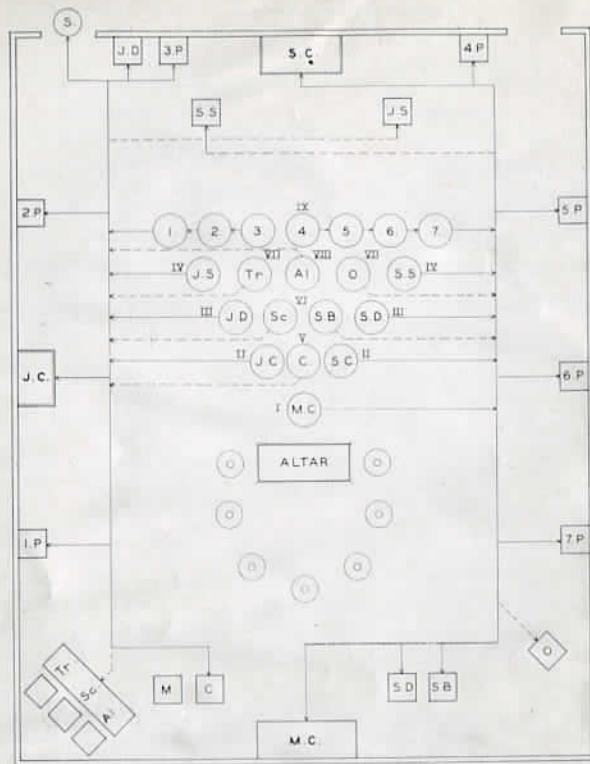


DIAGRAM NUMBER FOUR

Officers assuming stations from Triangle. The Master Councilor first does a left face, follows course indicated by the double line in the diagram. After the M. C. reaches station and says: "The officers will take their stations and the Chapter will come to order." Senior and Junior Councilors next turn and follow line II to their stations. The Senior and Junior Deacons next turn following line III and march to their respective stations. Senior and Junior Stewards next turn, following line IV march to their stations, passing each other in front of Senior Councilor, Chaplain turns to the right and following line V marches to his station. Standard Bearer and Scribe each turn, following line VI and march to their respective stations. Orator and Treasurer turn, following line VII and march to their respective stations. Almoner then turns to the right and marches to his station, following line VIII. On a pre-arranged signal by Preceptor No. 4, Preceptors Nos. 1, 2 and 3 turn to the right and Preceptors No. 4, 5, 6 and 7 turn to the left, whereupon both lines march to their respective stations, following line IX. Each movement should follow as closely as possible the preceding movement, without waiting for preceding officers to arrive at stations.

INITIATORY DEGREE

Opening Ceremony

M. C.—(Standing and giving one rap)—"The officers will take their stations and the Chapter will come to order."

M. C.—"Brother Marshal (Marshal rises, faces north and says: "Bro. Master Councilor"), you will see that all present are members of the Order of DeMolay."

Marshal makes circuit of room and ascertains that all present are entitled to remain. Stopping directly in front of M. C., he says:)

M.—"Brother M. C., all present are members of the Order of DeMolay or visitors."

(M. C. seats M. with one rap.)

M. C.—"Brother Junior Deacon, you will see that the Sentinel is on duty and direct him to guard us from intrusion."

(J. D. goes to door and gives two raps, responded to by Sentinel with same number, opens door and says:)

J. D.—"Brother Sentinel, the Chapter is about to be opened and the M. C. directs you to guard us from intrusion."

Sentinel—"The Master Councilor's order will be obeyed."

(J. D. closes door, gives one rap, responded to by the S. with same and returns to his station.)

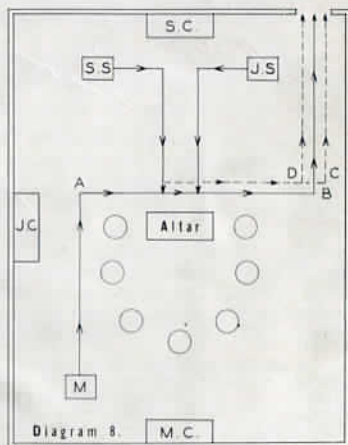
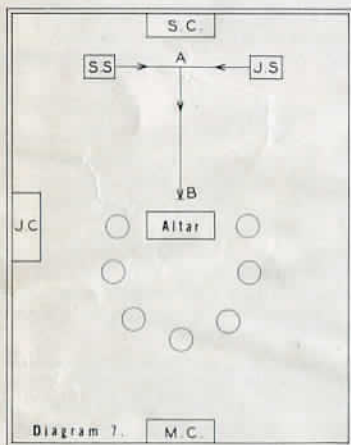
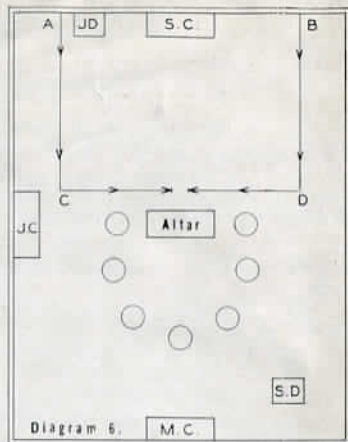
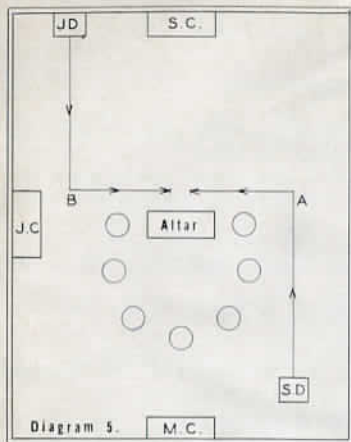
J. D.—"Brother M. C., the Chapter is safe from interruption."

M. C.—"Brother Deacons, you will collect the word of the day."

(This word is one selected by the Advisor and is communicated to the Sentinel before the opening of the Chapter. A Brother, upon requesting admission to the Chapter Room, will show his membership card to the Sentinel, and if of the current year, the word of the day is communicated to him. A member of a Chapter desiring to visit a Chapter elsewhere applies to the Sentinel and requests a Committee to examine him. (See Page No. 6.) When this is done by three members of the Chapter and report is favorable to the Sentinel, the word is then communicated to him.)

(Deacons rise, go to the Altar, (See Diagram No. 5, Page No. 12) facing the M. C., who gives one rap. Deacons leave Altar without giving sign go to the East, the Senior Deacon next to and at the inside of his station, the Junior Deacon next to and at the right of the Chaplain's station, both Deacons facing West for the vouching of Master Masons.)

M. C.—"Will all Master Masons please rise." (Done) "Dad..... (the Chapter Advisor or an Advisory Council member) can you vouch for these Master Masons?" (When an affirmative reply is given, the Master Councilor seats the Master Masons and dismisses the Deacons with one rap to collect the word from each brother on the step, sign and token except



Diagrams Nos. 5, 6, 7, 8

DIAGRAM NUMBER FIVE COLLECTING WORD OF THE DAY

In collecting the Word of the Day, the Senior Deacon proceeds to Point A, the Junior Deacon to Point B, leaving both points at same time, meeting at Altar, and facing Master Councilor. No signs are given. After Master Councilor gives one rap Deacons retrace steps to Point A and B, then both proceed toward the East. The Senior Deacon takes up a position next to and at the inside of the Chaplain's station, Junior Deacon takes up a position next to and at the inside of the Chaplain's station, both facing West for the vouching of Master Masons. Deacons should keep watch of each other's pace while collecting Word of Day from each Brother, except the Councilors, so that they arrive at points in the West at same time. They return per diagram 6.

COLLECTING PASSWORD

In collecting Password, the Senior Deacon proceeds to Point A, the Junior Deacon to Point B, leaving both points at same time, meeting at Altar and facing Senior Councilor. No signs are given. After one rap, Deacons retrace steps to Point A and B, then both proceed to the East and collect the Password from each Brother, except the Councilors. Care should be taken so that each Deacon arrives in the west at same time. They return to Altar per diagram 6.

DIAGRAM NUMBER SIX

After the Word of the Day has been collected, Junior and Senior Deacons will be at Points A and B, respectively. In returning to Altar to report Word of Day to Master Councilor, Junior Deacon will proceed to Point C and Senior Deacon to Point D, leaving both at same time, meeting at Altar, and facing Master Councilor. They give signs in unison, Senior Deacon reporting Word of Day to Master Councilor.

DIAGRAM NUMBER SEVEN

Each Steward, in attending Altar during Opening Ceremony, proceeds to a point directly in front of the Senior Councilor (Point A), thence in a straight line to Altar (Point B). In returning to their respective stations, they retrace their steps.

DIAGRAM NUMBER EIGHT

When repairing with the Marshal during Ceremony of Initiation, Stewards rise together as directed in Ritual, proceed in a direct line to a point within three feet of each other, in front of Senior Councilor's station, thence proceeding directly toward Altar, taking positions on either side of Marshal, all in a line. After they give step, sign and token in unison, Stewards step one pace to the rear. Marshal proceeds to point B, as Senior Steward follows Junior Steward in a direct line to points D and C, respectively. They all proceed to point E, Marshal one pace ahead of the Stewards, who keep abreast of each other.

the Councilors, starting at the East. Each member of the Order should rise to give the word of the day to the Deacons. After same has been done, Deacons meet on a line even with the S. C. (See Diagram No. 6, Page No. 12) and walk to a point opposite J. C. and Sixth Preceptor, where they march toward Altar and face the Master Councilor. If size of crowd warrants, the seven Preceptors may assist in the collection of the word.)

(If the word is lost, members who have lost the word of the day or the word of the DeMolay Degree should remain standing until Deacons report at Altar and receive authority to invest them with the word) the S. D. says: "Brother M. C., the word of the day is lost." the M. C. then says: "You will designate the Brother, and, if properly vouched for, invest him with the word and receive it from him." After this is done S. D. will then report that the word of the day is....." If the word is not lost, S. D. will say: "Brother M. C., the word of the day is....." (Deacons, after giving step, sign and token, return to respective stations.)

(Each member of the Chapter should rise to give the "word of the day" to the Deacons on the step, sign and token.)

(M. C. gives two raps and all officers rise.)

M. C.—"Brother Senior Councilor, why did you seek admission to this Order?"

S. C.—"To join with those who are dedicated to the clean and manly youth which is the best preparation for the duties of after life."

M. C.—"What are the qualifications for membership?"

S. C.—"To be vouched for by one as worthy of comradeship."

M. C.—"Who are the officers of a Chapter?"

S. C.—"The Master Councilor, Senior Councilor, Junior Councilor, Senior Deacon, Junior Deacon, Stewards, Orator, Scribe, Treasurer, Sentinel, Chaplain, Marshal, Standard Bearer, Almoner and Preceptors."

M. C.—"Where is the station of the Sentinel?"

S. C.—"At the outer door."

M. C.—"Where is the station of the Junior Deacon?"

S. C.—"At the inner door, inside the Chapter Room."

M. C.—"Brother Junior Deacon, what is your duty?"

J. D.—"To guard the inner door and allow none to enter who is not vouched for by the Sentinel."

M. C.—"How is entrance secured?"

J. D.—"By two raps, answered with the same number."

M. C.—"Why by two raps?"

D.—"To teach those without a two-fold deliberation before admission and to teach those within to use double caution nting it."

"Where is the station of the Senior Deacon?"

At your right."

Brother Senior Deacon, what is your duty?"

S. D.—"To assist the Councilors in opening and closing the Chapter and conduct candidates through the ceremony of initiation."

M. C.—"Where is the station of the Master Councilor?"

S. D.—"In the East."

M. C.—"Why does he sit in the East?"

S. D.—"As a symbol of the rising sun and the morn of Life."

M. C.—"Where is the station of the Junior Councilor?"

S. D.—"In the South."

M. C.—"Brother Junior Councilor, why do you sit in the South?"

J. C.—"As a symbol of the Meridian Sun or the noon of Life emblematic of manhood's approaching years."

M. C.—"Where is the station of the Senior Councilor?"

J. C.—"In the West."

M. C.—"Brother Senior Councilor, why do you sit in the West?"

S. C.—"As a symbol of the Setting Sun and the eve of Life, emblematic of the night that ushers in the everlasting day."

M. C.—"Brother Senior Deacon, you will attend at the altar."

(S. D. proceeds to altar and lights the candles, starting with candle farthest north and west, and from there lights the others in order. As soon as the S. D. lights first candle, the M. C. says:)

"Our forefathers were well aware that religious liberty, represented by the Holy Bible, civil liberty, represented by the flag of our country and intellectual liberty, represented by the school books must go hand in hand in order to be effective. Around these bulwarks the Order of DeMolay places seven candles, symbolic of the seven cardinal virtues of a DeMolay—filial love, reverence for sacred things, courtesy, comradeship, fidelity, cleanness and patriotism. As the light from these candles permeates this Chapter room, let your light so shine before men that they may see your good works and glorify your Father Who is in Heaven."

M. C. (After the S. D. returns to his station, the M. C. says:)

"Brother Senior Steward, you will open the Holy Bible

S. S.—(Goes to the Altar, kneels while opening the Holy Bible, rises and says: (See Diagram No. 7, Page No. 12)—"I open the Holy Bible upon our Altar as a symbol of the religious liberty we enjoy and to remind us of the never-ceasing love of our Heavenly Father."

M. C.—"Brother Junior Steward, you will place the school books on the Altar."

J. S.—(After placing school books on the northeast corner of the Altar. See Diagram No. 7, Page No. 12.) "I place the school books on our Altar as a symbol of intellectual liberty and to remind us that the public schools are the foundation of our country's greatness."

M. C.—"Brother Standard Bearer, you will present the our country at the Altar." (Give three raps. All stand.)

M. C.—"Brethren, you will stand at attention."

(Standing at attention means that a member sit

with head erect, shoulders thrown well back, and salute in accordance with accepted national procedures. If any members are covered, headwear should be removed with right hand and placed over heart.)

(Standard Bearer takes flag. He goes to a point South of M. C., thence West to a point South of S. C., thence North to a point in front of S. C., thence East to Altar, leaving ample room (about five feet) for Chaplain to kneel.)

M. C.—“Brethren, join me in saluting and pledging allegiance to the flag.”

(Salute to flag is made by placing right hand over heart and is maintained during the pledge.) (All repeat in unison the pledge to the flag as accepted by the National Government.)

M. C.—“Brethren, let us sing our opening ode.” (One verse of the “National Anthem” should be used.)

M. C.—“Brother Chaplain, you will lead us in prayer. DeMolays will kneel on left knee, all others will remain standing.” (Chaplain goes to Altar conducted by Marshal, see general instructions. Standard Bearer remains at Altar, standing throughout the prayer, until Chaplain has returned to his station, and should not kneel with the flag.)

Chaplain—“Our Father, Who art in Heaven, we humbly pray that Thou wilt look with favor upon our efforts to do Thy will during these morning years of our lives, that when the noon time comes we may look back upon a work well done. Wilt Thou help us to live clean and manly lives in Thy sight, in preparation for the meridian years of manhood. Help us to be good sons, loyal comrades, junior citizens of our great country, and worthy of the commendation of all good men. Amen.”

(Chaplain returns to station, S. B. leaves Altar, goes West to point in front of S. C., thence North to a point North of S. C., thence East to station, completing circuit of room. Deposits flag. All stand at attention during the passing of the flag.)

M. C.—“I now declare.....Chapter, Order of DeMolay, opened on the Initiatory Degree on the step of greeting, the sign of welcome, the token of brotherhood and the word of emulation, ‘DeMolay’.” (Each is given by all DeMolays present as M. C. refers to it.) “Brother Junior Deacon, inform the Sentinel that the Chapter is duly opened.” (Seats Chapter with one rap.)

J. D. (At the door)—“Brother Sentinel,.....Chapter is opened on the Initiatory Degree.” (J. D. closes door, gives one rap, responded to by the Sentinel with same and returns to his station.)

J. D.—“Brother M. C., the Sentinel is on guard and we are safe from interruption.”

(M. C. seats J. D. with one rap.)

M. C.—“Will all visitors not members of this Order please rise? (Done.)

(This portion need not be used if there are no visitors present. The introduction of visitors may also be made as on Page 6.)

M. C.—“Gentlemen, I take pleasure in welcoming you as the guests of.....Chapter, Order of DeMolay. We deeply appreciate the interest which your visit proves and we know that it is not inspired by mere curiosity. I need hardly ask that you keep secret anything you may witness here which your judgment tells you should not be disclosed. We hope you will visit us frequently and enjoy this visit exceedingly.” (One rap.)

DeMOLAY DEGREE

Opening Ceremony

M. C.—“Brethren, I am about to open this Chapter on the DeMolay Degree. All who have not received the same will please retire. (Pauses.) Brother Senior Councilor, you will see that all present have the password of a DeMolay.”

S. C.—“Brother Deacons.” (Senior and Junior Deacons go to Altar facing S. C.)

S. D.—“Brother Senior Councilor.”

S. C.—“Brother Senior and Junior Deacons, you will collect the password of a DeMolay.” (Word is collected as in Initiatory Degree, after which Deacons return to Altar, facing S. C.)

S. C.—“Brother Deacons, are you in possession of the password of this degree?”

S. D.—“Brother Senior Councilor, we are.” (If lost, S. D. should so report and same procedure should be followed as in Initiatory Degree.)

S. C.—“You will advance and communicate it.” (S. D. advances and whispers word to S. C. then returns to Altar. J. D. advances and whispers word and returns to side of S. D.)

S. C. (One rap and Deacons return to stations)—“Brother Master Councilor, the password of a DeMolay is in my possession.”

M. C.—“You will communicate it.”

S. C.—Fi.

M. C.—del.

S. C.—i.

M. C.—tas.

S. C.—“Fidelitas.”

M. C.—“Fidelitas,” my Brother, is the password of a DeMolay.

M. C.—“In the name of, and under the authority of The International Supreme Council, Order of DeMolay, whose SEE is at Kansas City, in the State of Missouri, and by virtue of the power in me vested as M. C. of _____ Chapter, sponsored by _____, I declare this Chapter duly open

(Use one of following as appropriate)

- (1) On the DeMolay Degree. (One rap)
- (2) For the transaction of business. (One rap.)

Brother J. D., you will so inform the Sentinel.”

J. D.—“Brother Sentinel, the Master Councilor directs me to inform you that _____ Chapter is open _____ and instructs you to govern yourself accordingly.”

Sentinel—“The Master Councilor’s order will be obeyed.”

J. D. (Closes door, gives one rap, responded to by the Sentinel with same and returns to his station.) “Brother Master Councilor, the Sentinel is on guard and we are safe from interruption.”

NINE O’CLOCK INTERPOLATION

(This is an open ceremony and may be given either publicly or privately.)

When the hour of 9 p.m. arrives or as soon thereafter as the proceedings will not be too greatly disturbed, the gong is struck 9 times, the lights are dimmed and the M. C. rises and says:

M. C.—“Brethren, at this hour all over our land Mothers are bending above the beds wherein lie the children they love. At this hour also the guests in homes and hospitals are preparing for the hour of rest. Let us pause a moment in our deliberations while the Chaplain offers a prayer. (Choir, “Sweet Hour of Prayer.”) Bro. Chaplain, you will lead us in prayer.” (Three raps, all rise.)

M. C.—“DeMolays will kneel on left knee. All others will remain standing.” (Chaplain goes to altar, conducted by Marshal, (see general instructions), gives prayer as follows:)

“Our Father, as sons of loving and indulgent parents we invoke Thy divine blessing upon all the fathers and mothers of our country and of all the world, and wilt Thou pour out a special blessing for our mothers, who have watched over us with unceasing care during all the years of our lives. We ask Thy benediction upon all who labor for the relief of suffering and need. May we ever realize that we are brothers of the helpless and suffering and rejoice in every call to the relief of pain or the alleviation of sorrow. Wilt Thou help us to lead upright and patriotic lives worthy of the devotion of all who have labored for our beloved country in every field of sacrifice and service. Amen.”

All DeMolays in unison—“God bless mother, God bless father, God bless the purposes of DeMolay. Amen.” (Marshal and Chaplain return to stations. M. C. seats the Chapter.)

Closing Ceremony

M. C.—“Brethren, is there any further business to come before the Chapter? (Rises and gives two raps. All officers rise.) None appearing. I shall proceed to close. Brethren, sitting in the East, symbol of the rising sun and the morn of life, I have learned the great lesson that we are at the threshold of the years of preparation, when we must lay the foundation on which the future must be built. Brother Junior Councilor, sitting in the South, what have you learned?”

J. C.—“With my eyes on the meridian sun, I have learned that we are approaching the noontime of life, when half our years lie behind us and half before, with opportunities still remaining to do good and to be better.”

M. C.—“Brother Senior Councilor, what have you learned sitting in the West?”

S. C.—“With my eyes on the setting sun, symbol of the evening of life, I have learned that the night of life is but the herald of the everlasting day.”

M. C.—(Three raps)—“Brother Chaplain, you will lead us in prayer.” (Chaplain conducted by Marshal, see General Instructions.)

Chaplain at Altar—“Our Father Who art in Heaven, we thank Thee for the many blessings our Order has received at Thy hands and pray that Thou wilt help us to carry with us outside the Chapter the great lessons we have learned while we have been together. Help us so to live always that we may be worthy of this comradeship to which we have pledged ourselves and always conduct ourselves so that we shall bring no discredit upon it. Amen.”

M. C.—“Brother Senior Steward, you will close the Holy Bible upon our Altar.” (Done.)

M. C.—“Brother Junior Steward, you will remove the school books from the Altar.” (Done.)

M. C.—“Brethren, let us prove to all men that our ceremonies are not empty forms, but that we are dedicated to purposes that are worthy of the martyred hero whose name we have taken on our lips. I now declare this Chapter closed, on the step of greeting, the sign of welcome, the token of brotherhood and the word of emulation, ‘DeMolay’.” (Each given as M. C. refers to it.) (One rap.) Brother Senior Deacon you will attend at the altar. (Done) Bro. Junior Deacon, inform the Sentinel that this Chapter is closed. (After these tasks are done, the M. C. gives one rap to officially close the Chapter.)

(S. D. extinguishes the candles in the order in which they were lighted.)

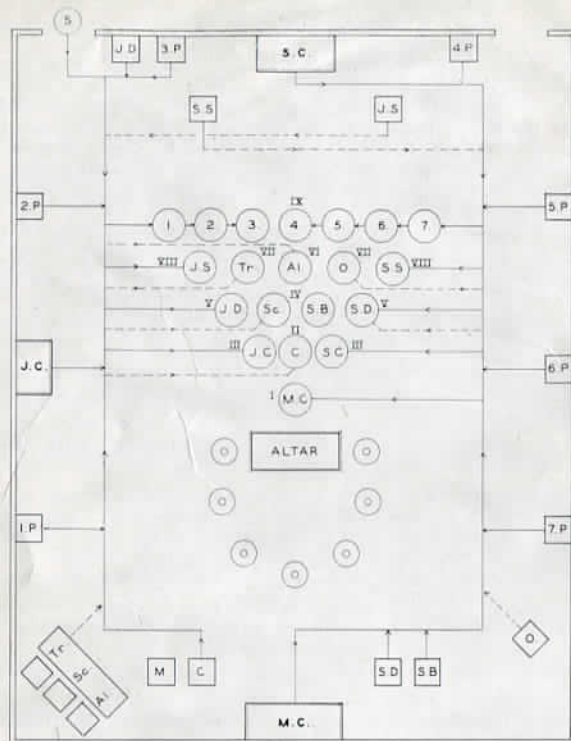


DIAGRAM NUMBER NINE

Showing Officers reforming Triangle at Altar before leaving Chapter Room.

When signal is given for the Officers to reform the Triangle the Master Councilor and Chaplain leave their stations at the same time, coming up on opposite sides of the room and assuming their positions in the Triangle simultaneously. The Senior Councilor advances to a point directly opposite the Junior Councilor, at which time the Junior and Senior Councilor assume positions on either side of Chaplain. The Junior and Standard Bearer next take their places directly behind the Junior and Senior Councilors. They are followed next in line by the Senior and Junior Deacons, then the Chaplain. The Treasurer and Orator are next, advancing on line VII on the right of the Almoner and take their places, the Senior and Junior Stewards follow each other in front of the Senior Councilor's station, advance on opposite sides of the room and assume positions on line VIII. The Preceptors follow along line IX and come into the places marked in the Triangle by the respective numbers. On signal, kneel, rise upon signal from M. C. and then follow directions in Diagram

Number Ten. The Marshal takes position between Altar and East facing west. After rising (at the same time as other Officers), Marshal proceeds to South and thence to entrance, following both lines as they converge.

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| 1 st CHAPLAIN | MASTER COUNCILOR 1 |
| 2 nd JUNIOR COUNCILOR | SENIOR COUNCILOR 2 |
| 3 rd JUNIOR DEACON | SENIOR DEACON 3 |
| 4 th JUNIOR STEWARD | SENIOR STEWARD 4 |
| 5 th 1 st PRECEPTOR | 7 th PRECEPTOR 5 |
| 6 th SCRIBE | STANDARD BEARER 6 |
| 7 th TREASURER | ORATOR 7 |
| 8 th 2 nd PRECEPTOR | 6 th PRECEPTOR 8 |
| 9 th 3 rd PRECEPTOR | ALMONER 9 |
| 10 th 4 th PRECEPTOR | 5 th PRECEPTOR 10 |

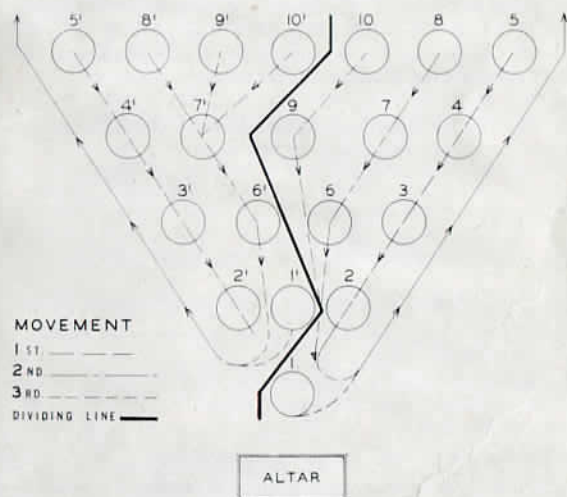


DIAGRAM NUMBER TEN

Showing Officers breaking Triangle and leaving Chapter Room.

When the Officers form the Triangle (Diagram No. 11) the Master Councilor leading his line and the Chaplain leading his line, march off as indicated. The Master Councilor is followed by the Senior Councilor and the other Officers indicated on the right hand side of the Diagram. The Chaplain is followed by the Junior Councilor and the Officers indicated behind him in the Diagram. Seventh Preceptor (No. 5) has reached the point where the Master Councilor turned he has followed in line by the Standard Bearer, Orator and the Sixth Preceptor. When the Sixth Preceptor arrives at the place where the Standard Bearer, the Almoner and Fifth Preceptor follow. A similar procedure is followed by the Chaplain and the Officers, who also follow him.

INITIATORY DEGREE

Ceremony

M. C.—“Brother Scribe, are there any waiting to be initiated into our Order?”

Scribe (Rises)—“Brother Master Councilor, there are in waiting several strangers who desire to become friends and brothers in our work.”

M. C.—“Brother Marshal, (Marshal rises, faces north and says: “Brother Master Councilor,”) you will repair with the Stewards (Stewards rise) and prepare the candidates.” (Lights dimmed.)

(Marshal and Stewards go to Altar (See Diagram No. 8, Page No. 12), give step, sign and token and retire. Marshal and Stewards go to the door of the preparation room. Marshal opens door and addresses candidates so that all in Chapter Room may hear him distinctly, as well as candidates.)

M.—“My friends, I have been directed by the M. C. to prepare you for the ceremony of initiation. I wish to make it very clear, before you are admitted to the Chapter Room, that nothing will occur during the ceremony in the form of levity or which will excite your mirth. You must approach the door of our Chapter in a serious frame of mind, realizing that the solemn purpose of all our ceremonies is to impress upon your minds great truths of right living, to aid you in deserving the good opinion of all right-thinking men.”

“Before you knock at the door of our Chapter Room, I must ask you certain questions, upon your answers to which your admission will depend.”

“Do you assert upon your honor that you are not prompted to seek admission to our Order by idle curiosity?”

(Candidates reply.)

“Do you assert upon your honor that you are not inspired by an unworthy desire to be exclusive by belonging to a secret order?”

(Candidates reply.)

“Do you declare upon your honor that your only purpose is to join with your fellows in trying to make each other better and to do good?”

(Candidates reply.)

“Do you declare upon your honor that you will faithfully follow all the instructions given you, keep all the secrets entrusted to you, and work loyally with us in carrying out our purposes, when I assure you upon my own honor that nothing will be asked of you contrary to the demands of honor, justice and patriotism?”

(Candidates reply.)

“Do you declare upon your honor that you will obey and uphold the laws of your city, state and country, the Constitution and Statutes of the International Supreme Council, Order of DeMolay and the By-laws, Rules and Regulations of this or any other Chapter of DeMolay of which you may become a member?”

(Candidates reply.)

“Your answers being satisfactory, I will recommend your admission to the Master Councilor of our Chapter. Brother Stewards, you will prepare the candidates for initiation.”

(Marshal closes door, returns to the Altar and without sign says):

M.—“Brother Master Councilor, the candidates have answered in the proper manner the essential queries and are being prepared by the Stewards.”

M. C.—“It is well.”

(Marshal returns to his station. When the candidates are prepared, the Senior Steward gives two raps. The Senior Deacon rises, faces M. C. and says):

S. D.—“Brother Master Councilor, the candidates are in readiness.”

M. C.—“Brother Senior Deacon, you will take charge of the candidates.”

(S. D. proceeds to the door, and gives two raps, answered by Senior Steward in like manner. Opens door.)

S. D.—“Brother Stewards, who are these who knock at the door of our Chapter Room?”

S. S.—“They are strangers who desire to become friends and brothers in our work.”

S. D.—“You will enter.” (Done.) (A gong is struck seven times while the candidates are entering.) (Choir, suggested hymn ‘Abide With Me.’) “My friends, your desire to join us in our labors in behalf of clean and manly living has already made you friends. If after fuller explanation of our purposes, you still desire to unite with us, we shall be happy to greet you in the closer circle of our comradeship.”

“The great aim of our Order is to teach and practice the virtues of clean, upright, patriotic and reverent living as the best preparation for the manhood we are approaching. We are earnestly striving to be better sons, better brothers and better friends, that when we reach the years of manhood we may be better men. Do you desire to dedicate yourselves to these ideals of good sonship and good citizenship?”

(Candidates reply.)

S. D.—“Then I will conduct you to the Master Councilor, who will instruct you more fully in the purposes of our Order. (Choir, suggested hymn, ‘Praise Ye the Father’.) (Goes to the East). Brother Master Councilor, I present those who were strangers but are now friends and who desire to be joined to us in the comradeship of our Chapter.”

M. C.—“My friends, I welcome you to this Chapter and trust that you will find both pleasure and profit in your fellowship here. The Senior Deacon has outlined briefly the purposes of our Order. We claim no superiority over those outside our circle, but believe that we can be of aid to each other by counsel and assistance, in living lives that will repay in some measure the sacrifices our parents have made for us, in our homes, in serving God and in planning for the heritage of the citizenship that awaits us. Do you still desire to join with us in this work and to extend to all your brothers the same aid and counsel they extend to you?”

(Candidates reply.) (Choir, suggested hymn, “Just As I Am.”)

M. C.—“Then you will be conducted to the Altar, where you will take upon yourselves pledges to which you cannot be false without the basest dishonor which would deserve the contempt of all good men.” (Choir, suggested hymn, “Nearer My God to Thee.”) (Candidates conducted to the Altar.) (See Diagram No. 11, Page No. 28, and Diagram No. 12, Page No. 29.)

Note: Many Chapters find it necessary to use two candidates when the degrees are being conferred on a large class. The remaining candidates may be seated as near the Altar as possible. The candidates who are seated should be instructed to rise and repeat Obligation with candidates at Altar.

If hoodwinks are used, they are removed after the obligations and before the candidates are asked to kiss the Holy Bible.

The Stewards can pass a small hand Bible among the candidates not at the Altar.

(M. C.—In shield at Altar.)

INITIATORY DEGREE OBLIGATION

M. C.—“You will kneel, place your right hand on the Holy Bible, or the shoulder of one directly in front of you, say “I”, speak your name and repeat after me:

In the presence of God and with my right hand upon his Holy word, on my honor as one who holds his pledged word sacred, do solemnly promise that I will keep all the secrets entrusted to me by this order.

I promise that I will henceforth honestly and earnestly strive to be a better son than I have ever been before; doing all in my power to repay the love and care my parents have devoted to me.

I promise that I will live a clean and moral life, keeping my body free from dissipation and my mind free from the uncleanness that defiles and debauches youth.

I promise that I will love and serve God as a devout worshipper at the shrine of faith and that I will serve my fellowmen in the spirit of the universal brotherhood.

I promise that I will give to my country an unswerving allegiance, defending her honor with my life if need be, her flag, my flag and her cause, my cause, and that I will obey the laws of my city (state) (province) and nation.

I promise that I will combat every agency that is hostile to my country's highest good and that I will consecrate my utmost endeavors to the defense of civil, religious, political and intellectual liberty, holding the public school to be the cradle of American liberties and freedom of conscience, an American's precious blessing.

I promise that I will revere the memory of Jacques DeMolay who gave up his life rather than betray his brethren and the trust they reposed in him and never willingly or knowingly will I do anything which would unfit me for the commendation of all good men.

I promise that I will be ever loyal to a Brother of this Order, that I will never cheat or wrong him, that I will seek to aid him in time of trouble and need and will always remain silent if I cannot speak a good word for him in the presence of the uninitiated.

I promise that I will honor womanhood, that I will never be guilty of defaming the character of any woman, nor will I permit harm to come to the sister or mother of a member of this order if it is in my power to prevent it. So help me God. You will arise. (Choir) suggested hymn: “Consider and Hear Me.”

You will seal your vows by kissing the Holy Bible. I now extend to you the right hand of comradeship. (Lights on full.)

(M. C. returns to station, (one rap) and officers at Altar—except Deacons and Stewards—return to their stations.) (Senior and Junior Deacons advance to East and face each other directly in front of the M. C. and illustrate the step, sign, token, grip, and sign of distress as described by the Master Councilor.)

I will now instruct you in the secrets of our order which are few in number, but which you have just sworn you will not disclose outside the Chapter room.

The step is made by placing the left foot in advance of the right, as though about to greet some one.

The sign is made by extending the right hand forward as though about to grasp him by the hand.

The token is made by extending the left hand forward shoulder high, as though to place it upon the shoulder of the one greeted.

(See figure 1 page 27.)

The word is—DeMolay.

The grip of the Order is given by taking the hand in a casual manner and pressing the thumb sharply between the thumb and first finger, twice, then once immediately afterwards.

The step is emblematic of our eagerness to greet a friend or welcome a stranger.

The sign typifies the clasp of friendship and the helping hand of assistance.

The token is the brotherly hand we would place upon the shoulder of one who sorrows.

The word of emulation is the name of the great hero and martyr whose name we have taken and teaches us to emulate his heroic example.

The grip alludes to the three principal officers of a chapter, also to our duties to God, our parents and our country and to the wisdom of the ancient injunction that we should think twice before speaking once. The Sign of Distress is made by crossing the arms across the chest and should be given only in time of distress. (See figure 2) The Brother going to the aid of a Brother in need should say, "Are you in trouble." The Brother should reply, "I am a DeMolay."

And now, my brothers, I will place you in the charge of the Senior Deacon, who will conduct you on a journey which will symbolize the labor of a day and the journey of human life."

(Senior Deacon returns to Altar and conducts candidates to the East by way of the North accompanied by Stewards. Junior Deacon returns to station and is seated with one rap.)

M. C.—"I place in your keeping this symbolic Crown of Youth which you will wear until you exchange it for the crown of manhood. You are starting from the East emblematic of the morning of life. Ere you reach the symbolic South, emblematic of the noon of the day and the manhood years of life, you will be instructed in the seven cardinal virtues of our Order. I commend you to the preceptors in charge of the seven symbolic jewels in the Crown of Youth and may God speed and guard you on your way."

After S. D. receives the Crown of Youth, he conducts candidates to First Preceptor after making a complete circuit of the room, conducting the candidates from the East to South, to the West, to the North, to the East and thence to the First Preceptor. Candidates should be conducted in the above manner at all times, remembering to use a clockwise movement or the direction in which the sun travels. (It is suggested that the S. D. kneel at the left of the Preceptors, holding the Crown (do not at any time place the Crown of Youth on head of a candidate) so that the Preceptor can place his jewel in it. S. D. remains kneeling until the Preceptor finishes his part. Preceptors should remain standing until candidates have passed.)

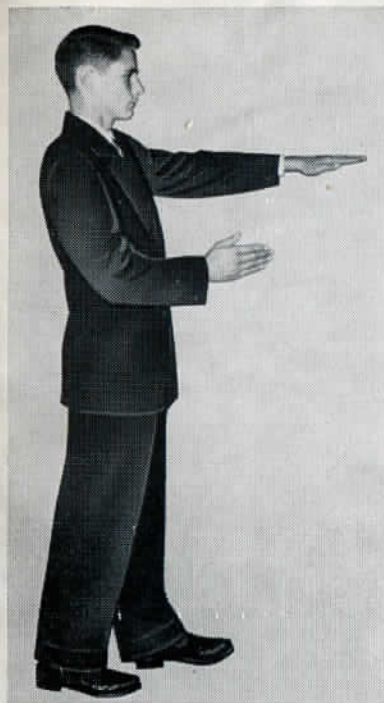


Figure 1
Step, Sign and Token of
Initiatory Degree.



Figure 2
Sign of Distress

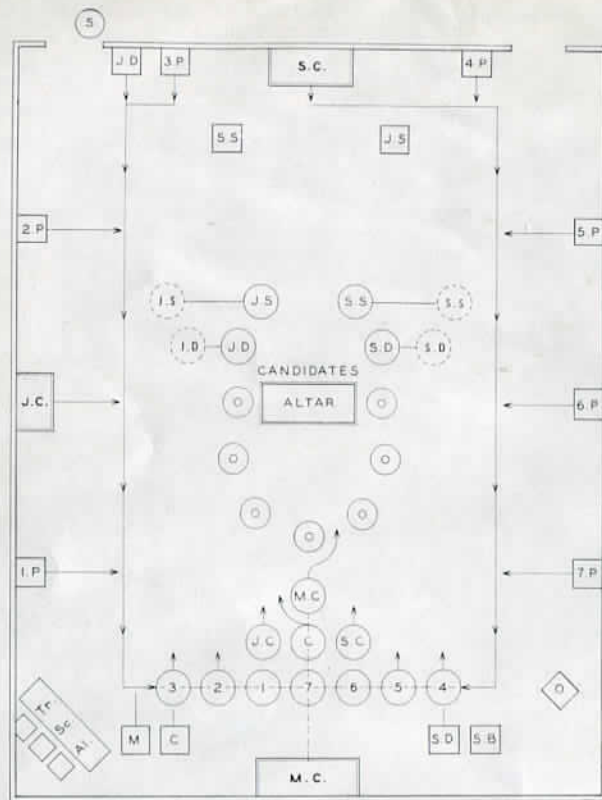


DIAGRAM NUMBER ELEVEN

Showing movement of Officers before forming at Altar during Obligation.

The Master Councilor takes position as indicated in the diagram and directs the Senior Councilor to call the Officers to line. The Senior Councilor arises, gives one rap for attention, followed by two raps for the Officers to rise, and three calling for the Officers to start marching. On this signal everyone should rise and remain standing during Obligation. The Senior Councilor, Chaplain and Junior Councilor start marching immediately, taking positions as indicated on the diagram behind the Master Councilor. The Preceptors following form in positions indicated by their respective number behind the Junior and Senior Councilor and the Chaplain. The Junior and Senior Deacons and the Junior and Senior Stewards are at this time at the Altar with the candidates. The Orator, Scribe, Treasurer and Almoner remain standing at their stations. When the Preceptors have taken the positions indicated in the diagram the Master Councilor, followed by the other Officers, move into the positions indicated on Diagram No. 12.

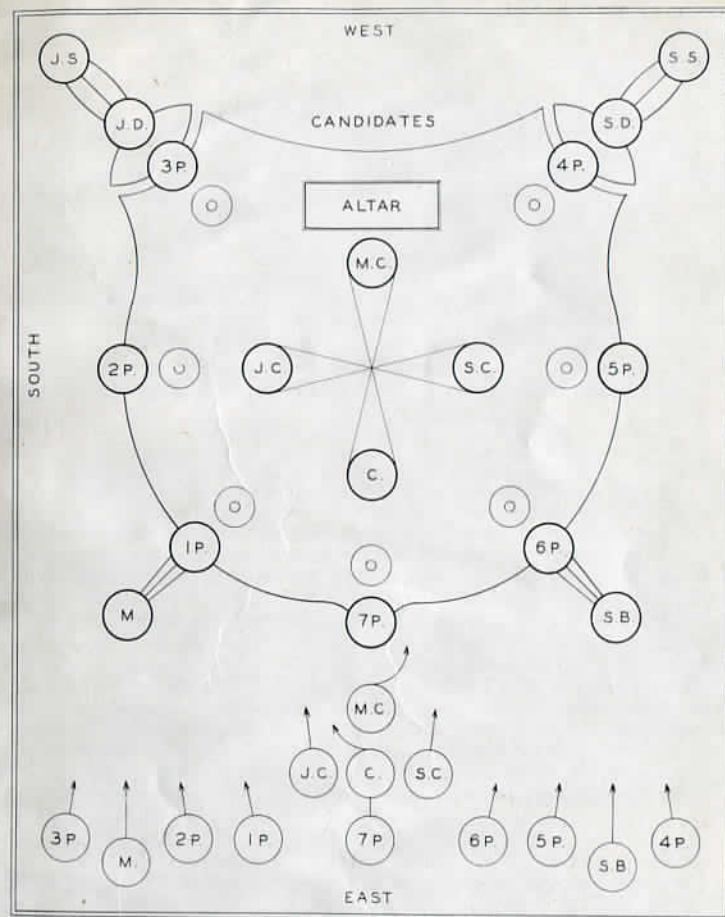


DIAGRAM NUMBER TWELVE

Formation at Altar during Obligation.

This diagram is self explanatory, showing the different positions taken by the Officers from positions shown in diagram No. 11. The Officers move off in the general direction illustrated by the arrow points and take the positions indicated in the Diagram.

FIRST PRECEPTOR

I place in the Crown of Youth the jewel of Filial Love. No virtue so becomes the young man who has passed the protected years of child and boy. It has been inculcated by poets and prophets, teachers and philosophers, ever since God himself wrote on the tablets of stone the command: "Honor thy Father and thy Mother." We have reached the age when we are prone to forget the sacrifices our parents have made for us, when possibly we are ashamed to display the affection that all right-thinking sons feel in their hearts. We are eager to enter upon the inheritance of our manhood; yet there is nothing effeminate in the home-loving, mother-loving, father-loving young man, gratefully remembering the debt he can never repay, but striving to pay it in thoughtful consideration, courtesy, affectionate and dutiful obedience. May this jewel in the Crown of Youth never be tarnished by disobedience or selfish neglect, but grow brighter as the years go by.

(Make one complete circuit around the room, then go to)

SECOND PRECEPTOR

I place in the Crown of Youth, the jewel of Reverence for Sacred Things. As we are all sons of earthly parents, so are we the children of the Universal Father. My brothers, in our Chapter we teach no religious creed. Your religious opinions are your own. But we do earnestly enjoin upon you the sacredness of Faith, the beauty of a humble reliance on the goodness of God. Let us strive to be true to this universal sonship. The world respects, most of all, the young man who has strong religious convictions and who has the courage of a high moral standard based on a profound acknowledgement of the fact that from God all earthly blessings flow. I enjoin upon you to delight in the companionship of the devout, not only to frequent the holy places of worship but to carry their teachings into your daily lives. May this jewel shine brighter and brighter unto the perfect day.

(Make one complete circuit around the room, then go to)

THIRD PRECEPTOR

I place in the Crown of Youth the jewel of Courtesy. Our mystic seven are not enough to include all the cardinal virtues that round out and complete a human character, but certainly courtesy cannot be omitted from the list—courtesy toward our parents, courtesy toward the stranger, courtesy toward the aged, courtesy toward all women, courtesy toward our friends and all with whom we come in contact. We are all guilty of the fault of reserving our greatest politeness for friends and even strangers, and laying aside in the home that refinement and consideration which are the foundation of the social graces. No man, young or

old, is really refined who is not courteous and whose courtesy is not natural, instead of being artificial and assumed.

(Make one complete circuit around the room, then go to)

FOURTH PRECEPTOR

I place in the Crown of Youth the jewel of Comradeship. To be a friend tried and true is to display a virtue which adorns our humanity. History is glorified by the friendships of David and Jonathan, of Damon and Pythias and other historic comrades. But history has not volumes large enough to record the names of the unknown millions of friends who were true and faithful unto death. Their heroic loyalty glorifies our human nature and sets an example worthy of our emulation. No man, young or old, can enjoy a higher honor than to be valued as a friend and trusted as a brother. The Crown of Youth is not complete without the jewel representing this splendid virtue.

(Make one complete circuit around the room, then go to)

FIFTH PRECEPTOR

I place in the Crown of Youth the jewel of Fidelity. We have taken upon our lips the name of a great hero and martyr of history who gave up his life rather than betray the trust reposed in him. We may never be called upon to face such a trial as he endured, but we may be called upon to give our lives in defense of our country, and even to sacrifice them to save a human being. But far this side of these great crises, we are called upon every day to be faithful to trusts reposed in us, faithful to ideals we have professed, faithful to our friends, faithful to obligations we have assumed. You know that the young man "whose word is as good as his bond", who can be absolutely relied upon to fulfill his promises, if humanly possible, enjoys the esteem and confidence of all men. I commend to you this virtue and urge you not to lose sight of its vital importance merely because you are not called upon to face some great drama of sacrifice.

(Make one complete circuit around the room, then go to)

SIXTH PRECEPTOR

I place in the Crown of Youth the jewel of Cleanness—cleanness in thought, word and deed. We all abhor the foul-mouthed, the obscene, the dissipated and the immoral young man, who anticipates the years of his manhood by indulging in habits which leave him weakened in body, enfeebled in mind and debased in heart and soul. But we must guard against the more insidious faults which lead imperceptibly to these great moral sins. Let us guard our tongues from taking the name of God in vain, against irreverence of all kinds, against the lesser oaths that lead to blasphemy, against the cheap vulgarity of unclean jests. Let us

guard our bodies from all those milder dissipations which retard their development and impair their strength, holding them as the heritage of the future, a sacred trust not to be betrayed. Let us above all guard our hearts from that uncleanness which the psalmist had in mind when he prayed: "Create in me a clean heart, O God." A clean mind in a clean body is the best equipment for the clean manhood upon which clean citizenship depends.

(Make one complete circuit around the room, then go to)

SEVENTH PRECEPTOR

I place in the Crown of Youth the jewel of Patriotism. Thousands of young men hardly older than ourselves have proved their heroic devotion to their country by offering their lives in defense of its honor. Many of them have made the supreme sacrifice and have helped win the blessing which we now enjoy. In all the crises of the nation's history youth has risen up as its defender. In your very veins flows patriotic blood. But let me urge upon you this thought: that there is a patriotism of peace as well as a heroism of war and that good citizenship is the only opportunity peace affords for the display of this virtue. We are on the threshold of the duties and responsibilities of manhood and I commend to you most earnestly the virtue of good citizenship, that patriotism which will make you live worthily for your country, as well as die bravely for it if the need shall come. (Choir: "National Anthem".) (Conduct candidates without complete circuit of the room to J. C. in the South.)

(At the South.)

(Choir: "Beautiful Isle of Somewhere.")

J. C.—"My brothers, you are at the symbolic South, emblematic of the midhour of rest, refreshment and meditation, when you pause and contemplate the labors of the half completed day. But in a more vital sense the South is emblematic of the noon of life, when you approach the years of manhood, when half your years lie behind you and half before. Theoretically you have toiled zealously in the practice of the virtues enjoined upon you by the custodians of the seven symbolic jewels in the Crown of Youth. As the meridian hour of the day reminds the toiler that the afternoon must still be performed, so at the South, to pause and reflect upon the solemn tasks of the manhood . . . awaits you."

"You will now be conducted to the West, where you will receive further instruction."

(Conduct candidates directly to the West.)

(Choir: "Perfect Day.")

S. C.—"My brothers, the West is symbolic of the setting sun and the eve of life, emblematic at once of the end of the day's toil and of the closing years of your earthly pilgrimage, the night that is to be followed by the day that shall never end. Do not think that it is untimely to impress upon the minds of those who

are just beginning the journey of life the twilight and evening years. For though the morning sun is still far from the zenith and the meridian sun is East of South, the wisest young man is he who looks well to the ending of the journey as well as to its beginning. When you reach the evening of your lives, may you be able to look back upon a long and happy journey, filled with memories of duties well performed, the western sky glowing with the promise of the everlasting morning."

"You will now be conducted to the East for final instruction."

(At the East.)

(Choir: "Face to Face", Author: Herbert Johnson.)

M. C.—"My brothers, you have completed the symbolic journey and I now receive back from you the Crown of Youth, which I trust you have worthily worn. In a few short years you will lay it aside for the Crown of Manhood, whose brightness will depend upon the fidelity of your stewardship as wearers of the Crown of Youth. You will later have conferred upon you the DeMolay Degree."

M. C. should then direct S. D. to seat the brothers or conduct them to the preparation room, as the case may be. (If the brothers are seated, it is permissible for the M. C. to instruct them in the proper use of the gavel and the method of kneeling.)

DeMOLAY DEGREE



DeMolay Before the Commission

FIRST SECTION

(The text of this degree must be followed to the letter. Positively no additional scenes can be used not included in this Ritual. Reasonable latitude is given for the difference in the equipment of the various Chapters. The scene is in the Council Chamber of the Commission, which is lighted by candles (but with sufficient light to discern the features of all characters.) Chapters which have access to adequate scenery may devise a very effective setting. Others must content themselves with less pretentious equipment. Likewise, Chapters which have ample room may have additional Inquisitors, Guards, etc.)

The Master Inquisitor of the Commission should sit in the center of the northeast corner of the stage, as in the illustration, with the Junior Inquisitor at his left and the Senior Inquisitor at his right. If desired, a long table can be used, with the Master Inquisitor in the center, the Junior Inquisitor at the left end and the Senior Inquisitor at the right. Seats must be provided for the other members of the Council at each side of the Inquisitors. Upstage, toward the southwest corner, should be the Scribes of the Inquisitors. Seats must be provided for DeMolay and his three Preceptors. These are to be placed at the right and left of the Scribes. (Orator goes to East and gives the following lecture.)

Orator: My Brother, the degree which you are about to receive represents the tragic climax in the career of Jacques DeMolay, the hero and martyr who is the exemplar of our Order.

History has placed upon Philip the Fair of France the brand of Cain for the murder of DeMolay and thousands of brave members of the Order of the Temple, of which DeMolay was the last

Grand Master. These events occurred more than six centuries ago.

Tyranny teaches the need of toleration. Bigotry sounds the call to brotherhood. We seek to emphasize the magnificent heroism of DeMolay, his unflinching fidelity to the trust reposed in him, his loyalty unto death. These and other virtues, which belong to no age or time, we have infused into our teachings as the most enduring basis of broadly built human character. We believe that if we build our lives as young men on such a foundation, we shall be stronger and better men when the greater duties of citizenship become ours.

DeMolay and his principal officers were subjected to a number of trials and many frightful persecutions marked the closing years of DeMolay and the Order of the Temple.

We have been compelled to condense all this into one scene, historically the final hearing before a Commission in its Council Chamber. Into this scene has been crowded much that, it is logical to assume, took place at one or another of the hearings which preceded it.

DeMolay and his three Preceptors, Guy of Auvergne, Godfrey de Gonneville and Hughes de Peralde, were condemned to life imprisonment. But so incensed was the king at the noble defiance and defense of DeMolay and Guy of Auvergne that he overrode the Commission's verdict and hurried DeMolay and Auvergne to the stake on an island near the Cathedral, where they were barbarously burned.

Whether the scene is considered approximately accurate from a historical standpoint, or whether it is interpreted merely as a symbolic scene inculcating the virtues of fidelity and toleration, the paramount purpose is to impress the cardinal tenets of the degree, which harmonize with the general teachings of our Order. If from it you receive a more graphic conception than you would otherwise secure of the fidelity which is loyal unto death, then the purpose of the degree will have been attained.

(After the Orator has given his lecture and all is in readiness, the curtain is raised showing the Council Chamber with one or more Guards stationed at convenient points. The scene is almost dark. An attendant is going about lighting candles. The scene gradually lightens so that the characters are discernible and fairly easy to recognize. The Inquisitors are escorted in by the Marshal of the Commission and they take their places. The Inquisitors confer in silence for a few moments, examining their documents, etc.)

The Master Inquisitor rises and says:

Master Inquisitor: "My Brothers of the Commission, we have met to pass judgment upon Jacques DeMolay and three of his Preceptors, Guy of Auvergne, Godfrey de Gonneville and Hughes

de Peralde, who have been subjected to several previous trials and are now to be brought before us for final decision.

(At this time the Senior Guard stationed with the prisoners without gives an alarm of two raps. The Marshal of the Commission rises, and with a deep bow of salutation, says:)

Marshal: "Sir Master Inquisitor, one knocks at the door of the Inquisition Chamber."

Master Inquisitor: "Sir Marshal of the Commission, learn who dares to interrupt our conference." (Marshal goes to door and, without alarm, opens it.)

Marshal: "Guards, whom have you in custody?"

Senior Guard: "Jacques DeMolay and three of his Preceptors, Guy of Auvergne, Godfrey de Goneville, and Hughes de Peralde, who have been subjected to several previous trials and cast into dungeons because they have defied the commands of the Inquisition, and are now brought hither for judgment."

Marshal: "Bring the prisoners before the Master Inquisitor." (Senior Guard conducts prisoners into Council Chamber with DeMolay in advance and seats them with Guards standing immediately back of prisoners.)

Marshal: "Sir Master Inquisitor, here are Jacques DeMolay, Guy of Auvergne, Godfrey de Goneville, and Hughes de Peralde, who having been removed from their rank and honors as heads of the Templars and cast into dungeons because they have defied the commands of the Inquisition, are now brought before you for final judgment."

Master Inquisitor: "Jacques DeMolay, thou art brought before us with these three high officials of thy Order for final judgment. Thou art charged, with these thy followers and others, with being the head of an Order that has practiced many abominations. Thou art charged with hypocrisy and treachery in conducting the crusades in the Holy Land. Thou art charged with betraying the king and with heresy toward the Church. Thou art charged with living in wealth while the poor have starved. Thou art charged with conniving with the infidel to make the crusades fail of their holy purpose. What answer canst thou make? These documents (brandishing them) teem with evidence to support these charges. They show as the last proof of all that thou, with these companions, hast confessed to the charges brought against thee."

DeMolay: (Springing to his feet.) "The charges are monstrous, and if any confession appears among thy papers, it is perjured, forged and false. Sir Master Inquisitor, the valor of my brave companions has been proved by their bones that rest in distant Palestine. Our Order is pledged to the relief of need and

our wealth was ever held at its call until it was wrested from us by an avaricious king."

Senior Inquisitor:—"Sir Master Inquisitor, shall we listen to further treason against our king?"

DeMolay: "Nay, Sir Senior Inquisitor, if the valiant knights who have been slain by order of this king of ours could speak, they would condemn him with a thousand tongues. We bow the knee of fealty to our sovereign lord and we have ever been loyal servants of the Mother Church. But our souls' allegiance is to the 'King of Kings' and to Him who wears the miter of eternity."

Junior Inquisitor: (Addressing the Master Inquisitor) "If this be not heresy and defection, by what name shall we call it?"

Master Inquisitor: "DeMolay, thy denials are useless, but we have listened to them with what patience we might command. Thine Order, it is true, hath been destroyed and thy riches for the most part taken from thee. Thou and thy companions are almost all that are left. But there are others and there still remains treasure thou art withholding from us."

"Thou hast defied the commands of thy king and Church to reveal the secrets of thy rich and powerful Order, to surrender all its property and disclose the identity of all thy brethren. Thou hast been high, DeMolay, but now thou art low. Thou hast been all powerful, but now thou art impotent. Thou hast been free, but now thou art in chains. Thou hast been surrounded by mighty friends, but now thou art alone. There is none to whom thou canst appeal for aid."

DeMolay: "Nay, Master Inquisitor, there is one higher than thou."

Master Inquisitor: (Angrily) "His name! Who is higher than we?"

DeMolay: "The ever-living God."

Master Inquisitor: (Sneeringly) "Thy appeal to him is vain, as thou shalt see. Thy fate is in the hollow of our hands. We have seized thy riches, but thou canst reveal the secrets of thine Order and disclose the identity of the brethren who have eluded us. We can force others of thy brotherhood who are in our power to do this, but we prefer to deal first with thee. Accede to our demands and thy life is saved. What is thine answer?"

DeMolay: "Master Inquisitor, thou hadst thine answer ere thou didst conclude thy first infamous and impious words. I have sworn on mine honor to defend the secrets of my Order with my life. I have sworn on the hilts of bright, unstained swords and on the clasped hands of brave comrades to keep their names locked in my heart. Thy threats are vain. I cannot resist thy power, but I can and do defy it. That is mine answer, Inquisitor, though it were made with my final breath."

Master Inquisitor: (More conciliatingly) "Nay, DeMolay, we do not desire thy life and we hold it only as the pawn of thy prudence. Thou hast been a brave foeman. Thou hast a powerful

following, but they are enemies of our Inquisition and we must know their names. We offer thee a rich share in the confiscated property of thine Order if thou wilt hand it over to us, though we can hunt it out for ourselves in time. We will cover thee with honors as the reward of thy discretion. Why wilt thou reject this golden opportunity when we can punish without let or hindrance? Why wilt thou refuse a share, when we can hold all? Why protect for a time those whom we shall in due season ferret out to the last man? Be sensible and recognize not only the futility of resistance, but the opportunity to save for thyself the prosperity, if not the rank and power, thou hast possessed."

DeMolay: "Master Inquisitor, thy temptations are more infamous than thy threats. The gold thou wouldst pay as my share of betrayal would burn my soul forever. The spirits of my brave comrades would haunt me through all eternity if I surrendered them to thy vengeance. Where I defied thee before, I despise thee now and fling back thy vile offers with my contempt."

Master Inquisitor: (In a rage.) "Jacques DeMolay, beware! We are not wont to listen to insolence from those unreservedly in our power. We shall give thee, however, another opportunity for reflection. Marshal of the Commission, you will conduct this stubborn fool to the Junior Inquisitor." (Done.)

Junior Inquisitor: (Ingratiatingly) "Jacques DeMolay, we would fain spare thy life, but our decrees are unalterable. Our purpose is fixed. Thou must realize thy helplessness before us. Thou must know how vital it is to our safety that thine Order should be rooted up and destroyed. Thou mayest call it betrayal, yet self preservation is the first law of nature. Men could not blame thee didst thou purchase thy life with thy prudence, and in addition be richly rewarded."

DeMolay: "Junior Inquisitor, men might applaud my cowardice, though I doubt and deny there are any so base. Did I accede to thy demands, not only would I fall beneath mine own contempt, but by being false to my vows, I would deserve and receive the everlasting condemnation of my God. My answer is still the same and would be so didst thou give me ten thousand opportunities to change my mind."

Junior Inquisitor: (Furiously) "To the rack with him! Sir Marshal, conduct this incredible fool to the Chamber of Torture and there give him a taste of the vengeance which he shall sup to the final bitter dregs if he still defies us. When the rack hath broken his bones, return him hither and we shall see if it hath rent his spirit."

(DeMolay is taken out by Marshal and two Guards.)

Guy of Auvergne: (Rising and stepping forward) "Master Inquisitor, before the vote is taken, I crave thy indulgence. Lest any doubt exist, I take my stand with my comrade and Grand Master, with whom I have fought as well as I might in behalf of our Holy Church and under the banner of our sovereign. What-

ever fate awaits Jacques DeMolay I not only accept, but claim for myself. I deny each and all of the infamous charges that have been brought against our Order and ourselves, and I denounce, with our Grand Master, the barbarity that has slaughtered thousands of our brave comrades, rifled our riches to fill the coffers of our king and turned France into a shambles reeking with the blood of noble men."

Master Inquisitor: "Guy of Auvergne, methinks thou hast placed thyself on a rack, if not on a gibbet, or worse, by thy treason and defiance. Godfrey de Goneville and Hughes de Peralde, hath either of you anything to say?"

(Each rises, steps forward and bows in silence, accepting the verdict in advance. They, with Guy, then return to their former seats.)

(DeMolay is brought back supported between Guards. The Marshal presents him to the Junior Inquisitor and says:)

Marshal: "Sir Junior Inquisitor, your mandate has been obeyed. The accused has been subjected to the will of the torturer."

Junior Inquisitor: (Mildly) "Jacques DeMolay, hast thou repented thee of the folly of thy defiance?" Thou hast tasted the bitterness of the rack, but it is only one of the fangs wherewith our vengeance hath power to rend thee. Come then, what is thine answer now?"

DeMolay: "My answer, Inquisitor, is still the same. Thou art indeed brave to taunt a broken enemy. But though the rack may rend my bones, it cannot break the soul."

Junior Inquisitor: "Thy folly is so stupendous that I know not whether to admire or pity thy fortitude. Thy brethren cannot forever escape the trap wherein thou thyself hast been netted. Why not save thyself further anguish of the body by giving them up to the fate that is surely theirs? All men save their lives at the cost of others. The enemy that opposes them in private quarrel or on the field of combat, the robber that waylays them, the very wolf that attacks them, they will slay to save themselves."

DeMolay: (Interrupting) "Inquisitor, thou dost well to name the wolf and the robber, for they are guises thou and thy wolfish, robber brotherhood wear when they despoil the prosperous and ambush the defenseless."

Junior Inquisitor: (Interrupting) "Jacques DeMolay, tempt us not too far! Art thou wholly a fool?"

DeMolay: "Aye, Inquisitor, a fool as thou dost look on wisdom. To thee and thy fellow conspirators against innocence and justice, it is folly to be true, unwise to be faithful, weak to be loyal and honorable. To thee and such as thou the bravest are the cruelest, the most honored the most treacherous, the most successful the most rapacious. Wreak thou thy will upon me, for I despair of the justice of men and even the face of God doth seem to be turned away. But with my final breath I will still refuse to betray my comrades, or reveal the secrets of our Order, or fill thy coffers with our rightful riches."

Junior Inquisitor: "DeMolay, for the last time thou shalt have an opportunity to revise thine answer. Attend to my brother at the right of the Master Inquisitor."

Senior Inquisitor: "Jacques DeMolay, I could find it in my heart to admire thy steadfastness, but thy folly sweeps away my admiration. What incredible stubbornness is it that bids thee defy the resistless, to resist the all-powerful, to oppose thy puny will against thy king? Thou hast been stretched upon the rack, but there are other beds upon which we can make thee lie, and perchance thy rest shall be brief. For the last time, wilt thou reveal the secrets of thine Order, hand over its undiscovered wealth and disclose the identity of thine unsuspected brethren?"

DeMolay: "Senior Inquisitor, though it were with my final breath my answer would be the same. Thy taunts pass me by. The pangs of the body are sharp, but they are as nothing to the anguish of a soul that hath betrayed a brother. The rack may rend and break my body, but my spirit it cannot tear. My blood thou canst shed, but mine immortal soul is beyond thy bloody grasp. It cannot be reached by dagger, rack or sword. I defy and despise thee and all thy bloody and rapacious conspirators who would tempt men to betray their manhood and sink their souls to the level of the beasts that are thy mates. Even the gibbet and the stake—" (Lord Constable of France enters in time to hear the last sentence spoken by DeMolay. In a furious voice he breaks in and says:)

Lord Constable: "Well dost thou name those last red fangs in the jaws of our vengeance. The king trusts not the toleration of the Inquisition. The gibbet shall not be thine, but the stake shall claim thee and Guy of Auvergne within the hour. Mayhap its flames shall purge thee of thy stubbornness ere they have made ashes of thy flesh."

DeMolay: "Nay, Lord Constable, they shall purge my soul of all the weaknesses and defections of the flesh and on the bright red wings of fire my soul shall mount like the phoenix to Heaven, there to be judged by the everlasting God whom thou and thine impious brotherhood blaspheme. With death's fiery breath about me, I defy thee for the final time. Farewell!"

Lord Constable: "To the stake with them."

SECOND SECTION

If desired, a tableau depicting the burning of DeMolay and Guy of Auvergne at the stake may be used here.

THIRD SECTION

Using such scenery as can be made or procured to represent the tomb or grave of Jacques DeMolay, the officers should march into the Chapter room in funeral procession, forming a triangle at the Altar. All should kneel as in prayer until the M. C. arises. Officers (with the exception of Orator) commencing with the back

line of Preceptors should go in twos to the monument and place flowers thereon, then return to their former position in the triangle.

After officers have returned, the Orator should go to the monument by himself. Upon reaching same he should place wreath on tomb, kneel on his left knee and say:

Orator—"We hail thee, noble martyr. May the light of thy funeral fires shine upon our lives, and purify them by their radiance. As thou didst salute us and these times of ours, so we salute thee through the centuries that have gone. For sixty decades men have revered thy matchless heroism, thine unflinching fidelity, and for countless years thy virtue shall inspire them. We who have taken thy great name pray that we may be ever worthy to bear it and may translate it into lives of reverence, of patriotism and toleration; lives of comradeship, of loving sonship, of manliness and service to our community, state and nation, the lessons we learn from thy heroic life and thy martyr's death. May we draw from cruelty the lesson of kindness; may avarice teach us generosity; treachery and betrayal, fidelity. Great Son of France, farewell! May we live as nobly as thou hast died."

(After Orator returns to triangle, officers assume their stations in the usual manner.)

FOURTH SECTION

M. C.—"Brother Senior Deacon, you will conduct the candidates to the Altar. (Done.) My brothers, you knocked at the door of our Chapter as strangers. You were admitted as friends when you expressed your approval of our purposes. You were greeted as brothers when you bound yourself to us by the solemn vows you have taken. You have passed through ceremonies which we have performed with only one purpose in view, and that was to impress upon you our earnest desire that you should enter unreservedly upon the performance of the duties we have inculcated. Let me assure you once more, in the most solemn manner in my power, that we are profoundly in earnest in carrying out our purpose. You have solemnly declared upon your honor that you were not actuated by idle curiosity in seeking admission to our Order; that you were not inspired by an unworthy desire to be exclusive or belonging to a secret body and that you would enter wholeheartedly upon the work we have outlined to you during our ceremonies. You must have been impressed during the degree which you have just received with the fact that fidelity and toleration are the supreme lessons this degree teaches. Jacques DeMolay was faithful unto death to the trust reposed in him, but the trials he endured with such fortitude would not have been necessary had he encountered toleration instead of superstitious fanaticism, courtesy from an enemy instead of brutal persecution from an unrelenting foe, appreciation of his exemplary qualities instead of cruelty which springs only from the exercise of irresponsible

power working through unrestrained passion. You may never, my brothers, be called upon to endure such persecutions as his, but toleration and fidelity are lessons which all must learn. We can accept among us only those who are willing to be tolerant in their opinions, courteous to their opponents, and above all things, faithful to every trust reposed in them. Before, therefore, we will receive you into the fellowship of lasting fraternity, you must kneel at the Altar and bind yourself to us by a final vow, taken in the light of experiences unknown to you when you first entered our Chapter Room."

M. C.—(Has S. C. call Officers to line as in Initiatory Degree.)

(See Diagram No. 11, Page No. 28, and Diagram No. 12, Page No. 29.)

(M. C. in shield at altar.)

DEMOLAY DEGREE OBLIGATION

M. C.—"You will kneel, place your right hand on the Holy Bible, or the shoulder of one directly in front of you, say I, speak your name, and repeat after me:

Do solemnly reaffirm every vow I have taken, every pledge I have made and every promise I have given during the progress of the ceremonies through which I have passed.

I promise that I will be tolerant in my opinion, giving to others the same right to their belief which I expect from them; that I will not be hasty in my judgment of others but will give them the benefit of the doubt, realizing that they may be actuated by worthy motives unknown to me and that under the same circumstances I might have acted even more unwisely than I judge them to have acted.

I promise that I will be faithful to every trust committed to me, to every promise I shall make, so far as is humanly possible and that I will hold ever before me, as a glorious example, the heroic fidelity of Jacques DeMolay and that of every other martyr who gave his life, rather than betray a friend or be false to a trust. So help me God! You will arise and seal your vows by kissing the Holy Bible."

(CHOIR) suggested hymn, "Rock of Ages."

M. C.—"Bro. S. D. You will communicate the password of a DeMolay."

S. D.—Fi

M. C.—del

S. D.—i

M. C.—tas

S. D.—Fidelitas.

M. C.—"My Brother, Fidelitas is the password of a DeMolay. It should only be communicated in the manner you have received it, except during the opening of the Chapter.

Fidelity of which Fidelitas is merely the Latin equivalent is the supreme lesson of this degree. Fidelity to your ideals, to your country, to your obligations and especially to your Brethren of this Order. The grip of this degree is given by taking the hand in the usual manner and pressing firmly upon the base of the wrist with the index finger. The sign is made by placing the left hand upon the heart in token of fidelity, (See figure 3) then placing it upon the other's heart to remind him of his own obligation to be faithful. In communicating the sign in open meeting, only the first move will be employed."

(M. C. returns to East.) M. C.—"Brother S. D., you will conduct the brothers to the East." (Done.)

M. C.—"My Brothers, this concludes your admission into our Order. Henceforth you are bound to us by indissoluble ties in a fellowship for service and into that fellowship we welcome you most heartily. I cannot make it too clear to you that ours is an Order based upon service and not mere empty forms. We have failed completely, and you have been false to the teachings we have tried to make plain, if you still believe that your duties and responsibilities begin and end in the Chapter Room; that you are a worthy member of this Order merely because you are punctual in attendance at our meetings, decorous in your conduct while among us, or proficient in the ritualism of our work. Your merit will be measured not by these standards, but by the extent to which you carry into your daily lives the lessons and the examples we have set before you and by the extent to which you translate those lessons and examples into service among your fellows. That will be the benefit which you will derive from membership in DeMolay and that will be our reward for admitting you into our Order."

M. C. (one rap)—"Brother Senior Deacon, you will afford our Brothers seats within the Chapter Room."



Figure 3

Sign of DeMolay Degree

PRONOUNCING GLOSSARY

Alleviating.....	A-lē' vī ā tīng (Accent on second syllable)
Avaricious.....	Av'-ā-rish'ūs (All vowels short) (Accent on third syllable) ("cious" as "shuss")
Barbarously.....	Bār' bā rūš lŷ (Accent on first syllable)
Bigotry.....	Big'ūt-rī (All vowels short) (Accent on first syllable)
Blasphemy.....	Blās'fē-mī (Accent on first syllable)
Cleanness.....	Klĕn' nēs (Accent on first syllable, with long e as in ease)
Contemplate.....	Kōn'tēm-plāt (Accent on first syllable)
Courteous.....	Kūr'tē-ūs (Accent on first syllable)
Courtesy.....	Kūr'-tē-sī (Accent on first syllable)
Crises.....	Krī'-sēz (Long "i") (Long "e") (Accent on first syllable)
Damon.....	Dā'mōn (Accent on first syllable)
Debauches.....	Dē bōch'ēs (Accent on second syllable)
Decorous.....	Dēk'-ō-rūs (Accent on first syllable)
Fanaticism.....	Fā-nāt'ī-siz'm (Heavy accent on second syllable, light accent on fourth syllable)
Fealty.....	Fē'āl-tī (Long "e") (Accent on first syllable)
Filial.....	Fīl'yal (Accent on first syllable)
Gibbet.....	Jīb'ēt (Short "i") (Accent on first syllable)
Godfrey de Goneville.....	Gōnville (Short "o")
Guy of Auvergne.....	Gī (Long "i"—Hard "G") of O-vern (Long "O")
Heresy.....	Hēr'ē-sī (Accent on first syllable)
Hughes de Peralde.....	Hugh de Peráld ("A" as in father—final "e" silent) ("d" sounded)
Hypocrisy.....	Hī-pōk'ri-sī (Accent on second syllable)
Impious.....	Im'pī-ūs (Short "i") (Accent on first syllable)
Impotent.....	Im'pō-tēnt (Short "i") (Accent on first syllable)
Inculcating.....	In-kūl'-kāt-ing (Accent on second syllable)
Indissoluble.....	In'-dī-sōl'-ū-b'l (Secondary accent on first syllable, principal accent on third syllable)
Infamous.....	In'fā-mūs (Short "i") (Accent on first syllable)
Insidious.....	In-sīd'ī-ūs (Accent on second syllable)
Jacques DeMolay.....	Zhak DēMolay' (First "a" as in father) ("e" as in eve)

Miter.....	Mī'ter (Long "i") (Accent on first syllable)
Patriotism.....	Pā'trī-ōt-iz'm (Long "a") (Accent on first syllable)
Phoenix.....	Fē'nīks ("oe" like long "e"—"i" short) (Accent on first syllable)
Pythias.....	Pī'thī-ās ("Y" as short "i") (Accent on first syllable)
Rapacious.....	Rā-pā'shus (Second "a" is long) (Accent on second syllable)
Sacrifice.....	Sāk'-rī-fis (Short "a") (Accent on first syllable) (Long "i" in last syllable)
Tyranny.....	Tīr-ān-nī (All vowels short) (Accent on first syllable)



DEMOLAY KNEELING DURING PRAYER

Demolay kneels on left knee, right elbow resting upon right knee, forehead resting in cup of right hand, left hand cupped around right elbow resting on right knee.



CHAPLAIN KNEELING AT ALTAR

In all prayers led by the Chaplain when he is at the Altar, the position should be, kneeling on both knees, hands placed on Bible, head turned upward.

