

one else on whom he would vent his ire, probably a starwart of many years who had supported him faithfully; and he was to become increasingly critical of leadership and any signs of independence.DLP)

President Hicks Griffiths wrote E.C.Wolcott 10/20/58 regarding ST PETERSBURG, INC. He questioned the constitutionality of this as High Twelve presently constituted.

Back on 10/29/53 Attorney S.W.James, Jr. wrote E.C.Wolcott re. Declaration of Trust of the Wolcott Foundation, "....it was not sufficient within itself to constitute the basis for a separate pro forma decree corporation...." "....also insufficient to constitute an ammendment to the present incorporation of High Twelve Int., which is also incorporated under a pro forma decree...." "Consequently, I was forced to merely file the Declaration of Trust in the corporate file of the High Twelve International," and "...handle - 1, As an amendment to the Corporate Chapter of H.T.I; or 2, As a separate pro forma decree Corporation under the name of the Wolcott Foundation or Wolcott Foundation of High Twelve International."

"....If the Foundation is to operate entirely within High Twelve International, the Foundation should be handled as an amendment to High Twelve." He proceded to outline the legal procedures. He enclosed a copy of Declaration of Trust filed in office of Secretary of State." "....I am surprised that steps have not heretofore been taken to correct this situation long ago."

Hugh Allerton, PIP, on 11/1058 asked Wolcott why he mailed him a copy of the 10/29/53 letter from Attorney S.W.James, Jr. re. Declaration of Trust." "....the only action (I can recall) taken in respect to incorporation of H.T.I. was the action taken by Adrian L.Bushman.....on or about 5/5/50 we amended the Articles of High Twelve International CLUB henceforth to be known as HIGH TWELVE INTERNATIONAL."

Wallie to Allerton 11/17/58, "....it does seem as General Counsel you should have been fully informed by Dr.Forbes or Gullen." "...You were sent a copy because copies of letters from Truitt to James Gram, Treasurer and to Mercantile Trust where Foundation Funds are on deposit. Both Cram and Royal said you, as General Counsel, should have it."

During the fall of 1958 Wolcott urged a complete restudy of operations of the Wolcott Founmation. "....Is it a creation of High Twelve Clubs? Will it be if all controll passes to a group of 5 men who in the future could be entirely out of touch with the clubs and no longer a true project of High Twelve International?" He urged inclusion of more departments at George Washington University.

Wolcott urged that High Twelve International no longer finance expenses of the Immediate Past President to Mid-Year and International Conventions. Instead to pay expenses of Chairman of Council of Past International Presidents....that all PIPs belong to said Council, that the Chairman be for 3 years and a member of the Nominating Committee. "....We need to enlist more men in our International group, but they must NOT BE LIFT TO CLUB SELECTION AT A CONVENTION."

He objected to PIP Allerton holding 3 positions (Sec.to Int.Bd., Ch.Nominating Committee and General Counsel....."should be handled by 3 PIPs." Wallie then went after PIP Truitt, Chairman of the Foundation as wanted (Trustees that is) full control of the money. "....The basic cause for complete failure to put a youth into a position with Foreign Relations is not a money problem, it is a youth problem." "....None of the members of the Trustees have a youth experience or knowledge of these problems, except Bishop Robinson and Fern Blose." Wolcott was especially harsh on Truitt and his apparent lack of campus experience and youth leadership.

"My conversation with many club leaders has shown that if we let the Foundation be-

come independent of the clubs and the International Board, the clubs will no longer contribute but will, by State Associations, set up their own youth educational projects as California and Michigan Associations have done."

"....The action I took in returning the beautiful Honorary" plaque presented to me at Sioux City was for two reasons....1, The Trustees had no powers or right to name me as an Honorary Trustee. That is a power of the International Board and International Convention....2, To avoid criticism from Truitt and because of experience in Foundations, I have been consultant to, naming a Foundation in honor of a person is a roadblock to larger gifts. Who wants to give a gift to honor the memory of an unknown? So I returned the plaque and asked that my name be removed from the Foundation." "....If this project fails, it will be years before we can enlist the clubs in another great project, and it could destroy their confidence in the Board's judgement...."

P.I.P.Hopperstead to President Hicks G.Griffiths 11/10/58, "....1, I believe we have sufficient Constitution & By-Laws for some time, and Mid-Year Conf. and Convention time can be better used in other business. 2, Until Wallie and the Trustees of the Wolcott Foundation can corelate their differences and we are successful in putting some men in Foreign Service, it will be impotent. 3 (He was optimistic re. 1959 Convention in Philadelphia with help of New Jersey) "...Dr.Forbes and his very capable committee will leave no door locked to fellowship and enlightenment."

Hopperstead rejected the implication that California could and would use its voting strength to the disadvantage of High Twelve International...." "If they ever extend their voting strength it will be for the benefit of the entire movement and not for a selfish reason." "....Inasmuch as the International Office is not going to print the manuals, I believe the other states should follow California's lead and print one for themselves...."(NOTE: From correspondence in files, too "hot" to quote, there had been a difference of opinion between E.C.Wolcott and Hopperstead regarding the value of "socializing" or "fellowship" vs work at conventions. DLP)

NORTHERN LIGHTS (Stephenville, Newfoundland) charter issued 11/8/58. 80 members. Pres. Earl C.Brown. Chairman of Expansion PIP W.L.Hopperstead had sub-chairmen in 14 states of which California, Michigan and Nebraska were split into two parts in order to continue his big drive for new clubs.

Seven High Twelve Clubs in Area III met 11/12/58 at the Oakmont Country Club, Glendale, Calif. to participate in a presentation to Jr.Past Grand Master Leo Anderson of an award given by the Glendale High Twelve Club. In addition to Glendale, the other clubs were Pasadena, Acacia, Burbank, Temple City, Downtown Los Angeles and Hollywood. Past State President John L.Shaw of the California Association was Master of Ceremonies. Junior PIP W.L.Hopperstead made the presentation on behalf of Glendale. State President Arthur Buss, Stockton, officiated. Lyle Waterman, President of the Glendale Club originated the plan.

"The Little Red Schoolhouse" was an idea born out of the fertile mind and agile hands of Bro.Delmar S.Neville, Chief Warrant Officer, USA, 1958 President of Army Memorial HTC, Fort Ord, Ca. and presented to 1959 Pres.Major Ward W.Williamson, USA to help raise funds painlessly. In the 1st 2 months \$40.00 was collected. He said it (the idea) should be adopted as an International project and used in all High Twelve Clubs.

MID-YEAR meeting Nov.29-30, Chicago, Ill., LaSalle Hotel. No social affairs due to the press of business to be handled. Group composed of the International Board, State Presidents, P.I.P.s and Foundation Trustee Bishop Robinson. Discussion re. Constitution & By-Laws, Trust Agreement; Max Farrington spoke on George Washington University standards for Wolcott Foundation and its financial setup; the use of proxies; invitations from California and Kansas-Missouri clubs; the Philadelphia Convention, etc.

Sunday morning session was on local club problems....why clubs die, club leadership

- programs, projects, membership, new club building, State Associations, Wolcott Foundation, costs of food, parking, dues - both local and state - Masonic relationship, our military clubs (latter committee composed of PIP Col.Milton Hardy, Col. James Robertson, Major Chas.Mattson, Major Grover T.Holbrooks and Capt.Ward to create Constitution and By-Laws for these military clubs.)

"The Manual, a top job. Due to the very fine work of Bro.Harold Sivers PIP and his hard working committee....Hicks Griffiths, Chas.H.Nicholson (deceased) Harry Buckalew, G.A.Royal, Wm.L.Worthen and E.C. Wolcott, the Club Manual has been completed and a copy mailed to each High Twelve Club secretary. Great credit is due Bro.Sivers and the members of his committee for the fine and much needed Manual. If used, it will be of great benefit in the direction and management of the clubs." Probably by Wolcott.

There was a discussion in depth as to the relationship between the Trustees of the Wolcott Foundation and the Governing Board, the 1953 Declaration of Trust at Tulsa Convention and matter of drawing checks on funds of the Foundation. It was started with the question, "What is the relation of the Wolcott Foundation to our Pro Forma Decree? Powers of International Board over Trustees? Legal Status of Funds?"

Wolcott and Treasurer Gram were directed to deposit funds to Mercantile Trust, St. Louis, to be drawn (upon proper warrant from Trustees) on the draft or check of the Treasurer of High Twelve International. "He is the only one who may draw checks, and the Trustees are the sole judges of amount to be paid students. Checks to be countersigned by Chairman of Trustees or Secretary or Vice Chairman."

Referring to the new clubs in Florida, Skycrest (Clearwater), Miami, St Petersburg, "....When these clubs are completed, we will form a State Association."

Bishop Stephen Robinson, Trustee of Wolcott Board, wrote 1/7/59 to PIP J.Nelson Truitt, Denver, regarding difficulty in finding out if the Treasurer Gram had obtained a bond. Apparently Truitt had urged the Trustees to resign, and Robinson felt they should not. He pointed out that under the Declaration of Trust the International Treasurer was custodian of all funds of the Trust, to be kept separate from other funds, and "shall disburse on written order or warrant of said Trustees; and that the Treasurer was the only person authorized to write a check. If there were to be any counter signatures, they would be of a Trustee, not an International Officer."

Robert Vorhes wrote January 7, 1963, "...the Mid-Year meeting of HTI held 11/30, 1958.....I offered a resolution which was seconded by Fenton "....Whereas the Board of Trustees of the Wolcott Foundation by Resolution instructed the Mercantile Trust Co.of St.Louis,Mo. to issue signature cards and withhold payment of any monies of the Wolcott Foundation Fund, except in accordance with the terms of said resolution" ".....there was nothing in the resolution indicating that the Governing Board ever intended to change the name of Wolcott Foundation to that of Wolcott Foundation of High Twelve International. It is my personal opinion that the reason that the use of the words 'Wolcott Foundation of High Twelve International' were used in these instances was due to the fact that in the 1957 Constitution no thought was given as to whether the name was the correct name or not."

MAPLEWOOD, Mo.HTC charter lifted about January, 1959.(Issued 9/17/45)
POMONA (Calif.)HTC charter issued 1/17/50. 60 members. Pres.Don E.Mooney.SKYCREST (Clearwater,Fla.) HTC charter issued 3/2/59. 40 members. Pres. Leslie H.Cutler.
CHESTER (Pa.)HTC charter issued 2/16/59. Pres.Leslie E.Crabbs. RARKE COUNTY (Rockville,Ind.) charter issued 2/25/59. 15 members. Paul.F.Hanebutt,Pres; OVERTON BROOKS (Barksdale AFB) La. charter issued 1/16/59. 135 members. Pres.Gilbert Kenmonth.

DOWNTOWN ST PETERSBURG (Fla) HTC charter issued 3/2/59. 77 members. Pres.N.Alfred Winn; LARGO, Fla. charter issued 3/2/59. 66 members. Pres.Wm.C. Buck; LAKE WORTH,Fla. HTC charter issued 3/17/59. 30 members. Pres. Earl K.Gullen PIP; EUSTIS (Fla.)HTC charter issued 3/21/59. 40 members. Rev.C.Ralph Strobel,Pres.

BIRMINGHAM (Mich.) sponsored Camp Oakland project in the amount of \$2,300.00, which helped reclaim boys, some of whom were considered hopeless delinquents, with in some cases, criminal records. A rewarding experience. Jan-Feb., 1959 High Twelvian.

POMONA HTC chartered. Wm. Worthen, 3rd Int. V.P. presented charter. 275 persons attended from all parts of the state, with most state officers present 1/7/59. A joint installation of Pomona and Happy Hiram's clubs by St. Pres. Arthur E. Buss, assisted by State 1st V.P. Don Snider, San Diego and 2nd V.P. Arthur Gonzales of Fresno, who were introduced by John L. Shaw, Junior Past St. Pres. Honorary Chaplains State Secretary Tallman Trask and Don Mathewson. Guest speaker was Phil N. Myers, Grand Master of Masons in California.

Three new Florida clubs on the west coast held a banquet March 2, 1959.... Skycrest (Clearwater), Downtown St Petersburg and Largo all chartered. Clearwater and St Petersburg participated in the charter party at Clearwater Municipal auditorium. Int. Pres. Hicks Griffiths presented the charter.

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Lake Worth (Florida) chartered in the spring of 1959. Guest speaker 2nd Int. V.P. C.J. Hyde, who also presented the charter and installed the officers. Pres. Earl K. Gullen (PIP-1939-40) Sec.-Tr. Dr. Lloyd Woffenden. Howell HTC chartered. Charter presented by Int. Pres. Hicks G. Griffiths. Installation by Wallace J. Neimiec, Pres. of Mich. Assn. Pres. Ralph A. Seelye, Sec.-Tr. Wm. F. Anderson.

CHESTER, Pa. HTC charter presented by State Pres. James S. Robertson, who installed officers. 108 members, with goal set for 150. Pres. Less Crabbs, Pres.-Elect Thomas Ridington, Sec. Wilbur C. Kriebel.

LEBANON (Ohio) HTC received charter 3/19/59 from Ohio State Pres. Larry Bayer, who helped start the club. Pres. Marion Snyder, Sec. Dale H. Nicholas. 115 members and guests from various Ohio clubs. EUSTIS HTC Fla. received its charter 3/21/59 from 2nd Int. V.P. C.J. Hyde of Louisville, Pres. Rev. C. Ralph Strobel. 43 charter members.

Outgoing International President Hicks Griffiths in a report in early summer, 1959 said, "....We introduced work shops or panel discussions at our Mid-Year Conference. A Club Manual has become a reality." Referring to a move to build a headquarters building, "The vast majority of our membership has been definitely opposed to setting aside funds for this purpose by any increase in dues or the leveling of a special assessment. I am in accord with this thinking...." "It can become a reality only through the efforts of donor-members and gifts of other masons."

Griffiths mentioned that Bro. Hubert F. Hahn had investigated "purchasing without down payment and with F.H.A. assistance the Roosevelt Hotel." "....Bro. Hahn reviewed the FHA supported program with the Council of Past Presidents, and everyone agreed that Government red tape and controls imposed on the operational aspects of the use of the building made it inadvisable to proceed with the plan." He mentioned the \$3,200.00 raised by solicitation of the members of the Michigan clubs during the year. He estimated \$100,000.00 needed for such a project.

Referring to meetings with Max Farrington of G. W.U., etc., "....We were all concerned with our failure to provide the Foreign Service of our State Department with any recruits, although we have awarded at least 15 students with scholarships." "....George Washington University has handled assignments beyond reproach. High Twelve has provided all funds required. The Trustees have conscientiously performed their duties. The real handicap is the difficulty our students have in obtaining the prerequisite undergraduate courses in the preparatory college" "....The State Dept. does not solicit new employees with any great frequency or regularity...."

12/10/58 - FIRST DOMESTIC JET PASSENGER SERVICE NEW YORK TO MIAMI.
1/9/59 - FIDEL CASTRO POWER IN CUBA.

HOWELL, Mich. HTC charter issued 3/7/59. 19 members. Pres. Ralph A. Seelye.
LEBANON, Ohio, HTC charter issued 3/19/59. 27 members. Pres. Marion Snyder.

Wolcott wrote G.A. Royal on January 14, 1959, "We have made several attempts to find a relationship with the Hiram Club International from 1929 at Topeka, and later have had brothers attend the meeting of the Phoenix Club, but nothing resulted. There are only two clubs living, Lincoln, Neb. and Phoenix. He explained how he felt the division of dues might go to officers eventually.

"We have never had such a volume of mail in our history. I have wrapped, weighed, stamped and mailed 170 packages to clubs since Mid-Year..... "Florida is booming. 2 clubs in Clearwater and new clubs forming in Largo and a big Trailer Camp near St. Petersburg and a club near Miami. I think we have the Grand Master in line and no adverse action will be taken due to so many sojourners in Florida cities. (NOTE: Careful there Wallie. Those Mobile Home Park owners don't like their homes to be referred to as "Trailer Camps." DLP)

"Looking at the many great changes that have taken place in our National affairs with other nations, the basis for the presentation used by Dr. Forbes in 1952 at Cleveland, the whole basis and task has changed in the Diplomatic offices but in the field of service by American youth, a new challenge has come.

"I would love to have an off the record breakfast or night meeting with the following founders and builders of High Twelve - Royal, Hardy, Sisk, Hunter, Hoffman, Hruska, Anderson, Allerton, Starratt, FlaHavhan, Forbes, Cox, Johnson, Sivers and a few of our later brothers, to restudy and reset our whole valuations as a movement."

Referring to publicity "no Foreign Relations examinations will be given for 18 months and our efforts on our plan now for 6 years and no youth anywhere near a job ... and now with the entire thought of the Chairman (Truitt) of the Foundation Trustees looking at money control, disturbing our banking set up and the University relations, is it not time a group of you founder brothers had a meeting and gave an impartial restudy of the project and reset the objectives?

"A change to the four plans now followed by Scottish Rite and as suggested by Farrington will call for a very different type youth away from clerical public relations to living with rural people, educational groups in villages, etc. for youth with very different backgrounds and home life."

"....Steve Robinson....told me that Truitt is carrying on a campaign both by telephone and correspondence demanding that all of the Trustees resign"...."but....Bishop had advised Truitt that he had made a mistake and he himself would not resign".

Pres. Hicks G. Griffiths to Wallie re. Florida, "The newspaper reporter wrote there were 600 present at the banquet Monday night when the Skycrest Club, Downtown St Petersburg and Large Clubs were chartered. I would say there were at least 500 attending" "I am really impressed the the organizational ability of some of these men, and particularly Wallace Clark and Frank Bobel. With about 500 members on the West Coast of Florida and 2 clubs about to be chartered on the other side of Florida, a tremendous future growth seems very likely in this state...."(NOTE: Understatement of the Century).DLP

E.C.Wolcott to members of the International Board 3/12/59 re. Foundation, "....Due to the disturbance caused by Nelson Truitt, Chairman of the Trustees, to take over the management of the funds from International and the bonded Treasurer of International, creating some disturbance and question at the bank where these funds are deposited, and as you know the matter was fully handled by the Mid-Year meeting of the International Board and the management of these funds are to be handled as they had been...." Since June 1, 1958 gifts and interest amounted to \$3,602.46 and tuition paid \$3,524.00.

Rather sharp exchange of correspondence between Executive Director Wolcott and President Hicks Griffiths 3/18/59-3/24/59 regarding investment of \$10,000.00 in a company (S&L?) or split in half, resulting $\frac{1}{2}$ interest. Griffiths, "....Since our exemption is for educational purposes, under Internal Revenue scrutiny, we could lose their exemption if we conducted ourselves in a manner in which (they) felt was inconsistent with our avowed purposes. The crucial test applied by Internal Revenue is based on degree of control we exercise over these funds."

Hugh Allerton to E.C.Wolcott 3/27/59 referred to Wallie's letters 12 and 17 to International Board. He couldn't see any harm in depositing \$4,000.00 each in Roosevelt and Hamilton S & Ls.

Some time during 1959 the St Louis Tax Attorneys advised High Twelve International Board that indenture of Trust of 6/17/53 was defective and was considered by the State of Missouri as having no legal force or effect, and that the tax exempt status of the Foundation under Internal Revenue Code was most questionable. (NOTE: While I find references to above, I cannot find actual communication....must have been in person.)DLP

WALLIE BECAME 78 years old April 22, 1959. He had originated the concept of a multi-club organization of Master Masons in Sioux City 38 years previous. He had carried the seed of the idea to Kansas City, and had nourished it through its toddling stages. He was relatively inactive for a number of years, only to re-enter the fray in earnest in the spring of 1944 with his great expansion drive. Several years later he was placed in or assumed virtual control of the organization as the paid Executive Director. He had nurtured the organization to a truly International one in scope. In later years, in his quest for a bigger, better and more respected High Twelve International, he had become increasingly more emphatic in his ideas, often brooking no opposition from others, even those elected to run International and the Wolcott Foundation. The stage was being set for a showdown, the repercussions from which would be felt organization-wide for many years.DLP)

BLOOMFIELD HILLS (Mich) HTC charter issued 5/20/59. 24 members. Pres.Arno L.Hulet.
WEST END (Louisville,Ky.) charter issued 5/8/59. 30 members. Pres.Charles V.Morris.
ARLINGTON (Calif.)HTC charter issued 6/6/59. 38 members. Albert Beckwith pres.
POTTSGROVE (Pottstown,Pa.) HTC charter issued 6/22/59. 126 members. Pres.James J.Kessler.

International Convention June 27-July 1, 1959 Philadelphia, Warwick Hotel.
"Freedom's Shrine in '59" the 38th Annual Convention of High Twelve International.
J.Wallace Forbes,PIP, General Conv.Chairman. Twin bed room - single \$9.00-\$12.00; double \$12.00-\$15.00.

Pres.Hicks G.Griffiths in June, 1954 reported, "....In striving to provide High Twelve with an energetic, purposeful program, we introduced work shop or panel discussions at our Mid-Year Conference, at which we analyzed club projects, our scholarship program under the Wolcott Foundation, development of leadership at the club level and club expansion (21 new clubs)."

"The publication of a club manual became a reality. Its acceptance by the clubs gratifying." "....There is no substitute for local leadership and, unless such leadership is good, it is no leadership at all...."

"....They (members) are opposed to increase of dues, special assessment or long term obligations." "....The vision of a new building (home office) can become a reality only through the efforts of donor-members and gifts of other Masons." Re. possible purchase of Roosevelt Hotel, High Twelve using one floor and renting out five floors, "Bro.Hahn reviewed the FHA supported program with the Council of Past Presidents, and everyone agreed Governmental red tape and controls imposed on the operational aspects of the use of the building made it inadvisable to proceed with this plan (FHA to provide up to 90% of reproduction cost - and offer to sell was less than 90%).

"Michigan clubs raised \$3,200.00 toward construction of new offices. Griffiths felt \$100,000.00 necessary of a National Headquarters. There was concern "with our failure to provide the Foreign Service of our State Dept. with any recruits, although we have awarded at least 15 students with scholarships." "....impossibility of having coordinated expert counselling service for undergraduate students at the club level. Nevertheless, we can provide at least one expert counselor in each state (an educator)."

"....We should strive to make officers of the Grand Lodge Line members of High Twelve. If not active members, then honorary members." He received a letter from Rex P.Sackett, MW Grand Master F&AM of State of Michigan....an edict which for the first time in Chicago officially recognized High Twelve as a member of the Masonic Family."

"....The Chairman of the Trustees (Wolcott Foundation) and our Executive Director have disagreed over policy matters. Each one claims the other refuses to meet with him and exceeds his respective authority. All but one of the Trustees have tendered jointly their resignations. I have rejected their resignations and urged them to fulfill their responsibilities during the term of office to which they were elected."

"....Since the original Declaration of Trust was drafted establishing the Wolcott Foundation, no effort has been made to define the rights and responsibilities of the Trustees and the Officers of High Twelve International. Underlying all of this, of course, is the fact that the fund will lose its tax exemption if High Twelve asserts its retaining an interest in the money itself. As a matter of law, Trustees are considered managers of a foundation, such as ours, and generally exercise control over the foundation's operations and assets."

President Griffiths recommended expanding the scholarship coverage of the Wolcott Foundation from a Foreign Service career to a Federal Service career, adding Public Administration, Personnel Administration and Business Administration and into other Departments and Agencies besides Foreign Service. "....I recommend the Council of Past Presidents and Constitution & By-Laws Committee suggest a clear definition of the rights and duties of the Trustees, The Executive Director and the Board."

He further recommended that no person hold more than one office(except committee assignments), and all working committees to file written reports with the Secretary for background; and that more time should be allowed for the work shop breakfasts.

"We should strive to make our By-Laws grammatically sound, easy to read and understand, eliminate verbosity and inaccurate references. For instance, the International Governing Board has seven different names in the present Constitution & By-Laws; Board of Governors, Board of Directors, Governing Board of International High Twelve, International Governing Board, the Board, International Board, and the Governing Board."

Griffiths urged High Twelve taking a very active interest in DeMolay, "....In Michigan last year the Grand Lodge's budget for DeMolay was \$5,000.00. During the same period the Knights of Columbus in Michigan poured \$136,000.00 into their organiz-

ation, the 'Squires'. The Knights of Columbus have a membership of 50,000; while our Grand Lodge has 175,000 members."

There was a Sunday trip to Valley Forge; also a Necrology. The welcoming address on Monday was by R.W. Charles H. Nitsch, PGM, Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania. There was the appointment of a Parliamentarian, Monta Shirley of California; Sergeant-at-Arms E.P. White of Kentucky.

Wolcott divided his report into 3 parts... 1st as Executive Director; 2nd as Founder, and 3rd as Editor of the High Twelvian. 1. "Have manuals for sale. Need for close relations with Grand Lodges; and a permanent home.

2, Wallie's investment in High Twelve, "...Not because of members assembled alone, but because of his belief that God gave him the idea of using a dedicated man, a task he could not do alone, but with brothers motivated, he could do the impossible tasks that are necessary in making a better world."

Wolcott reported a large number of clubs were without projects, and that their attendance was below 25% of their membership." "...the operation of a successful club is not a simple problem, and our clubs are facing some very new, deep problems unknown in the past years of our growth." "...In contrast, many clubs are making great success, growing in membership, doing top projects and 50% to 65% attendance at weekly meetings." He then listed many things a club could do, projects, etc. mentioned many times before.

Presentation was made by PIP Otto W. Cox to Ralph Slippy, PGM of Royal and Select Masters of the Grand Council of the State of Iowa. Response by Bro. Slippy... the need to awaken Masons to combat the influence of Catholicism. Hugh Allerton, PIP, said that too often clubs did not appreciate the need for frequent meetings of the Board of Directors to provide leadership.

Max Farrington (GWU) reviewed the history of High Twelve scholarships at George Washington University.

"MINUTES: PIP Truitt, commented on the report that there is a possibility of the Wolcott Foundation losing its Tax Exemption, and reported on the matter that the Foundation is tax-exempt; that he had a letter from the Treasury Dept. dated 8/1/57, giving the Wolcott Foundation a tax exemption for educational purposes. That there is a possibility of the tax exemption being lost due to the method of handling the Wolcott Foundation. He further stated it is necessary for the Trustees to file a report at the end of each fiscal year, and recommended that something be done so that the report could be properly filed.

"Truitt commented on the conflict of the jurisdiction of High Twelve International and the Wolcott Foundation, and expressed the thought that all jurisdictional questions could be ironed out; that they were merely the growing pains of a new organization such as the Wolcott Foundation." "It was voted to have a panel discussion."

"President Hicks Griffiths announced that 4 of the 5 Trustees of the Wolcott Foundation had turned in their resignation as of Monday; that he had refused their resignations because he did not think it was good to have 4 resignations at the same time. He talked to them about their resignations and they were firm in their decision to resign. As a result there will be four vacancies to fill in the Board of Trustees. 3 of these to run after the Convention, and one for Jim Truitt, which expires at the end of the Convention. When Chairman Royal of the Nominating Committee made his report on nominations for Trustees of the Wolcott Foundation, Bro. Moldthan of Indiana and Bro. Henion of California withdrew their resignations."

A resolution was approved to endeavor to rotate convention bases so as to avoid

favoring of one section over another, and to equalize as much as possible the expense incurred to be travelled in attending the Convention by all clubs in International. A resolution was approved to establish a Convention Site Committee of 5 members to be appointed yearly to screen and recommend the time and place of conventions. Hicks Griffiths was elected Trustee for 5 years; Leonard Vorhees, Ohio, for one year.

Retiring President Hicks G.Griffith "had the privelege of chartering 3 clubs in Florida. During his term of office the Grand Master of Michigan officially recognized High Twelve as a member of the Masonic Family." Tallman Trask, High Twelvian 11/12/64

New clubs by states: FLA. 5; MICH. 3; CALIF. 2; PA. 2; and 1 each GUAM, IND., KY., LA., MO., NEWFOUNDLAND and OHIO. TOTAL CLUBS BY STATES: MICH. 21; OHIO 19, MO. 18; CALIFORNIA 60; IOWA 17; ILL. 13; KY. 9; COLO.8 + 2 inactive; PENNA. 8; KANSAS 8; FLORIDA 7; INDIANA 7; LA. 6; OKLA.3; NJ 5; So.Dak.3; ALABAMA 2; GUAM 2; NEBR.2 + 1 inav; ALABAMA 2; and 1 ea. in following: ENGLAND, MARYLAND, MINNESOTA, NEWFOUNDLAND, NEW YORK and WASHINGTON. 1 ea.inactive in Delaware & New Mexico....= 223 active & 8 inactive.... total 231.

PIP Hopperstead's report on expansion recognized a debt of gratitude owed to Major Wm.Ward among others, who 2 years prior brought High Twelve into the armed forces. He reported there were now 223 clubs. Total membership 14,251, 19 clubs formed and 8 lost during year. (NOTE: As usual club statistics vary by who reports and cutoff dates.DLP) MEMBERSHIP 5/31/59 = 14,251; 5/31/58 = 13,380 = net gain of 871.

Contributions to Wolcott Foundation 6/1/58 to 5/31/59 = \$4,016.12. Interest earned \$665.00, total incr. \$4,681.12; bal. on hand \$29,375.44. Disbursements G.W.U., tuition and books \$4,196.75; cash in bank & SL \$29,859.81.

Genl.Fund. Bal 6/1/58 \$8,305.92, Income \$31,622.82 = \$39,918.74. Expenditures Ex.Dir. \$4,800.00, Office Sec. \$3,328.00, other \$21,269.40 = total \$29,397.40. Cash in Maplewood B & Tr.Co. \$10,521.34.

Bldg.Fund gifts: \$3,439.75; Cost of plastic "bricks" etc. \$322.91, letters \$74.16 = \$397.07. Bal.in Maplewood bank \$3,042.68, "E" Bonds \$260.00 = \$3,302.68.

R.A.Webb of the Royal Oak Club, Mich, "....I have talked with a great many other delegates who feel as I do about the handling of this convention. Philadelphia had it planned well." "....Why was the fight of the Wolcott Committee in the open and not getting together? When they all put in their resignation I jumped a couple of them in the lobby whether this was anything to do. I see a couple of them went back on the Board...."

The Council of Past International Presidents recommended employment of Tax Counsel in St Louis due to the various problems arising from operation of the Wolcott Foundation, new building fund, incorporation,etc. Also recommended to International Governing Board the amendment of the By-Laws of International to increase dues from \$2.00 to \$3.00, and that all clubs be notified necessity for increase.

Among the speakers were Hon.Theodore R.McKeldin former Governor of Maryland, and at the Womens' Luncheon Hon.Martha W.Griffiths, member of Congress, 17th Dist.,Mich.

The Birmingham, Mich.HTC proposed a resolution favoring turning over approximately \$4,000.00 to the International Board for the special Bldg.Fund. to carry the drive to completion.

NEW OFFICERS: 1959-60 TERM: Pres.Wm.Kent Fenton, Toledo,Ohio; 1st VP C.J.Hyde, Louisville, Ky; 2nd VP Wm.L.Worthen, Glendale,Ca; 3rd VP James N.Robertson,Media,Pa; Im.P.P. Hicks G.Griffiths,Detroit,Mich; Sec.to Int.Bd.HaroldJ.Sivers,PIP, Toledo; Tr.James E. Gram,E.St.Louis,Ill; Gen.Coun.Hugh Allerton,Highland Park,Mich; Ex.Dir.& Ed.E.C.Wolcott.

WOLCOTT FOUNDATION TRUSTEES: Ch.Hicks G.Griffiths,Mich; Sec.A.C.Moldthan, Indiana; Joseph H.Henion,Calif; Bishop Stephen Robinson,Iowa; Leonard Voorhees,Ohio.

Newly installed International President Wm.Kent Fenton, while not downgrading the importance of projects, felt clubs should not lose sight of fellowship. "....There is one project that I feel is even more important, the project of so conducting our meetings that we make them attractive to all Masonic Brethren, young and old alike."

"It is odd that we as Masons do such a beautiful job of fostering and assisting such youth organizations as DeMolay and Rainbow Girls, but fail to provide attractive programs for our younger Masons. Our organization also does an excellent job maintaining the interest of our older Masonic Brethren. Indeed our clubs are made up almost entirely of retired Masonic Bro." "I approve....; but I feel there is a definite need on the part of most of the clubs to make their meetings more attractive to younger Masons." "....As we grow older, we have a tendency to provide programs which are attractive to our age group." "....it is natural (we) elect older men to office." "....If we do not maintain the interest of younger men....our organization shall cease to grow."

"....The officers should consult with younger members," "....encourage them to take committee assignmentspromote them to office....as they show ability..." "When E.C.Wolcott organized the 1st High Twelve Club, he was a young man." "....My day is passing, but we must do everything in our power to provide for continued growth of our organization....This will depend upon the youth, vitality and progressiveness of our younger members."

"To the Birmingham, Mich. club went credit for pushing the new building fund first mentioned by PIP Milton Hardy, Sioux City. Convention, 1957. Birmingham was going to sell "transparent plastic bricks" but the initial cost would be too great, so the Michigan Association "bankrolled" them with \$500.00 to develop the idea. PIP Walter Anderson, Chairman of the Drive, with star salesman Harry Cook. The High Twelve emblem was burned into the bricks, and on the side, also in blue, appeared "another brick for the Home of High Twelve, E.C.Wolcott, Founder." These desk mementos were 4x2x3/4". Receipts were given, and as orders accumulated, bulk shipments were made to clubs. More than \$4,000.00 was donated by Michigan Clubs." T.E.Campbell, Pres, Michigan Association.

During the summer of 1959 the VALLEY FORGE HTC was visited by John Erwin, W.M. of Jewel Lodge 592 F&AM Belfast, Ireland, who presented a beautiful Masonic apron to Pres. Richard S.Lowe of Valley Forge. He also brought greetings from 500 Masonic Lodges in North Ireland.

LOGANSPOUT (Cass County,Ind.) HTC charter issued 9/10/59. 24 members. Chas.D.Hume,Pr. EAST TOLEDO (Ohio) HTC charter issued 9/15/59, 30 members. Pr.Konrad C.Erdmann.

9/15/59 - 9/27/59 - KRUSCHEV VISITED U.S.A.

CARMEL VALLEY (Calif.) HTC charter issued 9/1/59.At the Charter party 10/2/59 Ralph Thompson,Sr. and the Carmel-by-the-Sea Club were sponsors. Int.V.P. Wm.Worthen presented the charter and gave the address. 26 members. Pres.Adrian W.Stevens, Sec.Jack Perkins. COVINGTON, Ky. HTC charter was presented by C.J.Hyde, Grand Jr.Warden Kentucky and 1st VP HTI presented the charter and installed the officers. W.S.Roser, VP Kentucky-Ala. Association was Toastmaster. Among the 36 charter members was PGM, Ky.Wm.O.Ware. The banner, flag,gavel and gong were presented by various Kentucky clubs. President Edwin E.Freshney,PGM,Grand Lodge of Kentucky.

International Zone Officers: Pres.Wm.Kent Fenton 6 Central States; C.J.Hyde 11 South Central States, Wm.Worthen 9 West Coast and Mountain States; James Robertson Canada and 6 Eastern and Southeastern States, England, Guam and Newfoundland, D.C. and Hawaii. Hicks Griffiths, Mich., Minn.,N.Dak., S. Dak., Wisconsin and Wyoming.

STATE PRESIDENTS as of late Fall, 1959 (High Twelvian): CALIFORNIA - David R.Snyder; COLORADO - James A.Hickam, Denver; ILLINOIS - Elmer C.Schifferdecker, Belleville; INDIANA - James Hughes, Terre Haute; IOWA - A.N.Diehl, Waterloo; KANSAS - Chester Long, Manhattan; KENTUCKY-ALABAMA - Pres.C.Russell Wilson, Owensboro; LOUISIANA - Geo.Fink, Monroe; MICHIGAN - Thos. E.Campbell, Birmingham; MISSOURI - Herbert F.Hahn, St Louis; NEBRASKA - Fred Dinkel, Omaha; NEW JERSEY Gov.B.Victor Cranston, Secane,Pa; OHIO - Laurence B.Boyd,Sr., Lakewood; PENNSYLV - M.Howard Arpen, Philadelphia.

Int. 2nd V.P. Wm.Worthen, Glendale,Ca. writing about necessity of creating a better organizational structure, said, "...because of the increasing cost of travel...because there are now many clubs to supervise, more and more of the functions of High Twelve management are being decentralized. The role of the day-to-day administration, coordination and club building is falling to the member clubs and to their State and District Association...."

UNIVERSITY CITY (St.Louis,Mo.) HTC charter lifted during 1959. Was chartered 6/29/51. Hugh Allerton to Harold Sivers 10/17/59 refers to Pro Forma Decree certified 8/18/44, Jackson County,Mo; Articles of Agreement for Incorporation, certified by Secy.of State of Missouri 2/8/50; Amended Articles of Agreement of HTI certified 5/5/50; Trade Mark 443695 issued by Commissioner of Patents covering registration of Trade Mark 7/4/47 (good for 20 years).

Frank S. Land, 33⁰ Founder of the 2,000 chapters of the great youth organization, Order of DeMolay died 11/8/59 in the city of his birth, Kansas City,Mo. 1890. High Twelve leaders had been a supporter of his great movement from the beginning. Kansas City was headquarters for DeMolay. (NOTE: High Twelvians visiting the headquarters can see Frank Land's office, just as he left it. A visit to headquarters is inspiring.DLP)

Mid-Year meeting of HTI, Chicago, Ill. 12/5/ - 12/6, 1959. Ex.Dir. Wolcott, talking about possibilities of hiring a man to help him, "....Some 25 clubs that once were good clubs that we are working on through the original leaders, and it's an amazing thing to me that out of some 125 personal letters to the clubs of 15 years ago, only two addresses were wrong, the rest of them were living and there is some very great promise; but somebody's got to go and spend 2 or 3 days with a group of men in that city to rebuild a High Twelve Club, out of men who want to carry on. I believe a good man of talent, who can handle himself, could in the year, with my help, and the records, produce us 25 clubs." "If we had 400-500 High Twelve Clubs of the kind and level we have now, paying International dues, we would be in a commanding position to do far more than we do....and command respect."

There was discussion about the contents of the High Twelvian magazine. View expressed that too much space was devoted to local club activities (of no interest to others) and not enough articles of general interest, like items on Masonic History and what's happening in Masonry in general. Also a preference expressed for the small, pocket size magazine.

A Bro.Popkess, who published several magazines was present and very critical of the editing, headings and makeup. "....Amateurish, done by somebody who knows nothing or little of the problems or issues...." "....I attempted (over 3 years as Public Relations Chairman,etc.) to lay out some plan for member retention campaign....and it didn't get off the ground." He urged cutting the 8½x11 to ½ that size, so instead of 8 pages we'd get 16.

"If you have 15,000 paid up members in High Twelve, 13,000 never go to a meeting, so your sole contact with 4/5 of your members is through your magazine.. It should be a masterpiece of selling and makeup." "....Because of the age of most High Twelvians the type should be in 10 pt instead of 8 pt. Where a tribute is made to someone, it should be cut in half so you can get it in 10 pt. where it can be read. Every 4th paragraph

should have a bold face head to hold a reader." A committee was formed to study the magazine costs, etc. 3rd V.P. James Robertson said the Board had better advise the Committee the purpose of the magazine. "...Is it to advise and publish the pictures of the membership and publicize on a national basis....or to install Masonic thoughts?"

Sivers (purpose) "...is to help promote clubs....That is the purpose of this magazine for High Twelve. Everything should be of Masonic background of course."

The Board members began discussing the dues, which had been raised from \$1.00 to \$2.00 in 1946. There was now discussion of raising from \$2.00 to \$3.00. Fenton, "...You should have raised it another dollar." Allerton, "...I wish you had, but you don't know how tough it was." "...and I don't think any President wants to go through that if he can avoid it...." "We've got to point out that our International Office has reached the stage that they need more help...." "That Wallie is 78 and can't be expected to carry on indefinitely. You've got to find a man, and it's going to cost more money."

"....I'm wondering if we shouldn't give consideration to requiring a new club to have a minimum of \$10.00." Wallie, "Some states get 25¢ a member for state dues and a few for 50¢. California gets \$1.00. Some states are so desperately poor that the President pays his own way to meetings and don't have postage for a State Bulletin."

Chairman Bailey of the Constitution and By-Laws Committee, "of the 129 sections at least 54 are faulty in one respect or another." "...some conflicting provision... Constitution providing for one thing, By-Laws for another. Clauses and phrases can be made more clear. There are obsolete provision. Some provisions in the By-Laws are absolutely ignored...." Ambiguous clauses and sections....impossible to figure out what it means." "...It will take 2 years to prepare a Constitution and By-Laws to be presented...." They did make some suggestions for immediate consideration for presentation at the next Convention....amendments on dues. Don Bailey, Ch.

There was considerable discussion regarding either issuing new charters (as from High Twelve International instead of International High Twelve Club(s) or amending Constitution to acknowledge that those previously chartered as International High Twelve Club would be legal. Concern was expressed about the possibility of unduly exciting the clubs at this time. It was recommended that High Twelve International should apply for a new patent; the minutes to show that all clubs paid up, exercised their rights and privileges under the old name would be able to participate in and enjoy right in patent name. Passed to Constitution & By-Laws Comm.

Wallie, speaking of the great fellowship of the 185 man Clearwater (Fla.) HTC, "...the laughter and the talk about Masonry, it was wonderful, and yet the Grand Master refused the Blue Lodge men of Florida the privilege of attending the High Twelve Club. Now in all the years of my Masonry, I have not yet found any conceivable reason why a Grand Lodge should take that attitude. Our sufferings in the State of Texas. This is long before any of you became High Twelvians; I guess maybe Hugh (Allerton) and maybe Royal might have been, but we had a great club of 200 men at Dallas, Texas. I was with them in 1928, and I was thrilled with the room at the new Busch Hotel with that group of men." (NOTE: See 1938 for the story of how we lost the right to be in Texas.DLP)

The Administration Manual, under guidance of PIP and Sec. Harold Sivers was now completed and on sale for \$6.00 each. The four sections of the 8½x11 71 page manual were, "Manual for Administration of HTI", "Administration of State and District Associations", "Organization of High Twelve Clubs" and "Leadership". "Secretary feels and desires that every State President and Secretary should purchase a copy, & that many clubs will be aided by having a copy in the Secretary's files." HIGH TWELVIAN Jan-Feb., 1960.

Wolcott had sent Sivers a letter of resignation 12/1/59, objecting to the "Truitt, Griffiths, Fenton action that makes International Officers the control of the clubs, rather than the servants of the clubs." No action taken at Mid-Year Meeting.

Past International President Siverson was instructed by the International Board 12/6/59 to obtain a new (additional) trade mark from the U.S. Government on correct name of organization as of that day, High Twelve International.

Word was received from Frank Mayo, Trustee of the California Ensign Mayo DeMolay Loan Fund. that Attorney Edward A. Hammer of the San Francisco High Twelve Club had a client, a member, who had bequeathed in his will a trust fund in excess of \$50,000.00, the income of which will go to the Fund. This fund is for DeMolay undergraduate study loans in California colleges.

General Curtis E. LeMay was unanimously elected an Honorary Life Member of the Curtis LeMay High Twelve Club, Guam. Certificate presented by General (Bro.) Montgomery to LeMay in Washington, D.C.

SOUTH BAY HTC, a joint venture of Chula Vista and National City (south of San Diego) charter banquet held Jan. 16, 1960 in Chula Vista. Presented by 2nd Int. V.P. William Worthen, Glendale. State Pres. Dave Snyder installed the officers with the assistance of State 1st V.P. Art Gonzales, Fresno and 2nd V.P. Don Mathewson, Los Angeles. 35 members. President Walter C. Coe, Sec. r. Walter E. Kenrick. Robert James, Master of Cer.

NORTHEAST JOHNSON COUNTY (Shawnee Mission) Kan. HTC charter presented 2/11/60 (charter showed 12/3/59) according to the High Twelvian. 31 members. Pres. Monte Gillespie of the Kansas City HTC presented charter to President Wm. E. Cook.

"Attendance at Masonic Meetings" was the central thought of talk by P.G.M. Arthur H. Strickland, Grand Lodge AF&AM, Kansas. "It is my considered opinion....that the lack of Lodge attendance is caused more by boring, tedious and uninteresting meetings that we have than by any other reason."

BALDWIN PARK (Calif) HTC charter presented 1/24/60. 42 members. Pres. Don Eckhart. Tie Clasps were advertised at \$1.85 each in the March-May, 1960 High Twelvian.

HOYT S. VANDENBERG (AFB) Calif. A group of Masons met 4/1/60 to organize a High Twelve Club. Within a month 47 members were on charter. Mrs. Hoyt S. Vandenberg gave permission to use the name of General (Bro.) Vandenberg for the club name. 5/27/60 the Charter was presented by State Pres. Dave Snyder, with help of Sec. Tallman Trask, Sr. Pres. James C. Tipton; Sec. Chas. A. Buck.

The building Fund balance 5/31/59 was \$3,302.68 from Michigan clubs. Total 2/29/60 \$4,387.68, increase of \$1,085.00.

The First Annual Conference with Wolcott Foundation scholars, George Washington University was 2/20/60, Washington, D.C., Trustees Leonard Voorhees and Hicks Griffiths representing the Foundation. Four scholars present for the exchange of views. University represented by Pres. Emeritus Marvin, Bro. Max Farrington, Wilbur E. Benson and Dr. Waldo F. Summers. The Trustees paid their own way. In PIP Hicks Griffiths report, he emphasized the importance of each State Association having an Educational Committee to screen the candidates proposed by the individual club(s).

The Fort Dodge HTC was awarded a plaque by the Salvation Army for raising funds which brought Christmas cheer to many in Webster County during the 1959 Christmas season. Had been a joint effort with Shrine Club for 5 years. High Twelvian 3-5, 1960. "...They're tough in Wisconsin on the liquor question. The Grand Master recently suspended the Master and Secretary of a Lodge for inducting a man engaged in the sale of intoxicating liquor, and the Grand Master directed the incoming Grand Master to charge them with unMasonic conduct."

Col. James Hoffman, PIP 1932-33, KCCH, Denver, passed away during the spring. He had commanded a tank battalion in WW II Battle of the Bulge, where he was wounded. A Past Master, Past Grand Commander of Knights Templar of Colorado, and Past Right Eminent Commander of the West Central Department of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States.

5/1/60 - U2 USA RECONNOISSANCE PLANE CARRYING F.G. POWERS SHOT DOWN IN SOVIET ASIA.

H.C. GODMAN (Moron A.B. San Pablo Spain) Charter issued 7/18/60. 38 members. Pres. Dixie Clamp. DOWNTOWN DAYTON (Ohio) HTC charter issued 5/7/60. 45 members. Pres. John P. McHugh. HIGH POINT (St Petersburg, Fla) charter issued 4/18/60. 41 members. Pres. Robert E. Crone. BOWLING GREEN (Ky.) Charter issued 6/18/60. 27 members. Pres. Chester I. Bays. SACRAMENTO, (Calif) HTC charter issued 6/23/60. 235 members. Pres. LeRoy Wigginton, Jr. (NOTE: This was not the first High Twelve Club in Sacramento. DLP) ARCADIA, Ca. HTC charter issued 6/23/60. 77 members. Pres. Herbert H. Goddard.

On April 9, 1960 a group of Bowling Green, Kentucky Masons met with Right Worshipful C.J. Hyde, Grand Senior Warden, Grand Lodge of Kentucky, also 1st V.P. of High Twelve International. Acting Pres. Phillip Dye, acting Sec. Chester Bays. 6/18/60 the charter was presented and officers installed by C.J. Hyde. Pres. Bays, and Sec. H.W. McCubbin.

The International Convention 6/26/60-6/29/60 was held at the Hotel La Playa, Carmel, Calif. R.W. Thompson, Sr., General Chairman. Written report by Executive Director E.C. Wolcott, who did not attend the convention, "...It has been proven we cannot use a paid organizer. The only club builder who can do it is a brother Mason from a nearby club, who can make repeated trips back to the new club. A study of fine growth in our Civic Clubs reveals that clubs are built by neighboring clubs. "Projects are the life of a club, eating is not."

Wallie then listed possible projects. "This year has seen a marked decline in such projects and a marked decline in securing new members...." "For an organization of our idealism with only 11 new clubs chartered and 3 to be chartered in June, and an annual increase of only 138 this year is a danger signal."

"....In Cleveland in 1952, a plan proposed by Dr. J. Wallace Forbes, a PIP, that a project of assisting in the education of selected Masonic youth for service in the Foreign Service of the U.S. was adopted. As I see it, after these 8 years, it has been a total failure and the responsibility for the failure is in one of the following groups....The Foundation Trustees, the youths selected or the University."

"The present resolution you are to reject or adopt is not the solution, for under the pretext of setting our Income Tax status in order at the Income Tax Office in Washington, D.C., the result was the setting up of a new control group of the gifts of the clubs, and to control the Michigan Club gifts for a home, all on the suggestions of a 5¢ a member dues, but a self governing body of trustees."

"If a plan to aid Masonic youth through loans to such, such as the Mayo Fund of California, in full control of such State Association, were set up, would not it reach and benefit more youth and not try to force vocational choices on youth?" He then referred to the Michigan Clubs' generous gifts toward a permanent home, under leadership of 'Andy' Anderson PIP. "....I feel the project cannot be realized and the Committee should authorize the return of the gifts."

"Do my 39 years at this task, my club building record, my years in handling men, personality valuations for corporations, my knowledge of dedications justify my putting these problems on the heart of you delegates? Should the International Officers dictate to or serve the club". (NOTE: This challenge to High Twelve International Of-

ficers and Foundation Trustees seemed to be the "joining of battle", which had such ill effects on all concerned for several years, 12/1/59 he had written Sivers a letter of resignation, not acted upon until now.DLP)

President William Kent Fenton said that following the Philadelphia Convention, salary increases were voted for E.C.Wolcott and Mrs.Diering. "Despite the fact that I urged that the Board's instructions be complied with, this has not been done." "....The Board also ordered that a competent tax lawyer be engaged to determine the legal status of the Wolcott Foundation Fund of High Twelve International. This was done, and an investigation revealed that it was not a legal entity and is actually outside the legal control of High Twelve International. We have spent months attempting to correct this situation...."

Max Farrington, Asst. to President of George Washington University spoke Tuesday afternoon. The Trustees reported that the Wolcott Foundation Fund of High Twelve International June 1, 1959 to 5/31/60 were = gifts \$7,027.28, interest \$827.51 - total increase \$7,854.79. Balance on hand (all funds) \$29,859.81 = \$37,714.60. Disbursements G.W.U. Tuition & books \$7,117.00, bal. \$30,597.60.

The delegates approved and directed the establishment of the new scholarship Foundation, ratified the By-Laws, and agreed by resolution to accept no further contributions for the old Foundation as of the close of the Convention 6/29/60; that the Trustees would exhaust the funds of the old Wolcott Foundation before drawing on the monies in the new Foundation. (NOTE: Bear this paragraph in mind, for in the future, much controversy would swirl around it and compliance and non-compliance.DLP)

Tallman Trask, writing in the Nov.Dec. High Twelvian, 1964, in reporting on the Presidency of William Kent Fenton, 1959-60 said, "...Some of the highlights of his year were the incorporation of the new Wolcott Foundation, establishing the authority of the International President, and providing a pension for the Founder, E.C.Wolcott."

There was a resolution submitted by the Port Huron High Twelve Club opposing the removal of the Wolcott Foundation and Building Fund from the control of the Governing Board of High Twelve International. 20 clubs concured. REJECTED. The High Twelve Club of New Orleans submitted a Resolution in opposition to the formation of the suggested corporat'n., "The Wolcott Foundation, Inc.," unless the Board of Trustees be composed of High Twelve members; that the Board of Trustees make a detailed Annual Report of assets, liability, receipts, expenditures and activities of the Corporation at the International Convention of H.T.I; that the Board of Trustees serve staggered terms, and be elected by members of High Twelve International. TABLED (NOTE: Most of these safeguards eventually employed.DLP)

A resolution retired Executive Director E.C.Wolcott and directed the Board to appoint an Administrator.. (NOTE the subtle difference between the titles of Executive Director and that of Administrator. It denoted a fundamental difference in authority & responsibility, and a clear subserviance to the Board of the latter.DLP) Secretary Harold Sivers PIP was instructed to develop a job survey, questionnaire to officers and to determine what the duties of the Administrator should be. (This went out in late August or early Sept. They met in St Louis in October, and narrowed the list down to 12. He then wrote them and asked their thoughts on salary and expenses. As the general indication of duties would require a lot of traveling, a few applicants dropped out.)

The Meeting of the Past Presidents Committee of HTI discussed an increase in dues to provide retirement pay for E.C.Wolcott and to employ extra help in the International Office (Administrator) to succeed the Executive Director. There was a resolution for retirement pay of \$4,800.00 per year for E.C.Wolcott as Executive Director for life; and the formation of an Executive Committee of three to have full and complete authority to operate and manage the International Office and all International affairs pending the selection of a permanent Administrator for the International Office. An adminis-

trator. was to be selected at the time of the Mid-Year meeting.

There were several amendments to the By-Laws. Art. XVII, Sec.2 provided for vacancy in the Board of Trustees of the Foundation being filled by Interim Trustees until the next International Convention. Art.XII, Sec.3 specified that all charters granted to local clubs in the name of International Association of High Twelve Clubs were declared to be true and valid charter High Twelve International.

An Amendment to Art V - Officers , would make the General Counsel an appointive officer, along with the Editor. Art XII, Sec. 2 would make the semi-annual dues \$1.50. increasing per capita 50¢ semi-annually. The new active member would be \$2.00. carried. Recommended Art.XV Sec.3 to increase Council of Past Presidents (except Immediate Past President) from 10 to all Past Presidents. Adoption of the Article of Incorporation of the Wolcott Foundation Inc. was held up until attorneys working on the By-Laws had completed their work.

In his report as Convention Chairman, Ralph W.Thompson said this was the first time that delegates visited a Blue Lodge meeting, and the first time to attend a High Twelve luncheon of the Armed Forces; and that this convention established a higher standard of youth participation than theretofore.

Before we close out the books on this important year, we had better have a few statistics, so, in a few years, it can be determined what effect the changes may have had on the organization. One report said that in 5/31/59 there were 14,251 members, and in 5/31/60 there were 14,389, an increase of 138 members.

New clubs 6/1/59 - 5/31/60 not otherwise reported as charters issued: ARLINGTON, Ca. 6/6/59; POTTS GROVE (Pottstown) Pa. 6/22/59; CASS COUNTY, Logansport, Ind. 9/10/59; EAST TOLEDO (Ohio) 9/15/59; COVINGTON, Ky. 9/23/59; BALDWIN PARK, Ca. 1/23/60. Charters pending - ARCADIA, Ca; HIGH POINT (Clearwater) Fla.

CLUBS BY STATES: Calif. 62 + 3 inactive; MICHIGAN 21; OHIO 18 + 3 inactive; MISSOURI 17 + 1 inactive; IOWA 17; ILLINOIS 13; KENTUCKY 10; PENNA. 9; KANSAS 9; INDIANA 8; COLORADO 7 + 1 inactive; FLORIDA 7; LOUISIANA 6; NEW JERSEY 5; SOUTH DAKOTA 3; OKLA. 3; GUAM 2; NEBRASKA 2; 1 each in England, Maryland; Minnesota; Newfoundland; New Mexico (re-activated); NEW YORK 1; WASH.1....TOTAL 228 + 8 inactive.

11 new clubs by states: 5 Calif; Ohio 2 + 1 each in Ind., Kan., Kentucky and Pa. HTI Building fund 6/1/59 - 5/31/60 \$1,085.00, balance on hand 5/31/59 \$3,302.68. Grand total \$4,387.68. General fund \$9,432.59, Mich.Home Office Bldg.Fund \$4,387.68, Wolcott Fund - Cash \$4,597.60, S & L \$26,000.00 - total \$30,597.60. Office \$2,822.12, Sivers Manual \$1,260.69, Salaries \$8,631.00, Int Off.Travel \$6,389.00, Mag. \$9,731.99, Inv. \$5,505.80.

After the election, the men left for Fort Ord, where a model High Twelve luncheon was held by Army Memorial HTC. The ladies took a tour of Monterey Peninsula, 17 mile Drive, Pebble Beach and lunch at Highlands Inn.

Officers for 1960-61 - C.J.Hyde, Louisville, Ky President; 1st VP William L.Worthen, Glendale, Calif; 2nd VP James N. Robertson, Media, Pa; 3rd VP Wm.F.Tearman, Terre Haute, Ind; Sec.to Int.Board, Harold J.Sivers PIP, Toledo, Ohio; Treasurer and ACTING ADMINISTRATOR - James E.Gram, East St Louis, Mo; Office Secretary Mrs.Lucille Diering, 2683 Big Bend Blvd., St Louis, Mo.; General Counsel G.A.Royal; Im.PIP Wm.K.Fenton, Toledo, Ohio. (FOR THE FIRST TIME IN MANY YEARS, E.C.WOLCOTT, FOUNDER., WAS NOT LISTED IN ANY MANNER on the inside cover of the July, August, 1960 High Twelvian. The editor was not listed. Acting Editor more than likely was E.P.White, Jr., Louisville, Ky.

Foundation Trustees - Chairman Hicks G.Griffiths, Sec.Leonard Voorhees, Tr.Wm.F.

Kinnard; Bishop Stephen Robinson, Des Moines; Arthur E. Bus, Escalon, Ca.

The new 3rd VP, Wm. F. Tearman, a funeral director from Terre Haute, Ind. was a candidate for the same office year prior, but had withdrawn in favor of James N. Robertson, atty., Media, Pa.

LIAISON OFFICERS, H.T.I. - William L. Worthen, Budgetary & Future Planning; Expansion; Club Manuals, Masonic Relations, Publicity; James R. Robertson, Const. & By-Laws, Resolution, Credentials, Military Affairs; Wm. F. Tearman, High Twelve Bldg. Fund, Youth, Club Leadership, Club Projects.

COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN: Budgetary & Future Planning - T. Archer Brown; Club Manuals - Harold J. Sivers, PIP; Club Leadership - David R. Snyder; Projects - Robert F. Clynch; High Twelve Bldg. Fund (later); Resolutions - Charles F. Burkin; Military Affairs - Burchard M. Johnson; Credentials - Sydney Supples; Const. & B-L, Arthur S. Schifferman; Youth - Duane Gurlock; Publicity and Pub. Rels. - E. P. White, Jr.; Expansion - Tallman Trask; Masonic Relations - Joseph A. Bachelor; Executive Comm. - James R. Robertson.

Chairman Trask of the Int. Expansion Committee said, "....We have practically stood still for several years in membership. Some states haven't organized a new club for several years. Growth must be the major project for this year." "....A working machine must be set up in every state." "....Every club must be 'set afire' to hold every member they have....and cooperate in forming a new club in a nearby community."

Dues were raised \$1.00 a year to \$3.00 per year. Lucille Diering reported that between 125 to 150 signed Past Presidents Certificates were sold each year. Hicks G. Griffiths PIP, Chairman of the Wolcott Foundation in discussing the State Education Committee created by action of the delegates at the 1960 Convention because of State Dept. emphasis on oral examination, the Education Committee should orally examine every applicant. He also gave the example of a brilliant student who has prepared for medicine, then several semesters later switched to Engineering. "....Even though the student is of high intelligence, he is not properly qualified in the field of Engineering."

Students must have "B" or better in all their undergraduate work. Must have proper prerequisites, regardless of how excellent as students, must show a high degree of motivation towards a career in government service. Example of problem....1956 Chief Examiner of Foreign Service received 10,113 applications for Foreign Service assignments. 6,743 took written examinations. Of the latter, only 1,301 candidates passed written exam with grade of 70 or over. Evident that oral exam would screen out all but 150 of these 1,301 who had passed...written exam."

High Twelvian Sept.-Oct. 1960, in reporting that High Twelve's Founder and long-time Executive Director and Editor of the High Twelvian E.C. Wolcott has retired 'as reported in the California HOUR', "....At the International Convention, Carmel, the Executive Board voted an annual retirement pension for Bro. Wolcott, who celebrated his 79th birthday in June. During his 39 years as Executive Director, he has realized his fondest dream of seeing High Twelve become the sixth largest luncheon club in the nation. California holds a special place in Wallie's heart by having 64 active High Twelve Clubs."

Thus ended the active career of the great builder of clubs of Master Masons who desire an hour of fellowship and who are devoted to service not only to Freemasonry but to their fellow man, their community and nation.

HOURLY EARNINGS IN MFG. IND. (yrly avg.) GROSS - \$2.26 ('50=\$1.44; '55=\$1.86; '65= \$2.61. 1960 Gross Natl. Product= \$503,734,000; 1970= \$977,080,000; 1971= \$1,055,450,000.

Wallie wrote J.E.Gram, "Chairman of the Executive Committee" 8/4/60, advising that the letter he was sending the secretaries of the clubs (about his retirement, and presumably his point of view re.matter) was paid for by himself. This included preparation, paper, envelopes and postage. He left suggestions with the office secretary Mrs.Diering; that all letters go to his home direct, not through Mrs. Diering. He advised he would give every cooperation.

Wallie suggested Gram come to the office and discuss operations with Mrs.Diering. The keys were left in the office. "...I am taking my personal property from 2683 Big Bend Blvd., Maplewood Sat. 8/6, which ends my relationship with High Twelve International as Executive Director and Editor of the High Twelvian Magazine. I shall keep and hold dear my relationship with the clubs. Call me when I can help them." E.C.W. 423 Honeysuckle Lane, Webster Groves 19,Mo.

Secretary Siverson wrote Mrs.Lucille Diering 8/10/60 re. Wallie's retirement. High Twelve "...wishes to honor him, but "because of his years, he cannot go on as in the past." President C.J.Hyde to J.E.Gram,Treasurer 8/14/60, "...Bro.Gram, your letter is encouraging in as much as you state that things are working out. With you held there at the International Office, I'm sure that things will move along in the right direction...." At some point in the Fall, Gram became officially "Acting Administrator." Executive Committee composed of Robertson, Worthen and Gram.

A letter from PIP and Int.Secretary Harold Siverson 8/15/60 referred to the newly to be incorporated "Wolcott Foundation,Inc." "I enclose herewith a photo copy of the Articles of Incorporation of the Wolcott Foundation,Inc., to be incorporated under the laws of Missouri. Also a copy of the By-Laws of the proposed corporation as adopted by the Convention at Carmel, Cal. Original....amended By-Laws....turned over to attorneys in St Louis to see if all the amendments conform to laws of Missouri. If they do, then the Foundation is to be effected at once...."

"I also enclose herewith a pamphlet entitled 'The Wolcott Scholarship Foundation', which contains a brief history of the Foundation. In addition to the information contained therein I can offer the additional information, ' Years ago a small contribution was given to Wallie and his wife. They turned this money over to High Twelve for the purpose of creating a fund that, with additions thereto, could be used for a worthy cause. In the year 1950, Past President Wallace Forbes advanced the idea of creating a scholarship at George Washington University in the School of Government.

"The purpose was to train Masonic youth for the foreign service of the United States. Later this was expanded to cover any branch of government service in overseas duty: It took several years to work out the kinks in the plan. In 1954, the mechanics of the operation of the Foundation were set up after a trip to Washington, D.C. and Philadelphia, where a meeting of three of the Trustees and myself obtained the necessary information from President Cloyse Marvin, President of George Washington University and then set forth what we thought were the essential rules for operation of the Foundation. The rules as so propounded were presented to the mid-year meeting held that year, and with some changes were adopted.

"There has been considerable difficulty in getting the Foundation into operation, due perhaps to the divergence of views as to whether the scholarship was to be reserved entirely for foreign service, should women be accepted as candidates, who should control the money,etc. Under the leadership of Hicks Griffiths, Chairman of the Trustees, and the devotion of the other Trustees, and with the incorporation of the Foundation, I believe that the Wolcott Foundation is off to a good start, and that in the future, the members of High Twelve can be proud of their national project...."

In a letter of 8/19/60 from Siverson to Mrs.Diering, it seems clear the Board wanted Wallie to leave; and that Wallie apparently thought Royal was one of the "ring leaders".

That while they would keep track of his activities (letters to clubs presenting his side of the question),"but do nothing to curtail them....to send mimeo'd copies of convention minutes to any club desiring to examine...."

Mrs. Diering, the Office Secretary on 8/19/60 referred to \$4,387.68 in the Building Fund account at the bank, and that no one was authorized to withdraw it. "Mr. Gram wants to invest major part in interest bearing certificates...." "....and sends signature cards for signature of three officers....need copy of Resolution for office file." Grateful she could call on Gram for advice. On 10/31/60 she wrote Siverson that \$4,100.00 was invested in 'certificates and \$27.68 in savings a/c @ 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ %. Presumably the balance was in a checking account.

Harold J. Siverson to James Gram, Treasurer and Acting Administrator 8/23/60 suggests that Mrs. Diering send a note to clubs with the bills to say, "Should you desire a copy of the minutes of the convention please make request to the International Office." "....we must consider that we have a big job ahead and we cannot permit any new dissension to come into the picture as High Twelve International vs Wolcott Foundation, Inc. Both groups must work together or neither will succeed...." "....I agree wholeheartedly that the checks presented to Hicks at the convention (for Wolcott Foundation) should perhaps be deposited in the new corporation and that certainly the donors are entitled to proper recognition. This letter of recognition, however, I think should be prepared by Hicks Griffiths as chairman of the Trustees, as the Trustees may feel that if the officers decide to give the proper recognition rather than the Trustees, that they the officers, are taking over some of the responsibilities of the Trustees...."

Siverson wrote Mrs. Diering 9/22/60, "....looks like Milton Hardy's applying for position of Administrator...." Mrs. Diering to W.L. Hopperstead, PIP, "....Wallie had a steel file here and he took with him when he moved out, and I have a feeling the proceedings (of Toledo Convention) are in his file; and I am not about to call him and ask him about it since he has taken the attitude toward me he has. I am not to call him or write to him about anything."

"....Everything is going along smoothly now; but I put in a rough time this summer. Wallie was supposed to stay until the First of September and get out the magazine following the Convention; but I guess you heard that when I got back from my vacation on the 8th of August, he had moved out lock stock and barrel, and the office looked like a cyclone had struck it. The building manager had the walls painted and I rearranged the office and things are running smoothly again. Mr. Gram has been a great source of strength to me. He calls every day to see how things are coming along, and he is certainly wonderful to work with." (Lucille Diering had not attended Convention in Carmel.)

The Wolcott Foundation, Inc. was incorporated in Missouri because Tax Attorneys advised that the 6/17/53 Indenture of Trust was defective and having no legal force or effect; and the tax exempt status of the Foundation under the Internal Revenue Code was most questionable. 9/21/60

The International Board met 10/29/60 in St Louis, Mo., President C.J. Hyde presiding. They reviewed 15 applications for the post of Executive Director. Final action hopefully to be taken at Mid-Year meeting when Vice Presidents Worthen and Hyde could be present.

"....The new, non-profit, contribution deductible corporation is in full operation. The Charter (Wolcott Foundation, Inc.) was granted in September. It is officially known as the Wolcott Foundation, Incorporated, and makes all members of High Twelve International voting stockholders in the wide flung affairs..." 75 dinner guests heard Pres. Hyde's address.

An official High Twelve Induction Ceremony of new members was proposed by Art E. Schifferman, Chairman Constitution & By-Laws Committee in the Sept-Oct., 1960 Hi. 12 vian.

The High Twelvian announced a nation-wide contest to encourage the writing of what might become the official slogan of High Twelve International, with \$50.00 to be awarded to the winner. Immediate Past International President Wm. Kent Fenton, Toledo, in referring to his year, felt that we owed a responsibility to the Masonic Fraternity by the formation of a Masonic Relations Committee.

Fenton felt that more stress should be placed upon educating the members, particularly the officers of the clubs in their obligations, duties and authority; and that we should ever strive to raise the standard of quality of our officers in all divisions. "....The logical method of promoting this particular aim lies in the publication of brochures covering the subjects of club leadership and club management."

He felt that the club secretaries should be required to send one copy of the Monthly Report to the International Secretary and one to his State or District Secretary. "....A definite effort should be made to standardize elections of club officers and the officers of state associations to the end that the election of all club officers could be held during the same month of the year; and all state or district officers should be elected the same month of the year. This would simplify the preparation of the roster of officers. "....it is my firm conviction that the size of the publication (High Twelvian) should more nearly correspond with the size of the publications similar to Readers Digest or Coronet....and....more attention should be given to news of local, state or district association news....and a short section should be devoted to Masonic information."

COLUMBUS (Ind.) HTC charter issued 9/17/60. 53 members. Pres. Thomas M. Pickett. TORREJON (Madrid) AFB Spain HTC charter issued 9/13/60. 22 members. Capt. Edward C. Pitchford; SIGNAL SQUARE & COMPASS (Downey, Ca.) HTC charter issued 11/5/60. 22 members. Pres. Lloyd Dunn. INGRANDES (France) chartered about that time.

STATE PRESIDENTS: 1960 - Dave Snyder, North Park, San Diego, Calif. Arthur E. Gonzales, Fresno for 1961; Colorado - 1960-61 Ray Daugherty, Boulder; Illinois - 5/28/60 Gilbert B. Harvey, Paris; Iowa-South Dakota - 1960-61 Clarence Stage, Davenport; Kansas - 1960 J. Milford Crabb, Kansas City; 1961 Robert C. Gosney, K.C.; Michigan - 1960-61 T. Archer Brown, Lansing; Missouri - 1960-61 Herbert F. Hahn, St. Louis; New Jersey - Governor 1960 Frank C. Crawford, Bridgeton; 1961 Rowland C. Mauch, Newark. Ohio - 1960-61 Wm. H. Leafgreen, Sandusky; 1961-62 Leonard B. Voorhees, Euclid.

Pres. C. J. Hyde to James E. Gram, Treasurer and Acting Administrator 10/17/60, saying he'd just returned from California, that there were 6 clubs "on the fence" on his arrival, "but after having the facts presented to them have seen it differently, and peace and harmony prevailed; but Bakersfield might be lost. "Attached is a letter which explains what Bro. Wallie is still saying to the different clubs and individuals around the country that he has strong personal contact with. These are the people that must be contacted if we are to save many of our clubs." "....I just received a two page letter this date from Bro. F. E. Fields who states that they are going to lose 4 clubs,or intend to drop from International and operate as a local club without paying dues to International; but are holding off at the request of Bro. Fields until after their (Colorado) State Convention 22nd of October...when the President of International can give them a good reason to stay in...." "....I believe if we fail to stay on top of these cutting letters we stand to lose. They seem to have an uncanny influence that is very difficult to deal with by writing...." "....they still insist on being told face to face." Discussing the high cost of travel, and much of it by plane to explain the situation to save clubs and state associations, "travel....of past years could be utilized for forming new clubs and a number of other things of greater benefit to Hil2. But at present it seems necessary to hold what we have." Speaking of the requests to attend state meetings, "....I believe we have too many State meetings at this time of year. Would be better if they were spread out over the year...."

Secretary Siverson to Office Secretary Mrs. Diering indicated that technically Wallie was not let out, for 2 more votes from Wallie from the Governing Board members and he would have been rehired, so "...hardly proper for Wallie to criticize the entire High Twelve movement and all officers of High Twelve. A Mr. Garnholz had suggested to Siverson not using name of Wolcott on Wolcott Foundation. Siverson had replied that until next Convention, nothing could be done. In Garnholz' opinion Wallie needed the money badly...." "...We may find that Wallie will accept checks if he is as hard up as Garnholz seems to think...." (NOTE: Apparently Wallie had either been returning the checks or holding them, uncashed.DLP)

E.C.Wolcott, Webster Grove, Missouri 11/3/60 to C.J.Hyde, Pres.HTT - Excerpts -
"....I have been under terrific pressure from High Twelve leaders and clubs by heavy mail, telephone and telegram." "...My decision to not communicate with any member of International Board was only to avoid further misunderstandings and hurts to me and to you as International President. 'The least said is the soonest mended.' I was afraid the one person of International whose intense hatred of me might turn on you if you showed any friendship for or had any contact with me." "...discussion by many High Twelve leaders and clubs over the three actions taken at Carmel....1 - The Wolcott Foundation; 2 - My discharge as Executive Director and Editor of the Magazine; 3 - Awarding of a pension."

"....I am sure you do not and cannot know how deeply the clubs are disturbed, as I know it; and many clubs because of their feeling that the control of all legislation and funds belong to them, and that the convention at Carmel rode rough shod over them. I have no rancor in my heart nor any desire to hurt anyone...." "...I am compelled to go along with them in keeping full control of the money of both the Foundation and International, for it is their money created by their gifts and their dues."

"As for the pension, if I can be sure the clubs agree for me to accept it I will. I am holding the check that came today. If the funds of the Foundation can be left in the control of the clubs through the International and not taken over in a separate corporation I am willing to allow my name to be used."

"....With all the promises of the George Washington University and the statements of their influence in the Foreign Relations Department, they have failed to secure an appointment for a single one of the youth sent by the gift from the Wolcott Foundation to the George Washington University. Why? Yale, Harvard, Princeton and Columbia Universities all have great courses in Foreign Relations Training, not only to M.A.Degrees but also to a Doctor's Degree and that is where a family of wealth and political influence will send their sons. You can see President Kennedy's youth plan by-passes the Foreign Relations jobs and wants to send youth as teachers and business leaders to live in homes of these people, to be paid for by other governments..."

LE PREMIER EN FRANCE, the first Army HTC in Europe was organized in Southwestern France. High Twelvians came from all over Europe 11/25/60, including Arnold Page HTC, Lakenheath, England; H.C.GODMAN HTC Moran Air Base, Spain. 80 people in attendance. Pres. Hammaker; Sec-Tr. Keeler. Grand Lodge and Lodge officers of France attended.

In one of his undated letters about November, 1960, Wallie asks, ".... Can it be possible that all my years in club building - in Masonic contacts and relationships - my years in business personnel work has no value such as a years work with the selected Executive Director giving him all the above has no value?...."

"....I was most interested in reading your letter of 11/3/60 in reference to Wallie's desire to re-enter High Twelve," wrote Siverson to Lucille Diering 11/11/60. "I think I accomplished something in my visit with him after the dinner, and at which time I showed him the entire minutes of the Board Meeting and the Convention, and while he in-

sisted if we used the name of Wolcott, he would sue. I was quite sure he wouldn't bring such suit. However, it is possible because of my meeting with him perhaps, that we had the further correspondence with Wallie."

"I agree with you undoubtedly Wallie would like to be Executive Director again. That of course cannot take place. I do think, however, that if we could use him in some spot in High Twelve perhaps as a front man or to help train the Administrator, if and when we appoint one, with the understanding with the new Administrator that Wallie had no authority except as to advise him what was to be done, he could be a big help. I agree with Jerry Royal that he is not ready to back down far enough to come back in and he is asking the Board to do the backing down."

President of High Twelve International C.J.Hyde was honored 11/13/60 on TV Station WAKY as Citizen of the Week. At the time Hyde was Assistant Supt. Crime Prevention Bureau, Louisville Division of Police. He was being supported for the presidency of the newly organized Louisville Department's Chapter of the Fraternal Order of Police. On 11/14/60, Lt.Hyde was elected.

ACACIA HTC and GLENDALE (Calif.) HTCs merge 11/8/60.

All State Associations and Clubs were requested by the Expansion Committee to see that each club had an attendance committee operating. That each club have a membership committee working under the slogan, "Every member get a member." That every club immediately select a nearby community and start organizing a new High Twelve Club, which it would sponsor.

It was mentioned that a number of new clubs were in the making, according to Chairman Trask, with Indiana working on 9. Trask listed 20 steps in organizing a club, once the club has decided on a community in which to organize. They are summarized as: 1. Select the community; 2 Select a member to organize it; 3 Organizer calls on key Masons, who determine whom to contact and calls meeting; 4 Invite International or State officers (past or present) to meet with them; 5 Set date and place of next meeting; 6 Make personal calls on those attending previous meeting to attend next.

7 - 2 or 3 meetings later have a "snappy" program; 8 Elect permanent officers, set regular time and place of meetings; 9 Type charter application; 10 When Application ready, send to State Secretary with checks; 11 State Sec. sets up records and sends receipts to club secretary; 12 State Sec. rushes application and check to State President for approval; 13 State President approves and sends charter application to St Louis;

14 International Office orders charter, mails proof to Secretary of new club for accuracy. Corrected "proof" sent by club secretary to International Office. 15 Don't set charter party date until cleared with State President, who should be installing officer, as well as other dignataries. 16 Allow 45 days before considering charter party date; 17 At charter party, stop all drinking and close bar prior to call to dinner; 18 Sponsoring club should be well represented and should present new club with bell and gavel....ordered well in advance.

19 Send invitations to nearby High Twelve Clubs well in advance, as well as officers and past officers of State and International. 20 Give new club "before" and "after" publicity. (NOTE: The above summary is contained in the old brochure 20 Ways to Start a High Twelve Club. DLP)

At the QUINCY, Ill. HTC Annual Ladies Night 11/12/60 Int.Pres.C.J.Hyde, Deputy Grand Master of Masons, Kentucky, talked on SERVICE, illustrating his talk by letters: S=Sacrifice; E=Enthusiasm; R=Right mental attitude; V=Vision; I= "I will", "I can", and "I won't"; C=Cooperation; E=Effort. Hyde was introduced by J.Carl Menke, Prog.Ch.

"....I found Wallie to be in perfect health, looking quite rested, and full of constructive ideas," wrote Int.Treasurer J.E.Gram 11/25/60 to Pres.C.J.Hyde. "I can truthfully say that while he has suffered many hurts and heart aches, he has no ill feeling toward anyone. He feels that the High Twelve movement in its importance is too big to be cast aside. He does, however, have a firm conviction that some ideas are wrong and that the old firm policies are worth fighting for."

"....The only reason for refusing the first check sent to him as a reward and a retirement pension was he did not feel we could afford such a non-profitable expense. He would rather have some work in High Twelve where his vast acquaintances, knowledge, ideals and helpful suggestions would be considered worth the checks in questions.

"....Our meeting revealed that Wallie would desire a place on the Foundation Trustees Staff." "....Regarding a new man to carry on our expansion, assisting and guiding program, it is Wallie's positive thinking taken from many long and hard years of experience that for a man who has qualities in education, experience, health, Masonic background at an age 40 to 50 years, you will have to pay at least \$7,000-\$8,000 per year salary; and no less than \$100.00 per week travel expense. This money we do not have, and from all appearance will not have for a considerable time...."

"....Regarding our Educational Fund, Wallie had letters from several clubs protesting the separation of the Wolcott Foundation from High Twelve International. He, like hundreds of others, will oppose such action." "He has retained a very eminent lawyer to take into court the refusal of using his name on a new corporation, not the present, but a new one where he is not in accord....According to both Mr.Garnholtz and Mr.Weiss he is within his rights as far as a new corporation is concerned....."

"....I asked Wallie if he would be willing to attend our Mid-Year Meeting in Chicago.He would rather wait until after the meeting and judge from the sincere actions which will be presented to our next International meeting in Kentucky. At this meeting he will definitely attend....."

A call from International Secretary Sivers 12/10/60 for the Mid-Year meeting of the Governing Board Chicago, January 14-15, 1961 was to include all International Officers, LaSalle Hotel, 8PM Friday to interview all candidates for Administrator of High Twelve International and make a decision as to the appointment. In his letter to Lucille Diering 12/19/60, he enclosing a copy of general statement of duties of the new Administrator, which also were forwarded to all candidates and to International Officers. (NOTE: copies of duties not found by me.DLP)

WEST SHREVEPORT, La. HTC charter returned 12/7/60. Chartered 4/12/56. SALISBURY, Md. HTC charter returned 12/60. Chartered 11/22/55. ENID, Okla, HTC charter terminated 12/31/60. It was an old club that had been in and out of High Twelve International several times. EL CERRITO, Ca. HTC charter returned 1/13/61. Chartered 2/22/55.

1/3/61 - UNITED STATES SEVERED DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH CUBA.

The Mid-Year meeting of the Board 1/13-14-15/61 had an agenda prepared by Sec. Sivers. President Hyde presided. 1st evening interviewed candidates for position of Administrator. The Constitution & By-Laws not providing for such a post, action was postponed until the Convention. Considered retiring the title of Executive Director along with Wallie as a mark of respect to him.

Much time was devoted to discussing budget provision for proposed position of Ad-

ministrator, although finances seemed to be in good shape for the balance of the year at \$17,450.00, with anticipated income of \$20,964.00. E.P.White,Jr. promoted from Acting Editor to Editor. There was lively discussion regarding dues, which were raised \$1.00 at Convention, Carmel...first since 1947. High Twelve clubs contribute least of all international luncheon clubs to their operation of International Headquarters.

The Chairman of the Wolcott Foundation, Inc. Hick G.Griffiths PIP presented a set of By-Laws governing the action of the group. He suggests a promotional pamphlet be prepared by experts to aid in soliciting of funds. Herbert Hahn of St Louis, Mo. was appointed Chairman of the International Building Fund Committee, which had liquid assets in excess of \$4,000.00....started by the Michigan clubs. Founder's Day 5/17/61 set to inspire the increasing of interest in this project.

A committee composed of Ed Garnholz, James E.Gram and Bishop Robinson was appointed by Pres.Hyde to conduct a study of what active job in High Twelve could be given to retired Executive Director and Founder Wolcott. In the meantime, "Wallie" was to fill the roll of International Historian. 2nd V.P.James N. Robertson reported on the re-writing of the International Constitution & By-Laws in their entirety, necessitated by progress and change. W.K.Rose, Robert Gosney and E.P.White were to rewrite the line of pamphlets.

The Governing Board authorized the Wolcott Trustees to prepare a brochure for distribution to the membership, not to exceed \$300.00 in an effort to re-sell them on the desirability of the cause.

Pres.Hyde referred to numerous letters re. status of Wallie Wolcott; that "...We have to find some status to give our Founder in High Twelve...." "....It has been suggested that he be made Executive Director Emeritus, an Honorary Trustee of the Wolcott Foundation, etc." He asked for ideas. It was pointed out that on the letterhead he was listed as Founder, but there was hesitation to recommend anything that would suggest authority.

There was concern that he might "walk in and start driving again....we should not lose Wallie all together, but we can't bring him in in an executive capacity." "...It's been suggested we assign him something that would be acceptable to him that would that would..... make him feel that he could do a job by accepting this money we send him. We could keep down these letters that he's one of the best that I've ever seen write, thereby not hinder the movement of High Twelve, but help."

Treas.Gram replied that unless the clubs were satisfied as to the consideration given their great friend Wallie Wolcott, that they would surrender their charter. He stated that we had a one man organization so long, he had established himself so deeply in the hearts of a lot of fine men and the devoted love they have for Wallie was so great that they were going to stand up for him as long as they live. "....I have succeeded in getting him to discontinue the writing of the terrible letters, but it's only if we satisfy him and he sees the results of this meeting here in Chicago."

Harold Sivers said High Twelve didn't have a history, and wondered if they couldn't make him Historian, to be put in book form. "....He could do it in his home." Jerry Royal PIP suggested a committee be appointed of Brothers for whom Wolcott had a lot of respect, approach Wallie and report back at the Board meeting preceeding the Convention. Mrs.Lucille Diering was lauded for her work in the International Office.

Harold Sivers wrote Lucille Diering 1/19/61, "....I trust sincerely Wallie will accept the position of Historian, and will go all out in preparing a history of High Twelve since its inception...." "In the event Wallie does accept it and a friendly relationship is established between the office and Wallie, I believe you should at-

tempt to get from him any reports from previous breakfast meetings or any reports so we can put them back in our files and if necessary can use them. "

Office Secretary Lucille Diering, writing to Secretary to International Board PIP Harold J.Sivers 1/24/61 discussed reaction of now retired Executive Director Wolcott to the proposal that he write the History of High Twelve International. "...He seemed quite receptive to the idea, but wanted to know the reaction of the Board. I assured him it was unanimous...." "He then told me it would require his working at least two days a week in the International Office. "

"This morning he called again and said it would require at least 3 days a week at the International Office looking up records." "...It was my understanding at the Board meeting that this was work he could do at home." "...early records packed in boxes; we also have minutes of all conventions to date, all of which can be sent express to Wallie's home, where he could take his time." "....and begin to compile the history."

"He has taken your letter as official notice of appointment." "...If he....accepts the appointment will you please in some way let him know that it is work the Board expects him to do at home?" "...He may want to change things in the office." "...My nervous system just cannot stand another period like the one I went through last summer."

G.A.Royal, PIP, to James E.Gram, Treasurer, "....The one mandatory objective to be worked out was that Wallie would take up some work that he could do from his home. Now we are faced with Wallie spending three or four days at the office, and that is going to be an intolerable situation. Ed Gernholz was named to the committee and possibly you and Ed could have a talk with Wallie explaining the stop-gap nature of the present assignment (history writing), and advise him that the committee would be glad to meet with him and cover the field of High Twelve activities with a view of placing him where he could do the most good with the least effort. That it was the intention of the Board that his work could be done in his home and thereby save him the effort of going to and from the office. It is an issue that must be met head on....."

J.E.Gram, International Treasurer and Acting Administrator wrote 2/1/61 to Harold J. Sivers, Secretary to the Board referring to Wolcott's working on the history. "...We have explained the Board's action re. his honored assignment, and that he will be obliged to work at home. All this has been graciously accepted." "...We have offered him the use of the tape recorder....and explained that the office (on Big Bend Blvd.) is entirely too small to carry on with all this confusion and still keep up to date with all the regular operation....(with) constant interruptions.

"He (Wallie) stated he would have to have some 50 letters typed, all of which is simply impossible for Lucille to do with the load she is carrying now."...."It may be necessary to offer him some help at home, especially so long as I am agreeable to carrying on as Acting Administrator without any expense to High Twelve."

"....I don't know how he (Wolcott) could have interpreted my letter as official notification of his appointment. Last paragraph of my letter reads, 'Therefore, Wallie, if the position of Historian is offered to you and the position is created, I sincerely hope that you will give it full consideration and agree to perform the task assigned to you.'"

FAR WEST (Beale AFB, Calif.) charter issued 1/16/61. 75 members. E.C.Sorenson, Pres. HURON (Kansas City, Kan) HTC charter issued 1/11/61. 24 members. Paul L.Mitchell, Pres. WEST CHESTER, Pa. HTC charter issued 2/10/61. 21 members. G.Steward Michener, Pres. FT WARREN-FRONTIER (Cheyenne, Wyo.) charter issued about here. C.FRYE HALEY (Ft Knox, Ky) charter issued 4/6/61. 53 members. Joseph Mahoney, Jr., Pres. TRIGG COUNTY (Cadiz, Ky.) charter issued 4/11/61. 37 members. Jess Vinson, Pres.

The High Twelve Clubs in the St Petersburg (Fla.) area on 2/3/61 had a luncheon honoring President C.J.Hyde of HTI. Clubs represented were St Petersburg 68 present; St Petersburg Downtown 18 present; High Point 24 present; Largo 8 present; Skycrest 9 present. In the Question and Answer period after his talk....

Q.(St Petersburg) What do we get out of International for our contribution to it?

A. Printing costs, salaries, tax on salaries; printing of magazines has gone up. We can render more and better service through our magazine. Florida should have a regular item in it. Expenses - Costs \$50.00 for charters; for convention; office supplies; \$4,800.00 for retiring salary for Executive Director.

Q. Is Wolcott Foundation Fund under control of International Trustees?

A. Not controlled 100% by Trustees, nor by International. Each club has a voice for each 25 members, who are eligible to membership of Foundation.

Q. Original purpose of Fund....Does it include for local service too? A. Yes.

Q. How many paid officials? A. An office secretary at \$100.00 a week.

Q. Number of clubs in International? A. 237. Q. Membership? A. 14,557. Q. Has the International Representative any authority over local clubs. A. No. Q. What are the duties and responsibilities of the International Representative? A. International Representative has no authority over local clubs.

Before the meeting opened a Committee sold special cans of candy, taking \$107.00 for the benefit of the Sheriff's Association Boys Ranch. The following day was Ladies Day, with 184 members and their ladies greeting President Hyde. State President Frank Bobel escorted Pres.Hyde from a Lake Worth meeting to the Clearwater Club.

Wallie was now in process of writing the history of the early days of High Twelve and personal reflections. On February 7, 1961 he wrote Treasurer Gram, "....I agree the movement is on the way to failure and death unless we begin building more clubs, which we are not doing. We know there will be clubs that fail to succeed and will die each year. Not only must these clubs be replaced, but new clubs must be added to our present list." "....The present failure in building new clubs is certainly not lack of love for High Twelve....it is the cost....so high that our average High Twelver cannot afford to cover the necessary basic cost of automobile travel, long distance telephone calls and the first meeting luncheon or dinner cost at which time the temporary setup is completed. The costs to build a club in a nearby city (however) at a very minimum are \$35.00 to \$40.00, which is more than a brother can put in...."

"The contributions made by the High Twelve Clubs to the Wolcott Foundation could, without any loss to the educational program or project, be directed to a Club Building Fund for a period of one year, thus providing ample income for a year of club building expense." "....the basic changes taking place in our college trained youth....calls for a re-study of our set objective for the Wolcott Foundation of placing our youth in a Foreign Relations office somewhere in the world...."

"....What has happened. 9 years and \$50,000 from our clubs - 18 youth, sons of Masons all having their A.B.Degrees from accredited Colleges - \$23,000.00 paid in to George Washington U., Washington, D.C. ... not one of these fine youth has been placed in any type of Foreign Relations in any Foreign Country.

February 17, 1961 was Annual Masonic All States Night at the Coliseum, St Petersburg, Florida. Master of Ceremonies was C.J.Hyde, HTI President.

Treasurer and Acting Administrator J.E.Gram to all High Twelvians - circular letter refers to accompanying letter from E.C.Wolcott, "....He does not suggest the abandonment of the Educational program. He only states that since we have sufficient funds to

carry on for several years at our present rate of tuitions to students, we can well afford to divert our attentions and donations for a period of one year toward the building of new clubs, expansion of clubs and the purchasing or building of a permanent Home for High Twelve International here in St Louis, Mo." 2/20/61

In a letter of March 2, 1961 to Dorrance S. Raysdon, Treasurer J.L. Gram wrote apparently in answer to some questions, "....each member of all High Twelve Clubs are individual members of the new corporation (Wolcott Foundation), and are entitled to a vote. This is how the Trustees claim that the control is still in the hands of the International. Now, in order for each member to be a voting part of the new Wolcott Foundation, dues must be received. Therefore, out of the dues from each Club, 5¢ per member must be paid by International to the new Foundation Inc. Here is the problem, and any club who does not pay the increase in dues are not considered up-to-date; therefore their members are not listed as a part of the new Corporation."

"....I have not satisfied myself that even with the increase of dues we can pay out approximately \$15,000 per year, or \$9,000 or \$10,000 for the salary for the proper man, and \$35 to \$45 hundred for traveling and sundry expenses; therefore, we all must find a way to expand and grow...."

James N. Robertson, 2nd Int. V.P. wrote an article in the March-April-May, 1961 High Twelvian re. incorporation of the Wolcott Foundation, which seemed to have been bothering many members. "....It appears to me as a lawyer that some of the protection for the donors' gifts should be factual. It is my understanding that Pres. Jimmy Hyde is planning to send a short factual statement to all of us, indicating the difference between the old and the new; and perhaps this will rectify some of the prevalent misunderstandings...."

"Re. raise in dues...." "....I can assure you that with the brothers presently on the Board, there is not one cent spent for anything that is not for the good of High Twelve." "....High Twelve has been operating on \$2.00 per year for some time, out of which is paid the expense of the International Office, the cost of printing the High Twelvian, the printing of various pamphlets, etc. Postage rates went up. The cost of paper, salaries, printing, etc. have all risen. The amount of funds diminished rapidly

"....The additional dollar (dues) represents a raise of .0192 cents per week per member. It doesn't represent a stupenduous raise."

Referring to the revision of the Constitution & By-Laws, he pointed out the discrepancies, a "hodge-podge of contradictory statements." Re. Conventions, "....the Louisville Convention will be the first meeting of the Wolcott Foundation, Inc., in which all of us are members and can vote by our presence or through proxies in proportion."

In the same issue of the High Twelvian, President Hyde, under caption, "Our Great Image", explained the Trust Fund formally organized 9/21/60. Charitable Foundation established on the advice of St Louis tax attorneys retained by the International Governing Board to succeed the previous un-incorporated Foundation of High Twelve International for tax considerations.

Pres. Hyde outlined the organization and purpose of the Wolcott Foundation, Inc.; that High Twelvians participate. He pointed out that the membership will not be assessed at any time....that the provision for allocation of 5¢ per member from the regular International annual dues is made to conform with State and Federal laws concerning charitable foundations. The 5¢ per member dues would not represent any increase or addition to the regular International dues. This allocated money was to be used to defray a portion of the administrative costs of operating the Foundation. No Trustee to be compensated for his services or for transportation, secretarial, postage or other

"....They spend from their own resources a minimum total of \$1,500.00 per year."

President Hyde then laid down the challenge, and pointed out that this scholarship program had received considerable attention from other Masonic bodies. He then listed top placement records in the various departments and agencies in the Federal Government.

OAK PARK, Ill. HTC's President Mark Brooks presented new safety equipment to the Oak Park YMCA for use in its summer camp pool in early spring of 1961. Gifts included a rescuator, a resuscitor and an aqualung. High Twelvian 3/4/5, 1961.

FRONTIER HTC, NCO Club, Ft F.E.Warren, Wyoming charter party was 3/8/61. Charter presented by F.E.Fields, PSP, Colorado, who also installed. Visitors from Cheyenne and several Colorado clubs. There was a heavy snow storm at the time, which they had to drive through.

The brothers of the clubs still didn't seem to understand Wallie's appeal. Treasurer and Acting Administrator J.E.Gram wrote Dr.James L.Blain, D.O., Aurora, Colo. 3/14/61, "....we are indeed sorry you misread and apparently misunderstood Bro.Wally's letter.....He makes no mention of using our Educational Funds for any purpose other than those ideals for which they were originally intended." "....There is at present 6 or 8 resolutions on file....wherein they state, ' Since we have sufficient funds in our Educational Program account to last 8 or 10 years at the present rate of tuition outlay', that for a period of 1 or 2 years Clubs making their donations should designate them for the Building Fund or the Expansion Program; which after all is the foundation upon which our great organization was founded....here the assistance is greatly needed....."

ROCKY MOUNTAIN HTC had a hobby show 3/24/61 at the Idaho Springs Masonic Temple, Colo. HIGH POINT (Florida) HTC charter party was 4/7/61. Pres.Crone presented a check for \$100.00 to Bro.Genung, Sheriff of Pinnelas County for the Florida Boys Ranch. Much credit went to Bro.Earl Chambers.

E.C. "Wallie" Wolcott, Founder of HTI received his 50 year button at Overland Lodge 623 AF&AM, Overland, Mo. 4/27/61, Ladies Night, and many honored him with their presence.

Board Secretary Sivars wrote Office Secretary Lucille Diering 4/5/61 saying there had been many endorsements of Bro.Vorhes for Administrator. Sivars was afraid that there might be an adverse reaction. "....he really must be top material for the job, except for his age...."

TRIGG COUNTY HTC charter party 4/11/61. Pres.C.J.Hyde, Deputy Grand Master of Kentucky presented the charter and installed the officers. 37 members. Will meet at night monthly. Club was promoted by Past Grand Master John Vinson. This was the thirteenth High Twelve Club in Kentucky. Toastmaster Wm.Roser, President of the Kentucky-Alabama Association. Jess Vinson was the first president.

Lucille Diering reported 4/28/61 that Wallie had been in the office several times; and felt he was marking time until Louisville Convention. She had sent 7 cartons of files and one steel file to Wallie's home so he could research for history of HTI. It was noted that dues were increased early in 1961. Probably at Mid-Year meeting. OTIUMWA (Iowa) HTC charter lifted 5/12/61. Was chartered 4/25/45.

SAN LEANDRO (Calif.) HTC charter issued 5/19/61. 57 members. Pres. Rolland B.Wilson. REDFORD (Detroit,Mi.) charter issued 5/19/61. 30 members. Pres.Jerry Loiselle. COMMUNITY HTC (Brandenburg, Ky) later referred to as BRANDENBURG HTC charter party 6/12/61. 17 members. Charter presented by Wm.S.Roser, who also installed officers. 75 people present. President Kenneth E.Curry.

The Wolcott Foundation as of 5/31/61 had received a total of 91 applicants. The

University had accepted 75 scholars, and had graduated 12 recipients of these scholarships. Estimated 5 more of these accepted were eligible to be graduated. Some had finished their work, but must complete their thesis. Currently 8 applications pending final action by the Trustees. The total expended on the scholars was approximately \$25,000.00. Exclusive of subsistence allowance, the tuition and fees at that time were \$450.00 each of the two semesters and \$100.00 for summer school.

The membership was reported as 14,057 in 240 clubs as of 5/31/61. The International Convention was held in Louisville, Ky. 6/25-28/1961. William Roser General Chairman. Held at Kentucky Hotel. Souvenir program contained advertising. Speaker Monday mens' luncheon was M.W.Lloyd Greene, GM, Grand Lodge of Kentucky. Speaker in afternoon was Max Farrington, Assistant to the President, George Washington University, Herbert Hahn, Chairman Bldg.Fund Comm. and Hicks Griffiths, Chairman of Trustees of Wolcott Foundation, Inc. Speaker at Installation Banquet Wednesday was Viscount Victor E.Perryton. Toastmaster E.P.White, Jr.

Chairman John J.Mick, recently appointed Ch.Military Affairs Committee explained why we had no Navy Base High Twelve Clubs. Only 3 were on Army Installations, and 15 on Air Force Installations. Within the Navy there wasn't so much dependence on the other man (as an individual). Aboard ship they had a specific duty to do. Generally speaking, the same applied to Army. "In the Air Force, we have an entirely different picture. They are not hampered by tradition. They are dependent upon each other aboard ship (plane), and the officer personnel works with the crew closely. They all tend to call each other by their first names, even in formation and military operations." "....Start cultivating the C.O. if a Protestant or highest Protestant until you find one who is sympathetic to our work."

The workshop was conducted by First V.P.William Worthen and covered younger members, Interclub Relations, Attendance. Report submitted by Fred H.Doty, Calif. President Hyde said in the High Twelvian following the Convention, "....There were times that I wondered as I struggled with plane reservations in foul weather and some ugly situations in clubs if it was all worth the trouble. Tonight (banquet) I have been well repaid." It was reported that Pres.Hyde had travelled 33,000 miles; attended 53 different meetings, addressed 42 different clubs, which took him into 12 different states and required 62 days of his time. Tallman Trask wrote in the High Twelvian of Nov.-Dec., 1964 that, "he was instrumental in holding some State Associations in the International Organization when there were some problems."

Adjusted membership 5/31/60 = 14,389. 5/31/61 = 14,221 = loss of 168. 12 inactive clubs; 231 active and 17 new clubs. Charters issued = Bowling Green, Ky. 6/18/60; Arcadia, Ca. 6/23/60; Sacramento, Ca. 6/23/60. H.C.Godman, Spain 7/18/60; Torrejon AFB Spain 9/13/60; Columbus, Ind. 9/17/60; Downey, Ca. 11/5/60; LePremier en France 11/19/60; Beale AFB (Ca.) 11/16/60; West Chester, Pa. 2/10/61; Huron (K.C., Kan.) 2/11/61; Cheyenne, Wyo. 3/8/61; Ft Knox, Ky. 4/6/61; Cadez, Ky. 4/11/61; Redford, Mich. 5/19/61; San Leandro, Ca. 5/19/61.

Inactive clubs: Buttonwillow, Ca; El Cerrito, Ca; Oroville, Ca; Tracy, Ca; Eustis, Fla; Ottumwa, Iowa; W.Shreveport, La; Battle Creek, Mich; Joplin, Mo; Atlantic City, N.J; Fairborn, Ohio; Enid, Okla. 12 largest clubs: Clearwater, Fla. 231; Toledo, O. 222; Springfield, Ill. 216; Sacramento, Ca. 182; Sioux City, Iowa. 168; Topeka, Kan. 166; St. Petersburg, Fla. 165; Culver City, Ca. 155; Des Moines, Iowa 148; Davenport, Iowa 137; Kansas City, Kan. 136; Far Hills (Dayton) 136 members.

Chartered after 6/1/61 - Brandenburg, Ky. 6/1/61; Petaluma, Ca. 7/15/61; Hamilton AFB Ca. 8/15/61. New clubs by states: California 5; Kentucky 3; Spain 2; 1 each in Florida, Indiana, Kansas, Michigan, Penna., Wyoming and France. HAMILTON HTC (Hamilton AFB) Calif. charter presented by Int.Pres.Wm.L.Worthen. The welcome was by Col.Reet P. Smith, USAF, Deputy Base Commander. Delegations were present from Albany, Richmond,

Oakland, San Francisco, Petaluma, San Leandro, Yuba-Sutter, Chico, Napa and the sponsoring club, Marvelous Marin. Introductions by Fred H.Doty; Installation by State President Arthur E.Gonzales , assisted by Executive Vice President Don Mathewson and State Secretary Tallman Trask. Pres.Robert E.Nelso; Sec.Robert F.Decker.

Hicks G.Griffiths, PIP, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Wolcott Foundation, Inc. reported at length on the history of the Wolcott Foundation and present problems. He lead off by stating that the Constitution of High Twelve International provided in Article II the general objects of High Twelve. One of the five general objects, 'To give our support and personal attentions to the problems of youth, and fostering, encouraging, and supporting adequate educational facilities and opportunities for them.' (NOTE: This objective legitamatized High Twelve International's involvement with the Wolcott Foundation.DLP).

"....the administrative aspects of the project grew from a committee of High Twelve International to a Trusteeship under an indenture of trust, and finally to a non-profit corporation." 9/21/60.

Griffiths to the Convention, "....the State Department is merely the most glamorized agency with foreign service contacts. It is the showcase of diplomatic relations, but the contest for world supremacy is being fought on a cold war basis, and economics is the real battleground."

There was discussion regarding getting Court approval to transfer funds of the old Foundation to Wolcott Foundation, Inc. Past International President Hicks Griffiths favored transfer, inasmuch as the St Louis tax attorney advised that the Trust Indenture was of no effect...had no legal status in the State of Missouri. "....All that is necessary, is to either notify the bank by resolution that money is transferred from one fund to another or by issuing a check for the Wolcott Foundation, Inc. and we open up a new account."

He was asked, "....What if one of the donors that we had in the Trust under the old High Twelve constitution demands his money back?" Griffiths, "I will be happy to entertain that when the request is made. If somebody wants to start a suit, that's their privelege."

2nd V.P.Robertson thought "we should have a petition or whatever is necessary to dissolve it, and a decreee issued that funds be transferred and then there'll be no problem whatsoever about it." Bro.Garlock moved that "This governing board send a resolution of instructions to the bank in St Louis that the signature cards should be transferred to the members of the Wolcott Foundation, Inc. Carried, with "no" votes by Robertson, Royal and Tearman.

The Wolcott Foundation delegates passed the following resolution, "Whereas, considerable confusion has developed regarding the administration of the Wolcott Foundation of HTI and Wolcott Foundation, Inc. as two separate funds." "Whereas, the tax problem which would possibly result in mingling the two funds is trivial and inconsequential." "Now therefore be it resolved that all of the assets of Wolcott Foundation of High Twelve International be immediately transferred to Wolcott Foundation, Inc." This was in order to eliminate any interference with the scholarship program. The Governing Board then passed a resolution implementing the decision of the delegates. While the resolution of the delegates carried, there were 43 "no" votes.

An attempt by the Ohio Association to have the dues reduced was withdrawn. A Resolution called for HTI to acquire a permanent home and recognized the Michigan Clubs' drive for contributions; that the drive became an International project with a minimum goal of \$50,000.00.

Bro. Frank McWhortor, Indianapolis, Ind. won the \$50.00 1st prize for his words and music, "Hi, High Twelvian". Pages 10 & 11 of June-July-Aug., 1961 High Twelvian.

PIP Harold Sivers advised that High Twelve International was properly filed with the State of Missouri, and that the Internal Revenue's pamphlet listing non-profit organizations now carried Wolcott Foundation, Inc. as one recognized as exempt.

1961-62 officers: President William L. Worthen, Glendale, Ca; 1st V.P. James N. Robertson, Media, Pa; 2nd V.P. Wm. F. Tearman, Terre Haute, Ind; 3rd V.P. Charles F. Burkin, Jr., Kansas City, Kansas; Secretary to International Board, Harold J. Sivers, PIP, Toledo, Ohio; Treasurer James E. Gram, East St Louis, Mo; General Counsel G.A. Royal, Des Moines, Iowa; Immediate Past President C.J. Hyde; Office Secretary Mrs. Lucille Diering, 2683 Big Bend Blvd., St Louis, Mo; Editor High Twelvian E.P. White, Jr.

Robert W. "Bob" Vorhes 33°, Colorado, was appointed as Administrator @ \$7,000.00 a year and traveling expenses not to exceed \$3,500.00 year, with approximately 25% of his time on the road. He had been office manager and sales manager for Western Union Telegraph, Kansas City, having been with W.U. 27 years. In 1944 went into real estate business in Denver. Owned and operated a motel in Idaho Springs, Colo. past 8 years; Past police magistrate Idaho Springs. State Sec.-Tr. Colorado Motel Association. Organized a DeMolay Chapter, a High Twelve Club, and was instrumental in organizing two more High Twelve Clubs and two other DeMolay Chapters. Active in Consistory, Commandry and Shrine in Colorado.

There was considerable discussion at the Governing Board meeting regarding the convention in Florida; whether the Grand Master approved, whether a Clearwater Club might pull out if we did (NOTE: International Officers seemed to be caught in the middle.) Robertson, "...You are completely ignoring the fact that the Grand Master sent a telegram to Kentucky telling us to come down. I think if we don't go, you will slap not only the Grand Master of Florida but also the Deputy Grand Master of Kentucky (Hyde)."

Minutes. In the discussion, "it was brought out" that the Grand Master of Florida was not actually opposed to some of the politicians who got into High Twelve and tried to use the club for their own personal reasons." It was voted to accept the Pinellas County invitation to go to Clearwater, Fla. for the 1962 Convention.

The estimated attendance at the Installation banquet was 500. President Wm. L. Worthen's California Installation Team included Pres. Arthur E. Gonzales, Fresno; Don Mathewson; Fred H. Doty; Sec. Tallman Trask, PSP Dave Snyder; Clarence I. Hammet, Glendale, and Mark Schrock.

Foundation Trustees: Chairman Hicks G. Griffiths, PIP, Mich; Sec. Harold Voorhees, Ohio; Treas. Wm. N. Kinnard, Pennsylvania; Vice Chairman Bishop Stephen Robinson, Iowa; Arthur E. Buss, California.

1961-62 Committee Liaison Officers: 1st VP Robertson - Budgetary & Planning, Constitution & By-Laws, Revision of International Pamphlets, Military Affairs & Resolutions. 2nd V.P. Tearman - Expansion, Publicity, Masonic Relations, International Conventions; 3rd V.P. Charles F. Burkin Jr. - Club Leadership, Youth, Club Manuals and Information Projects.

Budgetary & Planning, T. Archer Brown, Ch., Michigan; Club Manuals & Info., Harold J. Sivers, Chairman, Ohio. Club Leadership, Robert F. Clynch, Ch., Louisiana; Expansion, Tallman H. Trask, Ch. Calif; Const. & By-Laws, Arthur Schifferman, Ch., Calif; Youth, Arthur E. Gonzalez, Ch., Calif; Military Affairs, Col. John J. Mick, ret. Ch. Kentucky; Public Relations, E.P. White, Jr., Ch., Kentucky; Masonic Relations, C.J. Hyde, Grand Master, Kentucky; Resolutions, Joseph L. Prince, Ch. Pennsylvania; Projects, Duane Gerlach,

Ch.,Michigan; Religious and Patriotic Emphasis, Bishop Stephen Robinson,Ch.,Iowa;
Revision of International Pamphlets, Wm. K.Rose, Ch.Ohio.

President Worthen wanted to be permitted to appoint an Executive Committee same as last year. It was voted that "The President be given the authorization to appoint an Executive Committee consisting of the President, 1st, 2nd Vice Presidents to act between meetings of the Board upon matters that were not Board Matters." Carried.

In his message, President Wm.Worthen pointed out that "High Twelve provides its members an opportunity to identify themselves with and be a part of a wide choice of moral endeavors. We have a selection of participation in: Philosophical or Ritualistic Masonry; Religious and Spiritual functions; Education and youth activities; Patriotic and community affairs; Fellowship and personal development.

"Certainly there is something here for everyone. We have the finest philosophy in the world, which we share with millions of Masons raised before the same altar."
"...We, in High Twelve, have an obligation to help spread the seeds of growth and make the blessings of Masonry available to all...."

Most Worshipful Fletcher G.McQueen, Grand Master Florida to D.M.Deringer, President of Affiliated High Twelve Clubs of Pinellas County confirmed 7/3/61 that he had wired R.W.Hyde, Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, "Who I am informed will be President of High Twelve International next year" welcoming that organization to Florida for this convention. "...It is my interpretation of Masonic Law of Florida that no Florida Mason can belong to a High Twelve Club. However, during the year that Most Worshipful J.Lewis Hall was Grand Master, he recommended to the Grand Lodge to the craft that we give no opposition to High Twelve Clubs from meeting and enjoying Masonic fellowship for Masons belonging to other Grand Jurisdictions."

"....If you will recall, the High Twelve Clubs moved into Florida and organized without consulting the Grand Lodge of Florida and operated several years without consulting the Grand Jurisdiction of Florida....and they were in strict violation of the By-Laws of the International High Twelve Clubs.

"I do not want you or anyone else to construe that I am against High Twelve Clubs, because I certainly am not, and in my official visits this year, I plan to discuss with the Brethren and recommend such organizations as yours be approved by this Grand Jurisdiction. However, I feel your organization has a duty to perform and an obligation to appear before the Jurisprudence Committee of the Grand Lodge of Florida and ask for approval to function in this Grand Jurisdiction. This holds true for any other organization of this type, that they should show the courtesy of asking for permission to organize and function."

During July and August of 1961 there was correspondence between Florida leaders and President Worthen regarding inadvisability of Florida forming a State Association at that time. Douglas M.Deringer, Clearwater, "The Clearwater Club has resigned from our Association, but I am told the membership has over-ridden the opposition for the present, and will remain in International." "...The other 5 clubs in the area held a meeting last Saturday and authorized the formation of the High Twelve Convention Committee of Florida,Inc., Deringer,Pres. We have reserved the Jack Tar Harrison Hotel."

PETALUMA (Calif.)HTC charter issued with 82 members. On 7/15/61 the Charter was presented by Int.Pres.Wm. Worthen. State President Arthur Gonzales installed, with assistance of PSP Don Mathewson. Dr.Phil Barrett was M.C. The High Twelvian indicated there were 105 charter members. Possibly this was meant as 105 in attendance. Pres. J.K. "Slim" Westarterp; Sec-Tr.Eugene R.Bell.

Pres.Wm.Worthen wrote Harold Sivers 9/16/61, "...Bob Vorhes has suggested the need to have the name corrected on our charters. That there was some action in this respect at Chicago Board meeting, December, 1959." 10/1/61."it would seem that the transfer of funds to the Trustees may now be accomplished, but....nothing in past 2 weeks confirming."

Seems as though the difficulties with Ohio (Toledo especially) are smoothing over. Probably was regarding dues raise. Bill Worthen seemed worried about money, so was keeping travel to a minimum. Toledo paid delinquent dues.

Immediate Past International President C.J.Hyde was now the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, to the gratification of all his friends in High Twelve. 10/18/61 ZARAGOZA (Spain) HTC charter issued 9/4/61. 38 members. Pres. Leonard R.Froebe. JACKSON COUNTY (Ind. - Seymour) charter issued 9/30/61. 42 members. Pres. Paul E. Bell. LIVONIA, Mich. HTC charter issued 12/15/61. 24 members. Pres. John E. Rowe.

The Mid-Year meeting of the Governing Board was held Dec. 2 and 3, 1961 in St. Louis, Mo., Statler-Hilton Hotel. Pres. Wm. L. Worthen presided. A tentative decision was made to move from 2683 Big Bend Blvd., St. Louis, to the Grand Lodge Building, 3681 Lindell Blvd., St. Louis. (NOTE: present headquarters of HTI. DLP)

A committee headed by 3rd V.P. Charles Burkin investigated the location, determined costs, and unanimously favored the move.

Administrator Bob Vorhes had been very active visiting mid-west clubs and in developing new clubs, etc. The Executive Committee recommended a complete study of the High Twelvian Magazine. The San Diego, Calif. charter had been lifted 9/27/61. It had been chartered 5/27/48.

The State Presidents 1962: CALIFORNIA: Donald Mathewson, Temple City; COLORADO: '61-62 Dale Keihl; ILLINOIS: Geo. Glakemeier, Jr. (5/4/61), Belleville; IOWA-SO. DAK: 1961-62 Milton H. Nicol, Oelwein; MICHIGAN: Duane S. Gerlack, 1961-62 Mt. Clemens; MISSOURI: Robert M. Pirrie '61-62, Maplewood; KANSAS: 1961 Robert C. Gosney, K.C.; 1962 H.H. Keeshan, Loveland, Colo. (member Manhattan Club); NEW JERSEY: 1962 Jacob Russak, Camden; OHIO: 1962-63 Albert C.D. Rich, Dayton;

Inflation barometers: DOW-JONES AVERAGES 12/31/60 = \$615.89; av. dividends \$21.36. a \$500.00 annuity in 1939 now bought only \$240.00 worth of goods. 12/29/69 D-J \$731.13; Div. 22.71; 9/28/61 D-J = \$578.98; 12/31/62 D-J = \$652.10; Av. div. \$23.30. With cost of living 1939 @ 100 it's about 210 in 1962. Purchase power of the \$ in '39 = 100.... in 1962 about 46. Does market, cost of living, etc., etc. have any bearing on membership or number of clubs? It is a challenging thought.

Tempers were heating up in West Germany. On August 12-13, 1961 the East Germans had erected a wall to stop exodus, east to west.

CHAPTER 9
THE SUIT

During 1961 the High Twelvians of Oakland, Ca. supported their Goodwill Industries as a local project. The GENERAL CURTIS E. LEMAY HITC presented a 16mm sound projector to the Marianas Assn. of Retarded Children for use in the Brodie Memorial School, Guam. Pres. Robert Sonnenberg. During the late Fall of 1961, the FORT DODGE HTC, Iowa, joined with the Shrine Club and raised \$442.00 for the Salvation Army.

Early in 1962, as a club project for their charities, MT CLEMENS completed its 15th Annual Minstrel Variety Show, put on entirely by club members, with the assistance of the High School Music Director.

E.C. Wolcott filed suit 1/17/62 in St Louis, charging the Trustees with malfeasance, and praying for an injunction to prohibit the transfer of funds from the old Foundation to the new. It was further alleged in the suit that the new Foundation had not been declared tax exempt by the Internal Revenue Service.

Administrator Robert Vorhes wrote International Secretary Harold Sivers 1/23/62 "....There have been about 600 members we have lost in clubs....East Cleveland, Vandenberg AFB, San Diego and Salisbury, Md. It's quite a blow, even though we have quite a number of new ones. The 600 old ones lost makes just double the work of getting 600 new ones...."

2/20/62 - JOHN GLENN ORBITED THE EARTH.

Harold J. Sivers, International Secretary to Robert W. Vorhes, Administrator, replying to his communications of February 15 and 16, "At the Board Meeting held on June 29, 1960, the Board, by resolution, established retirement pay of \$4,800.00 per year to E.C. Wolcott for the remainder of his life." "....His salary as such terminated at the close of the convention 6/29/60; it, however, was decided at this Board Meeting that he should hold office until such time as his successor could be appointed. At the special meeting in St Louis 7/16/60, he resigned and his resignation was accepted. He, therefore, was not employed as Executive Director. He was put on a pension, which pension is still in full force and effect...."

"....In reference to his being appointed as Historian, the Constitution and By-Laws do not provide for a salary for the job, and there is no reason he cannot serve as Historian without being classified as an employee...." HJS - 2/27/62.

Robert W. Vorhes, Administrator to H.J. Sivers, Sec., re. nomination for Treasurer, "....Gram has always cooperated with us on the General Fund, but through Wallie's influence, has balked at signing some of the checks for the Foundation. If there is to be a change made, Wagner would be ideal since his office will be in the same building with ours." "....Check situation terrible....It takes 10 days to 2 weeks to get checks back from California...."

There was an Executive Committee Meeting 4/1/62, presumably in St Louis, with Pres. Worthen, the three vice presidents, with Harold Sivers, Sec. in attendance. It pertained to the Convention upcoming in Florida and the moving of the International Office. It was decided to wait until after the Grand Lodge of Florida met to see what they did re. acceptance of High Twelve before taking any action on Clearwater Club and other activities in that state.

The Executive Committee attended meetings and sessions and banquets of the Supreme Council Order of DeMolay 4/2 - 4/5/62. Visited with Masonic, Shrine and Rite and other leaders from all over. Pres. Worthen visited many Mid-Western clubs, Missouri State Convention, and on to Florida. Speaking of the Clearwater Club, Pres. Worthen wrote, I feel that this club will continue on in fine shape. On the following day a luncheon was had with others regarding formation of a State Association. It

was decided to wait until after the Convention before attempting to continue with this part of their program. "...Bro. Tearman has worked hard on this Florida situation, and the fruit of his efforts is evidenced by the goodwill he has built with everyone I met. This trip was most profitable...."

CEDAR RAPIDS (Iowa) HTC put on a very successful one day drive 4/6/62 for new members, with 35 new petitioners being voted into membership. Melvin J. McCalley received a transistor radio for 1st prize. Edgar King, Dave Linge and Dean Metcalf each turned in 3 petitions. Rev. Leonard E. Deaver was president.

There was quite an exchange of correspondence during early May, 1962 between International Secretary Sivers, PIP Royal and Howard H. Hook, R.C. Cartlidge and Wallace Clark regarding the withdrawal of the High Twelve Club of Clearwater (Florida) from High Twelve International, re. collection of interest, property and formation of a new club.

Summary by Cartlidge and Clark: 142 voted to withdraw, 49 to stay; 59 did not vote. "Promptly after the vote was taken, the group that withdrew from International transferred the cash to a Trust Fund....at the present time we are without even a sheet of paper or a postage stamp...."

MILTON WELCH HARDY, Past International President, 32° KCCH, 51, died 6/1/62 of a heart attack 4 hours after becoming ill in his law office. He was a former Assistant City Attorney, retired Army Lieutenant Colonel, Judge Advocate Section on Military Contracts. He was President of High Twelve 1956-57. His father, Summers, Hardy was the 6th President of HTI ('30-31). Survived by his widow, Dorothy, two sons and a sister. Bro. Hardy was from Tulsa, Oklahoma.

As of 5/31/62 there were 13,379 members....a drop of 678; and 233 clubs, a drop of 7. The 12 largest clubs were Toledo, Ohio, 287 members; Springfield, Ill., 195; St. Petersburg, Fla., 161; Topeka, Kan., 160; Birmingham, Mi., 149; Alhambra, Calif., 144; Des Moines, Iowa, 144; Far Hills (Dayton, Oh.) 143; Culver City (Heart-of-Screenland) Ca., 139; Kansas City, Mo. 137; Davenport, Iowa 132; Sioux City, 130.

Inactive clubs: DOWNTOWN San Diego, Vandenberg AFB, Clearwater, Fla., Salisbury, Md., East Cleveland, Ohio. CLUBS BY STATES (before adjusted downward by 4 later): California 63 (4 new, 2 inactive); Michigan 22 (1 new); Missouri 17 (1 new); Iowa 16; Ohio 16 - 1 inactive; Kentucky 14 + 1 new; Illinois 13; Indiana 11 (2 new); Kansas 10; Pennsylvania 10; Colorado 7; Florida 7 (1 new & 1 inactive) Louisiana 5; New Jersey 4; South Dakota 3; Spain 3 (1 new); Alabama 2; Guam 2; Nebraska 2; Washington 2 (1 new); England 1; France 1; Minnesota 1; Newfoundland 1; New Mexico 1; New York 1, Wyoming 1 = 237 (12 new & 5 inactive. (NOTE: Later figures show 233)).

New clubs by states: 4 Calif; 2 Louisiana; 1 each Florida, Kentucky, Michigan, Missouri, Spain and Washington. CLUBS CHARTERED & CHARTER APPROVALS RECEIVED: 12. Brandenburg, Ky. 6/12/61; Petaluma, Ca. 7/15/61; Hamilton AFB, Ca. 8/15/61; Zaragoza, Spain 9/8/61; Seymour, Ind. 9/30/61; Livonia, Mich 12/15/61; Shelbyville, Ind. 5/5/62; Anna Maria Isl., Fla. 5/14/62; Brentwood, Mo. 5/23/62; Larsen AFB, Wash., 5/26/62; Healdsburg, Ca. 6/2/62; Twain Harte, Ca. 6/9/62. (NOTE: Some shown previously).

Administrator Robert Vorhes to Pres. Wm. Worthen, "...Our new office is fine, but our old furniture is certainly out of place. Also, I feel that the gray painted floors look a lot like jail or prison floors." (NOTE: He was speaking of the concrete floors of the room off of the mezzanine, Missouri Grand Lodge Temple, 3681 Lindell Blvd., St. Louis, Mo., where we still are as of 5/17/76. DLP)

The International Convention June 17-20, 1962 was held in Clearwater, Florida, Jack Tarr Harrison Hotel. The souvenir program contained advertising. Monday's speaker was Hobart D. Pelbank, Jr. Grand Warden of Grand Lodge of Florida, representing Grand Master William S. Christian.

Wolcott Foundation Chairman Hicks G. Griffiths PIP reported he had travelled 34,000 miles, visiting the staffs of 17 of our embassies, officials of foreign countries, visiting a total of 18 countries on 3 continents. He wanted to observe the functioning of the Foreign Affairs Corps of the United States State Dept. at closer range.

This trip confirmed Griffiths' opinion as expressed at the last convention that economics is the battleground against communism, and that the State Department is just the showcase of diplomatic relations. He then went on to describe how the State Department operates, with ambassadors having complete and absolute authority over any other representative of the United States in that country or, in his absence, the senior member of the staff, who then bears the title of Charge D' Affaires ad Interim. He described the duties of the Agricultural Attache, Economic Consular, Administrative Officer, Commercial Attache and many other specialists attached to the staff.

"Life in some countries is very vigorous. The normal 3 year tour of duty in a foreign nation can be most exacting physically and mentally. (NOTE: He seemed to be preparing the members for a broader scope of scholarships in Government Service beyond the Foreign Service, and even the State Department itself. DLP)

Chairman Griffiths then reported that the IRS on 3/29/62 approved the application of the Wolcott Foundation, Inc. for exemption from Federal Income Tax. He then referred back to June, 1960 International Convention action establishing a new scholarship foundation; and that no further contributions would be accepted for the old Foundation, to exhaust old Foundation funds before drawing on the new Foundation. He then referred to the 1961 HTI Convention in Louisville resolution ordering transfer of all funds from the old to the new Foundation in order to eliminate any further interference with the scholarship program.

"....Since a suit has been instituted to enjoin us from carrying out your directions, I am forced to discuss this....We are the designated defendants and you are the unnamed defendants." "...We have had a handful of members who, because were not in control of all aspects of the program, have been highly motivated to kill the scholarship program....thwarted, these members have between conventions succeeded in disrupting and harassing the the relationship between High Twelve International's Trustees and the University and the Wolcott scholars selected and sponsored by your local clubs and endorsed by your State Associations."

"....the image that has been created by your proposing and creating this scholarship program is as important to you as the crippled children program is to the Shrine. In spite of your clear and unambiguous instructions, the International Treasurer, Mr. Gram, refused to carry out the transfer of the funds. You will recall that during the previous year, Treasurer Gram had refused to cooperate in the payment of tuition and fees owed the George Washington University. In addition, we owed the University monthly subsistence payments...." "We made this arrangement so that scholars would only receive these payments if they were currently in attendance...."

....As a result of this harassment, I urged you at the last convention either to

terminate the scholarship program or enable the Trustees to meet your obligations and commitments to the students and the University. You, by your resolution adopted the latter course. I thought this would convince Mr. Gram of your wholehearted interest in carrying out the program. Unfortunately, I was sadly mistaken. The University was not only unpaid for tuition and fees, but they advanced out of their own moneys subsistence allowances to these students who would not have been able to remain in school."

"Finally....the University insisted....reimbursement for these unwarranted expenditures. We finally were forced to draw a check on the new Foundation to pay our indebtedness." "...At the Mid-Year meeting Mr. Gram advised the Governing Board that he would transfer the funds if all the Trustees signed a Warrant or order requesting the transfer of the funds. When the Trustees complied with this request, a suit was instituted by E.C. Wolcott, making the Trustees defendants as well as James Gram and Herbert Hahn (defendants in technical sense)...."

"....This same type of harassment was responsible for the submission of the resignation of four trustees at the Philadelphia Convention in 1959...." Griffiths closed his report to the convention by tendering his resignation as a member of the Board of Trustees. (NOTE: His resignation was enthusiastically rejected by a voice vote. EPW).

The report of the Leadership Committee of HTI, Robert F. Clynch, Louisiana is summarized here. They had sent a questionnaire to all clubs: "Which does your club consider in selection of its officers and leaders....Age, ability to preside, speak, delegate; time available; past record; ability to travel for club? Does the club have following committees? Wolcott Foundation, Expansion in the area, Hospitality, Flowers and Sick Calls; International, State or Regional; Programs, Progress, Budget, Charity, New Members, State and International; Masonic, Americanism?

Should clubs have standard minimum initiation fee, and if so what? On what committees should club officers belong? A minimum number of meetings? Should State organizations have minimum dues? How much minimum initiation fees? Should State organizations sponsor club bulletins? Should State Officer visitations be paid by the State organizations? International visitations?

The above questionnaire was followed up by a letter. Only 71 clubs answered, so 69% not represented in findings. The thoughts are based on 31%. 1. Does your club have a leadership or an Americanization Committee: Yes - 17; No - 54. 2. Does your club have 1 meeting each year dedicated to American way of life with speaker? Yes - 51; No - 20. 3 - Do you think all High Twelve Clubs should have one day planned by HTI as "Americanism Day"? Yes - 64; No - 7.

4. Does your membership sponsor a movement or take a concrete stand on communism? Yes 39; No - 31. 5 Should our clubs endeavor to have more emphasis placed on the American History and Heritage and American principles in our educational system? and in the homes? Yes - 66; no - 5. 6, Does your club recognize outstanding leaders in your club? Yes - 49 ; No 20 (civic leaders). 7. Does your club take a leading roll in promoting Expansion of HTI? Yes - 43; No - 28. 8 - Does your club have any method of selecting leaders for future officers? Yes - 39; No - 32.

9 - Does your club have a program or practice of selecting new members who are eligible for membership, from leaders in your community? Yes - 38; No - 33. 10 - Does your club think that regional workshops within the State Organization or on a regional or nationwide basis should be instituted? Yes - 37; No - 29. Doubtful - 5.

Outgoing President William Worthen, "....Some of the outstanding things during this year were....The appointment of the new Administrator, approval of High Twelve by the Florida Grand Lodge, the start of the Wolcott suit; and changing of format of the High Twelvian (Magazine). He was deeply impressed at the representation of

High Twelve at the joint meetings of all Masonic Bodies at the Supreme Council of DeMolay at Indianapolis." Tallman Trask, Nov-Dec.1969 High Twelvian.

Some more recent charters issued: SHELBYVILLE, Ind. issued 5/5/62. 19 members. Pres. Charles R. Walts. LARSON AFB Wash. issued 5/26/62. 79 members. Pres. James C. Hodgson. ANNA MARIA ISLAND Fla. issued 5/14/62. 43 members. Pres. Edwin Delos Wetmore. TWAIN HARTE, Ca. issued 6/9/62. 50 members. Pres. James F. Pierce. HEALDSBURG, Ca. issued 6/2/62. 27 members. Pres. L.L. Lindstrom. BRENTWOOD, Mo. issued 5/23/62. 25 members. Pres. John L. Ault.

1962-63 Officers: President James N. Robertson, Media, Pa; 1st V.P. William F. Tearman, Terre Haute, Ind; 2nd V.P. Charles F. Burkin, Jr., Kansas City, Kansas; 3rd V.P. Robert F. Clyne, Baton Rouge, La; Treasurer Wm. S. Roser, Louisville, Ky; Secretary to International Board, Harold J. Sivers, Toledo, Ohio; General Counsel, Arthur Schifferman, Los Angeles; Editor High Twelvian, E.P. White, Jr., Louisville, Ky; Immediate Past President Wm. L. Worthen, Glendale, Ca. The Administrator was Robert Vorhes, 3681 Lyndell, St Louis, Mo. and the Office Secretary Mrs. Lucille Diering, St. L.

Wolcott Foundation Trustees: Chairman Hicks G. Griffiths, Michigan; Secretary Leonard Voorhes, Ohio; Treasurer Wm. N. Kinnard, Pennsylvania; Vice Chairman Bishop Stephen Robinson, Iowa; Arthur E. Buss, Calif.

The Wednesday evening installation banquet was addressed by Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, Most Worshipful C.J. Hyde, Past Intern. Pres. of H.T.I., and Assistant Chief of Police, Louisville, Ky.

President Robertson appointed as his advisors - James E. Gram, East St Louis, Ill. and G.A. Royal, Des Moines. The Convention voted to return the monies in the "New Building Fund" to all donors if they so desired, and a letter to that effect was mailed to all concerned 7/23/62. "...The response to 'office improvement fund' has been good. Asked for approval to transfer the donations of the brothers to this new Office Improvement Fund from the New Building Fund.

ZONES ASSIGNED THE INTERNATIONAL OFFICERS: Pres. James N. Robertson: New England, England, Newfoundland, France, Spain, Penn., N.J., Virginia, Maryland, North Carolina, South Carolina. Im. P.P. Wm. Worthen: Calif., New Mexico and Arizona. 1st V.P. Wm. Tearman: Indiana, Illinois, Wisconsin, Florida & Minnesota. 2nd V.P. Charles F. Burkin: Kansas, Missouri, Iowa, Nebraska, Colorado, Wyoming, South Dakota. 3rd V.P. Robert F. Clyne: Texas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia, Arkansas, Oklahoma. Secretary Harold J. Sivers PIP: Ohio, Michigan & New York. Treasurer Wm. Roser: Kentucky, West Virginia and Tennessee. General Counsel A.E. Schifferman: Oregon, Washington, Nevada and Guam.

LIAISON TO COMMITTEES: Robertson: Leadership & Masonic Relations. Tearman: Public Relations and Administrative. Burkin: Projects & Military Affairs. Clyne: Youth & Expansion. Sivers: Manuals & Resolutions. Roser: Budget. Schifferman: Const. & By-L.

COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN: Budgetary & Planning - T. Archer Brown, Mich; Manuals & Information Lewis Hoffman, Ohio; Club Leadership - Don Mathewson, Calif; Expansion - Tallman Trask, Calif; Constitution & By-Laws - Joseph L. Prince, Pennsylvania; Military Affairs Gilbert Kinmonth, Louisiana; Youth - Marvin Foulke, Indiana; Public Relations - E.P. White, Jr., Kentucky; Masonic Relations - C.J. Hyde, Kentucky; Resolutions - Monta W. Shirley, California; Convention - David Snyder, California; Projects - Frank W. McWhorter, Indiana; Necrology-Religious - Bishop Stephen Robinson, Iowa; International Office Procedure - Wm. F. Tearman, Indiana (& St Louis members - H.E. Harper, E.W. Wagner, Louis Blair and Robt. W. Vorhes.)

President James Robertson, "....I wonder just how much expansion can be laid in the laps of Brothers who have visited existing clubs and then decided he would like a club in his home town? I suspect that a great number of clubs started this way." "....Wally Forbes (PIP) attended a HTC while they were attending a dental convention in the midwest, and as a result, the Philadelphia HTC was born. If this ideas is correct, why don't all of us in the local clubs do some 'brain storming' with a Brother who may be moving away, so that the Brother will join a High Twelve club near his new home or start a new club if one doesn't exist." "....The Florida clubs are good examples...." Sept-Oct. High Twelvian, 1962

The High Twelve Club of WEST CHESTER, Pa. heard International President James N. Robertson stress the need for group meetings of High Twelve Clubs in order that individuals of various clubs might become well acquainted, thereby promoting close cooperation among regional clubs in their efforts to attain the goals for which High Twelve was formed.... 7/3/62

The Secretary of State of the State of Missouri was requested by Administrator Robert W. Vorhes 7/16/62 to change the address on the Articles of Corporation for High Twelve International to 3681 Lindell Blvd., St Louis 8, Mo.

INTERNATIONAL DE MOLAY CORDON of Sept. 1962 had a nice writeup about the Claremont (Ca.) HTC sponsoring of a "college scholarship for DeMolay boys, which was started by Dr. Carter Alexander of the club. It achieves educational and development values not attained by many other such programs...."

CLEARWATER, Fla. HTC entertained officers and sponsors of Area De Molay Chapters 9/12/62. They had sponsored 5 DeMolay boys. On August 8, Col. Lex O. Sheffield USA told them of work of Children's Charity Hospital, Pusan, Korea, which the club had aided for some time.

SEACOAST HTC, Portsmouth, New Hampshire charter was presented 9/14/62 by International President James N. Robertson at the Pease AFB, NCO; first High Twelve Club in New England. This was formerly the Pease AFB Cin-o-Sam Square & Compass Club. Pres. Alfred Leaver; Sec. James L. Houston. They were supporting the Masonic Flood Bank of New Hampshire and setting up a Degree Team and furthering DeMolay 52 members.

ARNOLD PAGE HTC, Suffolk, Eng., now a Patron Contributor to the Royal Masonic Hospital. Current charities also consist of Royal Masonic Girls School and Royal Masonic Boys School. Club was meeting Tuesday noons at the N.C.O. Club at Lakenheath RAF St.

KANSAS CITY, Mo. HTC ... Bro. R. Carter Tucker in one year's time brought 10 new members into the club and still at it. BAKERSFIELD, Ca. HTC presented check for \$400.00 to the Bakersfield Junior Baseball Association to add to cost of providing night field lighting at Garces High School baseball diamonds. Pres. Hal Holmes presented chk.

Expansion Chairman Tallman Trask urged 1 - Formation of Attendance Committees with real active member as chairman, and all who are not assigned duties as members; and dividing them into groups of 3 to 5 to call on or phone members weekly. 2 - Adopt the slogan, "Every member get a member"; have membership chairman put on a membership drive or a contest. 3 - Adopt the slogan, "Every Club Organize a Club."

Administrator Robert Vorhes to the membership, High Twelvian of Sept-Oct., 1962, "....When clubs seem to be having trouble and are inclined to withdraw, Zone Officers and State Officers should exert every effort to keep them in the fold. If there are 15 or more members who desire to remain loyal to HTI, they should be allowed to do so. "...All clubs and State Associations are requested to send a copy of their Constitution & By-Laws to the International Office at once in order to bring our club records up to date." "....also advise us if you are incorporated or not, and include the

Articles of Incorporation, if such exist." "...If a club is having financial problems, we urge an increase in dues, if the majority feels it will help. Clubs that show the most interest and the highest percentage of attendance, have the highest dues. Every club should have a fund raising project, if necessary, to help defray the expenses of at least one delegate to their State Conventions and to the Internat.Conv."

"...We wish that every member could see our splendid new offices in the Masonic Temple Building (St.Louis)." "...He would then realize our need for funds with which to bring our old equipment and files up to Masonic Standards."

FAIRCHILD AFB, Wash. HTC charter issued 10/6/62. 104 members. Pres.Jim Williams. MIDDLETOWN, Ohio HTC charter presented 11/7/62 by HTI Pres.James N.Robertson. Address by PIP, C.J.Hyde,Jr.P.G.M. of Kentucky. 116 members shown on charter; but High Twelvian of the time said 122 charter members. State Pres.Albert C.D.Rich was Installing Officer. 200 persons present at the banquet. Pres.Herman H.Lawrence; Sec.Lewis Hamilton. Honorary Life Membership in the club was presented to Chester Hodges 33°, FGM, Ohio.

QUINCY, Ill HTC's 15th Annual chili supper was a success as usual, according to J.Carl Menke. Statistics: 95 gallons of chili; 50 gallons of chicken noodles; 700 chicken sandwiches; 275 pies....Held at Masonic Temple. Proceeds to hospital beds and welfare projects. Club owns 85 hospital beds, loaned to 1,700 grateful persons over past 14 years, (no cost, non-sectarian, race, crede, sex or financial position). One bed in constant use by one patient 12 years. (NOTE: If there were a "Paddy" award, for a worthwhile project in successful long term operation, I'd have to give serious consideration to QUINCY,IL"Paddy"Paddock).

General Counsel Art Schifferman to Administrator Bob Vorhes 9/28/62 re. Trade-Mark Registration of words "High Twelve". "President Jim Robertson has asked me to find out what it may take to correct the registration at the U.S.Patent Office, so as to show High Twelve International to be the true owner thereof, instead of "International Association, High Twelve Clubs", which appears on my photo copy of the trade-mark application and the Trade-Mark (No.443,695)."

"...Gerry Royal was kind enough to mail me the copy of the application and of the trade-mark itself....It might barely be possible that Gerry has the original and perhaps further copies relating to this matter."

Schifferman wrote all members of the Int.Governing Board 10/1/62, ".....I also find that our charters are issued to clubs under that name (Int.Assn. High Twelve Clubs)....." "...This seems to me to be a most serious matter. In fact, if we are still issuing charters to new clubs under a non-existent name, we are lending ammunition to those of the clubs who are dissidents. As I noted in San Diego last Saturday night, a charter there was so headed. I also learned that one club in San Diego had withdrawn, and now operated simply as a Masonic Club."

"I consider it of prime importance that we junk all charter blanks that use a name that we never had, at least so far as our incorporation documents show....." Robert Vorhes, Adm. to Art Schifferman 10/8/62, "I am enclosing one of the old charters as well as the new proposed one for your approval. You will notice that 'Americanism' has been changed to 'Patriotism', and all references to 'International Association of High Twelve Clubs' has been changed to 'High Twelve International.' We are also using the trademark cut instead of one which was drawn by hand, and I have indicated the signature for International President and International Secretary instead of just President and Secretary....."

General Counsel Schifferman to Ray H.Olson, Olson, Trexler, Wolters & Bushnell, Chicago 10/9/62. He called their attention to correspondence with PIP Holland F. FlaHavhan to effect that predecessor firm of Olson & Trexler procured registration of our trademark 'High Twelve', certificate #443,695, 1/17/50, based upon applicat-

ion filed 7/4/47. It was issued to 'International Association, High Twelve Clubs, of St. Louis, Mo., a corporation of Missouri,' and the application, therefore was signed 'International Association, High Twelve Clubs, by Holland F. FlaHavhan, Pres.'

"....Before its incorporation, High Twelve may and no doubt did use as its name that which is above set forth. But it was incorporated originally in Kansas City, Mo., by pro forma decree dated 6/20/23 under the name 'The International High Twelve Club.' By later amendment the name was changed to 'High Twelve International' and the location to St Louis. The Circuit Court of St Louis County dated its pro forma decree 3/23/50."

"It would therefore seem that at the time the application for registration of the trade-mark was filed, to wit: 7/4/47, it was no longer 'International Association, etc.' but it should then have been 'The International High Twelve Club'. Again, the present name is 'High Twelve International.'"

"Our International Governing Board is interested in protecting our right to this trade-mark by substituting our true name on the records of the Patent Office. Also, is there any method whereby the 20 year protection afforded can be extended beyond the date of 1/17/70? Also, do your records show to whom the original certificate was delivered?"

Harold J. Sivers, Int. Sec. & PIP wrote Gen. Counsel Schifferman 10/8/62, "....I have in my possession the trade mark number 443695 7/6/47....also Pro Forma Amended Decree of Incorporation and the photostat of the Pro Forma Decree of Incorporation of the International High Twelve Clubs....also a copy of a letter 6/5/47 addressed to William Hecht, Treasurer...."

"....12/5 & 6 /59 Governing Board Meeting minutes....show considerable action in reference to the patent and trade mark of the International Association of High Twelve Clubs....gist was...General Counsel was instructed to obtain a new trade mark from the United States Government using the correct name of the organization as it is today....High Twelve International....Allerton was General Counsel....nothing was done on this action to the best of my knowledge."

"On 4/27/62 I addressed a letter to Gerry Royal pertaining to the copyright of High Twelve International, advising him that at the Governing Board Meeting held 12/5 and 12/6/59considerable discussion and action....re. patent and trade mark of the Int. Assn. of H.T.Cs, and that as a result of that action the General Counsel was to obtain a new trade mark. This, I do not believe, has been done to date." He offered to send Schifferman any missing items.

GATEWAY (Aurora, Colo.) charter picked up 10/18/62. Chartered 6/4/52.

10/22/62 - PRESIDENT KENNEDY REVEALED SOVIET OFFENSIVE BUILDUP IN CUBA. QUARANTINED.
11/6/62 - PRES. KENNEDY ANNOUNCED SOVIET MISSILE BASE IN CLUB BEING DISMANTLED.
CINCINNATI (Ohio) charter lifted 10/31/62. Was chartered in Sept., 1957.

STATE PRESIDENTS, WINTER OF '62-63....California-Fred H. Doty, Richmond; COLORADO: '61-62 Dale Keithl. '62-63 unknown; ILLINOIS: 5/18/62 Brooks C. Barker, Oak Park; IOWA-SOUTH DAKOTA: Thaddeus C. Jones, Des Moines; MICHIGAN: Nathaniel S. Tuchman, Benton Harbor; MISSOURI: Clair H. Schroeder, Kansas City apparently '61-62 and Dennis O'Hearn '62-63 (information sheet confusing); KANSAS: 1963 Harlan E. McDowell, Topeka; NEW JERSEY: 1963 & 1964 (2 yrs) Raymond D. Seely, East Orange; OHIO: Albert C. D. Rich, Dayton; (NOTE: I never did receive this information from Kentucky-Alabama Assn., so unless listed in High Twelvian, not shown. DLP)

Administrator Robert Vorhes took extended trip through the Midwest and Kentucky, visiting clubs in the fall. Attended State Conventions in Colorado and Kansas. Called on Grand Lodge Officers in Utah and Arizona., Minnesota and South Dakota. Seemed to think he had prospects. Thinks will have enough clubs to form State Associations in June.

Mid-Year Meeting of the International Governing Board was held Dec. 8 and 9, '62 in St. Louis at the new offices in the Masonic Temple of the Missouri Grand Lodge. "...President Robertson devised and worked out what was hoped to be an acceptable solution to the legal troubles (Wolcott suit) which have been plaguing the International movement, especially hindering the activities of the Wolcott Foundation, Inc." He met with attorneys of Wolcott and it was agreed that "money in the old Foundation would be withdrawn as needed to pay for the costs of the Wolcott Scholars also to reimburse the new fund for payments heretofore made for such, and suit to remain dormant until June Convention, San Diego.

"If the Convention affirms the Board's action, then the suit will be dropped entirely. Vouchers covering the withdrawals are subject to okeh by the Plaintiff's attorneys during the interval between December and June."

"President Robertson was invited to attend the Grand DeMolay Conclave in Tampa, Florida April 1 - 4. Approved by the Board." Frank McWhortor suggested "canned" speeches and slides to explain and "sell" the Wolcott Foundation, Inc., and to be used to form new clubs. "....and a grant of money to the estates or survivors of deceased members with 25 years or more membership." All referred to Committees for study.

"Lewis Hoffman will have a go at rewriting the International pamphlets, stressing the positive approach." Administrator Vorhes reported a net increase of 273 members since the Convention. Free membership certificates were to be given to new members. 5¢ to others. "....The Building Fund, which was started and collected some years ago, principally in Michigan, will be returned to the original donors or their heirs or assigns. This fund was intended to go toward the erection of a High Twelve International Building on or before 1963." "....the money will be gladly accepted as donations toward the Office Improvement Fund." \$103.03 was raised at the Board Meeting to the latter project.

General Counsel Art Schifferman reported that the "Trade Mark and High Twelve name was obtained in another appellation in 1948, but is still good." "....A Patent Attorney is to be hired to resolve the matter of the 3 tiered plinth and name now in use (High Twelve International instead of International High Twelve). A pattern Constitution and By-Laws has been drawn up and is recommended for adoption in the formation of new clubs. The INC. is to be dropped from Stationery and documents. Ritual forms for High Twelve would be standardized and adoption urged upon the clubs.

Vice President Tearman suggested that in states where it is practical, area Presidents should be elected or appointed as a testing ground for leadership material. "...Since the Foundation's inception, there have been 99 applicants and 26 acceptances." Leonard Voorhees, Secretary (Foundation). An 100% Attendance Award was approved. Vice President Tearman reported he had installed officers of 5 clubs simultaneously in Louisville, Ky. PIP C.J. Hyde was the principal speaker.

CONCORD (Calif.) HTC purchased 46 Honorary memberships in the Carquinez Chapter Order of DeMolay @ \$1.00 per member as a contribution to the Order of DeMolay for '63. NORTHERN LIGHTS HTC, Newfoundland is "helping with local youth projects, esp. DeMolay."

Tallman Trask, Secretary of the California Association and Chairman of Expansion suggested making some functions more uniform (at St. Louis)...and toward the breaking down of state organizations into more local areas. Suggested revamping of entire committee system....a strong active chairman with committee members being appointed by the state.

"It is obvious that we are making some progress with the Grand Lodges. The action of the Florida Grand Lodge reported at the Clearwater Convention, the more recent action of the Grand Lodge of Louisiana in appointing a High Twelve Committee

of Grand Lodge, the policy of California in making all Grand Masters either active or Honorary members of High Twelve by starting when the Grand Lodge officer is first starting in line, and other similar actions should do much to remove existing obstructions of other Grand Lodges."

Administrator Robert Vorhes asked the Board for concentration on uniformity. The Office Procedure Committee reported they had been working on this. "...Many clubs persist in setting up their own ideas for reports....which throws the whole system out of kilter. We urge a system along the line of California's procedure be studied."

New things: Charters, membership certificates (free to clubs effective 6/11/62), expansion pamphlet, instruction sheets to newly installed Club Presidents, Secretaries and International Representatives, new stationery and envelopes. \$1,195.18 received in cash donations to "Office Improvement Fund", and have spent \$2,827.47. "...When we wrote to the donors to the Building Fund, asking if they wished their donations transferred to 'Office Improvement Fund', we received \$946.41 in authorizations."....."I recommend all donations to the "New Building Fund" be returned to Bro. Walter Anderson, Chairman, with the request that the monies be returned to the responsible individual donors, and that we write the the brothers who authorized the transfer, advising them of the action. We could then suggest that our Project Committee put forth a concentrated drive to raise money to equip and furnish our new offices in keeping with our dignity as a Masonic affiliate."

He recommended that no clubs be named after living individuals, regardless of standing, rank or age. He further recommended that no individual or firm be allowed to use the High Twelve emblem on anything without permission of International. He recommended a new-member kit be furnished through International to local clubs with a charge sufficient to cover cost of material, packaging and mailing....to be given to new members.

Vorhes further recommended that a Public Relations expert be engaged part time. He objected to sending copies of all club correspondence with International going to the International Representative as instructed at Clearwater Convention. "Now that the various State Presidents are voting members of the International Governing Board....the International Representative is an unnecessary position. We should consider abolishing this office, as in most cases he is someone appointed to the office as an Honorary gesture."

Re. Military Clubs, Vorhes said, "...I recommend the High Twelve International donate a sum up to 10% of that club's International dues to advance their projects." He recommended that the Committee Chairmen turn their files over to their successors. He thought he should confine his club visits to State Conventions, new clubs, prospects and those in trouble in order to do the most good., e.g. education and visiting Grand Lodge officers. Suggested start training a young man to eventually take over.

He reported that since the Convention in Clearwater, the following clubs were dropped: Vulcan (Birmingham, Ala); Fellowship (Owensboro, Ky); Irvington (Indianapolis, Ind;) and new clubs started - Seacoast Region (Portsmouth) NH; Fairchild AFB (Washington); Middletown (Ohio). Princeton Club to have chartered in December.

The Projects Committee, Chairman Frank W. McWhorter made a detailed analysis of membership losses 1957-58 to 1961-62...It showed that members dropped almost equaled new members. On top of this was added those who had died, so no progress was being made. He showed comparison with normal loss by organizations like ours, using the number of new members (normal loss is 10% of enrollment). On that basis we would have 17,067 now instead of actual 14,215. Our goal for this fiscal year should be to keep our lost members to 1,425 or less and drive for at least 2,800 new members so

that we will go to the 1963 convention with a membership of 15,600 or more. This can be done."

"...We enrolled 9,769 new members in the 4 year period, including those acquired in forming new clubs, averaging better than 2,440 per year. 777 were called to receive their Heavenly Reward. We dropped 8,157 for reasons other than death, plus 1,450 dropped in 1957-58, giving us a total of 9,607 dropped in 5 years." "....The drop in other movements like ours including loss by death is about 10% of the total membership; but covered by getting new members and forming new clubs...so that annual reports show a net increase of 10% to 12% per year."

"....If we had lost only the normal 10% and acquired the same as we did over the 4 years, we would have 3,500;? International would have close to \$29,000.00 more money; our '62-63 income would be over \$10,000 greater; our State Associations would be healthier and wealthier."

1. Insist on every member being so well informed and enthused that he will readily assist in the promotion....
2. Aid and assist every club in having a local Community Project that is worthy and successful and fits a need in that locale....
3. Give proper International recognition to the individual members, local clubs and State Associations who do an outstanding work in a given year for High Twelve.....
4. The Life Membership and Big Brother Membership (will) encourage members to remain in High Twelve the rest of their life, to invest, not spend more money in High Twelve.
 - a. The estate or beneficiary of a member of a High Twelve Club will receive money equal to what deceased member has paid to International in per-capita dues during his life membership minus deductions for membership in Wolcott Foundation.

- b. After 25 years he would receive a lapel pin with serial number. This, along with proof-of-death shall constitute a claim for benefits.
 - c. A "Big-Brother Life Membership" purchasable by any High Twelve member for \$100.00, and qualify for benefit of a holder of Life Membership at the end of 20 years of consecutive paid membership and until death. Purchasable by cash with application or \$10.00 deposit with application, balance payable monthly or quarterly....payment in full within a year. Neither certificate or benefits payable until paid in full.

If he dies while paying or before the end of 20 year membership, all money paid to International shall be refunded in amount paid with no other benefits to estate of deceased brother. No cancellations and no refunds. Transferable to another High Twelve Club. Monies deposited in separate bank account.

Loyalty; good selling tool to get new members and clubs; added attraction for young married men; creation of greater interest in High Twelve International; helps clubs to help International too. Create interest in HTI on part of family. Counters off heard remark, "members do not have enough invested to hold them. Strengthens HT at grass roots level; increases HTI income by holding down loss by members; and gives HTI more money for expansion. (NOTE: The foregoing is a very sketchy summary of a 3 page report contained in PIP James Robertson's file. Presumably all written by Bro. McWhorter. DLP)

President Robertson stated at the Mid-Year Board Meeting that the action taken at the Convention in Louisville had resulted in the institution of legal action against the Trustees; that the International Officers now in office who were present then were against the action taken at that convention; that immediately after the convention the lawsuit was instituted; and that because of the litigation, many persons were unwilling to give to the Wolcott Foundation; and would not do so while litigation was pending. After considerable debate, the following resolution was approved for presentation at the San Diego Convention, 1963:

"Whereas there is pending in the City of St. Louis, Mo. certain litigation involving High Twelvians and the Trustees of the Wolcott Foundation and Wolcott Foundation, Inc., and "Whereas it is the unanimous considered opinion of the Governing Board of High Twelve International, meeting in session in St. Louis, Mo., December 8 and 9, 1962, that the said litigation is the result of a clash of personalities, and that as a result of said litigation the reputation of High Twelve International and its relationship with the Administration of George Washington University is placed in jeopardy, and

"Whereas by adoption of the following resolution by the delegates in convention assembled in San Diego, Calif. June 23, 24, 24 & 26, 1963, said litigation in all probability would end, harmony would prevail and the contributions to the Wolcott Foundation, Inc. would increase, thereby enlarging the program of the Wolcott Foundation, Inc., it has been duly moved and seconded, and upon vote being taken of the members of the International Governing Board in the Mid-Year meeting held in St. Louis December 8 & 9, 1962, that the following resolution be presented to the delegates in convention assembled at San Diego, Calif. in June, 1963 for their adoption:

"Resolved that the action of the delegates in convention assembled at Louisville, Kentucky, June 28, 1961, upon the following resolution, which was passed by a majority vote of the delegates be rescinded:

'Whereas, considerable confusion has developed regarding the administration of the Wolcott Foundation of High Twelve International and Wolcott Foundation, Inc. as two separate Trusts, and Whereas, the tax problem which would possibly result in mingling the two funds is trivial and inconsequential, Now therefore be it resolved that all of the assets of the Wolcott Foundation of High Twelve International be immediately transferred to Wolcott Foundation, Inc.'

"Be it further resolved that all funds which have been or had been deposited in the account of the Wolcott Foundation of High Twelve International, as distinguished from the Wolcott Foundation, Inc. be maintained in said account and in the event they have been withdrawn from said account, other than for the payment of contributions for students in George Washington University, be returned forthwith to said Wolcott Foundation of High Twelve International account;

"Be it further resolved that said funds be disbursed by the Treasurer of High Twelve International upon receiving vouchers from the Trustees of the Wolcott Foundation of High Twelve International and/or the Wolcott Foundation, Inc.; and

"Be it further resolved that said monies and funds be first expended for the payment of scholarships and/or expenses of the Wolcott Foundation of High Twelve International until said monies and funds are completely spent and the account is exhausted before any contributions contributed to the Wolcott Foundation, Inc. since the date of its incorporation, be used for paying the expenses of the Trustees and scholarships of the Wolcott Foundation students of George Washington University; and

"Be it further resolved that said contributions to Wolcott Foundation of High Twelve International be maintained as a separate trust from that of the Wolcott Foundation, Inc. in compliance with the action taken by the delegates in convention assembled at Carmel, Calif. on June 29, 1960, and as a result of the recommendations of the International Governing Board meeting in Chicago on December 5 & 6, 1959."

The following is a summation of General Counsel Art Schifferman's report on registration of the trade mark for the words HIGH TWELVE, etc. He had found there had been a registration for the trademark for the words HIGH TWELVE, HIGH TWELVIAN and its design of the symbol; that all of the registrations had been obtained in the name of

Registration dated back to 1948 in the case of 2 and to 1950 in the case of 1. That the Chicago law firm of Olson, Trexler, Walters & Buschnell advised him the registrations were issued for 20 years and could be renewed....and that it would be possible to obtain a registration under HIGH TWELVE INTERNATIONAL as a SERVICE MARK, and of the emblem as a COLLECTIVE MEMBERSHIP MARK....that by filing the proper documents we could correct the true name of High Twelve International as the proper owner of the trademark or trademarks.

Bro. Schifferman, in connection with the above matters, recommended that the matter of registration, as stated above, and the filing of new documents be referred to a patent attorney.

New charters until very recently were issued under the name of INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF HIGH TWELVE CLUBS. A new form of charter was evolved by adding new language and a design to the old charter, and correcting the name on the charter to HIGH TWELVE INTERNATIONAL.

Schifferman asked for permission to formulate a Constitution and some By-Laws for local clubs to follow....to include the mandatory provision (non-interference with Blue Lodge and Grand Lodge operation, etc.) He also suggested that a careful study for adoption of uniform, standardized procedures in the operation of clubs.

It was noted that the first time the new charter was ever used was at MIDDLETOWN, Ohio....the names changed from International Association of High Twelve Clubs to High Twelve International, and the word "Americanism" on insignia changed to "patriotism." (NOTE: We had clubs in foreign countries. DLP)

President Robertson was invited to attend the Grand DeMolay Conclave in Tampa, Fla. April 1 - 4. Approved by the Board.

In "What is Leadership", Don Mathewson, California, Chairman of the Club Leadership Committee, gave 3 classifications for persons (running clubs): 1- The few who make things happen; 2- The many who watch things happen; 3- The overwhelming majority who have no idea what has happened.

"....The manager of a club - or LEADER - is obviously in the 1st group; and the Administrator is in the 2nd. The Administrator follows stereotyped patterns, whether it applies to his situation or not. The LEADER sizes up the situation as it exists, whether they fit the test or not. A leader is more than a problem solver. He is a goal setter." High Twelvian of March-April-May, 1963.

TRAVELERS (Travis AFB, Ca.) charter issued 2/16/63. 38 members. Herbert C. Nordstrom, Pres. MONTEREY PARK (Ca.) HTC charter issued 2/9/63. 22 members. A. Pres. A. J. Andrews. WEST SIDE (Evansville, Ind.) Charter issued 3/13/63. 54 members. Pres. Earl E. Stocker. PRINCETON (NJ) HTC charter issued 4/13/63. 50 members. Pres. Arthur T. Brokaw.

W. J. SCHOENFELD, Kansas City, Kan. passed away 3/13/63. He was International Secretary and then Secretary-Treasurer 1939-1945. (NOTE: Many of these sources of information were contained in back issues of the High Twelvian Magazine which were given by the Schoenfelds to Charlie Burkin, PIP. DLP)

ESTERO (Calif.) HTC charter was issued 4/6/63. 40 members. Pres. Don E. Wilson. PALESTINE (Detroit, Mich.) HTC charter issued 5/4/63. 25 members. Pres. Lester L. Lodge. JEFF W. CALDWELL (Formerly West Monroe, La.) HTC charter issued 2/15/63. 25 members. Pres. Vern J. Pleasant. L. S. U. (Baton Rouge, La.) HTC charter issued 3/11/63. 46 members. Walter J. Peevy, Pres. COLLEGE TOWN (Monroe, La.) HTC charter issued 5/11/63. 22 members. Pres. Edward C. Whatley. (Name changed to Harry Milemert 5/5/64). SUNCOAST (Palm Harbor, Fla.) charter issued 5/1/63. 22 members. Pres. Elmer W. Olson. LINDBERGH (St. Louis, Mo.) charter issued 6/11/63. 23 members. Pres. Harold F. Brown. KEYSTONE (Wichita, Kan.) HTC charter issued 6/17/63. 45 members. Pres. Florian A. Rodgers.

6/17/63 - THE SUPREME COURT DECLARED THAT LAWS REQUIRING RECITATION OF THE LORD'S PRAYER OR BIBLE VERSES IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS WERE UNCONSTITUTIONAL.

The International Convention of June 23 - 26, 1963 was held in San Diego, Calif., U.S. Grant Hotel. Dave Snyder, PSP, General Chairman. Membership as of 5/31/63 reported as 14,027. 245 clubs (increase of 12). At the time of the convention, the membership was listed as 14,525, a gain of 310 in the year.

Past International President Holland F. FlaHavhan, reporting on "The Good Old Days" of High Twelve, "...We...were convinced that there was not only a need for High Twelve, but we were equally convinced that we could perform a real service for Masonry." "...Many fine Masons were not in a position 'to get into line', but were anxious to lend their talents to the advancement of the fraternity, so all they could do was to wash dishes after the Past Master's Dinner, serve on committees that brought little or no glory or laurels. Many a man could be a good officer in a High Twelve Club without being a ritualist or even a public speaker. We felt that if we could get these men active in High Twelve, we could get them active in Lodge. In fact, we arranged High Twelve nights at many Lodges and High Twelve Sundays at the High Twelve Chaplain's church.

"Practically speaking, our only asset in those days was enthusiasm. Fortunately, we had a lot of that. Otherwise, there would be no High Twelve today. Andy Anderson, at great expense to himself, put out the Magazine. Wallie wore out several cars traveling around the country. Those who travelled would make new contacts wherever we went, all at our own expense. C.D. Royal was Master of our Constitution & By-Laws, an enormous task at which he was a Past Master.

"All of us became missionaries, preaching High Twelve wherever we went. If we attended Lodge, Commandry, Scottish Rite or Shrine we would talk High Twelve at the 1st opportunity, and often made the opportunity. The monumental force for whatever success we had was the fact that there was no jealousy, improper ambitions, discord or other impairing influences. What we lacked in ability, we made up in work. The mistakes that were made were the mistakes of the head and not of the heart." "...Our enthusiasm overflowed into Michigan, Iowa, California and Illinois." "...Our hearts and souls were bent on doing all we could for Masonry."

At the time of this convention High Twelve was operating in 24 states and in 5 foreign countries. The official song for High Twelve was written by Frank McWhorter of Indianapolis, and was formally adopted (herein). This was the 29th consecutive Annual Convention for PIP G.A. Royal.

The first order of business at the Convention, San Diego was the appointment of Elmer Wagner of St. Louis, Mo. as the International Secretary. (He was serving as Grand Secretary, Grand Lodge of Missouri, same building where our offices are located now.) Jim Robertson took the minutes, as Wagner was not present. (NOTE: After election). DLP

Cash Receipts \$58,467.12; Cash disb. \$51,998.36; Cash in checking a/c \$2,939.05; Cash in savings a/c \$5,079.27 - Current total assets \$10,872.61. Investment Savings Bond Series E \$206.25; Fixtures, Furn. & Office Eqpt., Improvement Eqpt. \$2,627.55. Total assets \$16,033.06.

Wolcott Foundation balance 6/1/62 = \$25,247.14, interest 1963 = \$365.00 - total \$25,612.14. International Secretary Harold J. Sivers, "....A good move had been made by having written reports from the officers and chairmen of the various committees." Bro. Schifferman, General Counsel, referred to establishment of standard club Constitution and By-Laws; the Clearwater, Fla. cessation; the correct name of our Internat-

ional organization was "High Twelve International," not "International Association of High Twelve Clubs;" The registration of trade marks, "High Twelve and "High Twelvian". He outlined the advantages obtainable by registration of the marks in the U.S. Patent Office (the organization now registered under a name we never owned); that the organization was not using the name or marks in a uniform manner.

Schiffman said some clubs and individuals wanted their money back from the Building Fund, inasmuch as the building is not to be built; that the money still in the Fund which had not been claimed could be used under the "Cy Pres" and Doctrine of Law of applying it to the same general use that the donors intended; and that was what the Governing Board was going to do with its funds. Report approved.

Bro. Mathewson said his committee recommended staggering of committees for a period of 3 years, providing greater possibilities of new ideas, "rotation" as well as continuity. Report approved. The new model Constitution & By-Laws for local clubs was adopted.

Regarding Protocol... PIP Wm. Worthen said it had become necessary to have some guidelines whereby our members and our clubs can know how to properly receive our own leaders. He hoped that the Past Presidents Council would develop some guidelines, suggestions, without imposing in any way upon the members and the clubs any required protocol or required ritual. Approved.

Administrator Vorhes reported on the Standardization of the High Twelve pins; that it was necessary for High Twelve to advertise more (emblem stickers, etc.); that the Manufacturing Jewelers should be given an opportunity to bid. Also recommended standardization of road signs. It was voted to appoint a committee to study the question of jewelry.

Past International President Harry Buckalew, Fresno, stated that many years before through efforts of then International Secretary Robert Hood there had been instituted in High Twelve a travelling membership; that the purpose of the travelling membership was to permit members of the various clubs who moved to communities in which there were no High Twelve Clubs to keep their membership in High Twelve by paying the International dues; that if they would pay the International dues they received the High Twelvian and thereby retained their interest in the organization. He further stated that he considered this a very valuable thing to HTI; that if a number of members would move to a community where there was no club, the International organization would have a nucleus to start a High Twelve Club in that community. He further stated that he would like to see the traveling membership reinstated by HTI. Bro. Buckalew moved that the traveling membership be re-established and be referred to the Constitution & By-Laws committee as it was a matter that would require an amendment to the Constitution.

Discussion

Bro. Loher, California, stated that a traveling membership was a prime cause of the establishing of International; that the first High Twelve Club being in Sioux City, Iowa, one of the members moved to Oakland and organized the Oakland HTC. Passed.

President Robertson announced that the General Counsel had approved the Constitution and By-Laws of the proposed Florida State Association; and then he ruled that the Florida State Association to be an integral part of High Twelve International; and therefore would accord to it all its rights and privileges.

V.P. Tearman reported on the operation of the St Louis offices; that after 42 years a new modern filing system had been instituted; and new machinery and equipment installed; but that other items were still needed. The Convention approved a resolution that in all meetings of High Twelve Clubs in the United States and Possessions

we continue to pledge allegiance to our flag, using the phrase "under God"..... and that a strong statement be taken against removing the that phrase or any proposed change in the pledge.

The resolution proposed by the Governing Board Dec. 8, 9, 1962 that the said litigation (E.C.Wolcott vs Wolcott Trustees, etc.) is the result of clash of personalities; and that as a result the reputation of HTI and its relationship with the Administration of George Washington University was placed in jeopardy; but by adopting provisions of the proposed resolution, said litigation in all probability would end, harmony would prevail and contributions increase.

A resolution presented by the Michigan Association of High Twelve Clubs was read as follows: "Whereas, the members of High Twelve assembled at the 1961 annual meeting convened at Louisville, Ky. by resolution directed the Trustees of the Wolcott Foundation of HTI to transfer the funds of said Foundation to the Wolcott Foundation, Inc.; and Whereas the Trustees of Wolcott Foundation of HTI undertook all action necessary to carry out and effectuate the intent and purpose of the aforesaid resolution until enjoined temporarily by litigation instituted by one member; and

"Whereas, said litigant, refusing to abide by the will of the majority in High Twelve International Convention assembled, and refusing to avail himself of this organization's procedure or the Wolcott Foundation's procedure concerning the resolution directing the transfer of said funds, made unjust and irresponsible accusations against the Trustees because of their efforts to comply with the said resolution; and

"Whereas the litigant now has had his hearing in open court without first resorting to or exhausting the procedural remedies within the organization; be it

"Resolved that the acts of the Trustees of the Foundation, in undertaking compliance with the directive set forth in the 1961 resolution ordering transfer of said funds, hereby are in all respects ratified, confirmed and approved;

"Resolved further that the Trustees be again directed to transfer said funds as soon as permissible and practicable and consistent with the Court's decrees and orders in the aforesaid litigation." PIP Hicks Griffiths, Chairman of the Wolcott Foundation, Inc. moved for the adoption of the Michigan resolution and of (duplicate) of the Stockton (Calif.) HTC.

Bro. Boecker of St. Louis spoke in opposition, and moved for the adoption of the resolution approved at the Mid-Year (December, 1962) Meeting of the Governing Board, and to affirm the action taken by the Governing Board at the HTI Convention at Carmel, 1960.

After considerable debate, with Bro. Thad Jones of Iowa, who stated in substance that the question resolved itself into one simple matter, to-wit: Shall we continue the litigation or shall we stop it? He further stated that there had been a tentative agreement made in St. Louis in December, 1962 between the officers and Counsel for Wallie Wolcott to the effect that if this convention approves and ratifies the resolution as presented emanating from the Governing Board, the law suit would be dismissed absolutely and that therefore there would be an end to litigation.

PIP Hicks refuted Bro. Jones' assumption, stating that it was not true that if the case is dismissed it would be dismissed with prejudice; that the case had been tried; that we should let the Judge decide the case; that we should decide ourselves where we stand on this project.

V.P. Burkin asked the California delegation if they would not sever their resolution so we could resolve one question at a time; to make it two resolutions.. one, the sincerity of the work of the Trustees.... The other, the transfer of funds.

OUR OFFICIAL HIGH TWELVE SONG

(See Letter in "Question & Answer Spot" On Page 5)

HI, HIGH TWELVIAN!

Words and Music By Frank McWhorter

Hi Hi Hi High twel-vi--an,

Hi there Broth-er Hal-----lo, Now we're here let's solve right in,

Keep that spirit a ----- glow, Hey, try, try Hi--

Twel-vi--an, Be a good old stand by our

Com-rade-ship and so-cial tie, Our aim is soar-ing up sky high,

Hi, High Twel-vi-----an Hi. Hi.

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It features a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 4/4 time signature. The melody is simple and catchy, with lyrics that are easy to remember. The piano accompaniment provides a steady harmonic foundation. The score is divided into several systems, each with a vocal line and a piano line. The lyrics are written below the vocal line, and the piano part is written on a grand staff (treble and bass clef).

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Adopted at the 1963 Convention
San Diego, Calif.

Thad Jones of Iowa stated that a pending law suit may be dismissed at any time prior to the entry of decree of judgement. President Robertson stated that the question having been called for, "all those in favor of the Stockton-Michigan resolution say 'aye'....contrary 'no'". He declared the motion carried.

Bro. Monta Shirley of California moved that the resolution submitted by the Governing Board at the Mid-Year meeting be not adopted. Upon vote being taken, the resolution adopted by the Governing Board at Mid-Year meeting for presentation at this convention was ordered not adopted.

V.P. Burkin asked if the commingling of funds could be accomplished prior to the settlement of the law suit pending in St. Louis County. Pres. Robertson stated that the funds could not be commingled until the law suit was disposed of.

Dr. Leonard Voorhees of Ohio was elected Wolcott Foundation of High Twelve International Trustee for a 4 year term (inadvertently elected for only Wolcott Foundation, Inc. in Clearwater last year.) Bishop Stephen Robinson was elected a Trustee.

President James N. Robertson 1962-63 said during his term for the first time Non-Officers were used as zone officers (thereby creating more Zones with less area to cover for each.) Also, "first use of 100% attendance at meetings." The biggest problem was the litigation between Wallie and the Trustees headed by Hicks Griffiths; and the working to a solution.

OFFICERS FOR 1963-64: President - Wm. F. Tearman, Terre Haute, Ind; 1st V.P. Charles F. Burkin, Jr., Kansas City, Kan; 2nd V.P. Robert F. Clynch, Baton Rouge, La; 3rd V.P. Vinton S. Malcolm, Oakland, Ca; Treasurer Wm. S. Roser, Louisville, Ky; Secretary to the Board Elmer W. Wagner, St. Louis, Mo; General Counsel Arthur E. Schifferman, Los Angeles; Editor of High Twelve E. P. White, Jr., Louisville, Ky; Immediate Past President James N. Robertson, Media, Pa; Administrator Robert W. Vorhes. Wolcott Fund Trustees: Ch. Hicks G. Griffiths, Mich; Sec. Leonard Voorhees, Ohio; Tr. Wm. N. Kinnard, Pa; V. Ch. Bishop Stephen Robinson, Iowa; and Arthur E. Buss, Calif.

INTERNATIONAL ZONE OFFICERS: Wm. F. Tearman - Florida, Ill., Ind., Michigan; Chas. F. Burkin, Jr. - Colorado, Iowa, Kansas, Minn., Missouri, Nebraska, Wyoming, South Dakota, Oklahoma; Robert F. Clynch - Louisiana, Kentucky, Alabama, England, France, Newfoundland, New Mexico, Spain; V. S. Malcolm - California, Guam, Washington; James N. Robertson - New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania & New Hampshire.

LIAISON TO COMMITTEES: Tearman - Youth, Budget & Planning; Burkin - Const. & B-L, Credentials, Military Affairs, Manuals & Info. and Convention Site; Clynch - Expansion, Masonic Relations & Nominations; Malcolm - Projects, Leadership & Pub. Relations.

COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN: YOUTH - H. H. Lawrence, Mich; BUDGET & PLANNING: N. S. Tuchman, Mich; RESOLUTIONS - LeRoy Francis, Indiana; CONSTITUTION & BY-LAWS: Geo. Nilsson, California; CREDENTIALS: Lewis M. Evans III, Pennsylvania; MILITARY AFFAIRS: Col. Wilfred E. Lessard, Jr., Co-Ch., Louisiana and Gilbert Kirmouth, Co-Ch. Indiana.

MANUALS & INFORMATION - Lewis Hoffman, Ohio; CONVENTION SITE - Joe Hodge, Kentucky; EXPANSION - Ernest A. Ford, Calif; MASONIC RELATIONS - C. J. Hyde, Kentucky; PROJECTS - W. J. Patton, Calif; CLUB LEADERSHIP - Don Mathewson, Calif; PUBLIC RELATIONS - Robert M. Rawick, Calif; PARLIAMENTARIAN - Monta W. Shirley, Calif; INT. CHAPLAIN - W. F. Mathis.

President William Tearman intended to strive for a closer relationship between the clubs and the "home office". Wanted a firmer identity with DeMolay; and a positive promotional program within High Twelve on Public Relations. The convention breakfasts were broken into Club Pres., Secretaries, Treas., and P.I.P "confabs."

President Tearman proposed that each High Twelve Club select DeMolay of the Year for that city, and so on up to 1 for each state...and then 1 for all Internat'l. \$100.00 was voted for the new hospital at George Washington University.

MARVELOUS MARIN (Ca.) HTC's Bro. Glen Wentz presented a check for \$2,500.00 left in the will of one of his clients for the (California) Ensign Mayo DeMolay Loan Fund, the state project. The Fund insures any worthy DeMolay boy the economic aid he may need to finish his college (undergraduate) education.

"Attendance, programs and local projects are the mark of a successful club", according to Calvin O. Sill of Michigan. He said many clubs confuse leadership with popularity. "...Leadership is actually the achievement of goals through the direction of others." "What High Twelve needs even more than leaders is followers who insist that each officer...and member does the job he accepts...." High Twelvian 9/63.

"....Why can't the several hundred clubs throughout the country adopt as one of their projects the....outfitting and equipping of the home office?" Acoustical, flooring treatment, office machines and furniture needs were listed at \$5,779.78. HT'm 8/28/63 - 200,000 DEMONSTRATE IN W., DC. FOR EQUAL RIGHTS FOR BLACKS.

The Sept-Oct. 1963 High Twelvian, in reporting on the organization of the Florida State Association in Clearwater earlier said it was the Florida State Association of High Twelve Clubs, Inc. President Edwin W. Wetmore, Santa Maria; Sec. Larry King, Largo. Officers and directors were elected from seven clubs. "They look to California's 64 clubs as a goal."

SUN CITY (California) HTC charter issued 9/7/63. 140 members. H.A. Bachser, Pres. IDYLLWILD, Calif. HTC charter issued 10/5/63. 35 members. L.A. Morwood, Clark, Pres. TIJUANA, Mexico H2C chartered 9/21/63. 28 members. Pres. Alejandro Gonzalez Collin. NATCHEZ, Miss. HTC charter issued 10/2/63 and apparently picked up immediately. 54 members. L.W. Laird, Jr. Pres.

11/1/63 - 11/2/63 - SOUTH VIETNAM GOVERNMENT OF PRESIDENT NGO DINH DIEM OVERTHROWN AND DIEM WAS KILLED.

11/22/63 PRES. J.F. KENNEDY KILLED IN DALLAS; V.P. L.B. JOHNSON INAUGURATED AS PRESIDENT.

"Never let a member drop from the club membership until the the Membership Committee has done everything possible to hold him", said Tallman Trask in the Nov-Dec., 1963 High Twelvian. "Clubs should send out bills early in December, that they may be paid before the end of June. A Personal call should be made on every member who has not paid his dues by February 1." "...Was there illness? When he moves to a different community, list his new address on the monthly report...." (NOTE: Most club secretaries still don't list new address when club members moves out of the area. If they did, we could follow up, and get him to join a local club or help start a new one. DEP)

The International Mid-Year meeting was held December 14, 1963 in the Masonic Temple (International Headquarters of High Twelve) in zero weather. 20 members of the Governing Board were in attendance. Were advised that the DeMolay project approved at the Convention San Diego was still in formative stages and subject to approval of the DeMolay Headquarters. State Association Presidents should appoint chairmen at state levels to serve on the Expansion, Masonic Relations, Youth, Project, Club Leadership and Public Relations Committees.

President Tearman emphasized the necessity for close relations between High Twelve and the Blue Lodges. "As soon as some inception color slides are obtained, the High Twelve story in 28 min. long color slides and recorded narration will be ready for loan, free, to all clubs working on the formation one new ones.....a solid tool for promotion....."

President Clarence Hammet of the California Association, "...Much of California's growth is due to continued activity and loyalty of Past International and State Of-

ficers; development of area staffing; officers guide and suggestion book; public relations and publicity."

International 1st V.P. Charles Burkin's group recommended updating of local manuals, establishing uniform ritual for installations and member inductions. Penny banks were paying off.

2nd V.P. Robert Clynch's group recommended each club and state association appoint a Historian and a perpetually up-to-date history be kept.

3rd V.P. Vint Malcolm's group suggested that club manuals be passed along to successive officers. President Tearman asked the Zone Officers to make a personal effort to get delinquent clubs to pay International dues with the help of State Presidents.

The Conference authorized the printing and distributing of E.C. Wolcott's History of High Twelve International. The Conference suggested that the Trustees of the Wolcott Foundation, Inc. change the name to High Twelve International Foundation, Inc.

March 17, 1964 was proclaimed by International President William F. Tearman as OFFICE IMPROVEMENT FUND DAY. Past International Presidents Robertson, Worthern and Royal were to study and recommend a projected 5 year course of action for HTI.

Back on October 2, 1963, NATCHEZ (Miss.) HTC charter was presented by International 2nd V.P. Robert F. Clynch to Charter Pres. L.W. Laird, Jr. and Reginal M. Loftin, Club Pres. The Jan.-Feb., 1964 High Twelvian included a roster of clubs. First in many years. 1963 Perfect attendance: Bakersfield, Ca. 3; Stockton, Ca. 6; Skycrest (Clearwater, Fl) 2; Quincy, Ill. 3; Redford (Detroit) 1; St John (St. Louis) 3; New Jersey-Camden 8; Mound (Miamisburg) Ohio 2; George Washington (Larson AFB Wash.) 4

STATE PRESIDENTS FOR 1964 - CALIFORNIA: C.I. Hammet, Glendale; COLORADO: Unknown, unless it was Dale Keihl, held over; ILLINOIS: 5/17/63-64 Wesley J. Roper, East St. Louis; IOWA: C.W. Conard ('63-64), Boone; MICHIGAN: Orren M. Hall, '63-64 Detroit; MISSOURI: Emil M. Jecmen, Sr., apparently '63-64, Clayton; KANSAS: Fred J. Brown, Lawrence; NEW JERSEY: Raymond D. Seely, East Orange; OHIO: William K. Rose '63-64, Toledo; FLORIDA: Edwin W. Wetmore, Santa Maria. No information on KENTUCKY-ALABAMA.

SUNCOAST HTC of Palm Harbor, Florida charter party was 10/4/63 (charter issued 5/1/63 as earlier reported). 183 High Twelvians and guests at Clearwater Beach. Charter presented by Pres. Edwin D. Wetmore of the Florida St. Assn. Pres. Elmer Olson, Sec-Tr. Edward C. Kimball.

AL E. ORTON HTC (Louisville, Ky.). Some of their projects as reported in Jan-Feb. High Twelvian, 1964.... E.A. Degree Team made 12 Blue Lodge visits last year. Sponsored 8 DeMolay boys. Bowling team in operation in a tough league. Annual pilgrimage to Kentucky Masonic Widows and Orphans Home. Wheel chair on loan. Most all financed by sale of fruit cakes.... 260 last year, of which 60 sold by Mae Mick, wife of Past President of the club. Member M.A. Jefferies sold 52.

Wolcott Foundation, Inc. Secretary Leonard B. Voorhees reported 4 of the 5 Trustees and International President Tearman met in Washington, D.C. with George Washington University officers and faculty members and students. Dean Woodruff explained change that would allow students to follow other areas of Government work within Continental U.S.A.

3/21/64 - 3/25/64... CIVIL RIGHTS MARCH... DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, SELMA TO MONTGOMERY, ALA.

Florida State Association of High Twelve Clubs, Inc. had its 1st Annual Convention March 7, 1964 in St. Petersburg. Pres. E.D. Wetmore, Presided. Int. Pres. Wm. F. Tearman spoke on the status of the Wolcott Foundation. There were workshos. Howard M. Smith

of Skycrest Club was elected President for the ensuing year. Officers and directors were represented from 7 clubs. At the banquet there were 225 in attendance. \$150.00 was presented to the Deputy Grand Master David H. Wilkinson, representing the Grand Lodge of Florida, to help purchase an electro-cardiogram machine for the Masonic Home.

LOUISIANA & MISSISSIPPI combined into a State Association 4/4/64. High Twelvian of March-April-May, 1964. SOUTHFIELD, MI. HTC charter issued 4/6/64. 22 members. Pres. Charles L. Curtis. UNION (N.J.) HTC charter issued 4/4/64. 34 members. Joseph C. Leuser, Pres. FREMONT (Calif.) HTC charter issued 4/28/64. 47 members. Philip N. McCollum, Pres. HEMACINTO (Hemet, Calif.) HTC charter issued 5/8/64. 82 members. Pres. Gordon T. Collins. BRADENTON (Fla.) HTC charter issued 5/16/64. 46 members. Pres. Dr. Harold V. Pierce. BASTROP (La.) HTC charter issued 6/15/64. 31 members. O.W. Reilly, Pres. COLLEGE TOWN (Monroe, La. changed to HARRY M. LEMERT 5/15/64.

6/22/64 - 3 CIVIL RIGHTS WORKERS MISSING IN MISSISSIPPI. GIANT HUNT.

FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS OF LAW, ORDER AND DECREE....State of Missouri, County of St. Louis...In the Circuit Court of the County of St. Louis....Equity Division #244,728. Following are excerpts from/summary of some salient points contained therein...DLP

Hearing 5/20/63....Plaintiff E.C. Wolcott and defendants Board of Trustees, Wolcott Foundation of High Twelve International, under Declaration of Trust dated 6/17/53, et.al (Hicks Griffiths, Stephen Robinson, William Noble Kinnard, Leonard B. Voorhees and Arthur E. Buss Trustees, W.S. Roser, Treasurer, and Wolcott Foundation, Inc.

"Court....finds: Plaintiff....one of the founders of High Twelve International..." Wolcott Foundation ...trust organizeddeclaration of trust executed ...by HTI6/17/53. "....Plaintiff, and numerous other parties, have from time to time made donations to the Trust, and plaintiff purports to bring this cause as one of the class of donors to the Trust. NO EVIDENCE WAS ADDUCED THAT PLAINTIFF ADEQUATELY REPRESENTS THE CLASS OF DONORS TO THE TRUST AND THE COURT MAKES NO FINDING THAT SUCH REPRESENTATION BY PLAINTIFF WAS OR IS ADEQUATE.

"....Defendant W.S. Roser is the duly elected, qualified and acting Treasurer of International. Defendant Wolcott Foundation, Inc. (hereinafter sometimes called the 'Corporation' is a not for profit corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of Missouri.

"....The assets of the Trust at the time of the trial of this cause, consisted of approximately \$28,000. Such assets were deposited to the credit of the Trust with Mercantile Trust Company..." "and with certain savings and loan associations..." "....Such assets are in the custody of defendant James E. Gram, a former Treasurer of International." "....A restraining order entered in this cause on 6/27/62 has restrained and enjoined all the defendants herein from transferring, withdrawing, or encumbering any of such property."

"....expenditures from the Trust were in furtherance of the objects thereof, were proper under the terms of the declaration of trust erecting the Trust, and were duly authorized in all respects by the International. Under the terms of the Articles of Incorporation of the Corporation adopted 8/12/60, the objects and purposes thereof are to administer the gifts, bequests and devises which may be received, and the income therefrom, for any religious, charitable, scientific, educational, literary or other purposes permitted under the laws of the State of Missouri and the U.S. of A., including, but not being limited to, the establishment of fellowship and scholarships in schools, colleges and universities in the U.S." "....The funds of the Corporation have from time to time been expended for the same objects as the funds of the Trust, to-wit: providing scholarships for

worthy and deserving students ...preparing for careers in the foreign service of the Department of State...at George Washington University..." "....Such expenditures were and are duly authorized"

"....During 1959 the Trustees and International were advised by counsel that there was substantial doubt as to the legal status of the Trust and as to whether or not the same had been duly incorporated under Missouri law; & said Trustees and International were further advised that there was substantial doubt as to the tax exempt status of the Trust under the internal revenue laws of the U.S. The Corpn. was, upon advice of such counsel and pursuant to action duly taken by International, incorporated for the purpose of succeeding to the property and assets of the Trust and of carrying on its charitable & eleemosynary purposes without question as to its due organization or tax exempt status. The Corporation has been declared to be a tax exempt organization by proper administrative action under the internal revenue laws of the United States.

"At its annual conventions held in June of 1961 and June of 1962, International took due action by resolution of its members and governing body to authorize and direct the transfer of all property and assets held in the trust to the Corporation in furtherance of its charitable and eleemosynary purposes....." ".....no such gifts or devises contained, or were made upon, any conditions prohibiting such transfer."

"DEFENDANT JAMES E. GRAM, FORMER TREASURER OF INTERNATIONAL AND CUSTODIAN IN THAT CAPACITY OF SUCH PROPERTY AND ASSETS, REFUSED TO EFFECT THE TRANSFER OF SAID PROPERTY AND ASSETS TO THE CORPORATION OR TURN THE SAME OVER TO HIS SUCCESSOR AS TREASURER OF INTERNATIONAL. SUCH FAILURE AND REFUSAL WAS ARBITRARY AND WITHOUT JUST CAUSE, AND IN VIOLATION OF THE ACTION TAKEN BY INTERNATIONAL AT ITS SAID CONVENTIONS."

"NO CREDIBLE EVIDENCE WAS ADDUCED IN SUPPORT OF THE ALLEGATIONS CONTAINED IN PLAINTIFF'S SECOND AMENDED PETITION CHARGING THE TRUSTEES, AS TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST AND OF THE CORPORATION, WITH MALFEASANCE IN OFFICE FOR FAILURE AND NEGLECT TO PERFORM THE DUTIES IMPOSED UPON THEM BY THE STATUTES OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI OR THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF THE CORPORATION.

"So far as the evidence shows said TRUSTEES HAVE IN ALL RESPECTS FAITHFULLY PERFORMED THE DUTIES OF THEIR OFFICES AS SUCH AND HAVE PROPERLY CONDUCTED AND MANAGED THE AFFAIRS OF THE TRUST AND THE CORPORATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS"

".....None of the funds of the Trust were received with specific direction as to the management or disbursement thereof..." ".....funds....are unrestricted except by terms thereof and all of such funds, property & assets may properly be transferred to the Corporation pursuant to said resolutions...." SUCH TRANSFER WILL BE IN FURTHERANCE OF THE OBJECTS AND PURPOSES OF THE TRUST...." ".....SUCH TRANSFER WILL NOT FORM THE BASIS FOR ANY CLAIM AGAINST THE TRUSTEES...the CORPORATION...OR INTERNATIONAL BY ANY PARTY WHO HAS CONTRIBUTED TO THE TRUST...."

"THE RESTRAINING ORDER ISSUED BY THIS COURT 6/27/62SHOULD BE DISOLVED."

"....THE COURT DOES NOW ORDER, ADJUDGE, AND DECREE: . That the temporary restraining order heretofore entered in this cause should be and is hereby dissolved. 2. Plaintiff's second amended petition against defendants should be and it is hereby dismissed with prejudice at plaintiff's costs, and plaintiff shall take nothing by his alleged cause of action against defendants. 3. Defendant James E. Gram should be

and he is hereby ordered and directed to turn over and deliver to defendant W.S.Roser, as International Treasurer of High Twelve International or to the successor of said W.S.Roser as such Treasurer, all funds, assets and other property held by said James E.Gram or under his control and belonging to the Wolcott Foundation,"

"....Defendant W.S.Roser as International Treasurer of said High Twelve International, or his successor as such, should be and they are hereby authorized, instructed and empowered to turn over and deliver to defendant Wolcott Foundation, Inc., all property and assets which may be received or held by them and belonging to or in any wise appertaining to said Wolcott Foundation.

"The costs of this cause should be and they are hereby ordered taxed in favor of defendants Hicks G.Griffiths,et al, as Trustees, and against plaintiff."
(NOTE: The foregoing excerpts made by me as a layman; and merely give the high lights of this 7 page Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, Order and Decree.DLP)
(ALSO "CAPS" ARE MINE.DLP)

The date of appeal was set for July 7, 1964. No action had been filed by 7/8/64. Thus was drawing to an end a very difficult period in the history of High Twelve.

The International Convention was held June 28 - July 1, 1964 in Indianapolis, Hotel Severin. Marvin Foulke was Convention Chairman. There was reported 14,960 members in 354 clubs, a gain of 435 members. In his report to the Governing Board Administrator Vorhes made corrections in membership figures. "....At the Convention in Louisville in 1961, there were 14,221 members, or a loss of 168 over previous year. At 1962 Convention there was a loss of 6 members. At the 1963 Convention there was a gain of 310 members. The present report for 1964 indicates a gain of 435 members."

The 10 largest clubs alphabetically: Alhambra, Ca; Birmingham,Mich; Carmel,Ca; Far Hills (Dayton,O.); Kansas City,Mo; Middletown,Oh; St.Petersburg, Fla; Springfield, Ill; Sun City,Ca; Toledo,Ohio. (figures not shown).

Biggest states (11 new, 251 active, 6 disbanded)....CALIF: - 69 active, 4 new 2 disbanded; MICH: 24 actv, 1 new; MO: 17; OHIO 17; IOWA 16; ILL. 12 and 1 disbanded Fla. 11 & 2 new; Kansas 10 & 1 new; Kent. 11 & 1 disbanded; Indiana 10; Penna.9; Louisiana 8; NJ: 7 & 1 new; Colo. 6; S.Dak.3; Spain 3; Wash. 3; Ala.2; Guam 2; Nebraska 2....and 1 each in England, France, Mexico, Mississippi & 1 new; NH 1; NM 1; NY 1; Okla 1; W.oming 1. Minnesota 0 (lost the 1); Newfoundland 0 (lost 1).

Recap of charters issued: Wichita (Keystone) 6/17/63; Sun City,Ca. 9/7/63; Tijuana,Mex. 9/21/63; Idyllwild,Ca. 10/5/63; Natchez,Miss. 10/26/64; Tampa,Fla. 2/13/64; Union,N.J. 4/4/64; Southfield,Mich.4/6/64; Fremont,Ca. 4/25/64; Hemet,Ca. 5/9/64; Bradenton,Fla. 5/16/64. (NOTE: As usual, these Convention furnished dates may differ from records in St.Louis Office or High Twelvian earlier reports.DLP)

Some balance sheet items (not incl.Wolcott Found,Inc.): Current assets,incl. supp. & jewelry = \$6,739.42; E Bonds \$206.25; Furn.,Fix. & Ept.= \$6,933.88 total \$13,879.15. Current liabilities and surplus = \$13,879.15. Now both Mrs. Diering and Lillian George working in office.

A motion that the High Twelve budget include the item of cost of litigation in the lawsuit of Wolcott vs Trustees plus attorneys fees lost by a vote of 65 to 38.

Contained in a report of General Counsel Arthur E.Schiffman, "....The long awaited history of High Twelve has finally emerged. It has been four years (and \$19,200.00 in 'pension' money to Wallie) and the result is a history in name only. The historical data are inaccurate, and incomplete, and are contained in but four of the 'history's' forty pages. Our editor and others worked hard on this project and my recommendation is that we spend no further funds either for the publicat-

ion or as payment to Wallie for this work." It was noted the lawsuit wasn't over. ²³⁷

General Counsel Schifferman suggested that all payments to E.C. Wolcott be terminated forthwith. (He had written Wallie 12/19/63 suggesting that for the good of High Twelve he dismiss the suit "with prejudice." Schifferman also reported that there was only one club in International that had tax exempt status, and that was in California.

President Wm. F. Tearman said, "...At the beginning of the year, I stressed the redecorating and refurbishing of the Home Office, the importance of promoting and developing De Molay across the country; also of publishing the History of High Twelve, which had been started in the previous year.

"The Home Office is in better condition than it was....some redecorating, and replaced some of the old worn out desks and chairs....and some modern office equipment." "...We made some strides with DeMolay. In Florida, 100% of the High Twelve Clubs supported Leadership Camps. The History of High Twelve was published.... 1,000 copies autographed by Wallie Wolcott...."

"....I attended the directors annual spring meeting of the Wolcott Foundation in Washington, D.C., and feel....we have a closer arrangement with the Trustees.I believe we are the crossroads as far as growth of High Twelve is concerned." "...We must decide whether we want a strong, forward moving organization, or if we want singly a feeble, stumbling group of wanderers carrying the banner of High Twelve." "....It is up to each one of us as individual HighTwelvians."

Tallman Trask, writing in the High Twelvian of Nov.-Dec. wrote, "...Bro. Griffiths worked devotedly as Chairman of the Wolcott Foundation, Inc. through its many years of trial and tribulation. Only after the problem had been resolved did he give up this important assignment, although he had wished to do so sooner...."

The Convention Report indicated that since 1954 30 Wolcott Scholars had been registered and spent at least one semester for graduate study at the University. Scholars by states: Ohio - 7; Calif. - 5; Iowa - 4; Colorado - 3; Missouri - 2; Oregon 2; and 1 each from N.Y., S.Dak; Louisiana, Maryland, Indiana, Mich. & Kansas.

Reporting on his term in office, William F. Tearman wrote in 1975 that he thought the greatest accomplishments of his year were 1. the improvement of the problem in Florida; 2. move into the new office, and "Projects of Pardonable Pride" to furnish and refinish the office. Tearman didn't care to reflect on the problems.... "I like to think of the good things."

OFFICERS FOR THE 1964-65 TERM: President Charles F. Burkin, Jr., Kansas City, Kan; 1st V.P. Robert F. Clynch, Baton Rouge, La; 2nd V.P. V.S. Malcolm, Oakland, Ca; 3rd V.P. Leonard B. Voorhees, Chardon, Ohio; Treasurer Wm. S. Roser, Louisville, Ky. General Counsel, Arthur E. Schifferman; Sec. to Int. Bd. C.W. Conard, Boone, Iowa; Editor, High Twelvian, E.P. White, Jr, Louisville, Ky; Im. P.P. Wm. F. Tearman, Terre Haute, Ind; Int. Chaplain. Administrator... Robert W. Vorhes. Candidates for 3rd V.P. Fred H. Doty of Calif. and Rev. Brooks C. Barker of Illinois withdrew from the race.

ZONES ASSIGNED INTERNATIONAL OFFICERS: Burkin - Colo., Ark., Iowa, Kan., Minn., Missouri, Nebr. & S.Dak. Clynch - Fla., Ky., Ala., La., Okla; Malcolm - Ariz., Ca., N.M., Oregon, Wash. & all foreign clubs; Voorhees - N.J., N.H., N.Y., Ohio, Mich., Pa. Tearman - Ill., Ind. and as delegated by the President.

LIAISON TO COMMITTEES: Burkin - Budget & Planning, Credential, Military Affairs, Resolutions; Clynch - Const. & By-Laws and Youth; Malcolm - Expansion, Masonic Rels., Convent. Site; Voorhees - Projects, Club Leadership, Public Relations.

Chairman of standing committees: Const. & By-Laws, Geo. Nilsson, Calif; Club Leadership, Duane Gerlach, Mich; Budget & Plan., Emil Jecmen, Mo; Expansion, Ernest Ford,

Calif; Masonic Activities, Thomas Raum, Kansas; Military Affairs, Col. James N. Robertson PIP, Pa. (also Boy Scouts); Projects, Frank McWhorter, Indiana; Public Relations, Calvin Gill, Mich; Manuals & Information, T. Archer Brown, Michigan; Resolutions, Jerry Royal, Iowa; Youth Movement, Lawrence ?; Office Improvement Fund, Harry S. Pierson, Calif.

BIRMINGHAM HTC (Mich.) had presented the Masonic Temple Association \$9,000.00 back in May, according to the June-Aug. 1964 High Twelvian, toward the construction of a new temple. Pres. Howard R. Coe. Other projects of this club include help to Camp Oakland, YMCA Summer Camp, Community House, and 2 boys to Wolverine Boys State, Michigan State University.

President Charles Burkin asked for greater emphasis on help to DeMolay. He set aside May, 1965 as Founding Month.

3½ years previous, ALBANY HTC had 39 members. Now Herbert W. Haberkorn became the 100th member of the California club.

There was an attractive 8 page 3 color catalog of 1965 jewelry, gift items, forms, decals, lecterns, road signs, banners and misc. items, together with prices and order forms, issued under direction of Adm. R. W. Vorhes.... included in the High Twelvian of Sept-Oct., 1964.

Fall of 1964 - CLUBS IN IOWA: Algona, Boone, Cedar Rapids, Clinton, Davenport, Des Moines, Dubuque, Ft Dodge, Ft Madison, Huron, Keokuk, Mason City, Oelwein, Rapid City, Sioux City; Sioux Falls (S.D.), Waterloo and Webster City. (NOTE: Other states will be listed as we go along. DLP)

International President Charles F. Burkin, Jr. was guest on KTVH, Channel 12, Wichita and KTVC, Channel 6, Ensign, Kansas 7/12/64 on the only Masonic News Program on TV. He was interviewed by Floran A. Rodgers, Moderator of this unique TV program, and Editor-Publisher of the Kansas Masonic Digest. The program started as a 13 week experiment. By August 9, 1964 it would reach 200th telecast, reaching 3/4 of the 105 counties in Kansas.

ZARAGOZA (Spain) charter returned 8/20/64. It was chartered 9/4/61.

Bro. Harry E. Pierson, Paso Robles, Ca. wrote in the Sept.-Oct., 1964 High Twelvian of the importance of DeMolay in High Twelve International activities; of the warm feelings he had concerning this training ground for Masons of the future. He urged Twelvians to make this the objective of every High Twelve Club annually.... to be side-liners. He asked High Twelve Clubs to support the Summer Leadership Camp at Estes Park, Colo. One boy in camp would cost \$45.00. Pierson claimed that when De Molay was faltering in Paso Robles, the High Twelve Club contacted the Worshipful Master of Paso Robles Lodge, help was offered and the Chapter was now vital. Bro. Pierson took some DeMolay boys to Palm Springs to attend an instructional meeting.

At this time, the Arcadia, Ca. HTC was the only one in International with Tax-exempt status. CPA Louis P. Black, Past President of the club, has furnished International Administrator Vorhes with a set of forms (kit). The plan was to have International apply, and if application granted, member clubs could refer to International status for their own exemptions.

E.C. "Wallie" Wolcott, Founder, was 83 years young April 22. He continued to take an active part in the formation and building of High Twelve Clubs.

FURNITURE CITY HTC's project in the fall of 1964 was the Kent County Honor Camp,

Kent County, Mich. In slightly over a 3 year period 150 young 'campers' had passed through the camp with a rehabilitation rate of 90%. Funds for this and other projects were raised through pancake suppers, breakfasts, sale of American flags, fruit cakes, home care kits, fire extinguishers, iron-on patches, shoe-shine polishers, moth-proofing chemicals, waterless cleanser, shaving foam, etc.

Lawrence C. Nurisso, San Francisco, in late October 1964, on being elected President of the California Association of High Twelve Clubs, Disneyland, spoke of the many youth activities that High Twelve clubs supported. They included the San Francisco Camp Fund for less fortunate children.

"We don't need just to look to foreign countries for troubled areas. We have them here in California at our doorstep." "...broken homes and similar unhappy conditions beyond the control of individual youths help lead them into becoming juvenile problems. I challenge those employers among you to hire youths whenever and wherever possible. Where will they receive their first work experience if you employers don't hire them?" His comments were broadcast by radio.

International 1st V.P. Robert F. Clynch of Baton Rouge, La. said, "...There is no record of a DeMolay boy having been charged with the commission of organized crime, yet the greatest number of our newly made criminals are under 18."

Outgoing California Association President C. I. Hammett said there were now 70 active clubs in California.

The Florida State Association of HTC were guests 11/8/64 at the Sunday morning chapel service at Bay Pines Veterans Administration Center. 96 strong, with a total attendance of 197 to participate in the spiritual observance with Chaplain Burris, visitors, patients and fellowship....and to share in the gesture of appreciation to our 33 active High Twelve volunteers who (give) a day a week of their time in the movement of patients about the hospital.

"Since 1961 they have devoted 20,000 to dedicated volunteer assistance to date. They also helped obtain and maintain 17 self-retaining sanitary formica-top wheelchair lap boards. This is but one of many phases of Brotherly Love that...reflects the everlasting credit upon Masonry and the Brethern of High Twelve." By Granville T. Youngs. State Convention was held 11/8/64.

10/14 and 10/15/64 - SOVIET PREMIER KRUSCHEV DEPOSED. REPLACED BY KOSYGIN.

YREKA (Calif.) HTC charter issued 10/31/64. 36 members. Pres. Wm. L. Harris.
HUENEME BAY (Port Hueneme, Ca.) charter issued 10/31/64. 64 members. Pres. Wm. N. Jones.

General Counsel Arthur E. Schifferman 10/31/64 recommended that other (than California) State Associations and International get Federal and State income tax exemptions as does the California State Association, exempt since 1958. Suggested improvement in proxy forms, as per D. Raeburn Rosendaal of Topkea, HTC. "...State Associations must include in the Constitution & By-Laws the Mandatory Clause, Art. II (a) 2....." He discussed the administrator's proposed handbook or manual.

Regarding the 3 step symbol (as on lapel pin, stickers, etc.)...."We are still using the symbol that is not registered as our trade-mark, e.g. 'International' being in the higher step....example, in current High Twelvian, symbol on the official gong is wrong....gold seal in Past President's certificate wrong. At the California State Association, some large club banners had wrong emblem. Some stationery still uses wrong emblem....as also appears on our International Constitution & By-Laws."

Schifferman stated that the pattern constitutions for local clubs are available. Present forms were bulky and expensive to mail. "Should be printed in same format as our International Constitution & By-Laws, printed at low cost."

DOWNTOWN ST. LOUIS HTC (Mo.) charter returned 10/7/64. Chartered June, 1942. International Projects Committee Chairman Frank W. McWhorter, Indianapolis wrote 11/4/64 on club projects, "...those clubs which do not have a local club project, almost without exception, are not the successful clubs." "...A study of the clubs which have folded up, show that the unsuccessful clubs are the ones which have no community service, and do not assist in the International program of High Twelve.

At the 19th Annual Missouri State Convention, Jefferson City, May 16-17, 1964 Mrs. Wm. C. Lindsey, Pres. of the Kansas City, Mo. HTC Auxiliary was speaker at the noon luncheon and offered to help any club to organize an auxiliary. Now the Missouri Clubs are sponsoring a garden project at the Masonic Home. They furnished a Roto-Tiller, power spray, other tools and 75 rose bushes. Southside St. Louis club had the greatest percentage gain for the 3rd time, now the permanent possessor of plaque.

Harry Pierson, Chairman of the International Office Improvement Fund Drive reported that the San Leandro (Calif.) HTC donated \$100.00 (1.00 per member) to start the 1964-65 drive. His list of International office needs came to \$6,000.00.

LOUISIANA high Twelve Association reported 10 clubs....New Orleans 94 members; Shreveport 80; Baton Rouge 61; Natchez 56; Louisiana State U., Baton Rouge 55; Overton Brooks (Bossier City) 47; Louis Daniel (Monroe) 41; Bastrop 31; Harry M. Lemert (Monroe) 23; West Monroe 22; The Jan-Feb., 1965 High Twelvian said Shreveport HTC chartered 5/21/47; and was only club in the State for 9 years. Its full term 1st pres., Frank Brown served as Grand Master of Masons in Louisiana in 1960.

At the Mid-Year meeting, the Louisiana Association stated that they felt local clubs "should cast their votes (at conventions) through a member of their club or if by proxy, through a member of their own delegation." "...A State Association or a local club might attempt to control the organization by causing individuals to be elected to the point of International Officers who will not actually have the support of the majority. Art. IV, Sec. 5, proxies, makes this possible. As an example, a State Association could write to local clubs in other states and secure enough proxy votes to control the election at the Annual Convention. The State Association from which the proxies were secured would be powerless to prevent the loss of these votes." Amendment proposed.

The California President Laurence C. Nurisso reported at the Mid-Year meeting that state dues had gone up to \$1.50 from \$1.00, and had been overwhelmingly approved. He was grateful for the marvelous relationship with Grand Lodge in California.

The Mid-Year meeting 11/20-21, Judge Charles F. Burkin, Pres. presiding. (Not clear whether this was in Kansas City or St. Louis.) 1st V.P. Robert F. Clynch presented a practical program for his year as president commencing in June, 1965. Bro. Clynch was interviewing applicants for position of Administrator when Robert W. Vorhes leaves the post after the convention in June. Clynch was to make preference recommendations to the new Board.

There were 10 of the 14 State Association Presidents on hand. "...A determined effort will be made by State Association Presidents to secure 35 mm color slides of the early stages of club formation in order that a club formation "selling kit" could be advanced to completion and offered free to states in promotional work.

Int. 3rd V.P. Leonard B. Vorhees submitted his resignation from the Wolcott Foundation effective March 1, 1965. "The equipment in the International Home Office is very limited and in some cases actually shabby. New and replacing items are desperately needed....only half a dollar per member would put the fund (\$6,000.00 goal) over the top." "Bro. Fullerton presented a color slide preview of a Florida DeMolay group's week at Estes Park the past summer."

Florida reported that on 6/17/64 91 members and wives of the Pinellas County HTC took a boat trip to Bradenton to meet with that new club. On 10/21/64 103 members and wives of St. Petersburg HTC, Florida West Coast, took a boat trip to Bahia Vista Beach, where they met 50 members and wives of the Anna Maria Club and newly formed club at Bradenton....object - to create interest in forming a club at Sun City.

In his report on the Wolcott Foundation, Inc., Chairman Arthur E. Buss stated, "....In practically every case (only 1 or 2 exceptions) all our students (GWU) have been engaged in work in a Federal Government Department, either during their student training period or following it. The big majority of our students are still engaged in government work. To me this is a complete rebuttal to those who say, 'We are not getting our people into government, and therefore we are wasting our money....' Contributions to Wolcott Foundation 5/1/64 = 10/30/64 = \$2,331.60 (\$639.13 from California).

STATE PRESIDENTS 1/2/65 - CALIF. Lawrence C. Nurisso, San Francisco; COLORADO: 1964-65 V.A. (Bud) Vaseen according to current list; John H. Morrison, according to March-April, 1965 High Twelvian. FLORIDA: Howard M. Smith; ILLINOIS: Robert J. Grannan, Quincy; INDIANA: Dr. Owens L. Shanteau; IOWA: Charles C. Howard, Sioux City; KANSAS: Glenn W. Watson, Kansas City; KENTUCKY-ALABAMA, C.T. Sands; LOUISIANA: P.E. Weldon; MICHIGAN: Calvin O. Gill, Dearborn; MISSOURI: Clyde F. Walker, Mexico; NEW JERSEY: (Governor) Raymond D. Seeley according to High Twelvian - Fred C. Heckman, according to current list (Newark). OHIO: U. Herbert Garlaugh, Miamisburg; PENNSYLVANIA: Norman Beebe.

ROSSMOR (Calif.) HTC chartered 1/29/65 in Walnut Creek's Leisure World. St. Louis records indicate 151 on charter roll. High Twelvian of that time indicated 166, "largest club ever at time of charter" Sponsored by Concord HTC. Charter presented by State President Lawrence C. Nurisso. State Executive Vice President Herbert H. Goddard was Installing Officer. Dr. John T. Avery, Vice President in Charge of Area I opened the meeting. Past State President Fred H. Doty was the Master of Ceremonies. The first President was E. Wells Smith; Sec. Clarence Droit.

KENTUCKY-ALABAMA ASSN: Bastrop, Ala; Birmingham, Ala; Vulcan (Birmingham) Ala; KENTUCKY: Bowling Green, Covington, Louisville (Downtown), Louisville (Audubon), Louisville (St Mathews), Louisville (Al E. Orton), Louisville (West End), Madisonville, Owensboro and Shiveley (Dixie).

2 clubs in NEBRASKA: Rural Douglas County (Bennington & Elk City); and Omaha. 10 clubs in KANSAS: Clay Center, Kansas City, Huron (K.C.), Lawrence, Leavenworth, Manhattan, Shawnee Mission (Mission), Topeka, Wichita, Keystone (Wichita).

5 active and 1 ? in COLORADO: Boulder, Denver, Mile Hi (Denver) South Denver (?), Rocky Mountain (Idaho Springs), Westminster. 1 club in Tijuana, Mexico; 1 club each in New Hampshire (Seacoast Region-Portsmouth); 1 in New York at White Plains; 1 in Tulsa, Okla; 1 in Zaragoza, Spain; 3 clubs in WASHINGTON: Fairchild AFB, Geo. Washington (Lawson AFB) and Seattle; 1 in England (Arnold Page at Lakenheath); 1 in France (Le Premier En France at Ingrandes). 73 clubs in Calif., incl. 2 questionable. 1 in Guam - active - Curtis E. LeMay at Anderson AFB and 1 questionable - Char Marv. 13 clubs in Florida; 12 in Illinois; 9 in Indiana; 16 in Iowa; 9 in Louisiana and 1 in Natchez, Miss; 23 clubs in Michigan; 13 in Missouri (and 1 questionable); 7 in New Jersey; 15 in Ohio; 9 in Pennsylvania; and 3 clubs in South Dakota. ALL LISTED ELSEWHERE.

HERBERT S. TOWNER DIED 12/5/64 at 91. He was a charter member of the Kansas City HTC, 3rd organized in HTI. Founder Wallie Wolcott often gave him much credit for helping to build High Twelve in the early days.

CHAPTER 10 RECONSTRUCTION

The following recommendations were made by Administrator Vorhes to the Mid-Year Governing Board. Re. dues....HTI compares unfavorably with Optimists International, with their \$10.00 dues per member, 1,900 clubs and contact with 2,872 boys involving expenditure of \$3,580.00, the \$10,000,000 worth of Boys' property and \$3,524,000 charitable works, Scout Troops, etc.

Vorhes objected to a project like Wolcott Foundation that helps too few. "Accepted by but only a few of the Grand Jurisdictions...." "Why? Because we try to convince the Grand Officers that we want something. We must sell them on the fact that we have something to give, and it must be a youth movement, not a high kafluting scholarship program. I asked DeMolay officials not too long ago if we could be the sole sponsoring body of DeMolay. They said, 'Sure, but you don't have enough clubs to sponsor DeMolay. It would take over 2,000.'"

He referred to heavier (100%) support of the Boy's Home at Omaha. "...Such a project must be close to the grass roots. It must be every member's project. I am firmly convinced that the Wolcott Scholarship to George Washington University is not that project. It hasn't worked, and it will not work."

"There is no question in my mind but what everyone of our members would kick in at least \$10.00 apiece if he knew the International project was going to be something that he could believe in and be proud of." He went on to mention other possible projects such as Life Line "Freedom Posts", protection of the Free Enterprise System.

"I would seriously recommend that someone be authorized to attend all meetings of the Masonic Educational Conferences, and the Grand Masters and the Grand Secretaries Conferences." "Recommend some (one) individual be empowered to handle workshops in every state, not leave it to the states to work out, but make it compulsory. The greatest accomplishment for High Twelve has been where workshops were conducted...." "...A full half day at the International Convention should be devoted to workshop tactics....."

"....there has never been a system for keeping a record of proceedings and motions passed and approved by the Governing Board...." "We have many Life Members approved by the Governing Board, etc." "...No more Life Members according to our By-Laws, and no record of those approved."

"....these procedures should be placed in a separate file....and not necessary to go back over minutes to find out what happened. All ok (if) same individuals run the office, but when there is a change, too much record work must be done..."

"Our Executive Committee should function in this respect."

(NOTE: At the Mid-Year Board Meeting C. William Conard was chosen to be the new Administrator....presumably to start during or after the Annual Convention, late June.)

There is a letter in the files from a Ted Brewer, apparently in the Service, to 1st V.P. R. Clynych, dated 12/6/64, re. Bob's question, "What do military clubs want or need". His answer is summarized: No different than civilians when it comes to programs, except....1, Military like ceremony; 2, Like leaders to plan & have good procedures; 3, Have only 1 hr. for lunch; 4, Dislike of 'railroading' in elections..... encourage nominations from the floor; 5, Commercialism. Never push products in meetings; 6, Why can't we operate at cost and disregard...trying to make money at meetings? 7, Publicity...by word of mouth only (regulations prohibit ...exclude certain races, etc.) Off base meetings could be answer, but time is factor; 8, Lack of understanding. Position of International Hdqtrs not understood. Quarterly magazine must be received promptly. I haven't received one since I left Barksdale.....an international roster of members should be available....member to contact in city or state of our travels...."

LIVERMORE (Calif.) HTC charter was presented early summer of 1965 by State Pres. Laurence C. Nurisso, S.F.; Installing Officer PSP Fred Doty. The Potentate of Aahmes Temple in Oakland, Illustrious Fred E. Anderson, presented Imperial Potentate Most Illustrious O. Carlyle Brock of Erie, Pa. (NOTE: Quite an honor for a new club.) The charter shows date of 8/6/65, 47 members; so it may have been a symbolic present'n.)

Another BRADENTON (Fla.) HTC project....Children's Haven, a school for teaching and treatment of retarded and crippled children of Manatee and Sarasota Counties. Pres. Earl M. Jenkins. On January 8, 1965 P.I.P. Wm.F. Tearman was elected Potentate of Zorah Temple AAONMS, Terre Haute.

General Counsel Art Schifferman advised that all State Association and Club Constitutions or By-Laws must contain the Mandatory Provision or they will not be approved and will have no force or effect...Art III, Sect.a, 1 & 2., Sec. 3a.

PERFECT ATTENDANCE STANDINGS (May-June, 1965 High Twelvian) Indianapolis 2 yrs = 8; & 1 yr = 6; Camden, N.J. 1 yr = 9; Bakersfield, Ca. 1 yr = 3; Media, Pa. 1 yr = 2; Kansas City, Kan. 1 yr = 1; East Orange, N.J. 2 yrs = 1.

SOUTHEAST (Detroit, Mich.) HTC dropped 1/12/65. Chartered in 1935. PINELLAS PARK (Fla.) HTC charter issued 2/15/65. 41 members. Pres. Chester G. Dettmer. WEST-GATE (St. Petersburg, Fla.) Charter issued 3/26/65. 87 members. Pres. Don R. Weber. GATEWAY (Downtown St. Louis) had 70 members and ladies in attendance at their charter party 2/12/65, when Pres. Charles F. Burkin presented the charter to the 59 members. SUN CITY (Calif.) HTC withdrew from International 3/31/65. Chartered 9/7/63. WOODLAND (Ca.) HTC charter issued 5/22/65. 31 members. Pres. Wm. O. Rose. DELTONA (Fla.) charter issued 1/14/65. 45 members. Pres. Dean W. Howland.

TEN LARGEST CLUBS LISTED ALPHABETICALLY: Alhambra, Ca; Birmingham, Mich; Carmel, Ca; Dayton (Far Hills) Ohio; Kansas City, Mo; Middletown, Ohio; St. Petersburg, Fla; Springfield, Ill; Sun City, Ca. (OUT); Toledo, Ohio.

Administrator Robt. W. Vorhes recommended that \$3.00 per capita dues be collected in each year, based on April 30 membership. At that time \$1.50 was billed twice a year, necessitating for International to operate on more than 6 months or what might well be considered borrowed money. March-April, 1965 High Twelvian.

WHITE PLAINS (NY) HTC presented a check for \$1,000.00 to the White Plains Hospital in the Spring of 1965 for the purchase and installation of new furnishings in the lobby. Bro. Joseph B. Ford of that club said it took 5 years of money raising projects. In the meantime they had supported boys and girls (Masonic) in the local summer recreation camp.

First Vice President Robert F. Clynch, in correspondence starting March 3, 1965 with Budget Chairman Emil Jechmen and International Officers expressed concern re. trend of expenditures over income, and the probable disastrous results. "...You will note from my budget for the fiscal year 1965-66, I will have a carry-over deficit of \$9,351.88, developed upon experience of 1st 9 months of 1964-65"

Clynch called attention to the 1964-65 budget, and that, "...Our income is \$11,500 less than anticipated...." "...if the anticipated income had materialized as predicted, we would have a surplus of \$2,000.00." "...travel and convention expenses show that International Officers are over the budget by \$1,824.88." "...If the projections made for the audit of the year 1964-65 are any way near correct, I will turn over a deficit of \$13,925.88 to Vinton (Malcolm)...."

"....The 1964 estimate of members was much in excess of actual figures." "...Analysis of previous 10 years shows average was 13,572 members....the actual paying members of 1964 is below the 10 year average." "...in the Central Southwest States, such as Nevada, New Mexico and Utah, there were less than 10,000 Master Masons in each jurisdiction." "....I would recommend....concentration on those states where

there are 30,000 or more."

"...High Twelve is by no means dead, but it is in serious jeopardy if the present trends continue." "We have cut the office personnel budget to the bone. \$2,200.00 savings in salaries is anticipated and a reduction in travelling expense of \$2,000.00 per year is anticipated...."

Under date of 3/19/65, Clynych wrote Malcolm a letter completely explaining the deficits. "...There (apparently) never has been a complete cost analysis made of operating of the St Louis office in relation to the budget...." "I think that the office has been operating under a unrealistic handicap for the past 4 years...." "...not too many people realize that Charlie inherited a debit of between 2 and 3 thousand dollars from the previous year.It has been agreed that the office can operate with the Administrator and 1½ girls...." "The Administrator and Secretary will be one person....saving one travel expense."

"....there have never been any trying to place the blame....on the financial morass in which we are wading." "....We are lucky we didn't run out of money 1st, then discover it." Apparently Administrator Vorhes did not stay on until June; and while catching up with office routine, the new Administrator (Conard) would not be expected to travel much....salary \$2,250.00.

James N. Robertson, FIP, Chairman of the Military Affairs Committee said he had received only 2 replies to letter he sent first of year to all military clubs.... 1st was Char-Marv Club in Guam; 2nd was from Seacoast Club in Portsmouth, N.H. Bro. Robert W. Corey of Char-Marv said the population on Guam is 98% Catholic. "...because of the closing of the various foreign air bases by the U.S. Air Force, unless some activity is taken to hold the nucleus of the civilian members together, our foreign clubs will disappear."

"....suggestion (in letter to all military clubs) of getting more and more civilian members into the club." He suggested that the Governing Board seriously consider the contents of Bro. Brewer's letter (quoted earlier), "...and perhaps take some action which would alleviate some of the military clubs from some of the requirements which civilian members must meet...."

Pres. Arthur Barrowclough of the Newark HTC advised that their Annual DeMolay Scholarship undergraduate award was made 5/21/65 to Robert E. Comean. Chosen from candidates from 10 chapters in the Newark area. To matriculate at Montclair State College in September; major - English.

LOUIS DANIEL HTC of Monroe, La. sponsored a minor league baseball team of 8 to 12 year old boys, contributed to the Masonic Home for Children, DeMolay Boys Camp. Bro. A.H. Edmonds as V.P. in charge of Expansion in Louisiana made several promotional trips throughout the state.

International Project Committee Chairman Frank W. McWhorter and Dr. Joseph H. Henion, Assistant, suggested that for continuity on the main committees each International V.P. appoint one man; 1st V.P. for 1 year; 2nd V.P. for 2 years; 3rd V.P. for 3 years. New elected President would choose the Chairman, to give continuity in committees.

They suggested establishing a banner and honor requirements schedule with points for club monthly reports (200), State Association and International dues (200); attendance at State Conventions (50); International Conventions (100); club regular meetings (20); projects, local (100); International (Wolcott Foundation) (100); Club membership/expansion (50)....1,000 points = banner rating. 1 new club (500)

Lucille Diering had been with High Twelve International 18 years; resigning 7/1/65. 2nd Int. V.P. Vinton Malcolm wrote, "...within California our biggest disappointment

was in losing the club in Sun City (California), a retirement center. This was not the fault of any one in our State Organization, who certainly did all in their power to hold this club. Rather, it was dissension within the Sun City Club." "...The club was too large (275), and they were permitted to organize with too small dues." "...recommend we establish a minimum amount for annual dues...."

Louis C. Huebner of Quincy, Ill., was elected to the Board of Trustees of the Wolcott Foundation to replace Leonard Voorhees, who resigned to assume the elected post of 2nd V.P. of HTI.

The International Convention for the 1965-66 term was held June 27 to June 30, '65 in Kansas City, Kan. Towne House Motor Hotel. Conv. Chairman S.R. Hukle. They had the honor of having as visitors Joseph H. McDowell, Mayor of Kansas City, Wm. H. Avery, Governor of Kansas, and Most Worshipful Owen E. Hodgson, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Kansas.

Seargent-at-Arms Harry Pierson collected \$200.00 from those assembled for the Office Equipment Fund, of which he is Chairman. The Toledo, Ohio and Alhambra, Calif. clubs challenged each other on total increase in members.

Art Buss, Chairman of the Wolcott Foundation said that the Trustees had met 4 times since the last annual meeting. "...The trustees have been enlightened as to some of the needs of the students not apparent in the past, such as desirability of increasing the subsistence allowance or lengthening of the period of payment; lengthening the period of attendance where a student is employed part time; acceptance of the offer of former students Furman and Harter to serve as counselors to advise Wolcott scholars on housing, part time job possibilities, etc...." "...it is the hope that in the coming year we will be able to report to you that we have 10 students in our program..."

Russ Webb of Michigan reported he had 21 years perfect attendance at International Conventions; and Carl Menke, Quincy, Ill had 17. STATE PRESIDENTS as of June, 1965 (according to High Twelvian): CALIF: Lawrence C. Nurisso, San Francisco; OHIO: U. Herbert Garlaugh, Miamisburg; LOUISIANA: Pearl E. Weldon, Baton Rouge; COLO: V.A. Vaseen, Denver; PENNSYLVANIA: Geo. T. Lewis, Jr., Media; KANSAS: Glenn W. Watson, Kansas City; MICHIGAN: John E. Rowe, Detroit; KENTUCKY: C. Tom Sands, Louisville; IOWA: Leonard E. Deaver, Cedar Falls; INDIANA: Marion S. Henry, Indianapolis; NEW JERSEY: Frederick C. Heckman, Chatham; FLORIDA: John M. Yoder, Clearwater; MISSOURI: Walter P. Stark, Neosho; ILLINOIS: Robert F. Herson, Oak Park.

FREMONT (Calif.) HTC spearheaded drive for funds for new \$300,000 Masonic Temple, with able assistance of the High Twelvettes. MEMBERSHIP OF H.T.I. 5/31/64 14,960, 5/31/65 = 14,023....drop of 937; 236 clubs....drop of 10 clubs. Recap of clubs chartered: Bastrop, La. 6/15/64; Yreka, Ca. 10/3/64; Hueneme Bay, Ca. 10/31/64; Deltona, Ca. 11/14/64; Rossmoor, Ca. 11/29/64; Gateway/St. Louis 2/12/65; Pinellas Park, Fla. 2/15/65; Livermore, Ca. 3/6/65; Westgate, Fla. 3/26/65; Woodland, Ca. 5/22/65.

10 LARGEST CLUBS - alphabetically: Alhambra, Ca; Birmingham (Mich.); Carmel-by-the Sea, Ca; Far Hills (Dayton), Middletown, Ohio; Oak Park, Ill; Rossmoor, Calif; St. Petersburg, Fla; Springfield, Ill; Toledo, Ohio. Figures not available.

The 44th Annual Convention, Kansas City, Kan. 6/27/-30, 1965 program was a spiral bound book which carried extensive advertising. The Convention Committee was incorporated as the "High Twelve Convention Committee, Inc." and was supported by Kansas and Missouri clubs. The following amendment to the International By-Laws, Art. III, Sec. 3, Sub. 2c carried:

"Each State Association shall adopt a Constitution & By-Laws which shall be submitted to the General Counsel of HTI. Such Constitution or By-Laws and subsequent amendments thereto must contain the following provision...." This Association acknowledges the supreme authority of the Grand Lodge of the Grand Jurisdiction wherein it

is situated in all matters of Masonic law, tradition or ethics. It is pledged never to interfere with or meddle in the affairs of any Masonic Lodge; nor to engage in or sponsor any activity prohibited by Said Grand Lodge; nor to permit its members to engage in unseemingly conduct which might reflect adversely upon the institution of Masonry'. Each such Constitution, B-Laws and amendments shall be in effect only upon receipt of their approval by the General Counsel."

The Board voted that Immediate Past President Burkin and Pres. Clynych attend the Grand Masters Conference February 27-28, 1965, Washington, D.C. and thereafter one of the 3 vice presidents attend. Outgoing President Charles F. Burkin, Jr. said, "...I think the Ladies Auxilliary (Twalvettes, etc.) is a fine thing, and I certainly encourage participation wherever possible."

President Burken, writing in December, 1975, said he thought one of the greatest accomplishments of his year was the settlement of dispute over the Wolcott Foundation; that the greatest problem during his term until the settlement was the trouble between Wallie Wolcott and Herbert Hanon one side and the Wolcott Trustees on the other.

Elected for the 1965-66 term was President, Robert F. Clynych, of Baton Rouge, La; 1st V.P. Vinton S. Malcolm, Oakland, Ca; 2nd V.P. Leonard B. Voorhees, Chardon, Ohio; 3rd V.P. E.P. White, Jr., Louisville, Ky; Treasurer Wm. S. Roser, Louisville, Ky. The Secretary to the International Board and Administrator was C.W. Conard of Boone, Iowa. General Counsel, Arthur E. Schifferman, Laguna Hills, Ca; Editor, High Twelvian, E.P. White, Jr., Louisville, Ky and Production Supt. Max J. Reed, Louisville, Ky. Imm. Past Pres. Charles F. Burkin, Jr., Kansas City, Kan; Int. Chaplain, Bishop Stephen Robinson, Des Moines, Iowa.

Foundation Trustees - Chairman Arthur E. Buss, Calif; Vice Ch. Bishop Stephen Robinson, Iowa; Treas. Wm. N. Kinnard, Pennsylvania; Sec. N.S. Tuchman, Michigan; and Asst. Sec. Louis C. Ruebner, Ill.

COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN: Credentials, Lewis Hoffman, Ohio; Nominations, W.D. Smith, Louisiana; Const. & By-Laws, W.K. Rose, Ohio; Budget & Planning, Emil M. Jecmen, Mo; Expansion, Ernest Ford, Calif; and Tallman Trask, Ca.; Masonic Activities, Dr. Louis A. Legett, La; Military Affairs (Internat. Clubs), James N. Robertson, Pa; and Ted Brewer, Greenland; Projects, Frank McWhorter, Ind; Pub. Rels., J. Carl Menke, Ill; Manuals & Info., T. Archer Brown, Mich; Resolutions, G.A. Royal, Calif; Youth, Walter J. Fullerton, Fla; Office Eqpt., Harry Pierson, Ca; Leadership, Calvin O. Gill, Mich; Workshops, John E. Rowe, Mich; PIPs Charles F. Burkin, Jr., Kansas; Parliamentarian, Monta W. Shirley, Ca; Long Range Planning, E.P. White, Jr., Kentucky.

PERFECT ATTENDANCE: Indianapolis 16; Skycrast 12; DOWTOWN Louisville 11; Camden 9; Anna Maria 7; Quincy 6; K.C., Mo. 5; Bakersfield 4; St. Petersburg 2; Royal Oak 2; Monroe (Louis Daniel) 2; Media 2....and 1 each Sun Coast, St. Mathews, Howell and East Orange.

New President Robert Clynych in his acceptance speech said, "...We will expect the presidents of the State Associations to assume their full responsibilities as members of the Governing Board, to aid in the expansion and the progress of our International Association...." "...Not only do we have an International Project in the Wolcott Scholarships, but our membership supports on a local basis many other fine Masonic Youth activities, such as Order of DeMolay, Assemblies of Rainbow and Bethels of Jobs Daughters...." "I hope that each State Association will conduct a workshop for their constituent clubs where the common problems of the clubs in the State Association can be reviewed and resolved for the benefit of all...." "I would appreciate having the members of HTI devote 8 hours of their time during the coming year to attendance at Blue Lodges."

"....Dr. John T. Avery is doing a brilliant job of organizing clubs in California, said the July-August, 1965 High Twelvian. Those in Fremont and Leisure World are his handiwork. Walnut Creek and Livermore are to follow...."

SUN CITY CENTER (Fla.) charter issued 7/3/65. 25 members. Pres. Arthur R. Sherk.
AUGUST 11 to August 16, 1965 - WATTS RIOT (South of Los Angeles) BLACKS BURN CITY.

PASADENA HTC's 1965 Community Service Award went to Lee M. Merriman, Editor of the Pasadena Independent and Star-News. Presentation made by Past Pres. C. Lewis Edwards. Mr. Merriman is not a Mason. Awards made annually.

President of HTI Robert L. Clynch was elected President of the Masonic Youth Foundation. Organized by the Louisiana Grand Lodge previous year to provide support for DeMolay, Rainbow, Jobs Daughters and other Masonic-affiliated youth groups.

STURGIS (Mich.) HTC charter picked up Oct., 1965. Chartered 11/12/58.
TOPEKA (Kan.) HTC was honored 9/1/65 when Governor William Avery of Kansas became a member of that club in impressive ceremonies. Club Pres. W. L. Hamilton. State Pres. Glenn Watson was on hand.

OCEANA (Oceanside, Calif.) HTC charter issued 9/22/65. 61 members. Pres. Elaine Walker.

NEW JERSEY HTCs of East Orange, Newark and Union Co-hosted a meeting 10/21/65 to honor M. W. Walter W. Smith, Grand Master of Masons for New Jersey. 125 in attendance, including many Masonic dignitaries, including Fred Heckman Governor of the New Jersey State Assn., Pres. Marvin Weiner of the East Orange Club was M. C. 2nd V. P. Leonard Voorhees brought greetings from International.

BELLEVILLE, Ill. HTC raised \$4,300.00 on a buffalo-Angus dinner, proceeds to take care of a room and furnishing for the new addition to the Memorial Hospital. The buffalo was donated by Oliver C. Joseph and the Angus by Dr. E. C. Asbury, gentleman farmer, past club presidents. The club had previously donated \$500.00. They expect \$1,200.00 more from collections, bringing the total to \$6,000.00 as pledged. Over 7 year period, Belleville HTC gave over \$14,000.00 to this hospital.

HEALDSBURG, Ca. HTC charter returned 1/22/66. Chartered 6/2/62. LAKEWOOD (Ohio) charter returned 12/31/65. Chartered 4/21/51.

The Mid-Year Governing Board Meeting was held 11/27/65 at the Albert Pick Mark Twain Hotel, St. Louis, Mo, Pres. Robert F. Clynch, presiding. Every state organization represented. States to be given more detailed financial accounting of operations of HTI. A monthly bulletin was being mailed to all State Presidents and International Officers. Pres. Clynch reported traveling 2,400 miles in 5 months, attended 38 meetings where High Twelve was officially recognized; attended 121 meetings since assuming office. Found a growing interest in and a revival of enthusiasm for High Twelve and its work. He gave special thanks to Mrs. Lillian George, Office Secretary, for "stepping into do a magnificent job of pinch-hitting for C. W. Conard, Administrator and Secretary to HTI Board during his illness and recovery period."

1st V. P. Vinton S. Malcom travelled 3,800 miles in interest of HTI. 2nd V. P. Dr. Leonard B. Voorhees contacted the officers and some members of the East Cleveland HTC. Made several club visitations. 3rd VP E. P. White Jr's report on Long Range Planning: "...committee made 12 recommendations - 1, Adopt a suitable headpiece (cap or hat); 2, Set up an Associate Membership; 3, Kit of color slides & tape recording now a fact...to be used in formation of new clubs; 4, New rug and furniture in St. Louis Office now a reality; 5, New International Staff member recommended to be hired to do nothing but work with local clubs in the formation of new ones; 6, Use salutation of 'Twelvian' before a brother's name; 7, Int. Conv. sites should be selected on basis of tourist attractions; 8, Wolcott Foundation, Inc. should be expanded to offer scholarships to students in schools of their choice to study courses of their selection. 9, Big name person should be selected and honored at President's banquet which terminates each International Convention. Secret committee to be appointed by President to make selection.

10, Posters should be printed and given to clubs for hanging in conspicuous places of meeting to advertise HT. (Paddock assigned project). 11, A discount should be at-

tached to dues to encourage advance payment semi-annually. 12, Tax deductible rating should be pursued and obtained for all members engaged in High Twelve work, since it is incorporated in Missouri, as a non-profit institution.

J. Carl Menke received certificate and pin from Pres. Robert Clynch for 18 years perfect attendance. The California Association of High Twelve Club's Ensign Mayo Loan Fund report for 1965 indicated 13 DeMolay undergraduate college loans. Assets had grown to \$5,300.00.

The Merit Award Point Schedule and rules effective 1/1/66 were published on pg. 12, Jan-Feb., 1966 High Twelvian. Quite involved. This is just a summary: A - Club Monthly Reports and per-capita dues; B - Attendance at St. Conv. and at Int. Conv., member attendance at club meetings; C - Projects (not incl. fund raising function) local community sponsored by club. International Project. D - Expansion - membership/ new clubs. There were recognitions for Banner Clubs, and for Honor Club. Points ranged from 5, 10, 25, 50, 100 to 1,000 (sponsor new club).

LANSING HTC Pres. John Snyder presented the Director of Camp Highfields a check for \$1,000.00 representing money donated by club members and friends.... a project that the club's special committee on youth opportunity as the best immediate means of dealing with youth whose misdeanors are such that rehabilitation seems altogether possible. Contribution "certificates" were \$30.00, or more.

ECONOMIC REVIEW: DOW-JONES AVERAGES 12/31/62 = \$652.10; dividend average \$23.10; 12/31/63 D-J \$762.95, div. avg. \$23.41; 12/31/64 D-J \$874.13, Div. Avg. \$31.24; 12/31/65 D-J \$969.26, Avg. Div. \$28.61. A \$500 annuity in 1939 by 12/31/65 bought only about \$225.00 in goods. With the cost of living 1939 @ 100, now about 228. Purchasing power of the \$ in '39 = 100. Now only about 43.

OFFICIAL ROSTER OF CLUBS IN ILLINOIS, IND., IOWA & KANSAS (March-April, 1966 High Twelvian)
ILLINOIS: Belleville; East St. Louis (Geo. Washington); Freeport, Mattoon, Moline, Oak Park, Paris, Quincy, Rockford, Rock Island, Springfield (Abe Lincoln) & Wood River. INDIANA: Columbus, Evansville, Evansville/Westside, Indianapolis, Lafayette, Logansport (Gass County), Seymour (Jackson County), Shelbyville & Terre Haute.

IOWA: Algona, Boone, Cedar Falls, Cedar Rapids, Clinton, Davenport, Des Moines, Dubuque, Fort Dodge, Fort Madison, Keokuk, Mason City, Oelwein, Sioux City (Founder's #1), Waterloo, Webster City (Glen E. Long). KANSAS: Clay Center, Kansas City, Kansas City (Huron), Laurence, Leavenworth, Manhattan, Shawnee Mission, Topeka, Wichita and Wichita/Keystone. (NOTE: Other states listed prior years & later yrs).

DIXIE WEST END (Louisville, Ky.) HTC charter issued 3/1/66. 16 members. C.R. Gregory, Pres. CHERRYLAND (Traverse City, Mich.) charter issued 1/8/66. SARASOTA (Fla.) HTC charter issued 3/1/66. 61 members. Pres. Leslie W. Sanders.

SEMINOLE (Florida) HTC charter issued 5/23/66. 19 members. Pres. John A. Nolan. Charter presented by State Association 1st V.P. Paul Elgland. Wm. F. Dee, President of Pinellas HTC was the organizaer, and was Installing Officer. Sec. J.R. Brady.

OROVILLE, Ca. HTC charter issued 5/28/66. 32 members. Pres. Richard L. Mark. NORTHEAST (St. Petersburg, Fla.) charter issued 5/8/66. 26 members; Pres. Geo. F. Haskell.

Harry Buckalew, PIP, by March, '66 had 39 years of perfect attendance. He was a charter member of Fresno HTC, 3/1/27. Had served as Club President, State President, and International President, 1936-37. Hobby is photography, especially flowers. Expansion Chairman Ernest Ford asked each club in International to appoint an Expansion Chairman to watch attendance, prospective members (and go after them), and to look for a location to organize a new club. Each State Association to have an Expansion Chairman appointed by the State President; and to be a member of the International Expansion Committee.

The Mexico (Mo.) HTC said it had too many worthwhile projects going to go dark during the summer. Examples - 1965 sent 14 children @ cost of \$176.00 to church camp schools. Helped children obtain glasses and eye surgery (Templar Eye Fund); had protruding teeth corrected for 13 year old girl @ cost of about \$700.00 over 2 or 3 years. Supported flower garden project at Masonic Home for \$150.00. All raised by free will contributions, ladies night dinners, fish fries, etc.

The Oakland (Calif.) HTC had a Christmas Party annually for 30 years at the Goodwill Industries, Oakland. "...Over the years besides your fellowship and encouragement, your equipment, dining tables, kitchen supplies, a motion picture projector, a pool table, recreation games and other useful items..." Goodwill Ind.

FORT DODGE HTC, the Shrine Club and the DeMolay Chapter collected \$443.00 for the Christmas Cheer Fund of the Salvation Army. This joint effort was the largest amount collected on any one day of the drive. An annual event.

TOLEDO OHIO HTC, "...largest in the nation, soon to pass the 300 mark," according to Everett Eakin. For the traditional Christmas Party, Dec. 23 for boys and girls of the Lucas County Miami Children's Center, 293 meals were served, including 100 to the young people from the Home, the greatest number of boys and girls the club had ever entertained."

STATE PRESIDENTS (as listed in the May, June, 1966 High Twelvian: CALIF: Herb Goddard, Calif; COLO: Clinton E. Elkins, Denver; FLORIDA Dr. Harold Pierce, Bradenton; ILLINOIS: Robt. F. Hernon, Oak Park; INDIANA: Floran W. Kennedy, LaFayette; IOWA: Dr. L. S. Trevarthen, Boone; KANSAS: Floyd F. Shields, Mission; KENTUCKY-ALABAMA: Hugh W. Cooper, Owensboro; LOUISIANA: Wm. A. Reeder, New Orleans; MICH: John E. Rowe, Livonia; MISSOURI: Paul Hobson, Kansas City; NEW JERSEY: Ed L. Natal, Cherry Hill; OHIO: Clarence Schiefer, Fremont; PENNSYLVANIA: Melvin "Teb" L. Ferol, Jr., Pottstown.

International Convention June 19-22, 1966 New Orleans. Conv. Ch. Louis A. Leggett. Convention dedicated to Founder E. C. Wolcott. Outgoing President Robert Clynch reported (summarization), "...I would recommend that continued emphasis be placed on the elected Board Members and State Association Presidents..." 2 - "...That Executive & Future Planning Committee meet on a quarterly basis...that developments can be reviewed and analyzed more efficiently and with greater dispatch..."

3 - "...Continued support for Masonic Youth Organizations, especially DeMolay., including a token contribution to the International Office of the Order of DeMolay each year in the amount of \$200.00, and that we continue our support of the Leadership Camps and the local DeMolay chapters..." 4 - "Establishment of an award to an outstanding Mason each year at the International Convention....criteria - Masonic activities and service to Community and Nation." 5 - "Continue support of Wolcott Foundation, and that emphasis be placed on giving of a 'Memorial....in the name of deceased brethren.'"

Expansion Chairman Ernest A. Ford said that a petition was to be presented to the Grand Lodge of Oregon at their Annual Communication. "...We hope this will clear the way for High Twelve to operate there...."

It was reported that the Grand Master of Kansas Masons, Wm.E.Montgomery was made an Honorary member of the Keystone HTC. More than 200 members and sojourners living in the Wichita area were present. Pres.G.R. "Barry" Stover contacted every Blue Lodge Secretary in Kansas for names and addresses of members living in or near Wichita. Letters of invitation were sent to these sojourners. The Grand Master welcomed the thought of speaking to sojourners living in Metropolitan Wichita.

Emil M.Jecman of St.Louis was a very popular Installing Officer. He made 2 installations in 1962, 5 in 1963, 2 in 1964, 5 in 1965 and 7 so far in 1966.

In FLORIDA STATE President Jonas M.Yoder's report to the Convention, he advised that as of 4/15/66 these 3 clubs had received charters: Pinellas Park, Sun City and Sarasota; and that applications had been received from Town House and Seminole. The State Expansion Charman was Warren Woode. As of 4/15/66 he reported there were 17 High Twelve Clubs in Florida, of which 11 were in Penellas County....total membership nearly 1,500 members.

Among the worthy projects of the Florida clubs included donations to the Masonic Home, Wolcott Fund, Retarded & Crippled Children organization, Bay Pines Veterans Hospital (plus 4,000 hours helping veterans) and Masonic Temple Building funds. 55 hospital gowns for folks at County Home of Largo; Donations to DeMolay to attend leadership camps. organized funeral teams to assist Masters of Lodges. They attended in a body....Blue Lodges, Churches and DeMolay Chapters.

During the Convention many Twelvians were privileged to witness their first investiture of the DeMolay Legion of Honor. J.Chris Nungesser, Grand Senior Councilor Order of DeMolay bestowed that honor on Outgoing President of HTI Robert F.Clynch and Alfred M.Barnes...in impressive ceremonies.

Outgoing President Robert F.Clynch said, "...last year High Twelve sponsored approximately 25% of the young men at the DeMolay Leadership Camps; and this year it appears that you have really opened up your hearts to our Masonic Youth and will sponsor nearly 50%...." "High Twelve is beginning to make great strides in being recognized throughout the country...."

"....I have travelled...from State of Washington to Florida, from Connecticut to California, and from Louisiana to Michigan....125,000 miles of travelling...." "High Twelve has been recognized by the following Bodies....Knights Masons of Ireland; Scottish Rite South Jurisdiction (at the meeting in Guthrie, Okla., where High Twelve was in a prominent spot in the receiving line); International Supreme Council of De Molay; official presentation of the Grand Lodge of the State of Louisiana...." He went on to say he had visited DeMolay Headquarters, Kansas City, Mo. and International Supreme Headquarters Order of Rainbow for Girls in McAlister, Oklahoma; as well as being presented at Alexandria, Va., Consistory at George Washington Memorial, Alexandria. He attended all but 4 State Conventions, and at these, he had officers attend. "This Administration has lived within its budget, and will turn over a small surplus to the new officers....."

At the 7:30AM breakfast, 6/21/66, John E.Row, was Chairman of the Workshops, acting as the "Pace Setter." Speaker, "Selling High Twelve Projects", "Duties and Responsibilities of the President and Officers", Robert F.Clynch,Pr; "Duties of State Officers & State Presidents", V.S.Malcolm, 1st VP; "Duties of Local Club Officers", Leonard B. Voorhees, 2nd VP; "Public Relations & Importance of High Twelvian Mag., E.P.White,Jr., 3rd VP; "Masonic Relations Between High Twelve, Blue Lodges and Collateral Bodies", Charles F.Burkin,PP; Wolcott Foundation and you as a High Twelvian", Arthur E. Buss, Chairman, Wolcott Found.Inc. 9AM - Q&A panel, Jack Rowe, Moderator. Members of Panel - Clynch, Malcolm, Voorhees, White, Roser; Conrad Sec.& Adm; A.E.Schifferman, Gen.Counsel; Art Buss.

Regarding the panel discussions, it was suggested that at future conventions, they be provided with the questions ahead of time, "so the empaneled officers could have more time to give superior answers." Frank W. McWhorter, Projects Committee Chairman said, "The most important project we have in High Twelve is to sell High Twelve. Sell them on all features of High Twelve, not just fellowship..." Sell the whole package."

Past Michigan State President T. Archer Brown, Chairman of the Manuals Committee recommended that the Manual be patterned after the California Manual. The Committee had been working on a re-write of the current out-dated manual. J. Carl Menke, both Auditor and Chairman of Public Relations said, "...we have a Public Relations Group of about 15,000. Let's all do our part to make this 25,000....members."

Greetings from Most Worshipful Peter Bernard, Jr., Grand Master of Louisiana Masons. Jonas M. Yoder, Florida State Association President commented, "Imagine how much more good could be accomplished if there were more auxiliaries." Retiring General Counsel Arthur E. Schifferman, "...Probably the most significant objective that I have been plugging for several years is the matter of having High Twelve International declared Federally Tax Except." "...It gives me pleasure to report to you that application for that status has finally been prepared and filed."

"....We need more joint meetings between local club," said Charles F. Burkin, PIP; "...and more visitations by the individual members." Administrator C. W. Conard, "...Every state should have three workshops per year..." "V. P. Leonard B. Voorhees, "...Our IMAGE is growing in stature and prestige." V. P. E. P. White, Jr. complimented the splendid relations between the International Officers and the Headquarters staff.

Newly elected President V. S. Malcolm said, "...I cannot over-emphasize the importance of establishing a close relationship between the individual clubs and their Zone Officers...."

Arthur E. Buss, Chairman of the Wolcott Foundation, Inc. recalled that the previous year in Kansas City, "...we observed that 2 students could not be called a program." "...during the past year, your project has really become a program of which you can be proud and truly reflect the image of High Twelve." "...Masonry in action". "We are pleased to report to you that since our Kansas City Meeting, we have had a total of 8 students enrolled in the School of Government, George Washington University..... 13 other applications received....of which 3 not academically qualified and 1 withdrew application...."

"...Up to the present time, your Trustees have been in the position of having money but few students. Now the trend has completely reversed. We have students but little money." "...fortunately the donations from you members have about doubled this past year over a five year average...."

The membership for 5/31/66 was reported 13,858, a drop of 44; 229 clubs (down 7). The Convention Sergeant-at-Arms was Russ Webb of Michigan.

Officers elected for 1966-67... President, Vinton S. Malcolm, Oakland, Ca; 1st V. P. Leonard B. Voorhees, Novelty, Ohio; 2nd V. P. E. P. White, Jr., Louisville, Ky; 3rd V. P. Howard M. Smith, Dunedien, Fla; Treas. Wm. S. Roser, Louisville, Ky; Immediate Past President Robert F. Clynch, Baton Rouge, La. General Counsel, James N. Robertson, PIP, Media, Pa; Sec. to Board, Robert F. Clynch. Editor High Twelvian, Max J. Reed, Louisville, Ky; Assoc. Ed. D. L. Paddock; Office Manager Mrs. Lillian George, St. Louis. Int. Chaplain Phil W. Barrett DD, San Jose, Calif.

(Zone #1)

ZONE OFFICERS: / Pres. Malcolm - Calif., Oregon, Wash., Nevada, Utah, Arizona, Montana, Wyoming, Colorado and New Mexico; Zone #2, 2nd V. P. Voorhees - Ohio, Mich., Wisc., West Va., Virginia & Minnesota; Zone #3, 3rd V. P. White - Ind., Ill., Iowa, South Dak., & Nebraska; Zone 4 - VP Smith - Florida, Ala., George, So. Car., N. Car., Zone #5, PIP Clynch - Louisiana, Mississippi, Ark., Okla. & Texas. Zone #6, Treas.

Roser - Kentucky, Missouri, Tennessee & Kansas; Zone 7, Gen. Coun. Robertson - Penna; New York, New Jersey & New Hampshire.

STANDING COMMITTEES: Const. & B.L - Thad Jones, Iowa; Expansion - Ernest Ford, Calif; Budget, Emil Jecman, Mo; Youth Activities, Walter Fullerton, Jr., Florida; Projects, Harold Brillhart, Calif; Masonic Activities, Theodore Meriam, Calif; Military Affairs, Thomas Garner, Calif; Public Relations, Darven L. Paddock, Calif; Other Committees: Resolutions, Eldred Wolford, Calif; Credential, Lewis Hoffman, Ohio; Necrology, Dr. Phil. Barrett, Calif; Nominations, Milt Pensien, Mich; Manuals, Don Mathewson, Calif; Office Equipment, Harry Pierson, Calif; Leadership, Rev. Brooks. Barker, Ill; Workshop, John E. Rowe, Mich; Parliamentarian, Monta Shirley, Ca; Long Range Planning, Howard Smith, Florida; Auditor, J. Carl Menke, Ill; Operations & Development, 1st V.P. Leonard B. Voorhees, Ohio;

SAN LEANDRO (Calif.) HTC sponsored 19 members of the San Leandro Chapter of De Molay on their trip during the summer to Kansas City, Mo. to visit the Mother Chapter. They visited with former President Harry S. Truman (and were photographed with him), and placed a wreath on the grave of DeMolay Founder Dad Frank S. Land. During their stay, they were escorted by the KCHTC, who also hosted them at their luncheon.

7/1/66 - MEDICARE PROGRAM STARTED FOR CITIZENS OVER 65 YEARS OF AGE.

Five Louisville, Ky. area clubs met jointly at Parkland Lodge Temple, and emphasized the purpose of High Twelve as being a friendly and productive association; Promotion of the Masonic effort, and a night out for the wives. MC'd by T. Vance Rose. Joe McClanahan, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky was present at the affair, one of the largest turnouts of members in local High Twelve history.

TULSA HTC in the Fall of 1966 presented a \$200.00 undergraduate scholarship award to a Tulsa Youth, Stevan Grant Williams, 18 at Phillips University, Enid, Okla. He was a Past Master Councilor of Highland Park DeMolay Chapter. John J. Coleman, Club Pres.

CRESCENTA-CANADA (Glendale, Cal.) HTC held its 6th Annual Award dinner for outstanding service to the Community, especially in the field of Youth Work to Mr. Robert Barrett. Good newspaper publicity always accompanied the presentation of this award. LODI HTC donated \$191.40 worth of basketball suits to the Lodi DeMolay Chapter.

President Vinton S. Malcom stated in the Sept.-Oct., 1966 High Twelvian that there were now 3 DeMolay Leadership Camps... Southeast, Midwest and West Coast. "...We must keep up this fine work, and.....sponsor many more boys for next year's camps. Let us not procrastinate...."

Between September 7 and October 9, President Vinton S. Malcolm and his wife travelled 6,400 miles, attended State Conventions in Colorado, Ohio and Kentucky-Alabama; and between conventions he visited local clubs in Kansas, Missouri, Illinois, Iowa, Ohio and Kentucky. Previously, he had visited California clubs.

YUCAIPA HTC chartered (Calif.) Sponsored by the Pasadena HTC. Charter presented by Calif. State President Herbert H. Goddard. State 2nd V.P. Louis Black was Installing Officer. Area VI V.P. George Robb was MC. Pres. Gary L. Miller; Sec. J. L. Souter. 21 members.

PESHAWAR HTC (Peshawar Air Station, Pakistan charter issued 10/15/66. 26 members. TSgt Robert C. Ritter, Jr., Pres. (NOTE: I'm very sorry, but I have no further information on this club. That's too bad, because this sounds real interesting. Previously, we had clubs as far away as Manila, P.I. and Rio De Janeiro, Mexico City, Newfoundland, Madrid, Spain, France, London, etc., but Pakistan was half way around the Globe from St. Louis, Mo. our International Headquarters. In the past we have been truly International. It is too bad we cannot seem to get established in more foreign countries at this time. DLP)

Mt.CLEMENS (Michigan) HTC member Robert F.Kujat was honored as outstanding Dad Advisor at the Michigan Conference of DeMolay. His daughter was chosen DeMolay Sweetheart. He was congratulated later at Traverse City by H.T.State Pres.Howard H. Jennings and Grand Master Robert A.Hockstad (a charter member and board member of Cherryland HTC.) (Fall of 1966)

The Glendale-Acacia HTC officers had just been installed by 1st State Executive V.P.Louis P.Black when State Immediate Past President Herbert H.Goddard approached the rostrum and said, "...One of the happiest moments of my term in office just a year ago was when I was handed a check for \$500.00 to present to the Wolcott Foundation. Tonight this same person gave me another check for \$500.00 for the Wolcott Foundation....again with the request his name be withheld. (NOTE: Donation was made by member Fred Fraley, now deceased. Fred believed in doing his good deeds here and now as he saw it, for as Fred put it, "Tomorrow may be too late." His widow, Mildred, is very active in the Glendale Twelvettes. DLP)

CLEVELAND (Ohio) Area High Twelve Clubs gave a party at the Masonic Temple 11/5/66 in honor of the new State President Roy O.Hinch. Worshipful Don Thompson was M.C. The idea was conceived by 3rd V.P. Ohio Association Homer Spence. He chaired the committee. Dr.Leonard B.Voorhees, 1st V.P. High Twelve International, represented International. Miss Prudence Ives, 1965 Wolcott scholar gave an enlightening a/c of her experience as a student at George Washington University.

BELLEVILLE (Ill.) HTC held a combined Masonic and Ladies Night 11/24/66. The State banner was presented to State President Wib Mager. Heads of all of the local bodies and auxiliaries were present. PSP Harry Boyd and others made presentations.

MID-YEAR Governing Board Meeting 12/3/66 (place ??) Chairman of Youth Committee Walter A.Fullerton said, "...High Twelve Clubs sponsored 100 boys to camps this past year, exceeding all other organizations; and that International President Vint Malcolm visited the Western Leadership Camp and was much impressed. The Advisors' Quarterly was mailed to about 30,000 Masons (Advisors), who now know something about High Twelve International..."

A picture of the new wall posters to hang near the Tiler's desk (if permitted) measured 9x12", blue and gold on heavy white stock, and shows the High Twelve International banner. Read..."Master Masons are welcome to Fellowship Lunchoens on..... at.....;High Twelve Club. At the bottom it read, High Twelve desires to unite Masonry in the happy bonds of a social hour. Come...Join the fellowship." "...an idea of Darven L.Paddock, Associate Editor of the High Twelvian and Chairman of Public Relations. 25 copies for 1.00)."

President Vinton Malcolm wanted to pass on to Twelvians everywhere the enthusiasm existing in Florida in regard to forming High Twelve Clubs. Approximately 7 clubs in formative stage, each with a very substantial membership...."A challenge to other State Associations..."

At a High Twelve Club meeting in Fort Dodge,Iowa during the winter, Pres. Dr.L.S. Trevarthen of the Iowa State Association asserted that it was important to prove to Masonry that the High Twelve movement could aid it. "...Once this is demonstrated, High Twelve International will grow in 50 states...."

MANSFIELD, OHIO charter night was 10/28/61. Int. 2nd V.P. E.P. White, Jr. presented the charter. Pres. Samuel T. Burrows. Sec.-Tr. P.C. Schnieder. Int. 1st V.P. Leonard B. Voorhees spoke on "Our American Heritage.". 30 members on charter.

At the Mid-Year meeting, St Louis, Sheraton-Jefferson Hotel, Founder E.C. Wolcott attended for the first time in several years. Mrs. Wolcott had passed away Sept. 2, 1966. They lacked one month of having been married 64 years. It was inspiring to hear Wallie refer to his wife as "sweetheart". He expressed gratitude for his pension, which enabled him to give his lady the loving care he wanted her to have.

A special committee was formed to establish a double entry bookkeeping system in the International Office and to work on tax status. Chairman Ed Natal, New Jersey; Assistant Chairman Louis Black, Calif; Asst. Chairman Howard Richardson, Mich. The Governing Board worked on a format for the State Associations and guide lines for changes in the State Constitution & By-Laws; agreed to devote more time to work shops at International Convention, with more membership participation. Recommended change name of the Military Affairs Committee to International Club Affairs.

It was decided to rewrite the Manual for local clubs, using California's manual as a guide, and to include International Constitution & By-Laws, together with the Installation Ceremony; also Induction Ceremony for installation of new officers.

It was agreed to eliminate the position of Administrator, and to change the title of Administrator to Office Manager wherever so shown in Constitution & By-Laws. (The necessity for economy in management of headquarters was recognized. In effect, since 1967 the old position of office secretary has been upgraded to Office Manager, and there was no Administrator in the sense Vorhes or Conard were, and certainly no one with the authority and responsibility that E.C. Wolcott held as Executive Director has since been on the payroll. There have been no paid "organizers" under any title since Wolcott and Vorhes and to an extent Conard performed...less and less as time went on. Club formation was performed by the clubs themselves, aided and abetted by Area, State and International Expansion Committees, International Zone Officers, State and International Officers...and the results often reflected the amount of thought, time and drive the State and International Presidents devoted to the subject of expansion, retention and membership drives and/or contests. This was often a great problem inasmuch as the Presidents not only had their own businesses or professions to handle, but rode...herd on many other committees, projects and visitations to State Conventions, conferences, meetings and charter parties. There is no doubt that this is the weak link in the operation and future well being of High Twelve, Extension. Who are these Brothers who can and will spearhead this vital drive at all levels? Without them we will die as an organization, for so many clubs are lost every year.....so many members pass away, move away, feel they can no longer afford to belong, or whom we no longer seem to be able to reach. There just has to be a much greater and broader effort expended toward expansion, retention and membership drives/contests. DLP)

The Mid-Year Governing Board established an Executive Committee, as part of the By-Laws, to consist of the International President, 1st, 2nd, 3rd V.P. and Int. Treasurer. All actions taken were subject to ratification of the Governing Board, next reg. meeting.

The Jan-Feb., 1967 High Twelvian referred to an article on the HOUR, official publication of the California Association. Editor Darven L. Paddock commented that a great deal of space was devoted to articles about the club bulletins. Each issue contained information about the clubs, but one issue attempted to have 6 to 10 lines about every club in the State Association. The current issues were cold-type offset to save money. The Editor of the High Twelvian commented, "...A good publication like the HOUR will contribute much to the growth of High Twelve Clubs within a state. It is almost a must to help maintain good communications throughout a state or area."